

# [220 / 319] Operators

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Readings:

Chapter 1 of Think Python,  
Chapter 2 of Python for Everybody

Additional readings:  
Computer terminology

# Learning Objectives

- Run Python code using:
  - Command line
  - Jupyter Notebook

## Evaluate:

- numeric expressions containing mathematical operators (e.g., “+” and “-“)
- string expressions containing string operators and escape characters

## Differentiate:

- behavior of the /, //, and % operators

## Recognize examples of different Python data types:

- int, float, str, bool

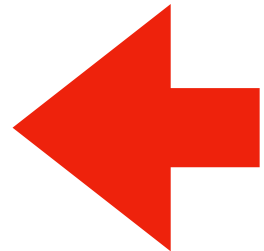
## Evaluate:

- expressions containing comparison operators (e.g., “==” and “>”)
- Boolean expressions containing the operators “and”, “or”, “not”

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# What you need to write/run code

## An interpreter

- Python 3 (not 2!)
- some extra packages (comes with anaconda installation)
- runs Python code

## Jupyter Notebooks

- comes with anaconda installation
- acts like both interpreter and editor (type and save Python code)

# Interpreter

A program that runs a program

- Translates something the human likes (nice Python code) to something the machine likes (ONEs and ZEROs)

# Jupyter Notebooks

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A Notebook is a file that contains code and other things  
(e.g., documentation, images, tables, etc.)

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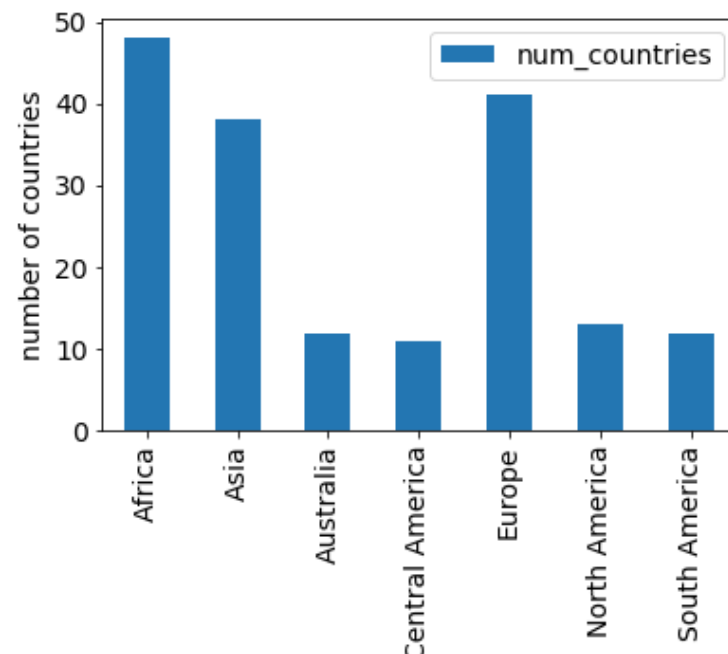
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Out[35]: Text(0.5, 0, '')



visuals produced by the  
code are embedded in the Notebook

**.ipynb** (Interactive Python Notebook) files are not easy to open in a regular text editor

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## 3. notebook "mode"

```
ty-mac:~$ jupyter notebook
```

*open Jupyter in a web browser*

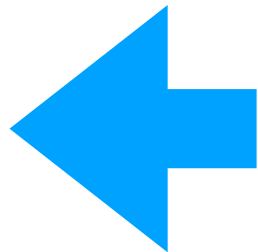
**we'll do most work in notebooks this semester**

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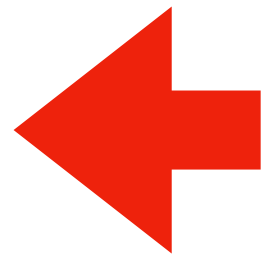
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**17**

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signs	+X, -X
multiply/divide	*, /, //, %
add/subtract	+, -
comparison	==, !=, <, <=, >, >=
boolean stuff	not
...	and
...	or

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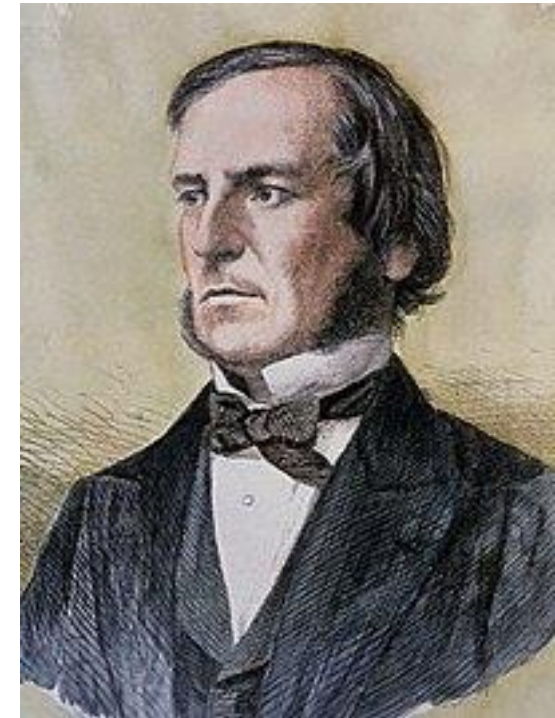
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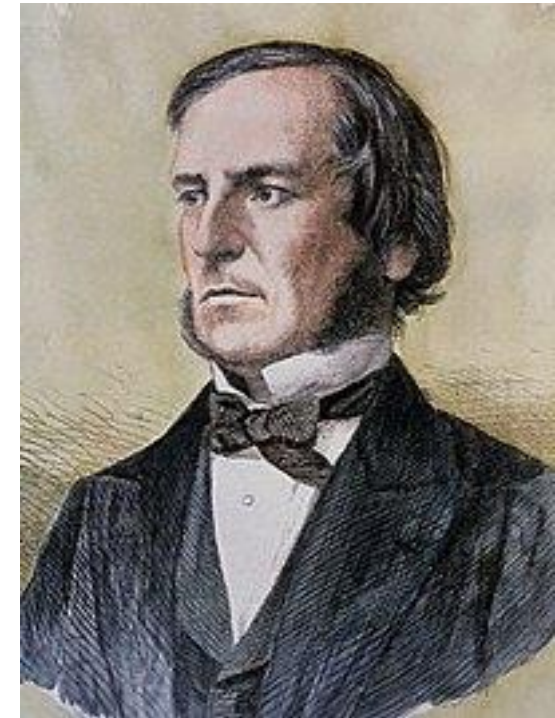
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**AND**

	False	True
False	False	False
True	False	True

**OR**

	False	True
False	False	True
True	True	True

**NOT**

False	True
True	False

It's a Saturday **AND**  
we're attending CS 220 lecture

**AND**

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**OR**

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**NOT**

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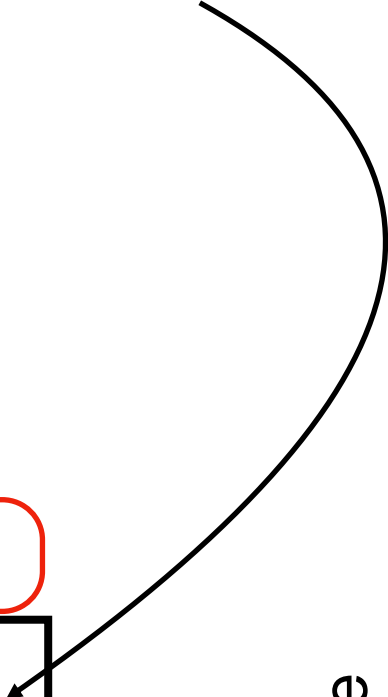
**FALSE!**

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**AND**

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<b>True</b>	False	<b>True</b>



**OR**

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**NOT**

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**OR** I'll eat my hat



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**Control Flow:** Remember that conditionals and loops *sometimes* do something.  
We'll use bool logic a LOT to control when we do/don't.

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