<u>ASSIGNMENT</u> INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING

1. What is programme?

→ Programme is a set of instruction.

2. What is programming?

→ it is set of words and symbols use to write programs.

3. What are key steps involved in the programming process?

- → Identifying a problem :- Understand the problem and explore possible solutions.
- → Designing an algorithm :- Represent the solustion in natural language, or flowchart.
- → Writing the algorithm :- write the main program using the algorithm.
- → Testing the program :- Check the algorithm into a programming language.
- → Debugging :- identify and fix issues in the code systematically.
- → Document the program :- write clear documentation and comments for maintainability.
- → procedural programming language (C Language)
- → object-oriented language
- → logical language
- → functional language (python)

4. Types of Programming Languages:

1) procedural programming language (c language)

- 2) object-oriented language
- 3) logical language
- 4) functional language (python)

5. What are the main difference between high-level and low-level programming language?

- → High level languages :- HLPL is user-friendly, closer to human language, ans easy to write, read and maintain. It is platform-independent and requires a compiler or interpreter to convert it into machine code.
- →Low level languages :- provide a direct hardware control making them ideal for system programming and performance critical application.

6. World Wide Web & Internet How it Works?

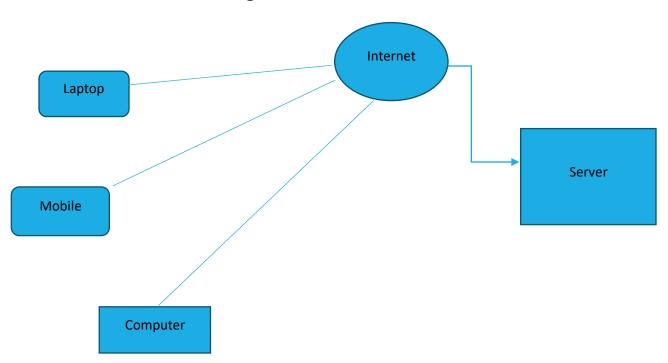
- → World Wide Web is system of interlinked hypertext documents and other resources that are access via internet. Web browsers request web pages from servers using URLs and display them to users using HTTP / HTTPS protocols.
- →The Internet is a global network that connects computers and devices using cables, satellites, and wireless singnals. Users Can access the content of these sites form any part of the world over the internet using such as a computers laptop cell phone etc.

7. Describe the role of the client and server in web communication.

- → Client "sometimes on"
- Initiate a request to the server when interested

- Ex. Web browser on your laptop or phones
- Doesn't Communication directly with other clients. Needs to know the server's address.
- → Server is "always on"
- services requests from many clients hosts.
- Ex web server for the www.example.com web site.
- Doesn't initiate contract with the clients.
- Needs a fixed, well-known address.

8. Network Layers on client and server



9. Explain the function of the TCP/IP model and its layers.

→ The TCP/IP model is a framework that allows communication over interconnected networks, like the Internet. It is based on a suite of

communication protocols and stands for Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

10. Explain Client Server Communication

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- Initiate a request to the server when interested.
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- Doesn't communication directly with other clients.
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11. Research different types of internet connection?

- → Different types of internet connection.
- 1. Dial-up
- 2. DSL(Dgital Subscriber Line)
- 3. Cable Internet
- 4. Fiber-Optic Internet
- 5. Satellite Internet
- 6. Fixed Wireless Internet
- 7. 5G/4G LTE Internet
- 8. Broadband over power lines (BPL)

12. How does broadband differ form fiber optic internet?

- →Broadband is a general term covering different types of internet connections (DSL, cable, satellite, wireless).
- Fibber Optic Internet is the fastest and most reliable type of broadband, but it has limited availability and higher costs.

13. What are protocols?

A Network protocol is a group of rules accompanied by the network.

- -Set of rules which are used in digital communication to connect network devices and exchange information between them.
- -Network protocols will be formalized requirements and plans composed of rules, procedures and types that describe communication among a couple of devices over the network.

14. what are the main difference between HTTP and FTP protocol ?

-HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol) and HTTPS (Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure) are protocols used for transmitting data over the web.

HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol):

- Data is transmitted in plain text.
- Uses port 80.
- No encryption, less secure.
- Does not require a security certificate.
- Suitable for non-sensitive information.

HTTPS (Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure):

- Data is encrypted.
- Uses port 443.
- Provides secure communication through SSL/TLS encryption.
- Requires an SSL/TLS certificate.
- Suitable for sensitive information and secure transactions
- What is the role of encryption in securing applications?

Encryption plays a critical role in securing applications by protecting sensitive data and ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and authenticity of information. It transforms readable data (plaintext) into an unreadable format (ciphertext) using algorithms and cryptographic keys, making it inaccessible to unauthorized parties. Here's a breakdown of how encryption helps secure applications:

1. Confidentiality

Encryption ensures that sensitive information is only accessible to authorized users or systems. By converting data into cipher text, encryption prevents unauthorized individuals (such as hackers or malicious insiders) from viewing the data even if they gain access to the storage system or communication channels.

• **Example**: Encrypting sensitive data like passwords, personal information, or payment details in databases ensures that even if a data breach occurs, the attackers cannot easily read or misuse the stolen data.

Solutions:

- **Symmetric Encryption**: A single key is used for both encryption and decryption (e.g., AES—Advanced Encryption Standard).
- **Asymmetric Encryption**: Uses a public key for encryption and a private key for decryption (e.g., RSA). This method is often used in secure communication protocols (e.g., SSL/TLS for HTTPS).

2. Data Integrity

Encryption can also ensure that data has not been tampered with during transmission or storage. Through mechanisms like cryptographic

hashing or digital signatures, encryption algorithms can detect any changes made to the data and verify its integrity.

• **Example**: When data is transmitted over the internet (e.g., during a financial transaction), encryption helps ensure that the data hasn't been altered by a man-in-the-middle attacker. Hashes can verify that the data received is identical to the data sent.

Solutions:

- **Hash Functions**: Cryptographic hash functions (e.g., SHA-256) generate a fixed-length hash value that represents the data. Even a slight change in the data results in a completely different hash.
- Message Authentication Codes (MACs): Ensure data integrity and authenticity by attaching a cryptographically generated value to the message.

3. Authentication

Encryption ensures that data comes from a legitimate source and hasn't been tampered with. This is particularly important in communications and transactions where users need to trust the origin of the data.

• **Example**: Public key infrastructure (PKI) and digital certificates use encryption to verify the identity of a website or a server, ensuring that users are communicating with a legitimate entity rather than an imposter (as in HTTPS).

Solutions:

• **Digital Signatures**: Asymmetric encryption allows for the creation of digital signatures that verify the sender's identity. The sender encrypts a hash of the message with their private key, and the receiver can verify the sender's identity by decrypting the hash with the sender's public key.

 SSL/TLS: Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) and Transport Layer Security (TLS) use encryption to authenticate the identity of servers and establish secure communication channels for web applications.

4. Protection of Data at Rest

Encryption is essential for securing sensitive data stored on servers, databases, or user devices. If a system or device is compromised (e.g., in the event of a data breach or theft), encrypted data remains inaccessible without the corresponding decryption key.

• **Example**: Encrypting customer information, health records, or financial data in a database ensures that even if an attacker accesses the storage system, they cannot read or misuse the data without the encryption key.

Solutions:

- Full Disk Encryption (FDE): Encrypts the entire storage drive to prevent unauthorized access to data (e.g., BitLocker, FileVault).
- **Database Encryption**: Encrypting sensitive data stored in databases ensures its confidentiality (e.g., using Transparent Data Encryption or column-level encryption).

5. Protection of Data in Transit

Encryption secures data transmitted over networks (such as the internet) to prevent interception by attackers. This protects the confidentiality of sensitive information as it moves between users, systems, and servers.

• Example: SSL/TLS encryption ensures secure communication between a user's browser and a website, preventing attackers from

eavesdropping on sensitive information like login credentials or financial transactions.

Solutions:

- Transport Layer Encryption: Using HTTPS (TLS) for web communications to secure the data exchange between clients and servers.
- **VPNs** (**Virtual Private Networks**): Encrypt traffic between remote devices and corporate networks, preventing attackers from intercepting or tampering with data.

6. Compliance with Regulations

Many data protection regulations (such as GDPR, HIPAA, and PCI-DSS) require encryption as a measure to protect sensitive data. Encrypting data helps organizations comply with these legal and regulatory requirements by securing user information and reducing the risk of data breaches.

• **Example**: In the event of a data breach, if sensitive data is encrypted, organizations may avoid regulatory fines or penalties, as encryption can serve as an adequate safeguard under certain laws.

Solutions:

• Adherence to Standards: Ensure encryption practices comply with relevant standards (e.g., AES-256 for encryption, SHA-256 for hashing).

Conclusion:

Encryption plays a foundational role in securing applications by ensuring that sensitive data remains confidential, its integrity is protected, and it is accessed or modified only by authenticated users. By encrypting data both at rest and in transit, and leveraging cryptographic techniques like digital signatures and certificates, organizations can safeguard their applications against a wide range of threats. Proper implementation of encryption is essential for building secure applications and meeting regulatory compliance.

17.Identify and classify 5 applications you use daily as either system software or application software.

1. Operating System (e.g., Windows, macOS, Linux)

- Classification: System Software
- **Role**: The operating system manages hardware resources, provides a user interface, and supports the execution of application software. It is essential for running other software and services.

2. Web Browser (e.g., Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox)

- Classification: Application Software
- **Role**: A web browser allows users to access, navigate, and interact with web content. It is used for browsing websites, web applications, and online services.

3. File Manager (e.g., Windows File Explorer, macOS Finder)

- Classification: System Software
- **Role**: The file manager provides a graphical interface for managing files and directories on the operating system, including copying, moving, and deleting files.

4. Word Processor (e.g., Microsoft Word, Google Docs)

- Classification: Application Software
- **Role**: Word processors are used to create, edit, and format text documents. They offer tools for writing, editing, and collaboration.

5. Media Player (e.g., VLC Media Player, Windows Media Player)

- Classification: Application Software
- Role: A media player allows users to play audio and video files. It provides playback, control, and sometimes additional features like streaming or organizing media.

In summary:

- System Software: Operating System, File Manager
- Application Software: Web Browser, Word Processor, Media Player

18. What is the difference between system software and application software?

. Purpose and Functionality:

- System Software:
 - Purpose: System software is designed to manage and control the hardware components of the computer and provide a platform for running application software. It acts as an intermediary between the hardware and the user or application software.
 - Functionality: It manages system resources (CPU, memory, disk, etc.), facilitates basic functions like file management, and handles system operations such as input/output management, multitasking, and security.

Examples: Operating systems (e.g., Windows, macOS, Linux), device drivers, BIOS, utilities (e.g., disk management tools).

• Application Software:

- Purpose: Application software is designed to perform specific tasks or applications that directly benefit the user. It runs on top of the system software and is tailored to handle tasks such as document creation, browsing the web, playing media, or communication.
- Functionality: It provides functionality for specific user needs, such as word processing, image editing, email management, or browsing the web.

Examples: Web browsers (e.g., Chrome, Firefox), word processors (e.g., Microsoft Word, Google Docs), media players (e.g., VLC), email clients (e.g., Outlook), games.

2. Interaction with Hardware:

• System Software:

 System software interacts directly with the hardware. It controls hardware operations, such as managing memory, peripheral devices, and storage. Without system software, application software cannot communicate with the hardware.

• Application Software:

Application software interacts indirectly with the hardware, using the system software (usually the operating system) to execute its tasks. It relies on system software to access hardware resources and perform operations.

3. User Interaction:

• System Software:

 Typically, system software operates in the background and has limited direct interaction with the user. Its main role is to support the system's functionality and ensure everything runs smoothly. Users interact with system software indirectly, usually through settings or system utilities.

Application Software:

 Application software is what users interact with directly to accomplish specific tasks. It has user-friendly interfaces designed for human interaction, such as buttons, menus, and input fields.

4. Lifespan and Execution:

• System Software:

 System software is usually loaded and executed when the computer starts up and runs continuously in the background.
It manages all system-level tasks throughout the session.

Application Software:

 Application software is loaded and executed as needed. Users can open and close application software at any time. It typically performs tasks only when explicitly run by the user.

5. Dependence:

• System Software:

- System software is essential for the functioning of the entire computer system. Without it, the computer cannot operate.
 Application software depends on system software to run but not the other way around.
- Application Software: Application software depends on system software (like the operating system) to function.
 Without an operating system, application software cannot be executed.

19. Software Architectures.

- → Software architecture is the high-level structure of a software system , defining its components, interactions, and design principles, it encures scalability, maintability, and performance by organizing code into layers or modules.
- -Software architecture refers to the high-level structure of a software system, encompassing the organization of its components, their relationships, and the principles guiding its design and evolution.
- -It serves as a blueprint for both the system and the project developing it, ensuring that the software meets both functional and non-functional requirements.

20. What is the significance of modularity in software architecture?

Modularity in software architecture improves maintainability, scalability, and reusability by breaking a system into smaller, independent modules. This enhances code organization, simplifies debugging, and allows parallel development, leading to more efficient and flexible software systems.

21.Layers in Software Architecture.

- 1. Presentation Layer (UI Layer) Handles user interactions, displaying data, and collecting input.
- 2. Application Layer (Service Layer) Manages business logic and processes user requests.
- 3. Domain Layer (Business Logic Layer) Contains the core logic and rules of the application.

- 4. Data Access Layer Handles database operations and communication with data sources.
- 5. Infrastructure Layer (optional) Manages cross-cutting concerns like logging, authentication, and security.

22. Why are layers important in software architecture?

→Layers in software architecture improve modularity, maintainability, scalability, and reusability by organizing the system into distinct components. They enable separation of concerns, making code easier to manage, test, and update while allowing independent scaling and integration with other technologies.

23. Software Environments.

→ A software environment is the setup in which software runs, including the hardware, operating system, libraries, frameworks, and runtime dependencies. It can be classified into development, testing, and production environments, ensuring smooth software development, testing, and deployment.

24.Explain the importance of a development environment in software production.

→A development environment is essential for writing, testing, and debugging code in a controlled setting. It ensures isolated testing, code consistency, faster debugging, version control integration, and automation, leading to efficient and error-free software production.

25. Source Code.

-source code is the source of a computer program.

- -Source code is the human-readable set of instructions and statements written by a programmer in a programming language to create a software application.
- -It is the fundamental component of any software and serves as the blueprint for the software's functionality

26. What is the difference between source code and machine code.

Feature	Source Code	Machine Code
Readability	Human-readable	Machine-readable (binary)
Editability	Easily editable by programmers	Not editable by humans
Language	High-level programming languages	Low-level binary instructions
Execution	Needs to be compiled or interpreted	Directly executed by the CPU
Portability	Portable across different platforms	Specific to the hardware architecture

27. GitHub and Introductions.

- -GitHub is an essential tool for modern software development, offering powerful features for version control, collaboration, and automation.
- -It's widely used by developers and organizations to manage and share code effectively.

28. Why is version control important in software development?

- -Version control is a critical aspect of software development, and it offers numerous benefits that enhance the efficiency, collaboration, and reliability of software projects.
- -Version control helps track code changes, enables teamwork, prevents conflicts, provides backups, and manages software versions efficiently. It improves code quality and allows easy rollback if needed. Popular tools include Git, SVN, and Mercurial.

29. What are the benefits of using GitHub for students?

- -GitHub offers numerous benefits for students, helping them enhance their coding skills, collaborate with others, and build a professional portfolio.
- -Here are some key benefits of using GitHub for students

Free Access to GitHub Student Developer Pack – Includes premium tools and resources.

Version Control – Tracks code changes and manages projects efficiently.

Collaboration – Work with teammates on coding projects easily.

Portfolio Building – Showcase projects to potential employers.

Open-Source Contributions – Learn from real-world projects and contribute.

Integration with Tools – Works with various development and automation tools.

Project Management – Organize, document, and track progress effectively.

30.Types of Software.

- -Application Software,
- -System Software,
- -Driver Software,
- -Middleware Software,
- -Programming Software

31. What are the differences between open-source and proprietary software?

Feature	Open-Source Software	Proprietary Software
Source Code Accessibility	Publicly available	Not available
Licensing	Open-source licenses	Restrictive licenses
Cost	Usually free	Often requires a purchase or subscription
Development	Community-driven	Controlled by a single organization
Flexibility	Highly customizable	Limited customization
Support	Community and optional professional	Professional support by vendor
Security	Peer-reviewed, quick patches	Vendor-managed, potential delays

32. How does GIT improve collaboration in a software development team.

1. Distributed Version Control

- **Function:** Git is a distributed version control system, meaning each developer has a full copy of the repository, including its history, on their local machine.
- **Benefit:** This allows developers to work independently and offline, committing changes locally and synchronizing with the team when convenient.

2. Branching and Merging

- **Function:** Git supports lightweight branching and merging, enabling developers to create branches for new features, bug fixes, or experiments.
- **Benefit:** This allows parallel development efforts without disrupting the main codebase. Merging integrates changes back into the main branch seamlessly.

3. Pull Requests

- **Function:** Pull requests (also known as merge requests) are a way to propose changes to the codebase and request reviews from team members.
- **Benefit:** This facilitates code review, feedback, and collaboration, ensuring code quality and collective ownership of the codebase.

4. Commit History

- **Function:** Git maintains a detailed history of all changes made to the repository, including who made the changes, when, and why (with commit messages).
- **Benefit:** This provides transparency and accountability, making it easier to track progress, understand the rationale behind changes, and identify potential issues.

5. Conflict Resolution

- **Function:** Git helps manage and resolve conflicts that arise when multiple developers make changes to the same part of the codebase.
- **Benefit:** Conflict resolution tools and workflows ensure that changes are integrated smoothly, minimizing disruptions and maintaining a cohesive codebase.

6. Collaboration and Contribution

- **Function:** Git enables collaboration through shared repositories, forks, and cloning. Developers can contribute to projects, both internal and open-source, by submitting pull requests.
- **Benefit:** This fosters a collaborative environment, where team members can share knowledge, contribute to each other's work, and collectively improve the project.

7. Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD)

• **Function:** Git integrates with CI/CD tools to automate the process of building, testing, and deploying code changes.

33.Application Software:

- -Application software is a type of computer program designed to help users perform specific tasks or activities.
- -Unlike system software (which manages hardware and basic system functions), application software is user-focused and enables productivity, creativity, or entertainment.

Application Software

-Definition: Software designed to help users perform specific tasks.

34.what is the role of application software in businesses?

- -Application software is essential for modern businesses, enabling efficiency, automation, data management, and improved decision-making.
- -It helps organizations streamline operations, enhance productivity, and maintain a competitive edge.
- -Application software plays a crucial role in businesses by enhancing productivity, communication, and efficiency.
- Tools like Microsoft Office streamline document creation, while communication platforms like Zoom and Slack improve collaboration.
- Marketing and sales software like HubSpot aid in customer engagement, while cybersecurity tools ensure data protection.
- Additionally, e-commerce platforms like Shopify enable online business transactions, making application software essential for modern business operations.

35.Software Development Process.

- -The **Software Development Process** (also known as the Software Development Life Cycle, or SDLC) is a structured approach to designing, developing, testing, and deploying software applications.
- -It ensures that software meets user requirements, is efficient, and is maintainable over time.
- -Requirement Analysis,
- -Planning,
- -Deployment,
- -Designing,
- -Development(coding),

- -Implementation,
- -Testing,
- -Maintenance

36. What are the main stages of the software development process?

- -The **Software Development Process**, also known as the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)**, consists of several key stages to ensure the successful creation, deployment, and maintenance of software applications.
- -Planning,
- Analysis,
- Designing,
- Implementation,
- Testing,
- Maintenance

37.Software Requirement.

- **-Software Requirement** refers to the specifications of what a software system should do.
- -It defines the functionalities, constraints, and expected behaviour of the system.
- -Well-defined requirements help ensure that the final product meets user expectations and business goals.

- -Software requirements define what a system must do, including functional needs like user authentication and non-functional aspects like security and performance.
- -They also include user expectations and business goals, ensuring effective and user-friendly software development.

38. Why is the requirement analysis phase critical in software development?

- -The **Requirement Analysis** phase is one of the most crucial stages of the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)**.
- -It sets the foundation for the entire project by identifying and defining what the software should do.
- -The requirement analysis phase is important because it helps understand what the software needs to do before development starts.
- -It ensures clear communication between developers and users, preventing mistakes and reducing future problems. This phase also helps in planning, saving time and money by avoiding unnecessary changes.
- A good requirement analysis makes sure the final software works as expected and meets user needs.

39.Software Analysis

- **-Software Analysis** is the process of examining and understanding the requirements, structure, and functionality of a software system.
- -Software analysis is the process of understanding and evaluating a system's requirements, structure, and functionality before development.
- It includes requirement analysis to define user needs, system analysis to assess the entire setup, and static or dynamic analysis to review and

test the software. This process helps in better planning, reducing errors, and improving software quality.

-It plays a crucial role in the **Software Development Life Cycle** (**SDLC**) by ensuring that software solutions meet business needs, are efficient, and are maintainable.

40. What is the role of software analysis in the development process?

- -Software analysis is a **critical phase** in the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)** that ensures software systems meet user needs, are efficient, secure, and maintainable.
- -Software analysis helps identify user needs, system requirements, and potential issues before development.
- It improves planning, reduces errors, lowers costs, and ensures the software is efficient, reliable, and user-friendly.
- It helps developers, testers, and stakeholders **understand**, **evaluate**, **and improve** the software before and after implementation.

41.System Design

- **-System Design** is the process of defining the architecture, components, modules, interfaces, and data of a system to satisfy specified requirements.
- -It is a crucial phase in the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)** that ensures the system is scalable, efficient, and maintainable.

Types of System Design:

1. High-Level Design (HLD): – Defines overall system architecture, modules, and data flow.

2. Low-Level Design (LLD): – Focuses on detailed design, including algorithms, database structures, and module interactions.

42. What are the key elements of system design?

- -System design involves planning the structure and functionality of a system to ensure it meets business requirements efficiently.
- It includes various components that define **architecture**, **data flow**, **security**, **performance**, **and usability**. modules, UI, database, and integration. These elements ensure a well-structured, efficient, and secure system.

43. Why is software testing important?

- -Software testing is a **critical phase** in the **Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)** that ensures software is **functional**, **reliable**, **secure**, **and high-performing**.
- -It helps detect defects early, reducing costs and improving user satisfaction.

44. Development

- -Software development is the **process of designing, coding, testing,** and maintaining applications or systems to meet user and business needs.
- -It involves multiple stages, including requirement analysis, planning, design, development, testing, deployment, and maintenance.
- -Developers use programming languages, frameworks, and tools to create efficient and user-friendly software.

-It follows a structured approach, ensuring **efficiency, security, and scalability**.

45.Web Application

- -A **web application** is a software program that runs on a web server and is accessed through a **web browser**.
- -Web applications are user-friendly, easily accessible, and can be updated quickly, making them ideal for various online services.
- -Unlike traditional desktop applications, web applications do not require installation and can be used on multiple devices.

46.Designing

- Designing is a **critical phase** in software development that defines the **structure**, **functionality**, **and user experience** of an application
- -Designing is the process of planning the structure, layout, and functionality of software before development.
- It includes UI/UX design for user experience, system design for architecture, and database design for data management.
- -A well-planned design ensures the software is **scalable**, **efficient**, **secure**, **and user-friendly**.

47. What role does UI/UX design play in application development?

-UI/UX Designing in Software Development

UI/UX design plays a crucial role in application development by ensuring a user-friendly, visually appealing, and efficient experience.

- UI (User Interface) design focuses on the layout, colors, buttons, and overall look, making the app visually engaging.
- UX (User Experience) design improves usability, navigation, and interaction, ensuring a smooth and satisfying user journey.
- -Good UI/UX design enhances user satisfaction, increases engagement, and improves accessibility, making the application more successful.

48. Mobile Application.

- -A mobile application (mobile app) is software designed to run on smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices.
- -Mobile apps can be built for various platforms like **Android**, **iOS**, **or cross-platform frameworks**

49. What is the significance of DFDs in system analysis?

- -A **Data Flow Diagram (DFD)** is a crucial tool in **system analysis** that helps visualize the flow of data within a system.
- -It plays a key role in **understanding, designing, and optimizing** business processes and software systems.
- -It helps visualize how data moves in a system, simplifying analysis and design.
- It improves communication, ensures clarity in requirements, and identifies inefficiencies before development.

50What are the pros and cons of desktop applications compared to web applications?

Pros of Desktop Applications:

- -Better Performance Uses device resources directly, leading to faster processing and smoother execution.
- -Offline Access Can function without an internet connection, unlike web apps.
- -Enhanced Security Data is stored locally, reducing exposure to cyber threats and hacking.
- -Full Hardware Access Can interact with printers, USB devices, GPUs, and other peripherals more efficiently.
- -Customization & Stability Offers more control over user settings, UI, and system integration.

51.how do flowcharts help in programming and system design?

- -A **flowchart** is a **visual representation** of a process, algorithm, or system workflow using **symbols and arrows**.
- -It plays a critical role in both **programming and system design** by improving clarity, efficiency, and problem-solving.