

Problem Set 09: Flowcharts and Selection Structures

New Learning Objectives under Evaluation

15.00 Construct and troubleshoot a flowchart using standard symbols and pseudocode

Learning Objective	Evidence
15.01 Construct a flowchart for a selection structure using standard symbols and pseudocode	<p>Decisions that are part of a selection structure are represented with a diamond filled with a condition</p> <p>Decision have one input arrow and two output arrows (one for Yes/True and one for No/False)</p> <p>There are operations on the Yes/True path</p> <p>For a single selection (i.e., if-end), there are no operations on the No/False path before the convergence of the Yes/True and No/False path arrows</p> <p>For two possible selections (i.e., if-else-end), there are operations on the No/False paths before the convergence of the Yes/True and No/False path arrows</p> <p>For multiple related selections (i.e., if-elseif-else), there are no operations between the decisions along the No/False path</p> <p>For multiple related selections (i.e., if-elseif-else), the Yes/True and No/False path arrows converge after all related decisions and (optionally) the operations for the else path</p> <p>Operations are included in the selection structure as required by the problem</p>
15.02 Track a flowchart with a selection structure	<p>Identify correct path given the test value(s)</p> <p>Describe the outcome(s) in English with resulting values when appropriate (not code results)</p>
15.09 Create test cases to evaluate a flowchart	<p>Create a thorough set of test cases to test all possible paths in a flowchart</p> <p>Use English to completely describe each test and the intended path through the flowchart</p> <p>List the test values in an appropriate format</p> <p>Test values are consistent with the test description</p>
15.10 Construct a flowchart using standard symbols and pseudocode	<p>Recognize and implement standard flowchart symbols</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start and stop for the overall flowchart are represented by ovals • Inputs and outputs are represented by parallelograms • Decisions are represented by diamonds • Processes, such as calculations, are represented by rectangles

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operations are connected with arrows with points at one end to indicate flow <p>Arrows must connect all flowchart elements and indicate a continuous flow from start to stop</p> <p>Arrows must converge prior to stop so that there is only one arrow into the stop</p> <p>Overall flowchart ends in one single stop</p> <p>Text within the symbols is in concise English (not code or only math) that conveys the purpose of the step</p> <p>Flowchart is complete and represents all possible outcomes required by the problem</p> <p>Decisions are accompanied by Yes/No or True/False text on the appropriate arrows</p>
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16.00 Create and troubleshoot a selection structure

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16.01 Convert between these selection structure representations: English, a flowchart, and code	<p>Recognize that a diamond structure with one input arrow and two output arrows (labeled Yes/No or True/False) translates to an if or elseif statement</p> <p>The number of diamonds in the flowchart translates exactly to the number if and elseif statements</p> <p>Recognize that the first 1-in/2-out diamond in a flowchart (or first following other non-decision instructions or the first on a Yes path following a decision) is an if statement</p> <p>Recognize that all immediately following 1-in/2-out diamonds on the No or False path are elseif statements</p> <p>Recognize an else statement is implied if there are operations between the only or last diamond and the convergence of the flowchart connecting lines.</p> <p>Recognize that a convergence of the entire No or False path with the entire Yes or True path translates to an end statement</p>
16.02 Code a selection structure	<p>Begin a selection structure with an if</p> <p>The if is accompanied by a condition for which a true result corresponds to code that immediately follows</p> <p>elseif is used for a series of related conditions</p> <p>Each elseif is accompanied by a condition which a true result corresponds to code that immediately follows</p>

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	<p>elseif is a single word – there is no space between else and if</p> <p>An else is used to handle any condition(s) not addressed in the earlier parts of the selection structure and not used if no code is needed before the end</p> <p>An else is not accompanied by a condition</p> <p>end is used to terminate the selection structure</p> <p>Statements between the if, elseif, else, and end are indented</p> <p>A selection structure addresses all necessary paths for a given problem</p>
16.03 Track execution of a single selection structure	<p>Identify correct path given the input value(s)</p> <p>Provide the correct output(s) for the path</p>
16.04 Track execution of a nested selection structure	<p>Identify correct paths given the input value(s)</p> <p>Provide the correct output(s) for the paths</p>
16.05 Create test cases to evaluate a selection structure	<p>Create a thorough set of test cases to test all possible paths in the selection structure</p> <p>Use English to completely describe each test and the intended path through the selection structure</p> <p>List the test values in an appropriate format</p> <p>Test values are consistent with the test description</p>