

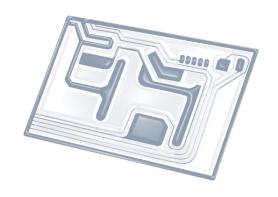
Computational thinking, problem-solving and programming: General Principals



IB Computer Science



HL Topics 1-7, D1-4





1: System design



2: Computer Organisation



3: Networks



4: Computational thinking



5: Abstract data structures



6: Resource management



7: Control



D: OOP



HL & SL 4.1 Overview

Thinking procedurally

- 4.1.1 Identify the procedure appropriate to solving a problem
- 4.1.2 Evaluate whether the order in which activities are undertaken will result in the required outcome
- 4.1.3 Explain the role of sub-procedures in solving a problem

Thinking logically

- 4.1.4 Identify when decision-making is required in a specified situation
- 4.1.5 Identify the decisions required for the solution to a specified problem
- 4.1.6 Identify the condition associated with a given decision in a specified problem
- 4.1.7 Explain the relationship between the decisions and conditions of a system
- 4.1.8 Deduce logical rules for real-world situations

Thinking ahead

- 4.1.9 Identify the inputs and outputs required in a solution
- 4.1.10 Identify pre-planning in a suggested problem and solution
- 4.1.11 Explain the need for pre-conditions when executing an algorithm
- 4.1.12 Outline the pre- and post-conditions to a specified problem
- 4.1.13 Identify exceptions that need to be considered in a specified problem solution

Thinking concurrently

- 4.1.14 Identify the parts of a solution that could be implemented concurrently
- 4.1.15 Describe how concurrent processing can be used to solve a problem
- 4.1.16 Evaluate the decision to use concurrent processing in solving a problem

Thinking abstractly

- 4.1.17 Identify examples of abstraction
- 4.1.18 Explain why abstraction is required in the derivation of computational solutions for a specified situation
- 4.1.19 Construct an abstraction from a specified situation
- 4.1.20 Distinguish between a real-world entity and its abstraction



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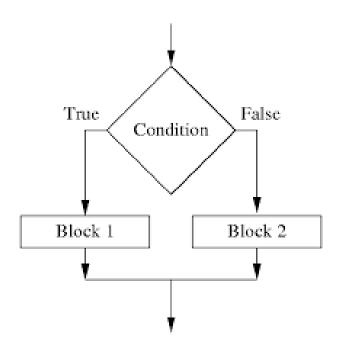






Topic 4.1.6

Identify the **condition** associated with a **given decision** in a specified problem





Conditions (Pseudo code)



Symbol	Definition	Examples	
=	is equal to	X = 4, X = K	If X = 4
>	is greater than	X > 4	if X > 4 then
>=	is greater than or equal to	X >= 6	loop while X >= 6
<	is less than	VALUE[Y] < 7	loop until VALUE[Y] < 7
<=	is less than or equal to	VALUE[] <=12	if VALUE[Y] <= 12 then
≠	not equal to	X ≠ 4, X ≠ K	
AND	logical AND	A AND B	if X < 7 AND Y > 2 then
OR	logical OR	A OR B	if X < 7 OR Y > 2 then
NOT	logical NOT	NOT A	if NOT X = 7 then
mod	modulo	15 mod 7 = 1	if VALUE[Y] mod 7 = 0 then
div	integer part of quotient	15 div 7 = 2	if VALUE[Y] div 7 = 2 then