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PYTHON - CONDITIONAL

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OBJECTIVE, OVERVIEW & INTRODUCTION

- Now that we have learned about the the Python IDLE editor, and created some simple programs, you will now add conditional structures in a Python Editor, which you can then execute later.
- Using a Python Editor, you will implement a number of conditional statements, including:
 - if, else, and elif (else if) conditional structures
- You will have an opportunity to show you coding skill by turning in a number of Python labs. You will be measured on how well you implement these labs

WHAT YOU WILL KNOW...

- Prior Knowledge & Certifications
 - You should have an understanding of variable assignment, math, and string concatenation, and other basic Python language structures
- What You Will Know & Be Able To Do
 - You will be able to create, edit and save a Python program
 - You will be able to describe and implement basic conditional Python structures like if, else, elif, and determining if a statement is evaluated as True or False and getting input data from the user using input



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These slides are an adaption, to better target my SVCTE High School Mechatronics Engineering class, primarily from Dr. Charles R. Severance's Python for Everybody class <https://www.py4e.com/> ... but from other sources as well. See Appendix A

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NEW WORDS OR CONCEPTS...

- Conditional
- if, else, elif
- True/False

WHERE CAN I RUN MY PYTHON CODE?

- The main way we will implement Python code will be by running it on a Raspberry Pi, using the Linux command terminal shell, or the Idle3 Python interpreter
- If you don't have a Raspberry Pi, or if you don't have Python installed, you can execute your code on-line using a Python interpreter
 - [Python 3 On-Line Interpreter](#) - Tutorials Point
 - [Python Shell](#) – Python.org

I GOT THIS... CAN I JUMP AHEAD?

- Jump Ahead and do the labs, save them. (show me and turn in later)
- Still need something to do? Try this Extra Credit <linktolab> (show me and turn in later)



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RESOURCES & MATERIALS NEEDED

- PY4E [Chapter 3 - Conditional execution](#)



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Conditional Execution

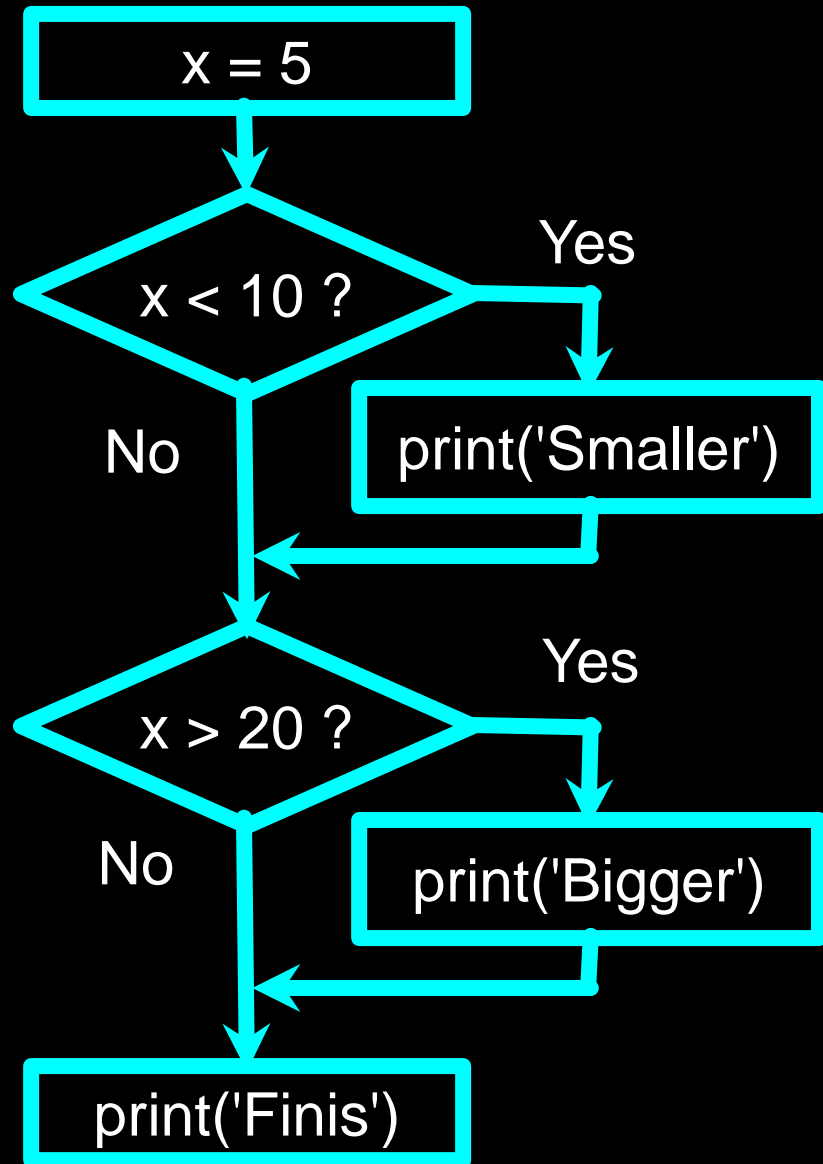
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Conditional Steps



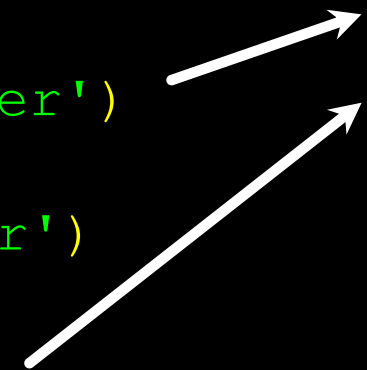
Program:

```
x = 5
if x < 10:
    print('Smaller')
if x > 20:
    print('Bigger')

print('Finis')
```

Output:

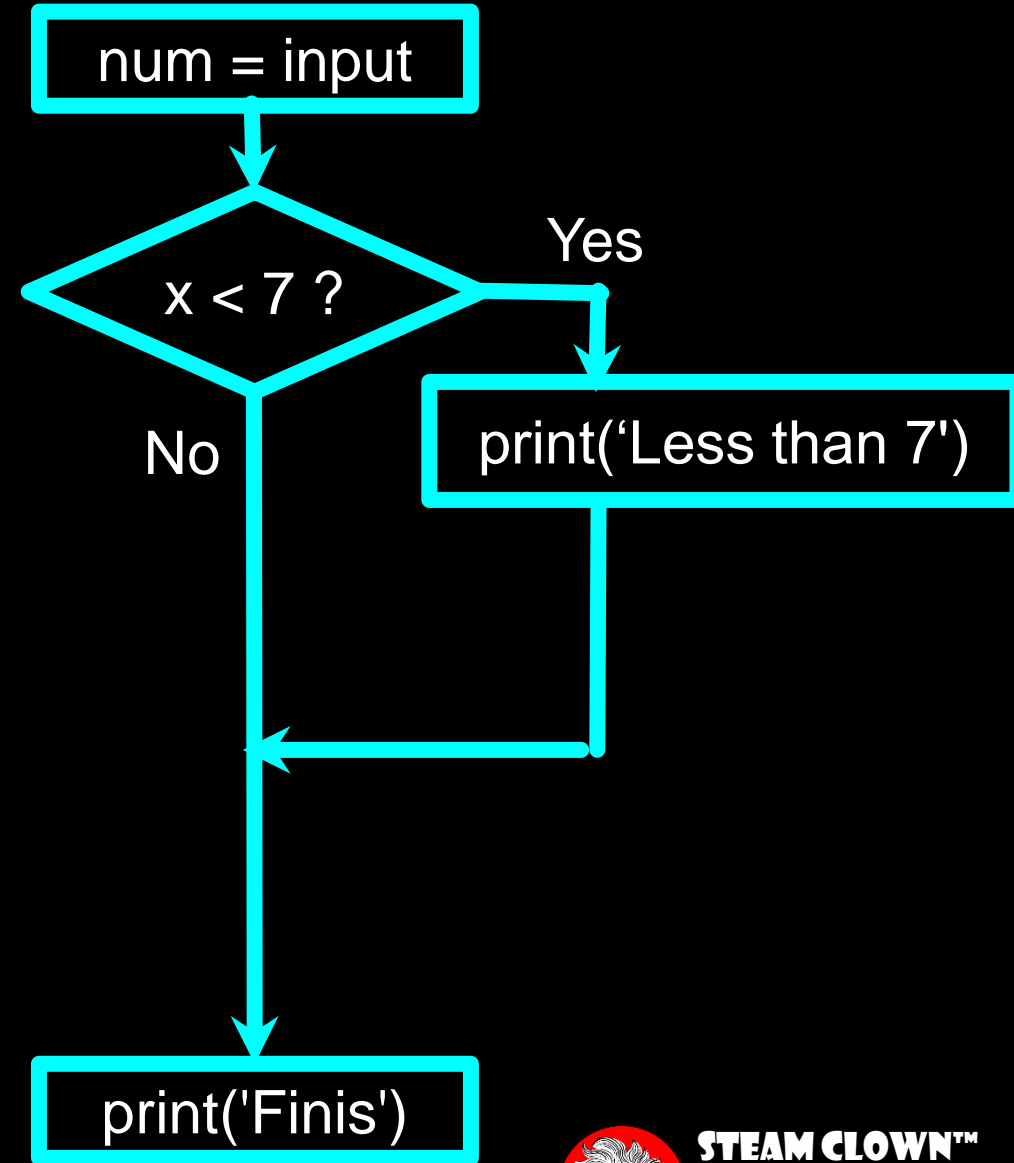
Smaller
Finis



LAB #1

Write a program that:

- Asks the user for a number
- Checks to see if the number is < 7
- If the number is less than 7 print "the number $<num>$ is less than 7"



Comparison Operators

- **Boolean expressions** ask a question and produce a Yes or No result which we use to control program flow
- **Boolean expressions** using **comparison operators** evaluate to True / False or Yes / No
- Comparison operators look at variables but do not change the variables

Python	Meaning
<	Less than
<=	Less than or Equal to
==	Equal to
>=	Greater than or Equal to
>	Greater than
!=	Not equal

Remember: “=” is used for assignment.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Boole

Comparison Operators

```
x = 5
if x == 5 :
    print('Equals 5')
if x > 4 :
    print('Greater than 4')
if x >= 5 :
    print('Greater than or Equals 5')
if x < 6 : print('Less than 6')
if x <= 5 :
    print('Less than or Equals 5')
if x != 6 :
    print('Not equal 6')
```

Equals 5

Greater than 4

Greater than or Equals 5

Less than 6

Less than or Equals 5

Not equal 6

One-Way Decisions

```
x = 5
```

```
print('Before 5')
```

```
if x == 5 :
```

```
    print('Is 5')
```

```
    print('Is Still 5')
```

```
    print('Third 5')
```

```
print('Afterwards 5')
```

```
print('Before 6')
```

```
if x == 6 :
```

```
    print('Is 6')
```

```
    print('Is Still 6')
```

```
    print('Third 6')
```

```
print('Afterwards 6')
```

Before 5

Is 5

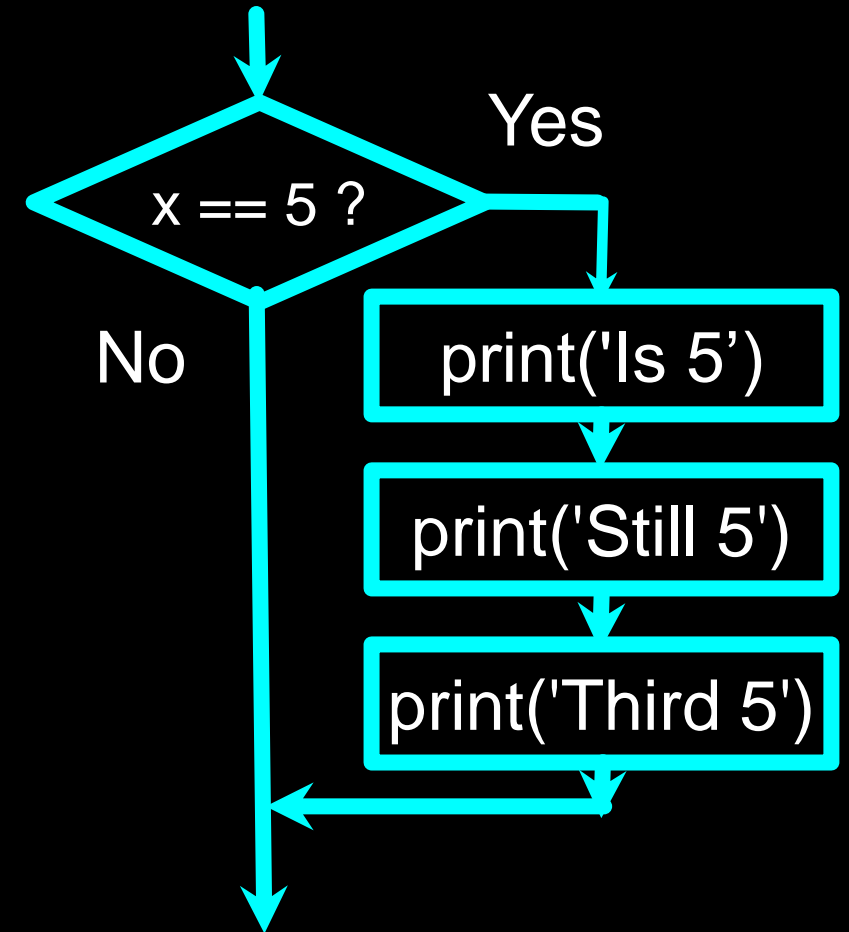
Is Still 5

Third 5

Afterwards 5

Before 6

Afterwards 6

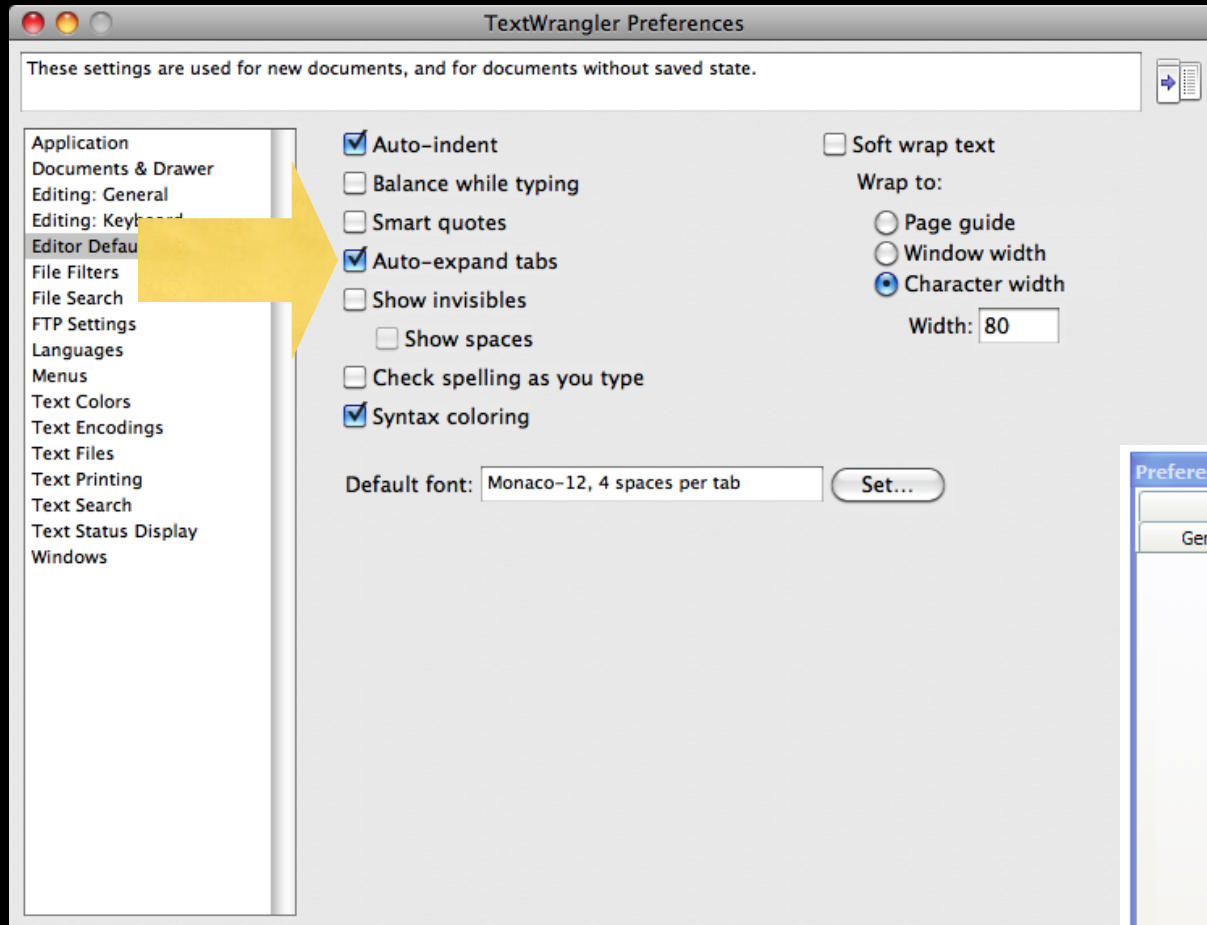


Indentation

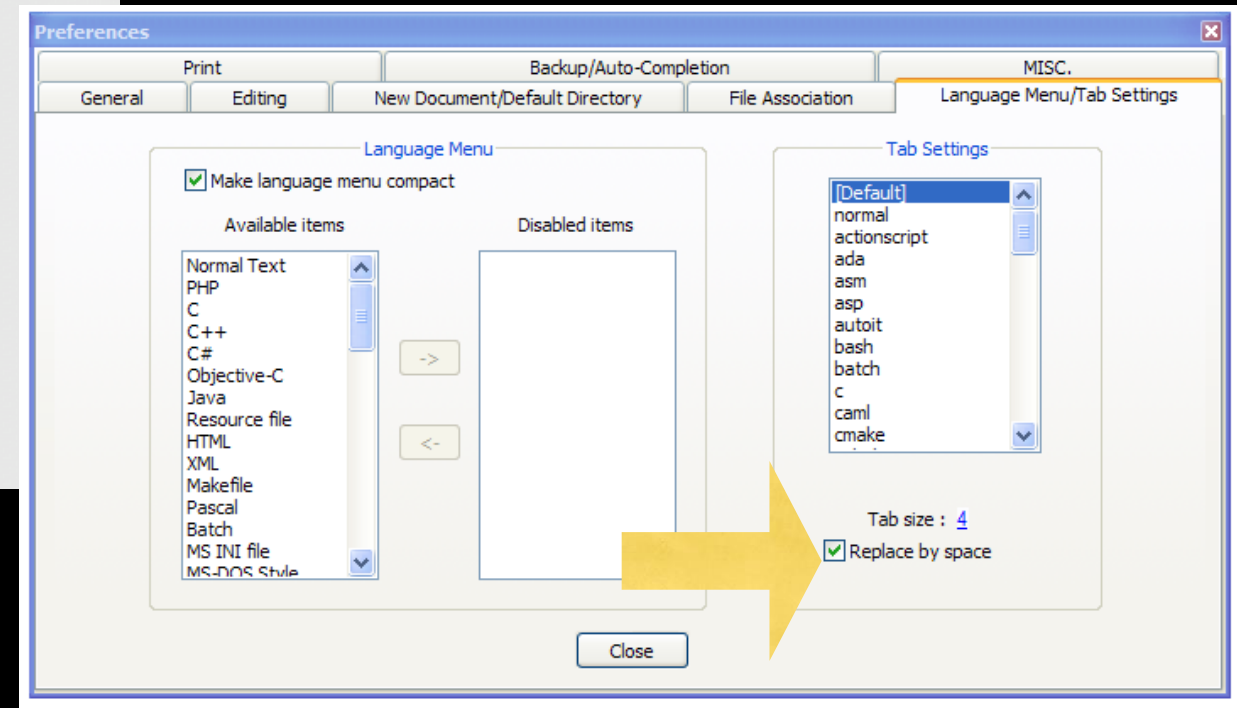
- **Increase indent** indent after an **if** statement or **for** statement (after :)
- **Maintain indent** to indicate the **scope** of the block (which lines are affected by the **if/for**)
- **Reduce indent** back to the level of the **if** statement or **for** statement to indicate the end of the block
- **Blank lines** are ignored - they do not affect **indentation**
- **Comments** on a line by themselves are ignored with regard to **indentation**

Warning: Turn Off Tabs!!

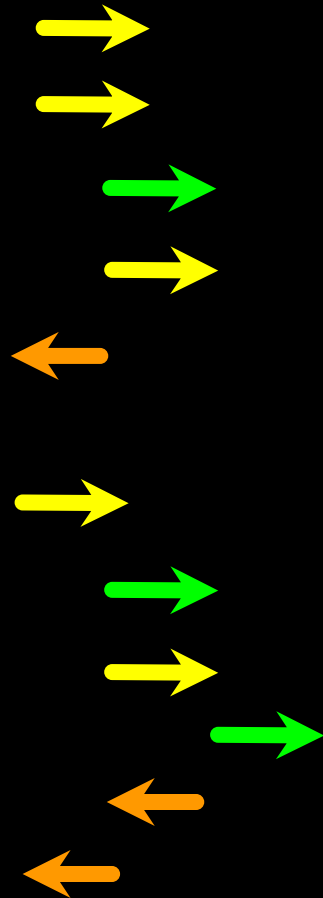
- Atom automatically uses spaces for files with ".py" extension (nice!)
- Most text editors can turn **tabs** into **spaces** - make sure to enable this feature
 - Notepad++: Settings -> Preferences -> Language Menu/**Tab** Settings
 - TextWrangler: TextWrangler -> Preferences -> Editor Defaults
- Python cares a *lot* about how far a line is indented. If you mix **tabs** and **spaces**, you may get "**indentation errors**" even if everything looks fine



This will save you
much unnecessary
pain.



increase / maintain after if or for
decrease to indicate end of block



```
x = 5
if x > 2 :
    print('Bigger than 2')
    print('Still bigger')
print('Done with 2')

for i in range(5) :
    print(i)
    if i > 2 :
        print('Bigger than 2')
    print('Done with i', i)
print('All Done')
```

Think About begin/end Blocks

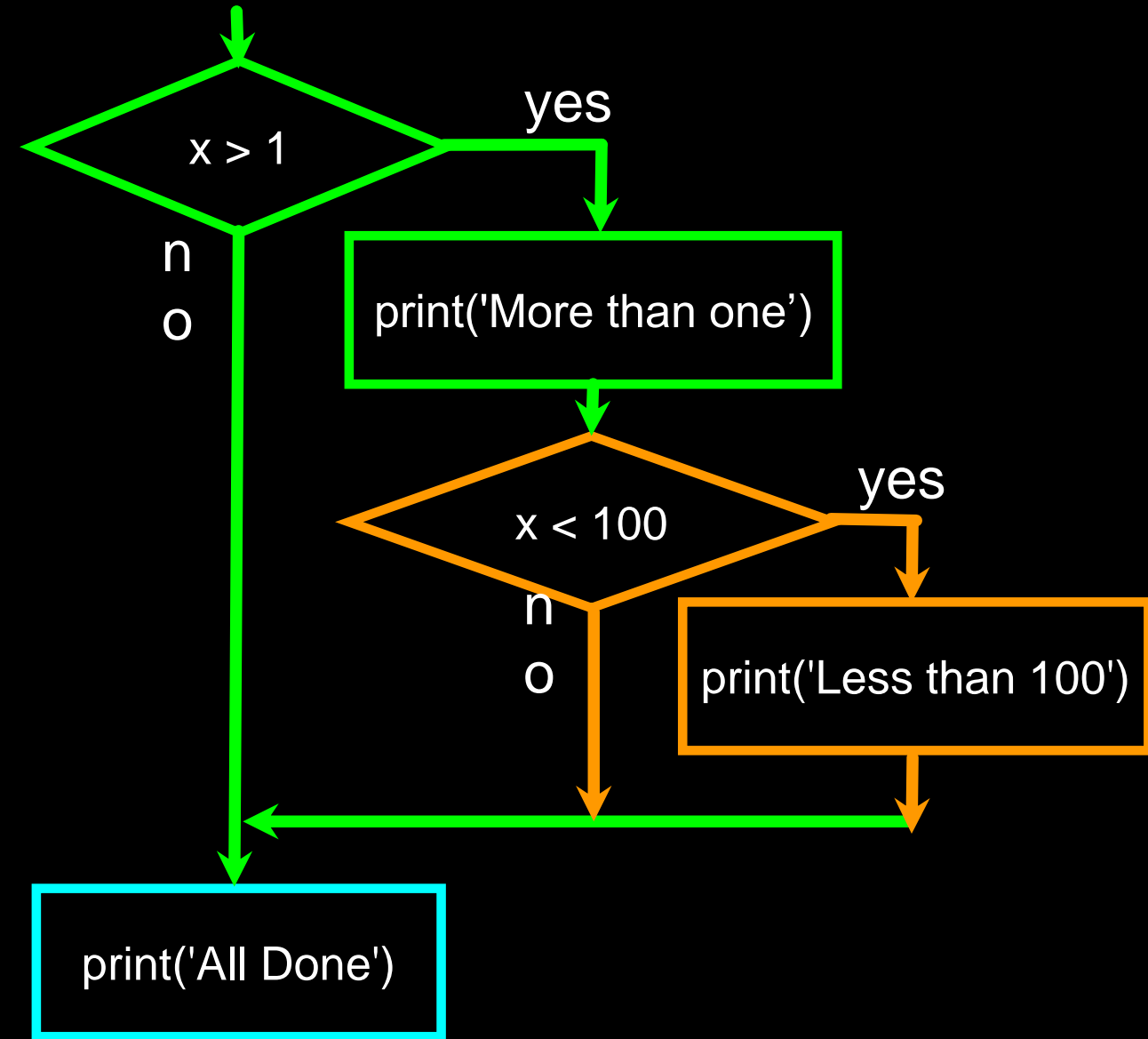
```
x = 5
```

```
if x > 2 :  
    print('Bigger than 2')  
    print('Still bigger')  
print('Done with 2')
```

```
for i in range(5) :  
    print(i)  
    if i > 2 :  
        print('Bigger than 2')  
    print('Done with i', i)  
print('All Done')
```

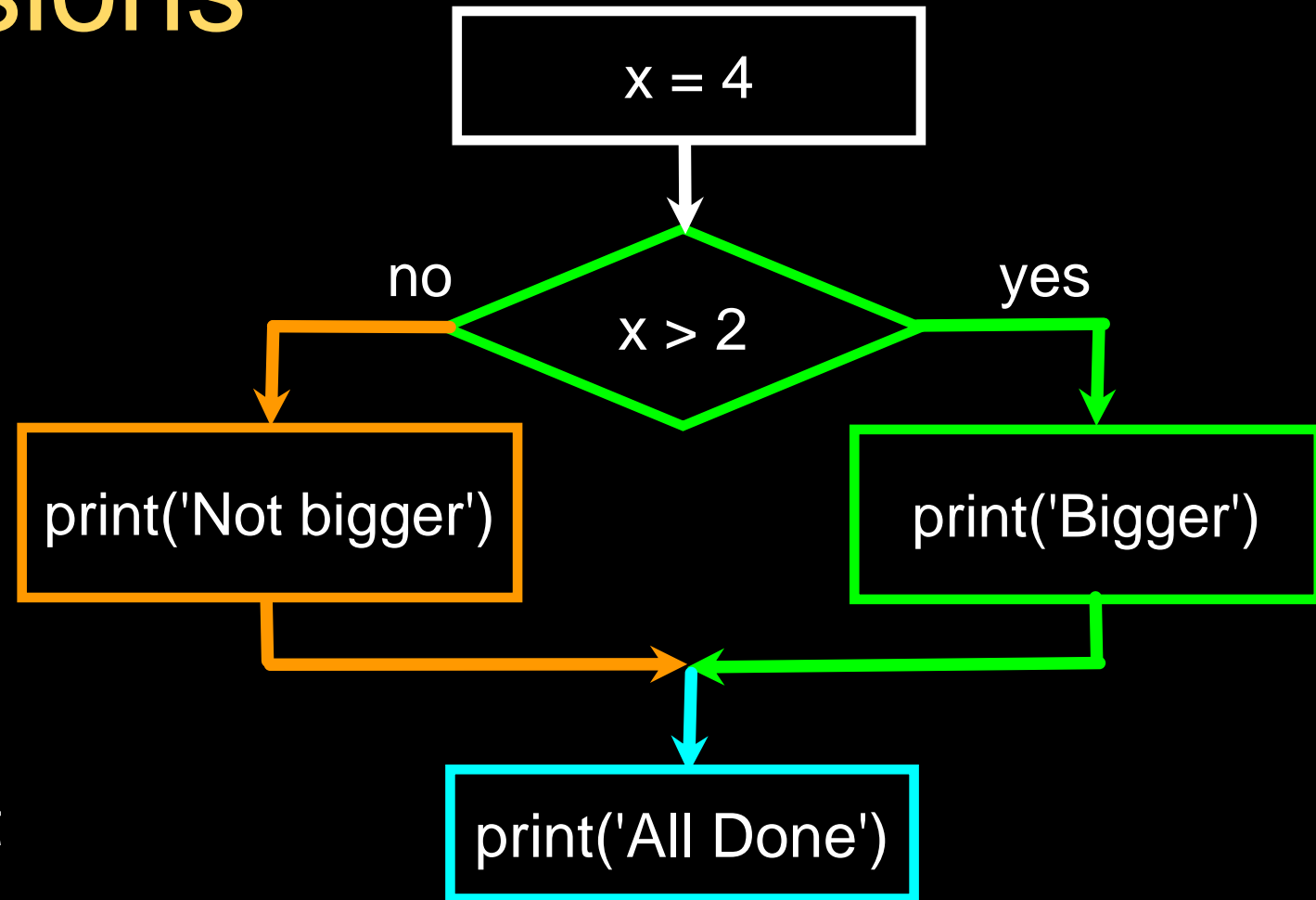
Nested Decisions

```
x = 42
if x > 1 :
    print('More than one')
    if x < 100 :
        print('Less than 100')
print('All done')
```



Two-way Decisions

- Sometimes we want to do one thing if a logical expression is true and something else if the expression is false
- It is like a fork in the road - we must choose **one or the other** path but not both

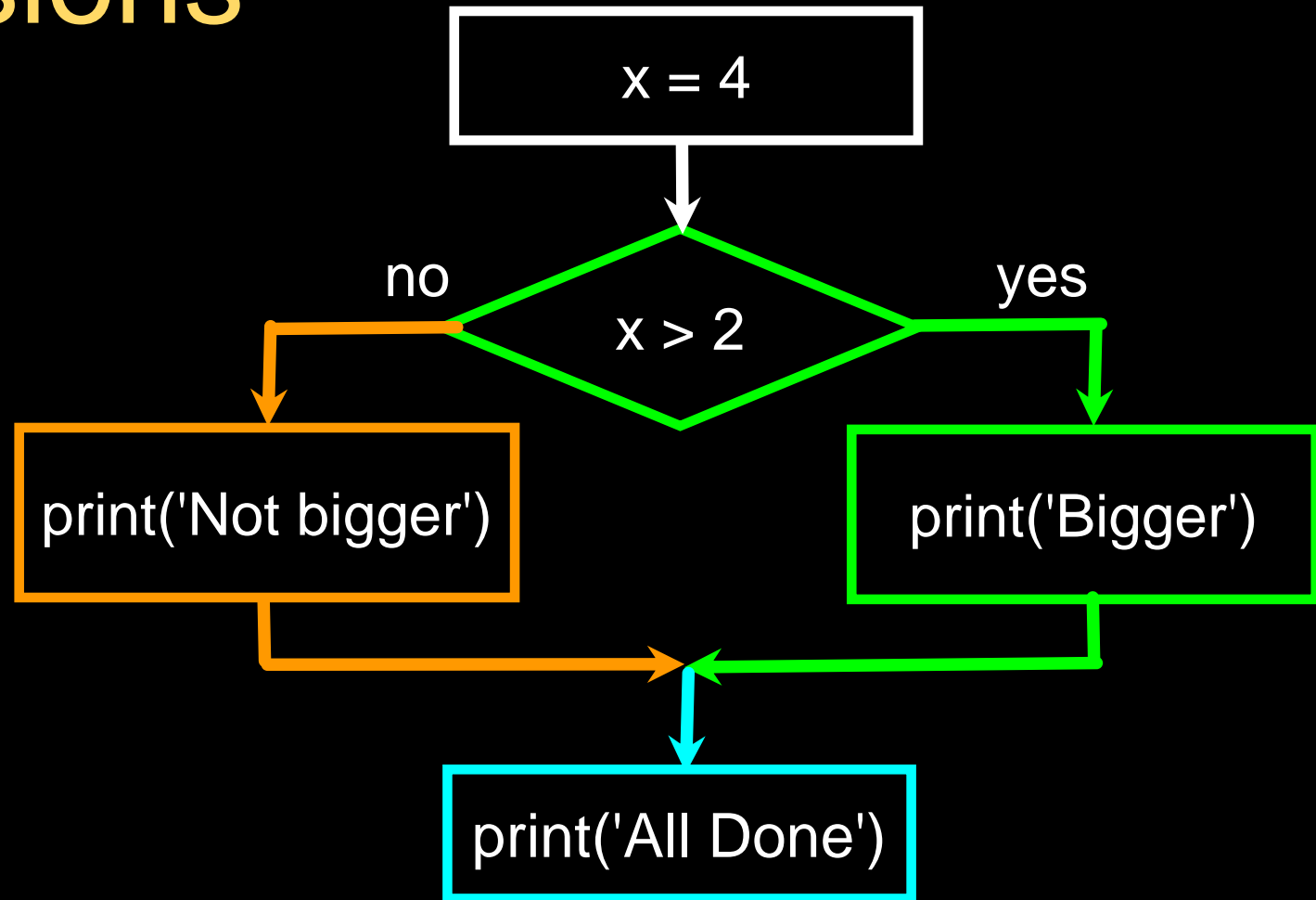


Two-way Decisions with else:

```
x = 4
```

```
if x > 2 :  
    print('Bigger')  
else :  
    print('Smaller')
```

```
print('All done')
```

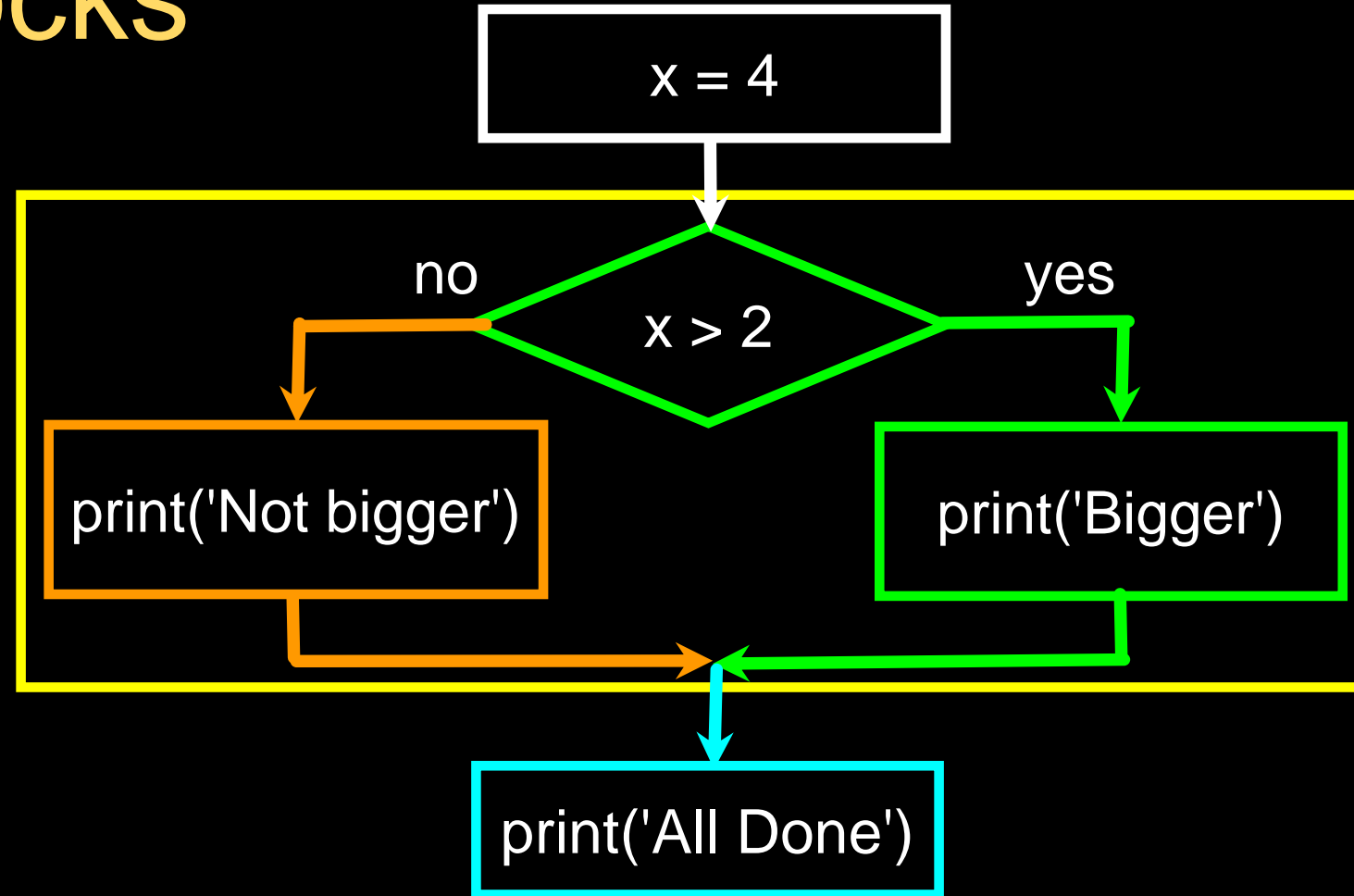


Visualize Blocks

```
x = 4
```

```
if x > 2 :  
    print('Bigger')  
else :  
    print('Smaller')
```

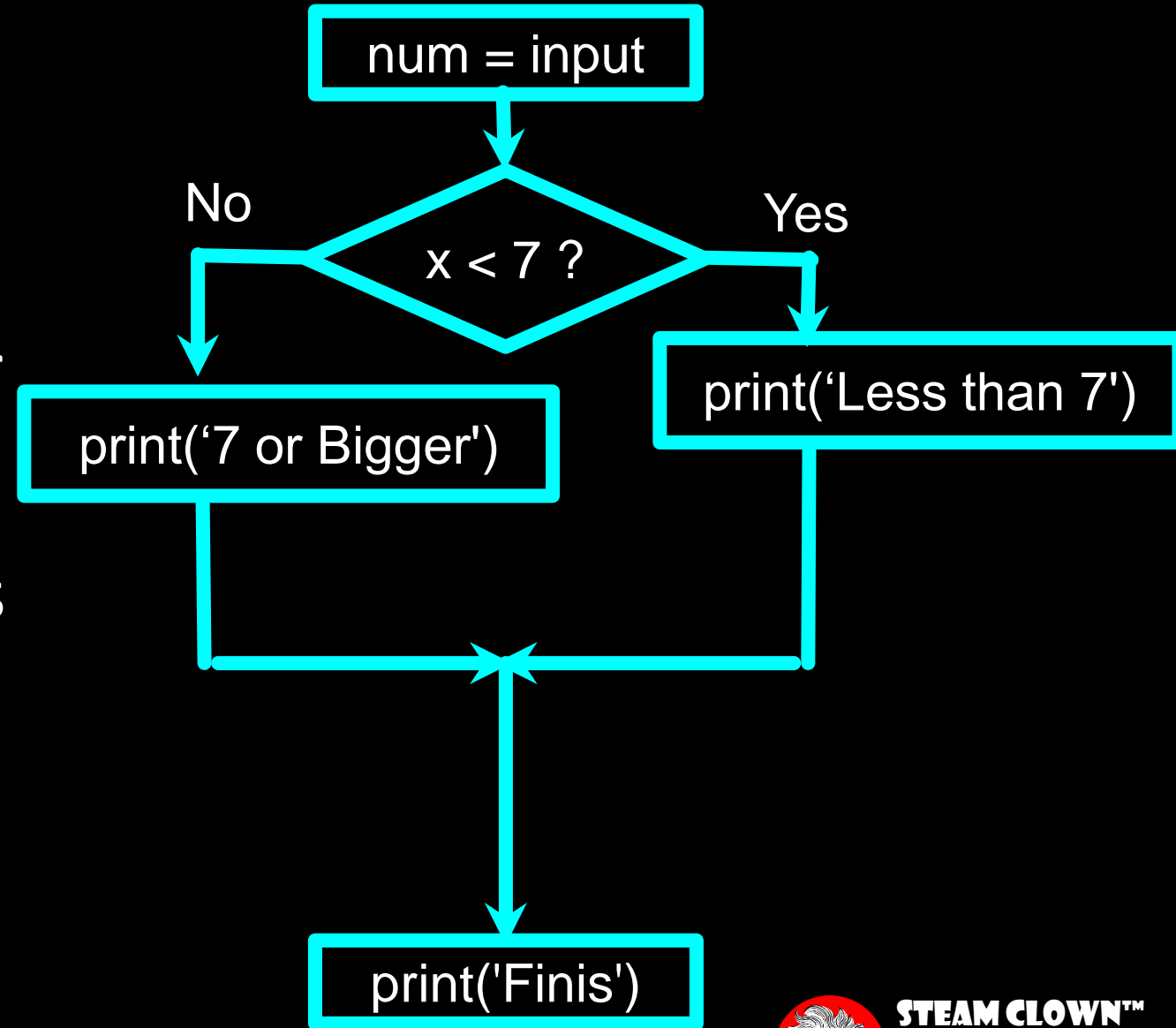
```
print('All done')
```



LAB #2 - IF/ELSE

Write a program that:

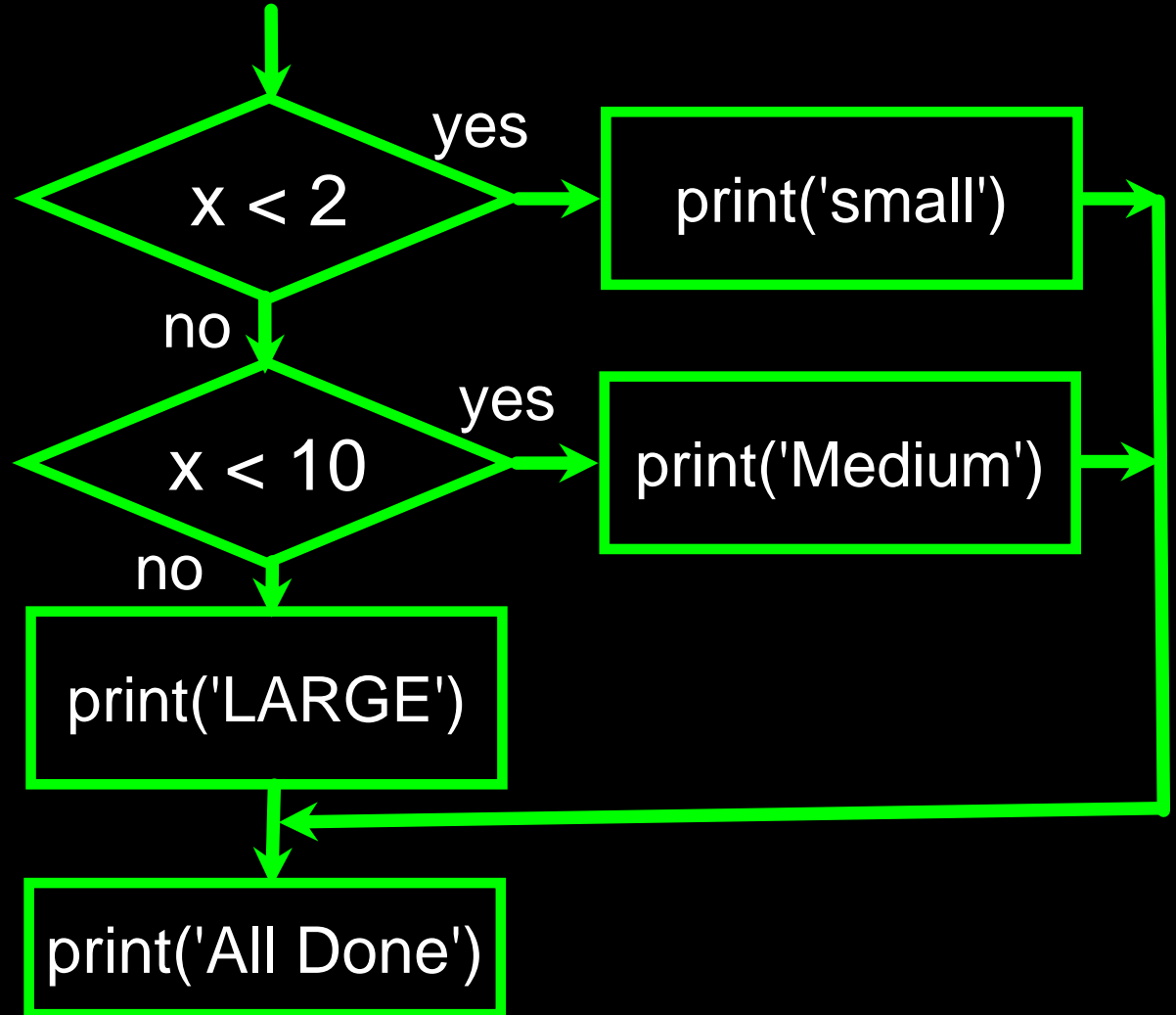
- Asks the user for a number
- Checks to see if the number is < 7
- If the number is less than 7 print "the number $<num>$ is less than 7"
- If the number is 7 or greater, then print "the number $<num>$ is 7 or greater"



MORE CONDITIONAL STRUCTURES...

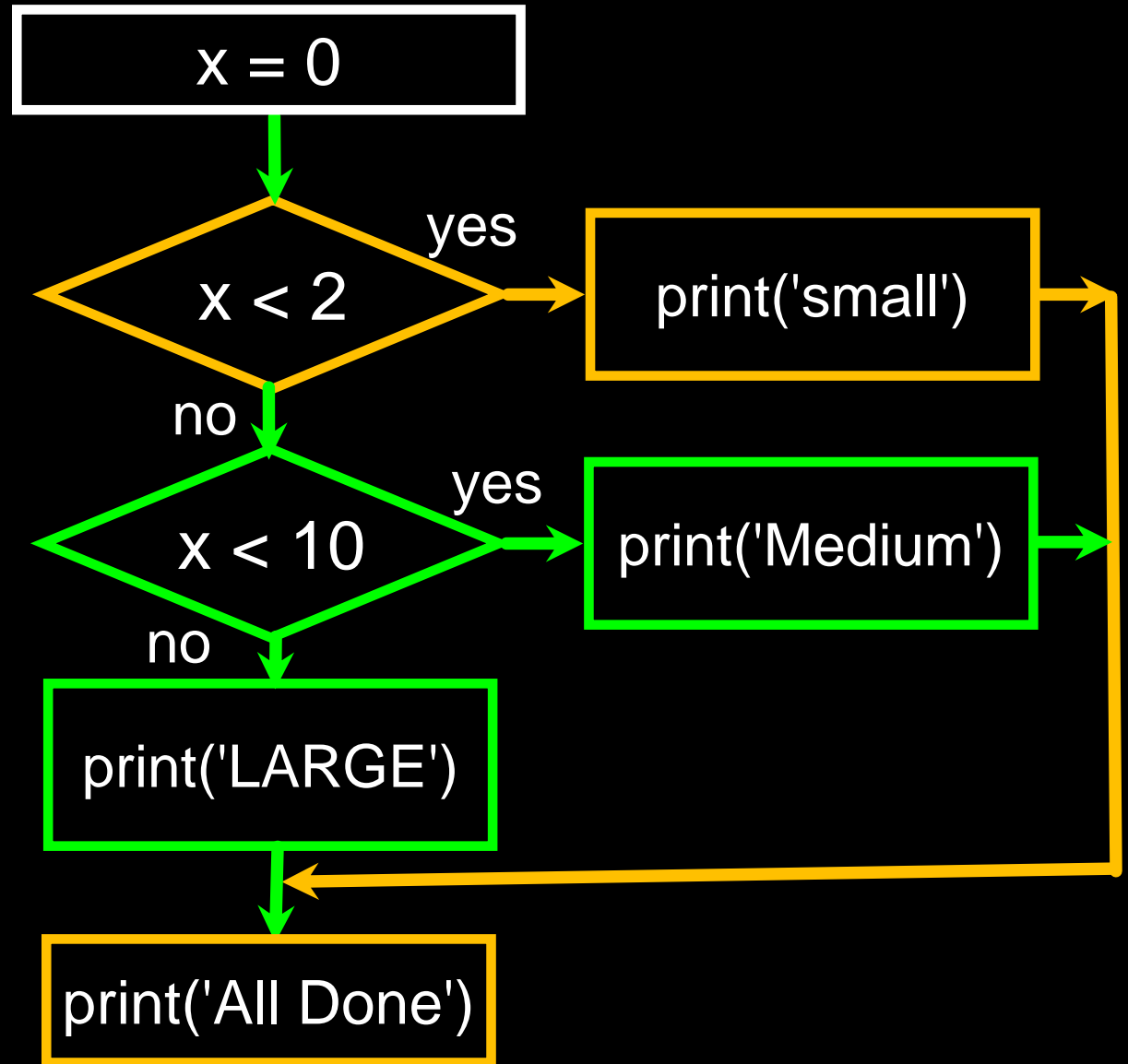
Multi-way

```
if x < 2 :  
    print('small')  
elif x < 10 :  
    print('Medium')  
else :  
    print('LARGE')  
print('All done')
```



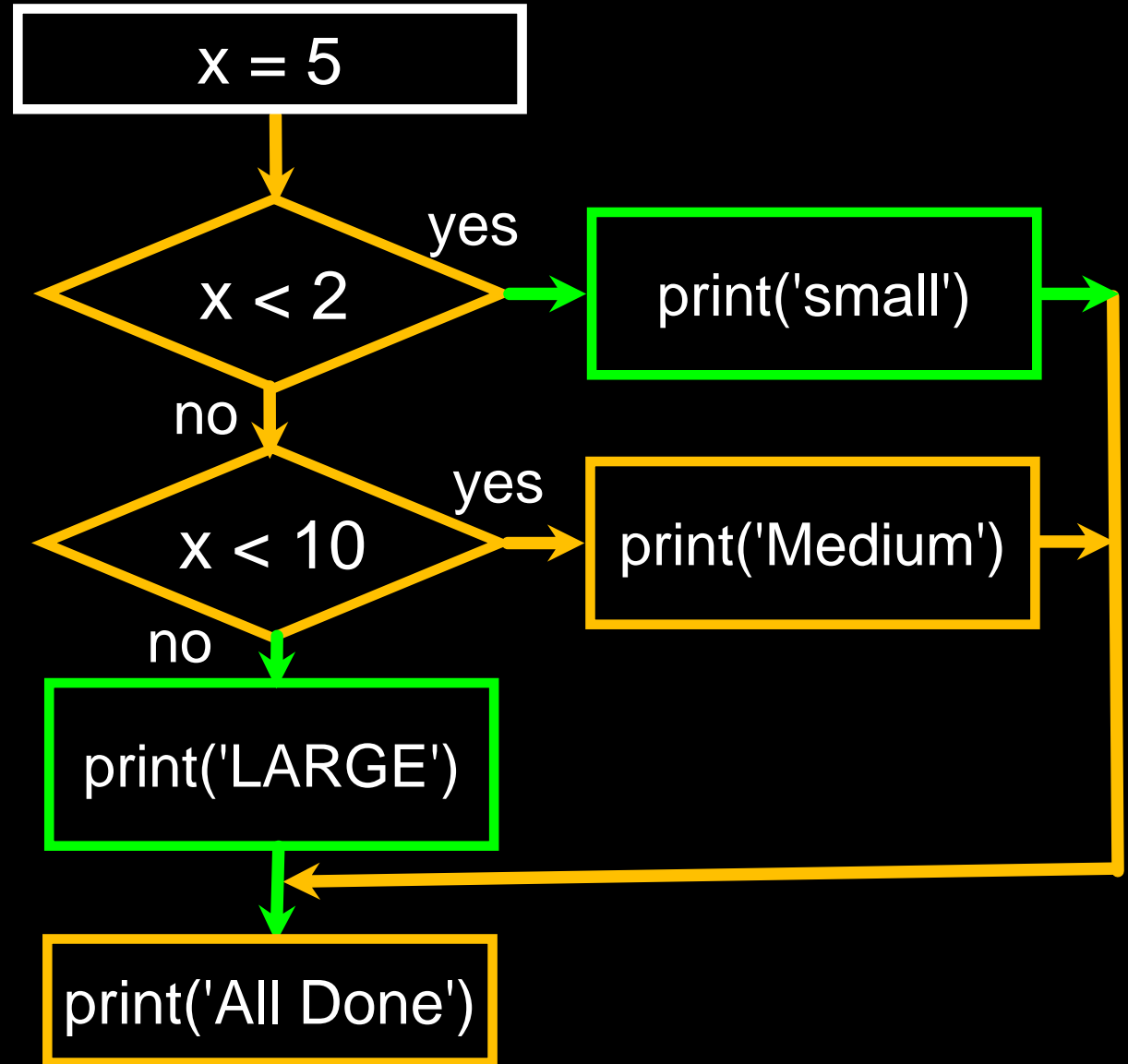
Multi-way

```
x = 0
if x < 2 :
    print('small')
elif x < 10 :
    print('Medium')
else :
    print('LARGE')
print('All done')
```



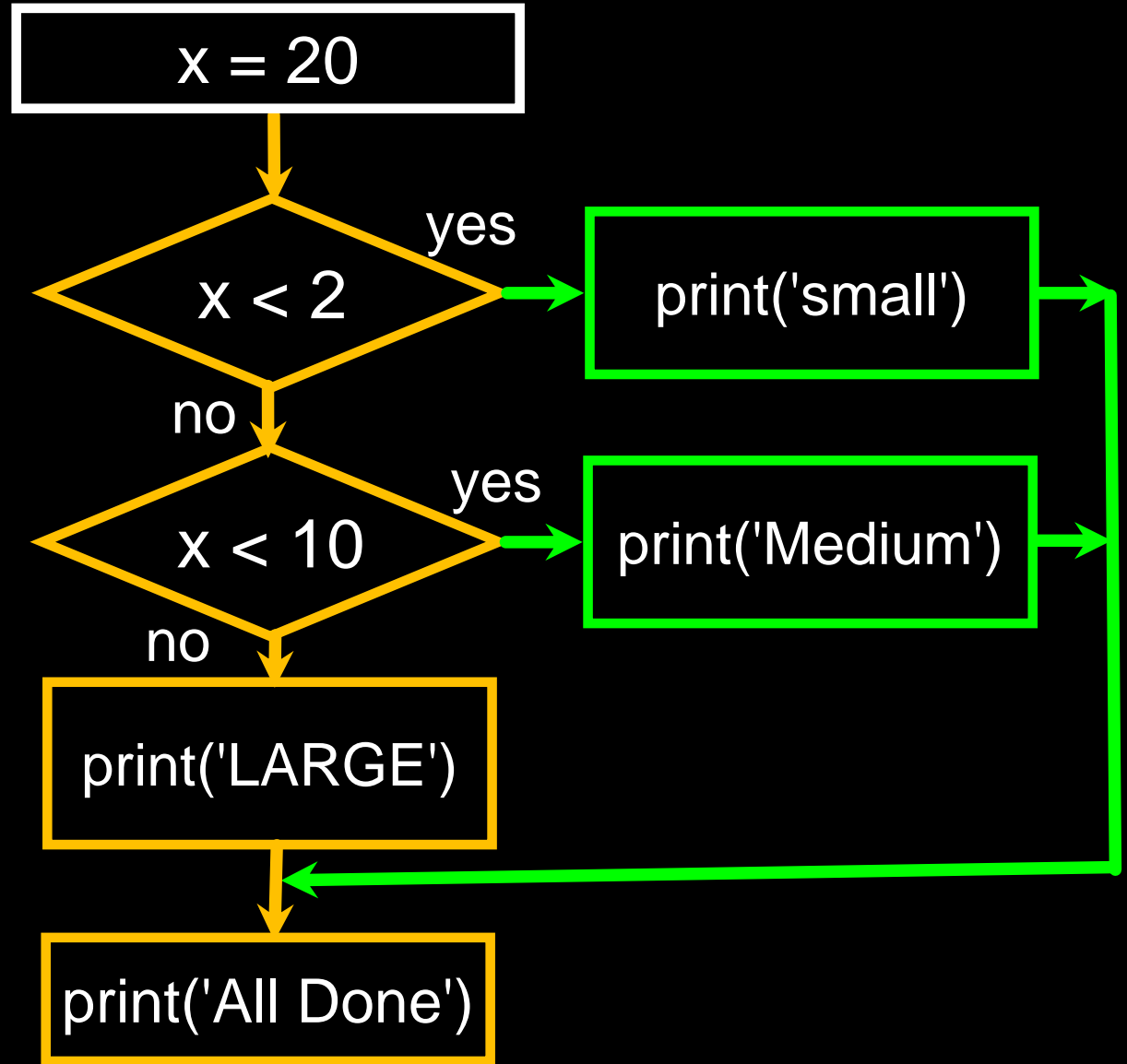
Multi-way

```
x = 5
if x < 2 :
    print('small')
elif x < 10 :
    print('Medium')
else :
    print('LARGE')
print('All done')
```



Multi-way

```
x = 20
if x < 2 :
    print('small')
elif x < 10 :
    print('Medium')
else :
    print('LARGE')
print('All done')
```



Multi-way

```
# No Else
x = 5
if x < 2 :
    print('Small')
elif x < 10 :
    print('Medium')

print('All done')
```

```
if x < 2 :
    print('Small')
elif x < 10 :
    print('Medium')
elif x < 20 :
    print('Big')
elif x < 40 :
    print('Large')
elif x < 100:
    print('Huge')
else :
    print('Ginormous')
```

Multi-way Puzzles

Which will never print
regardless of the value for x?

```
if x < 2 :  
    print('Below 2')  
elif x >= 2 :  
    print('Two or more')  
else :  
    print('Something else')
```

```
if x < 2 :  
    print('Below 2')  
elif x < 20 :  
    print('Below 20')  
elif x < 10 :  
    print('Below 10')  
else :  
    print('Something else')
```


LAB #3 - MULTI-WAY PUZZLES

Write these programs and run them...

What code does not run?

Fix it...

```
if x < 2 :  
    print('Below 2')  
elif x >= 2 :  
    print('Two or more')  
else :  
    print('Something else')
```

```
if x < 2 :  
    print('Below 2')  
elif x < 20 :  
    print('Below 20')  
elif x < 10 :  
    print('Below 10')  
else :  
    print('Something else')
```



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The try / except Structure

- You surround a dangerous section of code with `try` and `except`
- If the code in the `try` works - the `except` is skipped
- If the code in the `try` fails - it jumps to the `except` section

```
$ python3 notry.py
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):  
File "notry.py", line 2, in <module>  
istr = int(astr)ValueError: invalid literal  
for int() with base 10: 'Hello Bob'
```

```
$ cat notry.py  
astr = 'Hello Bob'  
istr = int(astr)  
print('First', istr)  
astr = '123'  
istr = int(astr)  
print('Second', istr)
```

All
Done



The program stops here

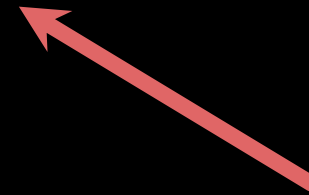


```
$ cat notry.py  
astr = 'Hello Bob'  
istr = int(astr)
```

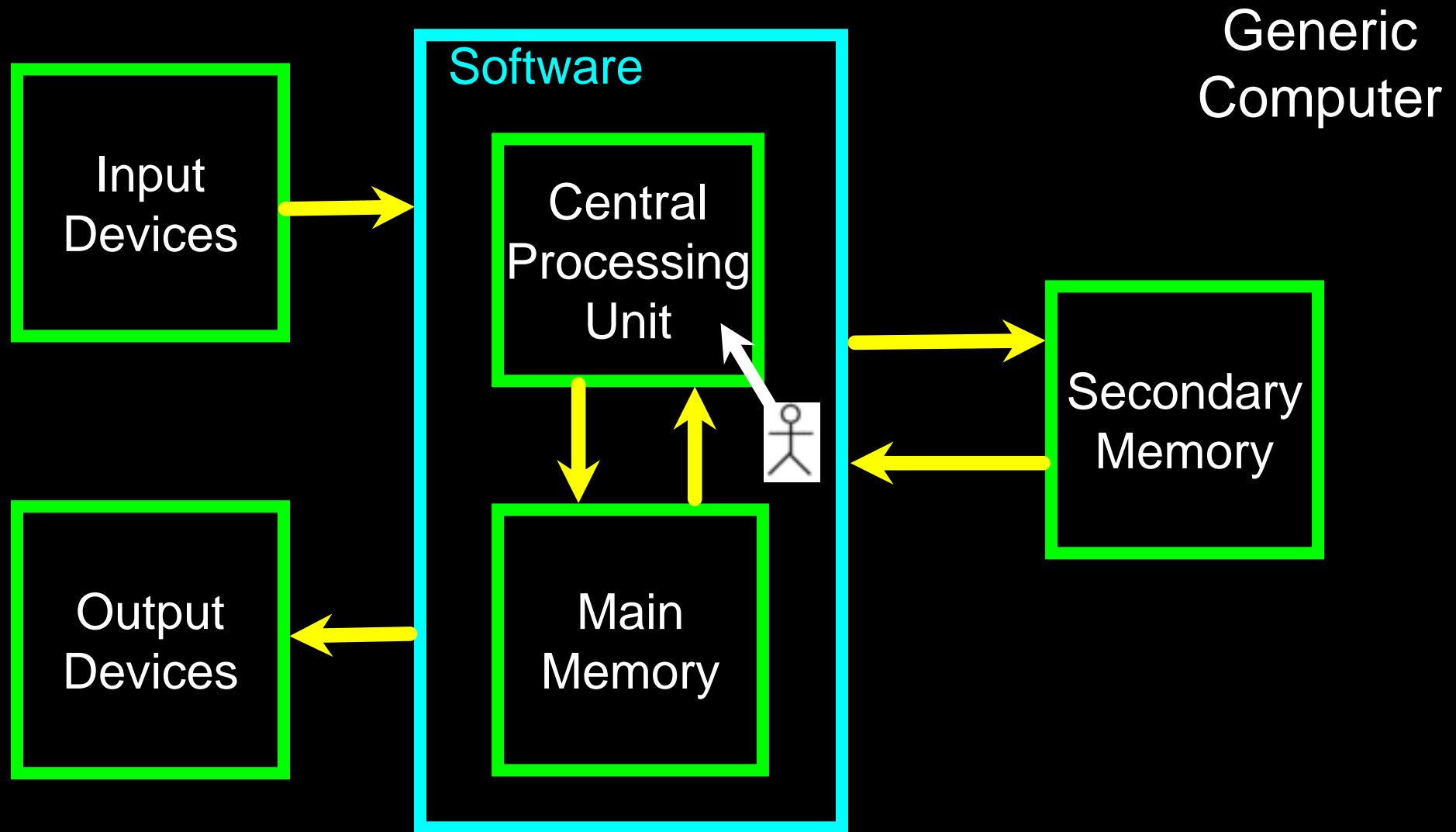


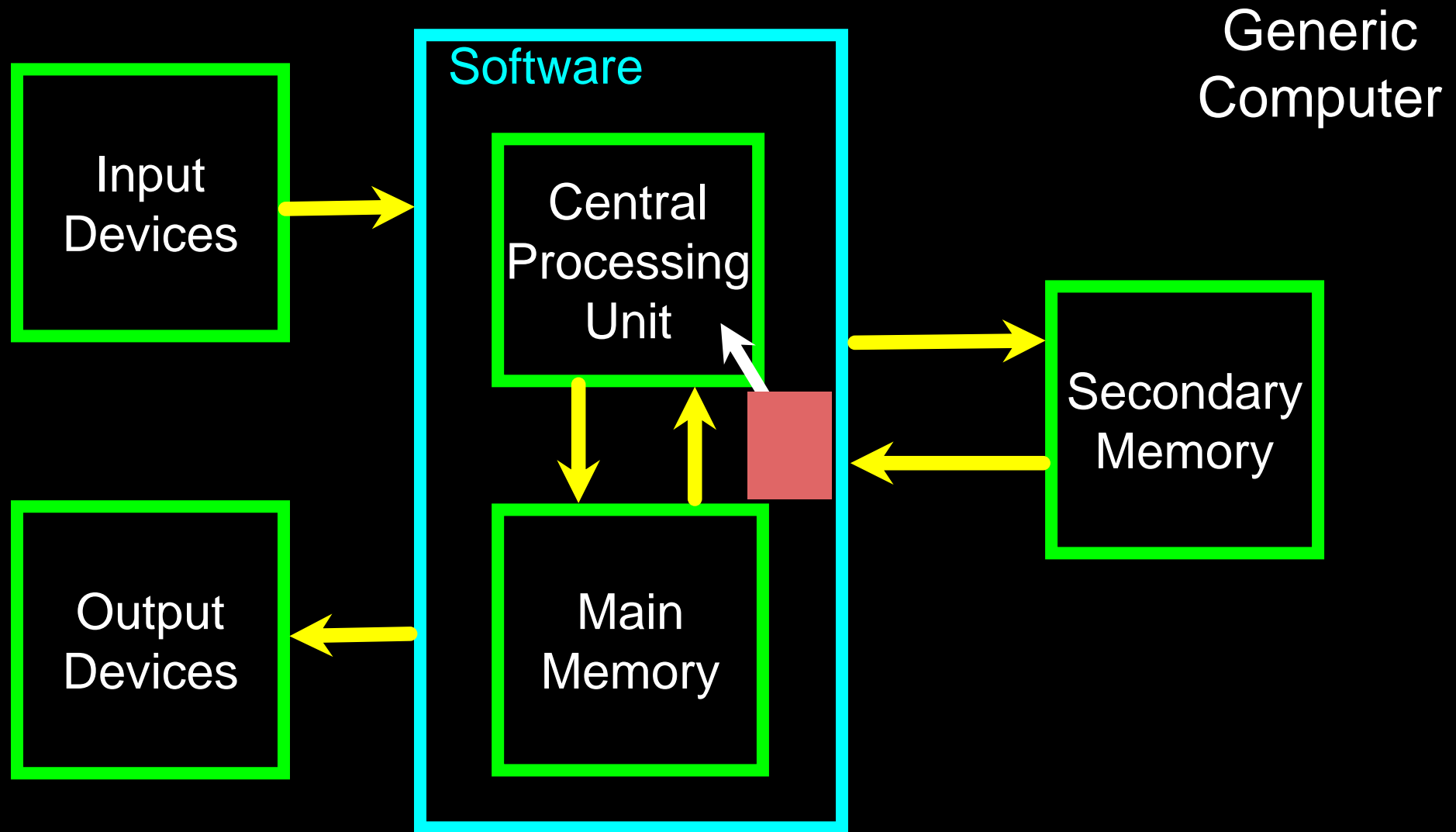
```
$ python3 notry.py
```

```
Traceback (most recent call last):  
File "notry.py", line 2, in <module>  
istr = int(astr)ValueError: invalid literal  
for int() with base 10: 'Hello Bob'
```



All Done





```
astr = 'Hello Bob'
try:
    istr = int(astr)
except:
    istr = -1

print('First', istr)
```

```
astr = '123'
try:
    istr = int(astr)
except:
    istr = -1

print('Second', istr)
```

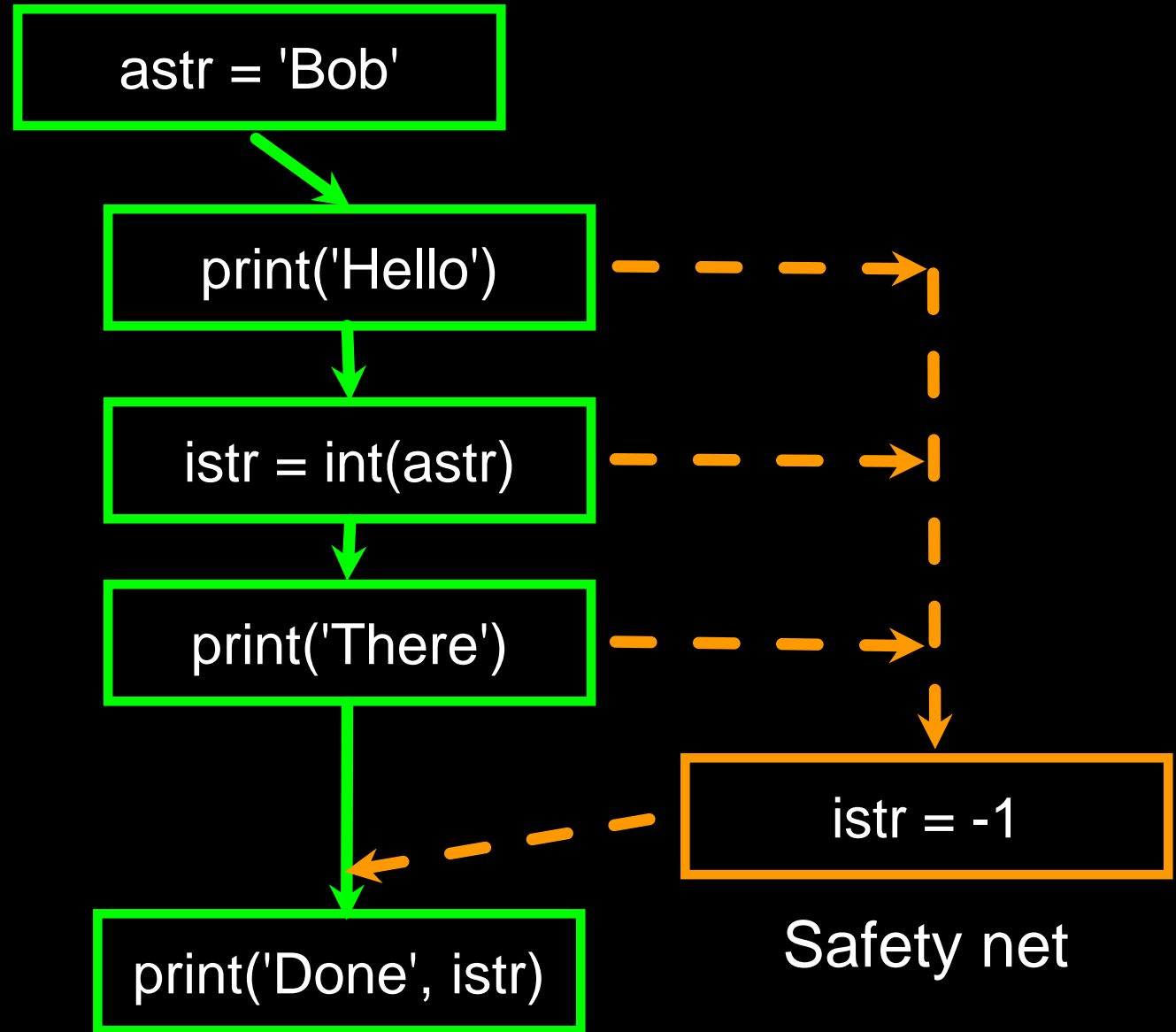
When the first conversion fails - it just drops into the except: clause and the program continues.

```
$ python tryexcept.py
First -1
Second 123
```

When the second conversion succeeds - it just skips the except: clause and the program continues.

try / except

```
astr = 'Bob'  
try:  
    print('Hello')  
    istr = int(astr)  
    print('There')  
except:  
    istr = -1  
  
print('Done', istr)
```



Sample try / except

```
rawstr = input('Enter a number:')
try:
    ival = int(rawstr)
except:
    ival = -1

if ival > 0 :
    print('Nice work')
else:
    print('Not a number')
```

```
$ python3 trynum.py
Enter a number:42
Nice work
$ python3 trynum.py
Enter a number:forty-two
Not a number
$
```

LAB #4 - SAMPLE TRY / EXCEPT

Open a new python file and Type in this code

```
rawstr = input('Enter a number:')
try:
    ival = int(rawstr)
except:
    ival = -1

if ival > 0 :
    print('Nice work')
else:
    print('Not a number')
```

```
$ python3 trynum.py
Enter a number:42
Nice work
$ python3 trynum.py
Enter a number:forty-two
Not a number
$
```

Summary

- Comparison operators
== <= >= > < !=
- Indentation
- One-way Decisions
- Two-way decisions:
if: and else:
- Nested Decisions
- Multi-way decisions using elif
- try / except to compensate for errors

LAB #5

Rewrite your pay computation to give the employee 1.5 times the hourly rate for hours worked above 40 hours.

Enter Hours: 45

Enter Rate: 10

Pay: 475.0

$$475 = 40 * 10 + 5 * 15$$

LAB #6

Rewrite your pay program using try and except so that your program handles non-numeric input gracefully.

```
Enter Hours: 20
```

```
Enter Rate: nine
```

```
Error, please enter numeric input
```

```
Enter Hours: forty
```

```
Error, please enter numeric input
```

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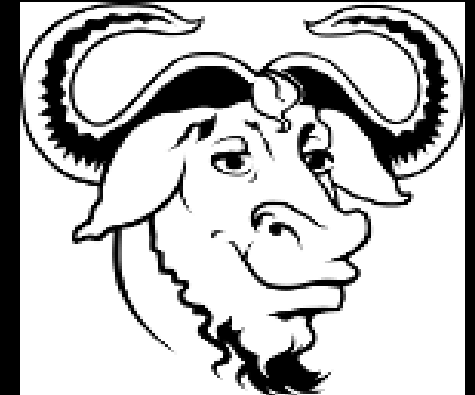


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