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Algorithm

An algorithm is a complete step-by-step procedure

for solving a problem or accomplishing a task.



An Algorithm must be...

- Be Precise
- Be Logical
- Be Effective
- Terminate Eventually



Flow Charts

- It is a <u>step by step Diagrammatic</u> representation of the program
- Each type of task is represented by a symbol



Standard Flow Charts Symbols

Diagram	Shape	Representation
	Oval	Start / End of a Program
	Parallelogram	Input / Output of Data
	Rectangle	Processing Operation
$\langle \rangle$	Rhombus	Decision Box



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Diagram සංකේතය	Shape හැඩය	Representation අදහස
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\rightarrow	ඊතලය / Arrow	දත්ත ගලා යන දිශාව පෙන්වීම Direction of Flow
	-	උප කාර්යය / Sub Process



Most simple algorithms that you will develop will involve inputting some data, performing some

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calculation and finally displaying the output.





Simple Example

Consider the process of getting up in the morning and going to school.
 Wake Up
 Get Out of Bed
 Have A Shower
 Dry Yourself
 Get Dressed
 Have Breakfast
 Pack Bag/Lunch

 \Box Leave



The logic constructs

- It has been proven that three basic constructs for flow of control are sufficient to implement any "proper" algorithm.
 - Sequence
 - Selection
 - Iteration / Loop



SEQUENCE

- SEQUENCE is a linear progression where one task is performed sequentially after another...
- solution steps must follow each other in a logical sequence
- Statements are executed in the same order as they are written.



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- Certain events must occur in a particular order . Example, we should get out of bed before a shower.
- Some events must occur prior to another event(s). Example, there is no drying yourself prior to a shower
- Some other events may occur in any order and do not affect the overall solution. Example, we can pack bag before or after having breakfast





Example -1

 Draw a flow chart to find the sum and average of two numbers.





Exercises

- Input length and width of a rectangle and calculate the area and the perimeter.
- Input area of the square and calculate the length.
- Input the perimeter of a circle and calculate the area.



- Recalling our example algorithm of going to School, everyone had to follow the same steps.
- But what if you weren't dirty or have had a shower the night before?
- ...you still had to have a shower, dry yourself, etc.



- The same could be said about breakfast what if you weren't hungry?
- Obviously in the real world we make choices.



- In solving a problem we can make different choices depending on certain conditions - i.e. we make decisions
- The same can be done in programming as a part of decision making.



Note that even though selection is a separate construct to sequence, the two are combined in the overall solution, and remember that <u>one doesn't</u> <u>replace the other.</u>



SELECTION

- There may be alternative steps that could be taken subject to a particular condition
- **IF-THEN-ELSE** is a decision (<u>selection</u>) in which a choice is made between two alternative courses of action







Example - 2

Draw a flowchart to input the length and width of a quadrilateral and state whether it is a square/ rhombus





Example - 3

Draw a flowchart to input the length and width of a quadrilateral and state whether it is a square or a rectangle.





Exercises

- Input the marks of a student and to print his/her grade.
 - Marks >= 75 Distinction
 - 75 > Marks >= 60 Merit
 - 60 > Marks >= 40 Pass
 - 40 > Marks Fail



Exercises

Inputs two integer values. If the first is less than the second, print the message "up". If the second is less than the first, print the message "down". If the numbers are equal, print the message "equal".



- When a flowchart is too long to fit on a page and is to be continued on another page a connector symbol is used.
- A <u>small circle is used to represent a connector in a flowchart.</u>
- An <u>alphabet or a number is written inside the circle</u> to identify the pairs of connectors to be joined.





ITERATION

- **ITERATION** certain steps may need to be repeated while, or until, a certain condition is true
- We call it as a Loop



ITERATION

- There are three different types of loops in structured programming, all of which are available in all programming language.
- The first, and most common of these is the *while loop*.



ITERATION

- Consider the example of getting out of bed
- For the step --having a shower-- the following loop could be substituted;

while I am dirty wash myself test cleanliness

• The loop continues until the condition of cleanliness changes



ITERATION- While Loop

- Section(s) of an algorithm are repeated over and over (obviously these loops must eventually terminate)
- This is achieved by a test of whether a condition is *true* or *false*
- In a while loop we continue to repeat something while a condition is <u>true</u> we terminate the loop when it is <u>false</u>



ITERATION- While Loop





ITERATION- for Loop

A loop that is repeated a specified number of times.





Exercise

- Draw a flowchart to display the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,, 100
- Write an algorithm to find the sum of 10 numbers.









Given 2 integer numbers (say a and b) where a < b, find the sum of numbers between a and b, including a and b





I. Read in IO numbers and compute the average, maximum and minimum values.

2. Input a 10 numbers from the keyboard and print the number if it is less than 5.

Exercises

3. සිසුන් 5 ක ගේ උස පුමාණ ඇතුලත් කර සාමානා හලබාගැනීමට ගැලීම් සටහනක් අදින්න. උසෙහි සාමානාය අඩි 6 ට වැඩි නම් "The students are very tall" යනුවෙන් පණිවුඩයක් දිස්වීමට ද සලස්වන්න.

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Input the height of 5 students. Calculate and print the average height. If the average height is over 6 feet then print the message "The students are very tall".

4. සංඛාහා 10 ක් ඇතුලත් කර එම සංඛාහ වලින් කොපමණ සංඛාහවක් ධන සංඛාහ ද? කොපමණ සංඛාහවක් ඍණ සංඛාහ ද? යන්න සෙවීමට ගැලීම් සටහනක් අඳින්න.

Input 10 numbers and count how many negative numbers and how many positive numbers are there.

THE END

Delete