

Reeborg's Sensory Equipment

- Reeborg has three video cameras, a microphone, a compass, and tactile sensors to help him stay out of trouble. He can request information from his sensory equipment:
`front_is_clear()`, `facing_north()`, `on_beeper()`, etc.
- Each request will result in a *True* or *False* answer. We call such *boolean expressions* that are either *True* or *False* predicates.

Decision statements

- Reeborg can check predicates by using what is called an **IF** control structure. These constructs can be used wherever instructions are used in a program. In the Python language, there are two variations of the **IF** statement:
 - The simple **if** statement
 - The compound **if-else** statement

simple if statement

```
if predicate:
    <then-suite statement(s)>
```

- If the **predicate** (*aka* boolean expression) is *True*, the statements in the *then* suite are executed and then whatever follows the *then* suite.
- If the **predicate** is *False*, then the statements in the *then* suite are **not** executed and we jump to whatever follows the *then* suite (that is, we ignore the *then* suite statement(s) and jump to the instruction immediately following the **if** statement.

compound if statement

```
if predicate:
    <then-suite statement(s)>
else:
    <else-suite statement(s)>
```

- If the **predicate** is *True*, the instructions in the *then* suite are executed and then the instruction immediately after the **if** statement.
- If the **predicate** is *False*, the instructions in the *else* suite are executed and then the instruction immediately after the **if** statement.
- Note that execution of the *then* and *else* suites is mutually exclusive—only one or the other is executed.

Reeborg's Predicates

- `front_is_clear()`
`left_is_clear()`
`right_is_clear()`
- `facing_north()`
`facing_west()`
`facing_south()`
`facing_east()`
- `carrying beepers()`
- `on_beeper()`

Examples

```
if on_beeper():
    pick_beeper()
```

```
if front_is_clear():
    move()
else:
    turn_left()
```

```
def face_south_if_facing_north():
    if facing_north():
        turn_left()
        turn_left()
```

```
def give_or_take():  
    if on_beeper():  
        if carrying beepers():  
            put_beeper()  
        else:  
            pick_beeper()
```

not

- Reeborg can use the keyword *not* to reverse the value of a predicate in a boolean expression. For example, if we wished Reeborg to turn_left() only if he was facing some direction other than north, we could write:

```
if not facing_north():  
    turn_left()
```