



A Taste of C





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- **History of C**
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- charcount (loops, standard input)
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- upper1 (switch statements, enums, functions)
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Java versus C Details

- For initial cram and/or later reference



The C Programming Language

Who? Dennis Ritchie

When? ~1972

Where? Bell Labs

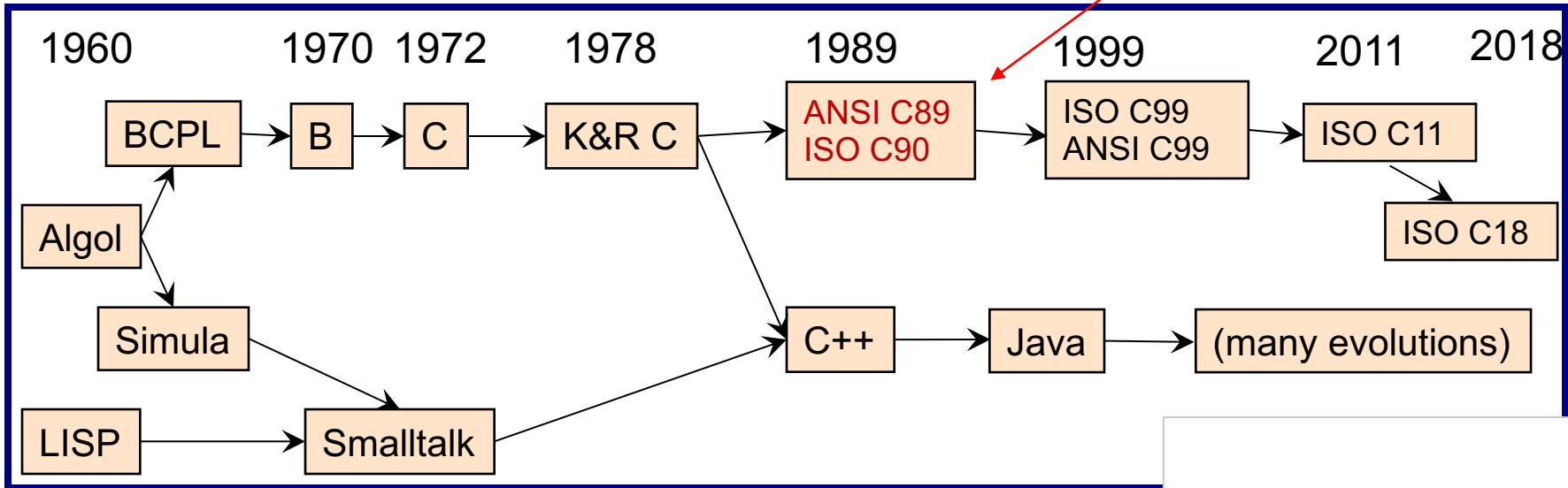
Why? Build the Unix OS





Java vs. C: History

This is what
we're using





C vs. Java: Design Goals

C Design Goals (1972)	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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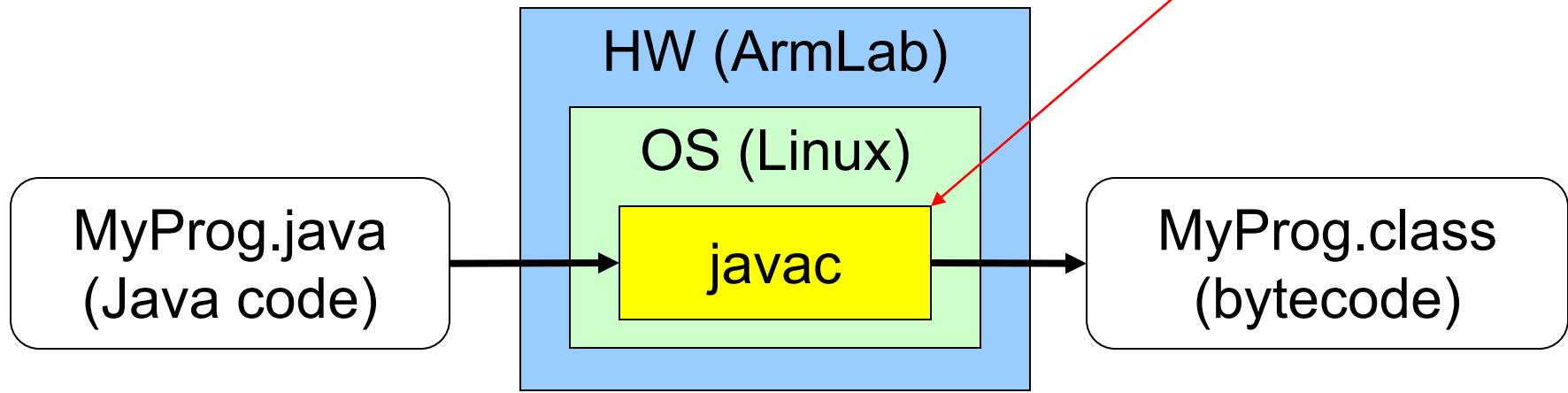
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Building Java Programs

```
$ javac MyProg.java
```

Java compiler
(machine lang code)

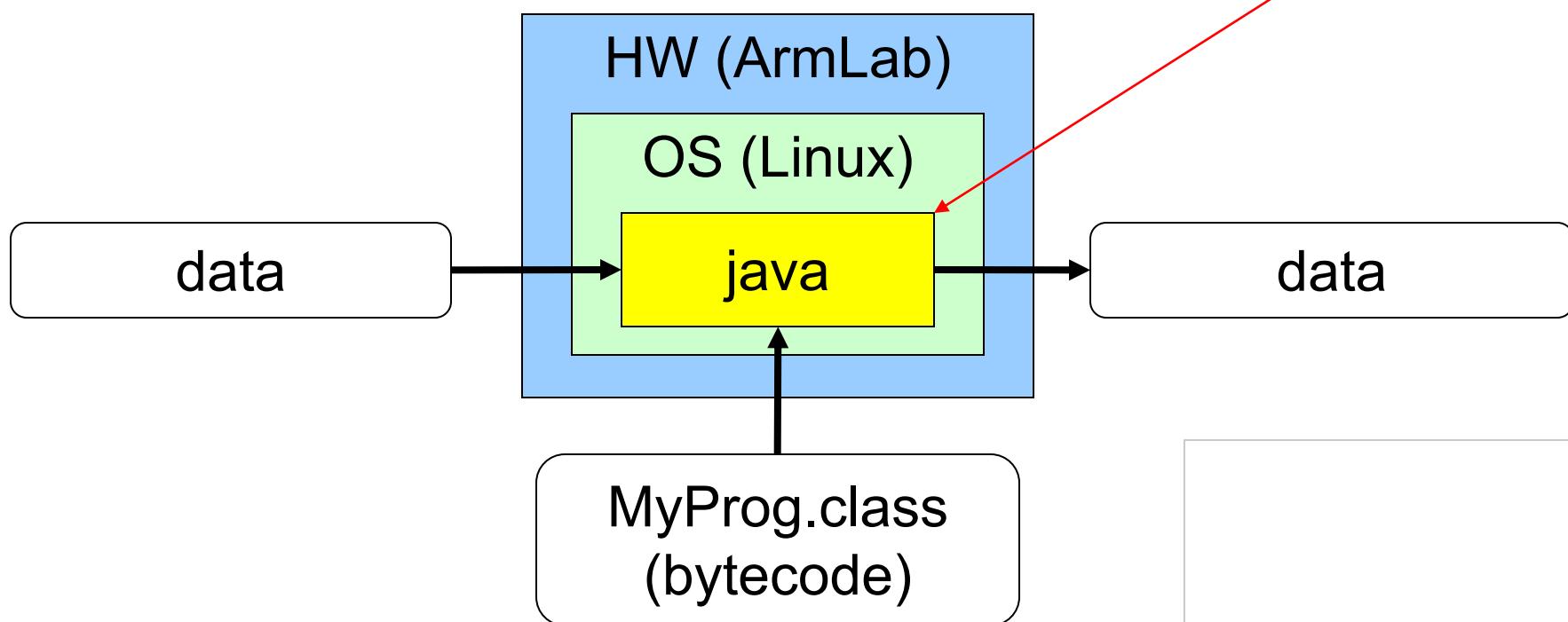




Running Java Programs

\$ java MyProg

Java interpreter /
“virtual machine”
(machine lang code)

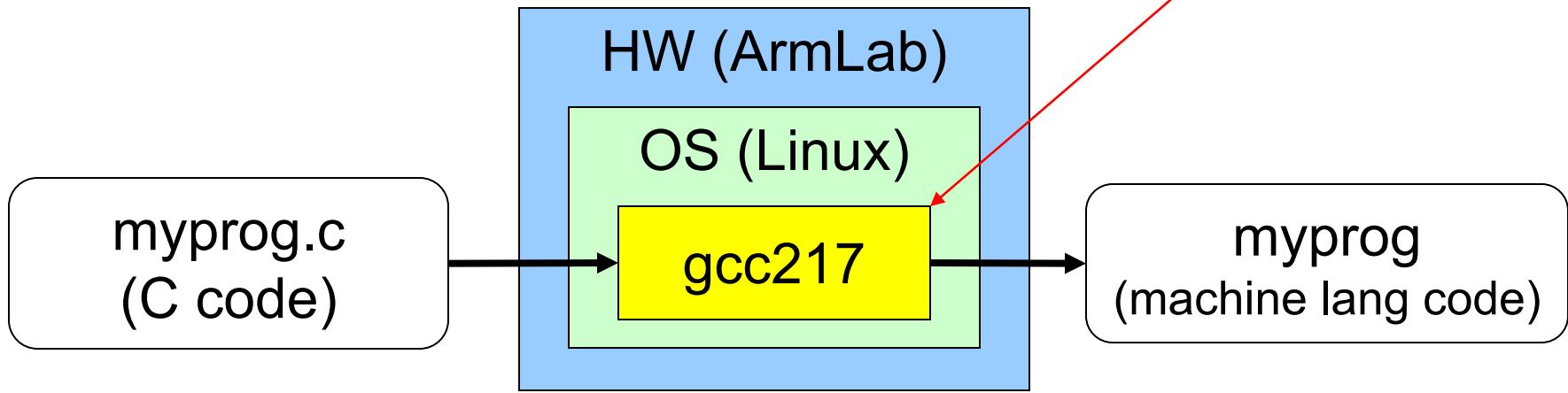




Building C Programs

```
$ gcc217 myprog.c –o myprog
```

C “Compiler driver”
(machine lang code)

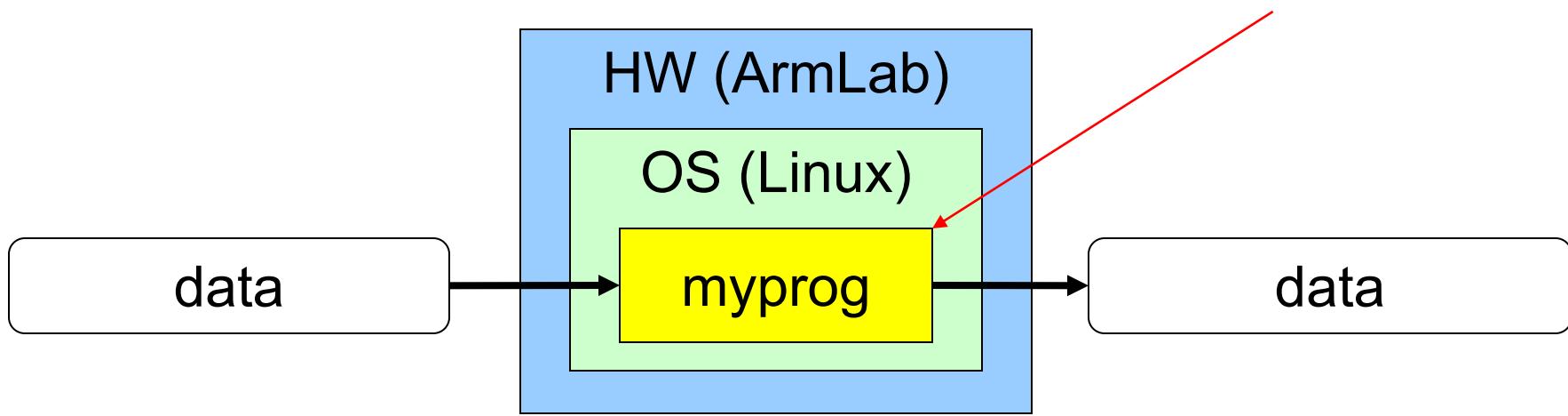




Running C Programs

\$./myprog

myprog
(machine lang code)





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Java vs. C: Portability

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

Conclusion: Java programs are more portable

Example: since I've been here, we've used three architectures (x86, x86_64, and AArch64) and all our programs ... class samples, assignment reference implementations, grading infrastructure, etc. had to be recompiled with each change!



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

iClicker Question



Q: Which corresponds to the C programming language?

A.



B.





Goals of the rest of this Lecture

Help you learn about:

- The basics of C
- Deterministic finite-state automata (DFA)
- Expectations for programming assignments

Why?

- Help you get started with Assignment 1
 - Required readings...
 - + coverage of programming environment in precepts...
 - + minimal coverage of C in this lecture...
 - = enough info to start Assignment 1
- DFAs are useful in many contexts
 - Theoretical problem characteristics + modeling
 - Practical system/program design (e.g. A1)



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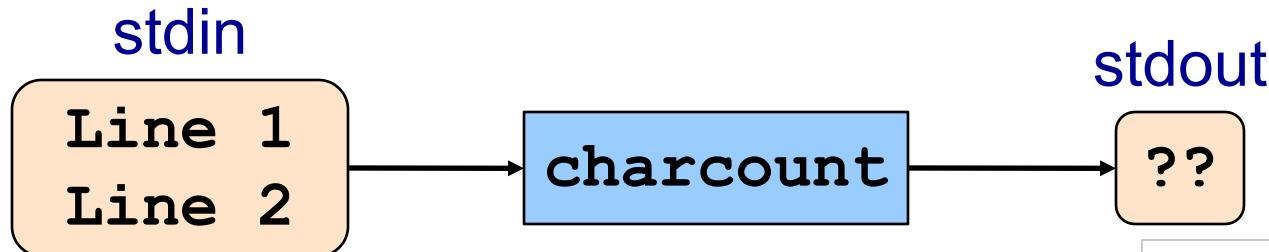
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The “charcount” Program

Functionality:

- Read all characters from standard input stream
- Write to standard output stream the number of characters read



► iClicker Question

Q: What is the output of **charcount** on this input?

```
[armlab01:lecture2$./charcount  
[Line 1  
[Line 2  
[
```

stdout

??

A. 10

B. 12

C. 13

D. 14

E. 15

```
[armlab01:lecture2$wc -c  
[Line 1  
[Line 2  
14
```



The “charcount” Program

The program:

charcount.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* Write to stdout the number of
   chars in stdin. Return 0. */
int main(void)
{
    int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```



Running “charcount”

Run-time trace, referencing the original C code...

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    {
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        c = getchar();
    }
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    return 0;
}
```

Execution begins at
main() function

- No classes in the C language.



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    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

We allocate space for
c and charCount
in the stack section of
memory

Why **int**
instead of **char**?



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    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

EOF is a special value,
distinct from all possible chars

getchar() tries to read char
from stdin

- Success ⇒ returns that char value (within an int)
- Failure ⇒ returns **EOF**



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    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

Assuming $c \neq \text{EOF}$,
we increment
charCount



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    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

We call getchar()
again and recheck
loop condition



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    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

- Eventually getchar() returns EOF
- Loop condition fails
- We call printf() to write final charCount



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    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

- **return statement** returns to calling function
- **return from main()** terminates program

Normal execution \Rightarrow 0 or **EXIT_SUCCESS**
Abnormal execution \Rightarrow **EXIT_FAILURE**



“charcount” Building and Running

```
$ gcc217 charcount.c
$ ls
.          ..      a.out
$ gcc217 charcount.c -o charcount
$ ls
.          ..      a.out      charcount
$
```



“charcount” Building and Running

```
$ gcc217 charcount.c -o charcount
$ ./charcount
Line 1
Line 2
^D
14
$
```

What is this?
What is the effect?



“charcount” Building and Running

```
$ cat somefile  
Line 1  
Line 2  
$ ./charcount < somefile  
14  
$
```

What is this?
What is the effect?



“charcount” Building and Running

```
$ ./charcount > someotherfile  
Line 1  
Line 2  
^D  
$ cat someotherfile  
14  
$
```

What is this?
What is the effect?



“charcount” Build Process in Detail

Question:

- Exactly what happens when you issue the command
`gcc217 charcount.c -o charcount`

Answer: Four steps

- Preprocess
- Compile
- Assemble
- Link



“charcount” Build Process in Detail

The starting point

charcount.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* Write to stdout the number of
   chars in stdin. Return 0. */
int main(void)
{
    int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

- C language
- Missing declarations of `getchar()` and `printf()`
- Missing definitions of `getchar()` and `printf()`



Preprocessing “charcount”

Command to preprocess:

- `gcc217 -E charcount.c > charcount.i`

Preprocessor functionality

- Removes comments
- Handles preprocessor directives



Preprocessing “charcount”

charcount.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* Write to stdout the number of
   chars in stdin. Return 0. */
int main(void)
{   int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {   charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

Preprocessor removes
comment (this is A1!)



Preprocessing “charcount”

charcount.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* Write to stdout the number of
   chars in stdin. Return 0. */
int main(void)
{
    int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != EOF)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

Preprocessor replaces
#include <stdio.h>
with contents of
/usr/include/stdio.h

Preprocessor replaces
EOF with -1



Preprocessing “charcount”

The result

charcount.i

```
...
int getchar();
int printf(char *fmt, ...);
...

int main(void)
{  int c;
   int charCount = 0;
   c = getchar();
   while (c != -1)
   {  charCount++;
      c = getchar();
   }
   printf("%d\n", charCount);
   return 0;
}
```

- C language
- Missing comments
- Missing preprocessor directives
- Contains code from stdio.h:
declarations of getchar() and printf()
- Missing **definitions** of getchar() and printf()
- Contains value for EOF



Compiling “charcount”

Command to compile:

- `gcc217 -S charcount.i`

Compiler functionality

- Translate from C to assembly language
- Use function declarations to check calls of `getchar()` and `printf()`



Compiling “charcount”

charcount.i

```
...
int getchar();
int printf(char *fmt, ...);
...
int main(void)
{
    int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != -1)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

- Compiler sees function declarations
- So compiler has enough information to check subsequent calls of `getchar()` and `printf()`



Compiling “charcount”

charcount.i

```
...
int getchar();
int printf(char *fmt, ...);
...
int main(void)
{
    int c;
    int charCount = 0;
    c = getchar();
    while (c != -1)
    {
        charCount++;
        c = getchar();
    }
    printf("%d\n", charCount);
    return 0;
}
```

- Definition of main() function
- Compiler checks calls of getchar() and printf() when encountered
- Compiler translates to assembly language



Compiling “charcount”

The result:
charcount.s

```
.LC0: .section      .rodata
       .string "%d\n"

       .section      .text
       .global main

main:
       stp    x29, x30, [sp, -32]!
       add    x29, sp, 0
       str    wZR, [x29,24]
       bl     getchar
       str    w0, [x29,28]
       b     .L2

.L3:
       ldr    w0, [x29,24]
       add    w0, w0, 1
       str    w0, [x29,24]
       bl     getchar
       str    w0, [x29,28]

.L2:
       ldr    w0, [x29,28]
       cmn    w0, #1
       bne    .L3
       adrp   x0, .LC0
       add    x0, x0, :lo12:.LC0
       ldr    w1, [x29,24]
       bl     printf
       mov    w0, 0
       ldp    x29, x30, [sp], 32
       ret
```

- Assembly language
- Missing definitions of `getchar()` and `printf()`



Assembling “charcount”

Command to assemble:

- `gcc217 -c charcount.s`

Assembler functionality

- Translate from assembly language to machine language





Assembling “charcount”

The result:

charcount.o

Machine language
version of the
program

No longer human
readable

- Machine language
- Missing definitions of getchar() and printf()



Linking “charcount”

Command to link:

- `gcc217 charcount.o -o charcount`

Linker functionality

- Resolve references within the code
- Fetch machine language code from the standard C library (/usr/lib/libc.a) to make the program complete



Linking “charcount”

The result:

charcount

Machine language
version of the
program

No longer human
readable

- Machine language
- Contains definitions of
getchar() and printf()

Complete! Executable!

iClicker Question

Q: There are other ways to **charcount** – which is best?

A.

```
for (c=getchar(); c!=EOF; c=getchar())
    charCount++;
```

B.

```
while ((c=getchar()) != EOF)
    charCount++;
```

C.

```
for (;;)
{   c = getchar();
    if (c == EOF)
        break;
    charCount++;
}
```

D.

```
c = getchar();
while (c != EOF)
{   charCount++;
    c =
        getchar();
}
```



Example 2: “upper”

Functionality

- Read all chars from stdin
- Convert each lower-case alphabetic char to upper case
 - Leave other kinds of chars alone
- Write result to stdout

stdin

Does this work?
It seems to work.

upper

stdout

DOES THIS WORK?
IT SEEMS TO WORK.



ASCII

American Standard Code for Information Interchange

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	NUL															
16											HT	LF				
32	SP	!	"	#	\$	%	&	'	()	*	+	,	-	.	/
48	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;	<	=	>	?
64	@	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
80	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[\]	^	_
96	`	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
112	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{		}	~	

Partial map

Note: Lower-case and
upper-case letters are 32 apart



“upper” Version 1

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{  int c;
   while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
   {  if ((c >= 97) && (c <= 122))
      c -= 32;
      putchar(c);
   }
   return 0;
}
```

What's wrong?



Character Literals

Examples

'a' the a character
 97 on ASCII systems

'\n' newline
 10 on ASCII systems

'\t' horizontal tab
 9 on ASCII systems

'\\' backslash
 92 on ASCII systems

'\'' single quote
 39 on ASCII systems

'\0' the null character (alias NUL)
 0 on all systems



“upper” Version 2

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{    int c;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    {    if ((c >= 'a') && (c <= 'z'))
        c += 'A' - 'a';
        putchar(c);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Arithmetic
on chars?

What's wrong now?



ctype.h Functions

```
$ man islower
```

NAME

isalnum, isalpha, isascii, isblank, iscntrl, isdigit, isgraph,
islower, isprint, ispunct, isspace, isupper, isxdigit -
character classification routines

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <ctype.h>
int isalnum(int c);
int isalpha(int c);
int isascii(int c);
int isblank(int c);
int iscntrl(int c);
int isdigit(int c);
int isgraph(int c);
int islower(int c); // Function of interest
int isprint(int c);
int ispunct(int c);
int isspace(int c);
int isupper(int c);
int isxdigit(int c);
```

These functions
check whether c
falls into various
character classes



ctype.h Functions

```
$ man toupper
```

NAME

toupper, tolower - convert letter to upper or lower case

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <ctype.h>
int toupper(int c);
int tolower(int c);
```

DESCRIPTION

toupper() converts the letter c to upper case, if possible.

tolower() converts the letter c to lower case, if possible.

If c is not an unsigned char value, or EOF, the behavior of these functions is undefined.

RETURN VALUE

The value returned is that of the converted letter or c if the conversion was not possible.



“upper” Version 3

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
int main(void)
{ int c;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
        { if (islower(c))
            c = toupper(c);
            putchar(c);
        }
    return 0;
}
```

► iClicker Question

Q: Is the **if** statement really necessary?

A. Gee, I don't know.
Let me check
the man page
(again)!

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
int main(void)
{   int c;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    {   if (islower(c))
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```



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Q: Is the **if** statement really necessary?

- A. Yes, necessary for correctness.
- B. Not necessary, but I'd leave it in.
- C. Not necessary, and I'd get rid of it.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
int main(void)
{   int c;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    {   if (islower(c))
        c = toupper(c);
        putchar(c);
    }
    return 0;
}
```



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Example 3: “upper1”

Functionality

- Read all chars from stdin
- Capitalize the first letter of each word
 - “cos 217 rocks” ⇒ “Cos 217 Rocks”
- Write result to stdout

stdin

cos 217 rocks
Does this work?
It seems to work.

upper1

stdout

Cos 217 Rocks
Does This Work?
It Seems To Work.



“upper1” Challenge

Problem

- Must remember where you are
- Capitalize “c” in “cos”, but not “o” in “cos” or “c” in “rocks”

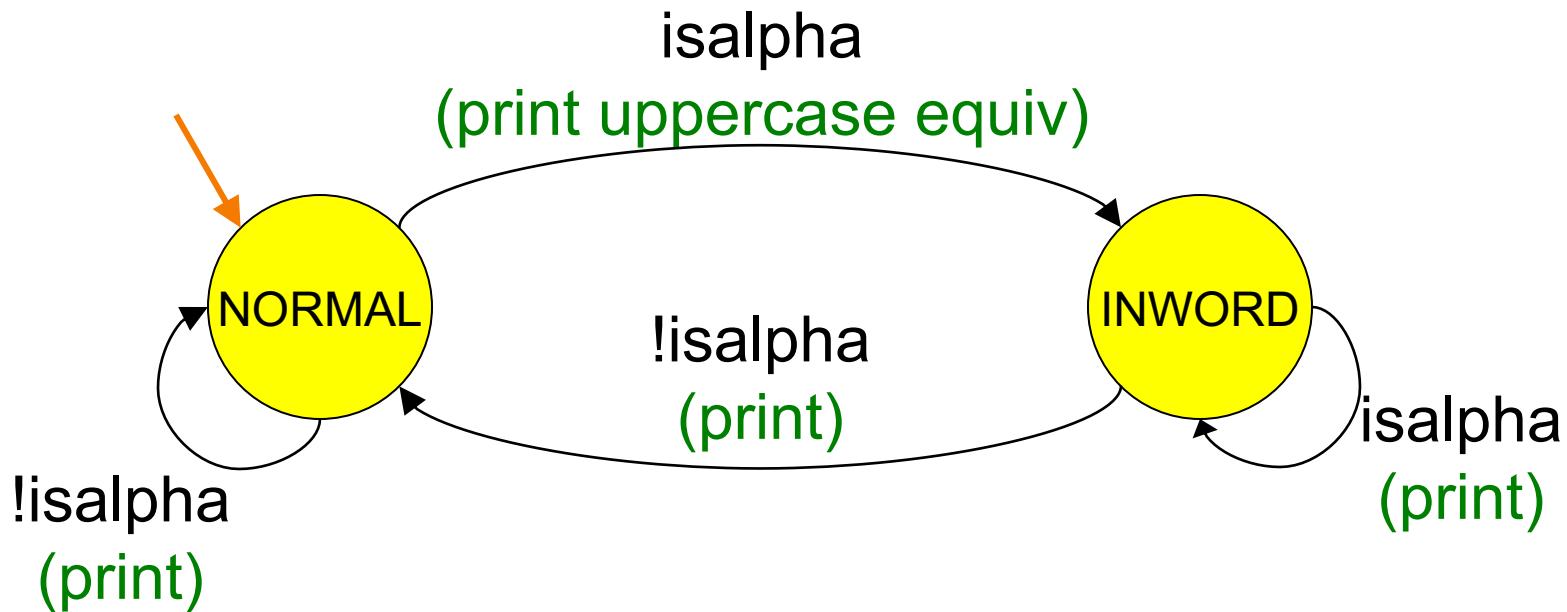
Solution

- Maintain some extra information
- “In a word” vs “not in a word”



Deterministic Finite Automaton

Deterministic Finite State Automaton (DFA)



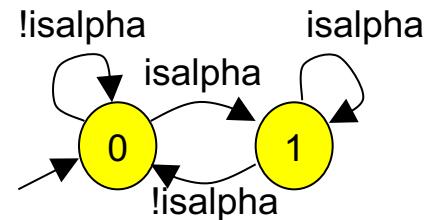
- **States**, one of which denotes the **start**
- **Transitions** labeled by chars or categories
- Optionally, **actions** on transitions



“upper1” Version 1

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
int main(void)
{ int c;
    int state = 0;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    { switch (state)
        { case 0:
            if (isalpha(c))
                { putchar(toupper(c)); state = 1; }
            else
                { putchar(c); state = 0; }
            break;
        case 1:
            if (isalpha(c))
                { putchar(c); state = 1; }
            else
                { putchar(c); state = 0; }
            break;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

That's a B.
What's wrong?





“upper1” Toward Version 2

Problem:

- The program works, but...
- States should have names

Solution:

- Define your own named constants
- `enum Statetype {NORMAL, INWORD};`
 - Define an enumeration type
- `enum Statetype state;`
 - Define a variable of that type



“upper1” Version 2

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
enum Statetype {NORMAL, INWORD};
int main(void)
{ int c;
    enum Statetype state = NORMAL;
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
    { switch (state)
        { case NORMAL:
            if (isalpha(c))
                { putchar(toupper(c)); state = INWORD; }
            else
                { putchar(c); state = NORMAL; }
            break;
        case INWORD:
            if (isalpha(c))
                { putchar(c); state = INWORD; }
            else
                { putchar(c); state = NORMAL; }
            break;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
```

That's a B+.
What's wrong?



“upper1” Toward Version 3

Problem:

- The program works, but...
- Deeply nested statements
- No modularity

Solution:

- Handle each state in a separate function



“upper1” Version 3

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
enum Statetype {NORMAL, INWORD};

enum Statetype handleNormalState(int c)
{ enum Statetype state;
  if (isalpha(c))
  { putchar(toupper(c));
    state = INWORD;
  }
  else
  { putchar(c);
    state = NORMAL;
  }
  return state;
}

enum Statetype handleInwordState(int c)
{ enum Statetype state;
  if (!isalpha(c))
  { putchar(c);
    state = NORMAL;
  }
  else
  { putchar(c);
    state = INWORD;
  }
  return state;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{ int c;
  enum Statetype state = NORMAL;
  while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)
  { switch (state)
    { case NORMAL:
        state = handleNormalState(c);
        break;
      case INWORD:
        state = handleInwordState(c);
        break;
    }
  }
  return 0;
}
```

That's an A-.
What's wrong?



“upper1” Toward Final Version

Problem:

- The program works, but...
- No comments

Solution:

- Add (at least) function-level comments



Function Comments

Function comment should describe

what the function does (from the caller's viewpoint)

- Input to the function
 - Parameters, input streams
- Output from the function
 - Return value, output streams, (call-by-reference parameters)

Function comment should **not** describe

how the function works



Function Comment Examples

Bad main() function comment

Read a character from stdin. Depending upon the current DFA state, pass the character to an appropriate state-handling function. The value returned by the state-handling function is the next DFA state. Repeat until end-of-file.

Describes how the function works

Good main() function comment

Read text from stdin. Convert the first character of each "word" to uppercase, where a word is a sequence of characters. Write the result to stdout. Return 0.

Describes what the function does
(from caller's viewpoint)



“upper1” Final Version

```
/*-----*/  
/* upper1.c */  
/* Author: Bob Dondero */  
/*-----*/  
  
#include <stdio.h>  
#include <ctype.h>  
  
enum Statetype {NORMAL, INWORD};
```

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```
/*-----*/  
  
/* Implement the NORMAL state of the DFA. c is the current  
DFA character. Write c or its uppercase equivalent to  
stdout, as specified by the DFA. Return the next state. */  
  
enum Statetype handleNormalState(int c)  
{  enum Statetype state;  
  if (isalpha(c))  
  {    putchar(toupper(c));  
    state = INWORD;  
  }  
  else  
  {    putchar(c);  
    state = NORMAL;  
  }  
  return state;  
}
```

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```
/*-----*/  
  
/* Implement the INWORD state of the DFA. c is the current  
DFA character. Write c to stdout, as specified by the DFA.  
Return the next state. */  
  
enum Statetype handleInwordState(int c)  
{  enum Statetype state;  
  if (!isalpha(c))  
  {    putchar(c);  
    state = NORMAL;  
  }  
  else  
  {    putchar(c);  
    state = INWORD;  
  }  
  return state;  
}
```

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“upper1” Final Version

```
/*-----*/  
  
/* Read text from stdin. Convert the first character of each  
 "word" to uppercase, where a word is a sequence of  
 letters. Write the result to stdout. Return 0. */  
  
int main(void)  
{  int c;  
    /* Use a DFA approach.  state indicates the DFA state. */  
    enum Statetype state = NORMAL;  
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF)  
    {  switch (state)  
        {  case NORMAL:  
            state = handleNormalState(c);  
            break;  
        case INWORD:  
            state = handleInwordState(c);  
            break;  
        }  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```



Review of Example 3

Deterministic finite-state automaton

- Two or more states
- Transitions between states
 - Next state is a function of current state and current character
 - Actions can occur during transitions

Expectations for COS 217 assignments

- Readable
 - Meaningful names for variables, constants, and literals
 - Reasonable max nesting depth
- Modular
 - Multiple functions, each with 1 well-defined job
- Function-level comments
 - Should describe what function does
- See K&P book for style guidelines specification



Agenda

Getting started with C

- History of C
- Building and running C programs
- Characteristics of C

Three Simple C Programs

- charcount (loops, standard input)
 - 4-stage build process
- upper (character data, ctype library)
 - portability concerns
- upper1 (switch statements, enums, functions)
 - DFA program design

Java versus C Details

- **For initial cram and/or later reference**



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	\$ javac Hello.java	\$ gcc217 hello.c -o hello
Running	\$ java Hello hello, world \$	\$./hello hello, world \$



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, signed) char</code> <code>(unsigned, signed) short</code> <code>(unsigned, signed) int</code> <code>(unsigned, signed) 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 0 and non-0 */</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>



Java vs. C: Details

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



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



Java vs. C: Details

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

* Essentially the same in the two languages



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>

* Essentially the same in the two languages



Java vs. C: Details

	Java	C
return stmt *	<code>return 5; return;</code>	<code>return 5; return;</code>
Compound stmt (aka: 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



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;
}
```