CMSC21

Fundamentals of Programming

OVERVIEW

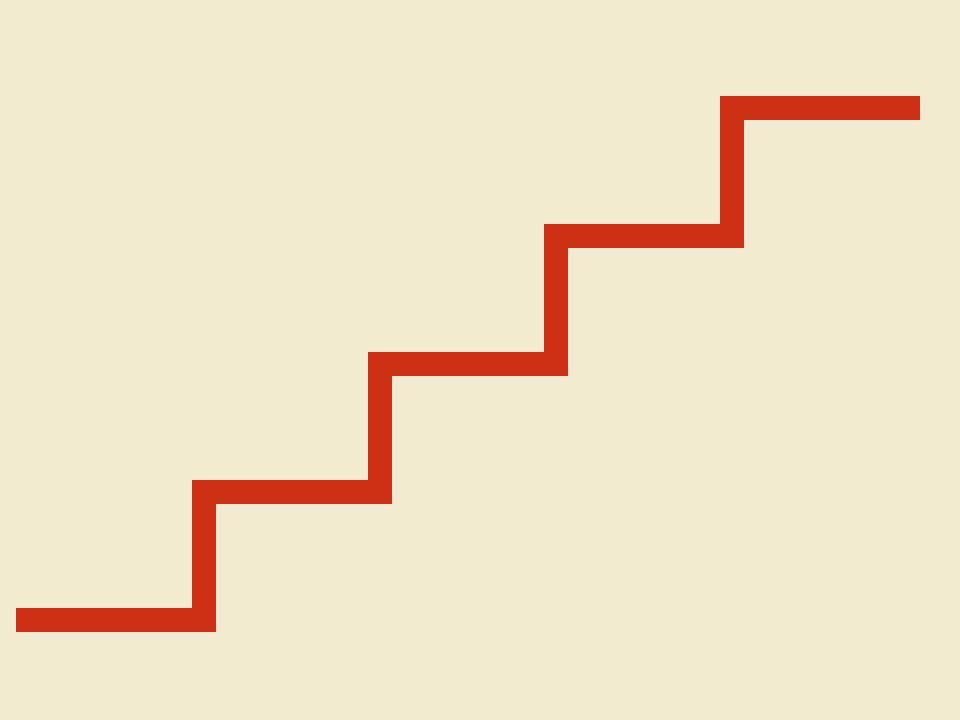
To learn the Program Development Process

Via Structured Programming

"Resist the temptation to code."

- Old programming proverb

THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT **PROCESS**



BETTER PROGRAMMING

A PROPER SOLUTION

STEPS IN THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT **PROCESS**

STRUCTURED WALKTHROUGH STEPWISE REFINEMENT MODULAR DESIGN **BOTTOM-UP CODING TESTING DOCUMENTATION**

STRUCTURED WALKTHROUGH

aka REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

Main ideas:

• Understanding the problem through its SPECIFICATIONS

Involves

ASKING QUESTIONS

to the client

• May require several

DISCUSSIONS

to come up with clear requirements

ENUMERATE

1/O specifications, processes, and constraints

In the end, problem specifications must be:

VERY PRECISE

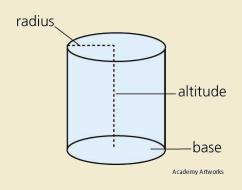
and

UNDERSTANDABLE BY THE PROGRAMMER

(in programming terms)

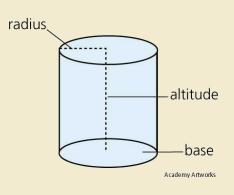
Ex. Get the surface area of a cylinder.

Suppose that we don't know the formula for computing the surface area of a cylinder.



And that all we know are the following:

- We can compute for the area of a circle.
- We can compute for the area of a rectangle.
- The radius and the height.



STEPWISE REFINEMENT

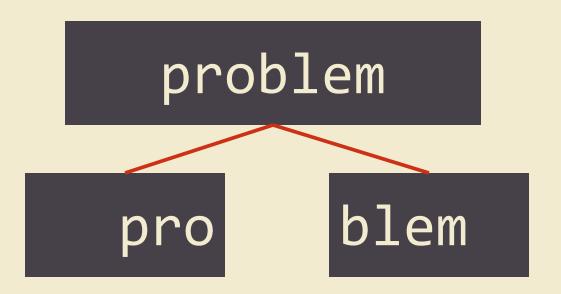
aka TOP-DOWN DESIGN

aka DIVIDE AND CONQUER

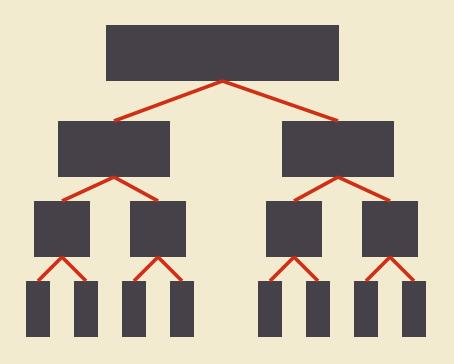
2 BREAK THE PROBLEM

problem

INTO SMALLER PARTS



UNTIL EACH PART CAN BE EASILY DONE



"Inside every large problem is a small problem struggling to get out."

HOARE'S LAW OF LARGE PROBLEMS

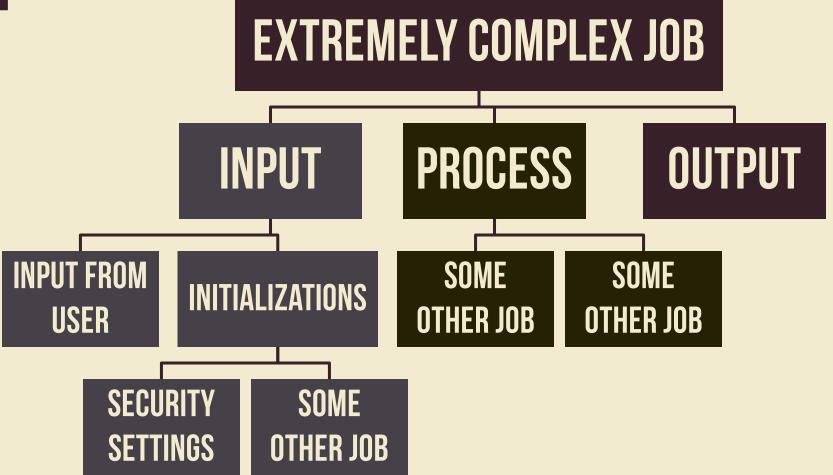
• Generally, divide the job into three parts:

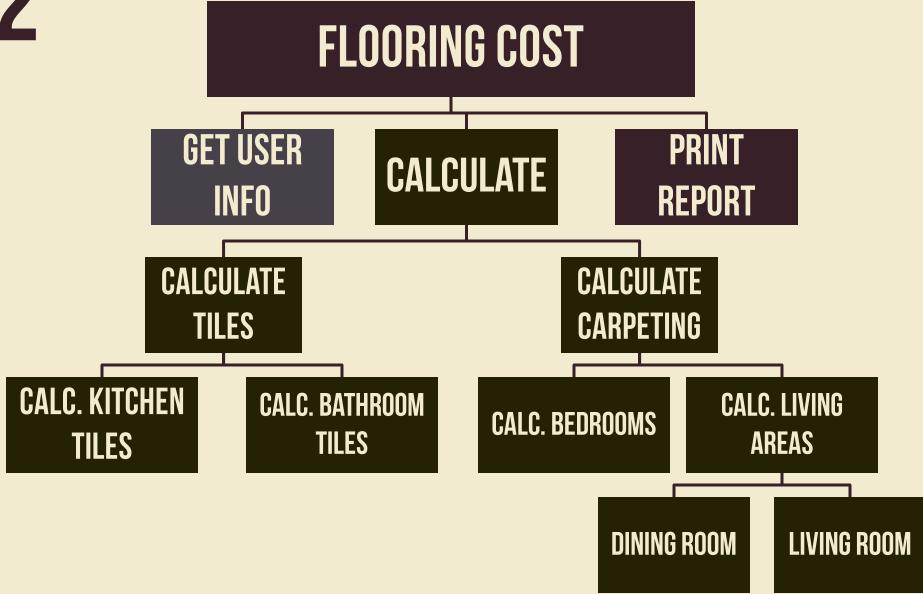
INPUT
PROCESS
OUTPUT

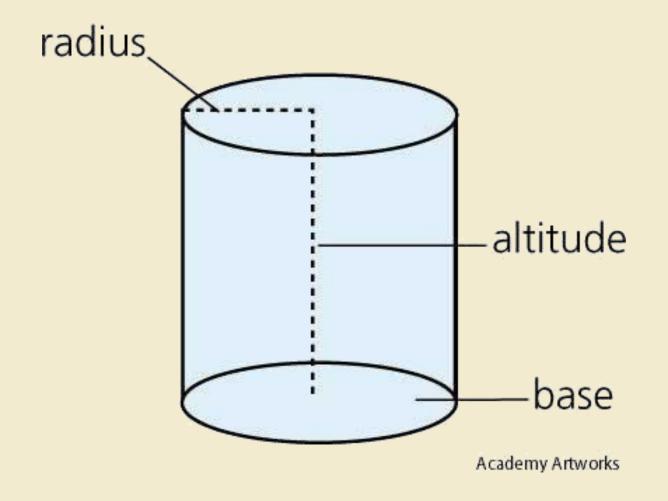
• Draw a tree and refine each job level by level.

Use pseudo-code to describe each job

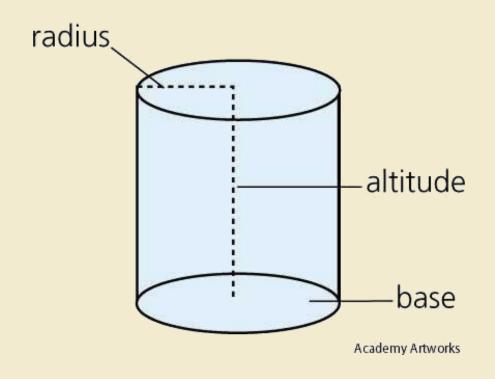
• Decision on data structure is delayed as much as possible



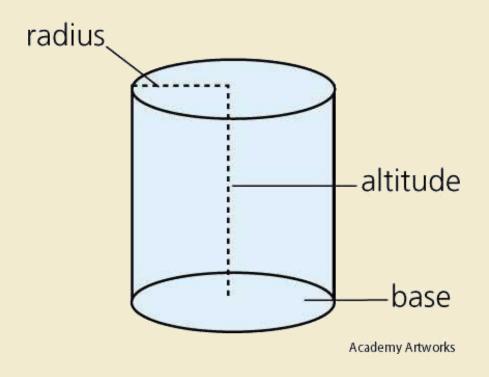




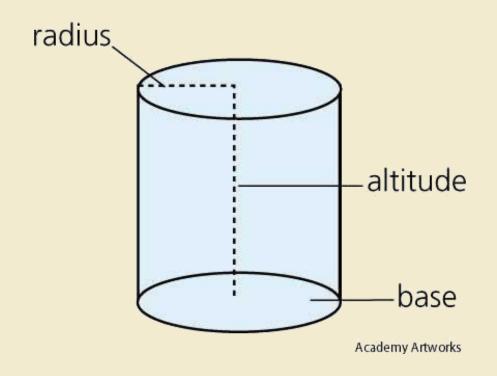
Let's divide the problem into three parts:



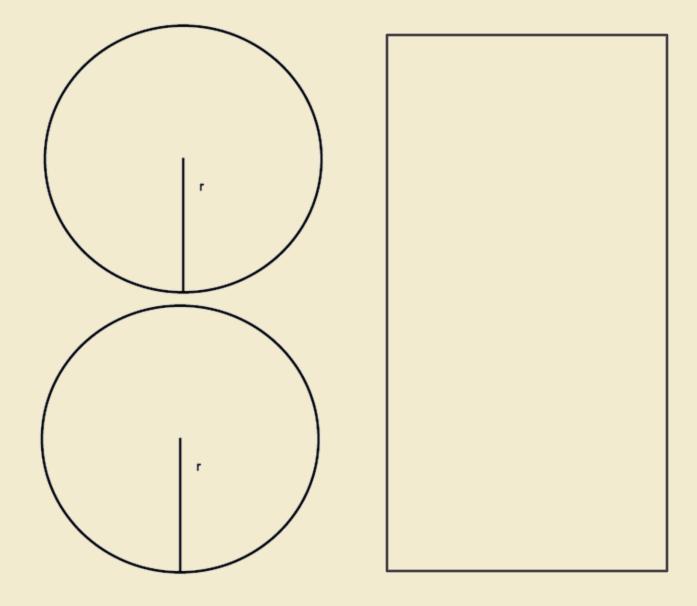
Input: Radius and Height



Process: Compute for the area of two circles and the area of a rectangle



Output: The surface area of the cylinder



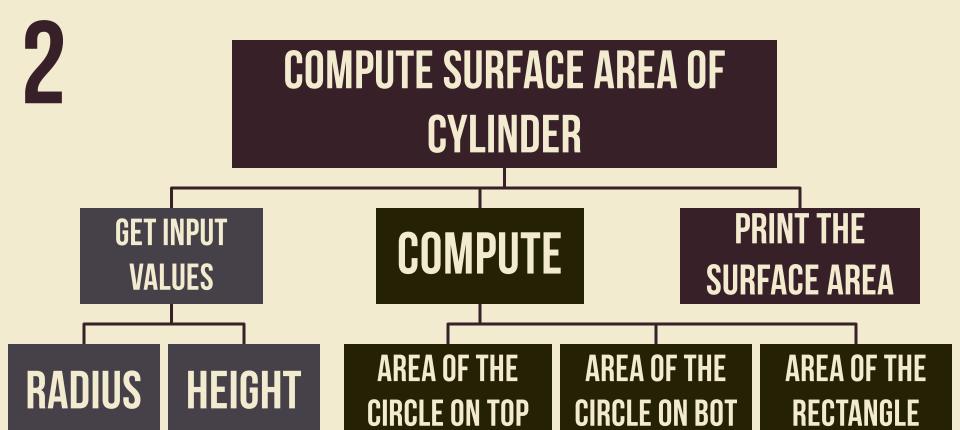
COMPUTE SURFACE AREA OF CYLINDER

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GET INPUT VALUES

COMPUTE

PRINT THE SURFACE AREA





COMPUTE SURFACE AREA OF CYLINDER

PRINT THE GET INPUT COMPUTE VALUES SURFACE AREA AREA OF THE AREA OF THE AREA OF THE HEIGHT **RADIUS CIRCLE ON BOT CIRCLE ON TOP RECTANGLE** PERIMETER OF THE CIRCLE

MODULAR DESIGN

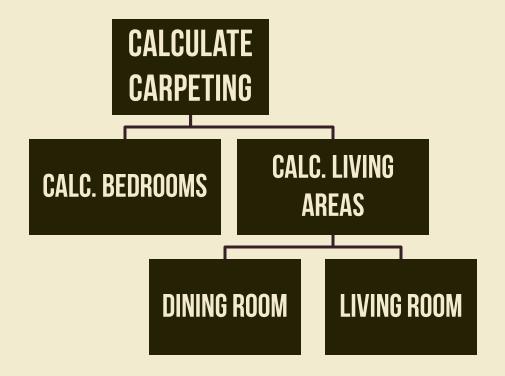
• Define the INPUT AND OUTPUT **SPECIFICATIONS** of each module

DESIGN AN ALGORITHM FOR EACH MODULE

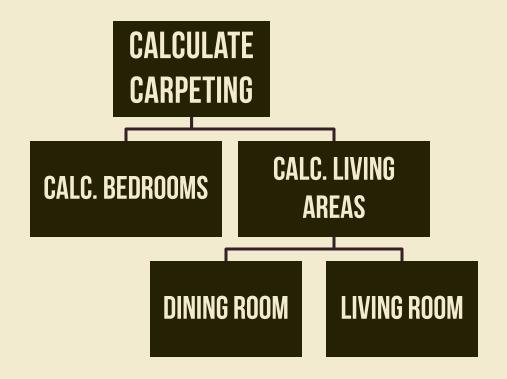
using flowcharts and pseudocodes

• Each module is A SELF-CONTAINED BLOCK

• Codes and data structures ought to be REUSABLE



"Calculate Living Areas" is the immediate ancestor of "Dining Room" and "Living Room".

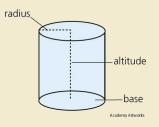


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Flooring cost for Living Areas = Flooring cost for Dining Rm + Flooring cost for Family Rm
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• Each node in the hierarchy is a MODULE

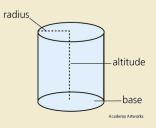
GetRadius - acquires the radius

GetHeight - acquires the height

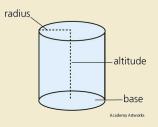


ComputeAreaOfCircle - calculates the area of a circle given the radius

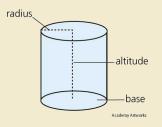
ComputeAreaOfRectangle - calculates the area of a rectangle given the height and width



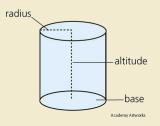
ComputePerimeterOfCircle calculates the perimeter of a
circle



ComputeSurfaceAreaOfCylinder - calculates the surface area given the area of the circles and the area of the rectangle



PrintSurfaceArea - outputs the result

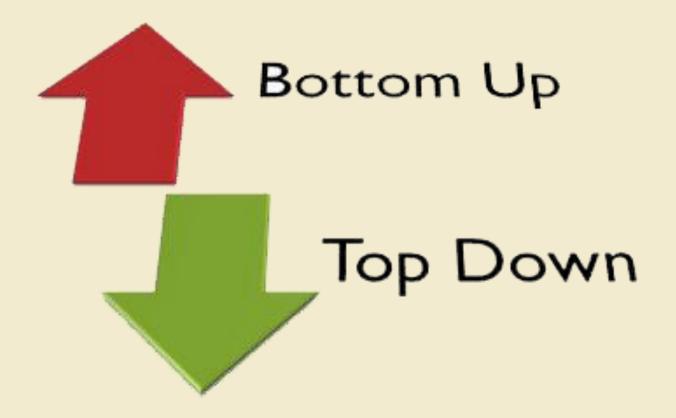


BOTTOM-UP CODING

Code the SIMPLEST FUNCTIONS FIRST

Simple functions CAN BE TESTED INDEPENDENTLY

Modules can also be DISTRIBUTED among team members



TESTING

Types:

TESTING USING STUBS WHITE-BOX TESTING BLACK-BOX TESTING

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 Field testing before deployment.

Stubs

 A human tester to emulate functions of unfinished modules

Stubs

 Tester acts on inputs and enters the correct output for the finished modules of the program

 Programmers can test their work even when other programmers are not yet finished.

TESTING USING STUBS WHITE-BOX TESTING BLACK-BOX TESTING

5 WHITE-BOX TESTING

 Assumption: The tester knows everything about the program.

5 WHITE-BOX TESTING

 Given a set of inputs, the tester must know what output to expect.

5 WHITE-BOX TESTING

 Practical for small systems only.

TESTING USING STUBS WHITE-BOX TESTING BLACK-BOX TESTING

5 BLACK-BOX TESTING

 Assumption: The tester knows nothing about the program.

5 BLACK-BOX TESTING

 The result for a set of inputs should not be known beforehand.

5 BLACK-BOX TESTING

 Does the program give a reasonable output given a set of test inputs?

DOCUMENTATION

GENERATED

along with the program

DESCRIBES

the whole program and each module

HELPS IN IDENTIFYING

which modules are needed to be modified when the requirements change

USEFUL

since a programmer forgets his code after some time

PROBLEM 1.

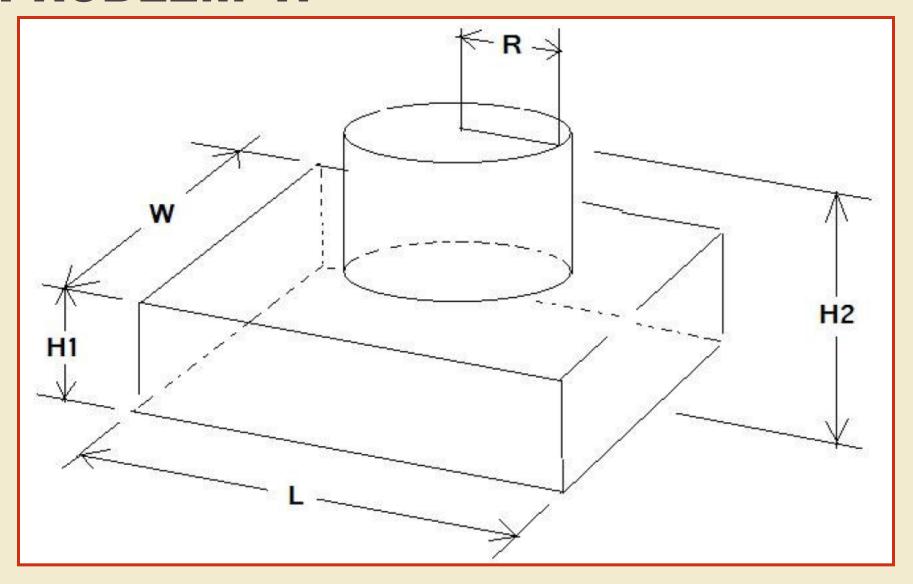
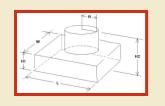


Fig. 1

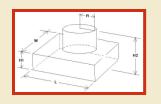
PROBLEM 1.



Create a program that computes for the **surface area** and **volume** of the 3D geometric figure (in Fig. 1).

"Known" formulas: Area of Circle, Area of Rectangle, and Circumference of Circle

PROBLEM 1.



Quiz: Solve the problem (surface area only) up to the Modular Design step.