

Introduction

Computer Science I

Debugging

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Useful GDB Commands

- Refresh the display: refresh (or control-L)
- Run your program: run
- See your code: layout next
- Set a break point: break POINT, can be a line number, function name, etc.
- Step: next (n for short)
- Continue (to next break point): continue
- Print a variable's value: print VARIABLE
- Print an array: print *arr@len
- Watch a variable for changes: watch VARIABLE



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