

Introduction to Programming and Flowchart

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Q How to solve a programming problem?

→ Given the problem,

- ① understand the problem → Add 2 num
- ② check the given values → 2 variable, Data types
- ③ figure out an approach → $a + b = ans$
- ④ code

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int ans = a + b;
```

```
cout << ans << endl;
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Pseudocode: A very simple and high level form of computer language that is used in program design.

A flowchart is a diagrammatic representation of an approach. This shows out all the steps of our approach in order.

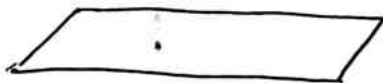
Components:

- ① Terminator: Specifies the start and end of a program

Starts/End

→ Terminator

- ② Parallelogram: For taking input or showing output.



Input/Output

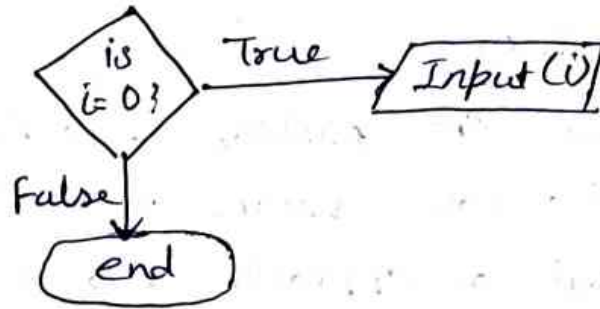
- ③ Process: Operations and process. like loop

$i = i + 1$

or

for loop

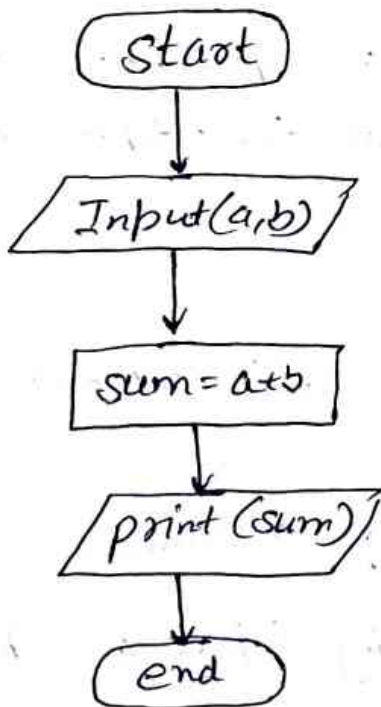
④ Decision Making: (Diamond shape)



⑤ Circle: Connectors (To be covered when we discuss function/methods)

⑥ Arrows: To show the flow of code

Example Flowchart for adding two numbers



Pseudocode for adding 2 num.

① → input 2 num a and b

→ Let sum = a + b

→ Print out sum

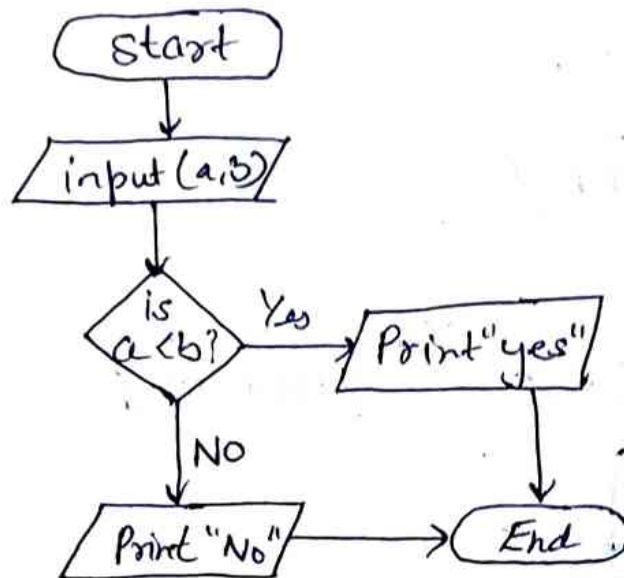
② → Read a and read b

→ sum variable is a + b

→ sum

- Both pseudocodes are OK. No pseudocode is wrong as long as the logic is same/similar

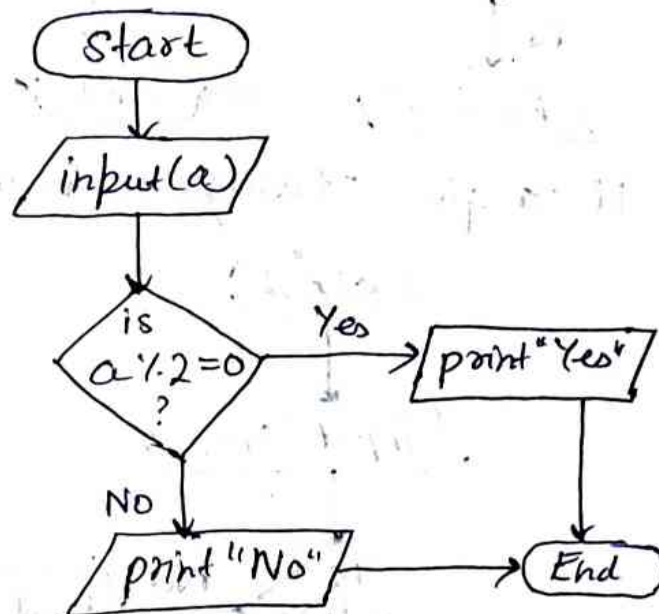
Example: Determine if $a < b$



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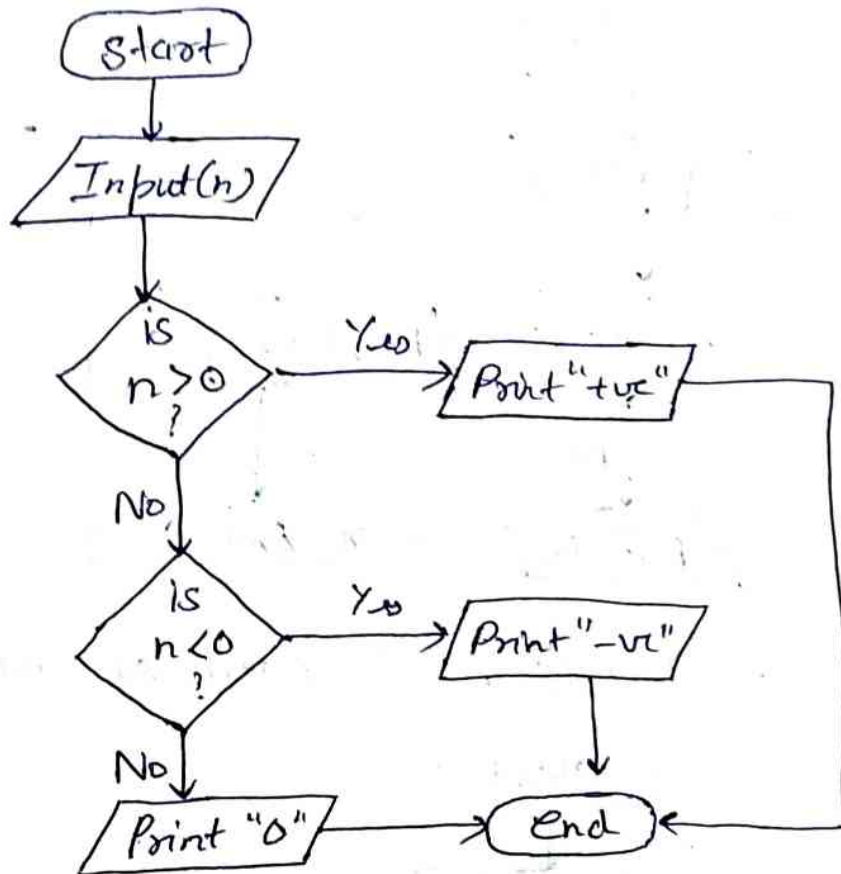
→ Read a and b
 if $a < b$
 then print Yes
 else
 print No

Example: Check if n is even or odd



Example: Is n positive, negative or zero

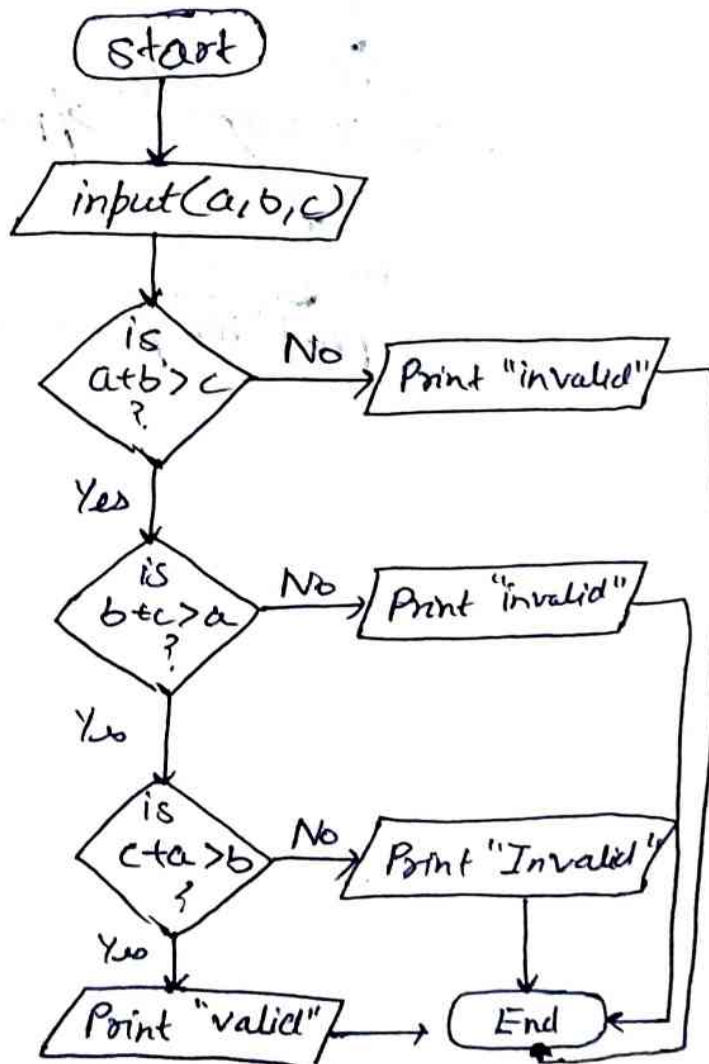
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Example: Check if a given triangle is valid

Hint

$$\begin{aligned} a+b &> c \\ b+c &> a \\ c+a &> b \end{aligned}$$

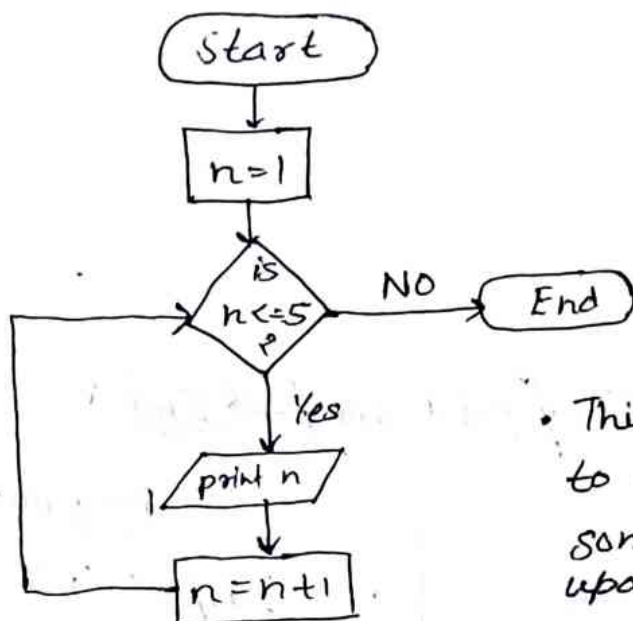


Loops

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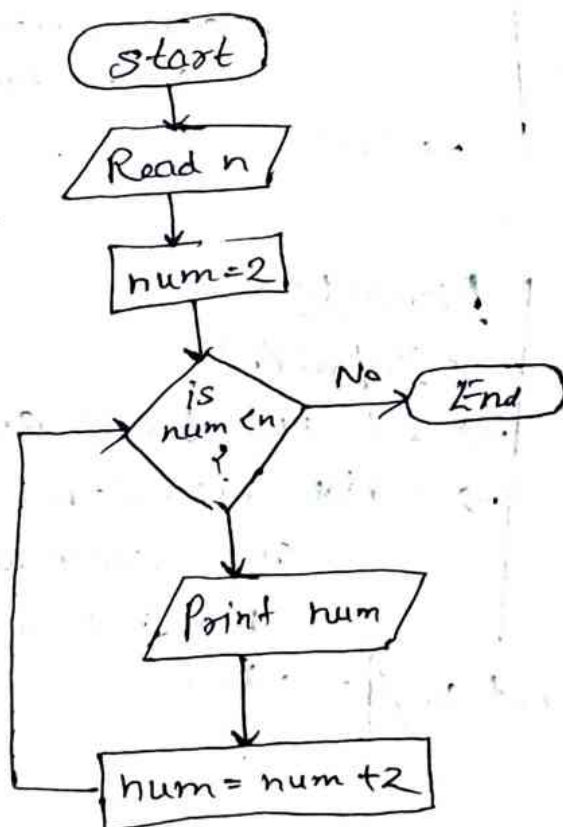
Let variable $n=1$

Now make n go from 1 to 5



• This whole we use loops to continuously perform some action while updating some value.

Example : Print even number b/w 1 and n . (exclusive)

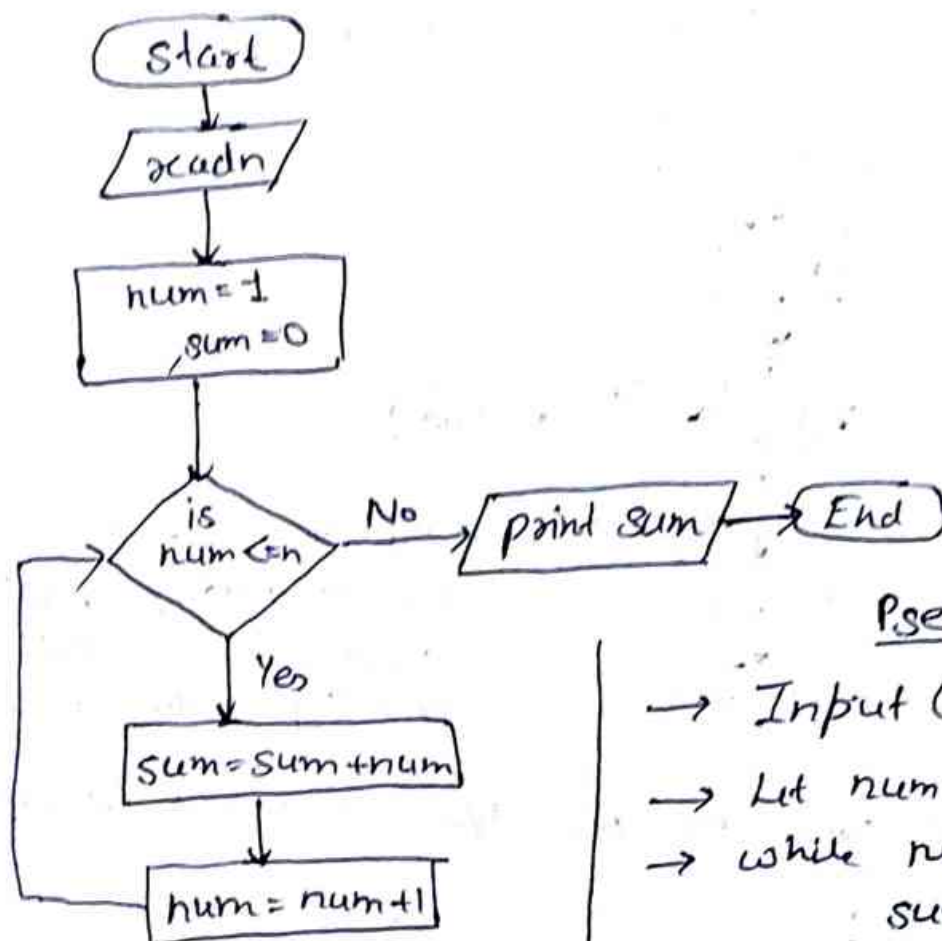


Pseudocode

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→ Input (n)
→ Let num = 2
→ while num < n,
    print num
    num = num + 2
→ End
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Example: Find sum from 1 to n

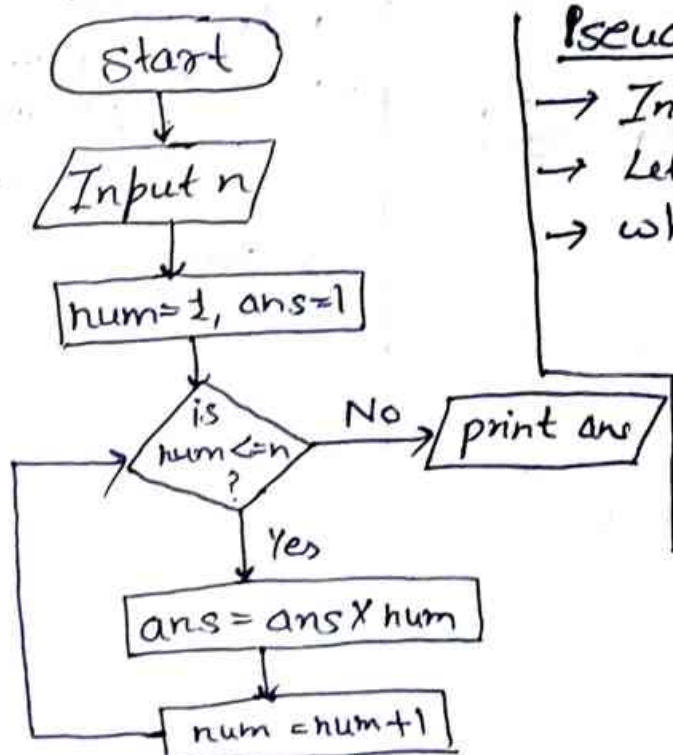
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Pseudocode

→ Input (n)
→ Let num = 1 and sum = 0
→ while num ≤ n
 sum = sum + num
 num = num + 1
→ End

Example: Find n!

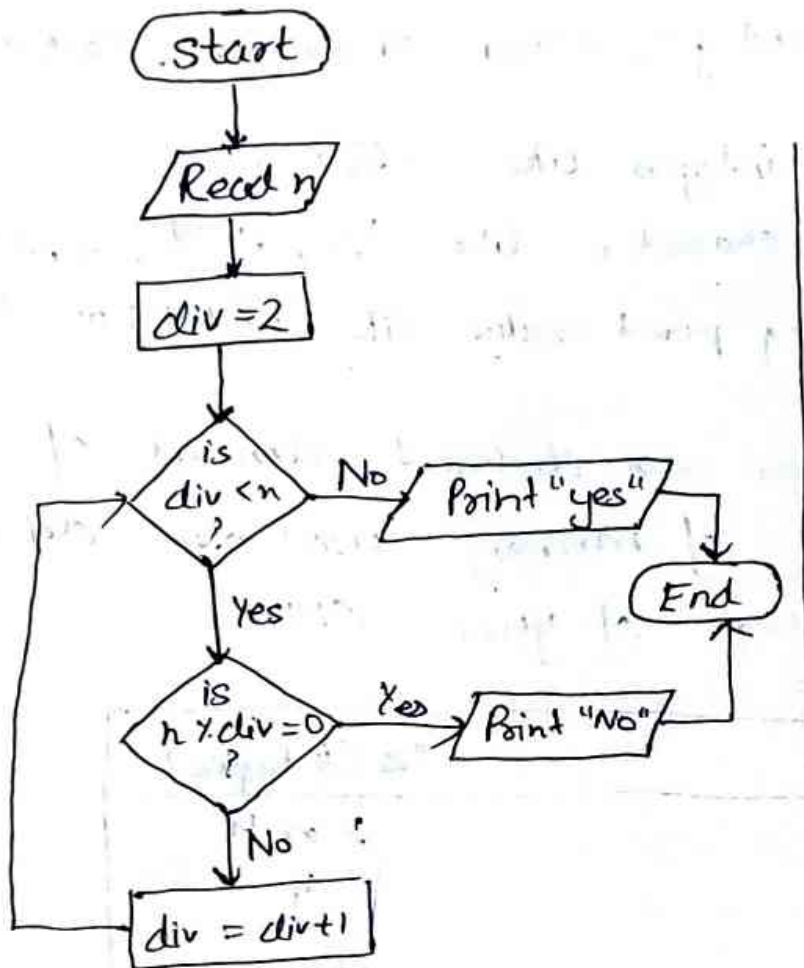


Pseudocode

→ Input (n)
→ Let num = 1 and ans = 1
→ while num ≤ n,
 ans = ans × num
 num = num + 1
→ End.

Example: Check if n is prime

Hint: $\Rightarrow n \% (\text{any number from } 2 \text{ to } n-1) \neq 0$



Pseudocode

\rightarrow input (n)
 \rightarrow Let $div = 2$
 \rightarrow while $div < n$,
 if $n \% div = 0$
 print "No"
 exit
 else
 $div = div + 1$
 \rightarrow Print "Yes"

What is a Programming Language?

- A programming language is a way to communicate with a computer. It is a formal language which consists of sets of string that produce various kinds of machine output.

Eg: C, C++, Java, Python, R, Go, etc

\Rightarrow Source code (C++) \rightarrow Compiler \rightarrow Binary / Machine code \rightarrow Comp. Executor

- A computer essentially only understands binary codes of 0s and 1s. A compiler process the statements of a programming language into Machine code (Binary).