

Elements of Computer Programming

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Objectives

- At the end of this lecture, student will be able to
 - identify categories of programming languages
 - identify the tools used for software development
 - explain the method of creating a computer program
 - use top-down approach to software development



Contents

- Categories of Programming Languages
- Tools Used to Develop a Computer Program
- Execution of a C Program Using an IDE
- Top-Down Approach



Programming

- Program
 - A well-defined set of instructions
- Programming
 - Process of writing instructions in a language for a computer to solve a specific task
- Programming languages
 - Medium of communication between the man and the machine



Categories of Programming Languages

- Machine language
 - Easily understood by the machine
 - 0 and 1
 - Tedious for programmers
- Assembly Language
 - Mnemonics (“add”, “sub”, etc.)
- High Level Languages
 - High Level Language Instructions (closer to English)



High Level Language - C

```
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int fact(int n){
    int i;
    int ret = 1;
    if(n<0){
        return -1;
    }
    for(i=2;i<=n;i++)
    {
        ret = ret * i;
    }
    return ret;
}
```



Assembly Language

```
fact:
.LFB0:
    .cfi_startproc
    pushl   %ebp
    .cfi_def_cfa_offset 8
    .cfi_offset 5, -8
    movl    %esp, %ebp
    .cfi_def_cfa_register 5
    subl    $16, %esp
    movl    $1, -8(%ebp)
    cmpl    $0, 8(%ebp)
    jns     .L2
    movl    $-1, %eax
    jmp     .L3
.L2:
    movl    $2, -4(%ebp)
    jmp     .L4
.L5:
    movl    -8(%ebp), %eax
    imull   -4(%ebp), %eax
    movl    %eax, -8(%ebp)
    addl    $1, -4(%ebp)
.L4:
    movl    -4(%ebp), %eax
    cmpl    8(%ebp), %eax
    jle     .L5
    movl    -8(%ebp), %eax
.L3:
    leave
    .cfi_restore 5
    .cfi_def_cfa 4, 4
    ret
    .cfi_endproc
.LFE0:
    .size   fact, .-fact
    .section      .rodata
.LC0:
    .string "Factorial of %d is %d\n"
    .text
    .globl  main
    .type   main, @function
```



Machine Language

```

00000000 7f 45 4c 46 01 01 01 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .ELF.....
00000010 02 00 03 00 01 00 00 00 30 83 04 08 34 00 00 00 .....0...4...
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Tools Used to Develop a Computer Program



Compiler/Interpreter

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```



Compiler

- Translates High Level Language programs to Operational Codes at one go
- Compiled programs run faster as there is no translation during runtime
- Example: gcc (GNU C Compiler)



Interpreter



Interpreter

- Reads High Level Language programs line by line and executes their equivalent operational codes
- The process of interpretation makes the program execution slower
- Example:
 - Java Virtual Machine: Works on object code generated by Java compiler



Assembler

- Reads assembly language programs and translates into machine language
- Example:
 - TASM (Turbo ASseMbler)



Debugger

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Debugger

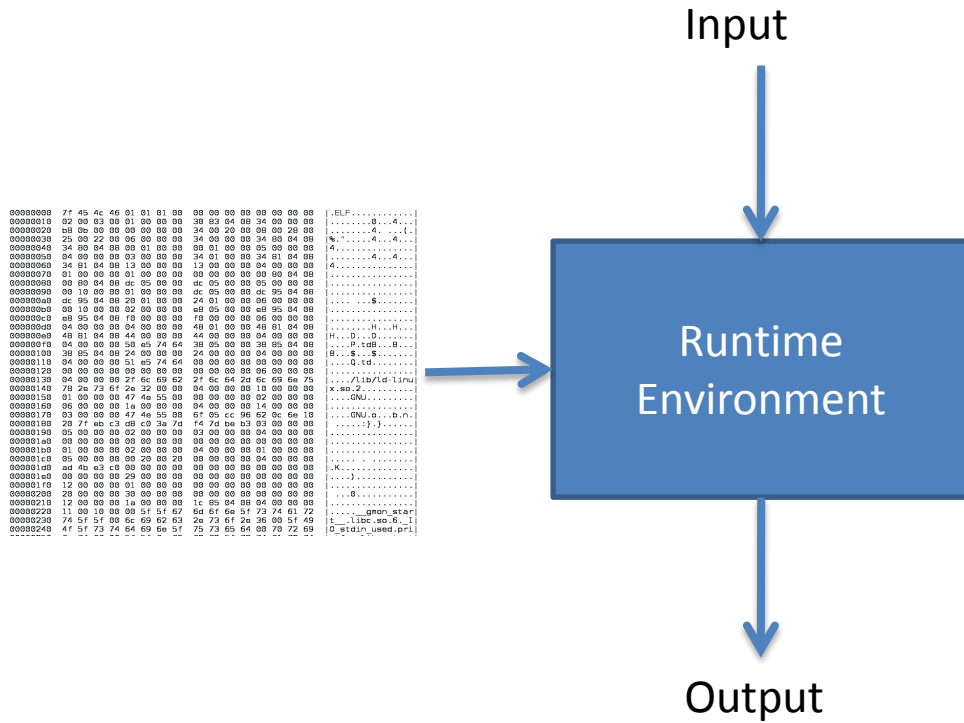


Debugger

- Used for checking the run time condition of code
- Variable values during execution can be evaluated
- Useful in finding and removing 'bugs'(errors in logic that cause unwanted results)
- Example: gdb (GNU Debugger)



Runtime Environment



Runtime Environment

- The environment where the compiled or interpreted code executes
- Consists of
 - a set of support libraries
 - operating system loader and scheduler
 - or
 - a program that starts the execution of the developed program



Runtime Environment

```
vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE: ~/NetBeansPr  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE:~/NetBeansProjects/Factorial$ locate libc.so.6  
/lib/i386-linux-gnu/libc.so.6  
/lib/i386-linux-gnu/i686/cmov/libc.so.6  
vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE:~/NetBeansProjects/Factorial$ gcc -o Factorial Factorial.c  
vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE:~/NetBeansProjects/Factorial$ ./Factorial  
Factorial of 4 is 24  
vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE:~/NetBeansProjects/Factorial$
```

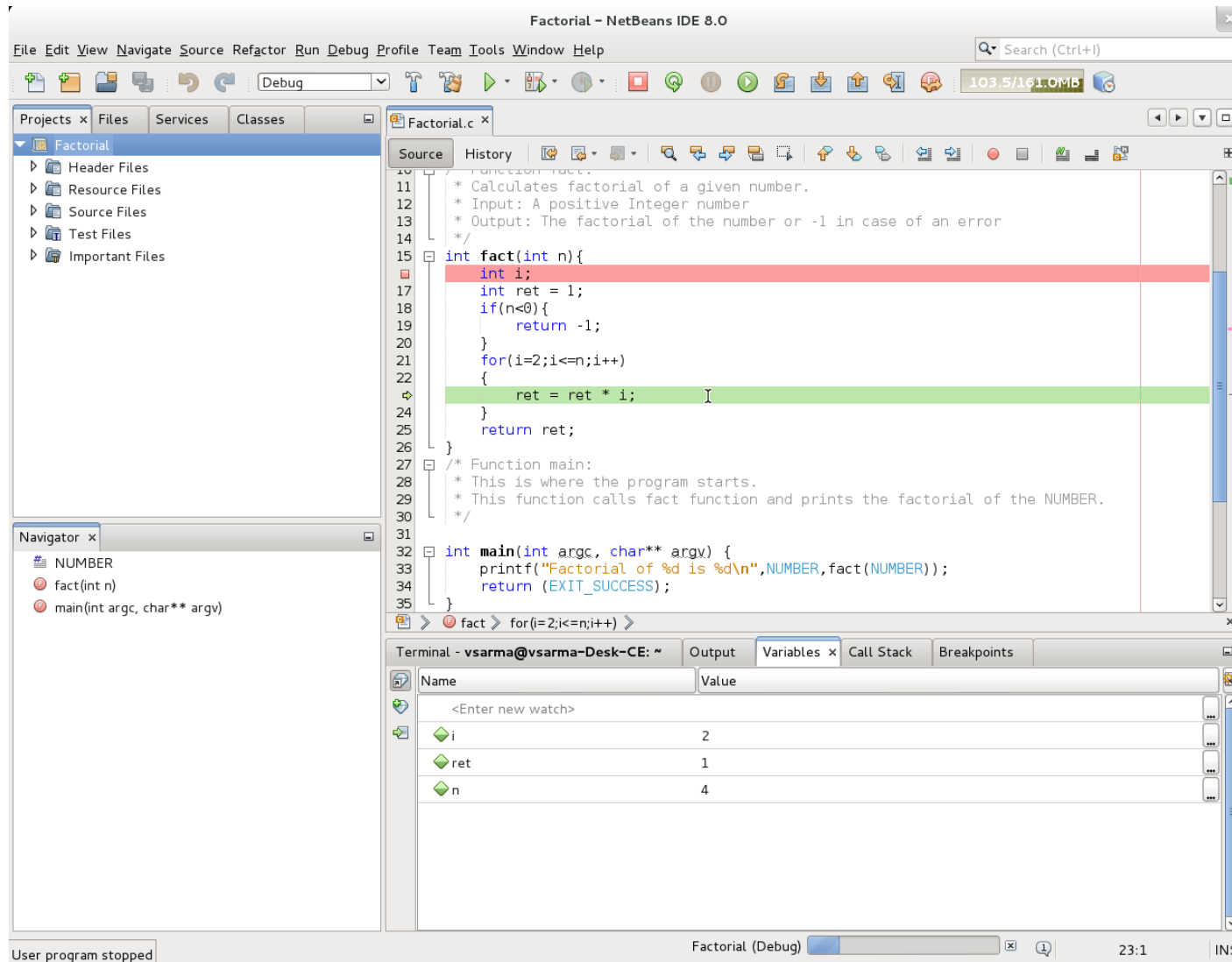


Integrated Development Environment

- One tool that integrates compiler/interpreter, debugger and runtime environment in a user friendly interface
- Example: Netbeans

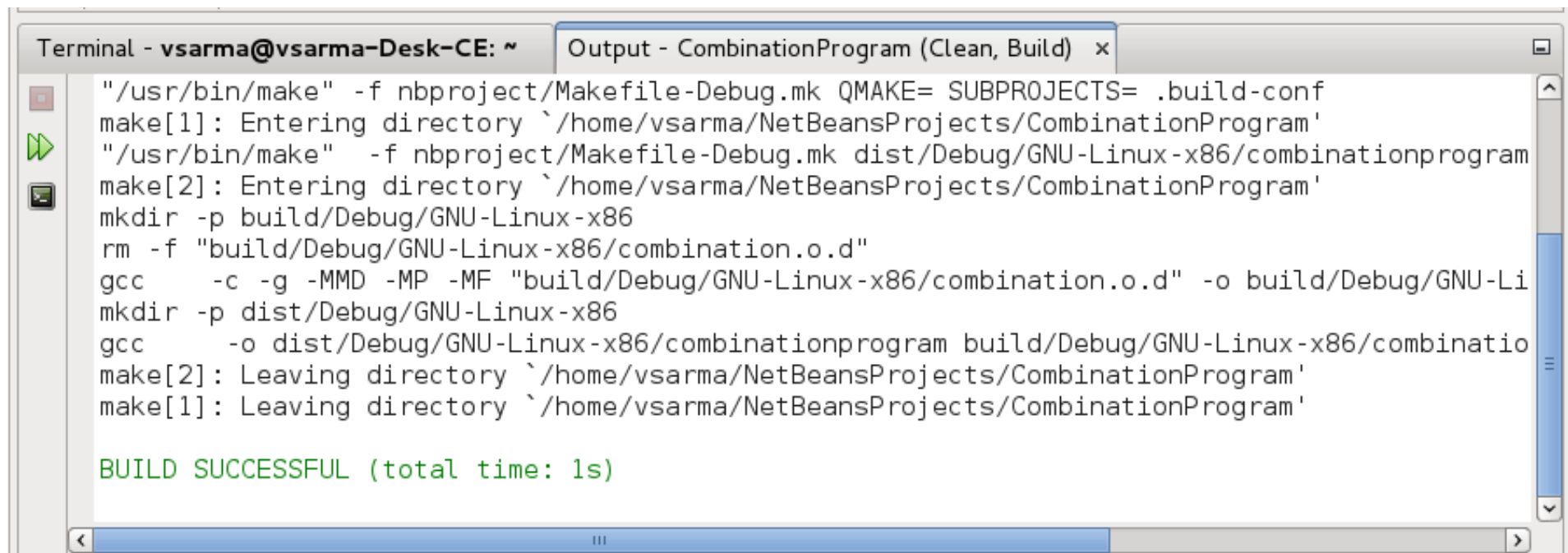


Integrated Development Environment



Execution of a C Program Using IDE

- Clean and Build

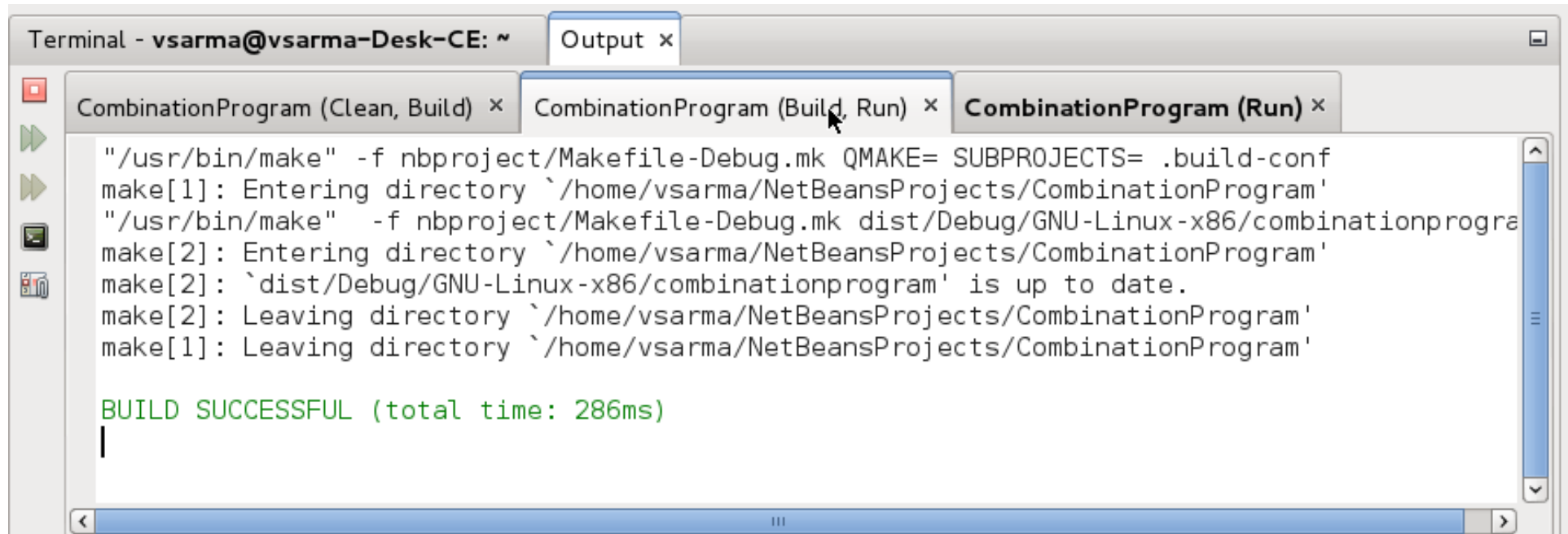


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Terminal - vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE: ~  Output - CombinationProgram (Clean, Build) x
"/usr/bin/make" -f nbproject/Makefile-Debug.mk QMAKE= SUBPROJECTS= .build-conf
make[1]: Entering directory `/home/vsarma/NetBeansProjects/CombinationProgram'
"/usr/bin/make" -f nbproject/Makefile-Debug.mk dist/Debug/GNU-Linux-x86/combinationprogram
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mkdir -p build/Debug/GNU-Linux-x86
rm -f "build/Debug/GNU-Linux-x86/combination.o.d"
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make[2]: Leaving directory `/home/vsarma/NetBeansProjects/CombinationProgram'
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BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 1s)
```

Execution of a C Program Using IDE

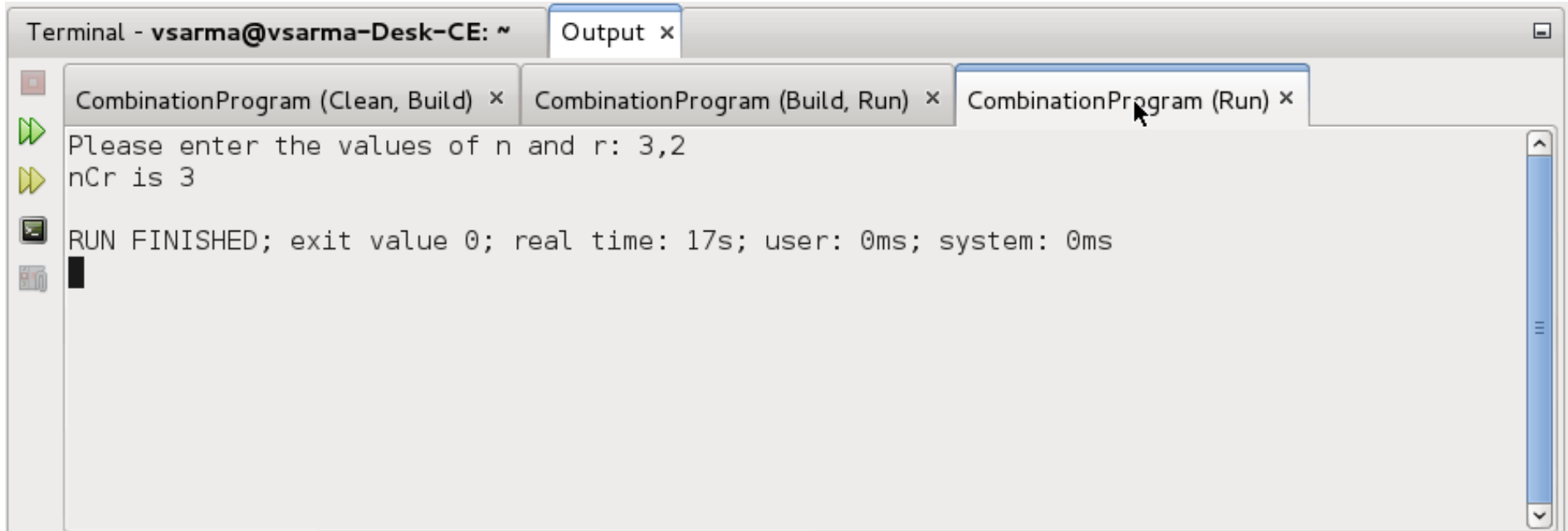
- Run



```
Terminal - vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE: ~  
Output x  
CombinationProgram (Clean, Build) x  
CombinationProgram (Build, Run) x  
CombinationProgram (Run) x  
"/usr/bin/make" -f nbproject/Makefile-Debug.mk QMAKE= SUBPROJECTS= .build-conf  
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make[1]: Leaving directory `/home/vsarma/NetBeansProjects/CombinationProgram'  
  
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 286ms)  
|
```

Execution of a C Program Using IDE

- Interacting with the program



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Terminal - vsarma@vsarma-Desk-CE: ~". It has three tabs: "CombinationProgram (Clean, Build) x", "CombinationProgram (Build, Run) x", and "CombinationProgram (Run) x". The "CombinationProgram (Run) x" tab is active. The terminal output is as follows:

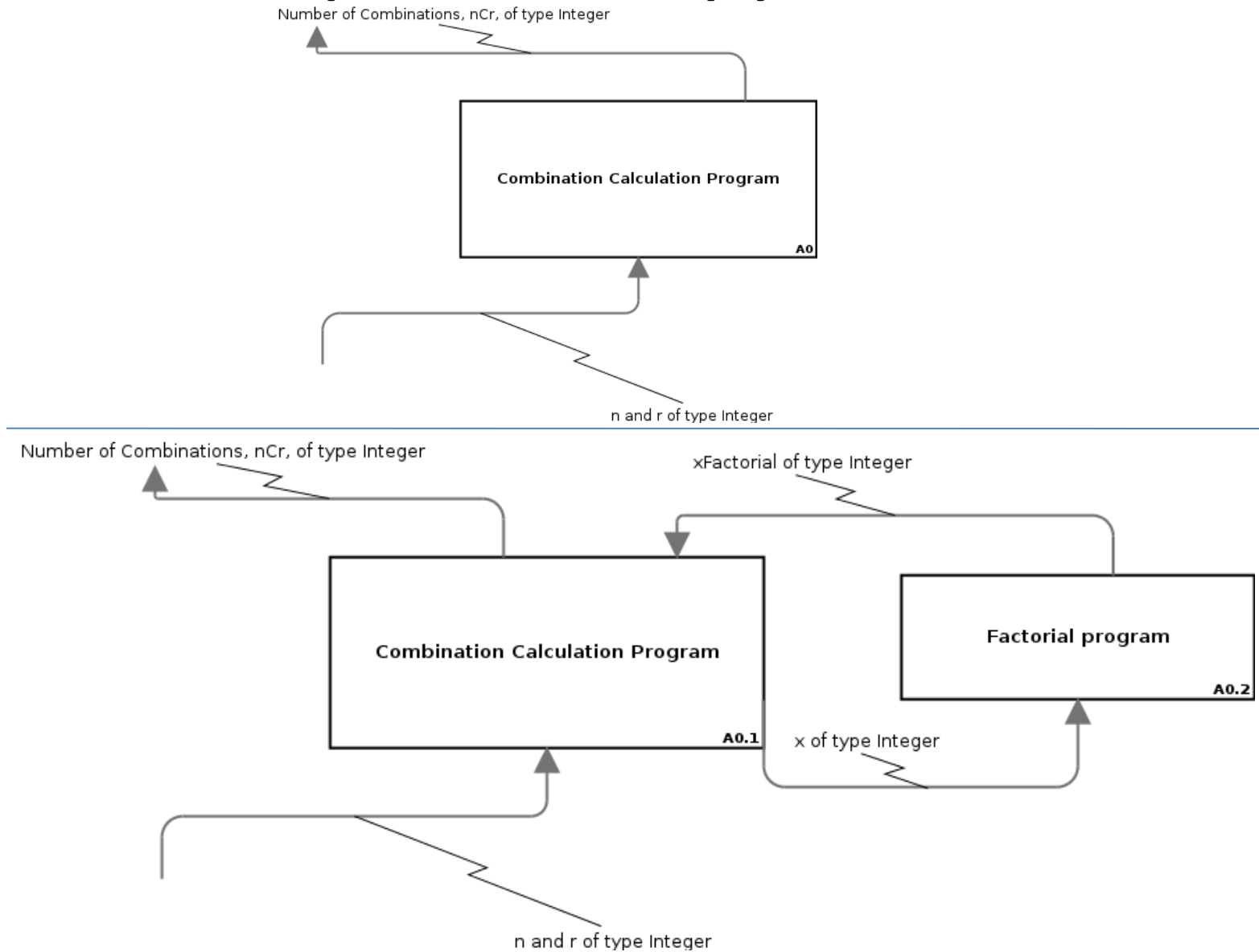
```
Please enter the values of n and r: 3,2
nCr is 3
RUN FINISHED; exit value 0; real time: 17s; user: 0ms; system: 0ms
```


Top-Down Approach

- Identify what is given
 - Inputs and boundaries
- Identify what is expected
 - Outputs and error conditions
- Write steps to solve problem
 - Refine each step until further refinement is not possible
 - Identify sub problems and solve them independently



Top-Down Approach



Summary

- Computer understands only numbers
- A Compiler translates a high level language program in to an executable, while an interpreter translates it to machine code line by line
- De-bugger helps in troubleshooting the program by running the executable and allowing the user to control the execution and watch the values in the variables
- An IDE integrates all development tools and provides a simple interface
- Programs are developed in a top-down manner, first by understand the inputs and outputs, then by refining and then by expressing the logic as an algorithm

