

# Algorithm & Flowchart.

Program = Algorithm + Data structure.

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{ linked list  
Array  
Binary

\* Algorithm  $\Rightarrow$  An algorithm is a procedure for solving a problem based on conducting a sequence of specified actions.

- The algorithm is used to refer the logic of a program.
- It is a step-by-step discription of how to arrive at the solution of a given problem.
- It is defined as a sequence of instructions, that are execute in the specified sequence to obtain desired result.

Characteristics of good algorithm:-

- Steps should be state in a concise way.
- The result of each step is uniquely defined and only depend on the result of the previous step.
- The algorithm should stop after the finite number of instructions are executed.



## Advantages of Algorithm-

- It is a stepwise representation of the solutions to a given problem, which make it easy to understand.
- It is not dependent on any programming language, so it is easy to understand for anyone even without programming language knowledge.
- Every step in an algorithm has its own logical sequence so it is easily debug.
- By using an algorithm, problem is broken down into smaller pieces. Hence, it is easier for programmers to convert it into an actual program.

## Disadvantages of Algorithm:-

- Writing an algorithm takes a long time.
- An algorithm is not a computer program.
- It is whether a concept of how a program should be.
- An algorithm should be efficient to work otherwise the program will go long.



Q Make an algorithm for subtraction program-

Step 1 - START

Step 2 - Declare variables a, b, c.

Step 3 - Initialize variables

$$a = 20, b = 10$$

Step 4 - store the result/data in c.  
if  $(a + b) > 0$  - Print +f.

Step 5 - display C.

Step 6 - Stop.

Algorithm

① Area of triangle

② Area of rectangle  
 $A = l \times b$ .

① Step 1  $\rightarrow$  START

Step 2  $\rightarrow$  Declare b, h, a.

Step 3  $\rightarrow$  Initialize variables

$$b = 10, h = 10$$

Step 4  $\rightarrow$  store the result / data in a.

Step 5  $\rightarrow$  display a.

Step 6  $\rightarrow$  STOP.

② Area of rectangle.

Step 1  $\rightarrow$  START

Step 2  $\rightarrow$  Declare l, b, a

Step 3  $\rightarrow$  Initialize variables

$$l = 20, b = 10$$

Step 4  $\rightarrow$  store the result in / data in a