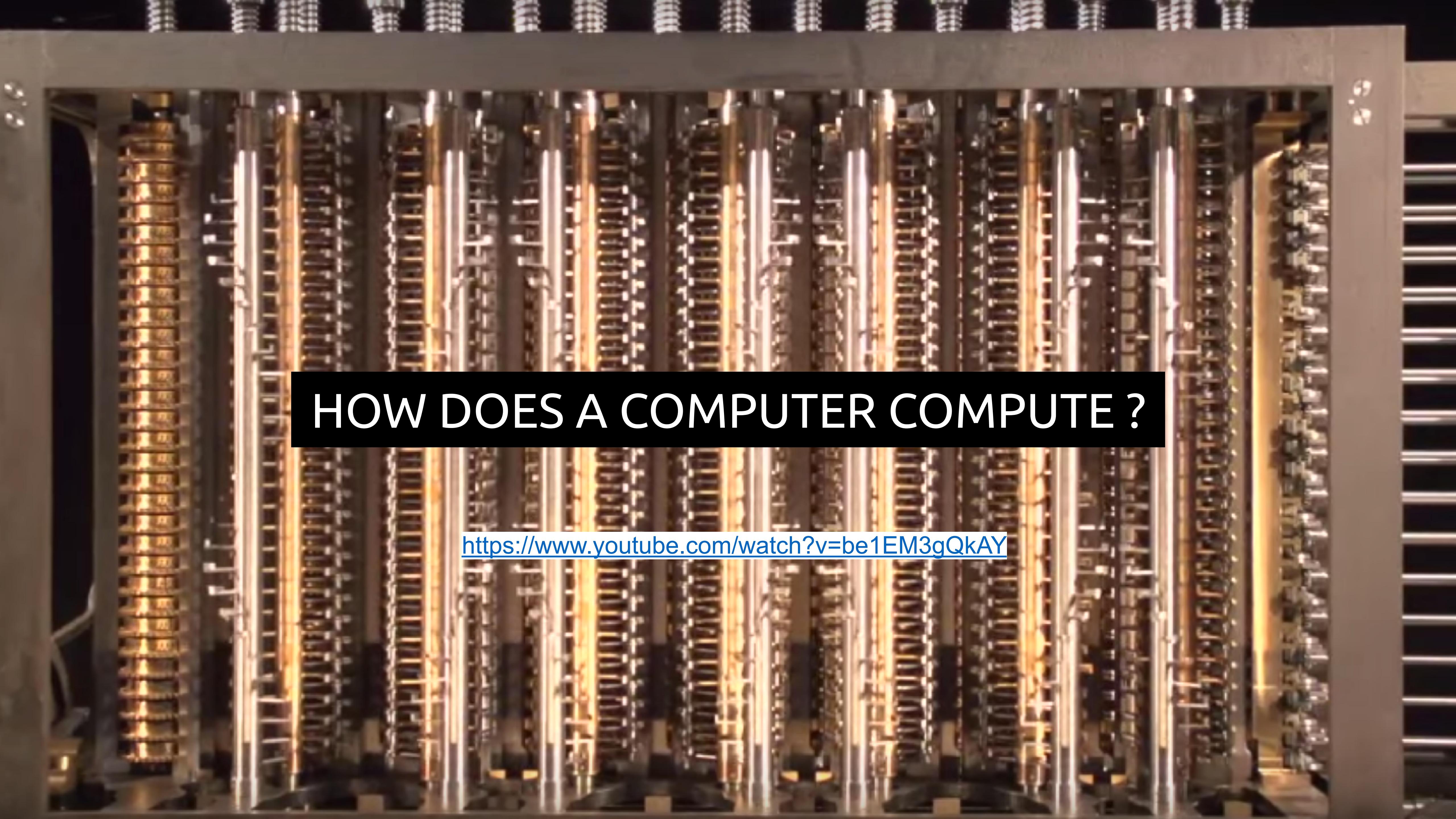


BUILDING CLOCKS

Basic programming / Over Time

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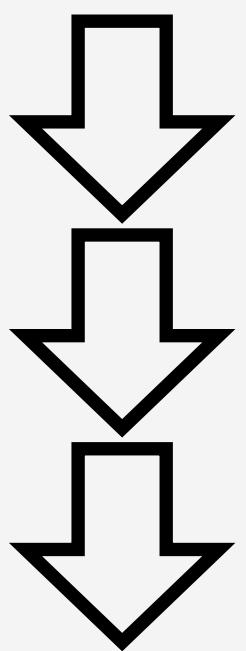
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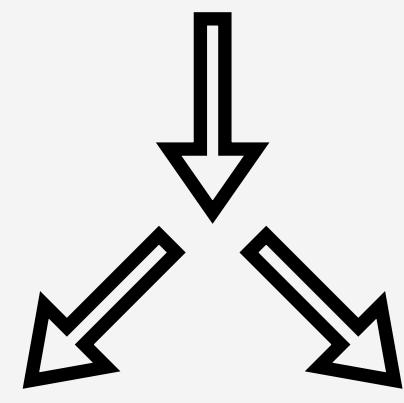
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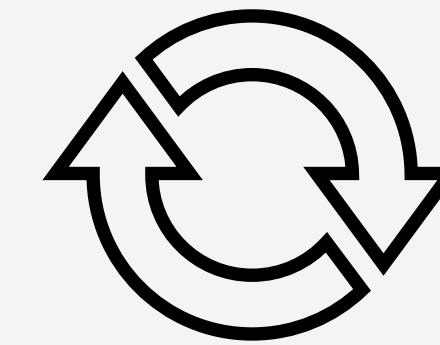
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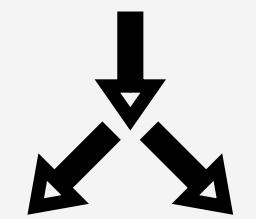
Variables

```
var x = 0;
```



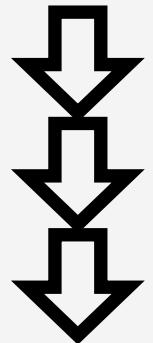
Conditions

```
if(x > 10){  
    x = 0;  
}
```



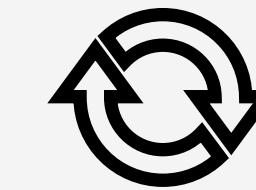
Functions

```
function mult(y){  
    x = x * y;  
}
```



Loops

```
for(var i = 0; i < 100; i++){  
    x = x + 1;  
}
```



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1. VARIABLES

```
var x = 100;  
var y = 0.234;  
var isDrawing = true;  
var firstName = "Lior";  
var lastName = "Ben-Gai";
```

```
console.log(x); // 100  
x = x * 10;  
console.log(x); // 1000  
x = x * y;  
console.log(x); // 234
```

```
var numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
var words = ["hello", "World!"];  
  
var msg = words[0] + " " + firstName + " " + numbers[3];  
console.log(msg); // "hello Lior 4"
```

A program remembers what it is doing by declaring and updating variables

A variable is a slot in memory that has a name.

Variables can hold: numbers, letters, words, functions and more compound data structures.

2. CONDITIONS

```
if(x > width){  
    x = 0;  
}  
  
if(step >= maxStep){  
    stop();  
}else{  
    step++;  
}
```

```
if(2 + 2 == 5 || 2 * 2 == 4){  
    console.log("yes!");  
}  
  
if( true && false )|| true ){  
    console.log("yes?");  
}
```

(a > b) // is a larger than b?
(a < b) // is a smaller than b?

(a <= b) // smaller OR equal?
(a >= b) // larger OR equal?
(a == b) // is a equal to b?
(a != b) // is a NOT equal to b?

(a || b) // is a true OR b true?
(a && b) // is a true AND b true?

Programs make decisions by using conditional statements

A conditional is a block of code

it will be executed based on a true/false statement

Conditionals may be nested - creating complicated decisions (AKA: algorithms).

3. FUNCTIONS

```
// no parameters, no return  
function myFunc(){  
    point(10, 20);  
}  
  
myFunc();
```

```
// two parameters, no return  
function myFunc(x, y){  
    point(x, y);  
}  
  
myFunc(20, 10);
```

```
// no parameters, return  
function myFunc(){  
    return 10;  
}  
  
point( 20, myFunc() );
```

```
// parameters and return  
function myFunc(x, y){  
    point(x, y);  
    return x / y;  
}  
  
var ratio = myFunc(20, 30);
```

Functions are blocks of operations that have meaning.

A function may expect a parameter or return a value, or neither, or both.

functions often call other functions and sometimes themselves.

4. LOOPS

```
for(var i = 0; i < 100; i++){
    line(i*4, 0, i*4, height);
}
```

for(“define something” ; “as long as that thing is ___” ; “change the thing”)
{ “keep doing this” }

```
var x = 0;
while(x < 100){
    line(x*4, 0, x*4, height);
    x++;
}
```

while(“some condition is true”)
{ “keep doing this” }

Loops are a way to do multiple things at the same time.

Loops help us to a simple operation many times, instead of a complicated thing once.

CLASS/HOME WORK

"A computer is just a very complicated and very fast CLOCK."

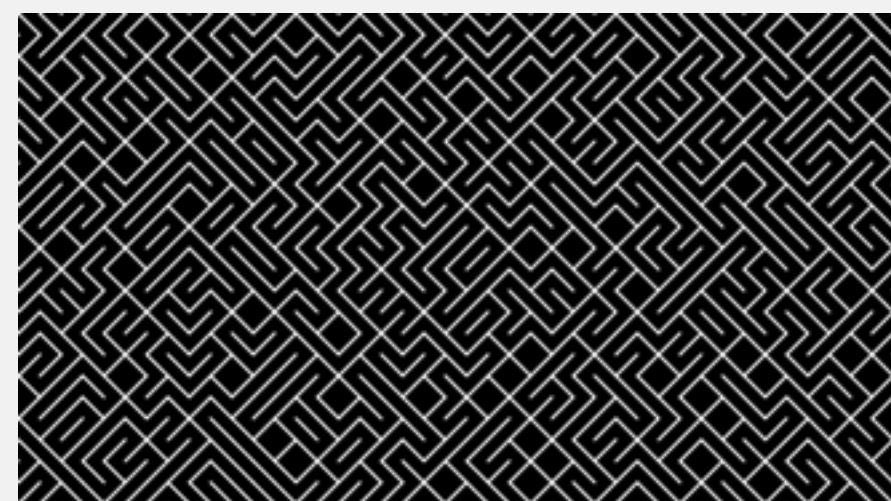
Please design and program a clock app.

Your clock should not tell time in the traditional way - you can't use digits or dials.

Instead, try to re-imagine how time could be communicated in a new way.



Clock



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