

UNC TECHNOLOGY, ETHICS & CULTURE IN STOCKHOLM

COMP 380
Technology,
Ethics, & Culture

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Info Session at 5pm
on Wednesday, Jan 29
in Fred Brooks (FB) 009

- No prerequisites
- Any major can participate!
- Fulfills the following requirements:
 - Ethical and Civic Values
 - Focus Capacity (FC-Values)
 - High Impact Experience





CL07 - Conditional Control Flow

If-then-else / *Conditional* Statements

Code that behaves conditionally based on input values

```
4 def weather_info(temperature: int) -> str:  
5     """Function to make sense of the weather."""  
6     if temperature < 65:  
7         return "Don't forget a jacket!"  
8     else:  
9         return "What a nice temperature!"
```

Remember: as soon as we execute a return statement, we exit the function body and send the return value (RV) to the return address (RA)

Predict what the following function calls will evaluate to:

1. `weather_info(temperature=10)`
2. `weather_info(temperature=65)`
3. `weather_info(temperature=93)`

Control flow is *linear*

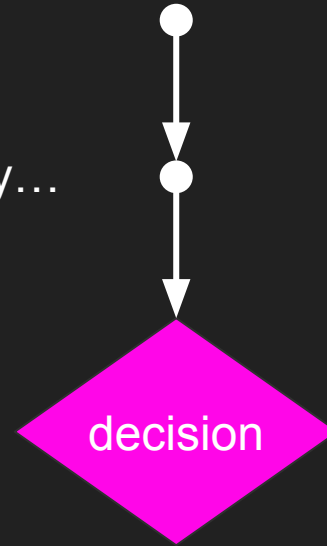
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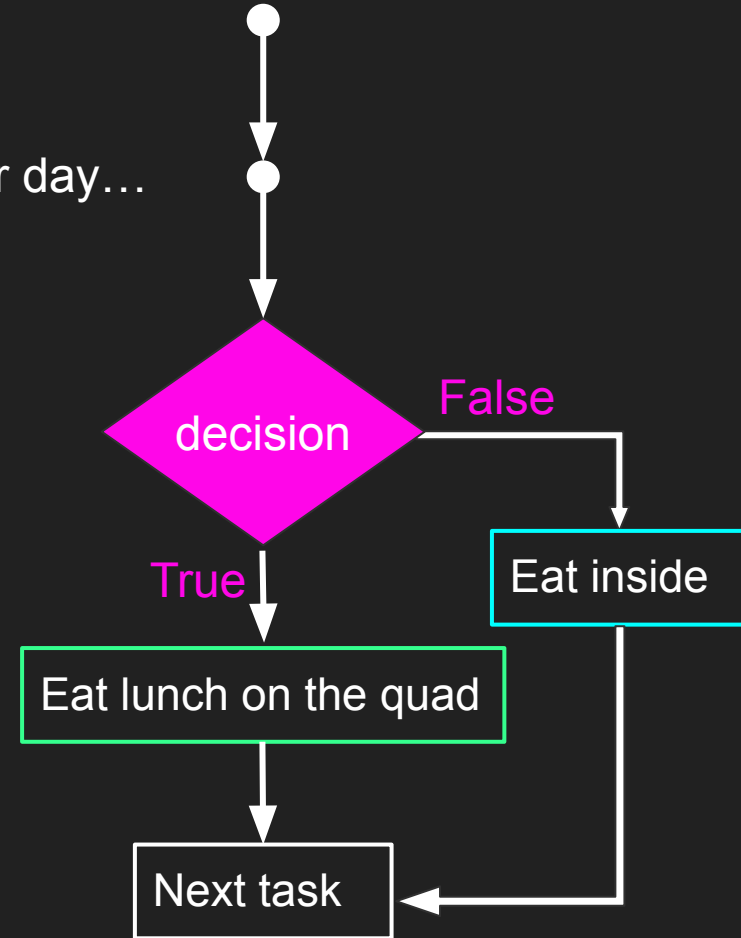
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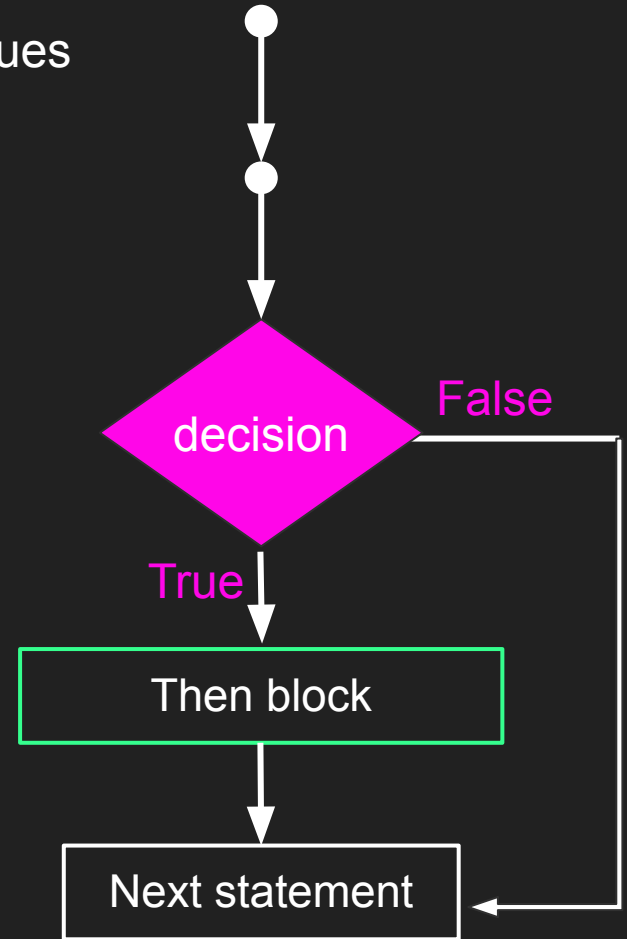
If-then / *Conditional* Statements

Code that behaves conditionally based on input values

```
if <condition>: ← bool  
    <then, execute these statements>
```

<rest of program>

```
def weather_info(temperature: int) -> None:  
    """Function to make sense of the weather."""  
    if temperature < 65:  
        print("Don't forget a jacket!")  
    print("Moving on...")
```



If-then-else / *Conditional* Statements

Code that behaves conditionally based on input values

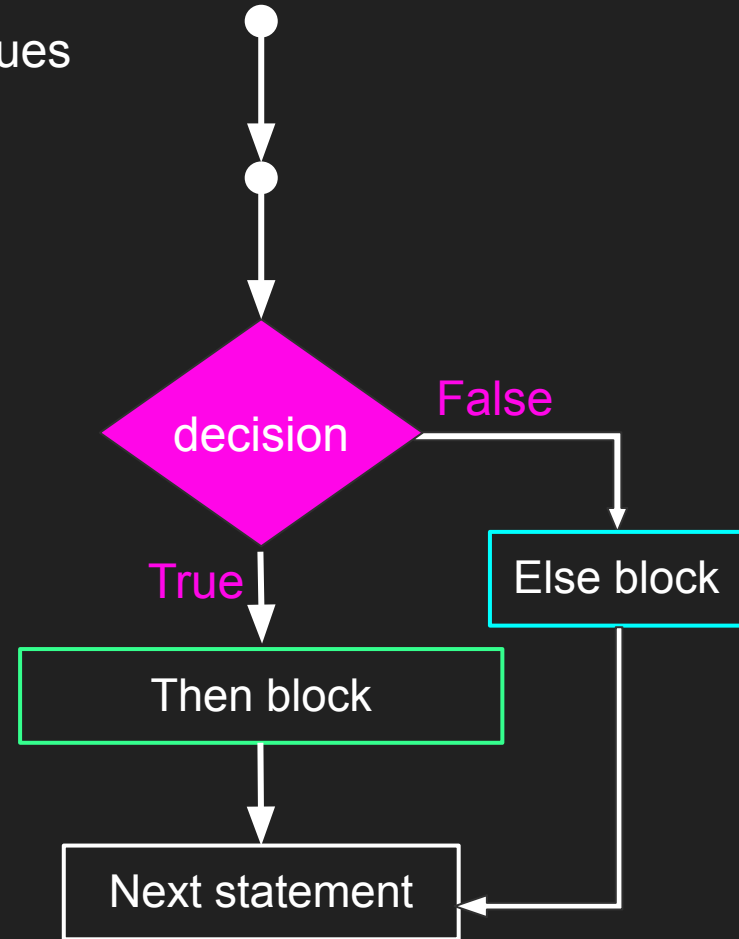
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<then, execute these statements>

else:

<execute these other statements>

<rest of program>



If-then-else / *Conditional* Statements

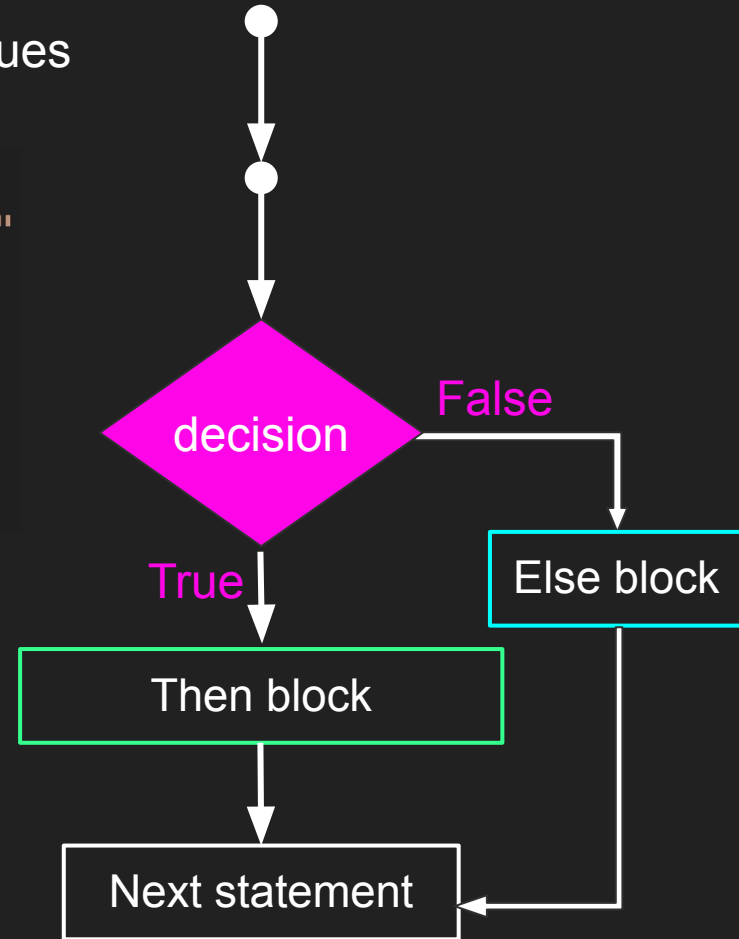
Code that behaves conditionally based on input values

```
4 def weather_info(temperature: int) -> None:
5     """Function to make sense of the weather."""
6     if temperature < 65:
7         print("Don't forget a jacket!")
8     else:
9         print("That's a comfortable temp!")
10    print("Moving on...")
```

Determine which lines would execute as a result of this function call: `weather_info(temperature=63)`

And this one:

`weather_info(temperature=75)`

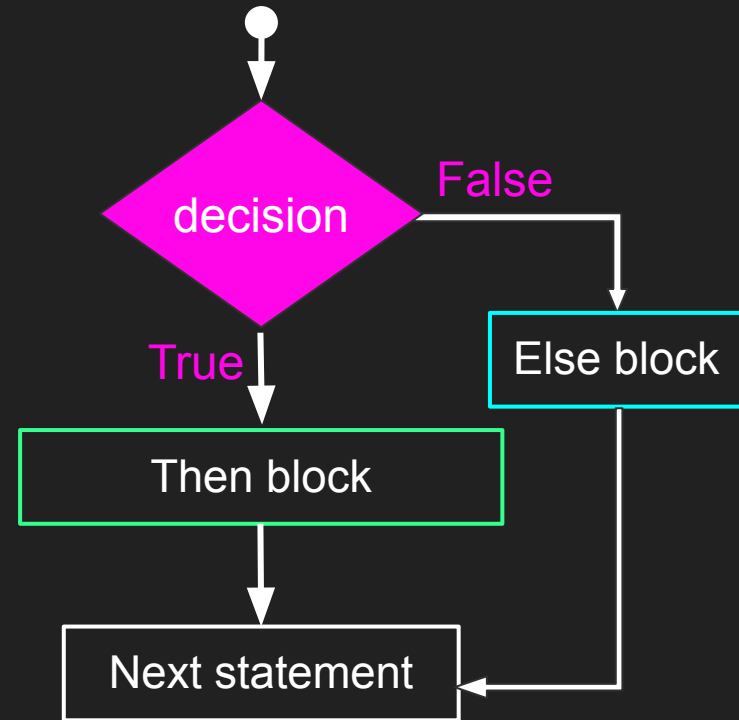


General syntax and semantics

Semantics:

1. When evaluation reaches an **if statement**, the **boolean test expression** is evaluated.
2. If the expression evaluates to **True**, control continues into the **then statement block**. If the then statement block completes without a return, control continues by moving on to the next statement after the if statement.
3. Otherwise, if the test expression evaluates to **False**, control *jumps over the then block* and continues to the next line, whether it is an **else statement block** (if there is one) or the next statement in the program.

```
if <condition>:  
    <then block>  
else:  
    <else block>  
<rest of program>
```



```
1 """Examples of conditionals."""
2
3
4 def number_report(x: int) -> None:
5     """Print some numerical properties of x"""
6     if x % 2 == 0:
7         print("Even")
8     else:
9         print("Odd")
10
11     if x % 3 == 0:
12         print("Divisible by 3")
13
14     if x == 0:
15         print("Zero")
16     else:
17         if x > 0:
18             print("Positive")
19         else:
20             print("Negative")
21
22     print("x is " + str(x))
23
24
25 number_report(x=110)
```

```
1  """Calling to and fro..."""
2
3
4  def ping(i: int) -> int:
5      print("ping: " + str(i))
6      if i <= 0:
7          return i
8      else:
9          return pong(i=i - 1)
10
11
12 def pong(i: int) -> int:
13     print("pong: " + str(i))
14     return ping(i=i - 1)
15
16
17 print(ping(i=2))
```

```
1  """Mysterious 'rev' from source (src) to destination (dest)!"""
2
3
4  def rev(src: str, i: int, dest: str) -> str:
5      """You happen upon a magical lil function..."""
6      if i >= len(src):
7          return dest
8      else:
9          return rev(src=src, i=i + 1, dest=src[i] + dest)
10
11
12 print(rev(src="lwo", i=0, dest=""))
```

Practice

Write a function called `check_first_letter` that takes as input two `strs`: `word` and `letter`

It should return `"match!"` if the first character of `word` is `letter`

Otherwise, it should return `"no match!"`

Examples:

- `check_first_letter(word="happy", letter="h")` would return `"match!"`
- `check_first_letter(word="happy", letter="s")` would return `"no match!"`