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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

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

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 poorlystyled 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

Agenda



Program style

Qualities of a good program

Programming style

How to write a good program quickly

Motivation for Program Style



Who reads your code?

- The compiler
- Other programmers

```
typedef struct{double x,y,z}vec;vec U,black,amb={.02,.02,.02};struct sphere{ vec
cen,color;double rad,kd,ks,kt,kl,ir}*s,*best,sph[]={0.,6.,.5,1.,1.,1.,.9,
.05,.2,.85,0.,1.7,-1.,8.,-.5,1.,.5,.2,1.,.7,.3,0.,.05,1.2,1.,8.,-.5,.1,.8,.8,
1.,.3,.7,0.,0.,1.2,3.,-6.,15.,1.,.8,1.,7.,0.,0.,0.,0.,.6,1.5,-3.,-3.,12.,.8,1.,
1.,5.,0.,0.,0.,.5,1.5,};yx;double u,b,tmin,sqrt(),tan();double vdot(A,B)vec A
B; {return A.x*B.x+A.y*B.y+A.z*B.z; }vec vcomb(a,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./sqrt(
vdot(A,A)),A,black);}struct sphere*intersect(P,D)vec P,D;{best=0;tmin=1e30;s=
sph+5; while(s--sph)b=vdot(D,U=vcomb(-1.,P,s-cen)),u=b*b-vdot(U,U)+s-rad*s -
rad,u=u0?sqrt(u):1e31,u=b-u1e-7?b-u:b+u,tmin=u=1e-7&&u<tmin?best=s,u: tmin;return
best; }vec trace(level, P, D) vec P, D; {double d, eta, e; vec N, color; struct
sphere*s.*l;if(!level--)return black;if(s=intersect(P.D));else return
amb;color=amb;eta=s-ir;d= -vdot(D,N=vunit(vcomb(-1.,P=vcomb(tmin,D,P),s-cen
)));if(d<0)N=vcomb(-1.,N,black),eta=1/eta,d= -d;l=sph+5;while(l--sph)if((e=1 -
k1*vdot(N,U=vunit(vcomb(-1.,P,1-cen))))0&&intersect(P,U)==1)color=vcomb(e,1-
color,color);U=s-color;color.x*=U.x;color.y*=U.y;color.z*=U.z;e=1-eta* eta*(1-
d*d); return vcomb(s-kt,e0?trace(level,P,vcomb(eta,D,vcomb(eta*d-sgrt
(e),N,black))):black,vcomb(s-ks,trace(level,P,vcomb(2*d,N,D)),vcomb(s-kd,
color, vcomb(s-kl,U,black)))); main() {printf("%d %d\n",32,32); while(yx<32*32)}
U.x=yx^32-32/2, U.z=32/2-yx++/32, U.y=32/2/tan(25/114.5915590261), U=vcomb(255.,
trace(3,black,vunit(U)),black),printf("%.0f%.0f\n",U);}
```

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

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

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

Length of name ≈ proportional to scope of 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 <u>are</u> something: sin(), sqrt() 7

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;</pre>
```

• 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?

- A. No, needs to be if ((j < n) && (n < k))
- B. Correct, but I'd parenthesize anyway
- C. 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

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
$$(!((n \ge k) || (n \le j)))$$

- A. No, incorrect
- B. Not sure I can't be expected to apply DeMorgan's laws during a 10 AM lecture
- C. 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
$$(!((n \ge k) || (n \le j)))$$

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

Good code

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?
```

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legal = TRUE;
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{ if ((year % 4) == 0)
   { if (day > 29) }
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   { if (day > 28) }
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              Does this
              code work?
```

Revealing Structure: Indentation



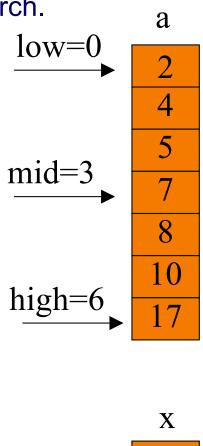
Use "else-if" for multi-way decision structures

- Example: Comparison step in a binary search.
- Bad code

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

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; */
```

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;
}
```

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!!!

Composing Comments



Comment sections ("paragraphs") of code, not lines of code

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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; */
```

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;
}
```

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

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

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

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

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.

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

Agenda



Program style

Qualities of a good program

Programming style

How to write a good program quickly

Bottom-Up Design

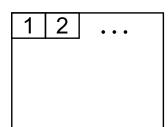


Bottom-up design 😕

- 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")



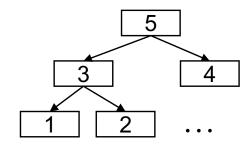
Bottom-Up Design



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

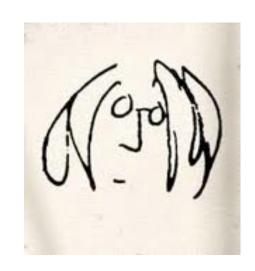


Top-down design 😊

- 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

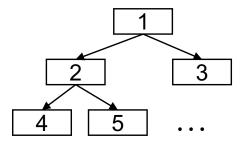


Top-Down Design



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

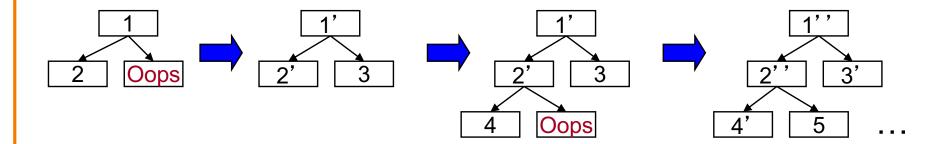


Top-Down Design in Reality



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



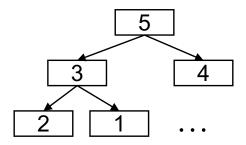
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Design process should minimize risk

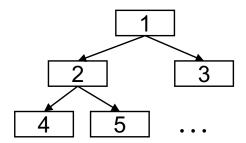
Bottom-up design

- 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



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

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

Example Input and 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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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





```
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;
```





```
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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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>
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  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;
```

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>
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  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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int main(void)
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   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>
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      wordLen = readWord(word);
   if (lineLen > 0)
      puts(line);
  return 0;
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  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>
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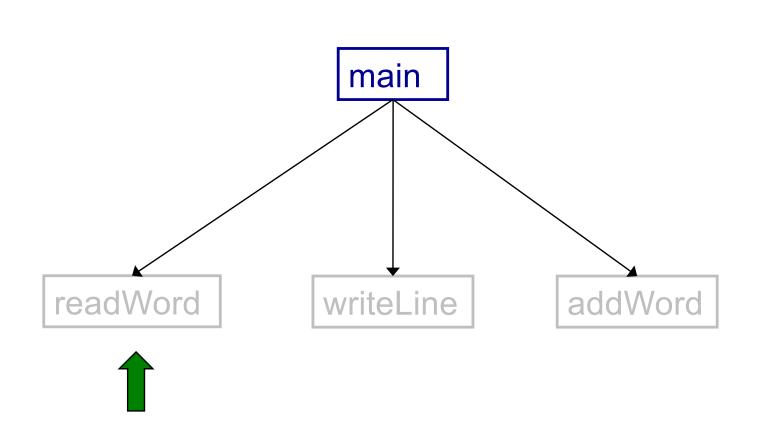
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  int lineLen = 0;
   int wordCount = 0;
   line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
   wordLen = readWord(word);
   while (wordLen != 0)
   { if ((wordLen + 1 + lineLen) > MAX LINE LEN)
      { writeLine(line, lineLen, wordCount);
         line[0] = '\0'; lineLen = 0; wordCount = 0;
      lineLen = addWord(word, line, lineLen);
      wordLen = readWord(word);
   if (lineLen > 0)
      puts(line);
  return 0;
```

Status









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.

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>
```

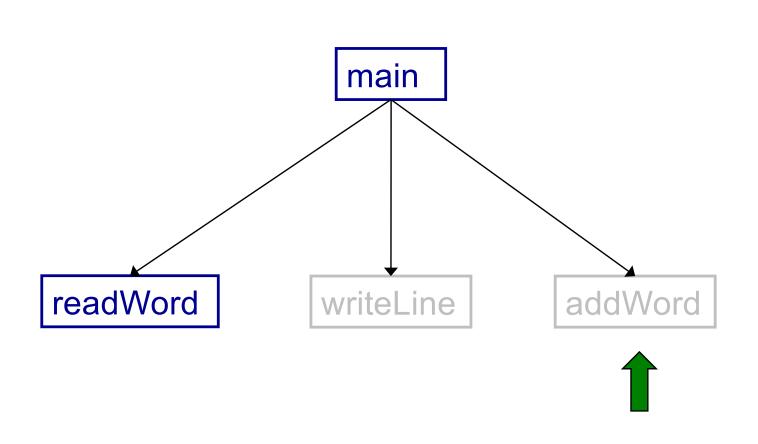
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      ch = getchar();
   /* Read up to MAX WORD LEN chars into word. */
   while ((ch != EOF) && (! isspace(ch)))
   { if (pos < MAX WORD LEN)
      { word[pos] = (char)ch;
         pos++;
      ch = getchar();
   word[pos] = ' \ 0';
                                                  readWord() gets away with murder
                                                  here, consuming/discarding one
   return pos;
                                                  character past the end of the word.
```

Status









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





```
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>
   <append word to line>
}
```





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int addWord(const char *word, char *line, int lineLen)
{
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  }

  strcat(line, word);

  <return the new line length>
}
```





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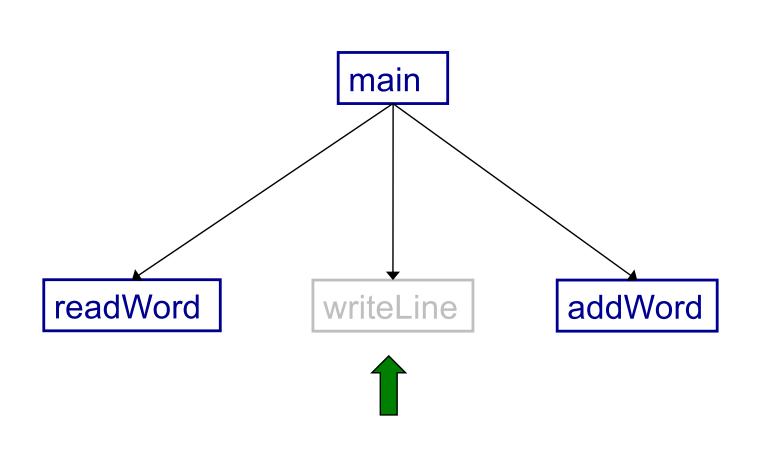
   /* If line already contains some words, then append a space. */
   if (newLineLen > 0)
   {    strcat(line, " ");
        newLineLen++;
   }

   strcat(line, word);

   newLineLen += strlen(word);
   return newLineLen;
}
```

Status









```
void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
{ int i;
  <compute number of excess spaces for line>
  for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)</pre>
   { 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');
```





```
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++)</pre>
   { if (line[i] != ' ')
         putchar(line[i])
      else
         <compute additional spaces to insert>
         <print a space, plus additional spaces>
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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++)</pre>
                                                           The number
   { if (line[i] != ' ')
                                                           of gaps
        putchar(line[i])
      else
      { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
         spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount
         <print a space, plus additional spaces>
         <decrease extra spaces and word count>
  putchar('\n');
```

The writeLine() Function



```
void writeLine(const char *line, int lineLen, int wordCount)
  int i, extraSpaces, spacesToInsert, j;
                                                       Example:
   /* Compute number of excess spaces for line. */
                                                       If extraSpaces is 10
   extraSpaces = MAX LINE LEN - lineLen;
                                                       and wordCount is 5,
   for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
                                                       then gaps will contain
   { if (line[i] != ' ')
        putchar(line[i])
                                                       2, 2, 3, and 3 extra
      else
                                                       spaces respectively
      { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
         spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);
         /* Print a space, plus additional spaces. */
         for (j = 1; j <= spacesToInsert + 1; j++)</pre>
           putchar(' ');
         <decrease extra spaces and word count>
  putchar('\n');
```

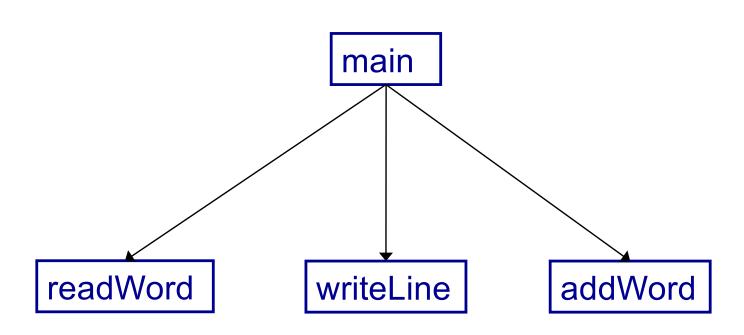




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   for (i = 0; i < lineLen; i++)
   { if (line[i] != ' ')
         putchar(line[i])
      else
      { /* Compute additional spaces to insert. */
         spacesToInsert = extraSpaces / (wordCount - 1);
         /* Print a space, plus additional spaces. */
         for (j = 1; j <= spacesToInsert + 1; j++)</pre>
            putchar(' ');
         /* Decrease extra spaces and word count. */
         extraSpaces -= spacesToInsert;
         wordCount--;
   putchar('\n');
```

Status





Complete! And modular!

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

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?



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Adequate

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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 ith jar, assuming that there are n marbles to distribute over k jars.

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

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{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} 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



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

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



```
/* 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;
```



```
/* 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)
    {       strcat(line, " ");
            newLineLen++;
    }

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

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Appendix: The "justify" Program

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



```
/* 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;
...
```



```
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;
}
```