

01: PROGRAMMING PROBLEM-SOLVING

Programming Technique I (SCSJ1013)



Problem-Solving Process



The Programming Process



Programming Process

Programming is a process of problem solving.

- Problem solving techniques
 - Outline the problem requirements
 - Analyze the problem
 - ◆ Design steps (algorithm) to solve the problem



Programming Process

		1.	Clearly define what the program is to do.	
		2.	Visualize the program running on the computer.	
This we		3.	Use design tools such as a hierarchy chart, flowcharts,	
	ek		or pseudocode to create a model of the program.	
		4.	Check the model for logical errors.	
		5.	Type the code, save it, and compile it.	
		6.	Correct any errors found during compilation. Repeat	
			Steps 5 and 6 as many times as necessary.	
		7.	Run the program with test data for input.	
		8.	Correct any errors found while running the program.	
			Repeat Steps 5 through 8 as many times as necessary.	
		9.	Validate the results of the program.	
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		8.	Run the program with test data for input. Correct any errors found while running the program. Repeat Steps 5 through 8 as many times as necessary.	



Input, Process and Output



Input, Process and Output

Three steps that a program typically performs:

- - from keyboard
 - from files on disk drives
- Process the input
- Display the result as output
 - send it to the screen
 - write to a file



Example 1

 Identify an input, process and output to develop a program to calculate area of a rectangle.

- 🕾 Input data
 - ◆ Length
 - Width
- Process the input
 - ◆ Area = Length * Width
- **Output Data**
 - Area



In-Class Exercise 1

Identify the input, process and output for a program to calculate employee income tax based on the following formula:

Tax = 0.25 * (monthly income * 11 - number of kids * 450)

Your program will display the name of the employee and amount of tax on the screen.

Input data

- ◆ Name
- Monthly income
- ◆ Number of kids
- Process the input
 - ◆ Tax = 0.25 * (Monthly income * 11 Number of kids * 450)
- Output Data
 - Name
 - ◆ Tax



In-Class Exercise 2

Identify the following information:

Input data, Process the input data, and Output data

- Do Exercise 2.7, No. 7(a), pg. 56
- Do Exercise 2.7, No. 7(c), pg. 56
- © Do Exercise 2.7, No. 7(d), pg. 57
- ⊕ Do Exercise 2.7, No. 7(e), pg. 57
- Do Exercise 2.7, No. 8, pg. 57
- Do Exercise 2.7, No. 9, pg. 59



Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming

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Procedural and Object-Oriented Programming

Procedural programming (a.k.a structured programming) is centered on procedures or functions (a.k.a modules). Example language: C.

Object-oriented programming (OOP), is centered on objects.
An object contains data and procedures. Example language:
C++.



Problem Solving Techniques



Problem Solving Methods

Three problem solving methods will be discussed in this class are:

- Develop Algorithms
 - **♦** Flowchart
 - ◆ Pseudo code
- Top-down design
 - ◆ Structured Chart



Algorithms

Algorithm - a sequence of a finite number of steps arranged in a specific logical order to produce the solution for a problem.

Algorithms requirements:

- Must have input
- Must produce output
- Unambiguous
- Generality
- Correctness
- Finiteness
- Efficiency

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Pseudo codes



Pseudo Code

Pseudocode is a semiformal, English-like language with limited vocabulary that can be used to design & describe algorithms.

Purpose- to define the procedural logic of an algorithm in a simple, easy-to-understand for its readers.

Free of syntactical complications of programming language.



Example: Pseudo Code

Execution sequence follow the steps flow.

Example: Algorithm for multiplying two numbers

- 1. Start
- 2. Get A
- 3. Get B
- 4. Calculate result,

$$C = A * B$$

- 5. Display result C
- 6. End

Execution sequence



In-Class Exercise 1

Develop a pseudo code for a program to calculate employee income tax based on the following formula:

Tax = 0.25 * (monthly income * 11 - number of kids * 450)

Your program will display the name of the employee and amount of tax on the screen.

```
1.Start
2.Get name
3.Get monthly income
4.Get num kids
5. Calculate tax:
   tax = 0.25 *
   (monthly income
   11 - num kids *
   450)
6.Display name and
 tax
7. End
```



In-Class Exercise 2

Develop a pseudo code:

- Do Exercise 2.7, No. 7(a), pg. 56
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Flowcharts



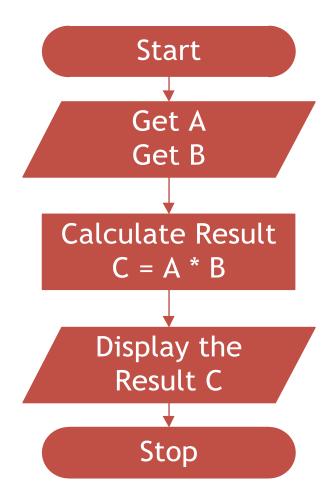
Flowchart

- Flowchart represents an algorithm in graphical symbols.
- ᠃ Flowchart a graph of geometrical shapes that are connected by lines.
- Two important element in flow chart:
 - ◆ Geometrical shapes represent type of statements in the algorithm
 - ◆ Flow line show the order in which the statements of an algorithm are executed.



Example: Flowchart

Algorithm for multiplying two numbers





Flowchart Symbol

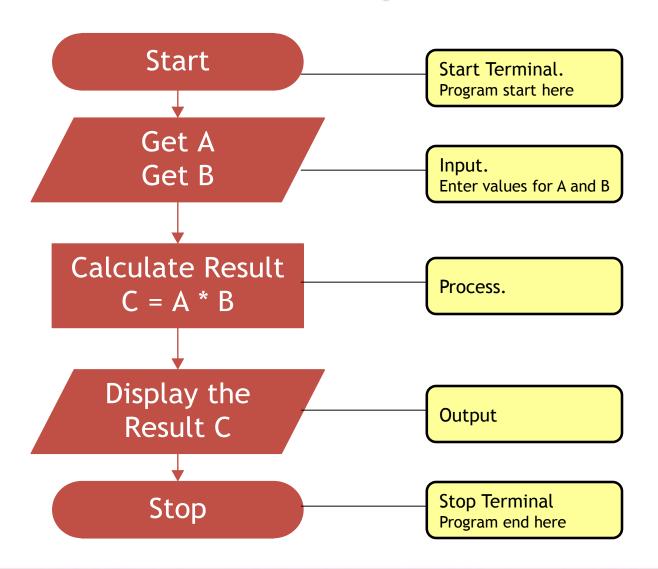


Flowchart Symbol

Terminal: Used to indicates the start and end of a flowchart. Single flowline. Only one "Start" and "Stop" terminal for each program. The end terminal for function/subroutine must use "Return" instead of "Stop".
Process: Used whenever data is being manipulated. One flowline enters and one flowline exits.
Input/Output: Used whenever data is entered (input) or displayed (output). One flowline enters and one flowline exits.
Decision: Used to represent operations in which there are two possible selections. One flowline enters and two flowlines (labelled as "Yes" and "No") exit.
Function / Subroutine: Used to identify an operation in a separate flowchart segment (module). One flowline enters and one flowline exits.
On-page Connector: Used to connect remote flowchart portion on the same page. One flowline enters and one flowline exits.
Off-page Connector: Used to connect remote flowchart portion on different pages. One flowline enters and one flowline exits.
 Comment: Used to add descriptions or clarification.
 Flowline: Used to indicate the direction of flow of control.
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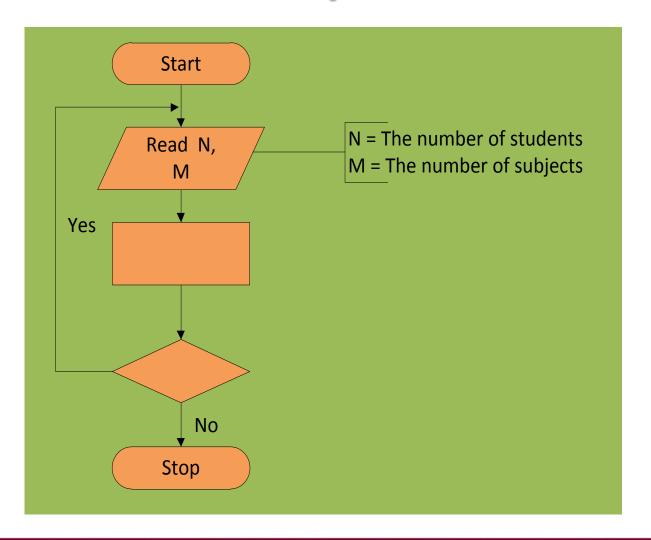


Flowchart Explanation

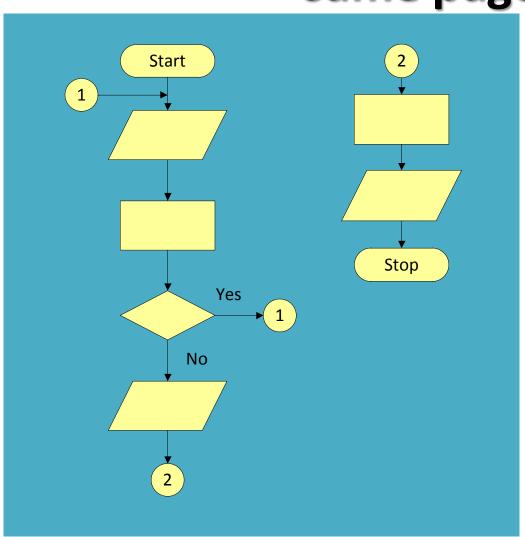




Example: Use of comments/ description

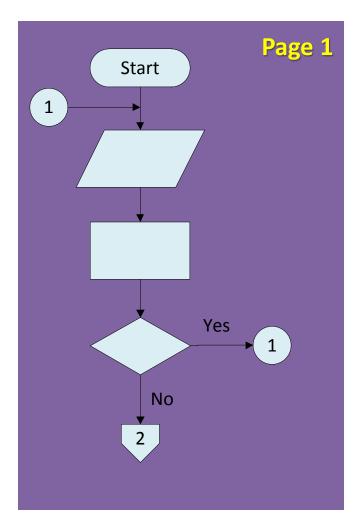


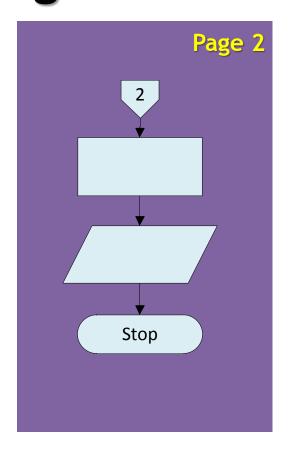
Example: Use of connectors on the same page



- 1- connection on the same flowchart portion
- 2- connection on the different flowchart portion

Example: Use of connectors on the different page





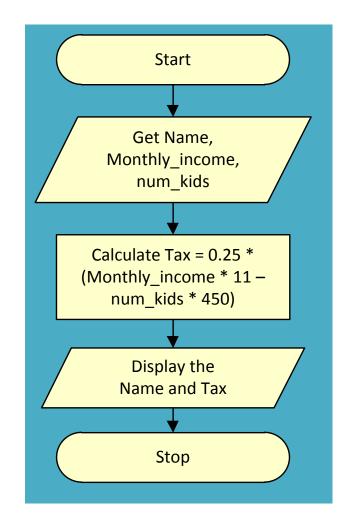


In-Class Exercise

Draw a flowchart for a program to calculate employee income tax based on the following formula:

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Your program will display the name of the employee and amount of tax on the screen.





Flowchart Structures



Control Structure

Describe the flow of execution

- Basic types of control structure:
 - Sequential
 - ◆ Selection
 - ◆ Repetition



Flowchart Structures: Sequential



Sequential Structure

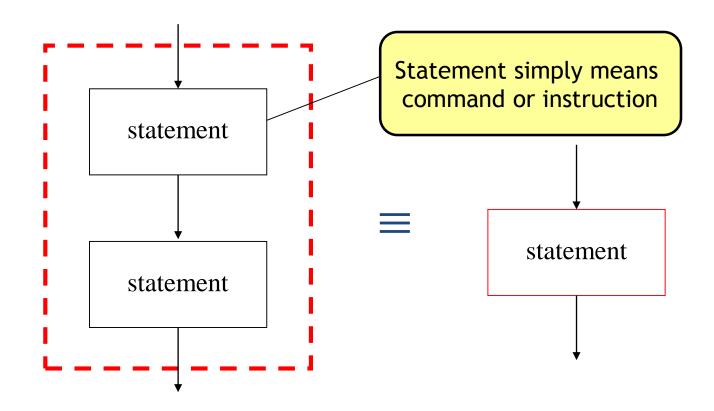
- A series of steps or statements that are executed in the order they are written in an algorithm.
- Pseudo code Mark the beginning and end of a block of statements.

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1. Start
2. Statement_1
3. Statement_2
4. Statement_3
: :
n. Statement_n
n+1. End
```



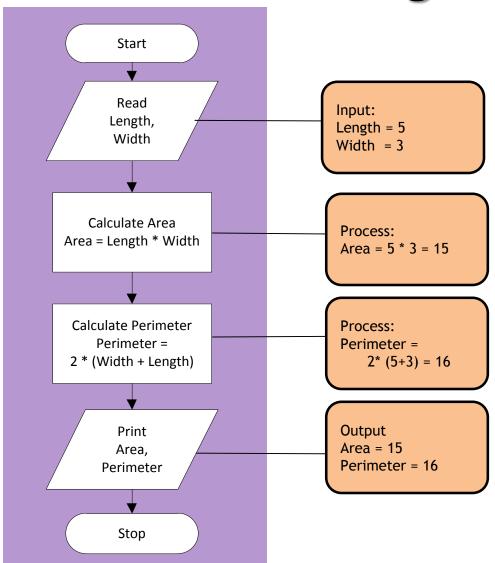
Sequential Structure: Flowchart

Multiple statements considered as one statement.





Flowchart Tracing





Trace Table

- Trace tables allow developers to test their algorithms in order to make sure there are no logic errors.
- Within the trace table, each variable, conditional test and output must be listed.

Example:

Length	Width	Area	Perimeter	Output
10	15	150	50	Area = 150, Perimeter = 50
20	20	400	80	Area = 400, Perimeter = 80
30	15	450	90	Area = 450, Perimeter = 90



Trace the content of the variables and determine the output of the following algorithm, if the input for Radius is:

a. 3 b. 10 c. 150

Algorithm 1: Compute the area of a circle

- 1. Start
- 2. Set PI = 3.14159
- 3. Read the Radius
- 4. Calculate the area of a circle using the formula:

Area = Radius x Radius x PI

- 5. Display Area
- 6. End



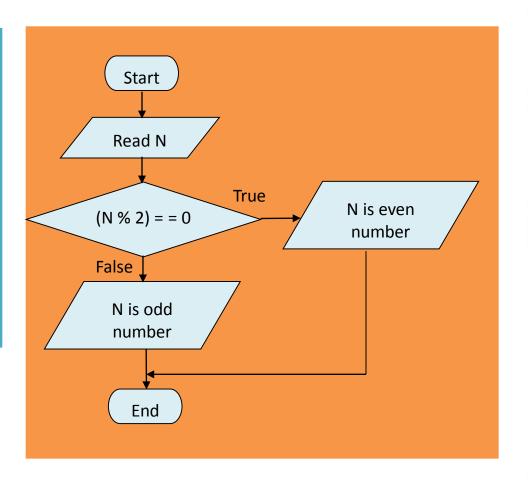
Execute the flowchart using the following input values:

a. 89

b. 26

c. 0

d. 3





Flowchart Structures: Selection



Selection Structure

- Selection allows you to choose between two or more alternatives; that is it allows you to make decision.
- Decisions made by a computer must be very simple since everything in the computer ultimately reduces to either true (1) or false (0).
- If complex decisions are required, it is the programmer's job to reduce them to a series of simple decisions that the computer can handle.

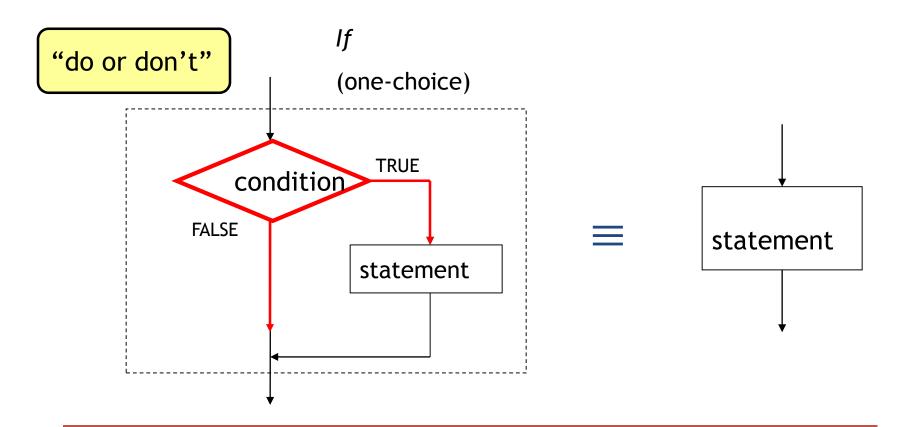
Selection Structure: Problem Examples

- Problem 1: Determine whether profit, return capital or loss.
- Problem 2: Determine whether a number is even or odd.
- Problem 3: Determine whether the marks is less than 60%. If it is less than 60, then print "fail", otherwise print "pass".
- Problem 4: Determine whether the speed limit exceeds 110 km per hour. If the speed exceeds 110, then fine = 300, otherwise fine = 0. Display fine.
- Problem 5: Determine whether the age is above 12 years old. If the age is above 12, then ticket = 20, otherwise ticket = 10. Display ticket.



Pseudo code – requires the use of the keywords if.





If set condition is true, execute the statement, else do nothing



Example

Determine whether an input number is even. If the number is even, print "This is even number".

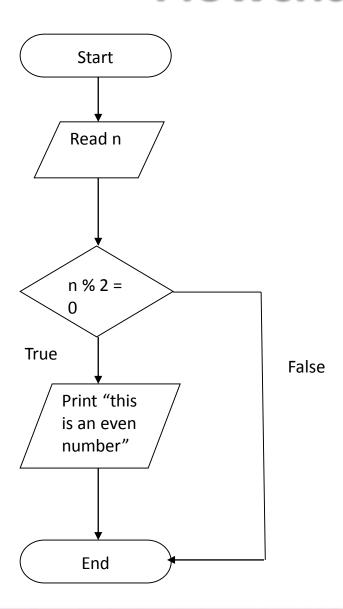


Pseudocode

- 1. Start
- 2. Read n
- 3. If n modulus 2 == 0
 - 1. Print "This is an even number"
- 4. End if
- 5. End



Flowchart

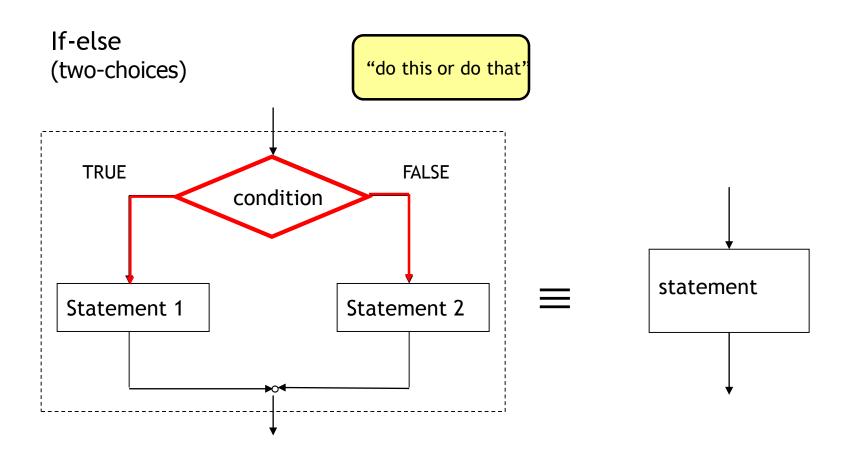




 Pseudo code - requires the use of the keywords if and else.

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Algorithm: two choices selection
n. if condition
          n.1 statement
n+1. else
     n+1.1 statement
n+2. end if
```





If set condition is true, execute the first statement, else execute second statement



Example

• Determine whether an input number is even or odd. If the number is even, print "This is even number". Else, print "This is odd number".

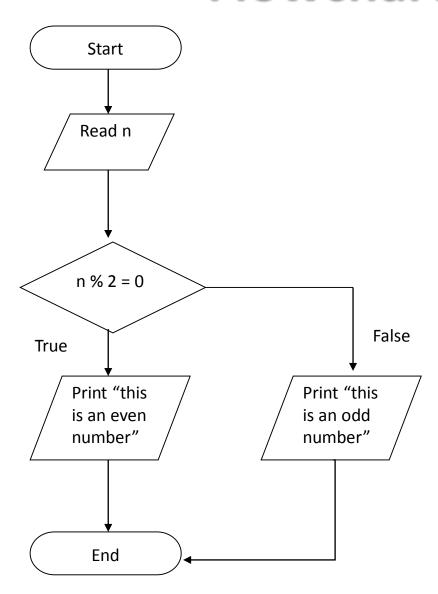


Pseudocode

- 1. Start
- 2. Read n
- 3. If n modulus 2 = 0
 - 1. Print "This is an even number"
 - 2. Go step 6
- 4. Else
 - 1. Print "This is an odd number"
- 5. End if
- 6. End



Flowchart





Selection Structure - Problem Examples

Used to compare numbers to determine relative order

Operators:

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> Greater than
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< Less than

>= Greater than or equal to

<= Less than or equal to</p>

== Equal to

! = Not equal to



Relational Expressions

⊗ Boolean expressions – true or false

Examples:

```
12 > 5 is true

7 <= 5 is false

if x is 10, then

x == 10 is true,

x != 8 is true, and

x == 8 is false
```



Logical Operators

Used to create relational expressions from other relational expressions

Operators, meaning, and explanation:

& &	AND	New relational expression is true if both expressions are true
	OR	New relational expression is true if either expression is true
!	NOT	Reverses the value of an expression – true expression becomes false, and false becomes true



Truth Table

AND (&&)		
P	Q	P && Q
Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F
F	Т	F
F	F	F

OR ()		
P	Q	P Q
Т	Т	Т
Т	F	Т
F	Т	Т
F	F	F



Logical Operators - examples

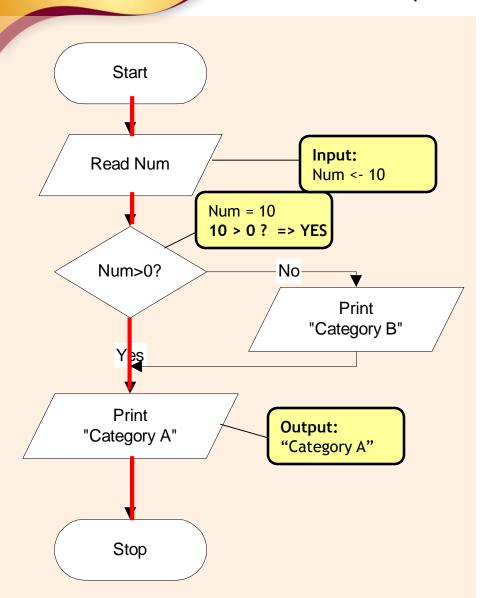
int
$$x = 12$$
, $y = 5$, $z = -4$;

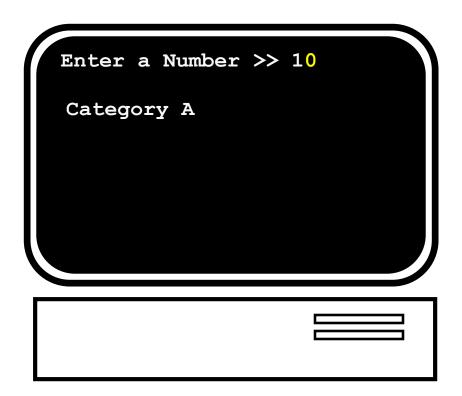
(x > y) && (y > z)	true
(x > y) & (z > y)	false
(x <= z) (y == z)	false
(x <= z) (y != z)	true
! (x >= z)	false



Example:

What is the output of the following flowchart when the input Num= 10

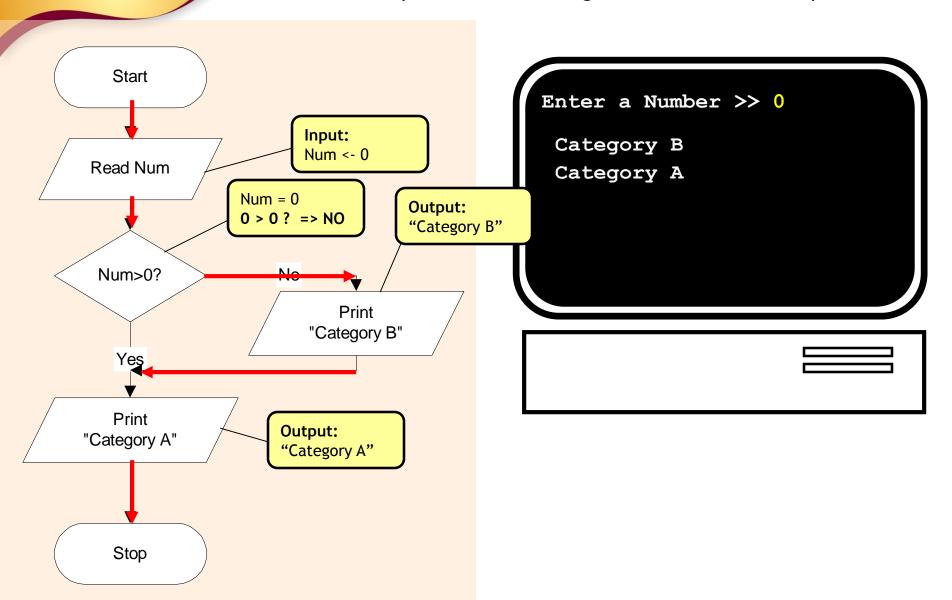






Example:

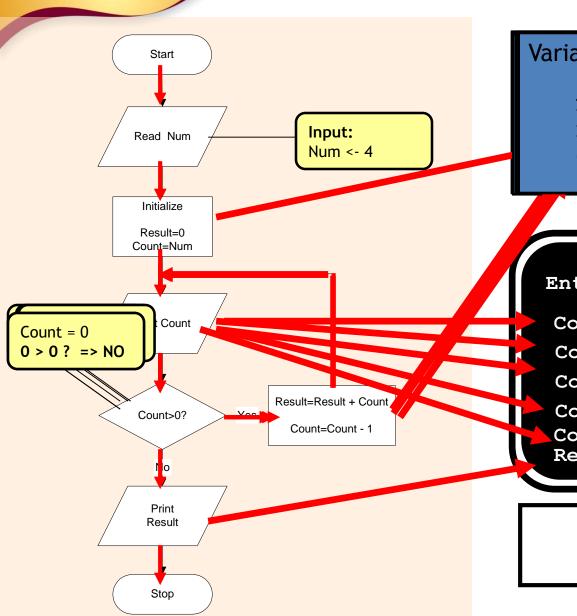
What is the output of the following flowchart when the input is Num= 0





Example:

What is the output of the following flowchart when the input Num= 4



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Variables (in memory):

Num [ 4 ]

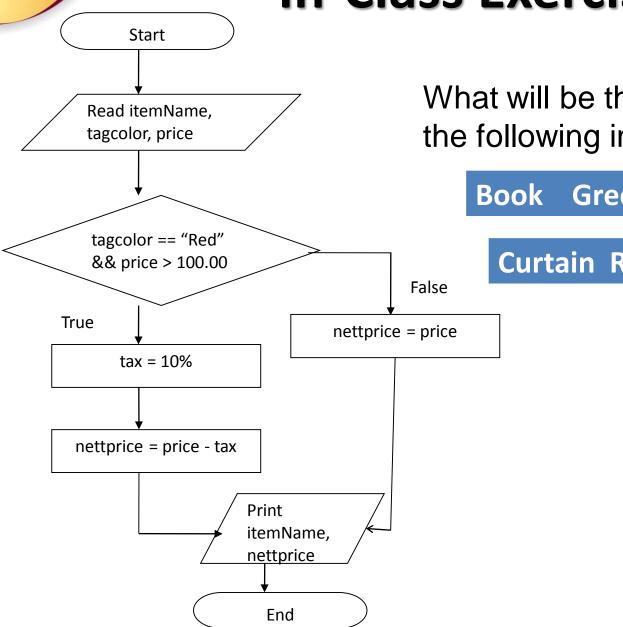
Result [ 10] 9 + 1

Count [ 0 ] 1 - 1
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Enter a Number => 4

Count: 4
Count: 3
Count: 2
Count: 1
Count: 0
Result: 10
```





What will be the output for the following input?

> 350.00 Green

Curtain Red 500.00



- Write a pseudo code for a program that will accept 2 numbers. If the first number is greater than the second number, find the difference between the numbers and print the numbers and difference value. If the second number is greater than the first number, find the sum of the two values and print the numbers and the sum.
- Draw the flowchart for the pseudo code.
- Trace the algorithm with the following input.
 Write the output:

70 30



• Write down an algorithm (pseudo code) and draw a flowchart to read two numbers. If the first number is greater than the second number and it is larger than 50, find the sum and print the sum. Else, print the difference.

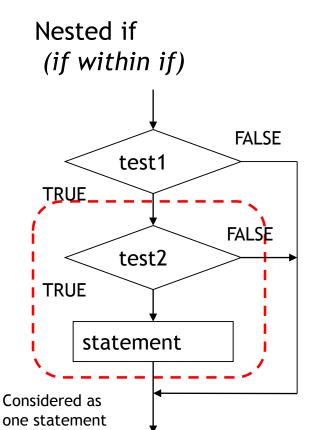
• Verify your result by a trace table. (Use 52, 30 as the numbers read)

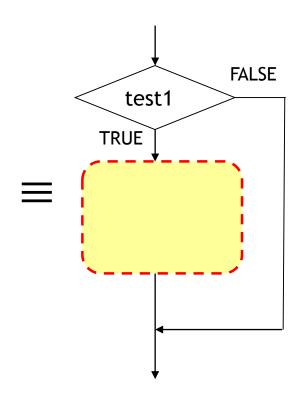


Pseudo code - nested if.

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Algorithm: nested if
n. if condition
     n.m if condition
          n.m.1 statement
n+1. end if
```







it is an "one-choice" if

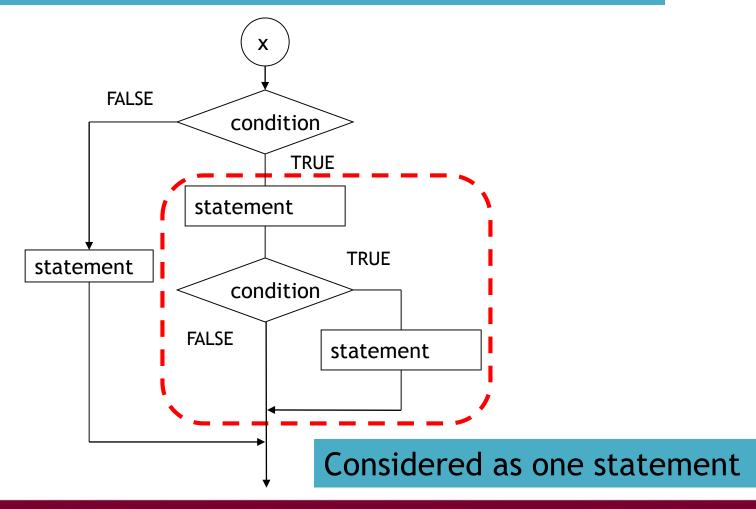


Pseudo code - nested if using if-else if.

```
Algorithm: if-else if
n. if condition
     n.m if condition
          n.m.1 statement
n+1. else
     n+1.m.1 statement
n+2. end if
```



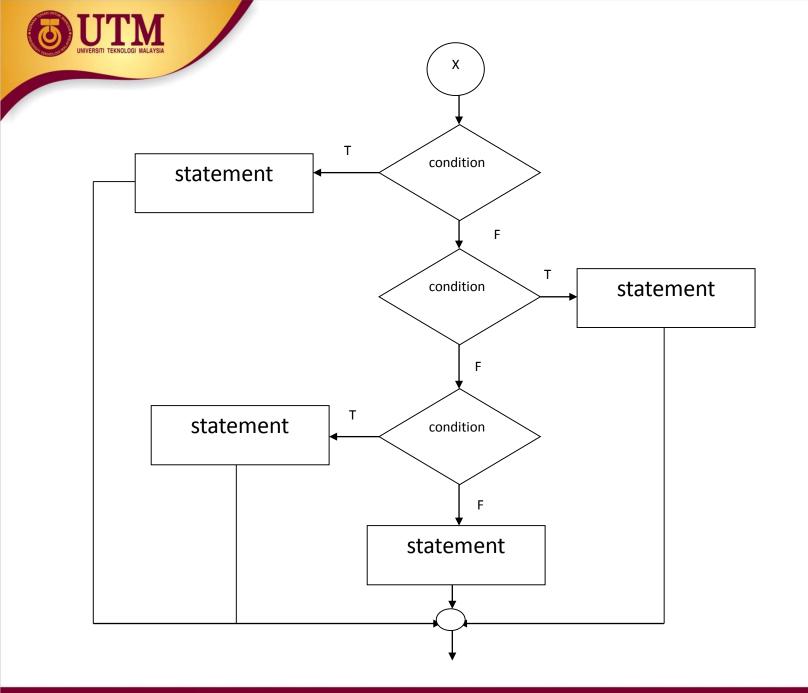
Complex if-else & if Statements





Pseudo code - nested if using if-else if - else.

```
Algorithm: if-else if - else if -
else
n. if condition
     n.m statement
n+1 else if condition
     n+1.1 statement
n+2 else if condition
     n+2.1 statement
n+3 else
     n+3.1 statement
n+4 end if
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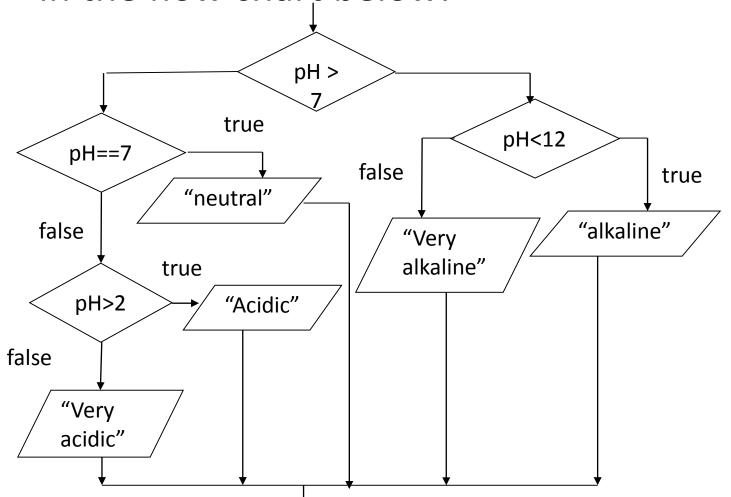


• Suppose we want to associate noise loudness measured in decibels with the effect of the noise. The following table shows the relationship between noise levels and human perception of noises. Draw a flow chart.

Loudness in decibels (db)	Perception
50 or lower	Quiet
51-70	Intrusive
71 – 90	Annoying
91- 110	Very annoying
Above 110	uncomfortable



 Write a pseudo code for nested if as illustrated in the flow chart below:





 Write a pseudo code and draw a flow chart for a program that will implement the following decision table. The program will print the transcript message based on the input grade point.

Grade Point Average	Transcript Message
0.0 - 0.99	Failed
1.0 – 1.99	On probation
2.0 – 2.99	Average
3.0 – 3.49	Dean's List
3.5 – 4.00	Highest Honors



Flowchart Structures: Repetition



Repetition Structure

- Specifies a block of one or more statements that are repeatedly executed until a condition is satisfied.
- Usually the loop has two important parts:
 - ◆ An expression that is tested for a true/false,
 - ◆ A statement or block that is repeated as long as the expression is true
- 2 styles of repetition or loop
 - Pre-test loop
 - Post test loop



Repetition Structure - Counters

 Counter: Can be used to control execution of the loop (loop control variable)

It will increment or decrement each time a loop repeat

Must be initialized before entering loop



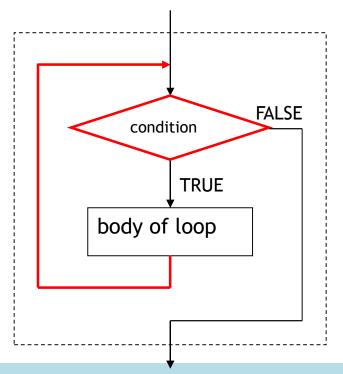
Repetition Structure: Pre-Test Loop

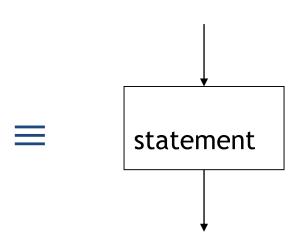
• Pseudo code - requires the use of the keywords while for pre-test loop.



Repetition Structure (cont..)

while Loop (pre-test loop)

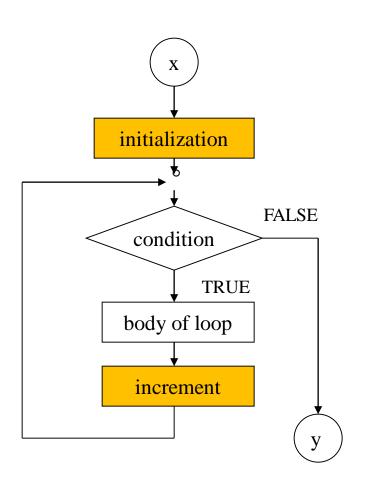


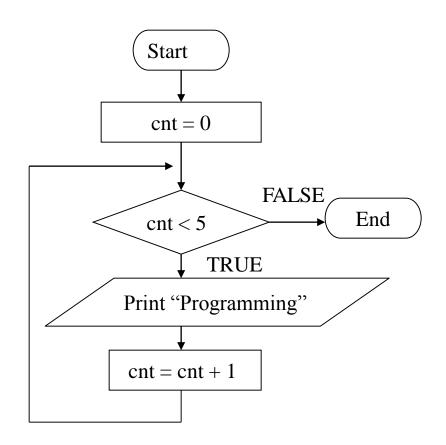


While a set condition is true, repeat statement (body of loop)



Repetition Structure (cont..)







Pre-test loop steps summary

- Counter-controlled loop
 - ◆ Initialization of counter: counter = 0
 - ◆ Testing of counter value: counter > n
 - Updating of counter value (increase by 1) during each iteration:
 counter = counter + 1



Example

Suppose we want to write a program to compute a sum of the first 10 positive integers.

Steps:

- How many repetition?
 - Initialization
 - Condition to check for the counter?
 - Update of counter

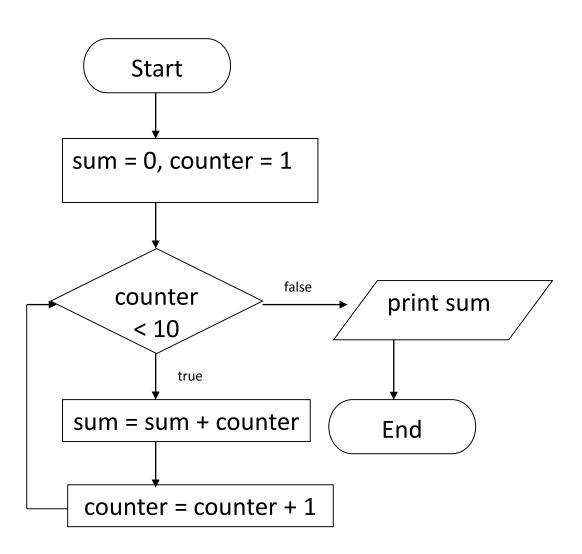


Pseudo code

- 1. Start
- 2. Set sum=0, counter=0
- 3. While (counter < 10)
 - 3.1 sum = sum + counter
 - 3.2 counter = counter + 1
- 4. End_While
- 5. Display sum
- 6. End

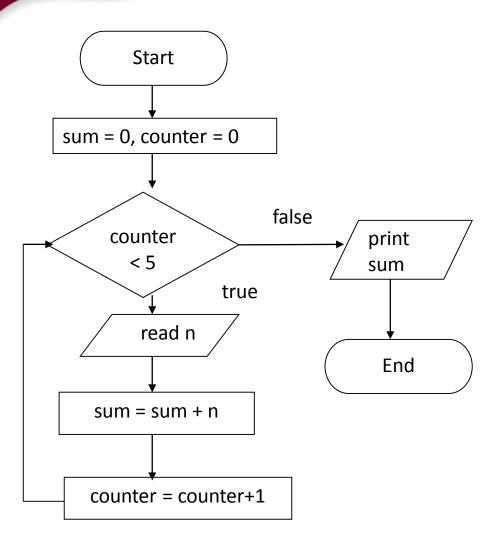


Flow Chart





Trace the following



What is the output for the following input:

20 30 40 50 10



Repetition Structure: Post-Test

• Pseudo code - requires the use of the keywords repeat..until for post-test loop.

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Algorithm: one choice selection

n. Do

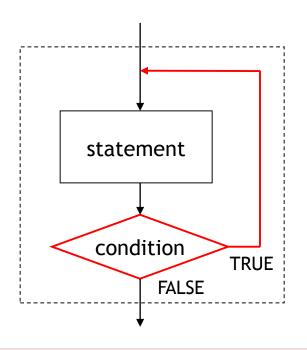
n.1 statement

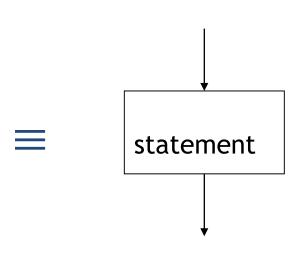
:
n+1. While condition
:
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Repetition Structure (cont..)

do-while Loop (post-test loop)





- Do the statement (body of loop) while a condition is true.
- The loop body is executed at least once.

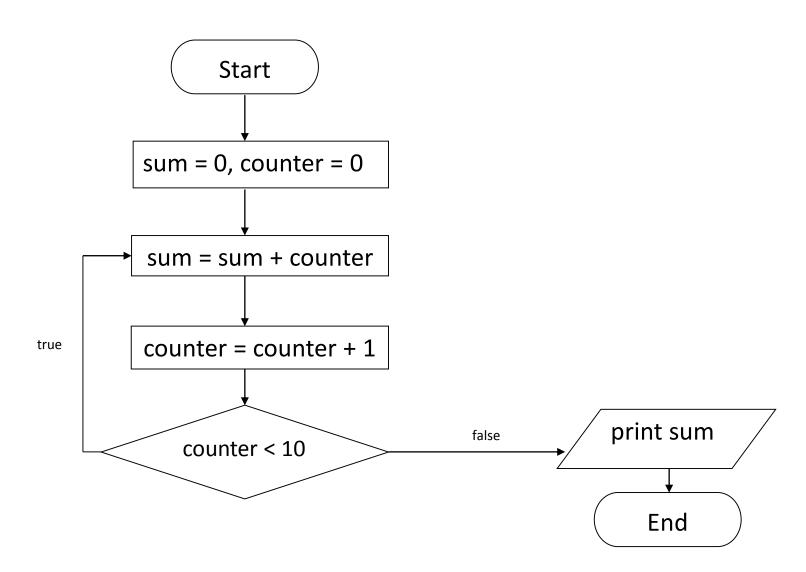


Example

- 1. Start
- 2. Set sum = 0, counter = 0
- 3. do
 - 3.1 sum = sum + counter
 - 3.2 counter = counter + 1
- 4. while (counter < 10)
- 5. Display sum
- 6. End



Flow Chart





- Develop an algorithm (pseudo code) and flow chart for a program to calculate an average of 15 numbers input by the user. Use pre-test loop
- Modify your solution above by using the posttest loop.



- Develop an algorithm and flow chart to print even numbers between 1 to 50. Use pre-test loop.
- Modify your solution by using post-test loop.



Repetition Structure Letting the User Control a Loop

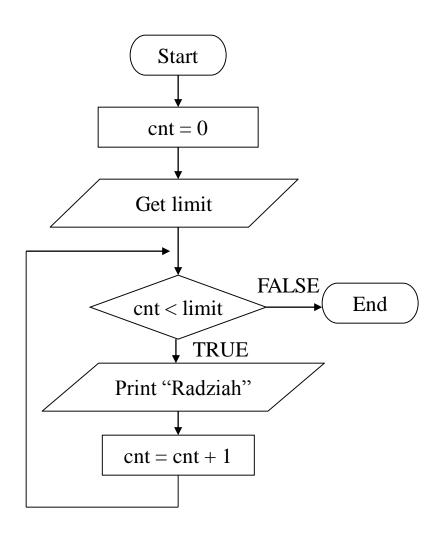
 Program can be written so that user input determines loop repetition.

 Used when program processes a list of items, and user knows the number of items

 User is prompted before loop. Their input is used to control number of repetitions



Repetition Structure (cont..)





Repetition Structure - Sentinels

- sentinel: value in a list of values that indicates end of data
- Special value that cannot be confused with a valid value, e.g.,
 -999 for a test score

 Used to terminate input when user may not know how many values will be entered



Repetition Structure - Sentinels

```
Algorithm: Loop control by sentinel value
1. Start
2. Set repeat = 1
3. while (repeat == 1)
    3.1 Read no1
    3.2 Read no2
    3.4 Print no1 + no2
    3.5 Read repeat
4. end_while
5. End
```



Trace the following pseudo code:

- 1. Start
- 2. Set product = 1, number = 1, count = 20
- 3. Calculate: lastNumber = 2 * count 1
- 4. while (number <= lastNumber)
 - 4.1 product = product * number
 - 4.2 number = number + 2
- 5. end_while
- 6. Display product



- Convert the pseudo code in In-Class Exercise 1 to its flow chart.
- Convert the while loop in In-Class Exercise 1 to do..while loop. Draw its respective flow chart.



Bina Education Sdn. Bhd. wants you to develop a program for finding experience teachers for its offered course. Your program will request name and number of years teaching from the applicants. To be accepted as the teacher, the applicant must have at least 8 years of teaching experience. Your program will display list of successful applicants' names, numbers of successful applicants and average of numbers of years of teaching experience of successful applicants. Your program will terminate when the name input is "OK".



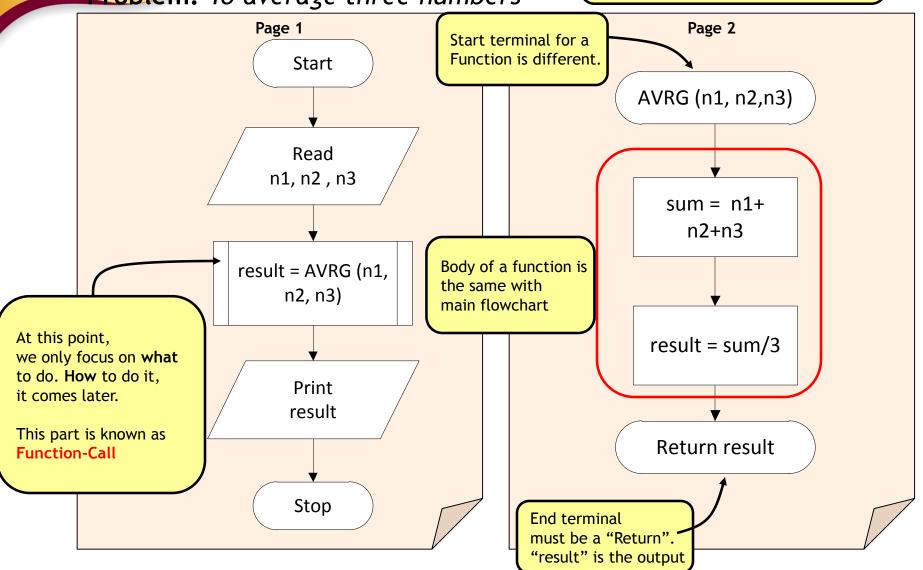
Modular Flowcharting



The detail of **how the function works** is put in another flowchart.

This is known as Function-Definition

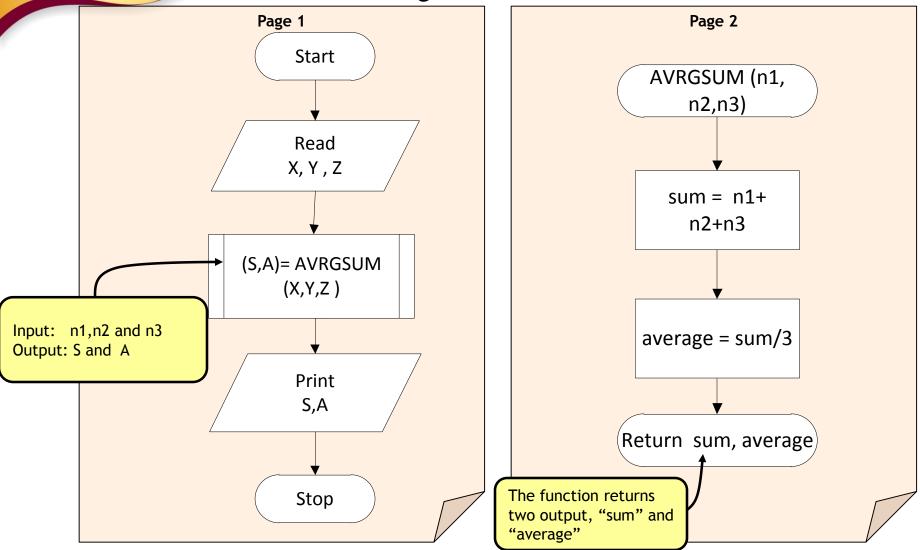
Problem: To average three numbers



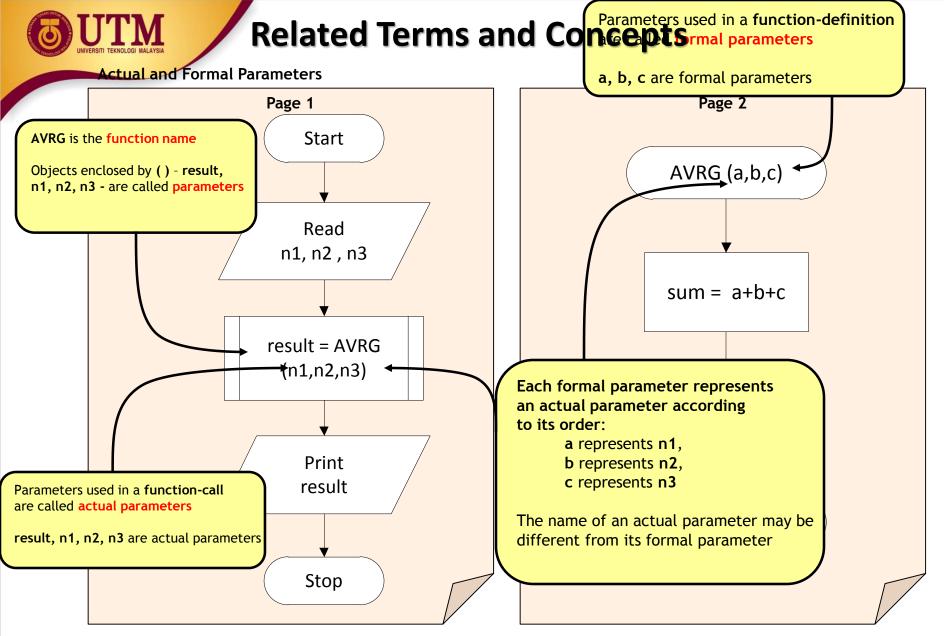
Flowchart AVRG calculates the average of three numbers

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Problem: To sum and average three numbers

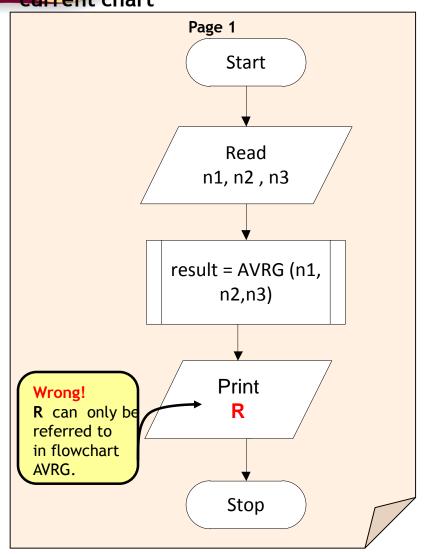


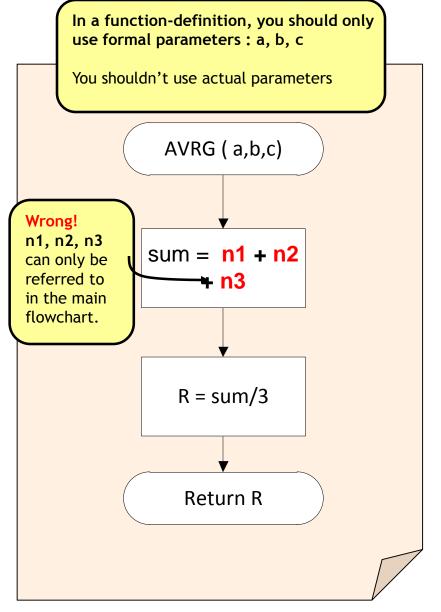
Flowchart AVRGSUM calculates the total and average of three numbers



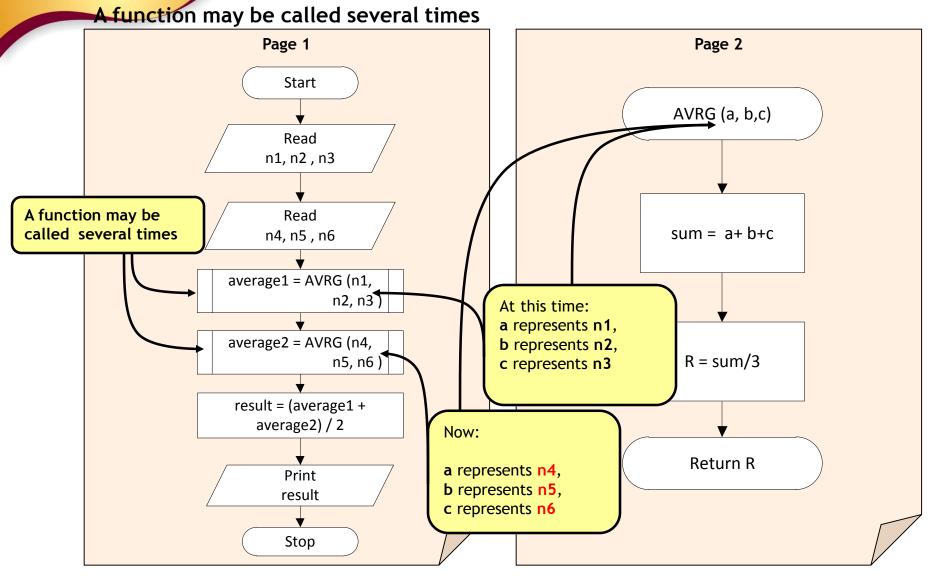
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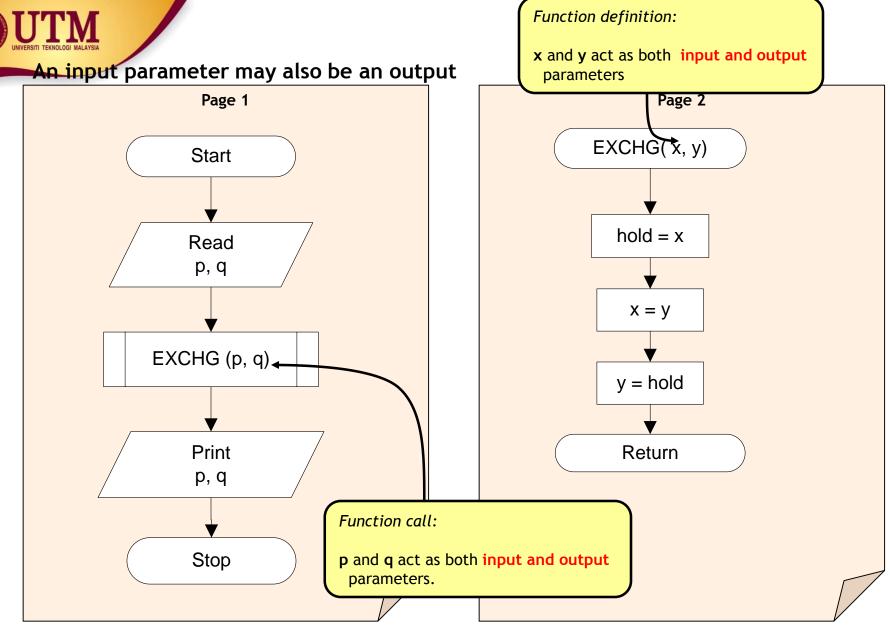
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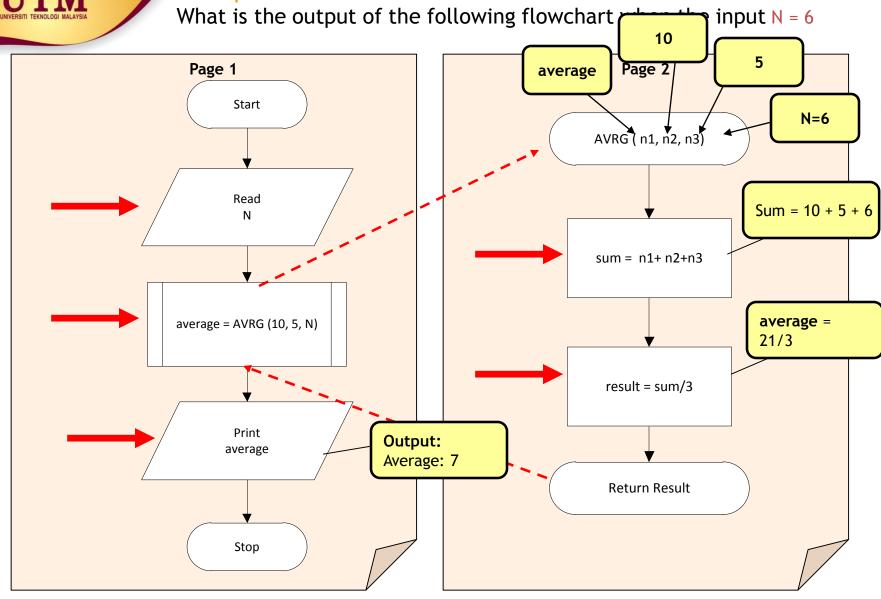




Flowchart EXCHG exchanges or swaps the value of x and y each other



Example:





What you have learnt so far

- Analysis:
 - -Understanding the problem
- Design:
 - Developing algorithm
 - Understanding how a flowchart works
 - Constructing flowcharts



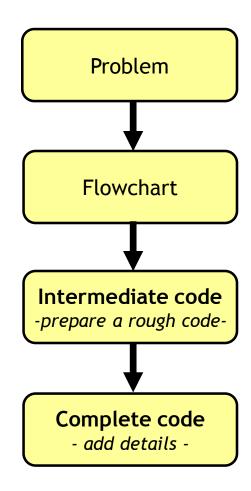
The next step is implementation (coding)

Coding is a process of converting flowchart to programming code

Before you can start doing this, you should learn some basics including the language itself



Writing a C++ Program is a systematic task

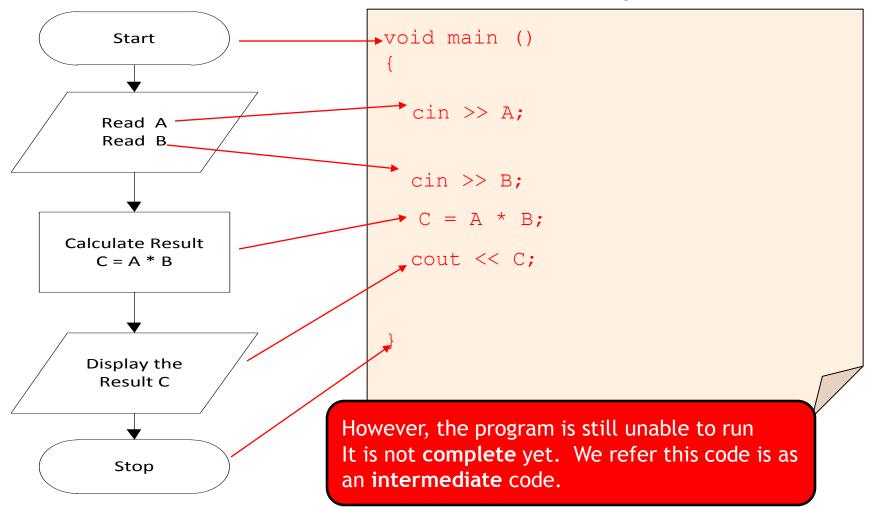




The conversion **Process** is straight forward

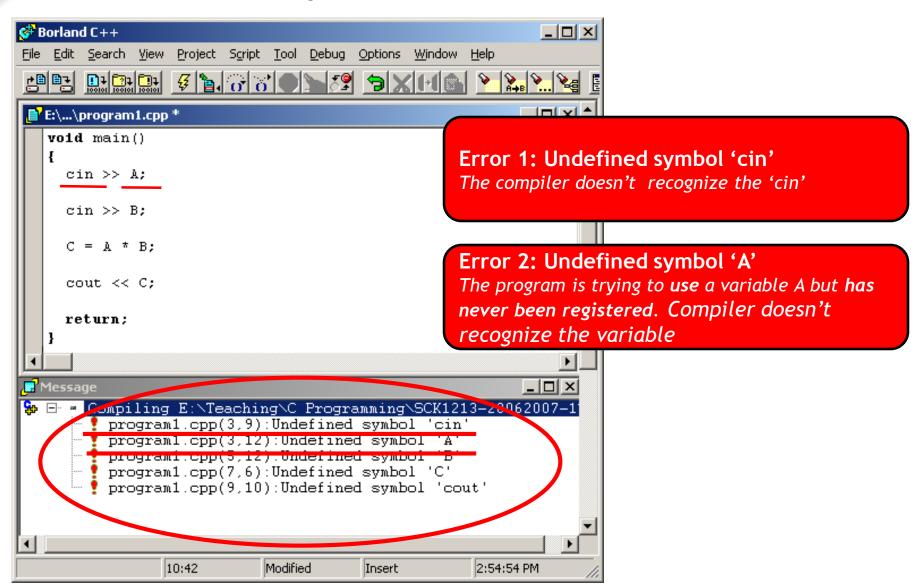
Example: multiplying two numbers

Intermediate C++ code



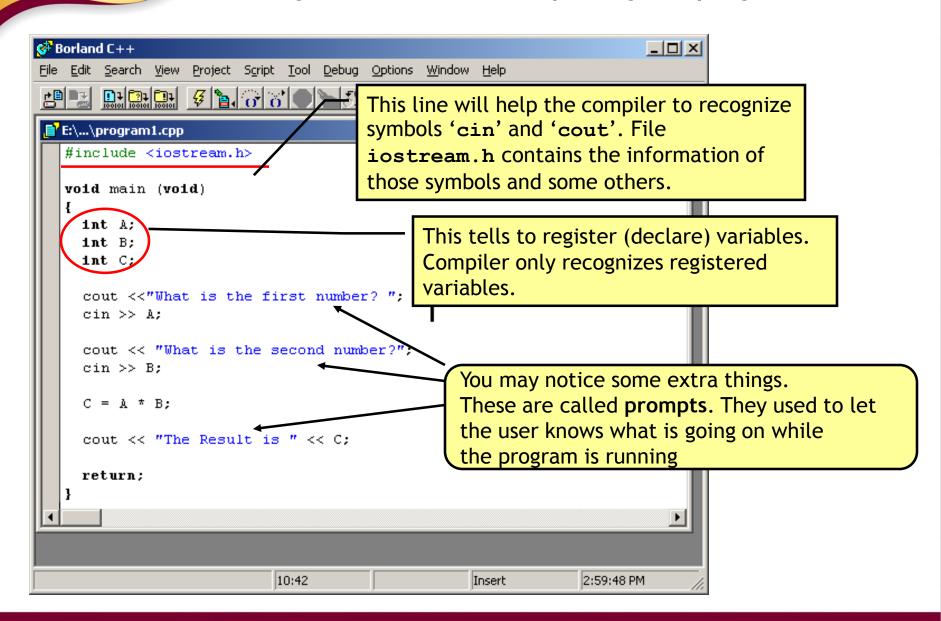


You will get these errors





Fixing the errors and completing the program

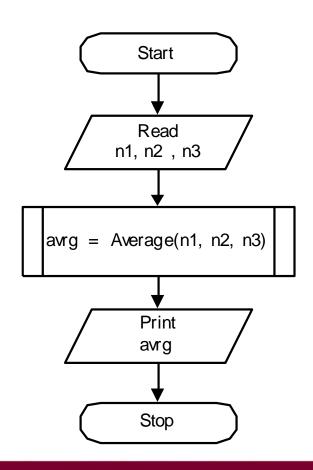


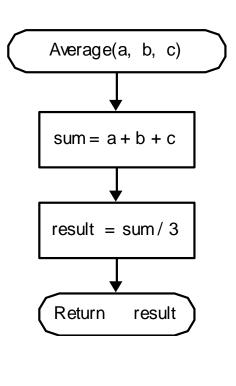


Example

Problem: Finding the average of three numbers

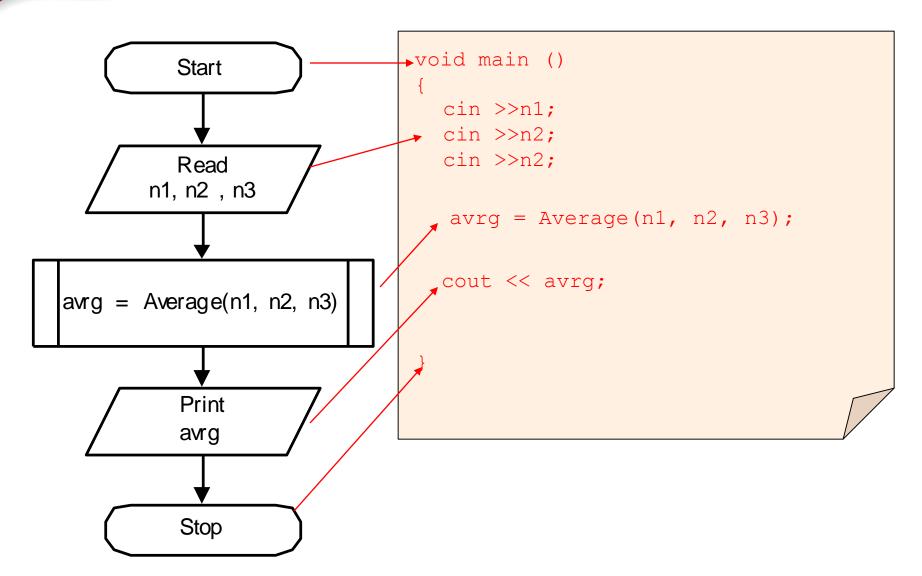
Flowcharts:





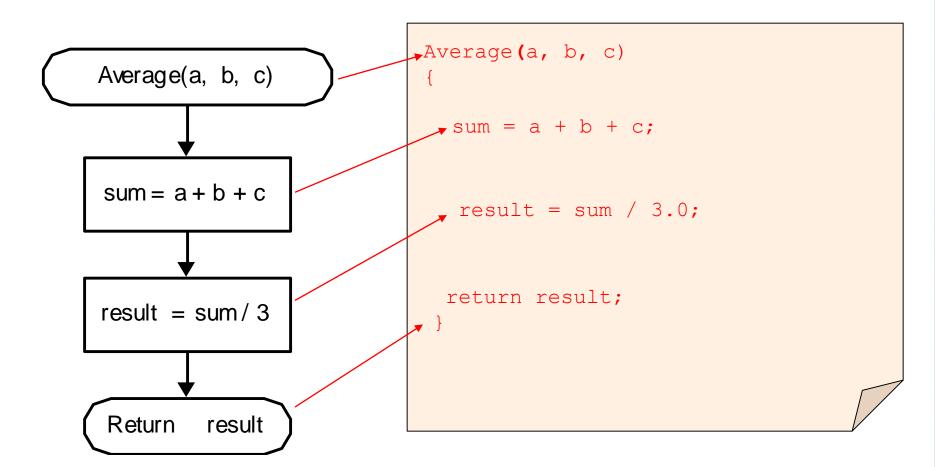


Intermediate code of the main flowchart Preparing the rough code





Intermediate code of the function flowchart Preparing the rough code





The complete code Adding details to the rough code. The details are shown by bold texts

```
#include <iostream>
Using namespace std;
float Average(int a, int b, int c)
{ float sum;
  sum = a + b + c;
 result = sum/3.0;
 return result;
int main ()
  int n1;
  int n2;
  int n3;
  float avrg;
  cout <<"Enter three numbers: ";</pre>
  cin >> n1;
  cin >> n2;
  cin >> n3;
  avrg = Average (n1, n2, n3);
  cout << "The average is " << avrg;</pre>
  return 0;
```