CS 160 CS Orientation

Input/Output, Conditionals, and Loops



Relational Operators and Symbols

- >
- >=
- <
- <=
- ==
- !=

Logical Operators and Symbols

- not
- and
- or



Python Examples

- not True or False
- 3 > 2 + 4
- True and True or True and False
- ((True and True) or True) and False
- not 3 < 2 and True or False

Python Decision Logic: Print 1, 3, 5, or 7 stars Differences/Similarities in these? x=int(input("Print 1, 3, 5, 7 stars?"));

if(x==1):
 print(" * ")
if(x==3):
 print(" *** ")
if(x==5):
 print(" *****")
if(x==7):
 print("******")

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 print(" * ")
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 print(" *****")
elif(x==7):
 print("******")

Python Decision Logic: Print 1, 3, 5, or 7 (for any other #) stars Differences/Similarities in these? x=int(input("Print 1, 3, 5, 7 stars?"));

if(x==1):
 print(" * ")
if(x==3):
 print(" *** ")
if(x==5):
 print(" *****")
else:
 print("******")

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else:
 print("******")

Exercise

 Write an algorithm that will tell a user whether they have entered a valid triangle using the triangle inequality property (any sum of 2 sides cannot be less than the third side).



Loop Logic Structure

Algorithm	Flowchart	Pseudocode
: 5. Loop Instruction Instruction Instruction	Loop Instruction	: Loop Instruction Instruction Instruction
Until <logical expression=""></logical>	Instruction	Until <logical expression=""></logical>
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Python Loop Logic

for x in range(7):
 print("*", end="")

OR



Exercise

• How about if we alter this to allow a user to do this for any number of triangles?



Strings

- Create a string my_string="hello";
- Access a character

my_string[0] #gives you first character

• Length

len(my_string)



Exercise

 Write an algorithm to determine if input is bad without using exceptions, i.e. it would work in any language!!! ^(C)



Functions

- May need to import a library
- Use the function from library/object
- Example:

import math
math.sqrt(4)



In-class Exercise #4

Design a Python program that takes a **positive whole number** *n* as input and **outputs the square root of n** using the Babylonian algorithm. The Babylonian algorithm computes the square root of a positive number, *n*, as follows:

- 1. Make a guess at the answer (you can pick n/2 as your initial guess).
- 2. Compute r = n / guess
- 3. Set guess = (guess + r) / 2
- 4. Go back to step 2 for as many iterations as necessary. The more steps 2 and 3 are repeated, the closer guess will become to the square root of n.
- 5. Compare your calculated square root with the math.sqrt() result.

