INTRODUCTION TO DRAWING WITH LOGO
A Laboratory Exercise

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Load LOGO, the method will vary according to your local platform. Any valid LOGO command will cause the graphics window to appear. Try the command **st** (L0GO itself is not case sensitive so **ST** works just as well.) and press the return key. Adjust your windows so that both the command line and graphics windows are fully exposed. (Change the position but not the size or shape of the graphics window.)

The little triangle (wedge, or pointer if you wish) is called the turtle. Its home is the center of the graphics window facing due north (up). In the command **ST** the "S" stands for "show", what do you think the "**T**" stands for?_____ What do you think **HT** might stand for? _____ Try it then **ST** again.

Think of the turtle crawling around the screen with an ink pen attached to its tail and experiment with each of the following command sequences. Pressing the return key produces the corresponding effects. In each case below describe the effect produced by the command sequence and state what you think the command is an abbreviation for. Note the spacing is important!

(If you draw a line you don't want, try erasing it with the command **PE**, pen erase, followed by reversing the command which drew the line in the first place. Of course after doing this you must turn the pen back to the drawing position before any more lines can be drawn. The command for doing this is **PPT**, pen paint.)

FD 100 _____

RT 90 _____

FD 100 _____

HOME _____

LT 90 _____

BK 100 _____

RT 90 FD 100 _____

LT 30 FD 100 _____

LT 120 FD 100 _____

LT 75 _____

FD 200 _____ (Oops)

PE BK 200 PPT _____

FD 141.42 _____

HT _____

Sketch the resulting picture.

Indicate with arrows, the path the turtle took to draw this picture. Does this represent a traversable network? _____
Explain. _____
_____
_____

Explain where the number 141.42 came from. (Hint: the answer lies in ancient Greece.)_____
_____

Continue the exercise with the following command sequences:

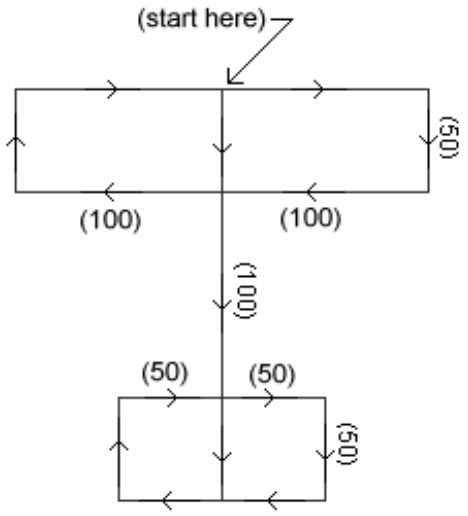
CS _____

ST _____

PU FD 100 _____

RT 90 _____

Continue from here to list a sequence of commands that draws the following picture with no line being traced more than once .



Congratulations you have just written your first program in LOGO. To celebrate let's draw an appropriate picture. Continue the exercise as above.

CS ST _____

PU SETXY 0 -150 PD_____
LABEL "put your first name here without spaces _____

PU HOME PD _____

ARC 360 100 _____

RT 120 _____

ARC 120 50 _____

PU SETXY 40 40 _____

PD ARC 360 10 _____

PU SETXY -40 40 _____

Provide the command sequence to finish the picture.

Continue the exercise as above.

CS _____

SETXY 100 200 _____

SETXY 100 -200 _____

SETXY -100 200 _____

SETXY -100 -200 _____

HOME _____

Sketch the resulting picture.

The following exercises show us that LOGO has calculating capabilities in addition to it's graphing interface. In fact, as seen in some of the exercises, calculations can be used in conjunction with the graphing commands.

2+2 _____

PRINT 2+2 _____

SQRT 4 _____

PRINT SQRT 4 _____

FD SQRT 2500 _____

POWER 10 3 _____

PRINT POWER 10 3 _____

RT 30 FD POWER 10 2 _____

RT 30 BK POWER 10 3 _____

RT 360-90 _____

SIN 45 _____
PRINT SIN 45 _____

ARCTAN 1 _____

PRINT ARCTAN 1 _____

LT ARCTAN 1 _____

FD 100*SIN 45 _____

PRINT SQRT ((POWER 10 2)+(POWER 10 2)) _____

Multiple commands can be put on the same command line separated by spaces and executed by a single pressing of the return key.

Sketch the result of the following command sequence:

HOME CS RT 45 FD 100 LT 90 FD 100 HOME

Now fill in the missing commands to draw a right triangle “in general position.”

FD 100 RT 90 FD 100

RT _____

FD _____

This sequence is called a "program," actually we will be more likely to call this kind of program, one which does a single specific thing wherever we might wish, a "procedure." The term "program" will then be used to refer to a list of commands, including such procedures in the list, needed to draw more complicated pictures.

Repeat the above exercise (right triangle in general position) with the following beginning command sequence:

FD 100 RT 90 FD 130

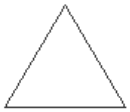
RT _____

FD _____

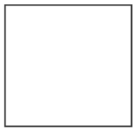
In each of the following exercises write a "procedure/program"

which produces the given object. Also no other marks should appear on the screen, including the turtle.

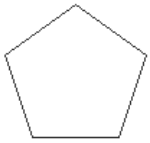
1.Equilateral triangle



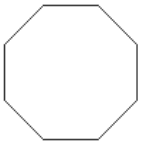
2. Square



3. Pentagon

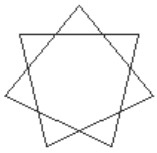


4. Octagon

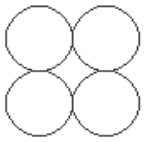


5. Regular 5 pointed star

6. Regular 7 pointed star



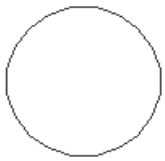
7. Four stacked circles



Notice how some of the above had the same simple command sequence repeated a number of times. There is a built in shortcut for writing such programs. Sketch the effect of the following command:

REPEAT 4[RT 90 FD 100]

8. Regular 20 sided polygon



9. Using the **REPEAT** command provide the "one statement" command which produces each of the above figures

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

5. _____ 6. _____

7. _____