

Decisions and Loops

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```

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```

```
>>> dna = 'atcgatc'
```

```
>>> dir(dna)  shows all "methods" for use with strings
```

Methods are functions built into each type of variable. "dot notation"

```
>>> dna.count('atc')
```

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```

```
>>> help(str)  shows all commands for use with strings
```

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Goal:
**calculate melting
temperature of a
given DNA sequence**

Open the dnacalc1.py file

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

DNASeq = "ATGTCTCATTCAAAGCA"

# gather user input for sequence
# this overrides the definition of DNASeq above
# DNASeq = raw_input("Enter a sequence: ")
DNASeq = DNASeq.upper() # convert to uppercase for .count() function
DNASeq = DNASeq.replace(" ", "") # remove spaces

print 'Sequence:', DNASeq

# below are nested functions: first find the length, then make it float

SeqLength = float(len(DNASeq))

print "Sequence Length:", SeqLength

NumberA = DNASeq.count('A')
NumberC = DNASeq.count('C')
NumberG = DNASeq.count('G')
NumberT = DNASeq.count('T')

# Old way to output the Numbers
# print "A:", NumberA/SeqLength
# print "C:", NumberC/SeqLength
# print "G:", NumberG/SeqLength
# print "T:", NumberT/SeqLength

# Calculate percentage and output to 1 decimal
print "A: %.1f" % (100 * NumberA / SeqLength)
print "C: %.1f" % (100 * NumberC / SeqLength)
print "G: %.1f" % (100 * NumberG / SeqLength)
print "T: %.1f" % (100 * NumberT / SeqLength)

# End of Chapter 8
```

(...)

Calculating primer melting points with different formulas by length

TotalStrong = NumberG + NumberC

TotalWeak = NumberA + NumberT

if SeqLength >= 14:

#formula for sequences > 14 nucleotides long

MeltTempLong = 64.9 + 41 * (TotalStrong - 16.4) / SeqLength

print "Tm Long (>14): %.1f C" % (MeltTempLong)

else:

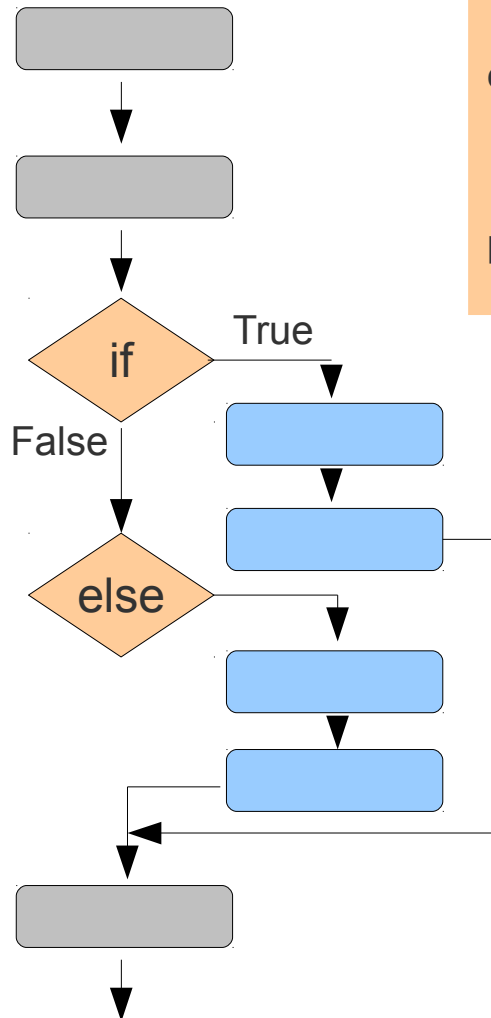
#formula for sequences less than 14 nucleotides long

MeltTemp = (4 * TotalStrong) + (2 * TotalWeak)

print "Tm Short: %.1f C" % (MeltTemp)

print "End."

'if-else' statement



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```

indentation

Nothing special at the end,
just end of the indentation

Indentation is a requirement in Python.

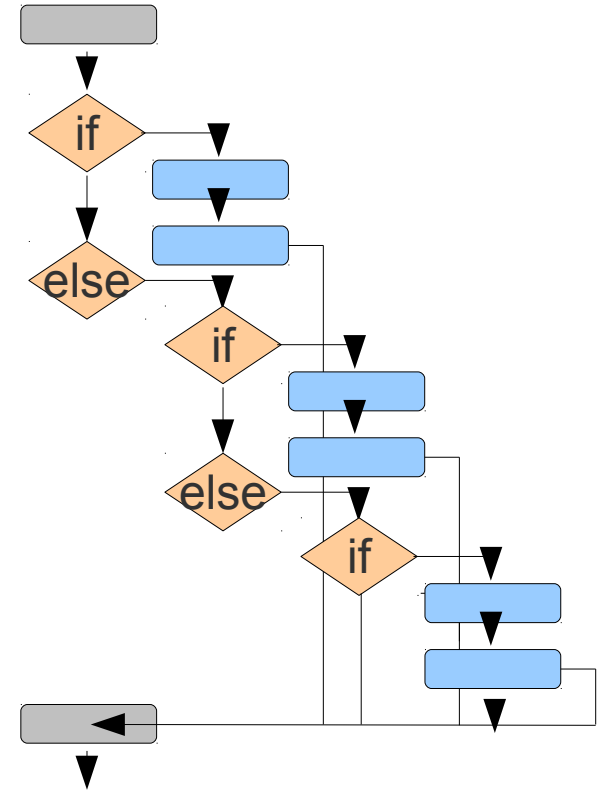
Either spaces (always same number, typically four) or tab.

	Operators	Is true if...
Comparison operators	$X == y$	X is equal to y
	$X != y$	X is not equal to y
	$X > y$	X is greater than y
	$X >= y$	X is greater than or equal to y
Logical operators	A and B	Both A and B are true
	A or B	Either A or B are true
	not B	B is false (inverts the value of B)
	(not A) or B	A is false or B is true
	not (A or B)	A and B are both false

Be careful not to put a single = sign in an "if" statement

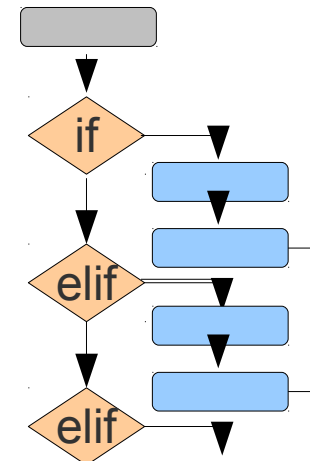
Many indentations when there are 3 cases

```
If X == 1:  
    Value = "one"  
else:  
    if X == 2:  
        Value="two"  
    else:  
        if X == 3:  
            Value="three"
```



Better = use elif

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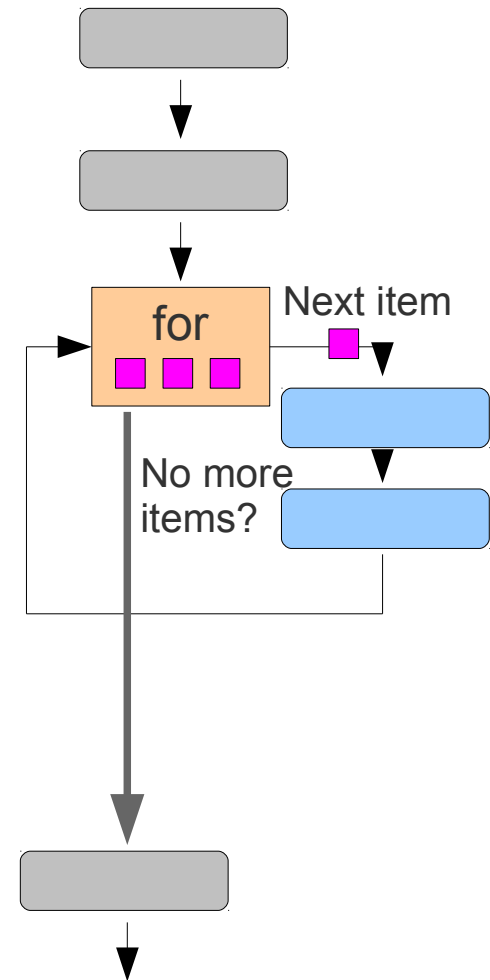
Goal: calculate molecular weight of a given protein sequence

We will use the for loop

We will use a list

```
MyCollection= [1,2,3,4,5]  
MyCollection=['A','T','G','C','T']  
MyCollection=list('ATGCT')
```

In Python, the for loop can operate directly on each character of a string without conversion to a list.



Write a new script entitled proteincalcTEST.py

```
#!/usr/bin/env python  
  
ProteinSeq="FDILSATFTYGNR"  
  
for Aa in ProteinSeq:  
    print Aa  
    print '-'
```

What does it do?

We will generate a dictionary with each amino acid's single letter code and its corresponding molecular weight.

```
MyDictionary = {key1:value1, key2:value2}
```

```
MyDictionary = {'A':89,09, 'R':174,20, 'N':....}
```

```
MyDictionary = {  
'A':89.09,  
'R':174.20,  
'N':  
(...)  
'X':0,  
'-':0,  
'*':0 }
```

(1) use the aminoacid.html file that can be found on the web (also in your example folder).

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```
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<tr><td>Unknown</td><td>Xaa</td><td>X</td><td>0.0</td></tr>
<tr><td>Gap</td><td>Gap</td><td>-</td><td>0.0</td></tr>
<tr><td>Stop</td><td>End</td><td>*</td><td>0.0</td></tr>
```

(3) use regular expressions to change this text into:

HINT: use `[\d\.]+`

The beginning of your query should be:

`.+(.)`

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'A':89.09,
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Search for:

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Replace by:

`'$1':$2,`

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(4) copy and paste in your script file

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

ProteinSeq="FDILSATFTYGNR"

AminoDict={
'A':89.09,
'R':174.20,
'N':132.12,
(...)
'-':0.0,
'*':0.0}

for Aa in ProteinSeq:
    print Aa, AminoDict[Aa]

MolWeight = 0
for Aa in ProteinSeq:
    MolWeight = MolWeight + AminoDict[Aa]
Print "Molecular Weight: %.1f" % (MolWeight)
```

Improvements

Use the `.get()` function so that unknown characters are taken into account

`AminoDict.get('A')` is equivalent to `AminoDict['A']`
Here use `AminoDict.get(Aa,0.0)`

The `.keys()` and `.values()` functions might be useful as well.

`print AminoDict.values()` return them in an unpredictable order
use `sorted(AminoDict.values())` for the alphabetical order

Check the `compositioncalc1.py` file

What does it do?


```
#!/usr/bin/env python
DNASeq = "ATGTCTCATTCAAAGCA"
SeqLength = float(len(DNASeq))

BaseList = list(set(DNASeq))
for Base in BaseList:
    Percent = 100 * DNASeq.count(Base) / SeqLength
    print "%s: %4.1f" % (Base,Percent)
```