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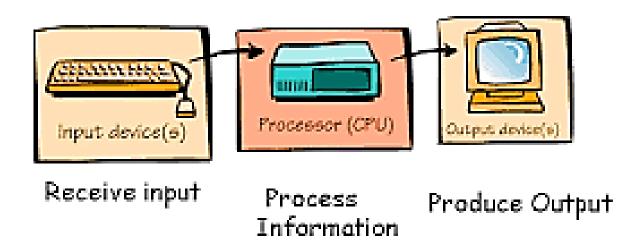
Understanding Computers

- A computer system consists of Hardware and Software
 - Hardware: All the physical devices associated with a computer e.g. Keyboard, Mouse, Speakers
 - Software: Set of computer instructions that tell the hardware what to do e.g. MS Word, Notepad

Understanding Computers

 Together hardware and software accomplish three major operations:

What Computers Do



Programs & Software

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Chocolate Nut Cake Recipe
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Algorithm for making
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• **Software** is a bundled collection of one or more programs, so typically a software program will have many features.

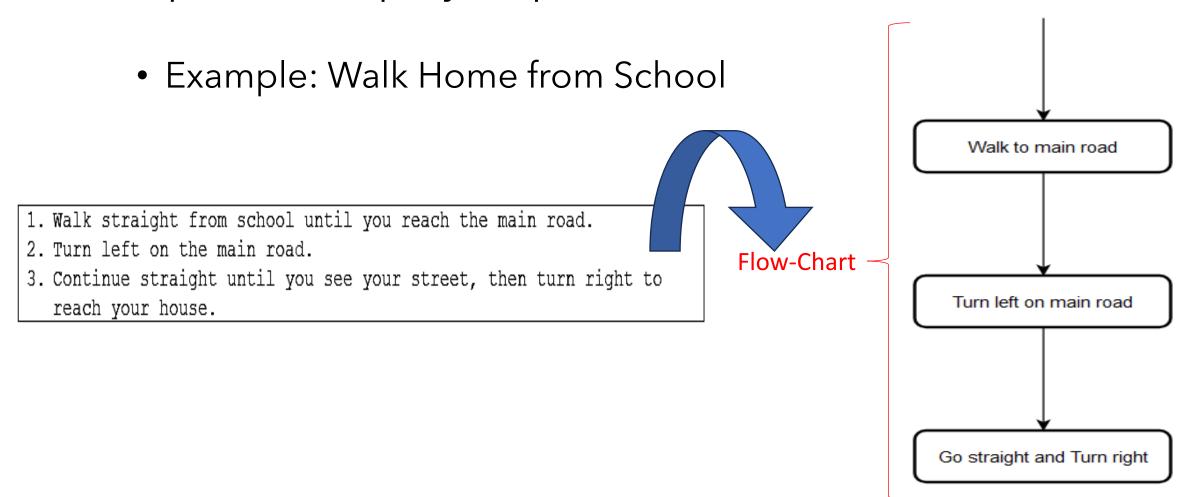
- Any program, no matter how complicated, can be constructed using one or more of only 3 structures:
 - Sequence
 - Selection
 - Iteration / Repetition / Loop

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 - Example: Walk Home from School
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 - 2. Turn left on the main road.
 - 3. Continue straight until you see your street, then turn right to reach your house.

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Pseudocode

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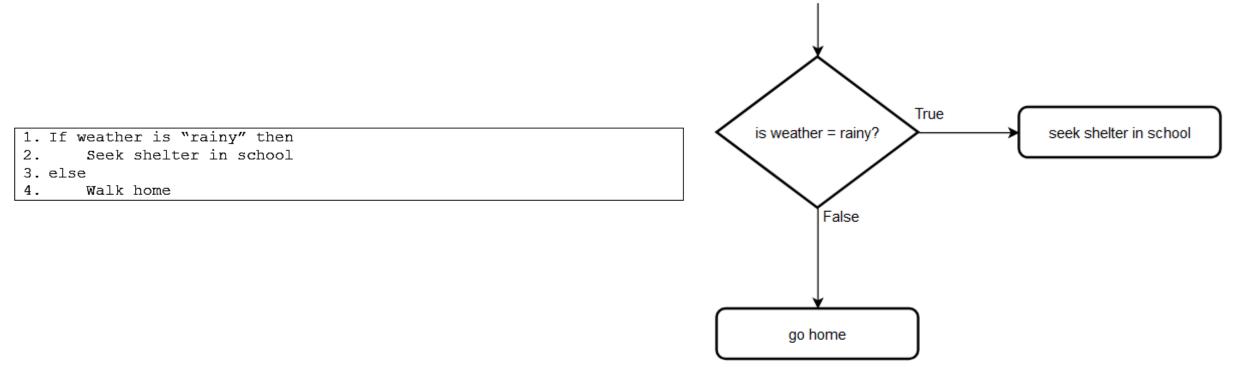


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    Seek shelter in school
    else
    Walk home
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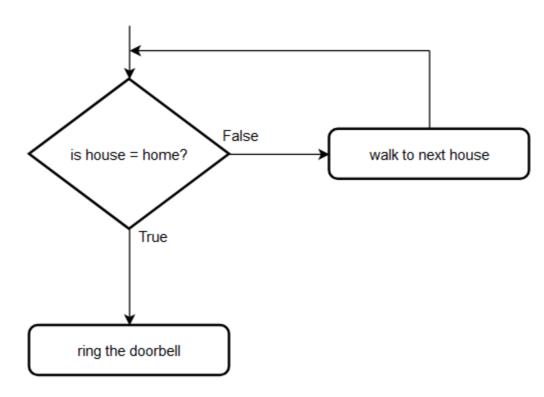
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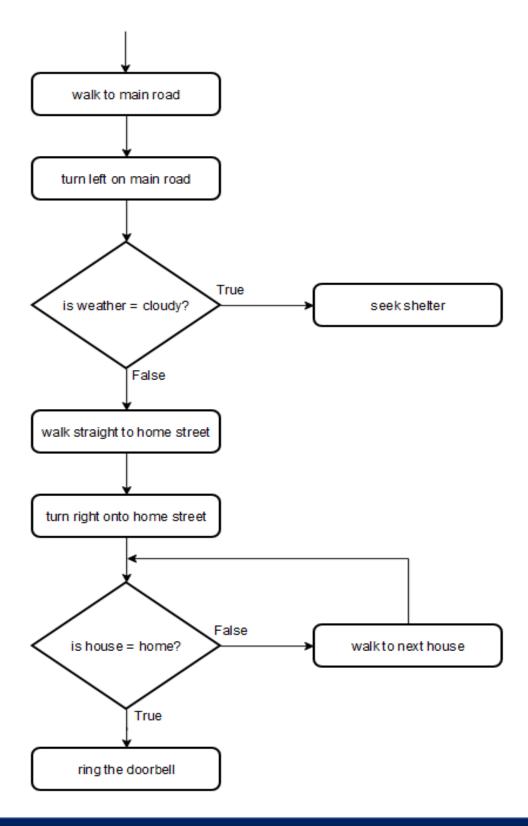


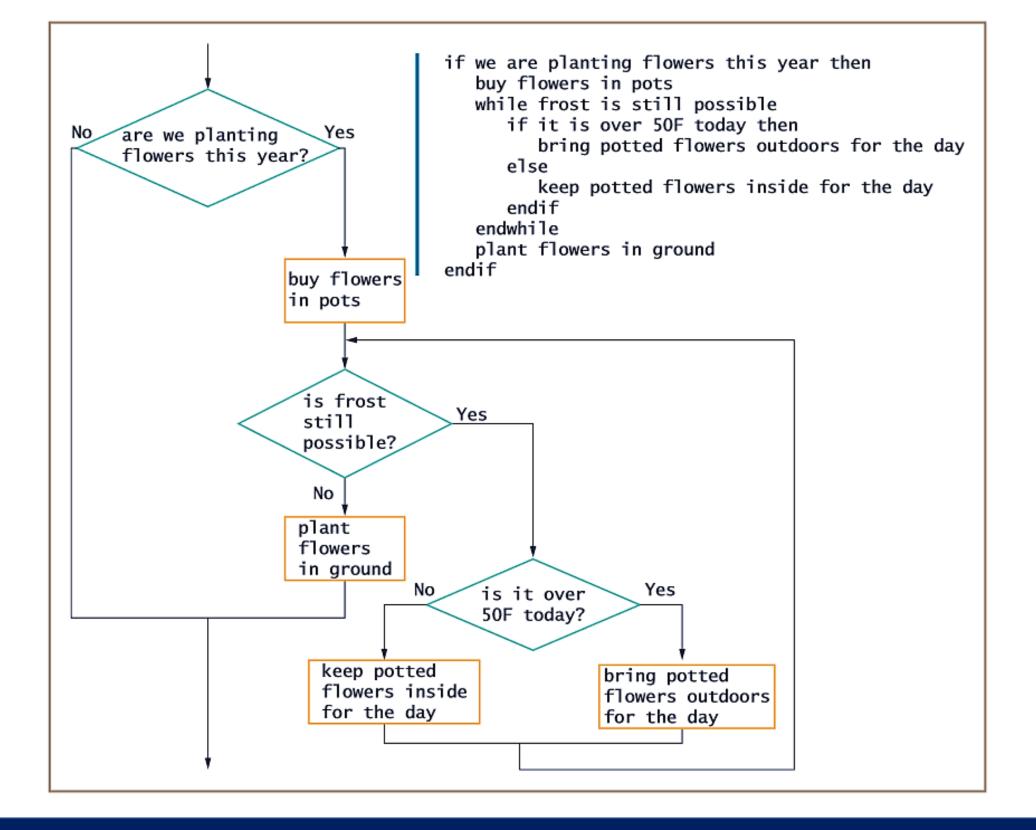
Combining Logic

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1. Walk straight from school until you reach the main road.
2. Turn left on the main road.
3. If weather is "cloudy" then
4. Seek shelter
5. else
6. Continue straight until you see your street
7. turn right onto your street
8. While house is not your house
9. Walk to the next house on the street
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