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### You have FEARS!!!

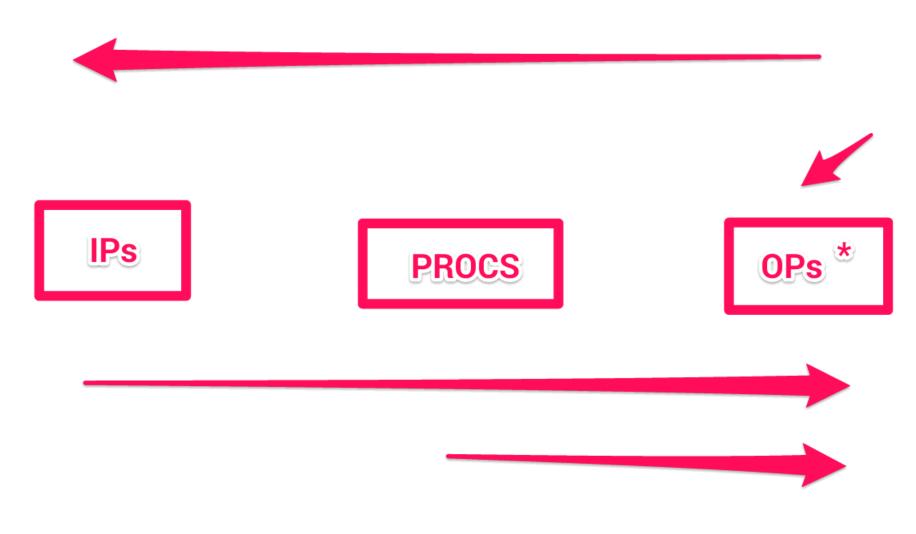


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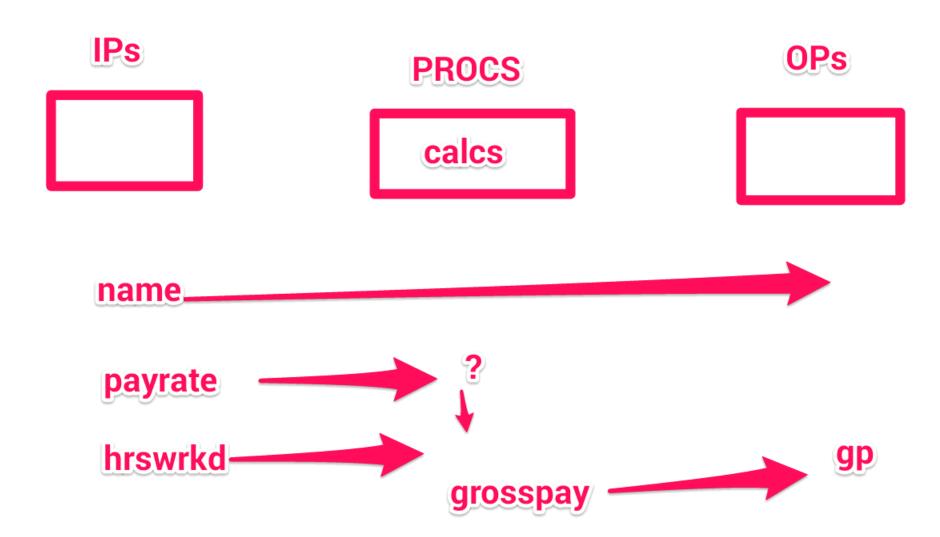
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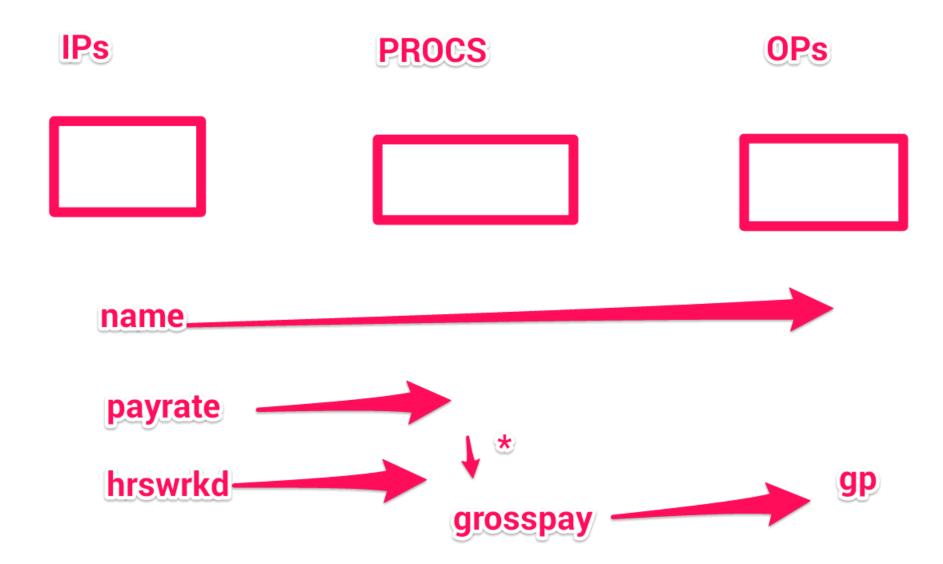
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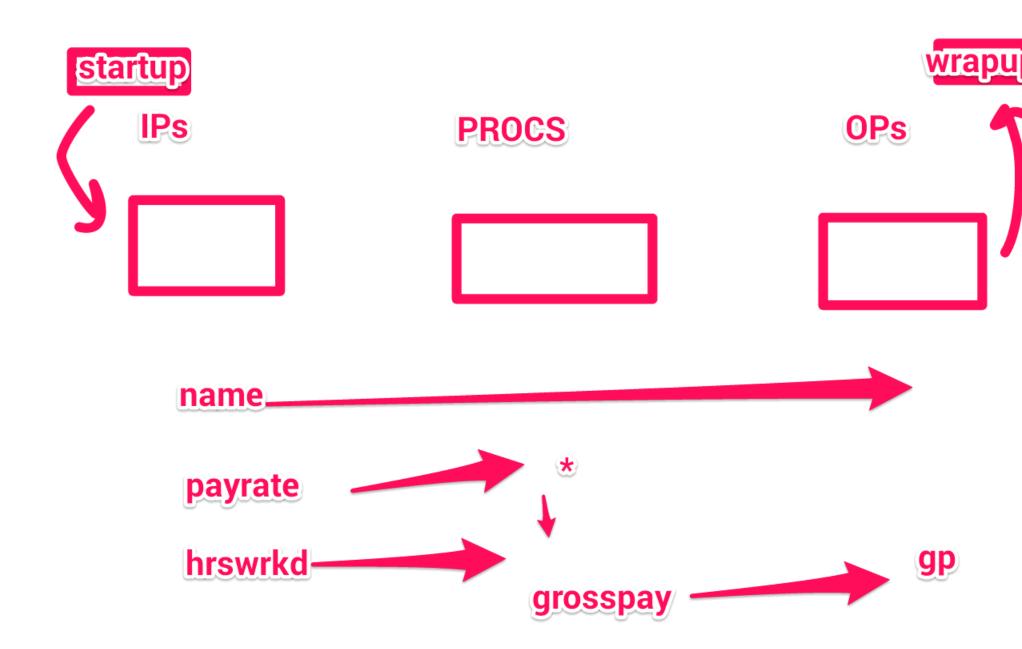
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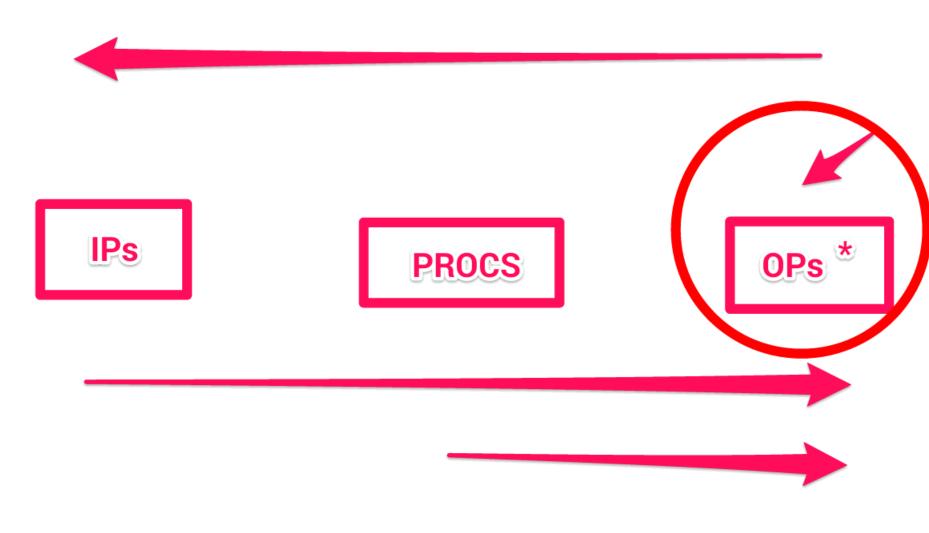




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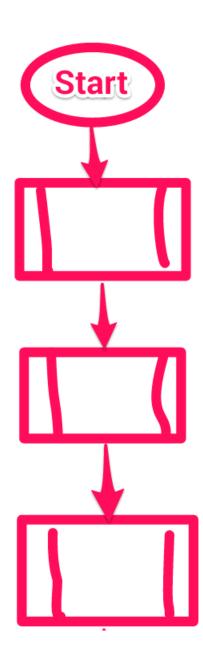
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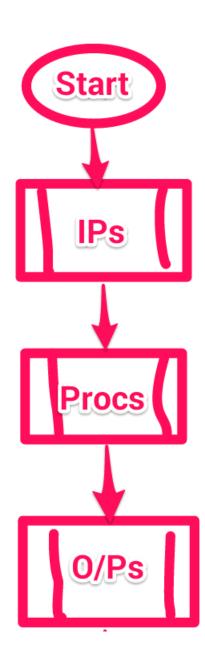
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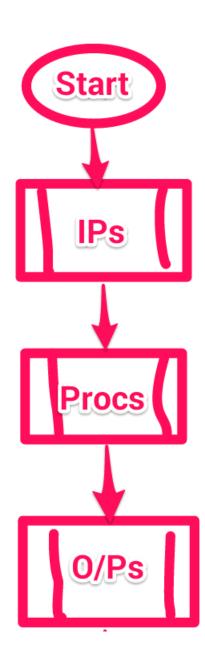


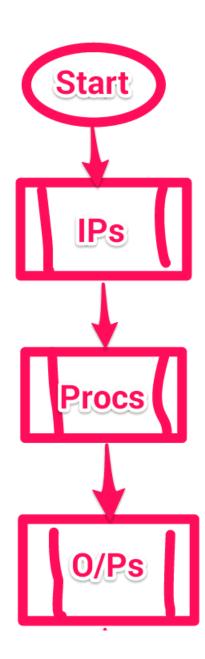
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# **5c - Lighting Course -- Flowcharts Revisited**









# 5d - Lighting Course on Programming -- A idea on one of entry & one point of exit -- DON'T GO OFF AND GET LOST!

#### **Map**

- One point of entry
- One point of exit
- NO HAYWIRE-- don't go off and get lost!!!

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# Your shoes can tell your age! Try this and see:

- 1) Take your shoe size (no half sizes, round up)
- 2) Multiply it by 5
- 3) Add 50
- 4) Multiply by 20
- 5) Add 1014
- 6) Subtract the year you were born

The first digit(s) are your shoe size & the last 2 digits are your age!

Its shoe ----- magic!

The "shoe magic" trick is making its way around the Internet. (See above.) It's a nifty little m trick, and it does indeed work (most of the time). I will first use my own data to demonstrate.

I wear a size 10 shoe.

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10 x 5 = 50.

50 + 50 = 100

100 x 20 = 2000

2000 + 1014 = 3014

I was born in 1982.

3014 - 1982 = 1032
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#### It works! Amazing! Indeed, my shoe size is 10, and I am 32 years old.

How does this work? It requires a little bit of algebra to understand. Let's call shoe size "s" and your birth year "y." Now, let's do the trick again, using these letters instead of numbers.

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Multiple s by 5: 5s

Add 50: 5s + 50

Multiply by 20: 20(5s + 50) = 100s + 1000

Add 1014: 100s + 1000 + 1014 = 100s + 2014

Subtract birth year: 100s + 2014 - y
```

Do you see why it works? No matter what your shoe size is, it will always be the first two digits of the answer. If your shoe is 12, then 100s = 1200. If you are European and your shoe size is 36, then 100s = 3600.

The age part should be obvious. 2014 (the current year) - y (your birth year) will give your age.

But this trick does not always work. If you were born in, say, *December 1982, then this trick would incorrectly conclude that you were 32 years old. In fact, you would be only 31.* The trick also does not work if *you are 100 years old or older*. If you were born in 1914 and wear a size 10 shoe, the trick would conclude that your shoe size is 11 and that you were 0 years old.

So, if you want to impress people with a math trick this Halloween, just be sure their birthday is sometime before November... and don't show it to any centenarians!

## **Correction to the Shoe Size Age Math Trick!**

# **Author:** James Reed **Correction as follows:**

- 1. Take your shoe size
- 2. Now multiply it by 5
- 3. Add 50
- 4. Multiply by 20
- 5. Now add 1011 (<u>Last 2 digits in this</u> number must be the 2 digits of the current year).

Eg 1010 for 2010 and 1012 for 2012etc)

6. Subtract the year you were born.

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