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Crash Course in C

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Announcements

- Assignments will be submitted on CourSys.
  - We are not using Canvas
- No required textbooks for this class
- Optional additional references
  - http://www.cplusplus.com/
  - https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/C++_Programming
  - Stephen Prata, “C++ Primer Plus,” *Addison-Wesley Professional, 6th edition.*

Lecture 2

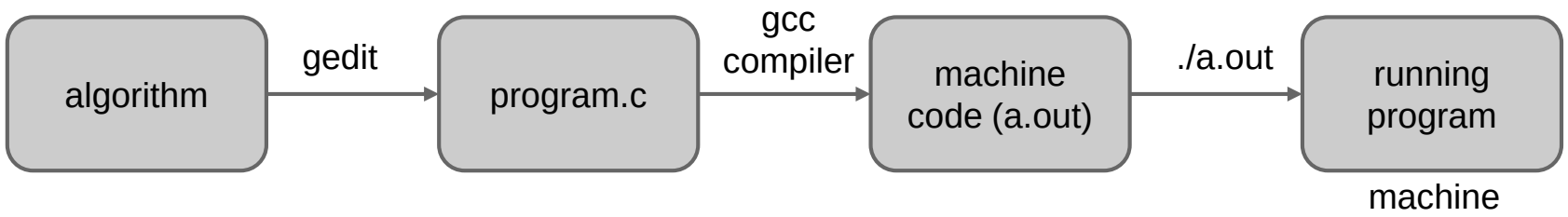
Today:

- The compilation process
- Differences between Python and C
- Variable declaration and strong typing
- The memory model: data vs. address

The Compilation Process

In Python:

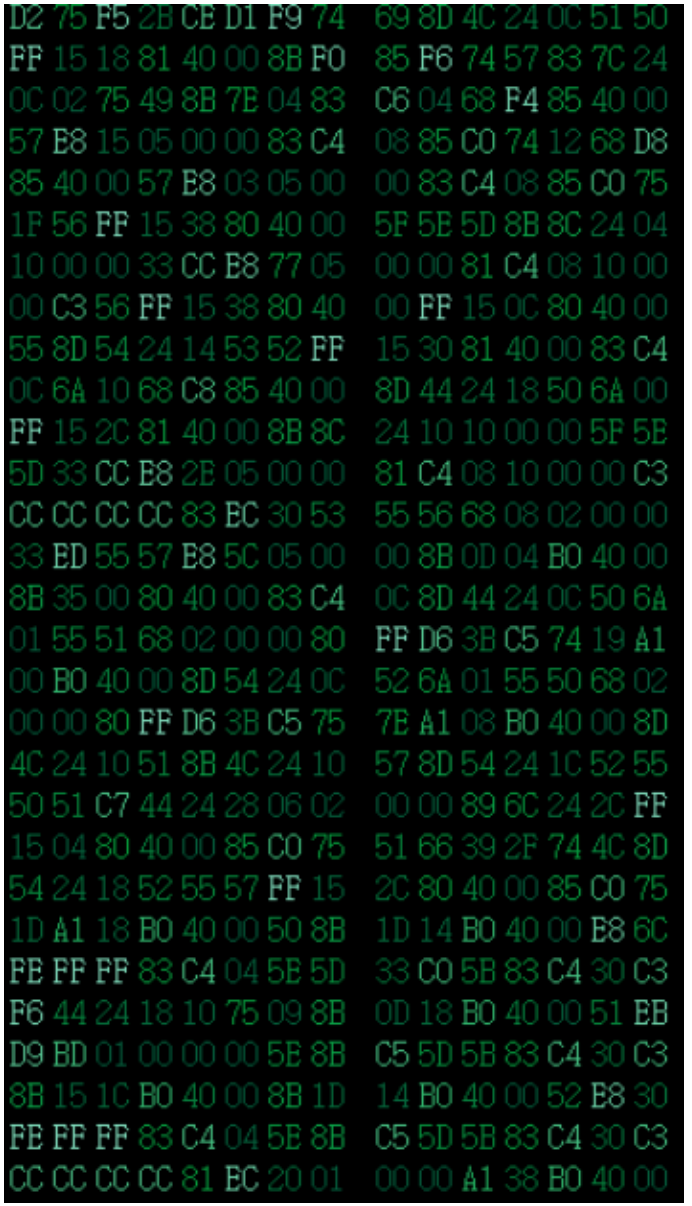
But in C, there is an extra step:



- Interpreter simulates one instruction at a time
- Compiler translates entire program in advance

Machine Language

- A *machine language* can be processed directly by a computer
  - A program is a sequence of instructions
  - Each instruction code (*opcode*) is represented by a number
  - No variable names or subroutine names in machine language!
- Each number is represented in binary
- Machine languages are very hard for humans to write and understand



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I made these up

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0000	00	0
0001	01	1
0010	02	2
0011	03	3
0100	04	4
0101	05	5
0110	06	6
0111	07	7
1000	08	8
1001	09	9
1010	10	A
1011	11	B
1100	12	C
1101	13	D
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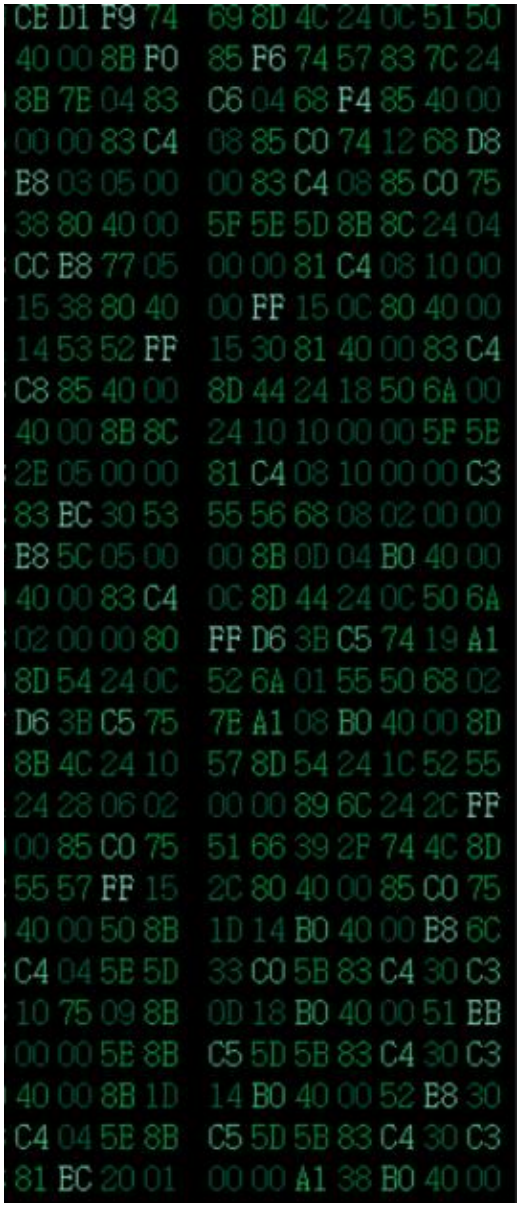

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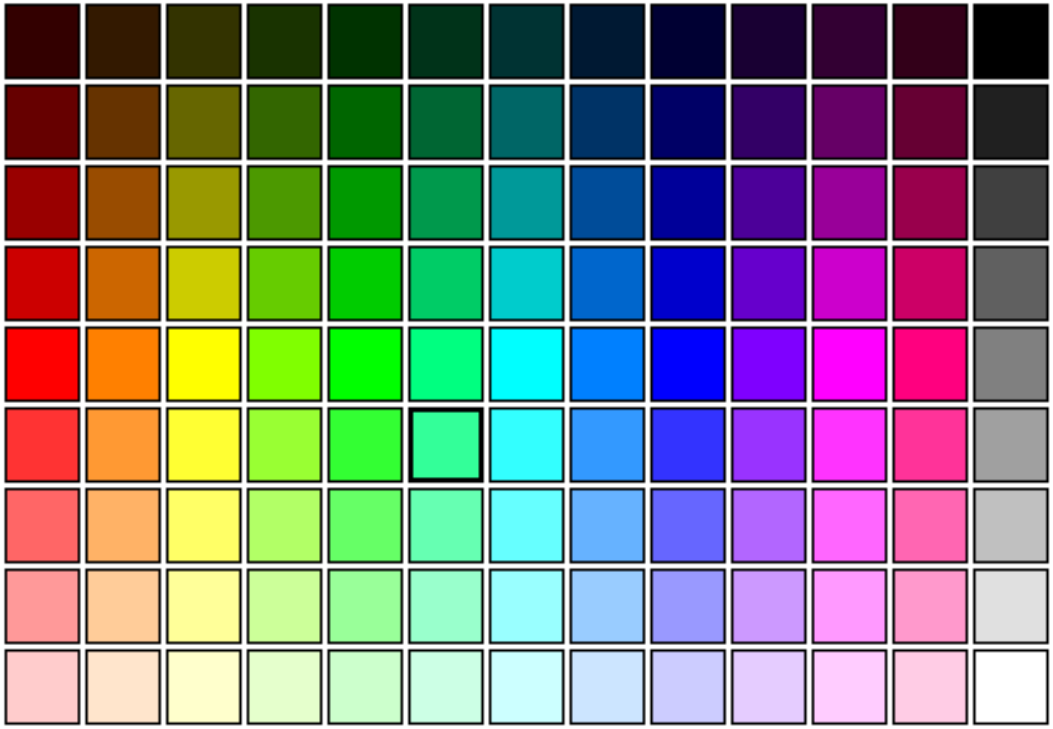


Hex: # 33FF99

Red: 51

Green: 255

Blue: 153

https://www.rapidtables.com/web/color/RGB_Color.html

Assembly Language

- A high-level language compared to machine languages, but lower-level compared to C
- Abstract operation codes as mnemonics
- Abstract memory addresses as labels (variable names)
- An *assembler* translates mnemonics and labels into machine language

```
            .section
            __TEXT,__text,regular,pure_instructions
            .globl      _main
            .align      4, 0x90
_main:                                              ##
@main
            .cfi_startproc
## BB#0:
            pushq       %rbp
Ltmp2:
            .cfi_def_cfa_offset 16
Ltmp3:
            .cfi_offset %rbp, -16
            movq        %rsp, %rbp
Ltmp4:
            .cfi_def_cfa_register %rbp
            subq        $16, %rsp
            leaq        L_.str(%rip), %rdi
            movl        $0, -4(%rbp)
            movb        $0, %al
            callq       _printf
            movl        $0, %ecx
            movl        %eax, -8(%rbp)          ##
4-byte Spill
            movl        %ecx, %eax
            addq        $16, %rsp
            popq        %rbp
            ret
            .cfi_endproc

            .section
            __TEXT,__cstring,cstring_literals
L_.str:                                             ##
@.str
            .asciz      "Hello World!\n"


.subsections_via_symbols
```

Assembly for “Hello World!” program

Language Translators

- Python's *interpreter* speaks to the machine
  - translate and run instructions one at a time
- C code is *compiled* using gcc
  - translate all instructions before running
  - faster performance at run time
  - no interactive interpreter in C
- Programming languages are formal and lack the richness of human languages
  - If a program is nearly, but not quite, syntactically correct, then it will not compile
  - The compiler will not "figure it out"

Differences Between Python and C

- Python
  - print arg1, . . .
  - arg1 = raw_input()
  - int, float, str, bool
  - variables declared during execution
  - and, or, not
  - if-elif-else
  - for i in range(n)
  - indented blocks
  - lists may grow/shrink
- C
  - printf(format, arg1, . . .)
  - scanf(format, &arg1, . . .)
  - int, float, char
  - variables declared at compile time (strong vars)
  - &&, ||, !
  - if { } else if { } else { }
  - for (i = 0; i < n; i++) { }
  - { blocks in curly braces }
  - arrays are fixed in size

Variable Declaration

In C programs, you must declare your variables before using them.

```
int main ( ) {
    int a = 5;
    int b = 17;
    printf("The sum of %d + %d is %d\n", a, b, a+b);
}
```

The code `int a = 5` declares that you will use an `int`eger variable named "`a`", which has an initial value of `5`

Strong Typing

- In C, you can't change the type of a variable
  - Once an `int`, always an `int`
  - It is possible to change types in Python
- gcc reserves space for your variables in memory
  - Usually 4 bytes for an `int` or a `float`
  - Usually 8 bytes for a `long long` or a `double`
  - Usually 1 **byte** for a `char`

8 bits (binary digits), e.g. 1000 1011

- 2^8 possible characters
- 2^{32} possible `integers`
- 2^{64} possible `double` precision floating point numbers

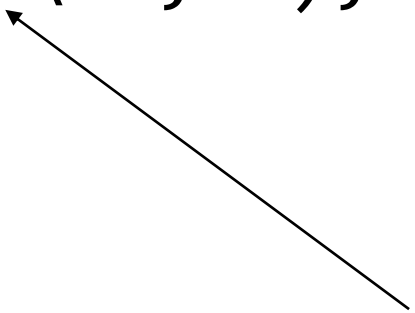
Printing Characters

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    char c = ‘0’;
    printf(“%c\n”, c);
}
```

Output:

```
0
```



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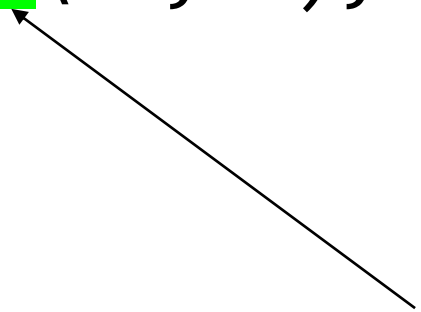

Interpret the variable `c` as a **decimal integer**

Output:

```
48
```

Dec	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	0	000	NUL (null)	32	20	040		Space	64	40	100	@	@	96	60	140	`	`
1	1	001	SOH (start of heading)	33	21	041	!	!	65	41	101	A	A	97	61	141	a	a
2	2	002	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	"	"	66	42	102	B	B	98	62	142	b	b
3	3	003	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	#	#	67	43	103	C	C	99	63	143	c	c
4	4	004	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	$	$	68	44	104	D	D	100	64	144	d	d
5	5	005	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	%	%	69	45	105	E	E	101	65	145	e	e
6	6	006	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	&	&	70	46	106	F	F	102	66	146	f	f
7	7	007	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	'	'	71	47	107	G	G	103	67	147	g	g
8	8	010	BS (backspace)	40	28	050	(	(	72	48	110	H	H	104	68	150	h	h
9	9	011	TAB (horizontal tab)	41	29	051	)	)	73	49	111	I	I	105	69	151	i	i
10	A	012	LF (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	*	*	74	4A	112	J	J	106	6A	152	j	j
11	B	013	VT (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	+	+	75	4B	113	K	K	107	6B	153	k	k
12	C	014	FF (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	,	,	76	4C	114	L	L	108	6C	154	l	l
13	D	015	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	-	-	77	4D	115	M	M	109	6D	155	m	m
14	E	016	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	.	.	78	4E	116	N	N	110	6E	156	n	n
15	F	017	SI (shift in)	47	2F	057	/	/	79	4F	117	O	O	111	6F	157	o	o
16	10	020	DLE (data link escape)	48	30	060	0	0	80	50	120	P	P	112	70	160	p	p
17	11	021	DC1 (device control 1)	49	31	061	1	1	81	51	121	Q	Q	113	71	161	q	q
18	12	022	DC2 (device control 2)	50	32	062	2	2	82	52	122	R	R	114	72	162	r	r
19	13	023	DC3 (device control 3)	51	33	063	3	3	83	53	123	S	S	115	73	163	s	s
20	14	024	DC4 (device control 4)	52	34	064	4	4	84	54	124	T	T	116	74	164	t	t
21	15	025	NAK (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	5	5	85	55	125	U	U	117	75	165	u	u
22	16	026	SYN (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	6	6	86	56	126	V	V	118	76	166	v	v
23	17	027	ETB (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	7	7	87	57	127	W	W	119	77	167	w	w
24	18	030	CAN (cancel)	56	38	070	8	8	88	58	130	X	X	120	78	170	x	x
25	19	031	EM (end of medium)	57	39	071	9	9	89	59	131	Y	Y	121	79	171	y	y
26	1A	032	SUB (substitute)	58	3A	072	:	:	90	5A	132	Z	Z	122	7A	172	z	z
27	1B	033	ESC (escape)	59	3B	073	;	;	91	5B	133	[	[	123	7B	173	{	{
28	1C	034	FS (file separator)	60	3C	074	<	<	92	5C	134	\	\	124	7C	174			|
29	1D	035	GS (group separator)	61	3D	075	=	=	93	5D	135	]	]	125	7D	175	}	}
30	1E	036	RS (record separator)	62	3E	076	>	>	94	5E	136	^	^	126	7E	176	~	~
31	1F	037	US (unit separator)	63	3F	077	?	?	95	5F	137	_	_	127	7F	177	&#127;	DEL

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Memory Model

- Each var stored in a unique memory location
  - its *address*
  - represented by a number (an integer, usually)
- Thus a variable is composed of 3 things:
  - its type
  - its value
  - its address
- Some programs need the address explicitly
  - Addresses can be stored in variables
    - A variable that contains the address of another variable is called a *pointer*

Using an Address

```
#include <stdio.h>


int main ( ) {
        int a = 0, b = 0;
        scanf("%d", &a);
        scanf("%d", &b);
        printf("The sum of %d + %d is %d\n", a, b, a+b);
}
```

- The input function `scanf()` needs to know *where* to store the input integer
- "`&a`" represents the address of `a`