


Princeton University
Computer Science 217: Introduction to Programming Systems




Program and Programming Style

The material for this lecture is drawn, in part, from
The Practice of Programming (Kernighan & Pike) Chapter 1

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For Your Amusement



Any fool can write code that a computer can understand.
Good programmers write code that humans can understand.

-- Martin Fowler

Good code is its own best documentation. As you're about to add a comment, ask yourself, "How can I improve the code so that this comment isn't needed?"


-- Steve McConnell

Programs must be written for people to read, and only incidentally for machines to execute.

-- Abelson / Sussman

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Goals of this Lecture



Help you learn about:


- Good **program** style
- Good **programming** style

Why?

- A well-styled program is more likely to be **correct** than a poorly-styled program
- A well-styled program is more likely to **stay correct** (i.e. is more maintainable) than a poorly-styled program
- A power programmer knows the qualities of a well-styled program, and how to compose one quickly

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Agenda



- Program style**
 - Qualities of a good program
- Programming style**
 - How to write a good program quickly

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Motivation for Program Style



Who reads your code?


- The compiler
- Other programmers

```
typedef struct{double x,y,z;vec u,black,amb[02,02];}struct sphera{ vec cen,color;double rad,hz,fx,kt,kt1,t1}*s;vec u;sph[1]=0.0,5.1,1.1,1.1,0.05,2.85,0.1,7,-1.8,-5.1,5.2,1.7,3.0,0.05,1.2,1.8,-5.1,1.8,8,1,3,7.0,0.1,2,3,-6,15,1,-8,1,7,0,0,0,6,1.5,-3,-3,12,0,8,1,1,3,0,0,0,2,1,5,1}vec double u,d;main:sgt(1,kt);double vdot(A,B)vec A,B;(return A.x*B.x+A.y*B.y+A.z*B.z);vec vcomb(A,B)double a;vec A,B;(B.x+a*A.x,B.y+a*A.y,B.z+a*A.z);return B;vec vunit(A)vec A;(return vcomb(1,sgt(A,B)),A,black);}struct sphere*interact(P,D)vec P,D;(best:){int i=0;asph[5]while(a--sph[i].vdot(D,D)>vcomb(-1,P,s-cen)),u=sph[i].vdot(D,D)+s-rad*a-rad,u=sph[0]i++;}best=1;78;u;best=1;fct(m);best=a;return best;}vec trace(level,P,D)vec P,D;(double d,sta;vec N,color;struct sphere*s,*l;if(!level--)return black;if(s=intersect(P,D));else return amb;color=amb;sta=1;de-vdot(D,rcen);rcomb(1,rcomb(sta,d,P,s-cen));if(!s)rcomb(-1,N,black),sta=1/sta,d=-d;1;asph[5]while(1--sph[i]if((w=1-kt)*vdot(N,D)>vdot(1,vcomb(-1,P,2-cen)))){kt=intersect(P,D)=1;color=vcomb(1,color,color);(d=amb;color.x+wD,x,color.y+wD,y,color.z+wD,s=1-sta)*sta*(1-d);return vcomb(s-kt,w?trace(level,P,vcomb(sta,D,vcomb(sta*d-sgt(0),N,black)));black,vcomb(sta,trace(level,P,vcomb(sta,d,N,D)));vcomb(sta-kt,color,vcomb(-1,D,black));}main(){printf("hd hd\n",32,32);while(yes(32*32)0,any(32-32/2,D,s=32/2,yes+32,D,y=32/2,kt(25/14,591559261)),d=vcomb(25,trace(3,black,vunit(D),black),printf("%,0f %,0f\n",D));}
```

This is a working ray tracer! (courtesy of Paul Heckbert)

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Motivation for Program Style



Why does program style matter?

- Correctness
 - The clearer a program is, the more likely it is to be correct
- Maintainability
 - The clearer a program is, the more likely it is to **stay correct** over time

Good program ≈ clear program

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Choosing Names

- Use descriptive names for globals and functions
 - E.g., `display`, `CONTROL`, `CAPACITY`
- Use concise names for local variables
 - E.g., `i` (not `arrayIndex`) for loop variable
- Use case judiciously
 - E.g., `Stack_push` (Module_function)
 - `CAPACITY` (constant)
 - `buf` (local variable)
- Use a consistent style for compound names
 - E.g., `frontsize`, `frontSize`, `front_size`
- Use active names for functions that do something
 - E.g., `getchar()`, `putchar()`, `Check_octal()`, etc.
- Not necessarily for functions that are something: `sin()`, `sqrt()`

Length of name ≈ proportional to scope of variable

Using C Idioms

Use C idioms

- Example: Set each array element to 1.0.
- Bad code (complex for no obvious gain)


```
i = 0;
while (i <= n-1)
    array[i++] = 1.0;
```
- Good code (not because it's vastly simpler—it isn't!—but because it uses a standard idiom that programmers can grasp at a glance)


```
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
    array[i] = 1.0;
```
- Don't feel obliged to use C idioms that decrease clarity

Revealing Structure: Expressions

Parenthesize for correctness and to resolve ambiguity

- Example: read and print character until end-of-file
- Broken code


```
while (c = getchar() != EOF)
    putchar(c);
```
- Working, idiomatic code


```
while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    putchar(c);
```

iClicker Question

Q: Does the following code work to check if integer `n` satisfies `j < n < k`?

```
if (j < n && n < k)
```

- No, needs to be `if ((j < n) && (n < k))`
- Correct, but I'd parenthesize anyway
- Correct, and I'd leave it alone

Revealing Structure: Expressions

Parenthesize for correctness and to resolve ambiguity

- Example: Check if integer `n` satisfies `j < n < k`
- Common code


```
if (j < n && n < k)
```
- Clearer code (maybe)


```
if ((j < n) && (n < k))
```

It's clearer *depending* on whether your audience can be trusted to know the precedence of all the C operators. Use your judgment on this!

iClicker Question

Q: Does the following code work to check if integer `n` satisfies `j < n < k`?

```
if (!(n >= k) || (n <= j))
```

- No, incorrect
- Not sure – I can't be expected to apply DeMorgan's laws during a 10 AM lecture
- Correct, but I'd never write such a monstrosity

Revealing Structure: Expressions

Use natural form of expressions

- Example: Check if integer n satisfies $j < n < k$
- Bad code

```
if (!(n >= k) || (n <= j))
```

- Good code

```
if ((j < n) && (n < k))
```

- Conditions should read as you'd say them aloud
 - Not "Conditions shouldn't read as you'd never say them in other than a purely internal dialog!"

Revealing Structure: Expressions

Break up complex expressions

- Example: Identify chars corresponding to months of year
- Bad code

```
if ((c == 'J') || (c == 'F') || (c == 'M') || (c == 'A') || (c == 'S') || (c == 'O') || (c == 'N') || (c == 'D'))
```

- Good code – lining up things helps

```
if ((c == 'J') || (c == 'F') || (c == 'M') || (c == 'A') || (c == 'S') || (c == 'O') || (c == 'N') || (c == 'D'))
```

- Very common, though, to elide parentheses

```
if (c == 'J' || c == 'F' || c == 'M' || c == 'A' || c == 'S' || c == 'O' || c == 'N' || c == 'D')
```

Revealing Structure

```
if (c == 'J' || c == 'F' || c == 'M' || c == 'A' || c == 'S' || c == 'O' || c == 'N' || c == 'D')
do_this();
else
do_that();
```

Perhaps better in this case: a switch statement

```
switch (c) {
case 'J': case 'F': case 'M':
case 'A': case 'S': case 'O':
case 'N': case 'D':
do_this();
break;
default:
do_that();
}
```

Revealing Structure: Spacing

Use readable/consistent spacing

- Example: Assign each array element $a[j]$ to the value j .
- Bad code

```
for (j=0;j<100;j++) a[j]=j;
```

- Good code

```
for (j = 0; j < 100; j++)
a[j] = j;
```

- Often can rely on auto-indenting feature in editor

Revealing Structure: Indentation

Use readable/consistent/correct indentation

- Example: Checking for leap year (does Feb 29 exist?)

```
legal = TRUE;
if (month == FEB)
{ if ((year % 4) == 0)
  if (day > 29)
    legal = FALSE;
  else
    if (day > 28)
      legal = FALSE;
}
```

Does this code work?

```
legal = TRUE;
if (month == FEB)
{ if ((year % 4) == 0)
  { if (day > 29)
    legal = FALSE;
  }
  else
  { if (day > 28)
    legal = FALSE;
  }
}
```

Does this code work?

Revealing Structure: Indentation

Use "else-if" for multi-way decision structures

- Example: Comparison step in a binary search.

```
if (x < a[mid])
high = mid - 1;
else
if (x > a[mid])
low = mid + 1;
else
return mid;
```

low=0 →

mid=3 →

high=6 →

a

2
4
5
7
8
10
17

x

10

- Good code

```
if (x < a[mid])
high = mid - 1;
else if (x > a[mid])
low = mid + 1;
else
return mid;
```

Revealing Structure: “Paragraphs”

Use blank lines to divide the code into key parts

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

/* Read a circle's radius from stdin, and compute and write its
diameter and circumference to stdout. Return 0 if successful. */

int main(void)
{ const double PI = 3.14159;
  int radius;
  int diam;
  double circum;

  printf("Enter the circle's radius:\n");
  if (scanf("%d", &radius) != 1)
  { fprintf(stderr, "Error: Not a number\n");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE); /* or: return EXIT_FAILURE; */
  }
}
```

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Revealing Structure: “Paragraphs”

Use blank lines to divide the code into key parts

```
    diam = 2 * radius;
    circum = PI * (double)diam;

    printf("A circle with radius %d has diameter %d\n",
          radius, diam);
    printf("and circumference %f.\n", circum);

    return 0;
}
```

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Composing Comments

Master the language and its idioms

- Let the code speak for itself
- And then...

Compose comments that add new information

```
i++; /* Add one to i. */
```

Comment paragraphs of code, not lines of code

- E.g., “Sort array in ascending order”

Comment global data

- Global variables, structure type definitions, field definitions, etc.

Compose comments that agree with the code!!!

- And change as the code itself changes!!!

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Composing Comments

Comment sections (“paragraphs”) of code, not lines of code

```
#include <stdio.h>
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/* Read a circle's radius from stdin, and compute and write its
diameter and circumference to stdout. Return 0 if successful. */

int main(void)
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  int radius;
  int diam;
  double circum;

  /* Read the circle's radius. */
  printf("Enter the circle's radius:\n");
  if (scanf("%d", &radius) != 1)
  { fprintf(stderr, "Error: Not a number\n");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE); /* or: return EXIT_FAILURE; */
  }
}
```

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Composing Comments

```
/* Compute the diameter and circumference. */
diam = 2 * radius;
circum = PI * (double)diam;

/* Print the results. */
printf("A circle with radius %d has diameter %d\n",
      radius, diam);
printf("and circumference %f.\n", circum);

return 0;
}
```

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Composing Function Comments

Describe what a caller needs to know to call the function properly

- Describe what the function does, not how it works
- Code itself should clearly reveal how it works...
- If not, compose “paragraph” comments within definition

Describe input

- Parameters, files read, global variables used

Describe output

- Return value, parameters, files written, global variables affected

Refer to parameters by name

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Composing Function Comments

Bad function comment

```

/* decomment.c */

/* Read a character. Based upon the character and
the current DFA state, call the appropriate
state-handling function. Repeat until
end-of-file. */

int main(void)
{
    ...
}
    
```

Describes **how** the function works

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Composing Function Comments

Good function comment

```

/* decomment.c */

/* Read a C program from stdin. Write it to
stdout with each comment replaced by a single
space. Preserve line numbers. Return 0 if
successful, EXIT_FAILURE if not. */

int main(void)
{
    ...
}
    
```

- Describes **what** the function does

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Using Modularity

Abstraction is the key to managing complexity

- Abstraction is a tool (the only one?) that people use to understand complex systems
- Abstraction allows people to know *what* a (sub)system does without knowing *how*

Proper modularity is the manifestation of abstraction

- Proper modularity makes a program's abstractions explicit
- Proper modularity can dramatically increase clarity
⇒ Programs should be modular

However

- *Excessive* modularity can *decrease* clarity!
- *Improper* modularity can *dramatically* decrease clarity!!!
⇒ Programming is an art

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Modularity Examples

Examples of **function-level** modularity

- Character I/O functions such as `getchar()` and `putchar()`
- Mathematical functions such as `sin()` and `gcd()`
- Function to sort an array of integers

Examples of **file-level** modularity

- Assignment 3.
- And all the other assignments.

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Program Style Summary

Good program ≈ clear program

Qualities of a clear program

- Uses appropriate names
- Uses common idioms
- Reveals program structure
- Contains proper comments
- Is modular

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Agenda

Program style

- Qualities of a good program

Programming style

- **How to write a good program quickly**

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
Bottom-Up Design

Bottom-up design ☹️

- Design one part of the system in detail
- Design another part of the system in detail
- Combine
- Repeat until finished

Bottom-up design in painting

- Paint part of painting in complete detail
- Paint another part of painting in complete detail
- Combine
- Repeat until finished
- *Unlikely to produce a good painting (except sometimes: see the movie "Tim's Vermeer")*

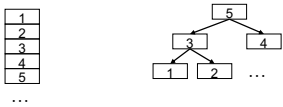


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Bottom-Up Design

Bottom-up design in programming

- Compose part of program in complete detail
- Compose another part of program in complete detail
- Combine
- Repeat until finished
- *Unlikely to produce a good program*



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Top-Down Design

Top-down design 😊

- Design entire product with minimal detail
- Successively refine until finished

Top-down design in painting

- Sketch the entire painting with minimal detail
- Successively refine until finished

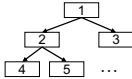


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Top-Down Design

Top-down design in programming

- Define main() function in pseudocode with minimal detail
- Refine each pseudocode statement
 - Small job ⇒ replace with real code
 - Large job ⇒ replace with function call
- Repeat in (mostly) breadth-first order until finished
- Bonus: Product is naturally **modular**

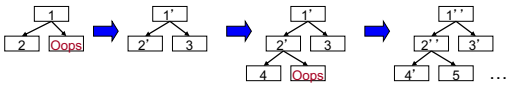


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Top-Down Design in Reality

Top-down design in programming in reality

- Define main() function in pseudocode
- Refine each pseudocode statement
 - *Oops! Details reveal design error, so...*
 - Backtrack to refine existing (pseudo)code, and proceed
- Repeat in (mostly) breadth-first order until finished



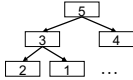
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Aside: Least-Risk Design

Design process should minimize risk

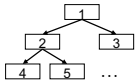
Bottom-up design

- Compose each child module before its parent
- **Risk level:** high
 - May compose modules that are never used



Top-down design

- Compose each parent module before its children
- **Risk level:** low
 - Compose only those modules that are required



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Aside: Least-Risk Design

Recommendation

- Work mostly top-down
- But give high priority to risky modules (that may result in major rewrites)
- Create scaffolds and stubs as required

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Example: Text Formatting

Functionality (derived from King Section 15.3)

- **Input:** ASCII text, with arbitrary spaces and newlines
- **Output:** the same text, left and right justified
 - Fit as many words as possible on each 50-character line
 - Add even spacing between words to right justify the text
 - No need to right justify last line
- **Assumptions**
 - "Word" is a sequence of non-white-space chars followed by a white-space char or end-of-file
 - No word is longer than 20 chars

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Example Input and Output

Input

```
"C is quirky,   flawed, and an enormous success.
While accidents of history
surely helped,
it evidently satisfied a need for a system
implementation language efficient enough
to displace assembly language,
yet sufficiently abstract and fluent to describe
algorithms and interactions in a
wide variety of environments." -- Dennis Ritchie
```

Output

```
"C is quirky, flawed, and an enormous success.
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implementation language efficient enough to
displace assembly language, yet sufficiently
abstract and fluent to describe algorithms and
interactions in a wide variety of environments."
-- Dennis Ritchie
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Caveats

Caveats concerning the following presentation

- Function comments and some blank lines are omitted
 - Because of space constraints
 - Don't do that!!!
- Design sequence is idealized
 - In reality, typically much backtracking would occur

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The main() Function

```
int main(void)
{
    <clear line>
    <read a word>
    while (<there is a word>)
    {
        if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
        {
            <write justified line>
            <clear line>
        }
        <add word to line>
        <read a word>
    }
    if (<line isn't empty>)
        <write line>
    return 0;
}
```

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The main() Function

```
enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
int main(void)
{
    char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
    int wordLen;
    <clear line>
    wordLen = readWord(word);
    while (<there is a word>)
    {
        if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
        {
            <write justified line>
            <clear line>
        }
        <add word to line>
        wordLen = readWord(word);
    }
    if (<line isn't empty>)
        <write line>
    return 0;
}
```

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The main() Function

```

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
int main(void)
{
  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
    {
      <write justified line>
      <clear line>
    }
    <add word to line>
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (<line isn't empty>)
  <write line>
  return 0;
}

```

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The main() Function

```

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int main(void)
{
  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
    {
      <write justified line>
      <clear line>
    }
    <add word to line>
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (lineLen > 0)
  <write line>
  return 0;
}

```

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The main() Function

```

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
enum {MAX_LINE_LEN = 50};
int main(void)
{
  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
  char line[MAX_LINE_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
    {
      <write justified line>
      <clear line>
    }
    lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (lineLen > 0)
  <write line>
  return 0;
}

```

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The main() Function

```

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int main(void)
{
  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
  char line[MAX_LINE_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
    {
      <write justified line>
      <clear line>
    }
    lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (lineLen > 0)
  puts(line);
  return 0;
}

```

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The main() Function

```

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
enum {MAX_LINE_LEN = 50};
int main(void)
{
  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
  char line[MAX_LINE_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen = 0;
  int wordCount = 0;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (<word doesn't fit on line>)
    {
      writeLine(line, lineLen, wordCount);
      <clear line>
    }
    lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (lineLen > 0)
  puts(line);
  return 0;
}

```

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The main() Function

```

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
enum {MAX_LINE_LEN = 50};
int main(void)
{
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  char line[MAX_LINE_LEN+1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen = 0;
  int wordCount = 0;
  <clear line>
  wordLen = readWord(word);
  while (wordLen != 0)
  {
    if (wordLen + 1 + lineLen > MAX_LINE_LEN)
    {
      writeLine(line, lineLen, wordCount);
      <clear line>
    }
    lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
    wordLen = readWord(word);
  }
  if (lineLen > 0)
  puts(line);
  return 0;
}

```

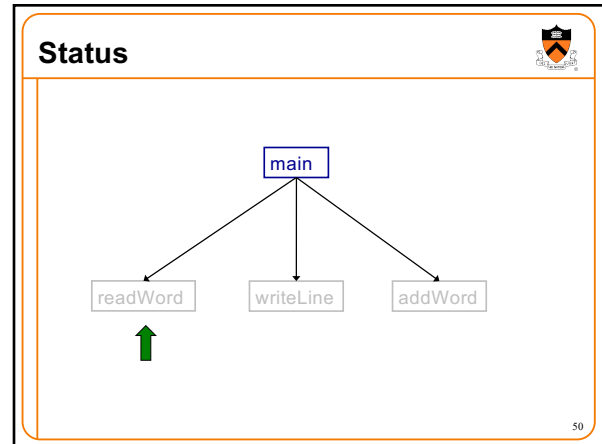
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The main() Function

```

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
enum {MAX_LINE_LEN = 50};
int main(void)
{
    char word[MAX_WORD_LEN+1];
    char line[MAX_LINE_LEN+1];
    int wordLen;
    int lineLen = 0;
    int wordCount = 0;
    line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
    wordLen = readWord(word);
    while (wordLen != 0)
    {
        if ((wordLen + 1 + lineLen) > MAX_LINE_LEN)
        {
            writeLine(line, lineLen, wordCount);
            line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
        }
        lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
        wordLen = readWord(word);
    }
    if (lineLen > 0)
        puts(line);
    return 0;
}
    
```

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The readWord() Function

```

int readWord(char *word)
{
    <skip over white space> ←
    <read chars, storing up to MAX_WORD_LEN in word>
    <return length of word>
}
    
```

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The readWord() Function

```

int readWord(char *word)
{
    int ch;

    /* Skip over white space. */
    ch = getchar();
    while ((ch != EOF) && isspace(ch))
        ch = getchar();

    <read up to MAX_WORD_LEN chars into word> ←
    <return length of word>
}
    
```

Note the use of a function from the standard library. Very appropriate for your top-down design to target things that are already built.

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The readWord() Function

```

int readWord(char *word)
{
    int ch;
    int pos = 0;

    /* Skip over white space. */
    ch = getchar();
    while ((ch != EOF) && isspace(ch))
        ch = getchar();

    /* Read up to MAX_WORD_LEN chars into word. */
    while ((ch != EOF) && (! isspace(ch)))
    {
        if (pos < MAX_WORD_LEN)
        {
            word[pos] = (char)ch;
            pos++;
        }
        ch = getchar();
    }
    word[pos] = '\0';

    <return length of word> ←
}
    
```

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The readWord() Function

```

int readWord(char *word)
{
    int ch;
    int pos = 0;
    ch = getchar();

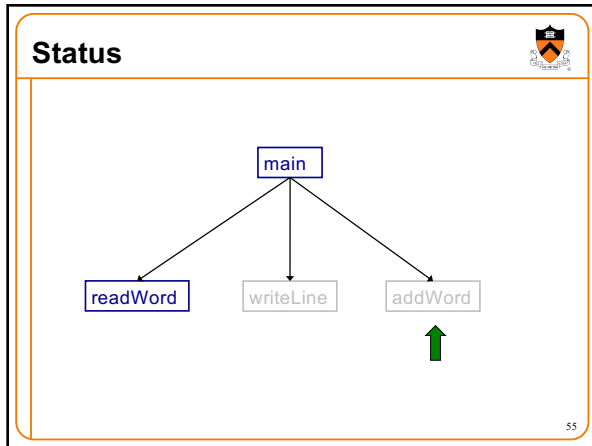
    /* Skip over white space. */
    while ((ch != EOF) && isspace(ch))
        ch = getchar();

    /* Read up to MAX_WORD_LEN chars into word. */
    while ((ch != EOF) && (! isspace(ch)))
    {
        if (pos < MAX_WORD_LEN)
        {
            word[pos] = (char)ch;
            pos++;
        }
        ch = getchar();
    }
    word[pos] = '\0';

    return pos;
}
    
```

readWord() gets away with murder here, consuming/discarding one character past the end of the word.

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The addWord() Function

```

int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
  <if line already contains words, then append a space>
  <append word to line>
  <return the new line length>
}
  
```

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The addWord() Function

```

int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
  int newLineLen = lineLen;
  /* if line already contains words, then append a space. */
  if (newLineLen > 0)
  { strcat(line, " ");
    newLineLen++;
  }
  <append word to line>
  <return the new line length>
}
  
```

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The addWord() Function

```

int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
  int newLineLen = lineLen;
  /* if line already contains words, then append a space. */
  if (newLineLen > 0)
  { strcat(line, " ");
    newLineLen++;
  }
  strcat(line, word);
  <return the new line length>
}
  
```

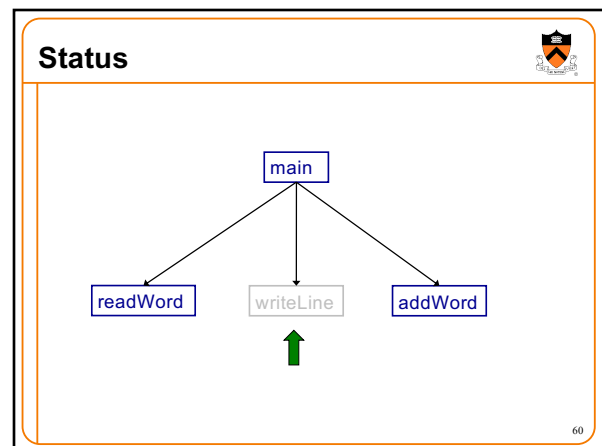
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The addWord() Function

```

int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
  int newLineLen = lineLen;
  /* If line already contains some words, then append a space. */
  if (newLineLen > 0)
  { strcat(line, " ");
    newLineLen++;
  }
  strcat(line, word);
  newLineLen += strlen(word);
  return newLineLen;
}
  
```

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The writeLine() Function

```

void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i;

  <compute number of excess spaces for line>
  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i])
    else
    { <compute additional spaces to insert>
      <print a space, plus additional spaces>
      <decrease extra spaces and word count>
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
    
```

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The writeLine() Function

```

void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i, extraSpaces;

  /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
  extraSpaces = MAX_LINE_LEN - lineLen;

  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i])
    else
    { <compute additional spaces to insert>
      <print a space, plus additional spaces>
      <decrease extra spaces and word count>
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
    
```

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The writeLine() Function

```

void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i, extraSpaces, spacesToInsert;

  /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
  extraSpaces = MAX_LINE_LEN - lineLen;

  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i])
    else
    { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
      spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);

      <print a space, plus additional spaces>
      <decrease extra spaces and word count>
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
    
```

The number of gaps

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The writeLine() Function

```

void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i, extraSpaces, spacesToInsert, j;

  /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
  extraSpaces = MAX_LINE_LEN - lineLen;

  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i])
    else
    { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
      spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);

      /* Print a space, plus additional spaces. */
      for (j = 1; j <= spacesToInsert + 1; j++)
        putchar(' ');

      <decrease extra spaces and word count>
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
    
```

Example:
If extraSpaces is 10
and wordCount is 5,
then gaps will contain
2, 2, 3, and 3 extra
spaces respectively

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The writeLine() Function

```

void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i, extraSpaces, spacesToInsert, j;

  /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
  extraSpaces = MAX_LINE_LEN - lineLen;

  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i])
    else
    { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
      spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);

      /* Print a space, plus additional spaces. */
      for (j = 1; j <= spacesToInsert + 1; j++)
        putchar(' ');

      /* Decrease extra spaces and word count. */
      extraSpaces -= spacesToInsert;
      wordCount--;
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
    
```

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Status

```

graph TD
    main --> readWord
    main --> writeLine
    main --> addWord
    
```

Complete! And modular!

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Summary

Program style

- Choose appropriate names (for variables, functions, ...)
- Use common idioms (but not at the expense of clarity)
- Reveal program structure (spacing, indentation, parentheses, ...)
- Compose proper comments (especially for functions)
- Use modularity (because modularity reveals abstractions)

Programming style

- Use top-down design and successive refinement
- But know that backtracking inevitably will occur
- And give high priority to risky modules

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Are we there yet?

Now that the top-down design is done, and the program “works,” does that mean we’re done?

No. There are almost always things to improve, perhaps by a bottom-up pass that better uses existing libraries.

The second time you write the same program, it turns out better.

What’s wrong with this output?

Input

```
"C is quirky, flawed, and an enormous success.
While accidents of history
surely helped,
it evidently satisfied a need for a system
implementation language efficient enough
to displace assembly language,
yet sufficiently abstract and fluent to describe
algorithms and interactions in a
wide variety of environments." -- Dennis Ritchie
```

Output

```
"C is quirky, flawed, and an enormous success.
While accidents of history surely helped, it
evidently satisfied a need for a system
implementation language efficient enough to
displace assembly language, yet sufficiently
abstract and fluent to describe algorithms and
interactions in a wide variety of environments."
-- Dennis Ritchie
```

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What’s better with this output?

Adequate

```
"C is quirky, flawed, and an enormous success.
While accidents of history surely helped, it
evidently satisfied a need for a system
implementation language efficient enough to
displace assembly language, yet sufficiently
abstract and fluent to describe algorithms and
interactions in a wide variety of environments."
-- Dennis Ritchie
```

Better

```
"C is quirky, flawed, and an enormous success.
While accidents of history surely helped, it
evidently satisfied a need for a system
implementation language efficient enough to
displace assembly language, yet sufficiently
abstract and fluent to describe algorithms and
interactions in a wide variety of environments."
-- Dennis Ritchie
```

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Challenge problem

Design a function `int spacesHere(int i, int k, int n)` that calculates how many marbles to put into the *i*th jar, assuming that there are *n* marbles to distribute over *k* jars.

(1) the jars should add up to *n*, that is,

```
{s=0; for(i=0;i<k;i++) s+=spacesHere(i,k,n); assert (s==n);}
```

or in math notation, $\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \text{spacesHere}(i,k,n) = n$

(2) marbles should be distributed evenly—the “extra” marbles should not bunch up in nearby jars.

HINT: You should be able to write this in one or two lines, without any loops.

One solution uses floating-point division and rounding: `do “man round” and pay attention to where that man page says “include <math.h>”.`

“Programming in the Large” Steps

Design & Implement

- Program & programming style
- Common data structures and algorithms
- Modularity
- Building techniques & tools

Debug

- Debugging techniques & tools

Test

- Testing techniques & tools

Maintain

- Performance improvement techniques & tools

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#include <string.h>

enum {MAX_WORD_LEN = 20};
enum {MAX_LINE_LEN = 50};
```

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
/* Read a word from stdin. Assign it to word. Return the length
of the word, or 0 if no word could be read. */
int readWord(char *word)
{ int ch, pos = 0;

  /* Skip over white space. */
  ch = getchar();
  while ((ch != EOF) && isspace(ch))
    ch = getchar();

  /* Store chars up to MAX_WORD_LEN in word. */
  while ((ch != EOF) && (!isspace(ch)))
  { if (pos < MAX_WORD_LEN)
    { word[pos] = (char)ch;
      pos++;
    }
    ch = getchar();
  }
  word[pos] = '\0';

  /* Return length of word. */
  return pos;
}
```

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
/* Append word to line, making sure that the words within line are
separated with spaces. lineLen is the current line length.
Return the new line length. */
int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
  int newLineLen = lineLen;

  /* If line already contains some words, then append a space. */
  if (newLineLen > 0)
  { strcpy(line, " ");
    newLineLen++;
  }

  strcpy(line, word);
  newLineLen += strlen(word);
  return newLineLen;
}
```

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
/* Write line to stdout, in right justified form. lineLen
indicates the number of characters in line. wordCount indicates
the number of words in line. */
void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int extraSpaces, spacesToInsert, i, j;

  /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
  extraSpaces = MAX_LINE_LEN - lineLen;

  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
  { if (line[i] != ' ')
    putchar(line[i]);
    else
    { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
      spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);

      /* Print a space, plus additional spaces. */
      for (j = 1; j <= spacesToInsert + 1; j++)
        putchar(' ');

      /* Decrease extra spaces and word count. */
      extraSpaces -= spacesToInsert;
      wordCount--;
    }
  }
  putchar('\n');
}
```

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
/* Read words from stdin, and write the words in justified format
to stdout. Return 0. */
int main(void)
{
  /* Simplifying assumptions:
  Each word ends with a space, tab, newline, or end-of-file.
  No word is longer than MAX_WORD_LEN characters. */

  char word[MAX_WORD_LEN + 1];
  char line[MAX_LINE_LEN + 1];
  int wordLen;
  int lineLen = 0;
  int wordCount = 0;

  line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
  ...
}
```

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Appendix: The “justify” Program

```
...
wordLen = readWord(word);
while (wordLen != 0)
{ /* If word doesn't fit on this line, then write this line. */
  if ((wordLen + 1 + lineLen) > MAX_LINE_LEN)
  { writeLine(line, lineLen, wordCount);
    line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
  }
  lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
  wordCount++;
  wordLen = readWord(word);
}
if (lineLen > 0)
  puts(line);
return 0;
}
```