

# Deck 004

## Python – Operators

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# Things we've seen

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<code>int</code>	<code>+</code>	<code>int</code>	addition
<code>str</code>	<code>+</code>	<code>str</code>	concatenation
<code>function</code>	<code>()</code>		function call
<code>type</code>	<code>()</code>		make something that type
	<code>()</code>		delimited expression (parentheses/brackets)

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# The Reference

<https://docs.python.org/3/reference/expressions.html>

# 6.17. Operator precedence

Operator	Description
<code>(expressions...),</code> <code>[expressions...], {key: value...},</code> <code>{expressions...}</code>	Binding or parenthesized expression, list display, dictionary display, set display
<code>x[index], x[index:index] x(arguments...),</code> <code>x.attribute</code>	Subscription (including slicing), call, attribute reference
<code>await x</code>	Await expression
<code>**</code>	Exponentiation [5]
<code>+x, -x, ~x</code>	Positive, negative, bitwise NOT
<code>*, @, /, //, %</code>	Multiplication, matrix multiplication, division, floor division, remainder [6]
<code>+, -</code>	Addition and subtraction

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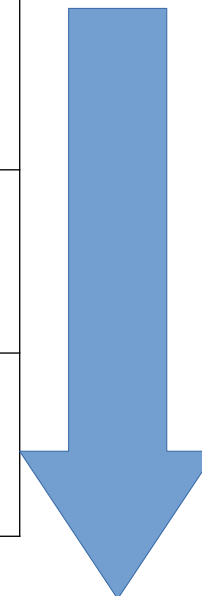
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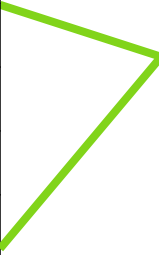
evaluate  
first

evaluate  
last

# More operators

in type	characters	in type	result	operation	Evaluation order
	( )			delimited expression	1st
int	**	int	int	exponentiation	2nd
	+	int	int	positive	3rd
	-	int	int	negative / negation	3rd
int	*	int	int	multiplication	4th
int	/	int	float	floating point division	4th
int	//	int	int	floor division	4th
int	%	int	int	remainder	4th
int	+	int	int	addition	5th
int	-	int	int	subtraction	5th

Same  
precedence  
evaluate  
left-to-right



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always evaluate  
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"Parentheses"  
"Brackets"

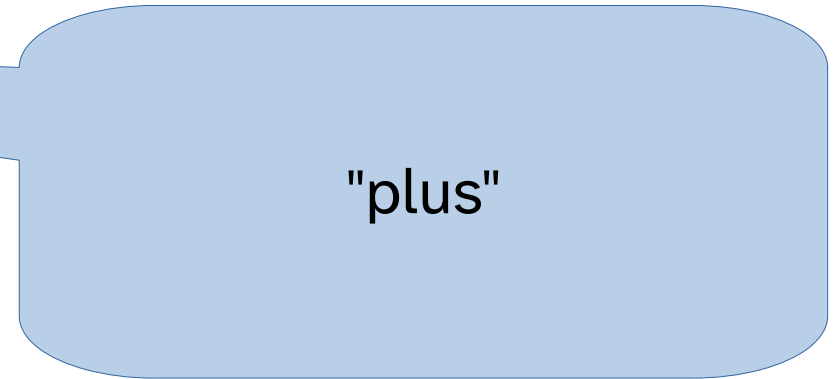
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"star star"  
"asterisk asterisk"

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"minus"

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"slash"  
"forward slash"

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"percent"

Has nothing to do with percentages

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"plus"

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"minus"

# Same Precedence

$$8 - 2 + 3$$

Both operators are the same precedence,  
so we evaluate them left to right

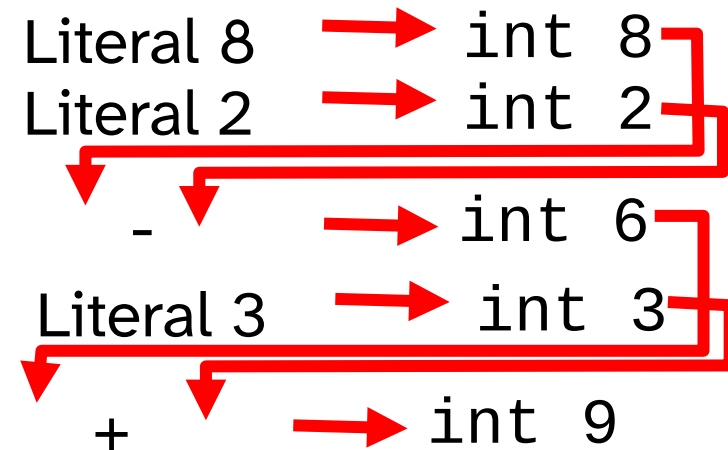
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8      first      second  
-      +  
8 - 2 + 3

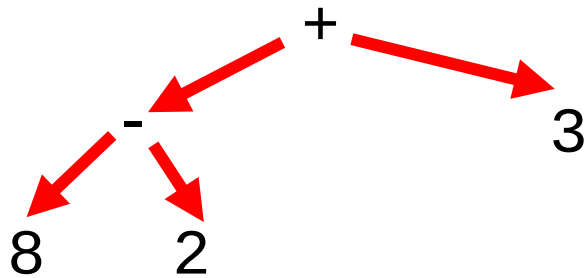
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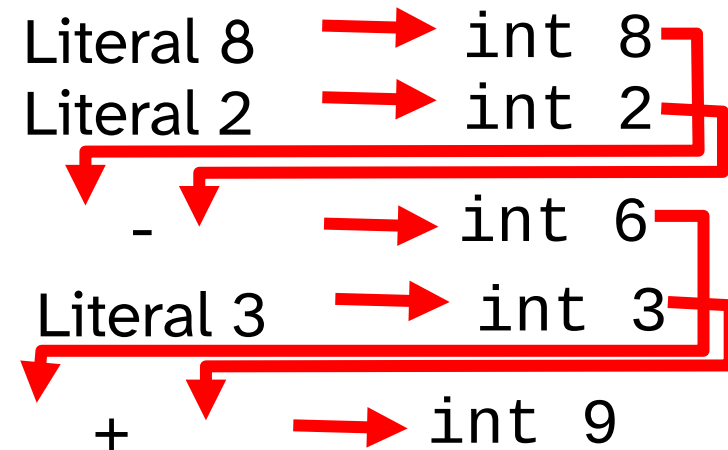
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## Syntax Diagram



## Evaluation



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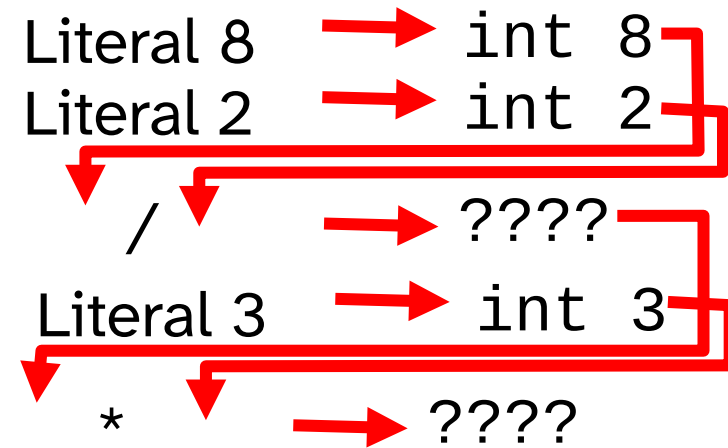
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# Same Precedence

8 / 2 \* 3

first      second

## Evaluation

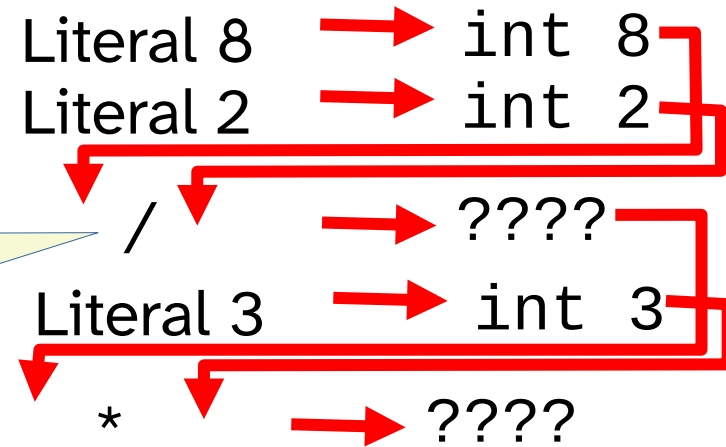


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first      second  
8 / 2 \* 3

I am the  
floating point  
division  
operator!

## Evaluation



# float

```
>>> 8/2
4.0
>>> █
```

```
>>> type(8/2)
<class 'float'>
>>> █
```

- float is a totally different type from int. It's a double-precision floating point number:
  - a number that can have non-integer value
    - Decimals
      - Limit 15 significant figures!
    - Fractions????? Kinda



# float



```
>>> 1/100
```

```
0.01
```

```
>>> 1/(1/100)
```

```
100.0 ok
```

```
>>> 1/103
```

```
0.009708737864077669
```

```
>>> 1/(1/103)
```

```
103.000000000000001 Not the same!
```

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```
>>> float(1)
1.0
>>> float("1")
1.0
>>> float("1.5")
1.5
>>> float("1e3")
1000.0
```

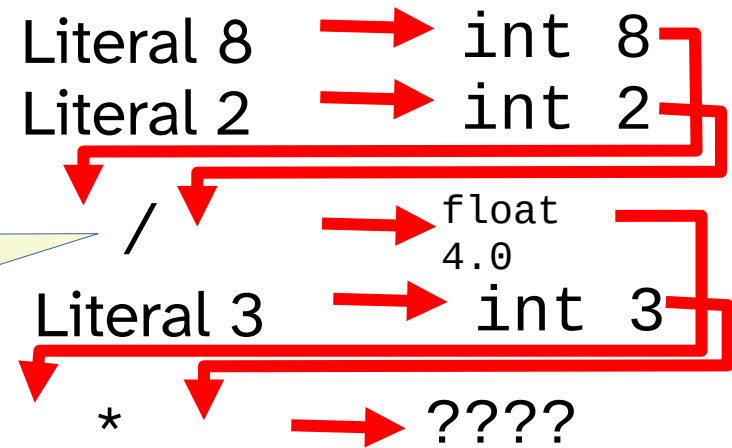
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>>> type(1)
<class 'int'>
>>> type(1.0)
<class 'float'>
```

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I always evaluate to a float (in Python)

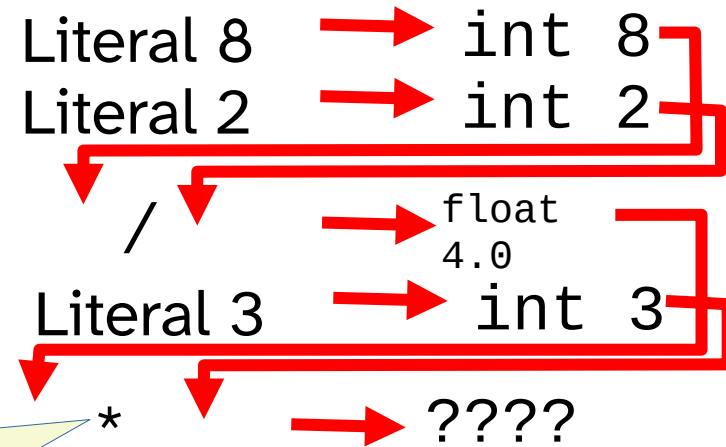
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## Evaluation



Numeric operation  
with mixed float  
and int

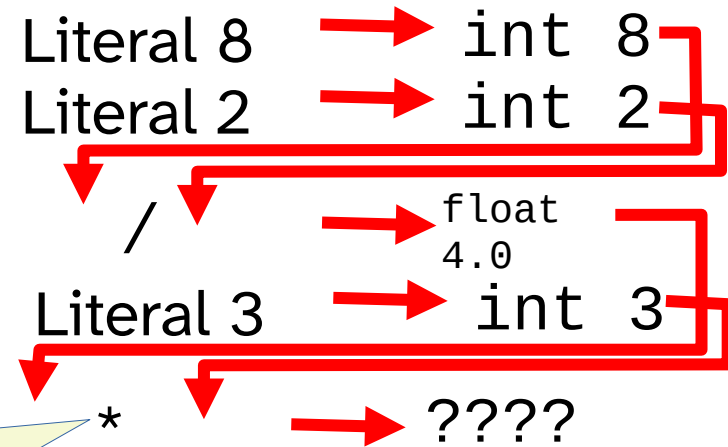
# Same Precedence

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```
>>> 4.0*3
12.0
>>> 8/2*3
12.0
```

Numeric operation with mixed float and int becomes a float

## Evaluation



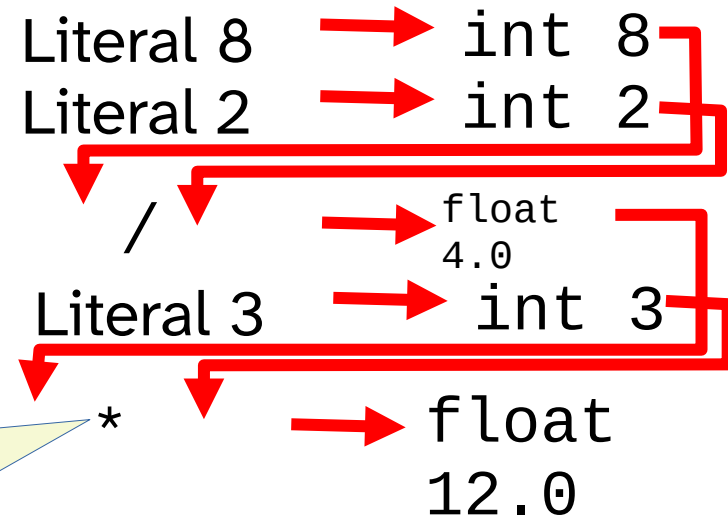
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## Evaluation



# fLoat literal

- A float literal starts with a number and contains a . or e

```
>>> type(12.0)
<class 'float'>
>>> type(12e3)
<class 'float'>
>>> type(6.66e9)
<class 'float'>
```

# float literal

- The e stands for  $\times 10^{\text{whatever}}$

```
>>> 12e3
12000.0
>>> 6.66e9
6660000000.0
```

e3 → thousand  
e6 → million  
e9 → billion  
e-3 → thousandth

```
>>> 1e3
1000.0
>>> 1e-3
0.001
```

# // the floor division operator

Doesn't exist in most other programming languages

```
>>> 7/3          >>> type(7/3)
2.3333333333333335 <class 'float'>
>>> 7//3        >>> type(7//3)
2 <class 'int'>
```

In Python the // int division operator always rounds down

# // the floor division operator

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```
>>> 7/3
2.3333333333333335
>>> 7//3
2
>>> -7/3
-2.3333333333333335
>>> -7//3
-3
```

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# % the remainder operator

Does division and evaluates to the remainder

```
>>> 12345 % 100
45
>>> 12345.67 % 100.0
45.6700000000000007
>>> 4 % 3
1
```

# % the remainder operator

Does division and evaluates to the remainder

```
>>> 12345 % 100
45
>>> -12345 % -100
-45
>>> -12345 % 100
55
>>> 12345 % -100
-55
```

For %, the denominator determines the sign of the result (the sign of the remainder)

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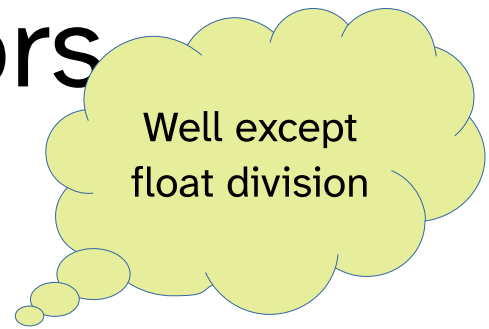
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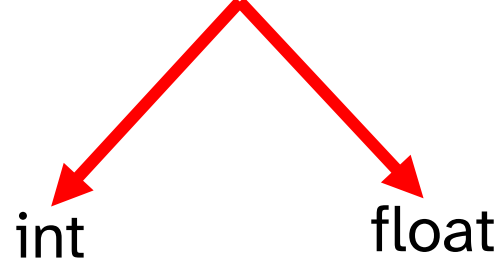
Single slash  
floating point division  
is the only operation where  
the type of the result  
doesn't change between  
int and float

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binary operator



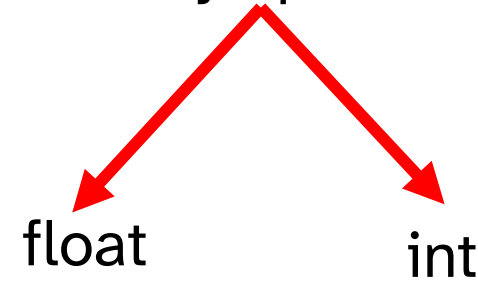
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Well except float division

binary operator



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# Unary Operators

- Unary → Only has one operand (on the right)

```
>>> +7
7
>>> +(7)
7
>>> +(4+3)
7
```

```
>>> -7
-7
>>> -(7)
-7
>>> -(4+3)
-7
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# Unary Operators

- Higher precedence than  $*$   $/$   $//$   $\%$  and  $+$   $-$

```
>>> -(4+3)
-7
>>> -(4)+(3)
-1
```

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U for unary?

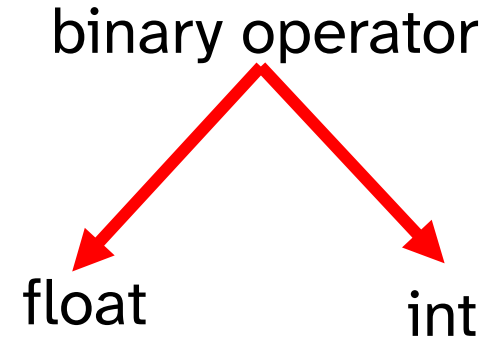
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# More numerical operators

```
>>> 1+2.0
3.0
>>> 1.0+2
3.0
```

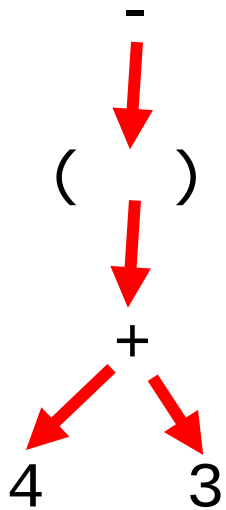


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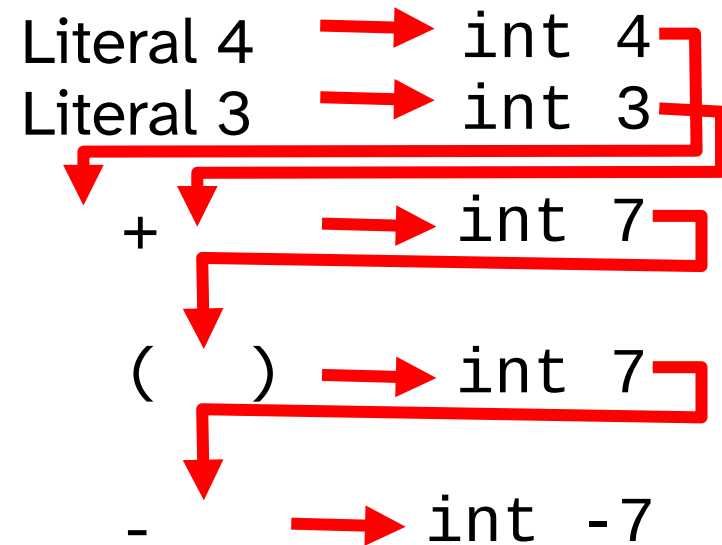
# Unary Operators

```
>>> -(4+3)
-7
```

Syntax Diagram



Evaluation



# Unary Operators

```
>>> +(4+3)  
7
```

Unary plus usually does nothing

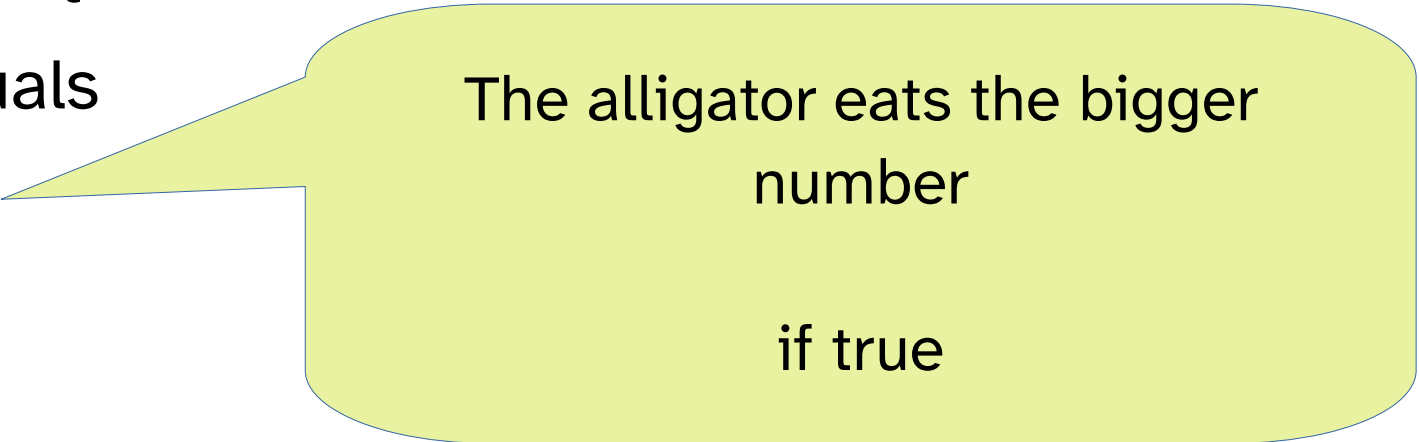
∴ we shouldn't use it, because it's confusing and unusual

Remember Software Engineering!

Avoid non-idiomatic or confusing code!

# Comparison Operators

- == equals
- != unequals
- >= greater equals
- <= less equals
- > greater
- < less



The alligator eats the bigger  
number

if true

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int	-	int	int	subtraction
int	<	int	bool	less than
int	<=	int	bool	less than equal
int	>	int	bool	greater than
int	>=	int	bool	greater than equal
int	==	int	bool	equal
int	!=	int	bool	unequal

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Comparison operators are lower precedence (evaluated after) addition and subtraction

# Comparison operators

```
>>> 1 == 3 + 5 % 2  
False
```

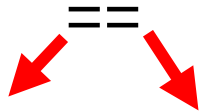
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```

third      second      first

# Comparison operators

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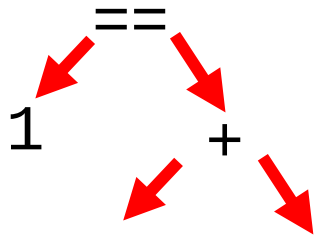


Lowest precedence  
(last)  
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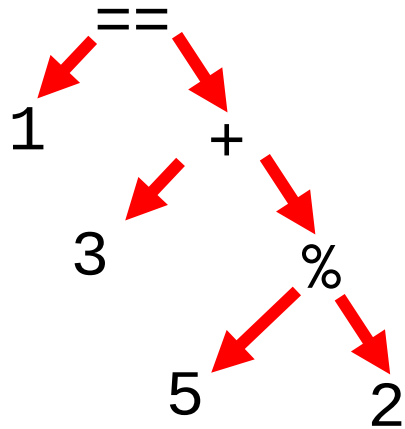


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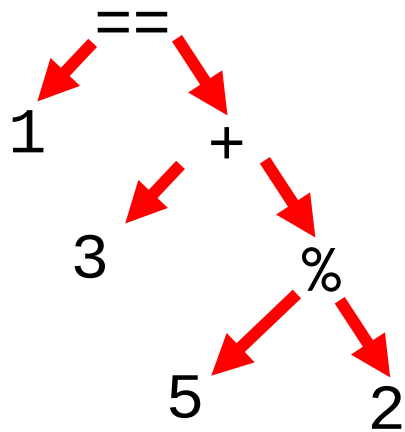
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>>> 1 == 3 + 5 % 2
False
```

third            second    first

# Comparison operators

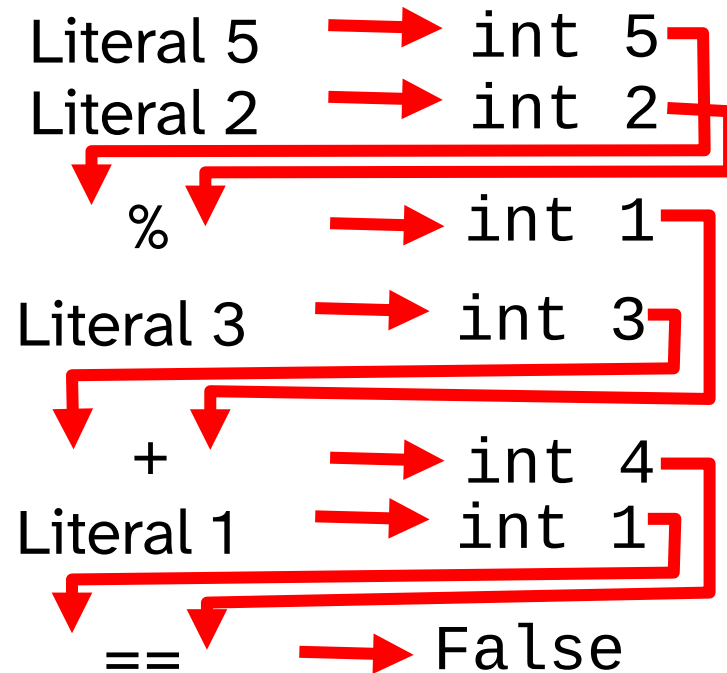
## Syntax Diagram



```
>>> 1 == 3 + 5 % 2
False
```

↑           ↑           ↑  
third      second      first

## Evaluation



# Exponentiation operator

```
>>> 2**10
```

```
1024
```

$$2^{10}$$

```
>>> 2**0.5
```

```
1.4142135623730951
```

$$\sqrt{2}$$

```
>>> 1.4142135623730951**10
```

```
32.000000000000002
```

$$(\sqrt{2})^{10}$$

```
>>> 1.4142135623730951**20
```

```
1024.00000000000014
```

$$(\sqrt{2})^{20}$$

# Exponentiation operator

```
>>> 2**500
327339060789614187001318969682759915221664204604306478948329136809613
379640467455488327009232590415715088668412756007100921725654588539305
3328527589376
>>> 2.0**500
3.273390607896142e+150
```

In Python, there is no limit to the number of digits in an int

(but there is a limit to to the number of digits in a float...)

# Put Some Things Together

```
>>> -(123+500) == -123-500  
True
```

The `-` unary operator is the same as multiplying by `-1`, so it distributes as expected.

# Put Some Things Together

123 is  $12 \times 10 + 3$

```
>>> 123 // 10 * 10 + 123 % 10  
123
```

12

3

120

123

