

```

$ cat welcome.c
#include <stdio.h>

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    printf("COS 217\n");
    printf("Introduction to Programming Systems\n\n");

    printf("Fall, 2018\n");
    return 0;
}

$ gcc217 welcome.c -o welcome
$ ./welcome

```

COS 217
Introduction to Programming Systems

Fall, 2018

Agenda



Course overview

- **Introductions**
- Course goals
- Resources
- Grading
- Policies
- Schedule

Getting started with C

- History of C
- Building and running C programs
- Characteristics of C
- C details (if time)

Introductions



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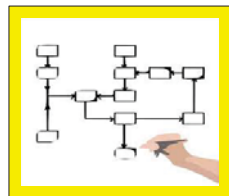
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Goal 1: Programming in the Large



Goal 1: "Programming in the large"

- Help you learn how to compose large computer programs



Topics

- Modularity/abstraction, information hiding, resource management, error handling, testing, debugging, performance improvement, tool support

Goal 2: Under the Hood



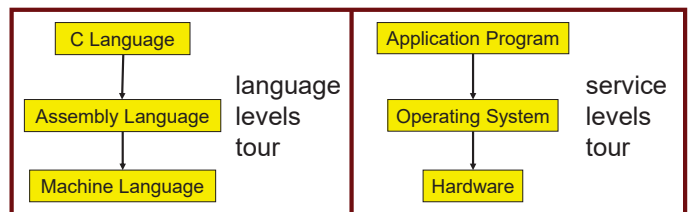
Learn what happens "under the hood" of computer systems



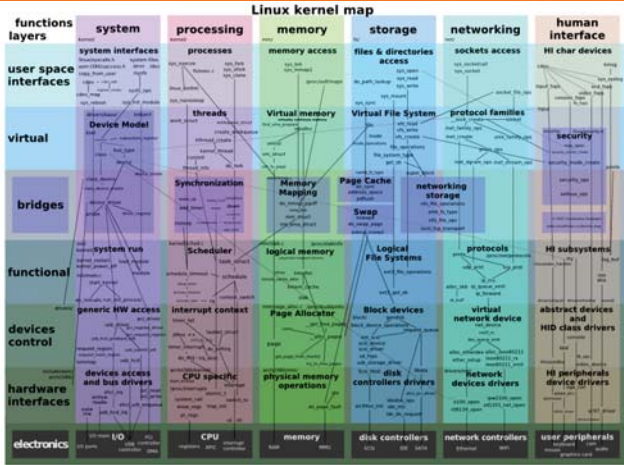
Learn "how to be a client of an operating system"



Downward tours



Modularity!



Goals: Summary



Help you to become a...



Power Programmer!!!

Goals: Why C?



Question: Why C instead of Java?

Answer 1: Primary language for “under the hood” programming

Answer 2: Knowing a variety of approaches helps you “program in the large”



Goals: Why Linux?



Question: Why use the Linux operating system?

Answer 1: Linux is the industry standard for servers and embedded devices

Answer 2: Linux (with GNU tools) is good for programming (which helps explain answer 1)



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Lectures



Lectures

- Describe material at conceptual (high) level
- Slides available via course website



Lecture etiquette

- Let's start on time, please
- Please don't use electronic devices during lectures
- If you must fiddle with your phone or laptop, sit in the back row where you won't distract other students





The Pen Is Mightier Than the Keyboard

Advantages of Longhand Over Laptop Note Taking

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Abstract

Taking notes on laptops rather than in longhand is increasingly common. Many researchers have suggested that laptop note taking is less effective than longhand note taking for learning. Prior studies have primarily focused on students' capacity for multitasking and distraction when using laptops. The present research suggests that even when laptops are used solely to take notes, they may still be impairing learning because their use results in shallower processing. In three studies, we found that students who took notes on laptops performed worse on conceptual questions than students who took notes longhand. We show that whereas taking more notes can be

FEEDBACK

Lectures



iClicker

- Please obtain one and register in Blackboard (not with iClicker – they'll charge you)
- Occasional questions in class, graded on participation (with a generous allowance for not being able to attend)

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iClicker Question

Q: Do you have an iClicker with you today?

- A. Yes
- B. No, but I've been practicing my mental electrotelekinesis and the response is being registered anyway
- C. I'm not here, but someone is iClicking for me (don't do this! it's academic fraud)

Precepts



Precepts

- Describe material at the "practical" (low) level
- Support your work on assignments
- Hard copy handouts distributed during precepts
- Handouts available via course website

Precept etiquette

- Attend your precept – attendance will be taken
- Use SCORE to move to another precept
 - Trouble ⇒ See Colleen Kenny (CS Bldg 210)
 - But Colleen can't move you into a full precept
- Must miss your precept? ⇒ inform preceptors & attend another

Precepts begin next week! (No precept this week)

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Website



Website

- Access from <http://www.cs.princeton.edu/>
 - Princeton CS → Courses → Course Schedule → COS 217
 - Home page, schedule page, assignment page, policies page



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Piazza



Piazza

- <http://piazza.com/class#spr2018/cos217/>
- Instructions provided in first precept

Piazza etiquette

- Study provided material before posting question
 - Lecture slides, precept handouts, required readings
- Read all (recent) Piazza threads before posting question
- Don't show your code!!!
 - See course policies



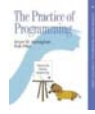
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Books



The Practice of Programming (recommended)

- Kernighan & Pike
- “Programming in the large”



Computer Systems: A Programmer's Perspective (Third Edition) (recommended)*

- Bryant & O'Hallaron
 - “Under the hood”
- *out of stock until oct 16th,
a few used copies at Labyrinth,
readings available in Blackboard



C Programming: A Modern Approach (Second Edition) (required)

- King
- C programming language and standard libraries



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Manuals



Manuals (for reference only, available online)

- *Intel 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volumes 1-3*
- *Intel 64 and IA-32 Architectures Optimization Reference Manual*
- *Using a.S, the GNU Assembler*

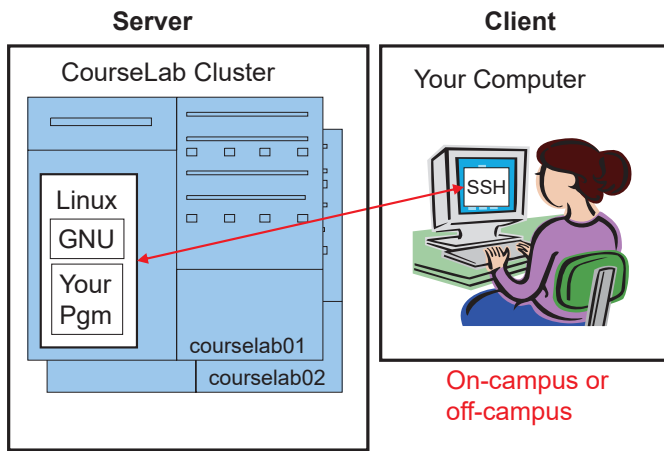
See also

- Linux `man` command



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Programming Environment



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Grading



Course Component	Percentage of Grade
Assignments *	50
Midterm Exam **	15
Final Exam **	25
Participation ***	10

These percentages are approximate



* Final assignment counts double; penalties for lateness

** Closed book, closed notes, no electronic devices

*** Did your involvement benefit the course as a whole?

- Lecture/precept attendance and participation counts

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Programming Assignments



Programming assignments

(some individual, some done with a partner from your precept)

0. Introductory survey
1. “De-comment” program
2. String module
3. Symbol table module
4. Assembly language programs
5. Buffer overrun attack
6. Heap manager module
7. Game referee

Assignments 0 and 1 are available now

Start early!

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Policies



Study the course “Policies” web page!



Especially the assignment collaboration policies

- Violations often involve **trial by Committee on Discipline**
- Typical course-level penalty is **F for course**
- Typical University-level penalty is **suspension from University** for 1 academic year

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Assignment Related Policies



Some highlights:

- You may not reveal any of your assignment solutions (products, descriptions of products, design decisions) on Piazza.
- **Getting help:** To help you compose an assignment solution you may use only authorized sources of information, may consult with other people only via the course's Piazza account or via interactions that might legitimately appear on the course's Piazza account, and must declare your sources in your readme file for the assignment.
- **Giving help:** You may help other students with assignments only via the course's Piazza account or interactions that might legitimately appear on the course's Piazza account, and you may not share your assignment solutions with anyone, ever, in any form.

Ask the instructor for clarifications

- Permission to deviate from policies must be obtained in writing

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Course Schedule



Weeks	Lectures	Precepts
1-2	Number Systems C (conceptual)	Linux/GNU C (pragmatic)
3-6	Programming in the Large	Advanced C
6	Midterm Exam	
7	Midterm break!	
8-13	“Under the Hood” (conceptual)	“Under the Hood” (assignment how-to)
	Reading Period	
	Final Exam	

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Questions?

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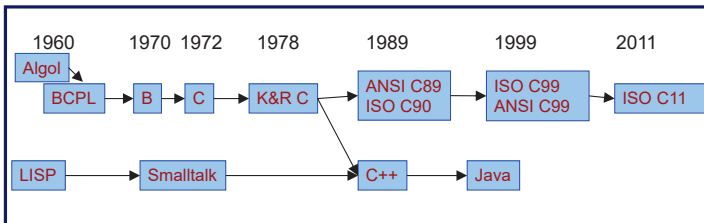
The C Programming Language



- Who?** Dennis Ritchie
- When?** ~1972
- Where?** Bell Labs
- Why?** Build the Unix OS



Java vs. C: History



C vs. Java: Design Goals



C Design Goals (1975)	Java Design Goals (1995)
Build the Unix OS	Language of the Internet
Low-level; close to HW and OS	High-level; insulated from hardware and OS
Good for system-level programming	Good for application-level programming
Support structured programming	Support object-oriented programming
Unsafe: don't get in the programmer's way	Safe: can't step "outside the sandbox"
	Look like C!

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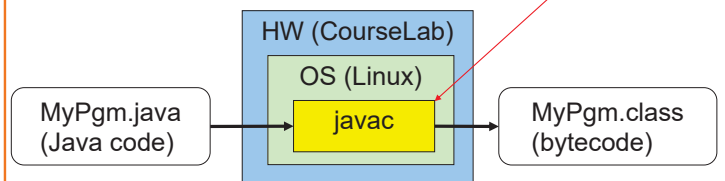
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Building Java Programs



\$ javac MyPgm.java

Java compiler (machine lang code)

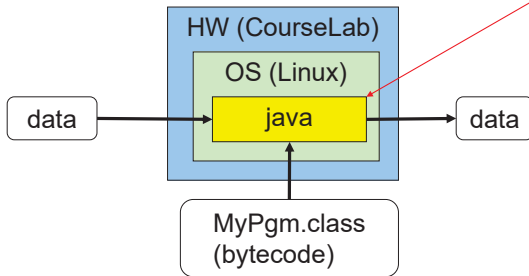


Running Java Programs



\$ java MyPgm

Java interpreter
(Java virtual machine)
(machine lang code)



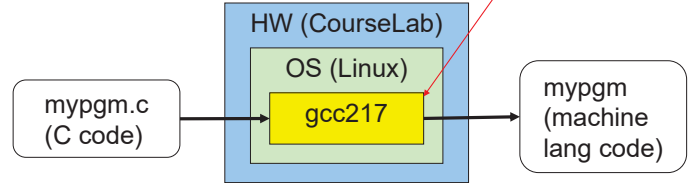
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Building C Programs



\$ gcc217 mypgm.c -o mypgm

C "compiler driver"
(machine lang code)



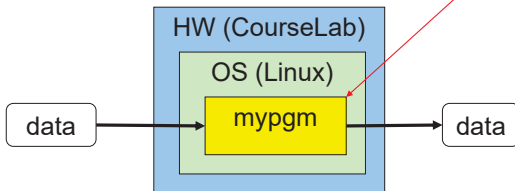
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Running C Programs



\$./mypgm

mypgm
(machine lang code)



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Java vs. C: Portability



Program	Code Type	Portable?
MyPgm.java	Java source code	Yes
mypgm.c	C source code	Mostly
MyPgm.class	Bytecode	Yes
mypgm	Machine lang code	No

Conclusion: Java programs are more portable

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Java vs. C: Safety & Efficiency



Java

- Automatic array-bounds checking,
- NULL pointer checking,
- Automatic memory management (garbage collection)
- Other safety features

C

- Manual bounds checking
- NULL pointer checking,
- Manual memory management

Conclusion 1: Java is often safer than C

Conclusion 2: Java is often slower than C

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Java vs. C: Characteristics



	Java	C
Portability	+	-
Efficiency	~	+
Safety	+	-

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iClicker Question

Q: Which corresponds to the C programming language?

• A.



• B.



• C.



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Java vs. C: Details



Remaining slides provide some details

Use for future reference

Slides covered now, as time allows...

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
Overall Program Structure	<pre>Hello.java: public class Hello { public static void main (String[] args) { System.out.println("hello, world"); } }</pre>	<pre>hello.c: #include <stdio.h> int main(void) { printf("hello, world\n"); return 0; }</pre>
Building	<code>\$ javac Hello.java</code>	<code>\$ gcc217 hello.c -o hello</code>
Running	<code>\$ java Hello</code> hello, world \$	<code>\$./hello</code> hello, world \$

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
Character type	<code>char // 16-bit Unicode</code>	<code>char /* 8 bits */</code>
Integral types	<code>byte // 8 bits</code> <code>short // 16 bits</code> <code>int // 32 bits</code> <code>long // 64 bits</code>	<code>(unsigned) char</code> <code>(unsigned) short</code> <code>(unsigned) int</code> <code>(unsigned) long</code>
Floating point types	<code>float // 32 bits</code> <code>double // 64 bits</code>	<code>float</code> <code>double</code> <code>long double</code>
Logical type	<code>boolean</code>	<code>/* no equivalent */</code> <code>/* use int */</code>
Generic pointer type	<code>Object</code>	<code>void*</code>
Constants	<code>final int MAX = 1000;</code>	<code>#define MAX 1000</code> <code>const int MAX = 1000;</code> <code>enum {MAX = 1000};</code>

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
Arrays	<code>int [] a = new int [10]; float [][] b = new float [5][20];</code>	<code>int a[10]; float b[5][20];</code>
Array bound checking	<code>// run-time check</code>	<code>/* no run-time check */</code>
Pointer type	<code>// Object reference is an // implicit pointer</code>	<code>int *p;</code>
Nullpointer checking	<code>// Check for NULL, // throw exception</code>	<code>// no run-time check</code>
Record type	<code>class Mine { int x; float y; }</code>	<code>struct Mine { int x; float y; };</code>

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
Strings	<code>String s1 = "Hello"; String s2 = new String("hello");</code>	<code>char *s1 = "Hello"; char s2[6]; strcpy(s2, "hello");</code>
String concatenation	<code>s1 + s2 s1 += s2</code>	<code>#include <string.h> strcat(s1, s2);</code>
Logical ops *	<code>&&, , !</code>	<code>&&, , !</code>
Relational ops *	<code>=, !=, >, <, >=, <=</code>	<code>=, !=, >, <, >=, <=</code>
Arithmetic ops *	<code>+, -, *, /, %, unary -</code>	<code>+, -, *, /, %, unary -</code>
Bitwise ops	<code>>>, <<, >>=, &, , ^</code>	<code>>>, <<, &, , ^</code>
Assignment ops	<code>=, *=, /=, +=, -=, <<=, >>=, >>=, =, &=, ^=, =, %=</code>	<code>=, *=, /=, +=, -=, <<=, >>=, =, &=, ^=, =, %=</code>

* Essentially the same in the two languages

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
if stmt *	<code>if (i < 0) statement1; else statement2;</code>	<code>if (i < 0) statement1; else statement2;</code>
switch stmt *	<code>switch (i) { case 1: ... break; case 2: ... break; default: ... }</code>	<code>switch (i) { case 1: ... break; case 2: ... break; default: ... }</code>
goto stmt	<code>// no equivalent</code>	<code>goto someLabel;</code>

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
for stmt	<code>for (int i=0; i<10; i++) statement;</code>	<code>int i; for (i=0; i<10; i++) statement;</code>
while stmt *	<code>while (i < 0) statement;</code>	<code>while (i < 0) statement;</code>
do-while stmt *	<code>do statement; while (i < 0)</code>	<code>do statement; while (i < 0);</code>
continue stmt *	<code>continue;</code>	<code>continue;</code>
labeled continue stmt	<code>continue someLabel;</code>	<code>/* no equivalent */</code>
break stmt *	<code>break;</code>	<code>break;</code>
labeled break stmt	<code>break someLabel;</code>	<code>/* no equivalent */</code>

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Java vs. C: Details



	Java	C
return stmt *	<code>return 5; return;</code>	<code>return 5; return;</code>
Compound stmt (alias block) *	<code>{ statement1; statement2; }</code>	<code>{ statement1; statement2; }</code>
Exceptions	<code>throw, try-catch-finally</code>	<code>/* no equivalent */</code>
Comments	<code>/* comment */ // another kind</code>	<code>/* comment */</code>
Method / function call	<code>f(x, y, z); someObject.f(x, y, z); SomeClass.f(x, y, z);</code>	<code>f(x, y, z);</code>

* Essentially the same in the two languages

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Example C Program



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(void)
{ const double KMETERS_PER_MILE = 1.609;
  int miles;
  double kMeters;

  printf("miles: ");
  if (scanf("%d", &miles) != 1)
  { fprintf(stderr, "Error: Expected a number.\n");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
  }

  kMeters = (double)miles * KMETERS_PER_MILE;
  printf("%d miles is %f kilometers.\n",
        miles, kMeters);
  return 0;
}
```

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Summary



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- Introductions
- Course goals
 - Goal 1: Learn “programming in the large”
 - Goal 2: Look “under the hood” and learn low-level programming
 - Use of C and Linux supports both goals
- Resources
 - Lectures, precepts, programming environment, Piazza, textbooks
 - Course website: access via <http://www.cs.princeton.edu>
- Grading
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Summary



Getting started with C

- History of C
- Building and running C programs
- Characteristics of C
- Details of C
 - Java and C are similar
 - Knowing Java gives you a head start at learning C

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Getting Started



Check out course website **soon**

- **Study “Policies” page**
- First assignment is available

Establish a reasonable computing environment **soon**

- Instructions given in first precept

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