CPSC 219
Introduction to Computer Science for Multidisciplinary Studies II

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Lecture 01 Summary

- Administrivia
- Expectations
- Purpose of Programming
- Course Goals & Objectives
- Interpreters vs. Compilers
- Syntax Errors vs. Semantic Errors

Administrivia

Office Hours

- MS 616
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Textbooks

- Head First Java, 2nd Edition (required)
  Kathy Sierra and Bert Bates (*O'Reilly & Associates*)
- C Programming Language (recommended)
  Brian Kernighan and Dennis Ritchie (*Prentice Hall*)

Grading

- Assignments (50 %)
- Midterm (25 %)
- Final (25 %)

Assignments

Assignment #	Weight	Due Date
1	5%	Friday, Feb 6
2	7.5%	Friday, Feb 20
3	15%	Friday, Mar 13
4	15%	Friday, Apr 3
5	7.5%	Friday, Apr 17

Academic Misconduct

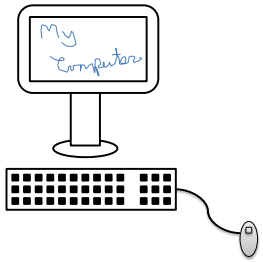
- Working together vs. plagiarism

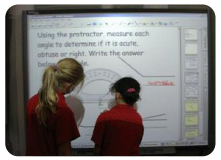
Expectations

Purpose of Programming

By the end of this 30 minute section, you will be able to identify two different uses of a computer program, outside of the field of Computer Science.

Activity: Draw a computer





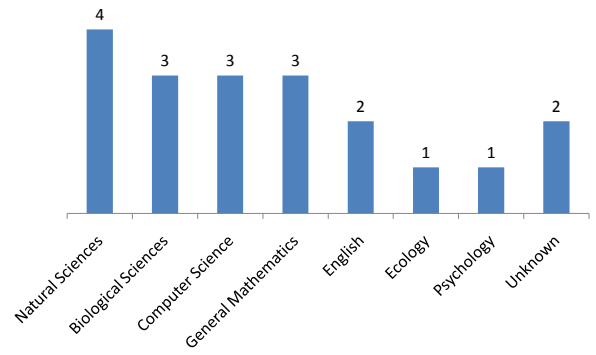
Elements of a Program

- Input
  - Sources: people, internet, weather, cameras, etc.
- Sequence of steps
  - Magic happens
- Output
  - Display the result: on a screen, as sound, etc.

Example Program

Tip Calculator:

- Input
  - Bill and tip amount entered by person
- Sequence of steps
  - Magic happens
- Output
  - Amount of tip displayed on screen



In pairs, describe two possible computer programs (one in each person's discipline).

Example Program

Tip Calculator:

- Input
  - Bill and tip amount entered by person
- Sequence of steps
  - Magic happens
- Output
  - Amount of tip displayed on screen

Course Goals & Objectives

How do we get the computer to perform a sequence of steps on a particular input to produce some sort of useful output?

How do we solve problems with a computer program?

Can we make this sequence of steps be reusable by someone else looking to solve a similar problem?

How do we ensure that our program does what we want it to do?

Change the way we think about this process:
Object-Oriented Programming

Course Goals

- This course aims to help the student develop an awareness of:
  - how *objects* can be used as a basis for solving problems;
  - how to implement solutions using an *object-oriented language*;
  - how to apply *object-oriented* problem-solving techniques to scientific areas of study;
  - the nature of *objects* and their relationship to information and information processing; and
  - how to develop solutions which exhibit elements of good style.

Course Objectives

- By the end of this course students should be able to:
  - analyse problems using an *object-oriented* framework;
  - design and implement solutions using *object-oriented* concepts:
    - *encapsulation*
    - *inheritance*
    - *polymorphism*;
  - create and execute *unit tests* on implemented solutions; and
  - evaluate the *quality* of program designs.

Programming Languages: C and Java

What "language" does the computer use to execute a sequence of steps?

Machine Code

"Machine code or machine language is a system of instructions and data executed directly by a computer's **central processing unit**."

Source: Wikipedia

Each CPU has its own **instruction set**.

- Arithmetic: add, subtract, multiply, divide
- Move data from place to place
- Control flow: e.g., if, goto, call a function
- Logic: and, or, not, exclusive or (XOR)

Machine Code Example

Instruction: add registers 1 and 2 and place the result in register 6 (MIPS architecture)

0	1	2	6	0	32	Decimal
000000	000001	000010	00110	000000	100000	Binary

Assembly Language

One-to-one mapping from machine code to "human-readable" instruction.

Assembly Language

Motorola 68000 CPU:

- `ADD`: add two operands together and store the result in the destination operand
- `MULU`: multiplies a 16-bit data register by a 16-bit effective address operand leaving the 32-bit result in the data register
- `MOVE`: Copies a byte (8 bits), word (16 bits) or long word (32 bits) from one effective address to another

Assembly Language Example

Evaluate the equation: A2 = A0 * A1 + A3

```
lea $1000, A0
lea $1004, A1
lea $1008, A2
lea $100A, A3
move.l (A0), D0
move.l (A1), D1
mulu D0, D1
move.l (A3), D0
add.l D1, D0
move.l D0, (A2)
```


How would you write a program that evaluates that equation in Python?

Equation: A2 = A0 * A1 + A3


```
A2 = A0 * A1 + A3
```


Summary

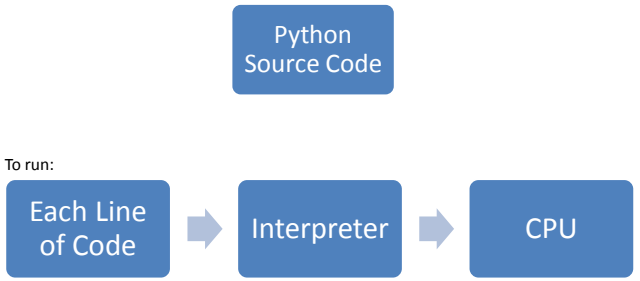
- Machine code is a set of binary instructions specific to a CPU
- Assembly language is a one-to-one mapping from machine instructions to "human-readable" instructions
- Reading and writing code in a language like Python is **much** easier

Interpreters vs. Compilers

By the end of this 30 minute section, you will be able to describe the steps necessary to run a compiled program.

Can the CPU understand Python (or C/Java)? Why/why not?

Interpreters

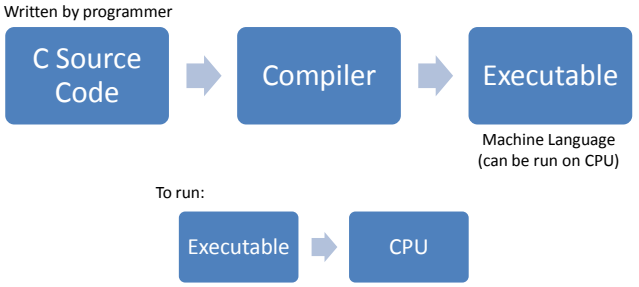


Steps required

- Write the source code in a text file
  - E.g., HelloWorld.py
- Run the program
  - Execute the following command (e.g., in Unix):

```
python HelloWorld.py
```


Compilers



Steps required

- Write the source code in a text file
  - E.g., HelloWorld.c
- Compile the source code
  - Execute the following command (e.g.):

```
gcc HelloWorld.c
```

- Run the program
  - Execute the following command (e.g., in Unix):

```
./a.out
```


Demo

Java is a compiled language. What steps are necessary to run a program written in Java?

Steps

- Write the source code in a text file
  - E.g., HelloWorld.java
- Compile the source code
  - Execute the following command (e.g.):

```
javac HelloWorld.java
```

- Run the program
  - Execute the following command (e.g.):

```
java HelloWorld
```


Why not learn one language and use it for everything?

In this course

- Pointers:
  - Assembly language
  - **C**
- Abstract Data Types:
  - Python
  - **Java**

Syntax Errors vs. Semantic Errors

By the end of this 15 minute section, you will be able to distinguish between a syntax error and a semantic error.

With a natural language (e.g., English), what is the difference between syntax and semantics?

Syntax error in English:

- "I accidentally the whole class."

Semantic error in English:

- "I've been alive for five light years."

Syntax Error

- An error caused by incorrect use of the syntax of the programming language
- Result:
  - Compiled language?
  - Interpreted language?

Syntax Error: Example

Semantic Error

- An error caused by code which may be readable by the computer, but has incorrect logic
- Result:
  - Compiled language?
  - Interpreted language?

Semantic Error: Example

Python

```
def addInts(a, b):
  return a + b

x = addInts(10, 20)

print "x = %i\n" % x

y = addInts(200, "Hello")
```

C

```
int addInts(int a, int b)
{
    return a + b;
}

int main()
{
    int x;
    int y;
    x = addInts(10, 20);
    printf("x = %d\n", x);
    y = addInts(200,
  "Hello");
}
```

Find the errors

```
a = [1, 2, 3, 4]

i = 0
while i < 4
  i=i+1
  print a[i]
```


One way to fix

```
a = [1, 2, 3, 4]

i = 0
while i < 4:
  print a[i]
  i=i+1
```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Next Class

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