

# Computer Science I

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## Rules and regulations

1. This class is divided into lectures and obligatory laboratory classes.
2. Grading is done using a 0 to 100 point scale.
  - a. 60 points for 2 lecture tests worth 30 points each
  - b. 40 points for laboratories.
    - i. Laboratory grading is to be established by the lab teacher.
3. A passing mark is given only, if student obtained a minimum number of points, i.e.:
  - a. 21 points from the laboratories,
  - b. 31 points from both lecture tests

Failing to achieve the minimum number of points results in a failing grade (2).
4. In case a minimum requirements, outlined in point 3, are passed, the final grade is calculated as follows:
  - a. 0-50: 2.0
  - b. 51-60: 3.0
  - c. 61-70: 3.5
  - d. 71-80: 4.0
  - e. 81-90: 4.5
  - f. 91-100: 5.0
5. The dead line for collecting points is the last day of the semester. After the last day of the semester the grade becomes final. There will be no corrections
6. Laboratory attendance is obligatory. Each absence needs to be excused, e.g. with a medical leave. Failing to do so results in deduction of 3 points.
7. Laboratory groups are formed based on the dean's office list enumeration.
  - a. 1-12 room 120
  - b. 13-24 room A3
  - c. 25 and higher will be assigned to an additional group
8. On the last lecture there will be an additional, correction test worth 50 points.
  - a. If better, the mark of the correction test replaces results of both lecture tests.
  - b. To be eligible for the correction test:
    - i. At least one of the lecture tests must be passed with more than 50% (16 points).
    - ii. Laboratory homework assignment must be passed.
    - iii. Student must be present at at least 8 lectures.



## Resources

- Internet
- C / C++ programming tutorials
- Stack Overflow
- c / C++ reference online
- Google, Bing, Duck Duck Go
- Visual Studio 2015 Community or Visual Studio 2013
- It is like push-ups, you need practice, not books!

# Programming

- Act of writing instructions enabling the computer to perform desired tasks
- Ada Lovelace (1815 - 1852) - The first programmer



Source: Wikipedia, Science Museum / Science & Society Picture

Library



## C language

- Dennis Ritchie AT&T Bell Laboratories - 1972
- The C Programming Language - first specification - 1978
- 1989: ANSI C89, 1990: ISO C90
- 1999: C99 standard
- Still in use, and here to stay for a while
  - Wide range of applications. OS, microcontrollers, ATM systems ...
  - Efficiency and performance
  - Provides low level access
  - Influenced C++, Obj. C, C#, Java, ...



## First program

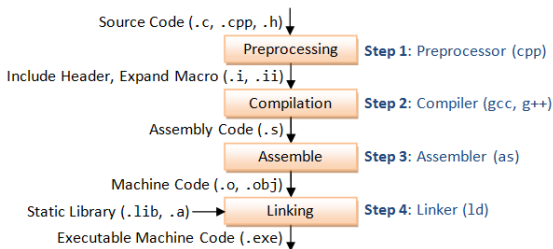
- Text file with `.c` extension (or `.cpp` ...)
- Edit with your favourite text editor (or ...)
- `//` this is a single line comment, this will not be processed
- `/*` this is a multi line comment, will not be processed `*/`

```
1  /* Start with a short description of the program */
2  #include <stdio.h> //Append the I/O library
3
4  int main()
5  {
6      printf("Hello students!!\n");
7  }
```

- `#` lines starting with a hash are preprocessor directives. We will be seeing them.
- There has to be exactly one main function!
- Watch brackets!!
- (Almost) all instructions end with a semicolon ;

# Compile and Run

```
$ gcc hello.c
```



In the end a.out

```
$ gcc -Wall hello.c -o hello.out
```

Can get pretty long ...



# Basic C elements

## Allowable characters

- a-z - lower case letters
- A-Z - upper case letters - different!
- 0-9 - digits
- (), [], - brackets
- +, -, \*, /, % - operations
- !, |, =, <
- &, @, ., ,, :, ;, ', ", #,
- There will be more!



# Basic C elements

## Keywords

auto  
breach  
case  
char  
const  
continue  
default  
do

double  
else  
enum  
extern  
float  
for  
goto  
if

int  
long  
register  
return  
short  
signed  
sizeof  
static

struct  
switch  
typedef  
union  
unsigned  
void  
volatile  
while



# Basic C elements

## User defined names

- Function names, variables, constants ...
- Any sequence of letters, digits and an underscore
- First character must be a letter
- Can not be a keyword
- ax123(), x1(), dominateTheWorld(), RuleGalaxy111(), ...
- Customary to start with a lower case letter

## Comments - ignored by the compiler

Use comments:

- to explain the code
- to describe what is done
- as notes
- for fun

```
1  /* This is a multi-line
2     comment.
3     It can go on
4     through many lines until this: */
5
6  // This is a single line comment, it stretches until the end of
7     line. If there is no "new line" and the line is folded, it
8     is still a single line.
9
10 // sometimes I believe compiler ignores all my comments
```



## Comments Real life example

Comment found in one of the Stack Overflow as a warning ...

```
1 //  
2 // Dear maintainer:  
3 //  
4 // Once you are done trying to 'optimize' this routine,  
5 // and have realized what a terrible mistake that was,  
6 // please increment the following counter as a warning  
7 // to the next guy:  
8 //  
9 // total_hours_wasted_here = 42  
10 //
```



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6  int a=5; // Definition of global variables if needed. Not
   mandatory, more later.
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## Headers

```
1  /* Description - not mandatory but polite*/  
2  #include <stdio.h>  
3  #include "myheader.h"
```

- Header files contain constants, functions, other declarations
- System or user generated
- `#include <stdio.h>` - read the contents of the header file `stdio.h`
- `stdio.h`: standard input/output for console and files
- `#include <stdio.h>` - look for system headers
- `#include "mygreatestheader.h"` - look for user generated headers in `./`



# Functions

```
1
2 int sum_ints(int a, int b); //A prototype end with semicolon
3
4 //type name (arguments)
5 int main(void) // main can have arguments
6 {
7     return 0; // main is special!
8 }
9
10 //this function is of integer type
11 int sum_ints(int a, int b) //it accepts two arguments of integer
    type
12 {
13     return a+b; // since it has a type it must have a return.
14 }
```