

- D. Conditional and iterative control structures
- E. Functions and parameter passing
- F. Structured decomposition

Learning Outcomes

- A. Analyze and explain the behavior of simple programs involving the fundamental programming constructs covered by this unit;
- B. Modify and expand short programs that use standard conditional and iterative control structures and functions;
- C. Design, implement, test, and debug a program that uses each of the following fundamental programming constructs: basic computation, simple I/O, standard conditional and iterative structures, and the definition of functions;
- D. Choose appropriate conditional and iteration constructs for a given programming task;
- E. Apply the techniques of structured (functional) decomposition to break a program into smaller pieces; and
- F. Describe the mechanics of parameter passing.

PF2. Algorithms and problem-solving

Minimum coverage time: 6 hours

Topics

- A. Problem-solving strategies
- B. The role of algorithms in the problem-solving process
- C. Implementation strategies for algorithms
- D. Debugging strategies
- E. The concept and properties of algorithms

Learning outcomes

- A. Discuss the importance of algorithms in the problem-solving process;
- B. Identify the necessary properties of good algorithms;
- C. Create algorithms for solving simple problems;
- D. Use pseudocode or a programming language to implement, test, and debug algorithms for solving simple problems; and
- E. Describe strategies that are useful in debugging.

II. Programming Languages (PL)

PL1. Overview of programming languages

Minimum coverage time: 2 hours

Topics

- A. History of programming languages
- B. Brief survey of programming paradigms
- C. Procedural languages
- D. Object-oriented languages

Learning outcomes

- A. Summarize the evolution of programming languages illustrating how this history has led to the paradigms available today; and
- B. Identify at least one distinguishing characteristic for each of the programming paradigms covered in this unit.

PL4. Declarations and types

Minimum coverage time: 3 hours

Topics

- A. The conception of types as a set of values together with a set of operations Declaration models (binding, visibility, scope, and lifetime)
- B. Overview of type-checking

Learning outcomes

- A. Explain the value of declaration models, especially with respect to programming-in-the-large;
- B. Identify and describe the properties of a variable such as its associated address, value, scope, persistence, and size;
- C. Discuss type incompatibility;
- D. Demonstrate different forms of binding, visibility, scoping, and lifetime management; and
- E. Defend the importance of types and type-checking in providing abstraction and safety.

Topics fulfilling these tasks and outcomes could include OOPS and other programming elements. This course is recommended to contain hands-on programming and problem solving tasks.

4. Methods of Instruction:

Discussion:

