Lecture-4

Expression of algorithms

- Pseudocode
 - Going from algorithm to code
- Flow charts

Going from algorithm to code

• Scratch, c, python examples

Last week: CPU

- ALU,
- CU
 - Instruction set (in ASM, MOV, DIV, ADD, etc)

Last week: Program

- Written set of instructions
 - Takes input
 - Applies a set of instructions
 - And output
- Computations are based on some algorithms



Last week: algorithm

Set of steps to solve a problem

- Steps are specific
- Non-ambiguous

Last week: Number of computations

Number of arithmetic and logic operations

Number of steps

Number of repetitions



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Example: searching a person in campus

Write an algorithm for finding/searching a person

- Random searching
 - Randomly choose a person and randomly move another direction and choose another person, do this until you find the person.

How to express this in a more elegant way?

• We should be able to easily write code by following the steps

Pseudocode:
Description of an algorithm in a code like structure using plain math and text.
Neither code nor english

Example: searching a person in campus

- Random searching
 - Input:
 - **x**: the name of the person being searched
 - Repeat the following steps
 - Randomly choose a location
 - Randomly choose a person in that location
 - If it is x
 - Done!

Random searching-2

- Input:
 - \circ **x**: the name of the person being searched
- Repeat the following steps
 - Randomly choose a location, L
 - \circ Randomly choose a person **y** in L
 - If x == y
 - Done!
 - Else
 - Not done!

Example: searching a person in campus

Random searching-2

- Input:
 - \circ **x**: the name of the person being searched
- While not done
 - L = random_location()
 - **y** = random_person(L)
 - If compare(x, y)
 - Done!
 - Else
 - Not done!

- random_location()
 - Input
 - o Output
 - L: A random location
 - Algorithm steps...
- random_person(L)
 - Input
 - L: a location
 - Output
 - y: a random person in location L
 - o ...

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- 2 Open to middle of phone book
- 3 Look at page
- 4 If Smith is on page
- 5 Call Mike
- 6 Else if Smith is earlier in book
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- functions
- conditions
- Boolean expressions
- loops





Scratch https://scratch.mit.edu

a coding language with a simple visual interface









\rightarrow output











\rightarrow output











\rightarrow output











Example: compute hourly payment

- 1. Display "Number of hours worked: "
- 2. Get the hours
- 3. Display "Amount paid per hour: "
- 4. Get the rate
- 5. Compute pay = hours * rate
- 6. Display "The pay is \$", pay

Flowchart Symbols



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Write scratch code



C and Python code

#include <stdio.h> int main() { float hours, rate, pay; printf("Number of hours worked: "); scanf("%f", &hours); printf("Amount paid per hour: ") scanf("%f", &rate); pay = hours * rate; printf("The pay is \$%f", pay);

#python code print("Number of hours worked: ") hours = float(input('the hours')) print("Amount paid per hour: ") rate = float(input('the rate')) pay = hours * rate print("The pay is \$" , pay)

Example: An app to monitor pulse rate of a patient

Pulse rate, also known as your heart rate, is the number of times the heart beats per minute.

A normal resting heart rate should be between 60 to 100 beats per minute, but it can vary from minute to minute.

Design an algorithm that monitor a heart rate of patient and contacts the healthcare professional when it is abnormal.

Example: An app to monitor pulse rate of a patient

Monitor the pulse rate of a patient

• Let's assume every 5 seconds.

If the pulse rate is **between 60 and 100** then display "Normal".

If the rate is below 60, then display "Low".

If the rate is above 100 then display "High".

Pseudocode: Algorithm on Text

- . Input
 - Pulse rate
- Output
 - Normal
 - Low
 - \circ High

Repeat forever

get pulse rate;

if the pulse rate is between 60 and 100 then

Display "Normal";

else

if the pulse rate is<60 then Display "Low"; else Display "High"; Wait for 5 seconds;





Scratch implementation







Scratch implementation









Scratch implementation









/*C implementation*/

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
   float pR;
   while (c):
       scanf("%f", &pR);
       if(pR >= 60 & pR <= 100) {
        /*normal*/
           printf("normal");
       else { /*not normal*/
           if(pR < 60){
               printf("low");
           else{
               printf("high");
       sleep(1);
```

#Python implementation

```
import time
c = True
while(c):
   pR = float(input("pR: "))
   if (pR \ge 60 \text{ and } pR \le 100): #normal
       print("normal")
   else: #not normal
       if(pR < 60):
            print("low");
       else:
            print("high");
   time.sleep(1)
```

Next week

How to run code on computers

How to manage multiple programs

- Computer operating systems
 - Unix, Linux, MacOS, Windows, iOS, Android
 - Linux installation
 - Linux terminal commands
 - o ...