

# 24. Recursion (Cont'd), The Calculator

## Chapter 10

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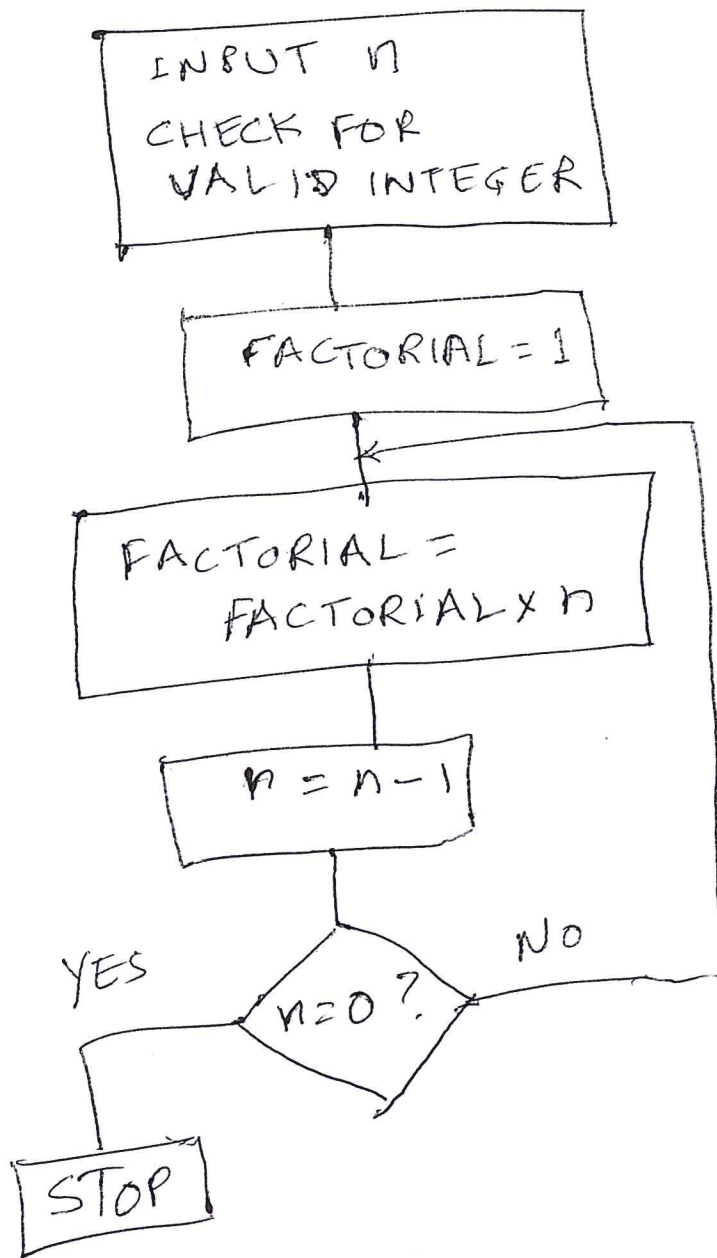
- Recursion
  - Factorial (recurrence vs. recursion)
  - Towers of Hanoi
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# Recurrence vs. Recursion

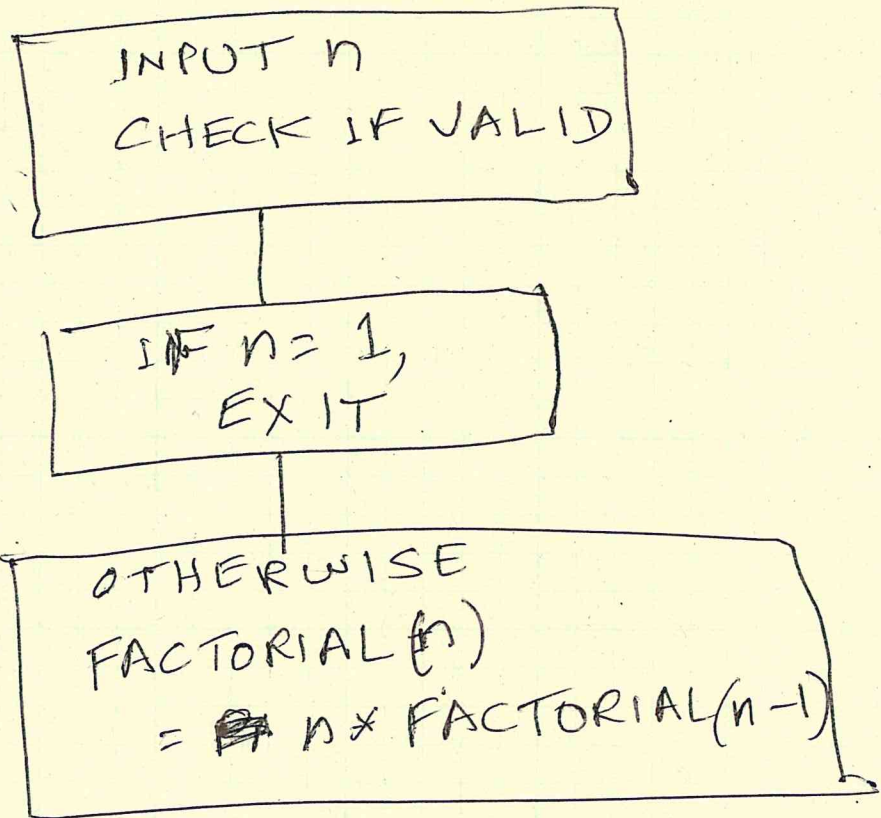
EXAMPLE: FACTORIAL

$$n! = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times 1$$

RECURRENCE :

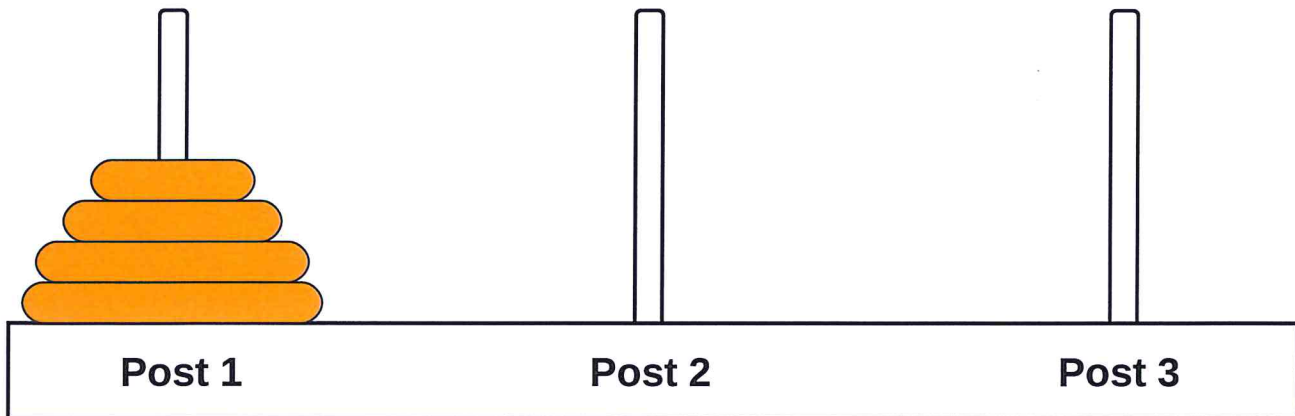


# RECURSIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF FACTORIAL



## High-Level Example: Towers of Hanoi

**Task:** Move all disks from current post to another post.



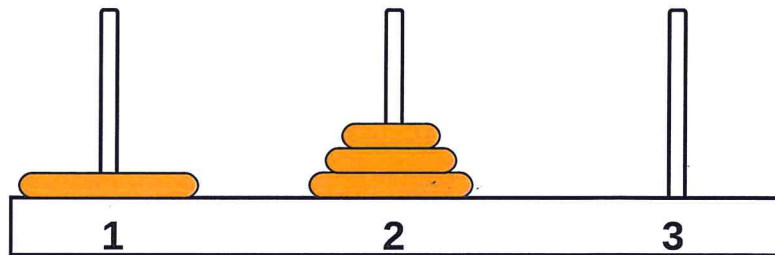
### Rules:

- (1) Can only move one disk at a time.
- (2) A larger disk can never be placed on top of a smaller disk.
- (3) May use third post for temporary storage.

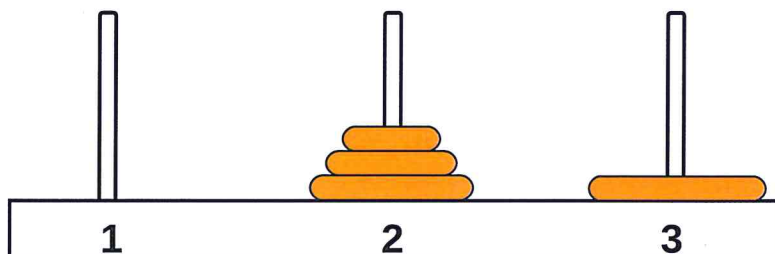
# Task Decomposition

Suppose disks start on Post 1, and target is Post 3.

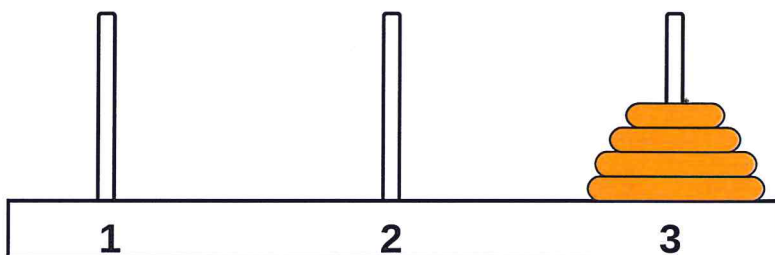
1. Move top  $n-1$  disks to Post 2.



2. Move largest disk to Post 3.



3. Move  $n-1$  disks from Post 2 to Post 3.



## High-Level Description of Towers of Hanoi

Call towers(num, Frompeg, Topeg, Auxpeg)  
return;

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towers(num, Frompeg, Topeg, Auxpeg)
  {if num == 1
    {Move disk 1 from peg Frompeg to Topeg;
    return;}
  Call towers(num-1, Frompeg, Auxpeg, Topeg);
  Move disk num, from peg Frompeg, to Topeg;
  Call towers(num-1, Auxpeg, Topeg, Frompeg);
  }
```

# Implementation of Towers of Hanoi in LC-3

A (From Peg), B (To Peg), C (Int. Peg)

Calling Hanoi(N, Parm1, Parm2, Parm3) [Hanoi(N, From, To, Int.)]

R2: Parm1, R3: Parm2, R4: Parm3

R6 points to the top element of the stack (x4000 is the empty stack)

Get parameters N, Parm1, Parm2, Parm3 from stack  
STACK frame:

<return address>	R6 - 1	
N	R6 - 2	
Parm3	R6 - 3	From
Parm2	R6 - 4	To
Parm1	R6 - 5	Intermediate

~~☞~~ <Compute> (including recursive call)

Restore Return address

Return

## Task Decomposition (cont.)

Task 1 is really the **same problem**,  
with fewer disks and a different target post.

- "Move  $n-1$  disks from Post 1 to Post 2."

And Task 3 is also the **same problem**,  
with fewer disks and different starting and target posts.

- "Move  $n-1$  disks from Post 2 to Post 3."

So this is a **recursive** algorithm.

- The terminal case is moving the smallest disk -- can move directly without using third post.
- Number disks from 1 (smallest) to  $n$  (largest).



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;;
;; Program to solve the Tower of Hanoi
;; N: number of disks
;; Pegs A, B, C kept as characters
;; Problem is to move disks from Peg A to Peg C (with intermediate B)
;; Pass parameters on stack
;; Manipulate stack using R6
.ORIG x3000
;;
LD R6, StkBase ; Initialize Stack Pointer
;; Not checking for errors here to simplify code
;;
;; Get input (number of disks)
;; For now, we'll assume that we get a legal integer
;; between 0 and 9 (one ASCII character)
LEA R0, Prompt
PUTS ; ask for input
GETC
OUT ; Echo character
LD R1, NegASCIIoffset ; Convert ASCII character into number
ADD R1, R1, R0 ; R1 now has the number of disks in binary
;;
;; Set up Pegs (with characters)
;; A: "From" Peg
;; B: "To" Peg
;; C: "Intermediate" Peg
;;
;; Push parameters, leaving a space for return address
STR R1, R6, #-2 ; Push N on stack
LD R0, A
STR R0, R6, #-3 ; Push "From" (A)
LD R0, B
STR R0, R6, #-4 ; Push "To" (B)
LD R0, C
STR R0, R6, #-5 ; Push "Intermediate" (C)
ADD R6, R6, #-5 ; Fix stack pointer
;;
;; Now call Hanoi (recursively)
;; Hanoi(N, "From", "To", "Int.")
;; Hanoi(N, A, B, C)
JSR Hanoi
LEA R0, Done ; Print "Done"
PUTS
HALT
;;
ASCIIoffset .FILL x30 ; Add to integers to convert to ASCII
NegASCIIoffset .FILL xFFD0 ; -x0030 to strip off ASCII template
A .FILL x41
B .FILL x42
C .FILL x43
;;
;; Hanoi(N, "From", "Int", "To")
Hanoi LDR R4, R6, #0 ; Get Parameter 3
LDR R3, R6, #1 ; Get Parameter 2
LDR R2, R6, #2 ; Get Parameter 1
LDR R1, R6, #3 ; Get N
;; copied 4 parameters
ADD R6, R6, #-1 ; Stack pointer
STR R7, R6, #0 ; Push return address on stack
;; Now check number of pegs
ADD R0, R1, #-1 ; Check if only one peg left
Brp Continue ; More pegs left
;; Move last disk and quit
LEA R0, String1

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PUTS
ADD    R0, R1, #0      ; Integer 1
LD     R5, ASCIIOffset
ADD    R0, R0, R5      ; Make ASCII
OUT
LEA    R0, String2     ; " From Peg "
PUTS
LDR    R0, R6, #3      ; From Peg
OUT
LEA    R0, String3     ; " To Peg "
PUTS
LDR    R0, R6, #2      ; To peg
OUT
LDR    R7, R6, #0      ; Restore return address
ADD    R6, R6, #5      ; Remove 4 parameters, return address
RET

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;;
;; If not done, update disks, call Hanoi again
;; with Hanoi(N-1, "From", "Int.", "To")
;;

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Continue LDR    R0, R6, #4      ; N
ADD     R0, R0, #-1         ; N-1
STR     R0, R6, #-1         ; Push new number N
LDR     R0, R6, #3          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-2         ; Push From Peg
LDR     R0, R6, #1          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-3         ; Push Int. Peg
LDR     R0, R6, #2          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-4         ; Push To Peg
ADD     R6, R6, #-4         ; Fix stack pointer
JSR     Hanoi
;;
LEA     R0, String1
PUTS
LDR     R1, R6, #4          ; Get N from stack
LD      R0, ASCIIOffset    ; Convert Number to ASCII
ADD     R0, R0, R1         ; Make ASCII
OUT
LEA     R0, String2        ; " From Peg "
PUTS
LDR     R0, R6, #3          ; Parameter 1
OUT
LEA     R0, String3        ; " To Peg "
PUTS
LDR     R0, R6, #2          ; Parameter 2
OUT
;;
;; Call Hanoi(N-1, "Int.", "To", "From")
;;
LDR     R1, R6, #4          ; Get N from stack
ADD     R0, R1, #-1         ; N-1 passed to subroutine
STR     R0, R6, #-1         ; pushed on top of stack
LDR     R0, R6, #1          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-2         ; Push Int.
LDR     R0, R6, #2          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-3         ; Push To
LDR     R0, R6, #3          ;
STR     R0, R6, #-4         ; Push From
ADD     R6, R6, #-4         ; fix stack pointer
JSR     Hanoi
LDR     R4, R6, #1          ; Pop Parameter 3
LDR     R3, R6, #2          ; Pop Parameter 2
LDR     R2, R6, #3          ; Pop Parameter 1
LDR     R1, R6, #4          ; Pop N

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LDR    R7, R6, #0      ; Pop return address
ADD    R6, R6, #5      ; Stack pointer
RET
;;
Prompt .FILL    x000A      ; force new line
      .STRINGz "Input the number of disks: "
String1 .FILL    x000A
      .STRINGz "Move Disk "
String2 .STRINGz " from Peg "
String3 .STRINGz " to Peg "
Done    .FILL    x000A
      .STRINGz "Done!"
;;
StkBase .FILL    x4000      ; Stack starts here
;
.END
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# COMPLEXITY OF "TOWERS OF HANOI"

LOOK AT NUMERS FROM PROGRAM

N	# OF STEPS
1	1
2	3
3	7
4	15
!	!

GUESS:  $STEPS(N) = 2^N - 1$   
 $= 2 + \underline{STEPS(N-1) + 1}$

INDUCTION:

BASE:  $N=1, STEPS(1) = 1$

SUPPOSE TRUE FOR N:  $STEPS(N) = 2^N - 1$

$$STEPS(N+1) = 2^{(N+1)} - 1$$

$$= 2^N \cdot 2 - 1$$

~~$$= 2 [STEPS(N)] + 1$$~~

$$2 [2^N - 1] + 1$$

$$\uparrow$$

STEPS(N-1)

# Calculator

- **Commands**

- **X: Exit the simulation**
- **C: Clear (all values from the stack)**
- **D: Display the value at the top of the stack**

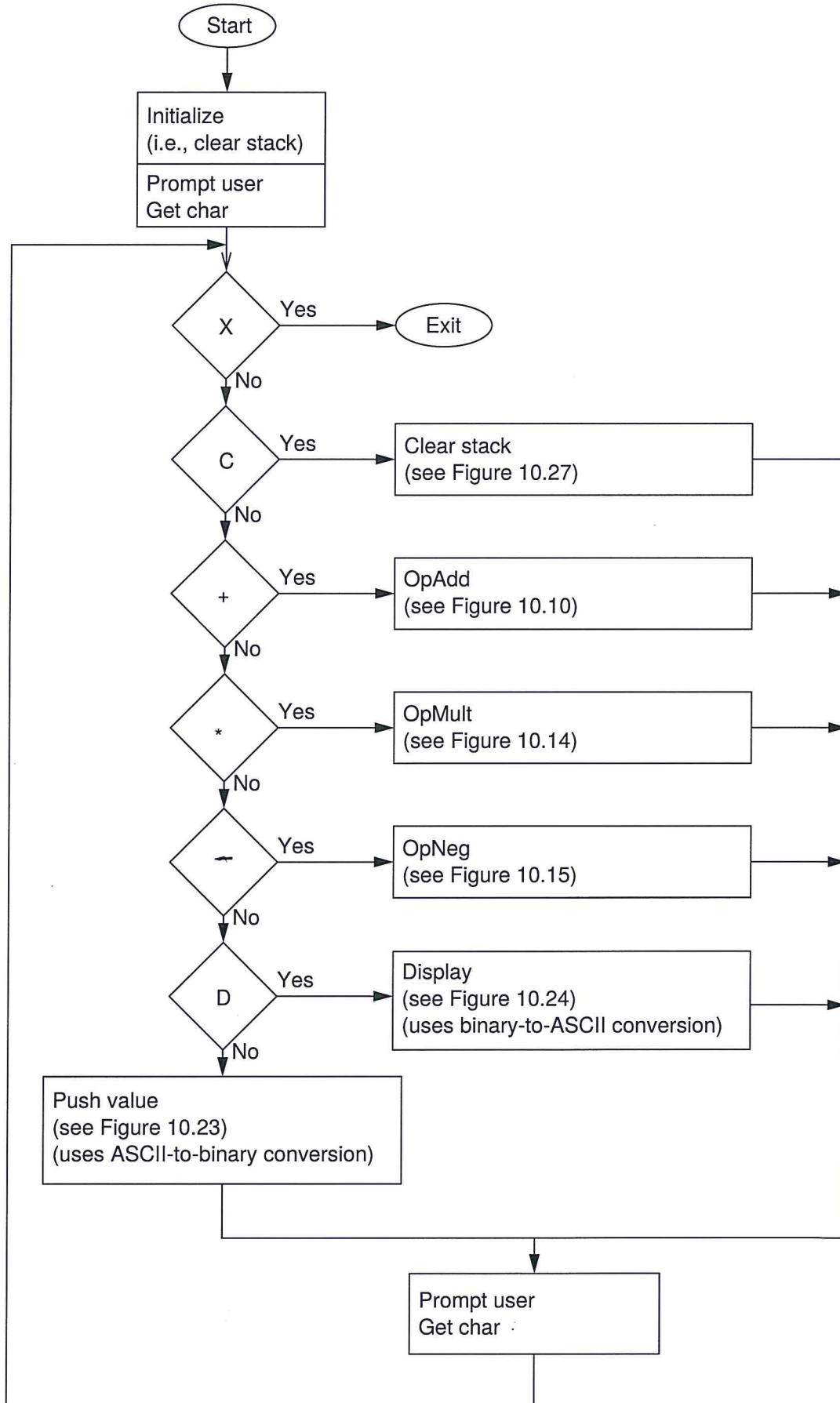
**Note: This is a stack-based calculator**

- **Operations**

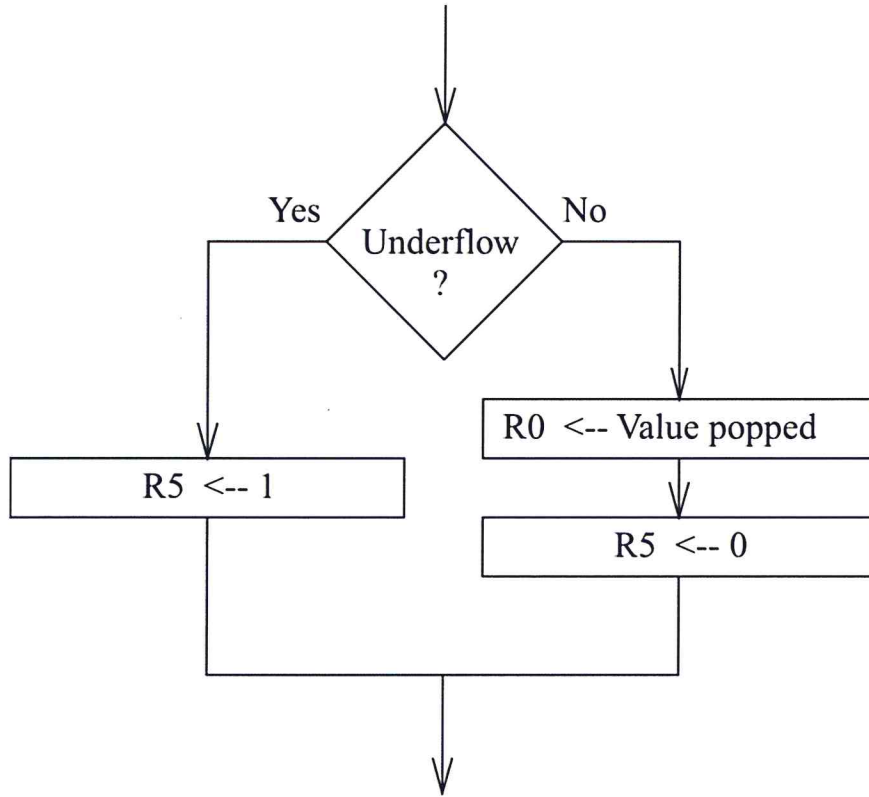
- +: Replace top two elements on the stack with their sum**
- \*: Replace top two elements on stack with their product**
- : Negate the top element on the stack**

**Enter: Push value typed on keyboard onto top of the stack**

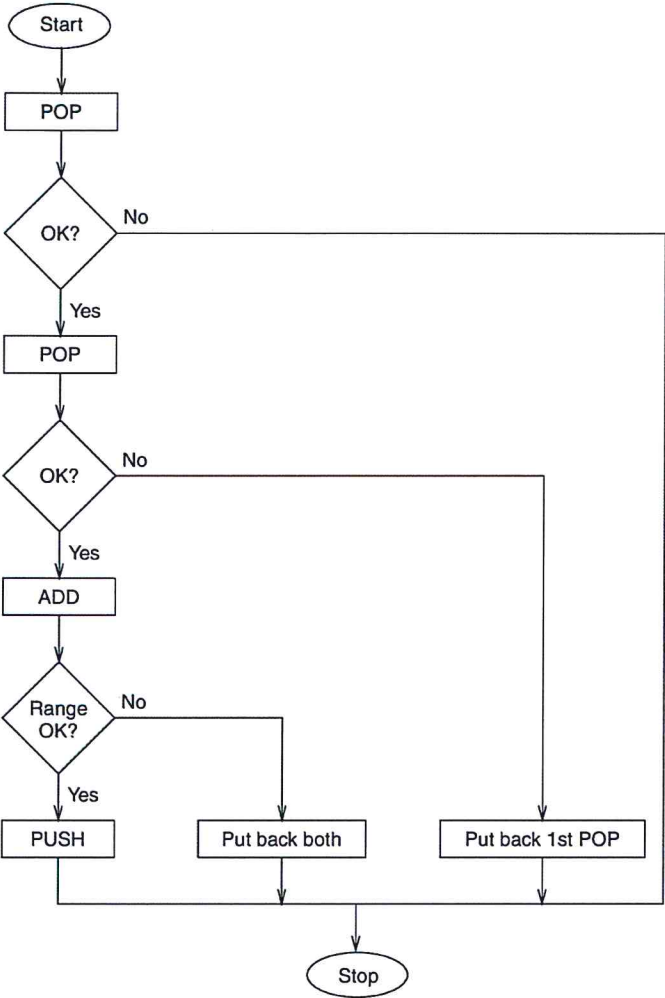
# Overview of Calculator



# Test Underflow for POP

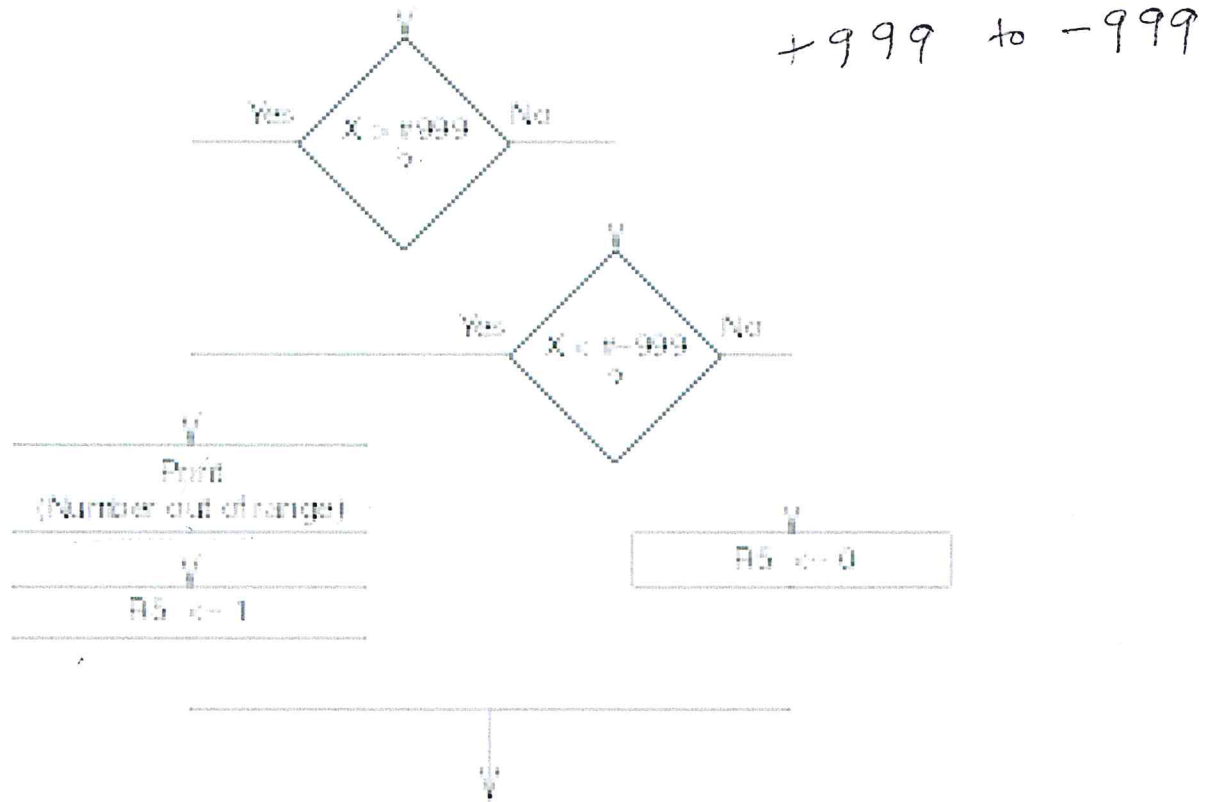


# ADD Operands on Stack





# Check for Correct Range of Operands



# OpMult (Multiply top two stack elements)

