



# Programming 03

## 01c - C

# The C Programming Language

- C is a low-level programming language (compared to Java at least)
- Originally developed in the 1970s by Dennis Ritchie
- It is not object-oriented
- It will let you do almost anything, so it won't stop you doing dangerous things
- Memory usage must be controlled by the coder



# C Reference Material

- C Language Reference
  - <https://www.gnu.org/software/gnu-c-manual/gnu-c-manual.html>
- The C Standard Library
  - [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/c\\_standard\\_library/index.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/c_standard_library/index.htm)
- The standard in textbooks
  - The C Programming Language – Kernigan & Ritchie
- Linux Manual pages
  - use the man command from the command line

# Hello World

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    puts("Hello World");

    return (0);
}
```





# gcc

## The GNU C Compiler

- `gcc -Wall main.c -o main`
  - Will compile `main.c` to an executable named `main`
  - `-Wall` shows warnings as well as errors
- To compile multiple files
- `gcc -Wall main.c hello.c -o main`

# Linux Terminal Commands

- Get the manual files on any command with
  - `man <command>`
- `cd` – change directory
- `mkdir` – make directory
- `ls` – list directory