

# Boolean expressions

## Conditionals

Learning to test functions

# Relational operators

- ▶ Remember: = is the Python assignment operator
  - ▶ It is a command to evaluate the right-hand side and make the variable on the left refer to that result
  - ▶ In math (not Python!), = is a claim that two expressions are equal
- ▶ == is the Python operator that tests for equality
  - ▶ Other relational operators: > >= < <= != (the last one means “not equal”)
  - ▶ They return bool (Boolean) values

→ True or False

# Concept Test

What is the output of the following code?

```
a = 3  
b = (a != 3)  
print(b)
```

 Boolean expression

$b = (3 \neq 3)$

$b = \text{False}$

- ▶ A. True
- ▶ **B. False**
- ▶ C. 3
- ▶ D. Syntax error

# Functions returning Boolean values

Write a function that returns True if x is an integer otherwise returns False

*Refer to code written in lecture*





# Logical operators

- ▶ The logical operators take one (not) or two (and, or) bools and return a bool
- ▶ An expression involving not produces True if the original value is False, and False if the original value is True
- ▶ And produces True exactly when both of its operands are True
- ▶ or produces True exactly when at least one of its operands is True

not , and , or

not True → False

not False → True

In Python

0 → False, every other number is True

"" → Empty String is False  
every other string True

[] → Empty List is False

() → Empty Tuple False

True and True  $\rightarrow$  True

True and False  $\rightarrow$  False

False and True  $\rightarrow$  False

False and False  $\rightarrow$  False

$x \geq 5$   
 $(x < 10)$  and  $(x == 5)$   
Boolean expr. Boolean exp

True

False

True

False

OR

OR

OR

OR

True  $\rightarrow$  True

True  $\rightarrow$  True

False  $\rightarrow$  True

False  $\rightarrow$  False

## Precedence

( )

Highest

\*\*

Unary negation, e.g. -x

-

\*

/

%

+

-

>

<

==

not

and

or

=

Lowest

It's not worth remembering all these %+/\* things!

I'd go with parentheses over precedence

# Python Operators

(not a) and c

## Caution Level

set equal to

=

divide

/

remainder

%

power

\*\*

is equal to

==

as usual

\*

+

>

<

-

( )



# Concept Test

What is the value of the expression at the bottom of the code?  
(Remember that not has the highest precedence, then and, then or.)

```
a = True
```

```
b = False
```

```
c = True
```

```
((not a) and b) or c
```

*False and False*

▶ A True

▶ B. False

# More functions returning Boolean

For each of the following write a function that takes one parameter `x`, and returns `true` if the following condition is `True`, otherwise returns `false`

- ▶ A. `x` is an integer and its value is negative
- ▶ B. `x` is an odd integer (don't make assumptions about the value of `x`)

How would you modify the above code so that the function additionally prints a message when `x` is odd (instead of returning `true`)?

# If and If Else

```
if <condition>:  
    <sequence of statements>
```

If the condition evaluates to True, execute sequence of statements, otherwise jump to end of if block

```
if <condition>:  
    <sequence of statements-1>  
else:  
    <sequence-of-statements2>
```

If the condition evaluates to True, execute code inside if block, otherwise execute code in the else block

# Concept Test

What is the  
value of  $x$   
after this code  
executes?

```
x = 5
if x > 2:
    x = -3
    x = 1
else:
    x = 3
    x = 2
```

- ▶ A. -3
- ▶ B. 1
- ▶ C. 2
- ▶ D. 3
- ▶ E. 5



# Fizzbuzz

- Write a program for the game fizzbuzz
- Your program should take an input  $n$
- If  $n$  is a multiple of 3, print Fizz
- If  $n$  is a multiple of 5, print Buzz
- If  $n$  is a multiple of both 3 and 5, print FizzBuzz
- If  $n$  is not a multiple of 3 or 5, print  $n$

*Please refer to code written in  
lecture*