

[220 / 319] Conditionals

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Readings:

Parts of Chapter 5 of Think Python

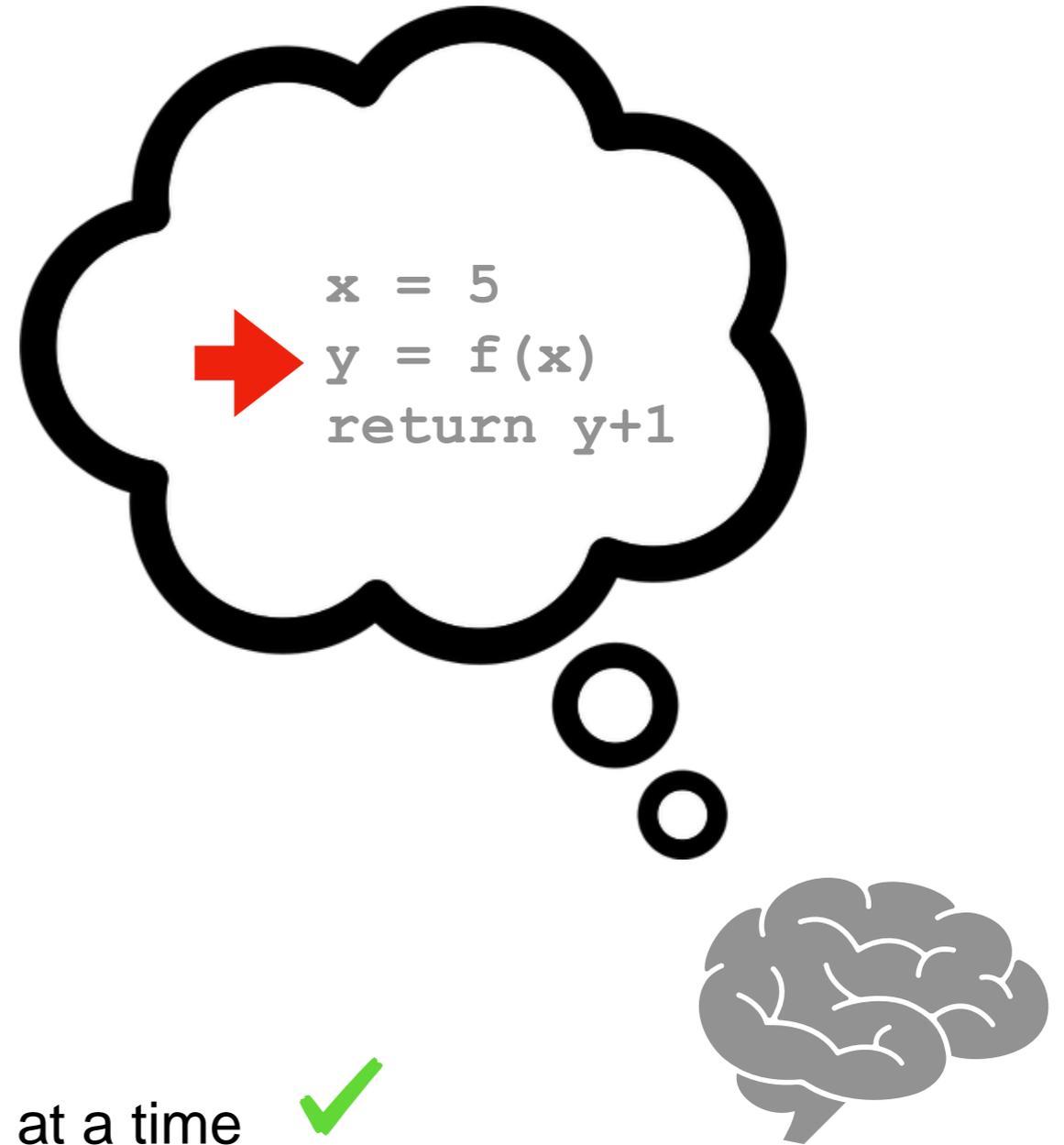
Chapter 5.5 to 5.8 of Python for Everybody

Due: Quiz2

Mental Model of Control Flow

Code:

```
...  
x = 5  
y = f(x)  
return y+1  
...
```



three exceptions

1. do statements in order, one at a time ✓
2. **functions**: jump in and out of these ✓
3. **conditionals**: sometimes skip statements ← **TODAY**
4. **loops**: sometimes go back to previous

Learning Objectives Today

Write conditional statements

- Conditional execution (if)
- Alternate execution (else)
- Chained conditionals (elif)

Chapter 5 of Think Python
(skip "Recursion" sections)

Do PythonTutor Practice!
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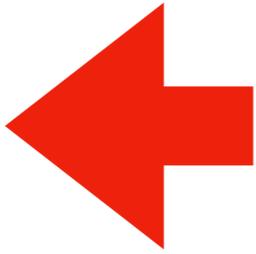
Determine the output of conditional statements

Identify nested code blocks

- Count the number of blocks in a segment of code

Today's Outline

Review



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Review 1: Indentation Example

what does it print?

```
print("A")  
print("B")
```

```
def print_letters():  
    print("C")  
    print("D")
```

```
print("E")  
print("F")
```

```
print_letters()
```

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```
print("E")  
print("F")
```

printed last because
print_letters is called last

```
print_letters()
```

A
B
E
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C
D

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```
print_letters()
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E
F
C
D

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    print("D")
```

indented, so "inside"
print_letters function

blank lines are irrelevant

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print("E")  
print("F")
```

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print_letters()
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We use **indenting** to tell Python which code is **inside** or **outside** of a function (or other things we'll learn about soon).

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we'll often call the lines
of code **inside** something
a "**block**" of code

```
print("E")  
print("F")
```

```
print_letters()
```

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```

horizontal spaces
identify blocks
(not vertical space)

A
B
E
F
C
D

Review 2: Argument Passing

```
def h(x=1, y=2):  
    print(x, y)    # what is printed?
```

```
def g(x, y):  
    print(x, y)    # what is printed?  
    h(y)
```

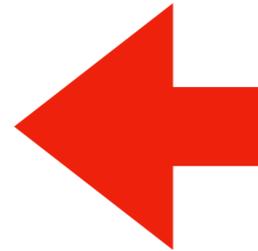
```
def f(x, y):  
    print(x, y)    # what is printed?  
    g(x=x, y=y+1)
```

```
x = 10  
y = 20  
f(y, x)
```

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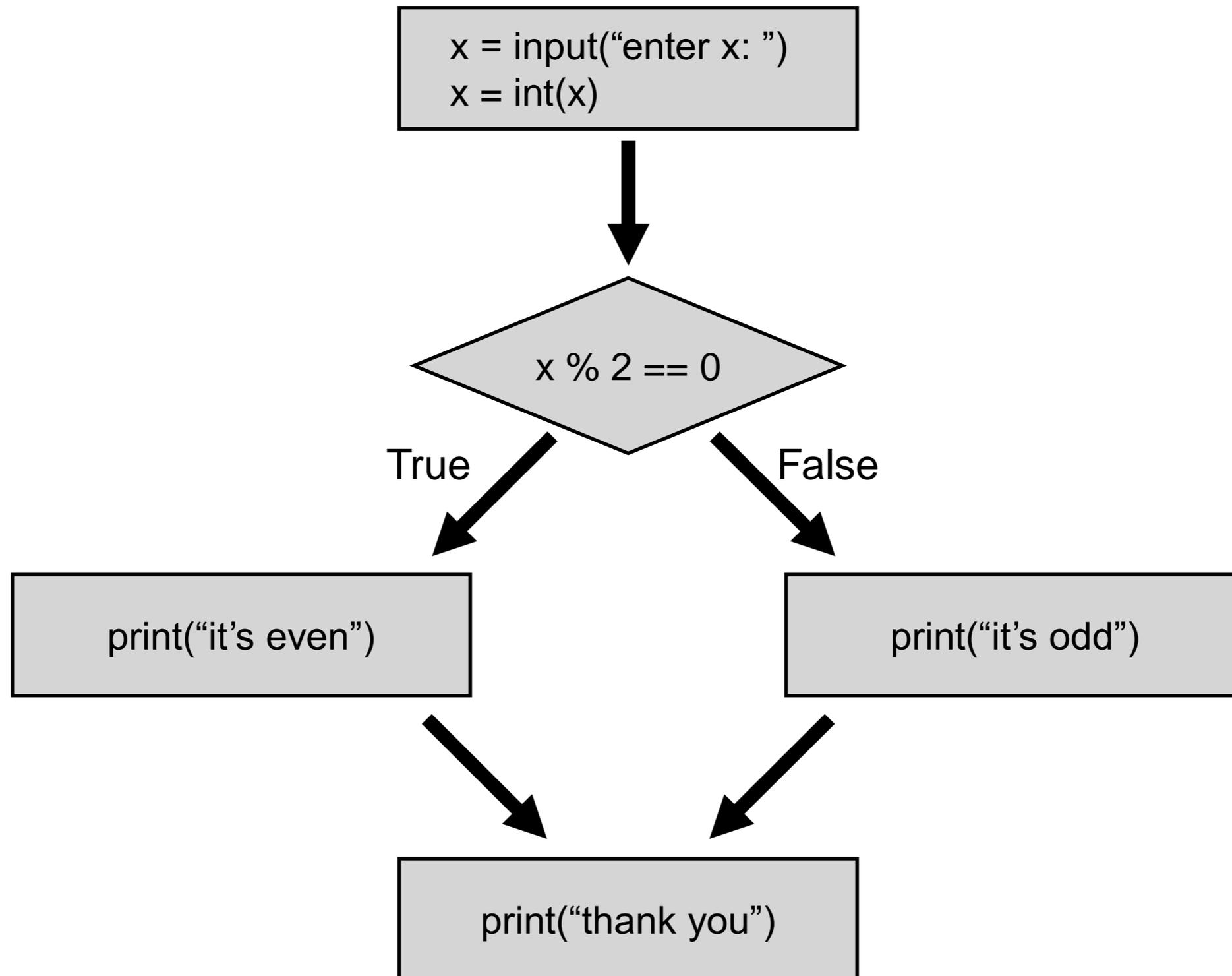


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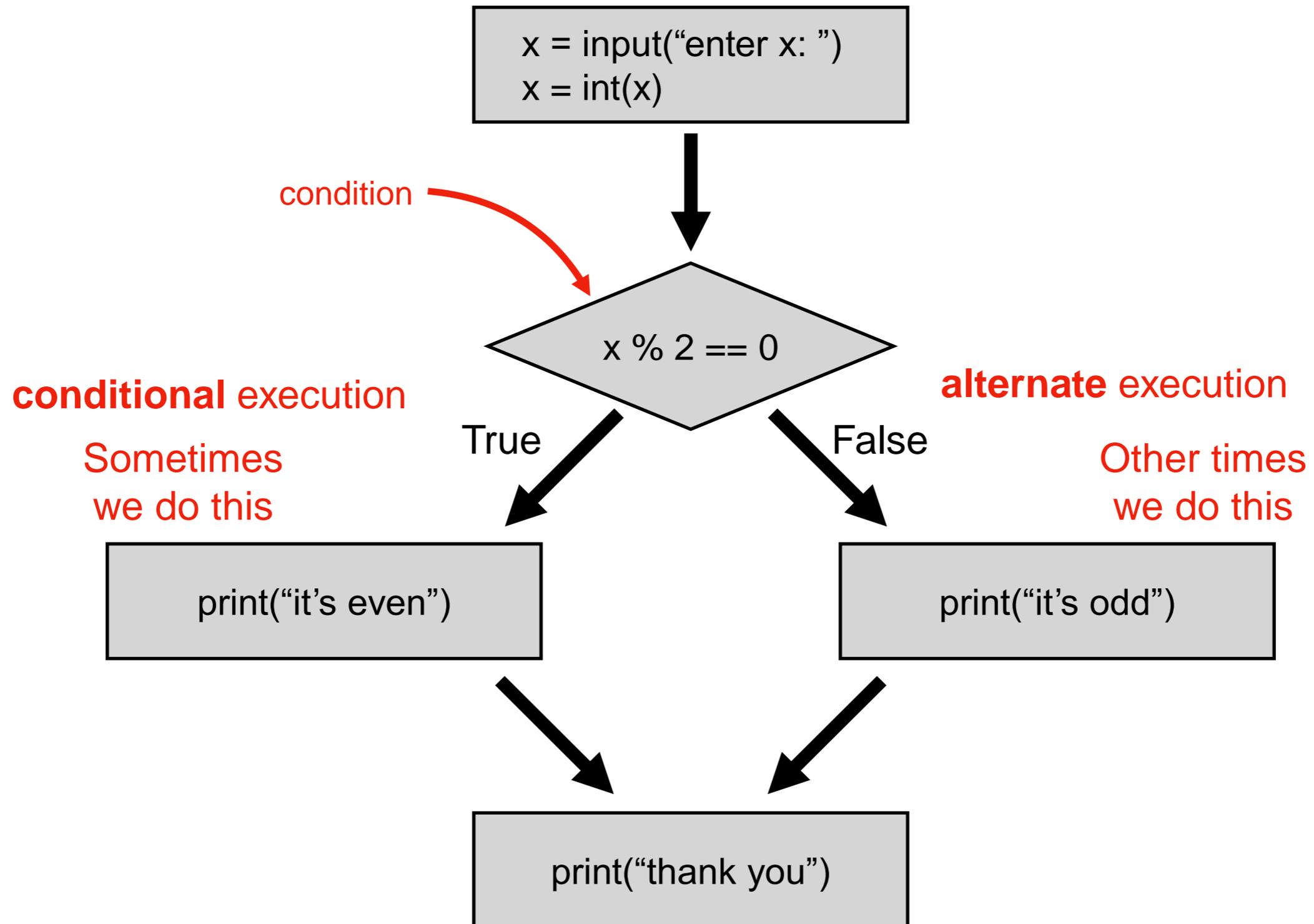
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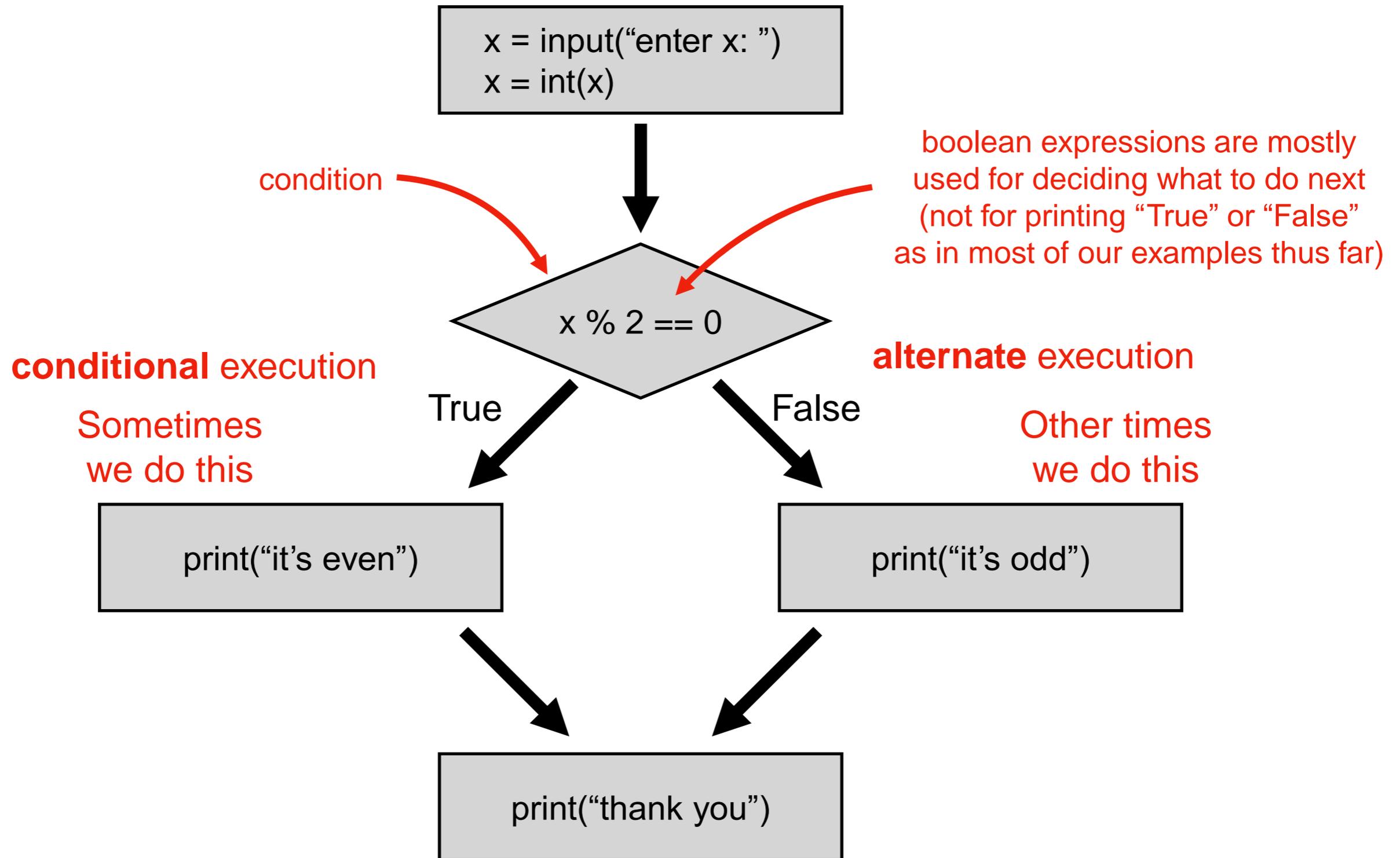
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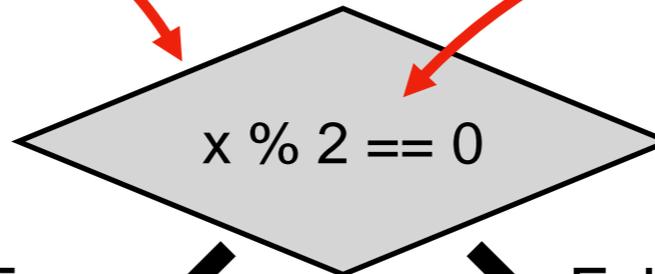
Control Flow Diagrams (Flowcharts for Code)

conditional

```
x = input("enter x: ")  
x = int(x)
```

condition

boolean expressions are mostly used for deciding what to do next (not for printing "True" or "False" as in most of our examples thus far)



conditional execution

Sometimes we do this

```
print("it's even")
```

alternate execution

Other times we do this

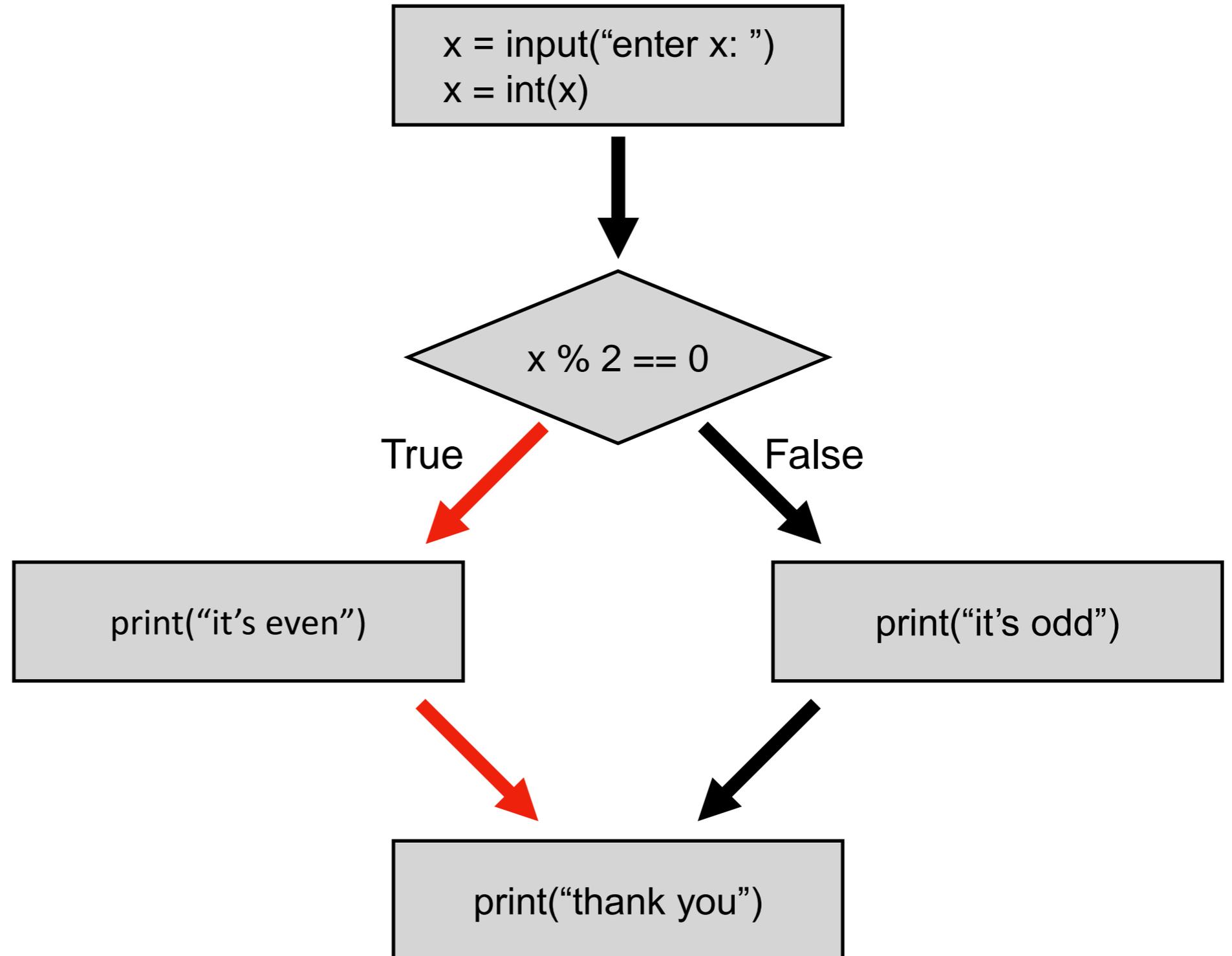
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print("it's odd")
```

```
print("thank you")
```

Branches (aka "Paths of Execution")

Input/Output:

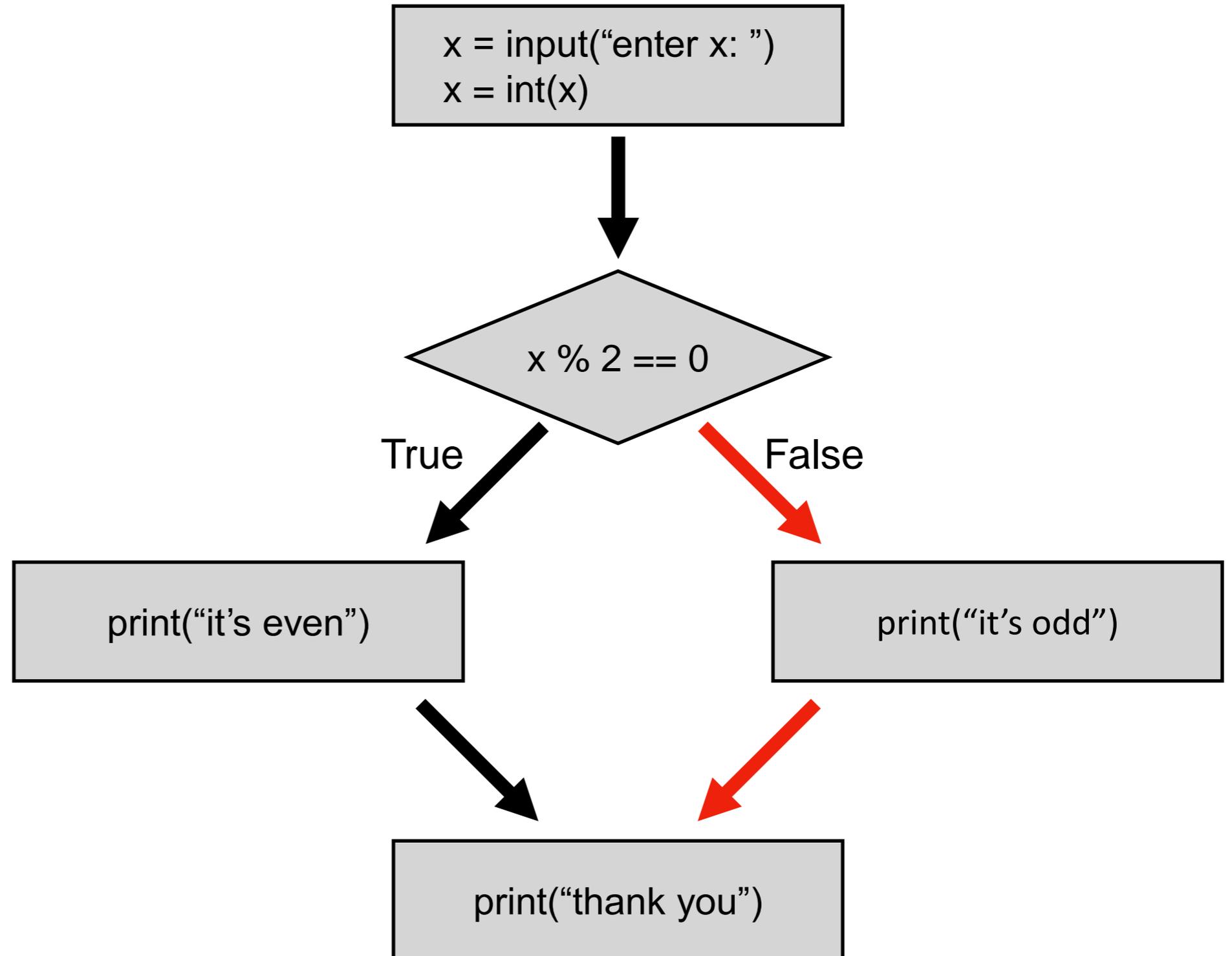
```
enter x: 8  
it's even  
thank you
```



Branches (aka "Paths of Execution")

Input/Output:

```
enter x: 7  
it's odd  
thank you
```

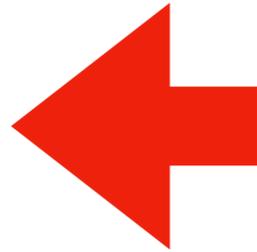


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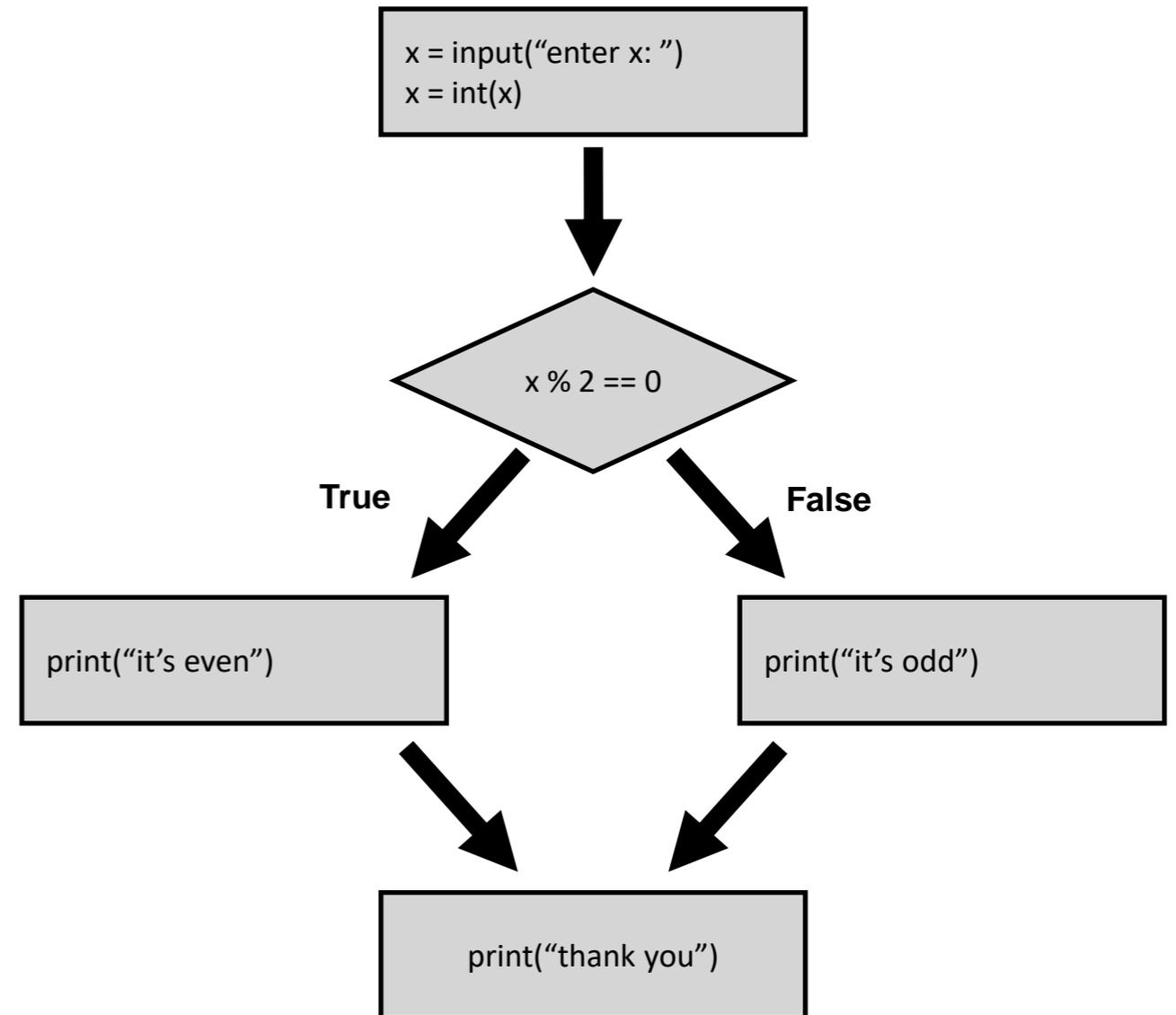


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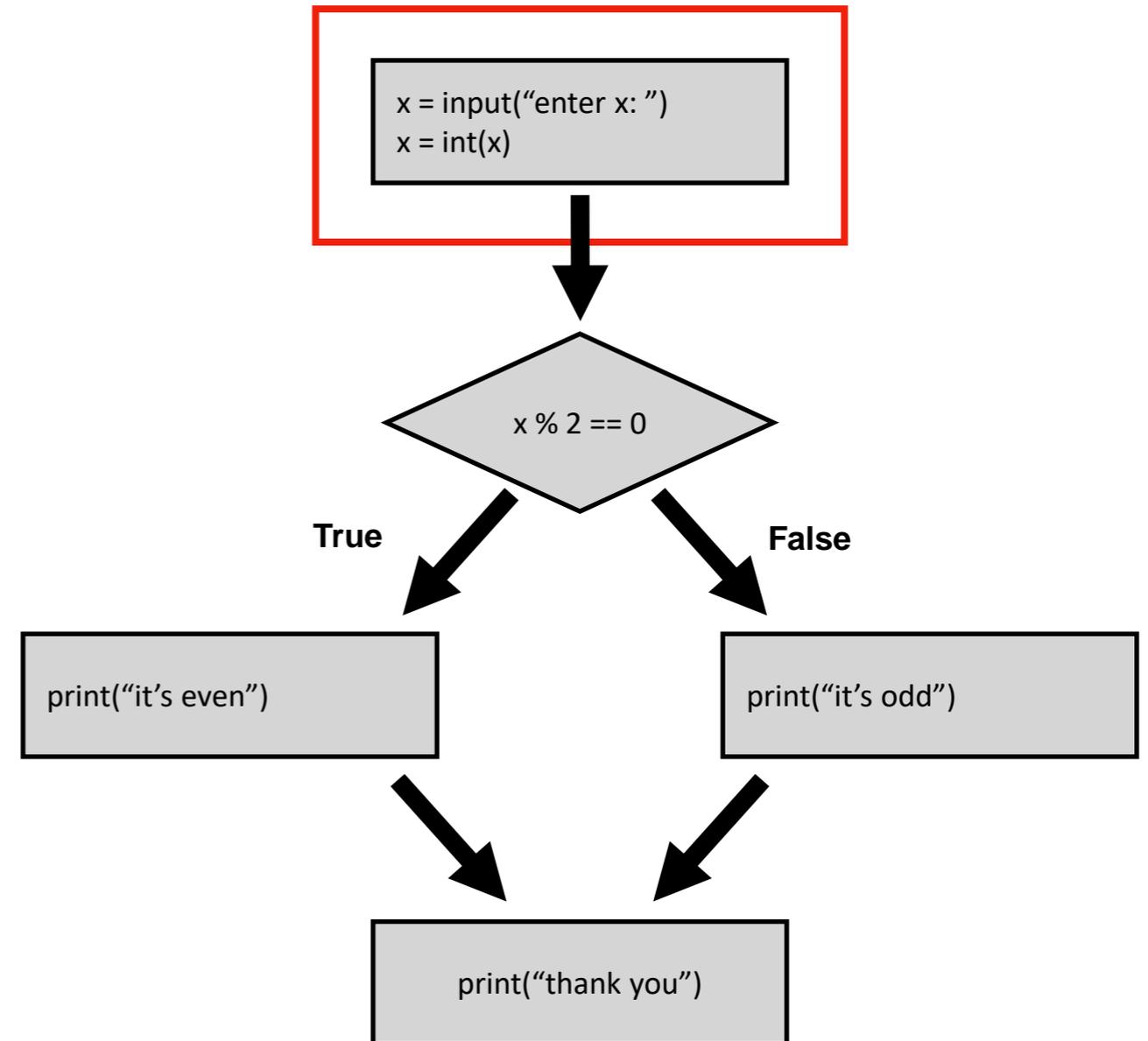
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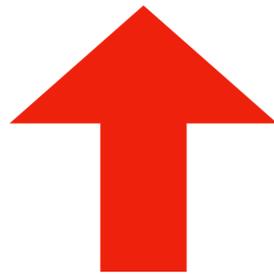


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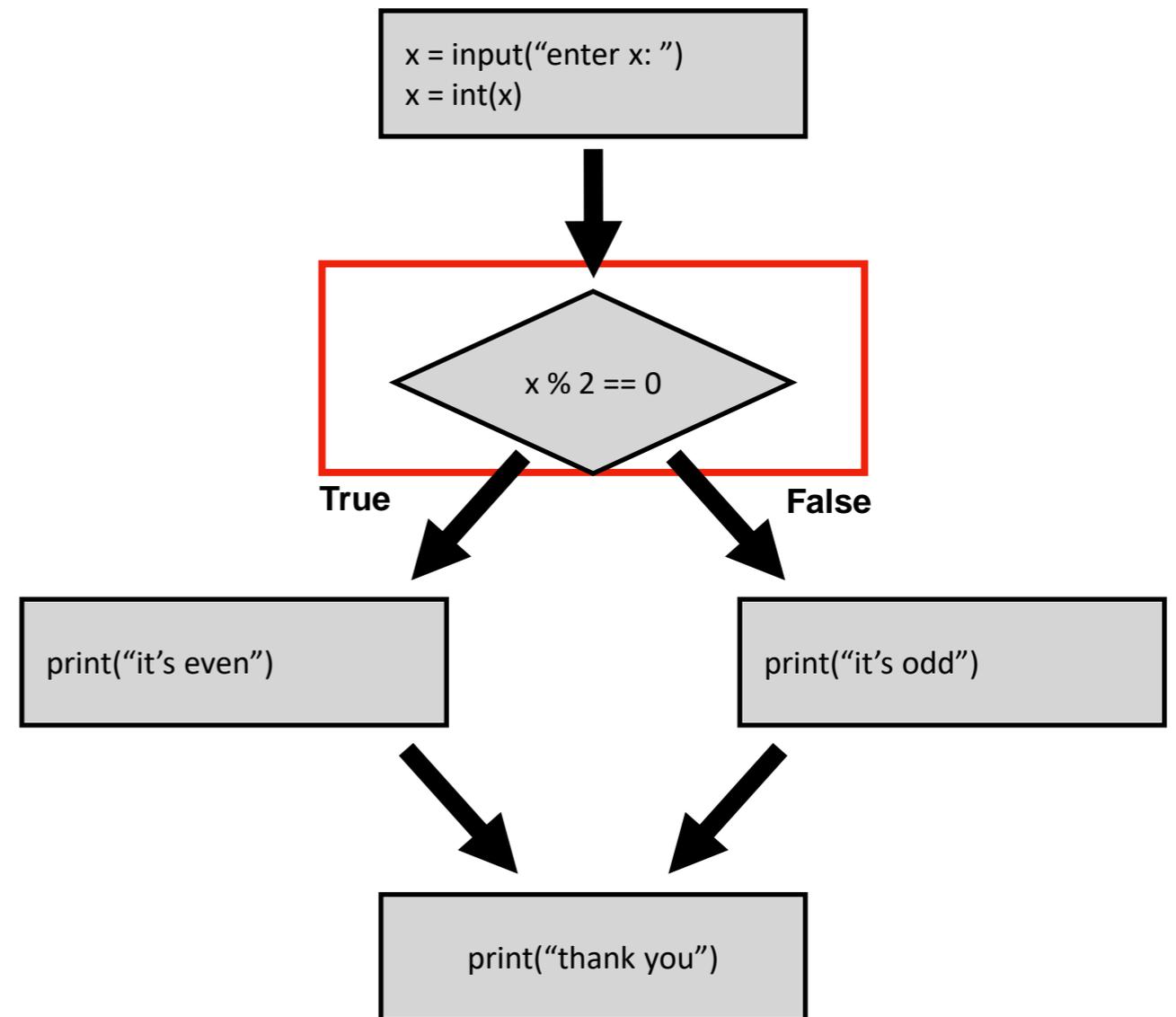
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```

```
if x % 2 == 0:
```



boolean expression

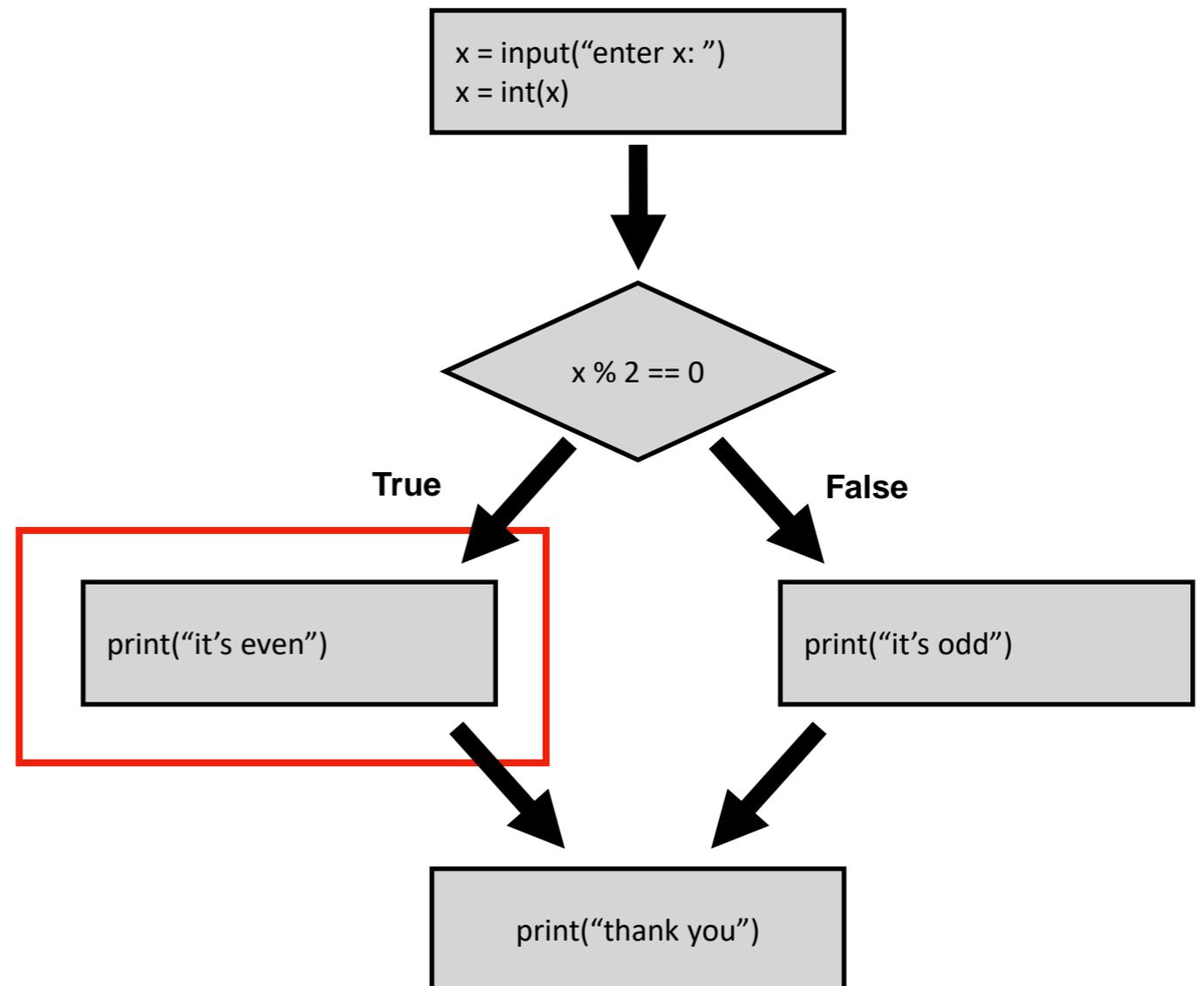


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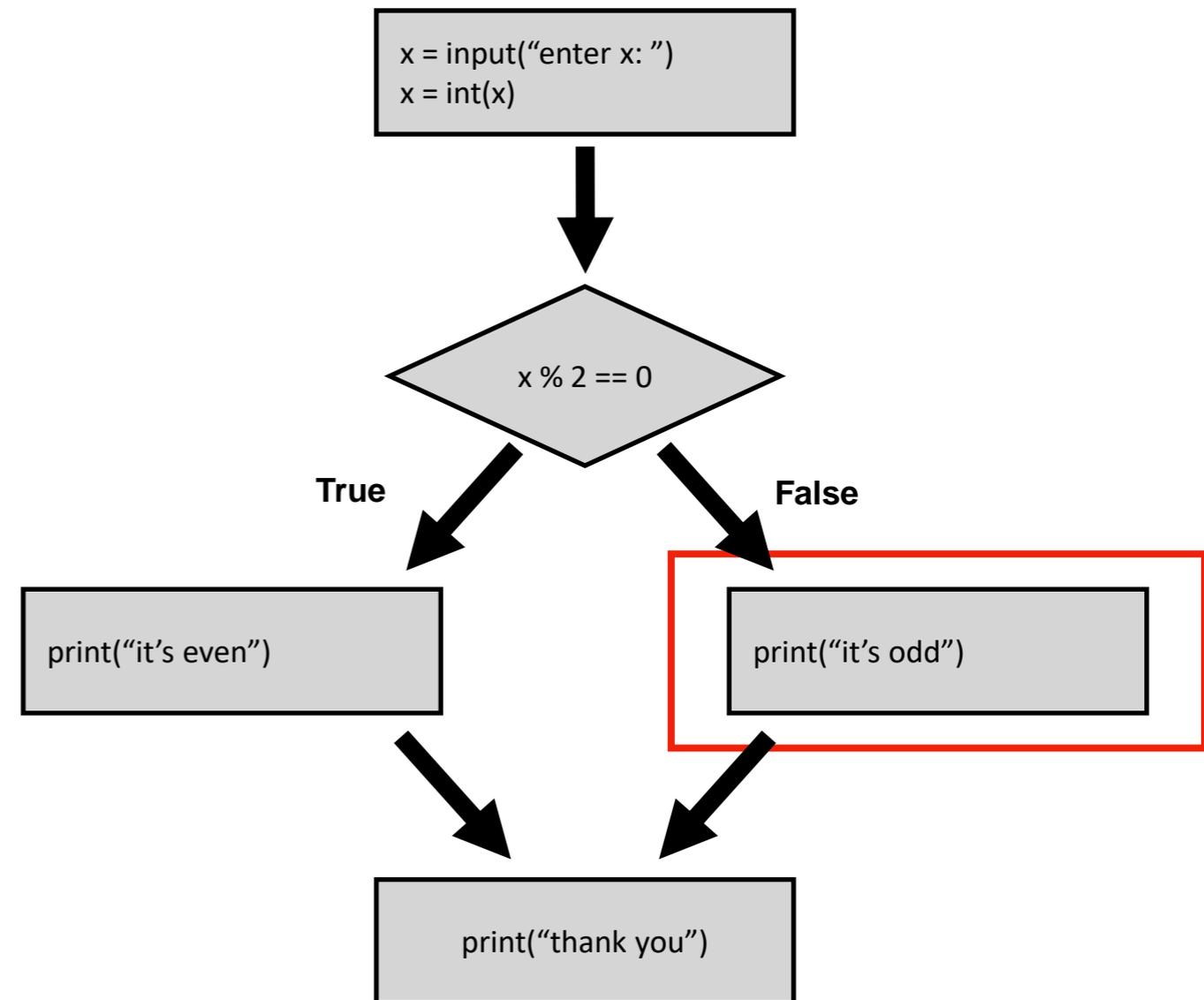
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colons will *almost* always be followed by a tabbed new line



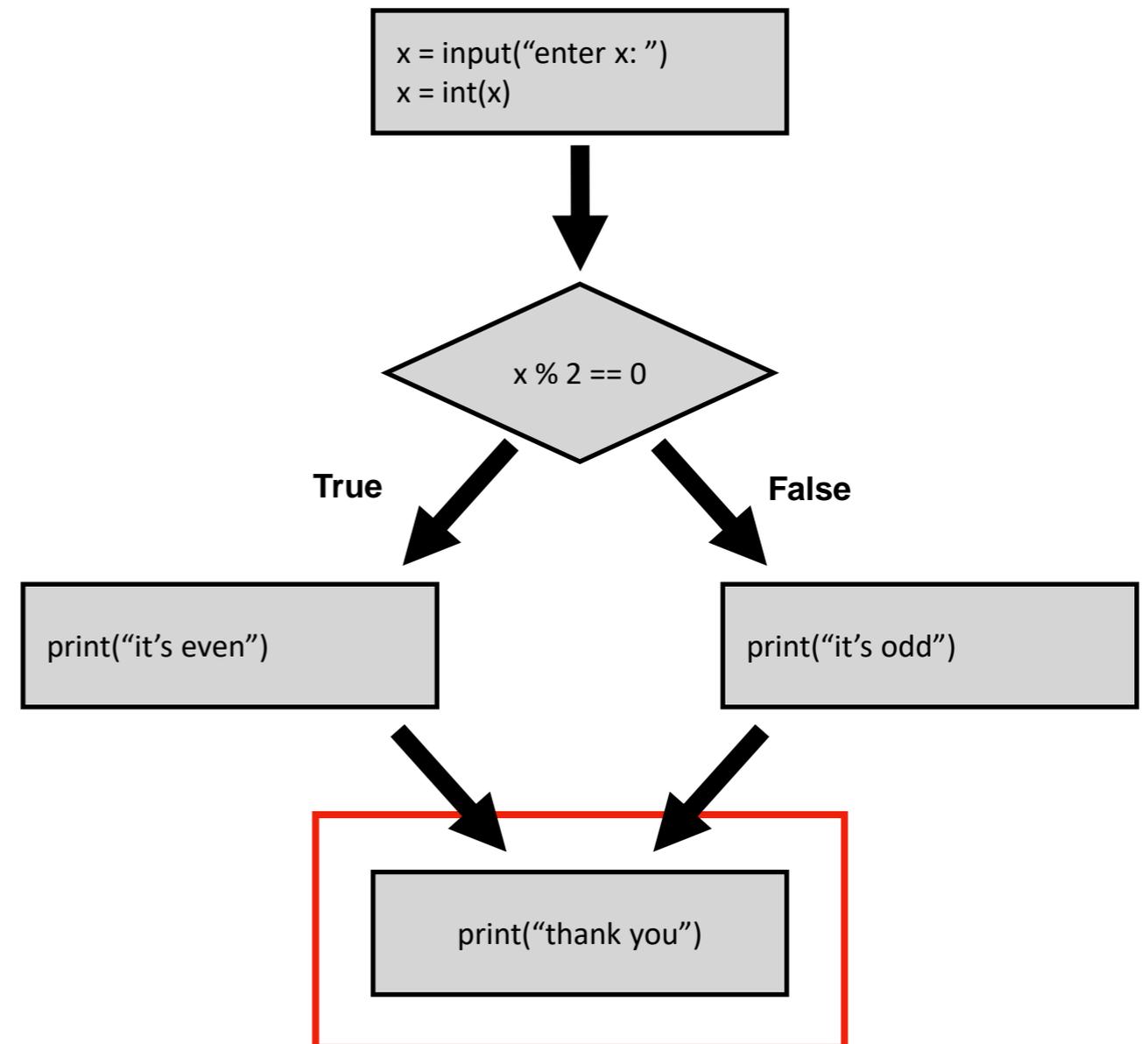
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```

```
print("thank you")
```



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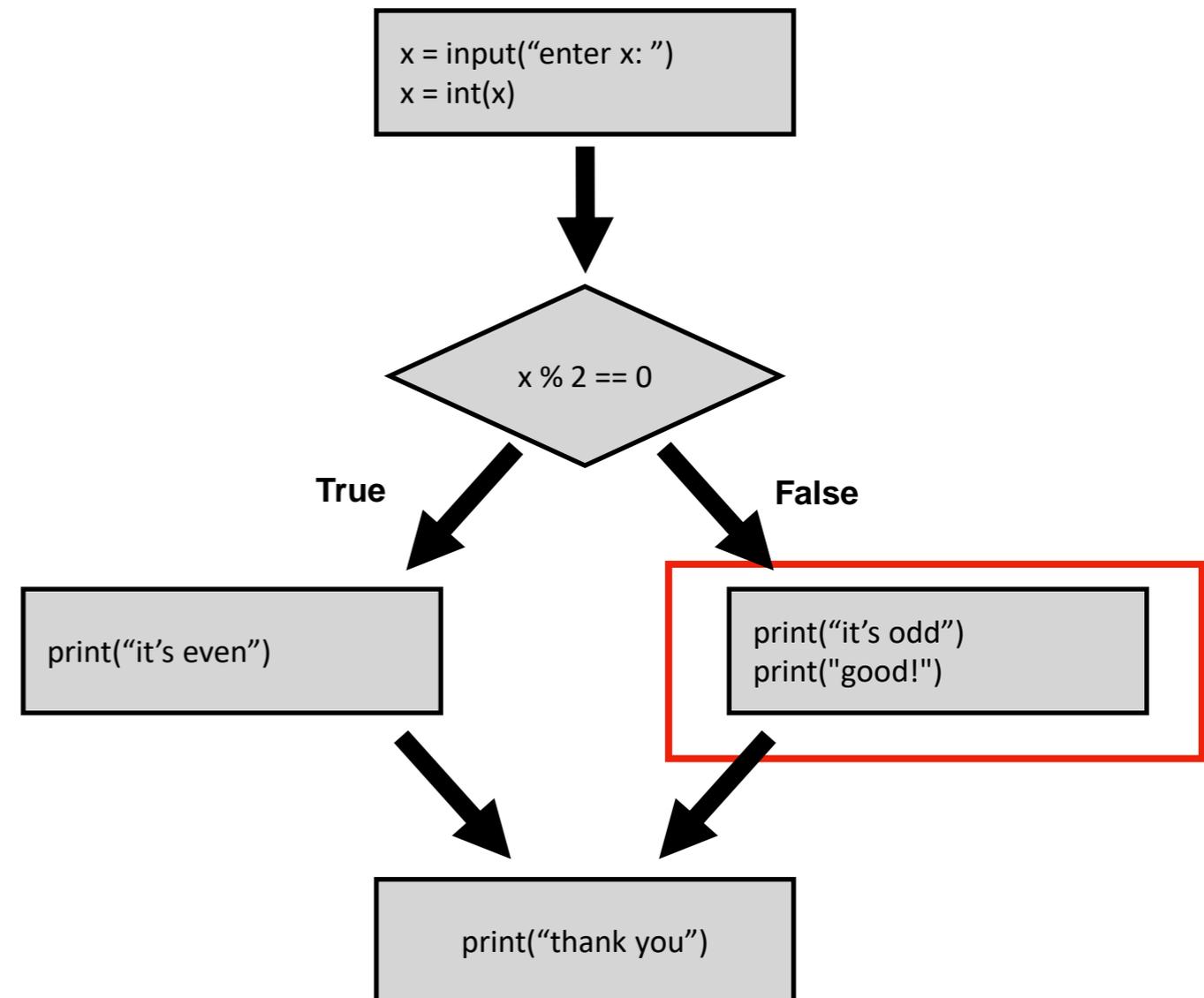
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```
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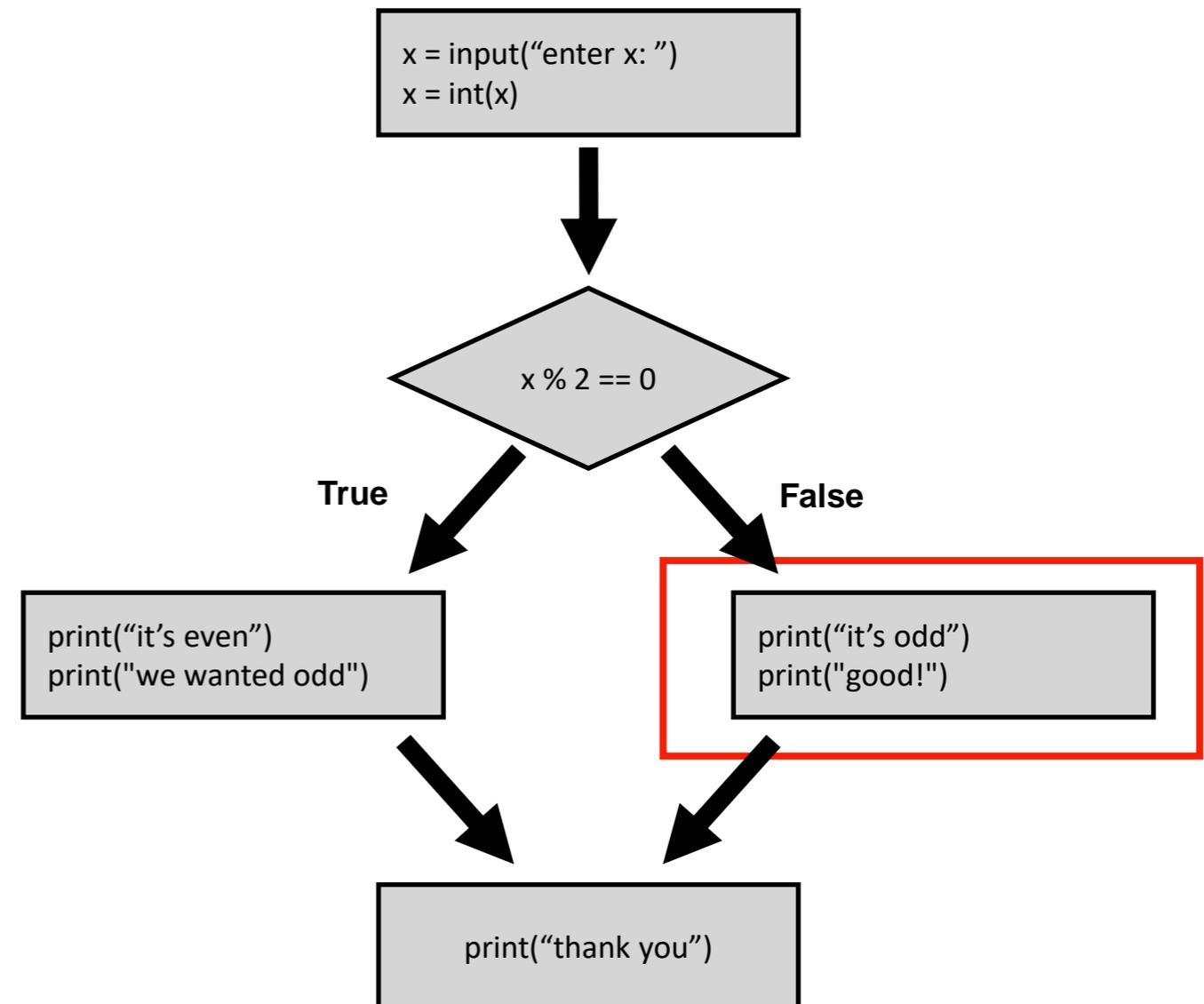
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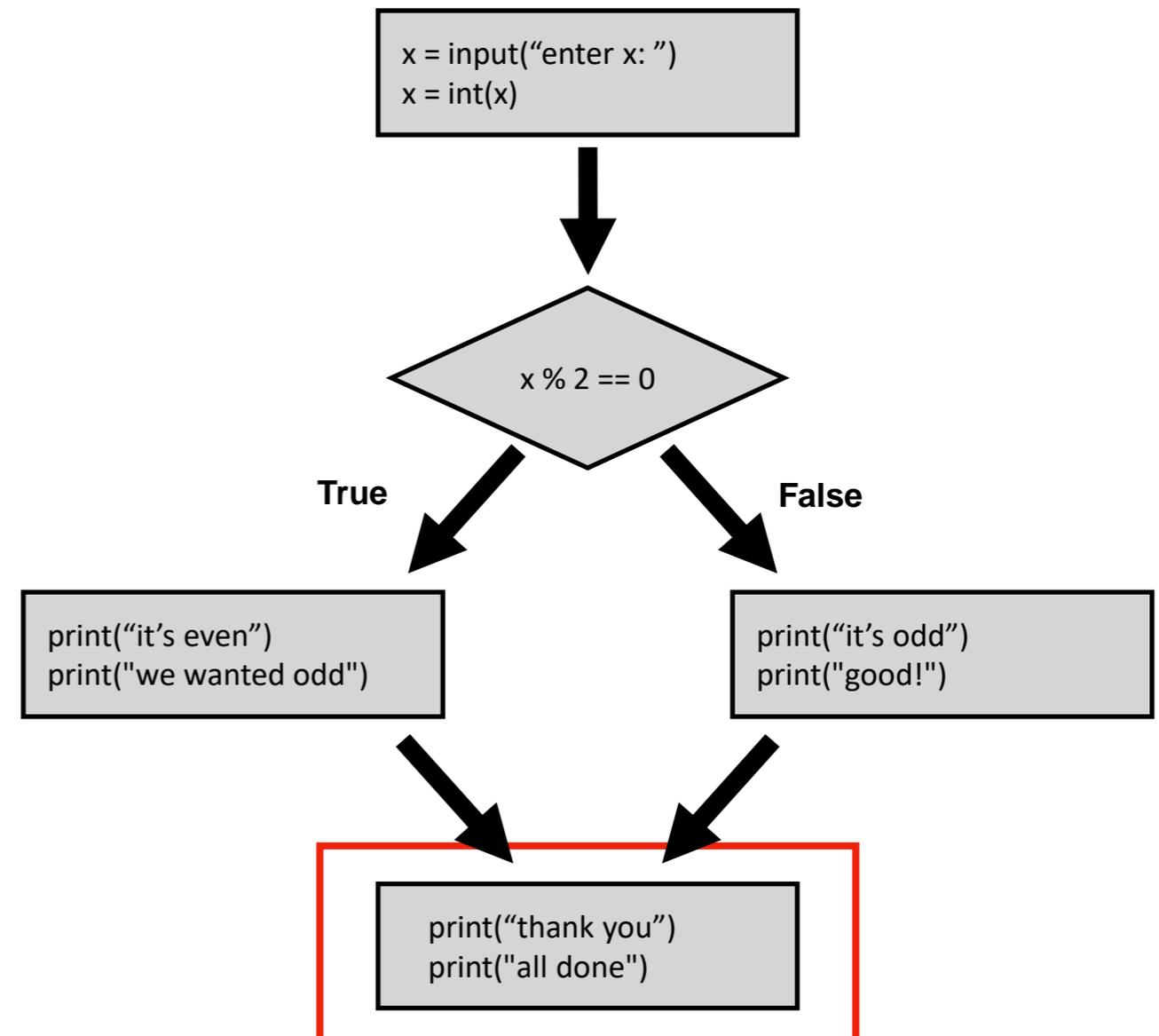
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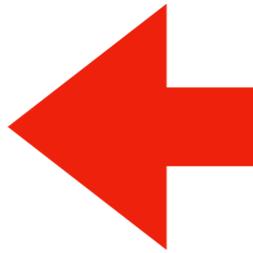
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Code Blocks

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if x % 2 == 0:
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```

**block of code
inside "if"**

```
else:
```

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```

What if all this were inside a function?

Code Blocks

You need to get good at “seeing” code blocks in Python code.
Even blocks inside blocks inside blocks...

Code:

```
def check_oddness():
```

```
    x = input("enter x: ")  
    x = int(x)
```

```
    if x % 2 == 0:
```

```
        print("it's even")  
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```

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```
    else:
```

```
        print("it's odd")  
        print("good!")
```

block of code
inside “else”

```
    print("thank you")  
    print("all done")
```

block of code in
check_oddness

```
check_oddness()
```

Identifying Code Blocks

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check_oddness()
```

**Step 1: look for a colon at
end of a line**

Identifying Code Blocks

Code:



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**Step 2: start drawing a line
on next code line, indented in**

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```



Step 3: continue down until you hit code that is less indented

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    if x % 2 == 0:  
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check_oddness()
```

Step 4: box off the code



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```

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```
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```

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```

```
    else:
```

```
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```

```
        print("good!")
```

```
    print("thank you")
```

```
    print("all done")
```

```
check_oddness()
```

**to find more boxes,
look for the next colon
and repeat**

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```

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Identifying Code Blocks

Worksheet

Code:

```
def check_oddness():
```

```
    x = input("enter x: ")
```

```
    x = int(x)
```

```
    if x % 2 == 0:
```

```
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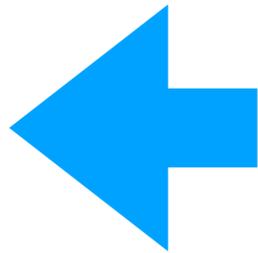
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Example: Classifying Children by Age

What are all the different ways to classify children?

If you are 3 years old you are a

If you are 15 years old you are a

Write a function that is given an int and returns a string

```
def categorize_age(age):  
    if age <= ....  
        return 'baby'
```

Example: Date Printer

```
please enter a year: (YYYY) : 2022  
please enter a month (1-12) : 2  
please enter a day (1-31) : 11  
the date is: Feb 11th of '22
```

convert month num to name

'2-digit year

e.g., 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc

