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ONLINE DEGREE

Introduction to Flowcharts

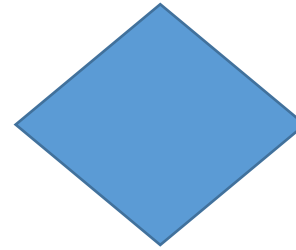
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Flowline or
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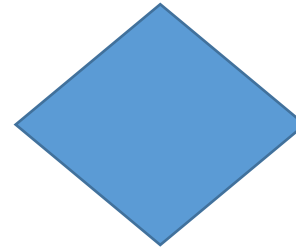
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Set of operations that
change the value of
data (variables)



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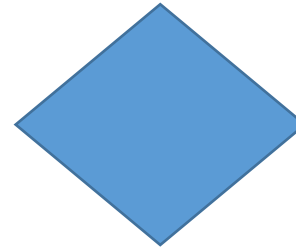
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Shows the order
of execution of
the program steps

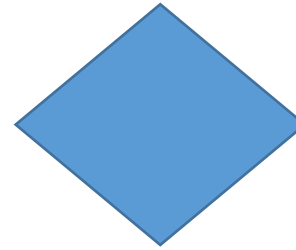
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Determines which
path the program
will take



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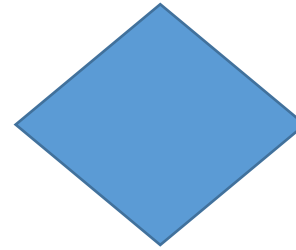
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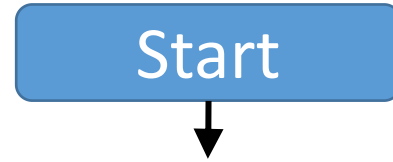
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Indicates the
“Start” or “End”
of the program

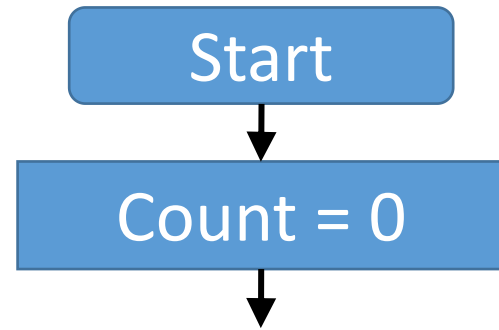
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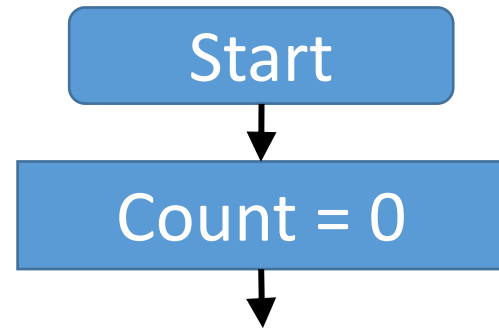
When we start, the cards are all assumed to be in a single pile - called Pile 1

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We initialise the count variable to 0

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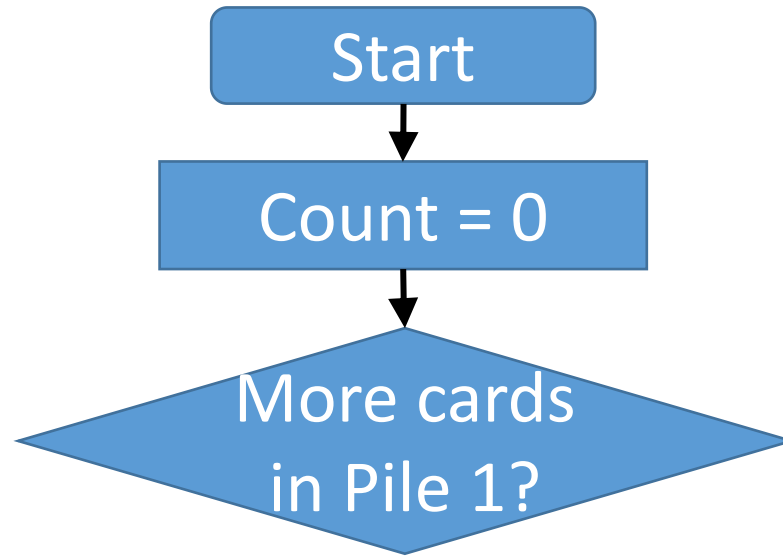
This is where the iterator starts.

We need to repeat the following steps:

- Pick a card from Pile 1
- Move it into a different pile (say Pile 2)
- Increment the value of count

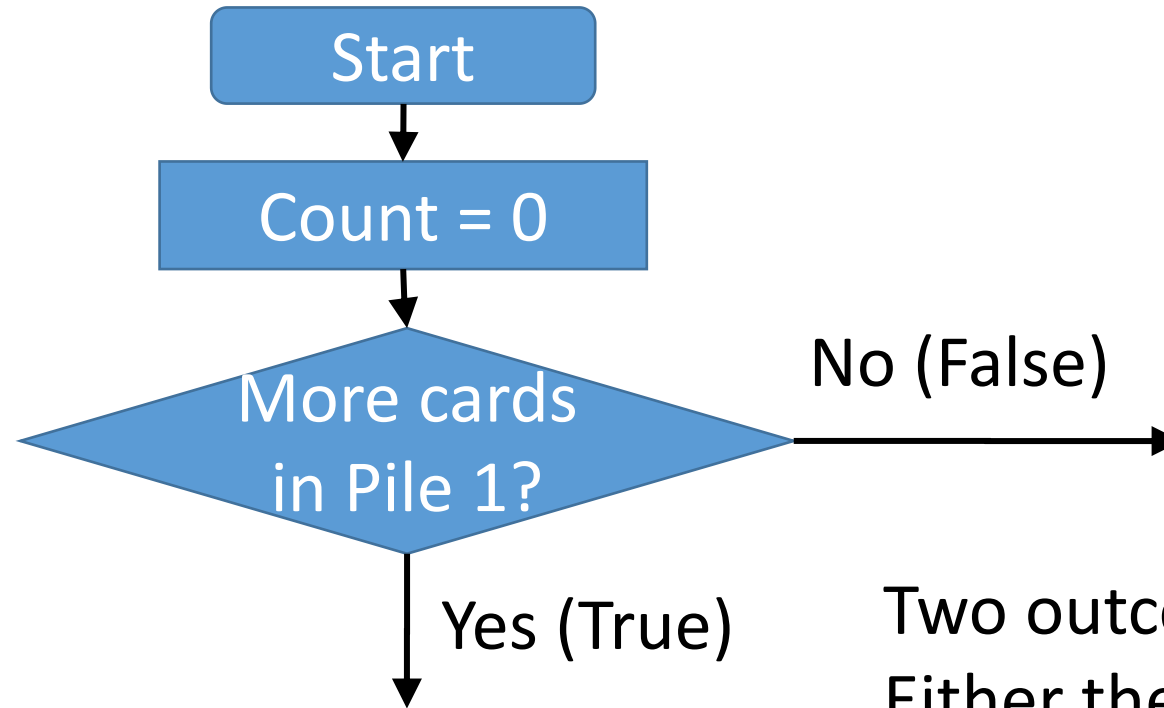
The iteration stops when Pile 1 is empty

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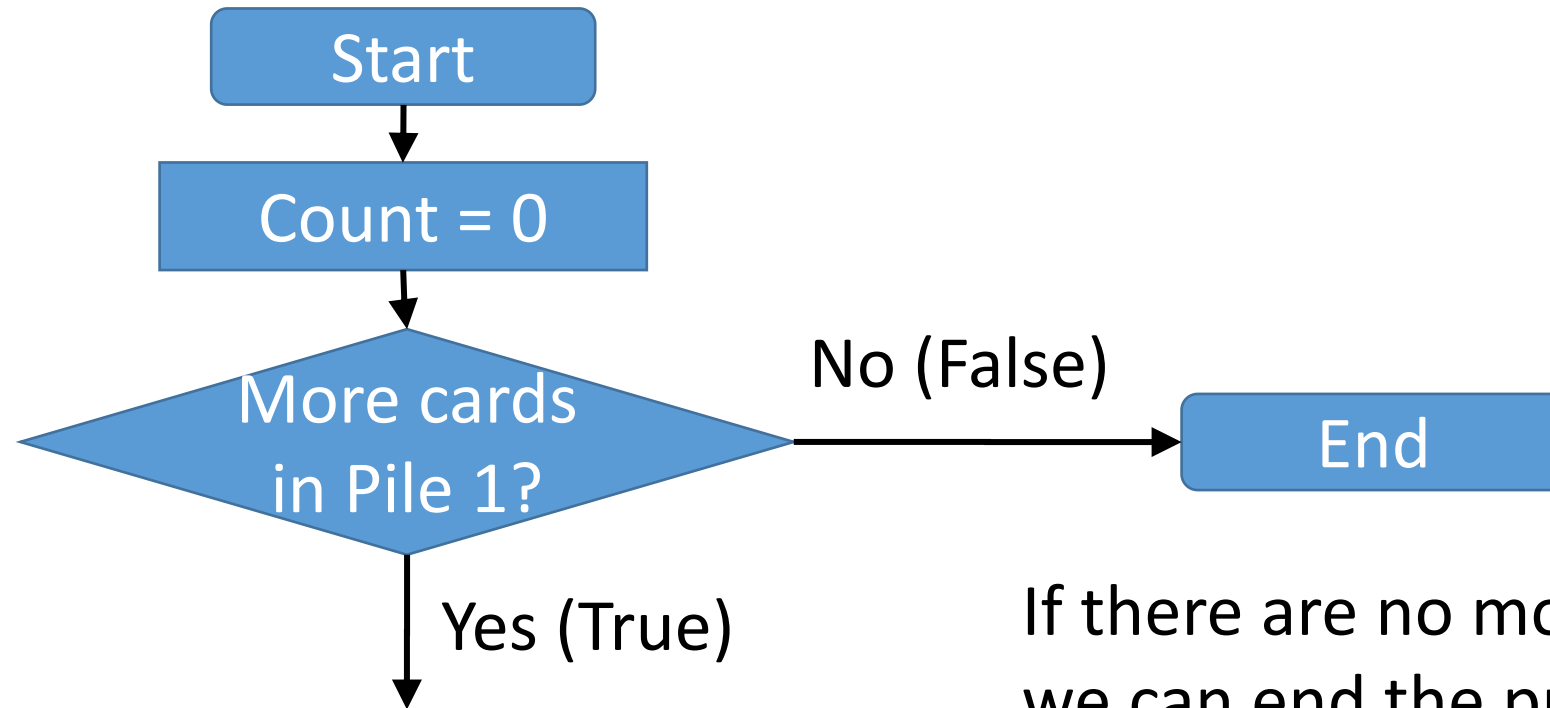
We need to pick a card from Pile 1
But we can do that only if there
are more cards in Pile 1 to pick !

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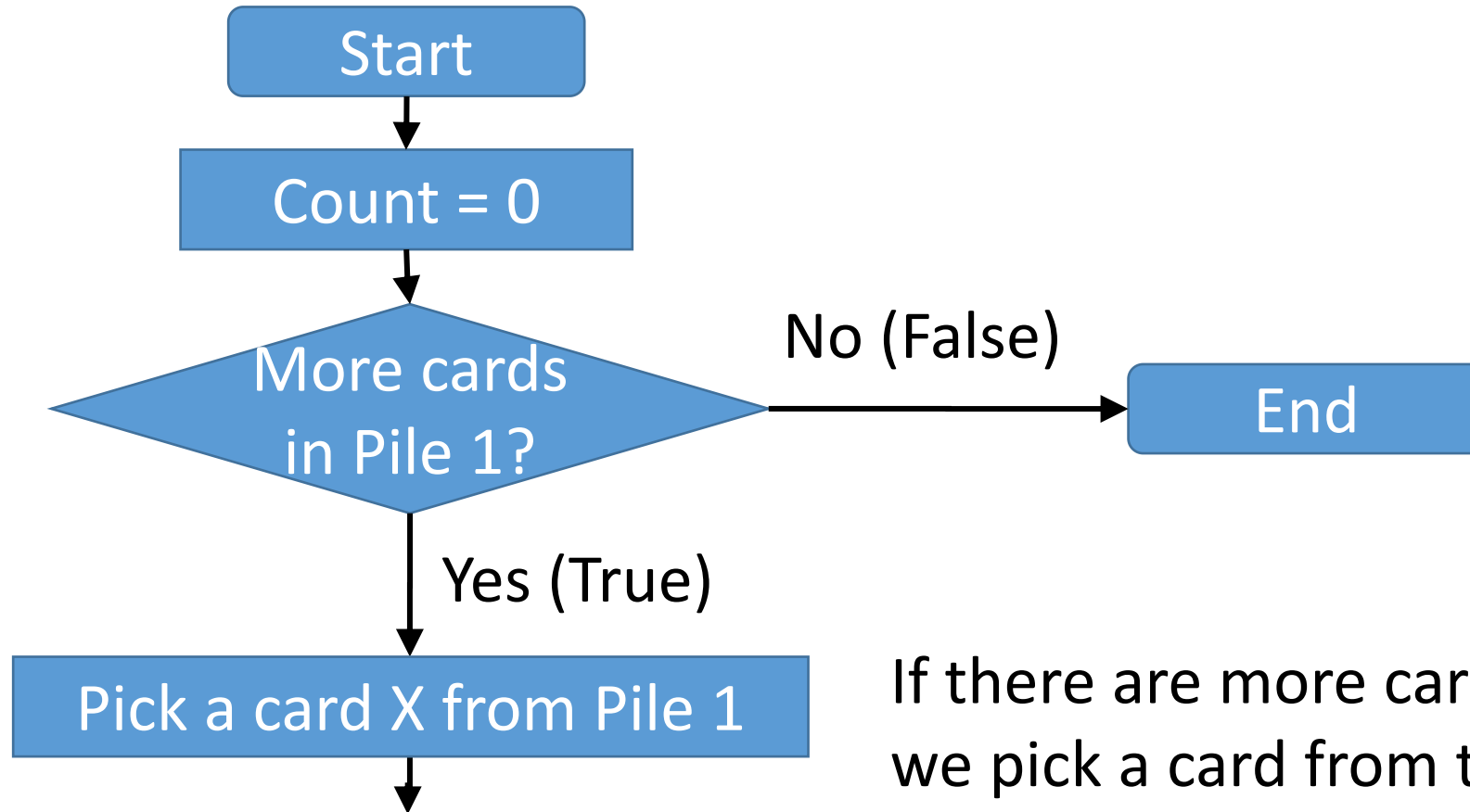
Two outcomes are possible here:
Either there are no more cards
(condition = False) or there
are more cards (condition = True)

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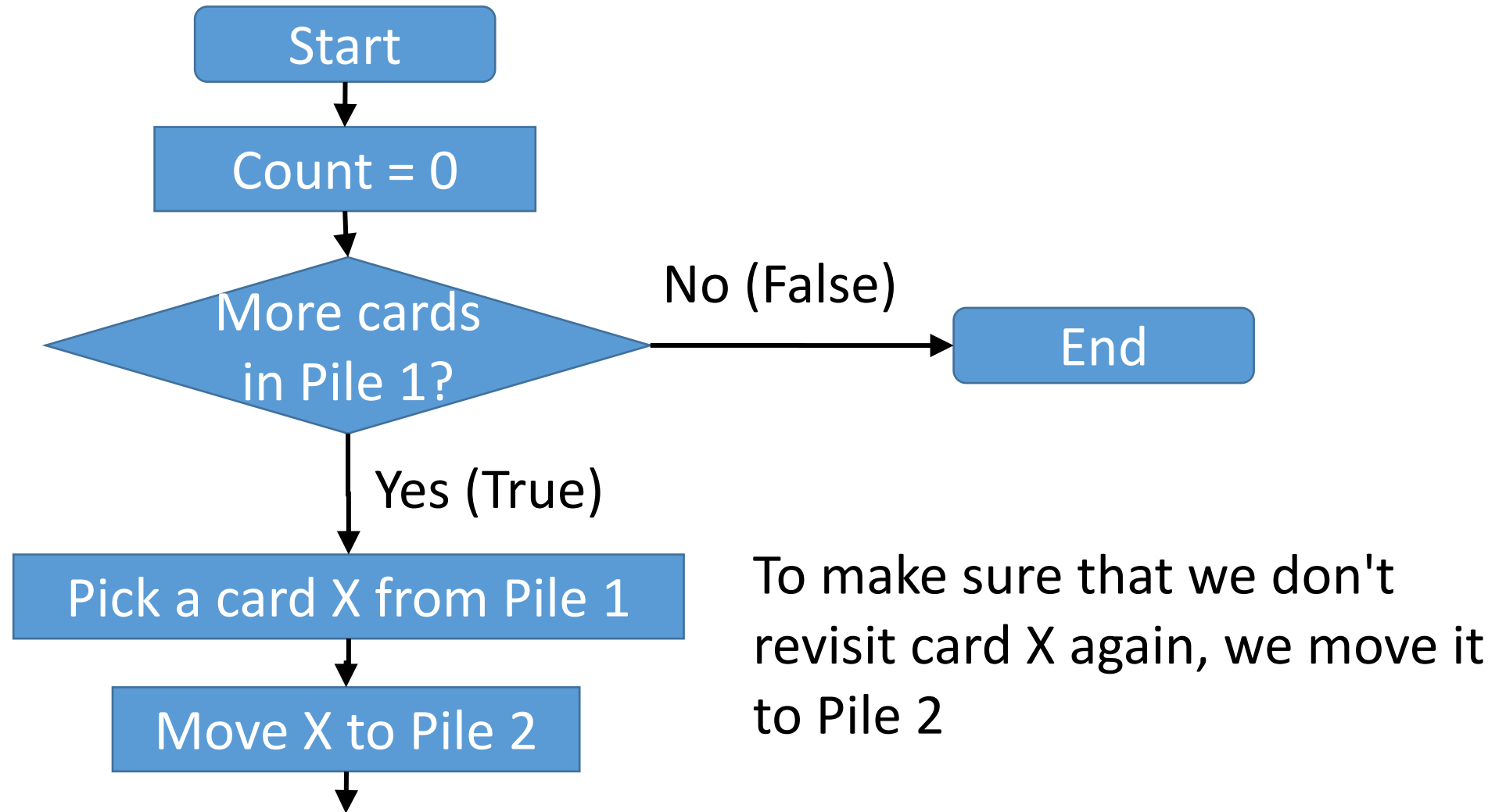
If there are no more cards we can end the program. The variable count carries the required value.

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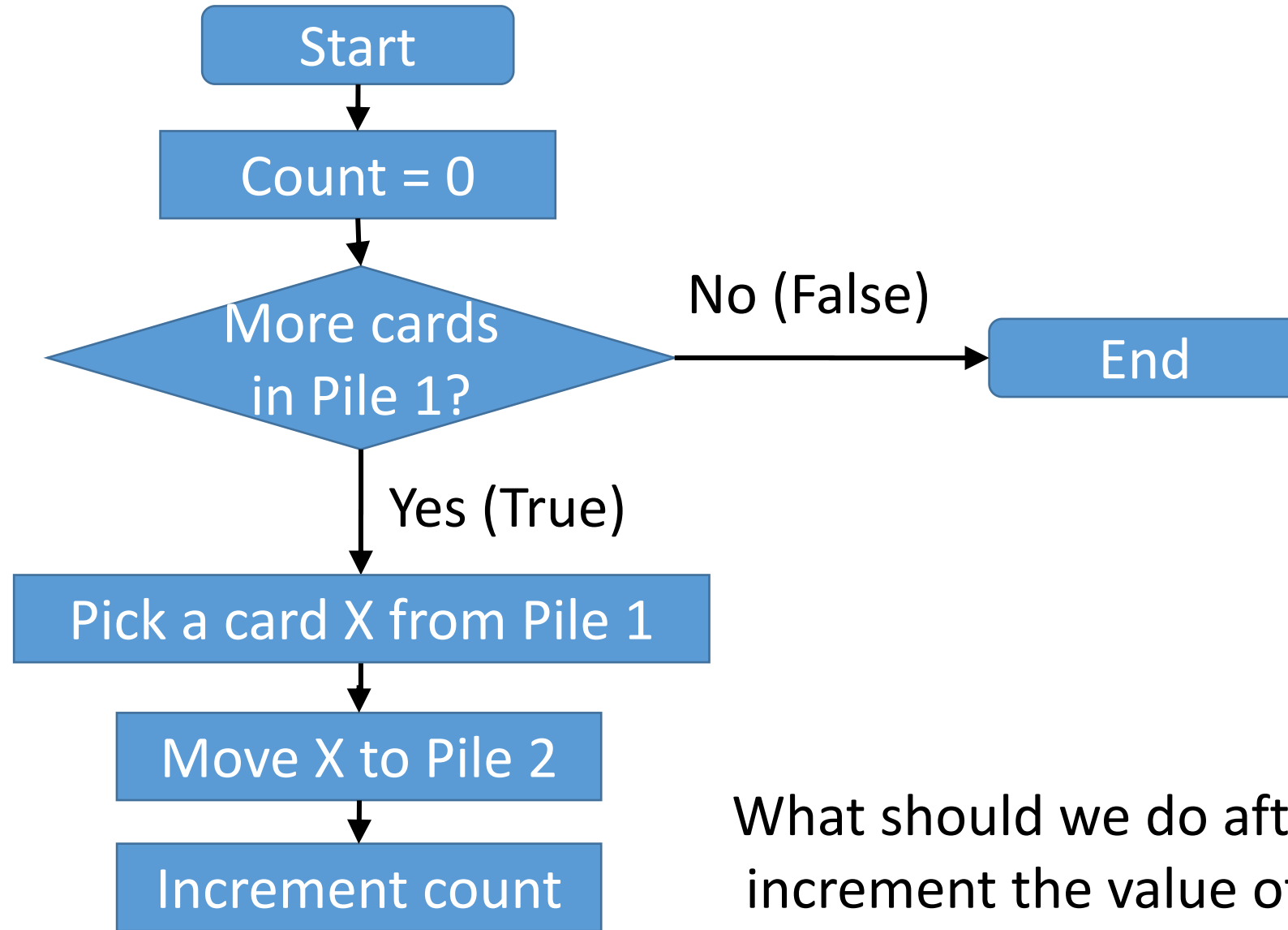


If there are more cards in Pile 1 we pick a card from the pile.
Let's call this card X

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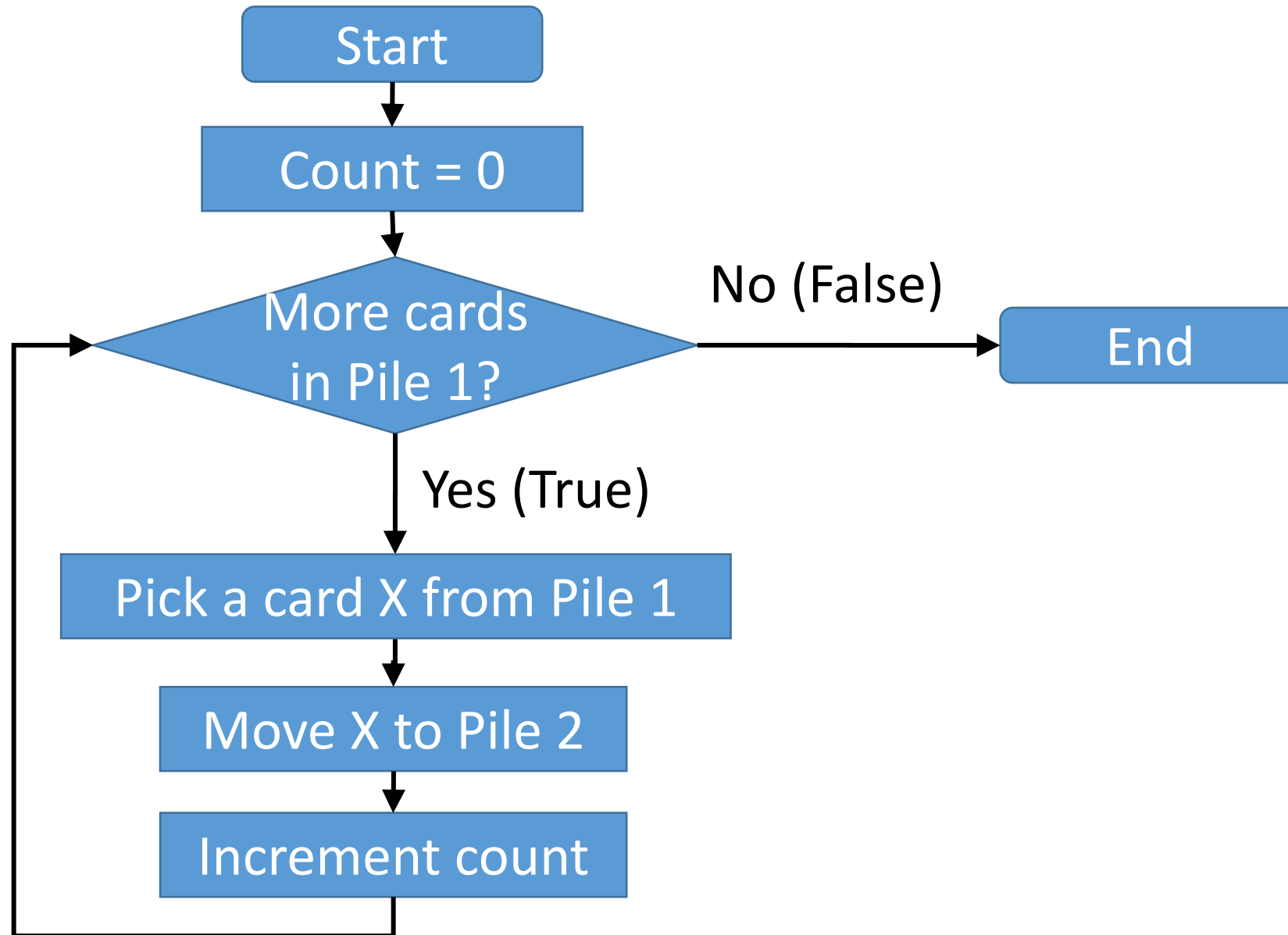


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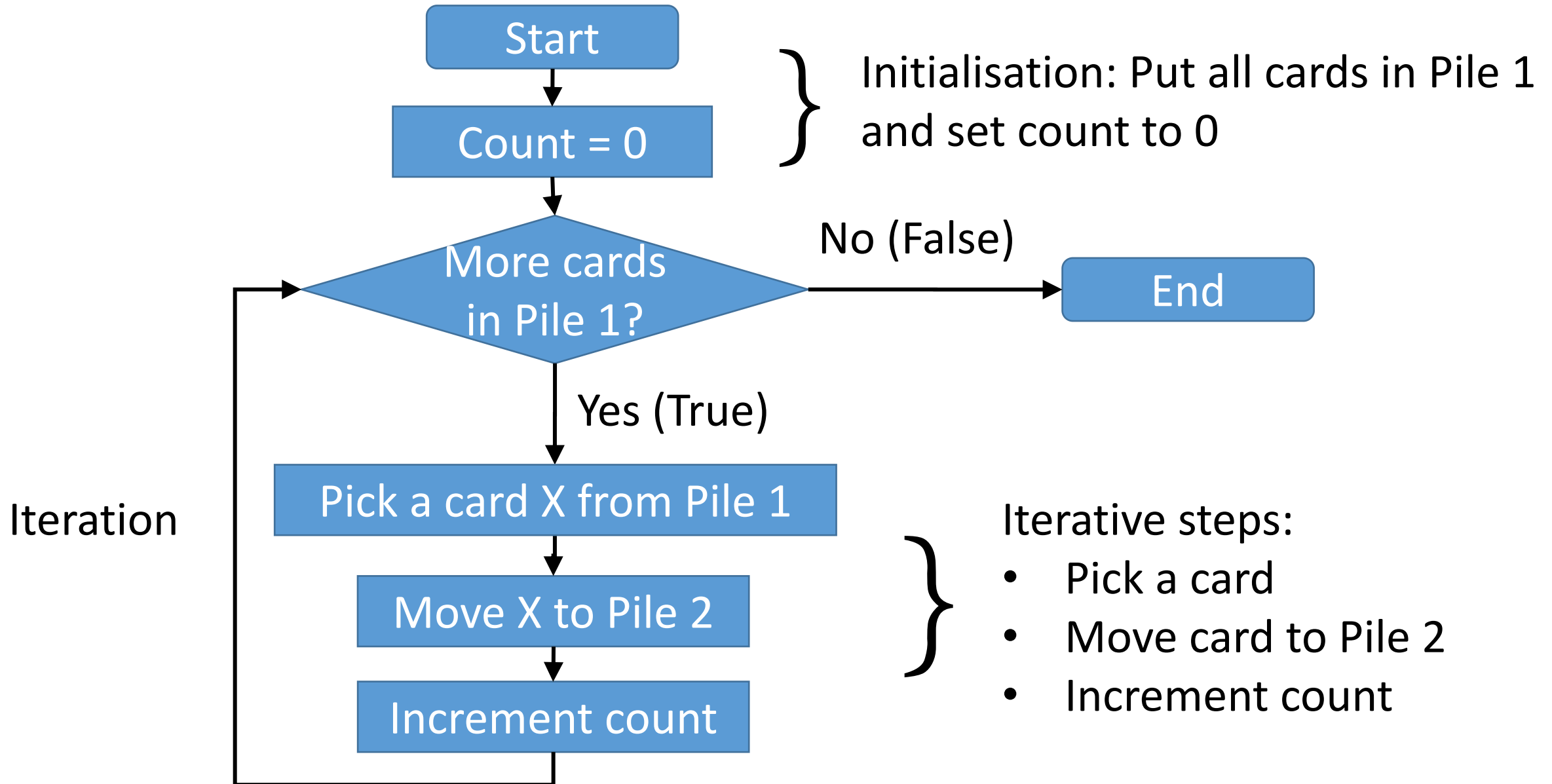
What should we do after we increment the value of count ?

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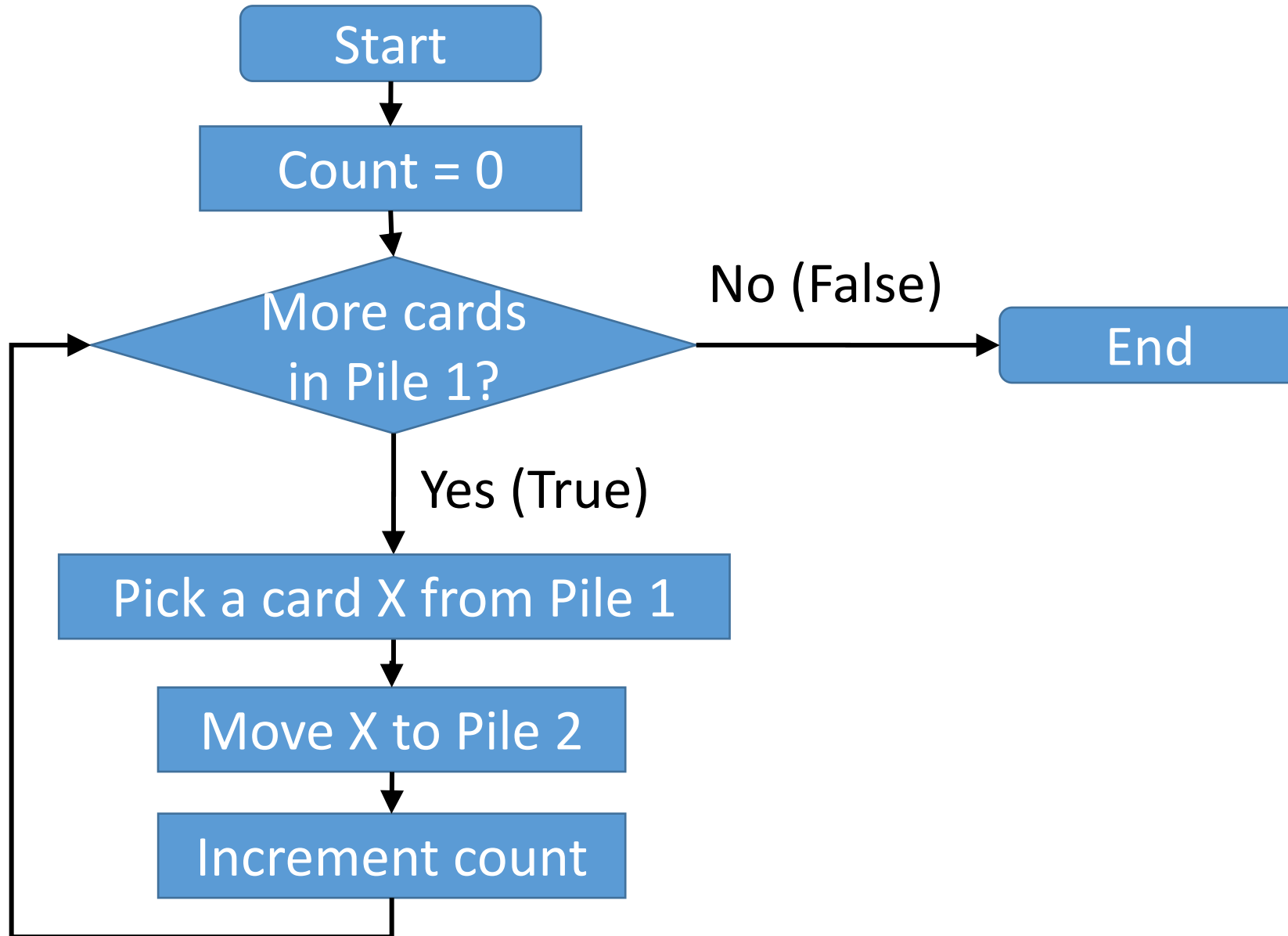
We go back
to the
beginning
of the
iteration !

Summary: Flowchart for counting cards

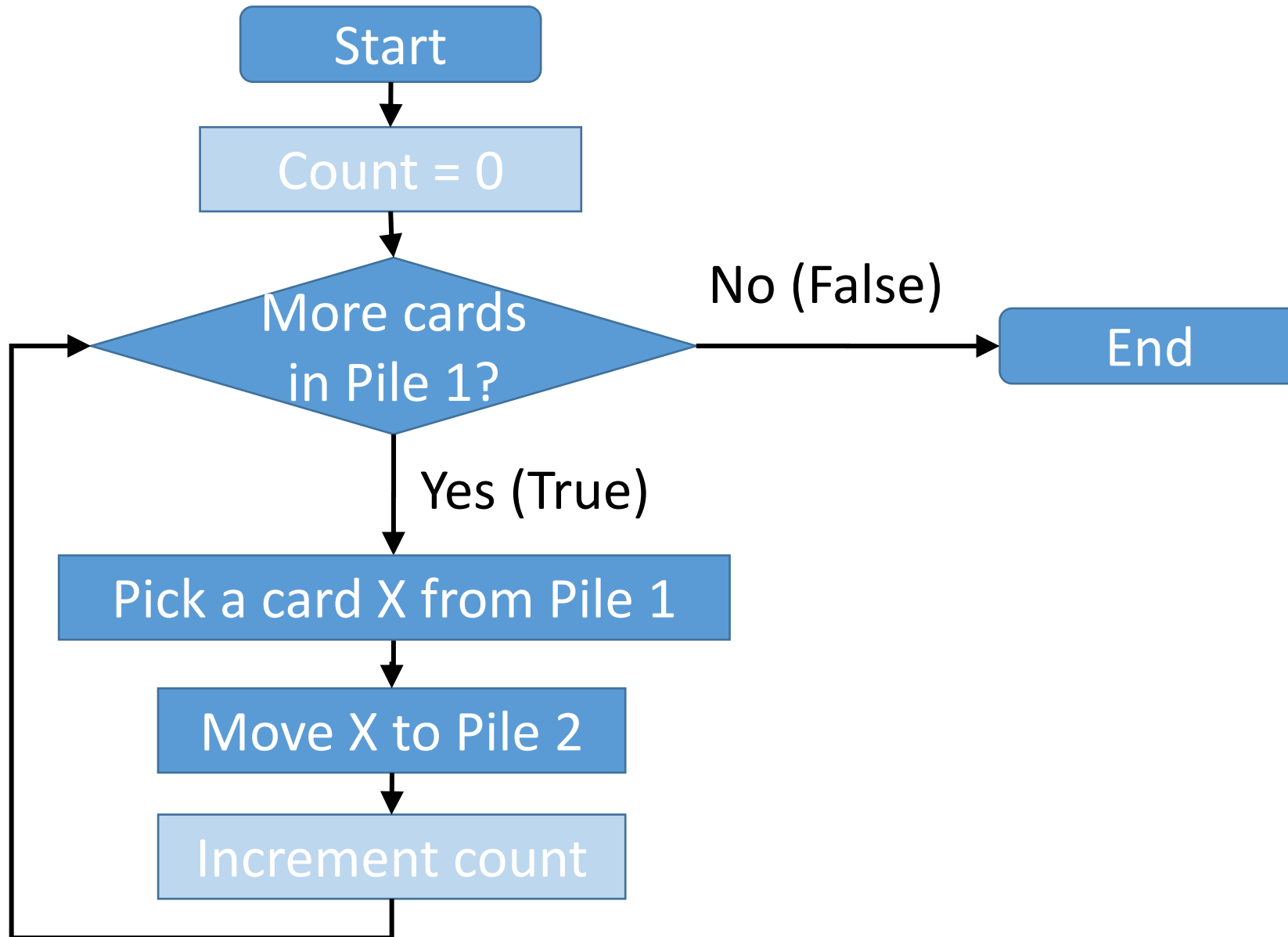


Flowchart for Sum of Maths Marks

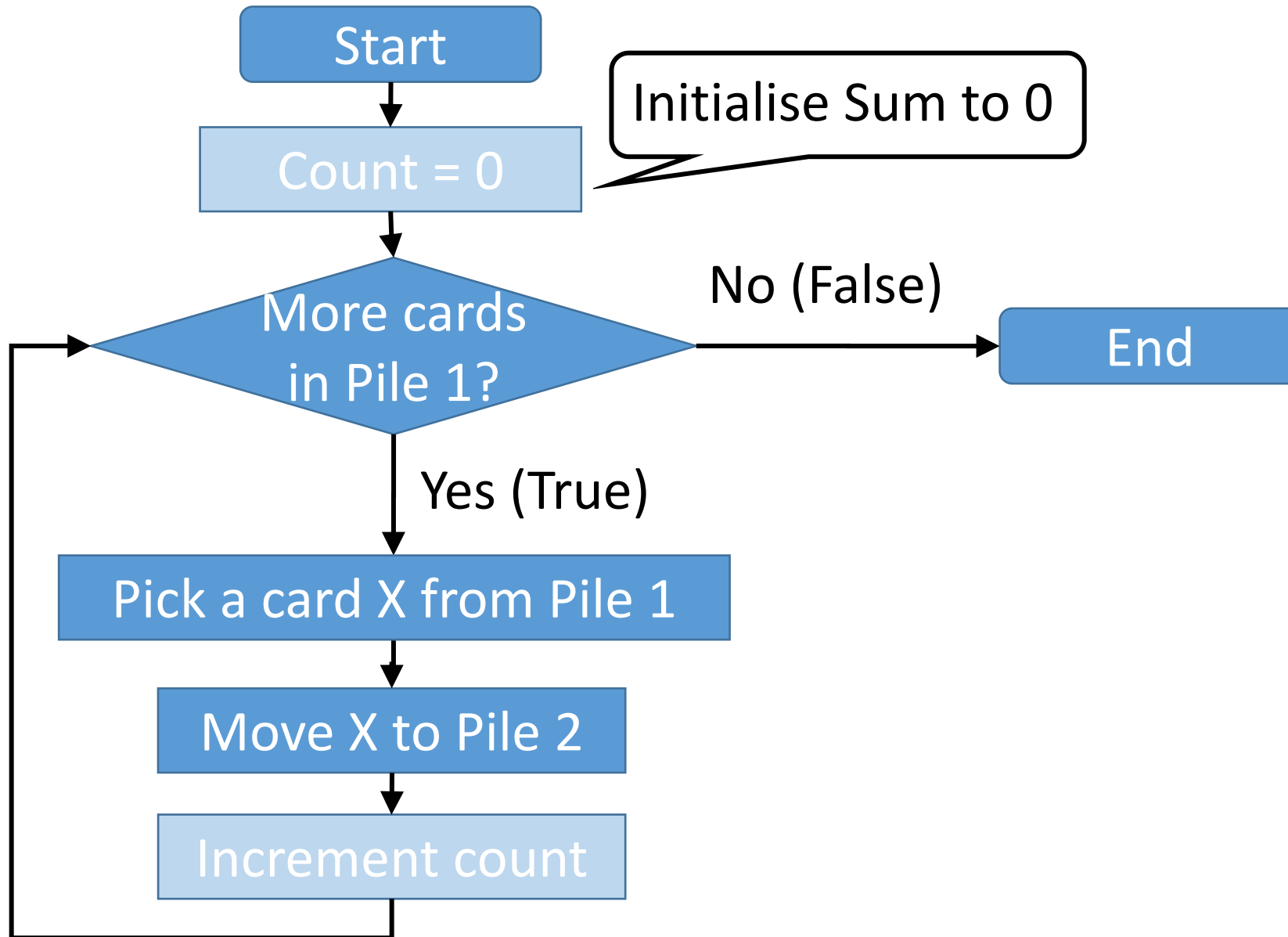
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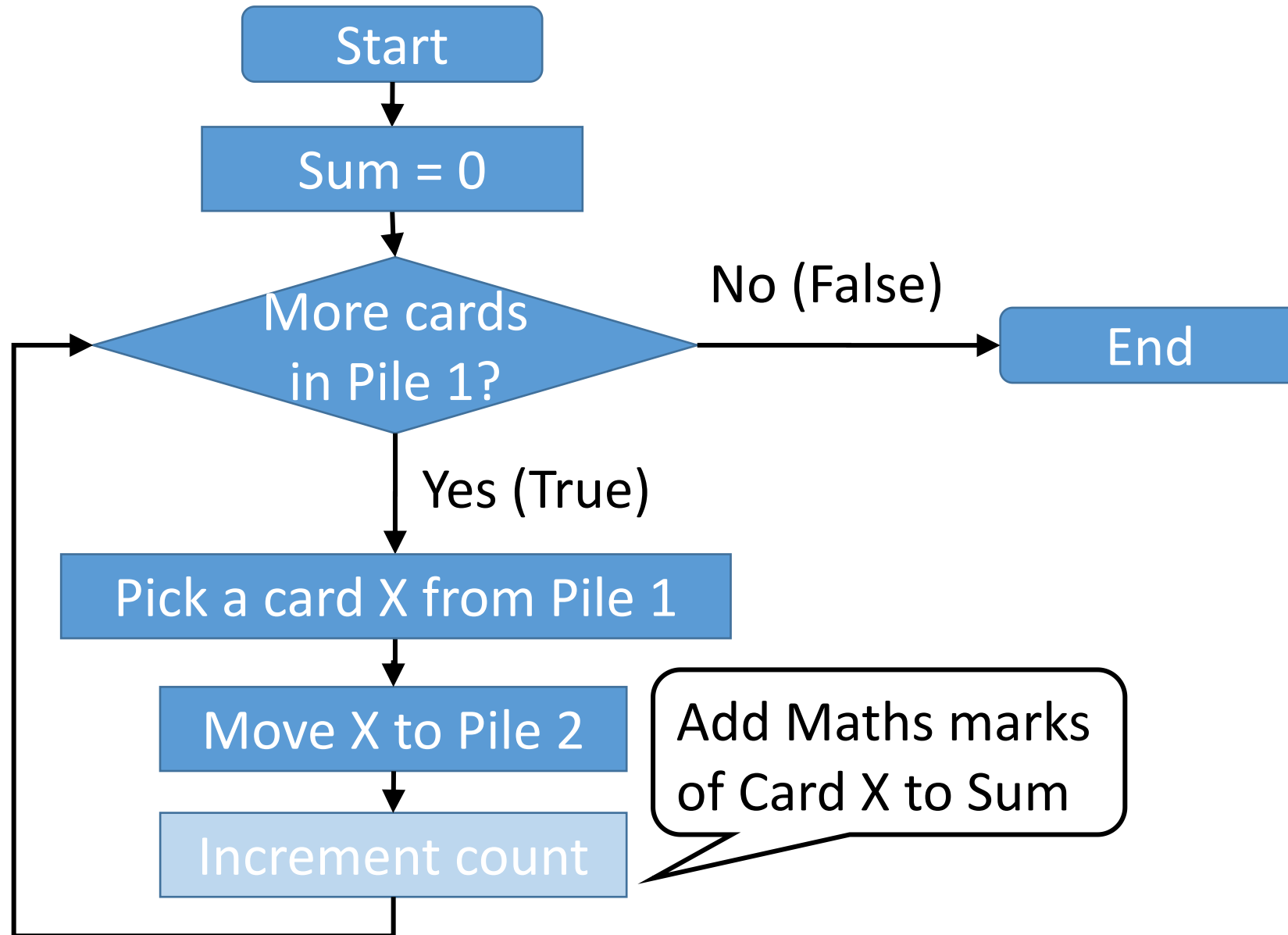
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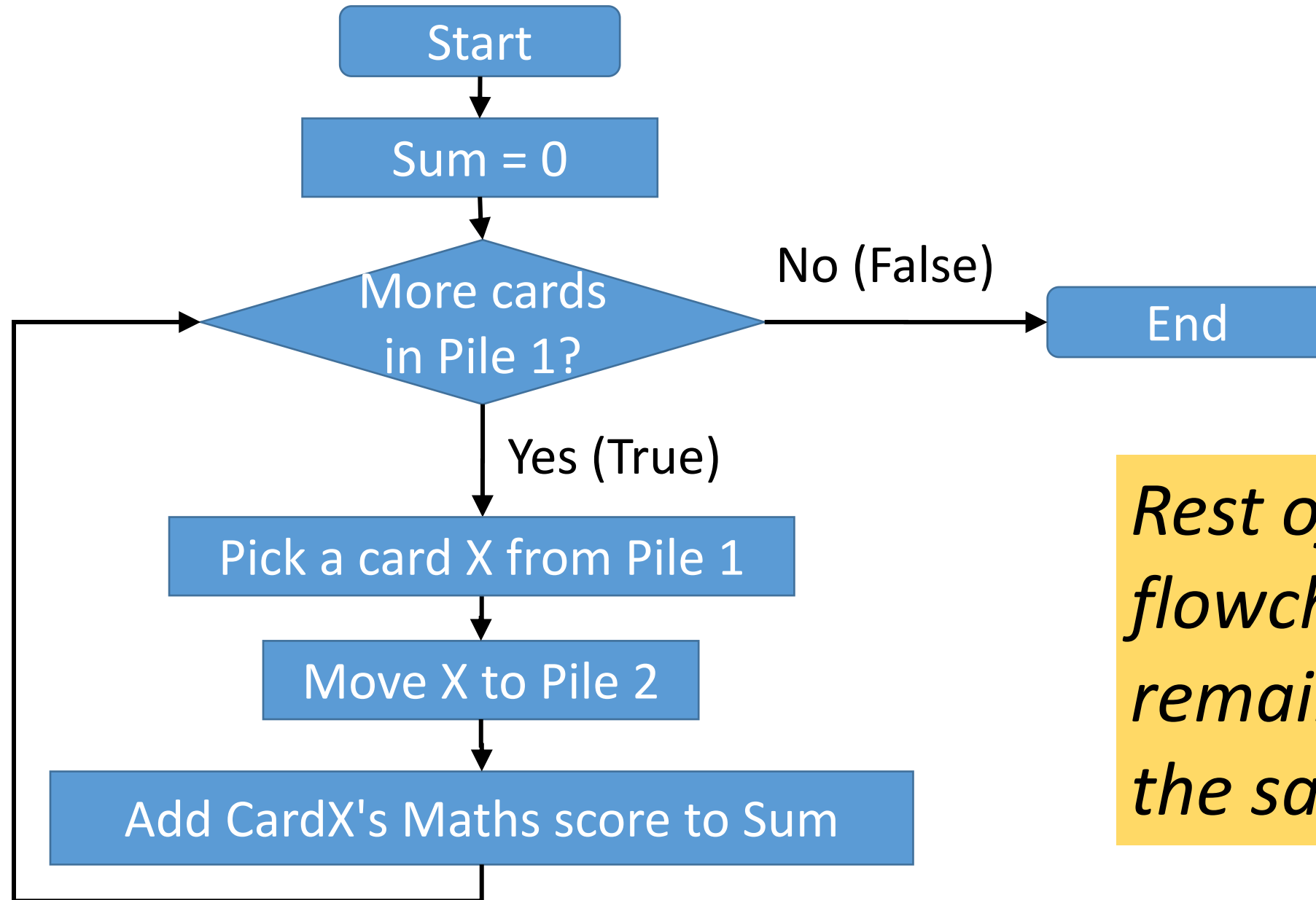
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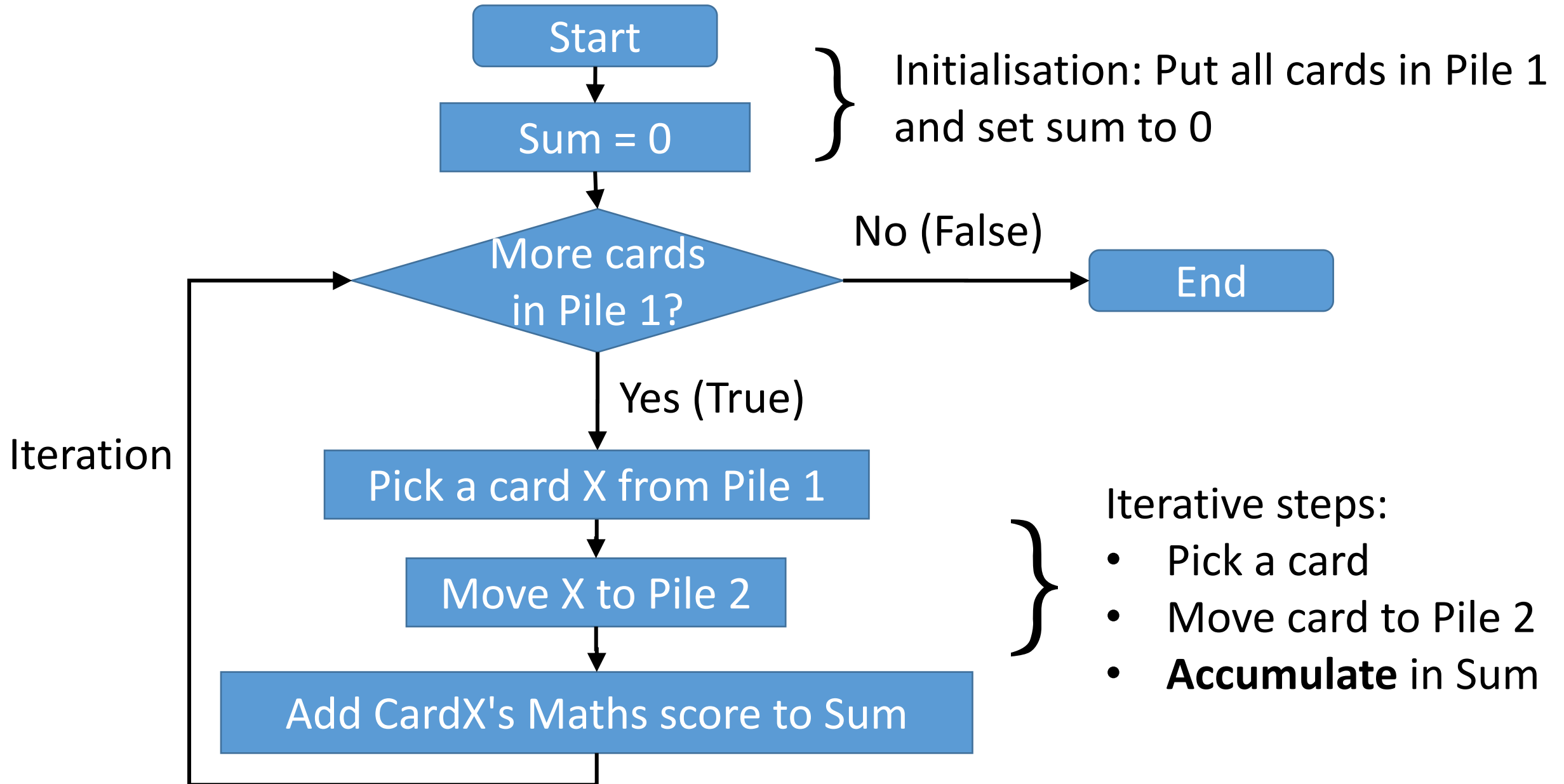


How do we modify this to do sum of Maths marks?



*Rest of the
flowchart
remains
the same !*

Summary: Flowchart for sum of Maths marks



Summary: Generic flowchart for iteration

