

DASF004

Basic and Practice in Programming

Lecture 1

Introduction

Agenda

Administration

Food for your MIND

How a computer works

A brief history of computers

Compiler

Programming in C

Administration

Issues with lectures video

Lectures also available on Youtube!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC90vpl4GEDfmZM5oc8Vo8Kw>

Subtitle is available (automatically generated by youtube)!!!

Structure of Lectures and Labs

Structure of Lectures

- Each Lecture is 75 minutes
- One Lecture per week
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- Each Lecture will start off with a “Food for your MIND” Section (about 5 minutes)
- Not related to course material
- About cutting edge research in Science and Technology
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- Lecture materials will elaborate the knowledge and theory
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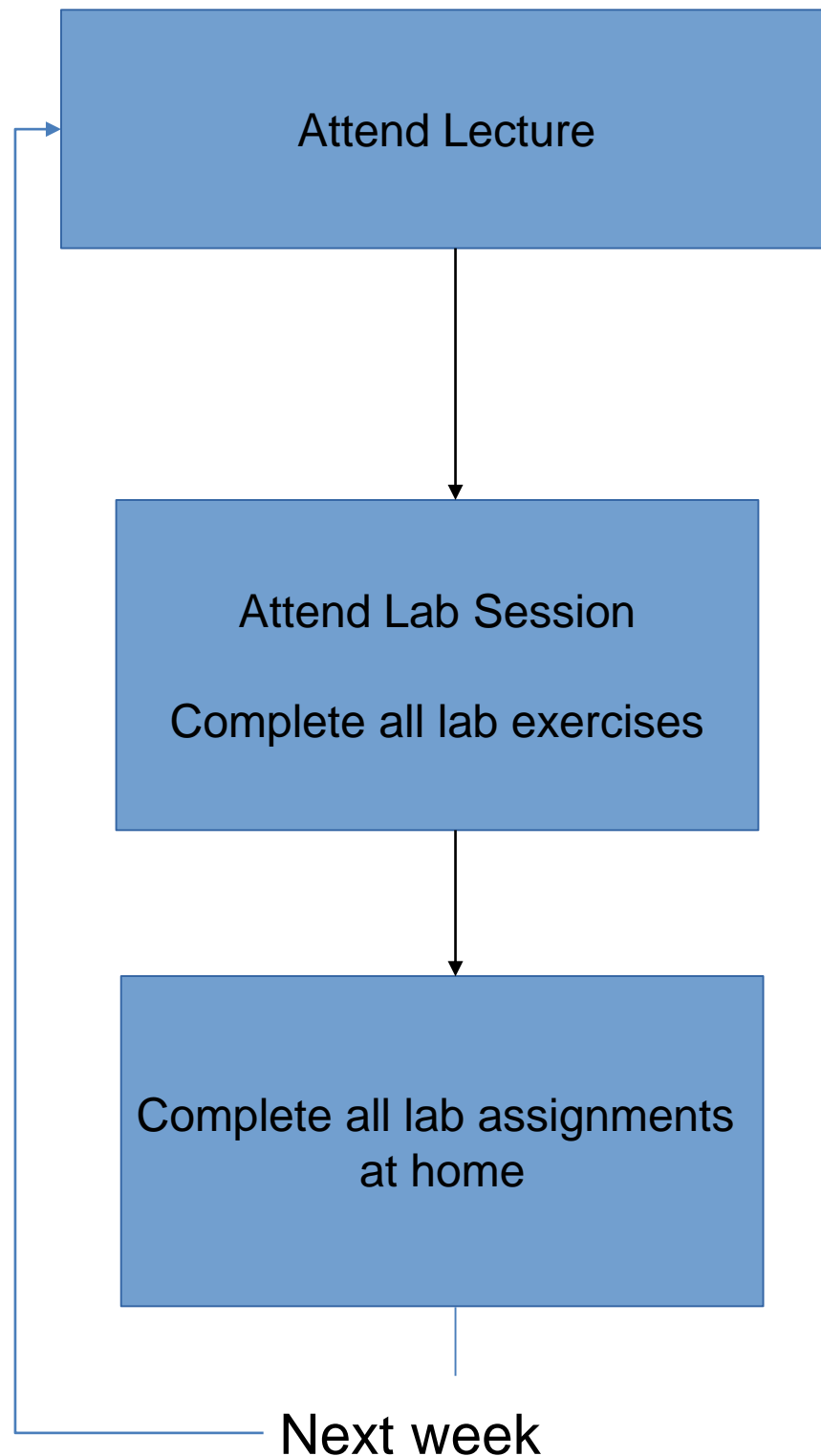
Structure of Labs

- Each lab session is 75 minutes
- One lab session per week
- Video of the lab will be uploaded to iCampus Wednesday 12:00 pm
- TAs will be available on the discussion board during the lab session
 - You may ask questions to the TA in the discussion board
- Lab materials will focus on practical programming
- Each lab session consists of lab exercises and homework assignment

Structure of Labs

- Lab Exercises – to be completed during lab day
 - Submit your lab exercises through iCampus
 - You have to submit it before the end of day (Wednesday)
 - (if you don't submit, you will not have the score)
- Homework Assignment – You can complete it at home
 - Submit your Homework assignments through iCampus
 - You have 1 week to complete it
 - Due date: Tuesday 23:59 pm next week

Road-map for each week ...



| Monday | Attend lecture |
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| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | Attend lab, complete lab exercise Homework assignment is assigned, Due date is Tuesday |
| Thursday | |
| Friday | |
| Saturday | |
| Sunday | |
| Monday | Attend lecture |
| Tuesday | Due date for Homework Assignment |
| Wednesday | Attend lab, complete lab exercise Homework assignment is assigned, Due date is Tuesday |
| Thursday | Grade for last Lab exercise is on iCampus |
| Friday | |
| Saturday | |
| Sunday | |
| Monday | Attend lecture |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | Grade for last Homework Assignment is on iCampus Attend lab, complete lab exercise Homework assignment is assigned, Due date is Tuesday |

A: I heard there is a mac version for Dev C++. You may also run windows software using Wine emulator. I don't have a mac machine to test them out, but my previous students said they work okay.

Q: Do I have to take part in the Discussion Board?

A: No, if you don't have any question.

Q&A

Q: Can I use IDE other than Dev C++ like Visual Studio?

A: Yes, you may, but we'll use Dev C++ in the instruction.

Q&A

Q: During the lab session, do I have to take class on time?

A: You may take the lab session anytime. But notice that the due time for the lab exercise is 23:59 pm. If you watch the lab video late, you'll have less time to complete the lab exercise.

You should submit your source code only!

- Source code
 - Your code written in C!
 - The “XXXXXX.c” or “XXXXXX.cc” file
- No grade will be given if you submit the output of your program
- No grade will be given if you submit the screen capture of your source code
- Double check your submission
 - Make sure you submit the correct file!

Grades Reporting

- Grades will be available
 - About one week after the deadline (for lab exercises and homework assignments)
 - About one week after you submit it (for attendance)
- You should wait about one week for your grade
 - It takes about one week for us to grade
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Food for your MIND!

- Augmented Reality Application
- Research Question:
 - How to direct user's attention in an omni-directional workspace?
- Directional Cue:
 - Up, down, left, right, front, back, ...
- Visual Highlight
- Problems?
- How to solve these problems?

Computers?

- A general-purpose device that can be **programmed** to carry out a finite set of **arithmetic** or **logical** operations.
- Since a sequence of operations can be readily changed, the computer can solve more than one kind of problem.

Computer

Computer = Hardware + Software



Like piano and music

- “Hardware” refers to the physical parts of the computer (cf. “software” refers to the code that runs on the computer)

Computers

- What a computer can do?
 - Everything when you can explain exactly how to do
 - E.g., “check if a number is a prime”
- What a computer cannot do?
 - Everything that you cannot explain exactly how to do
 - E.g., Feeling, thinking, ...

Problem Solving with Computer

- Check if a number is a prime.
- Tell me how to determine step by step.

```
2, 3, 5, 13, 89, 233, 1597, 28657,  
514229, 433494437, 2971215073,  
99194894755497,  
106634041749171059581572169,  
...
```

Problem Solving with Computer

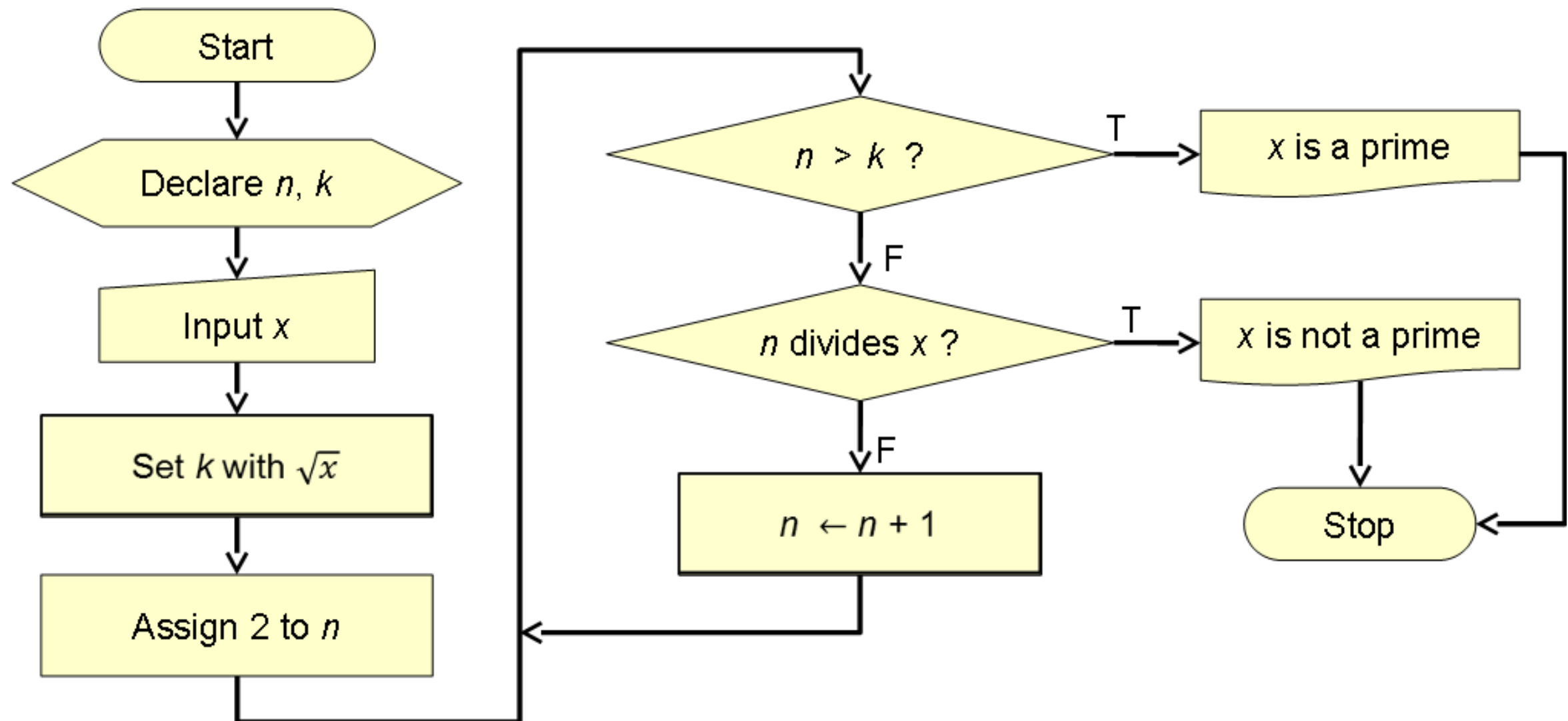
- Recall what a prime number is.

A prime number is a natural number that has exactly two distinct natural number divisors: 1 and itself

Problem Solving with Computer

- A straightforward (simple ?) version:
 - Input x
 - Check if 2 divides x . If True, x is not a prime
 - Check if 3 divides x . If True, x is not a prime
 - ...
 - Check if k divides x . If True, x is not a prime.
 - If False, x is a prime.
- What is k ?
 - the largest natural number which is at most
 - Think about why??

Problem Solving with Computer



Programming

- **Flow chart:**

- a type of diagram that represents an algorithm or process, showing the steps as boxes of various kinds, and their order by connecting these with arrows.

- **Why flow chart and algorithms?**

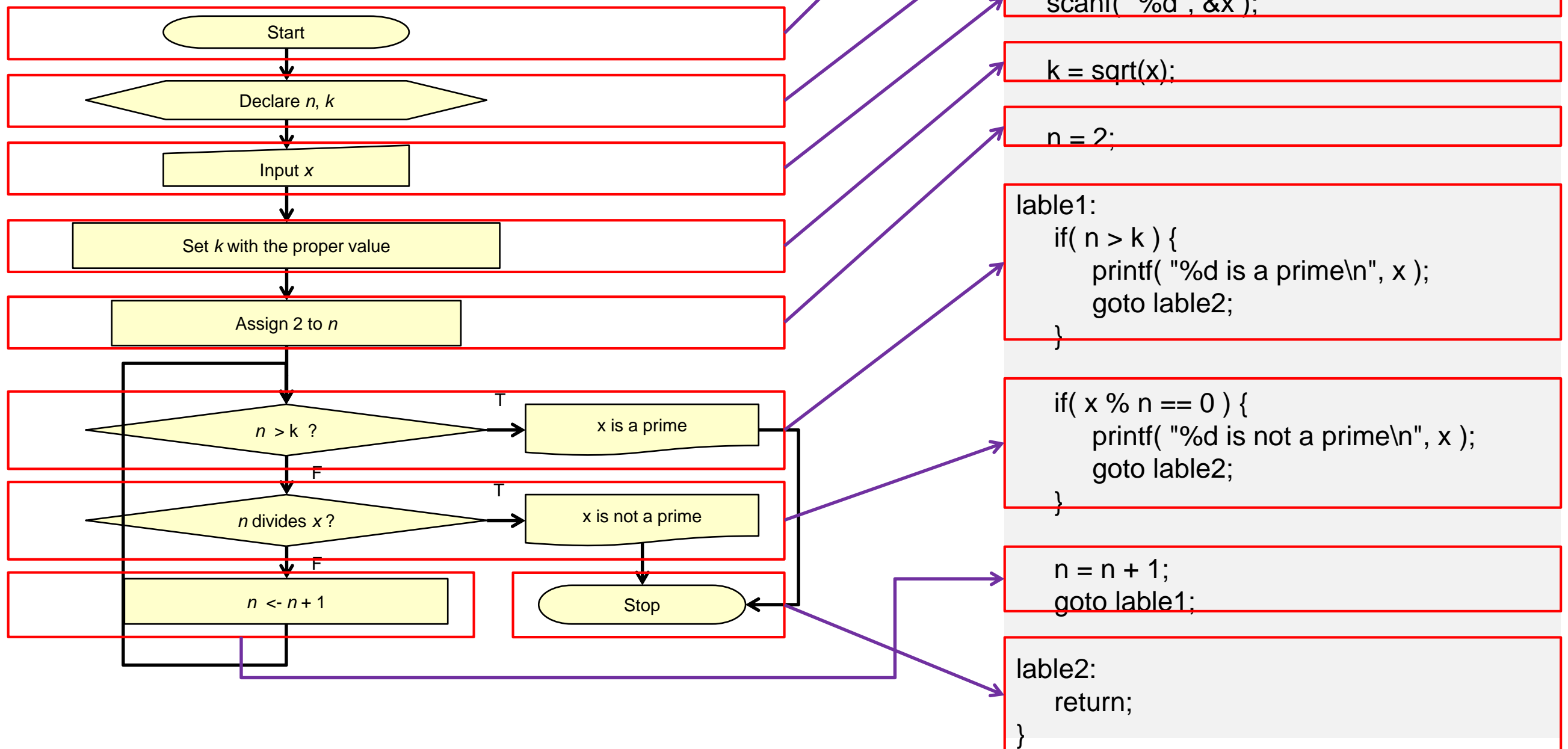
- This diagrammatic representation can give a step-by-step solution to a given problem.
- Flowcharts are used in analyzing, designing, documenting or managing a process or program

Programs

**A sequence of instructions written to perform a specified task
for a computer**

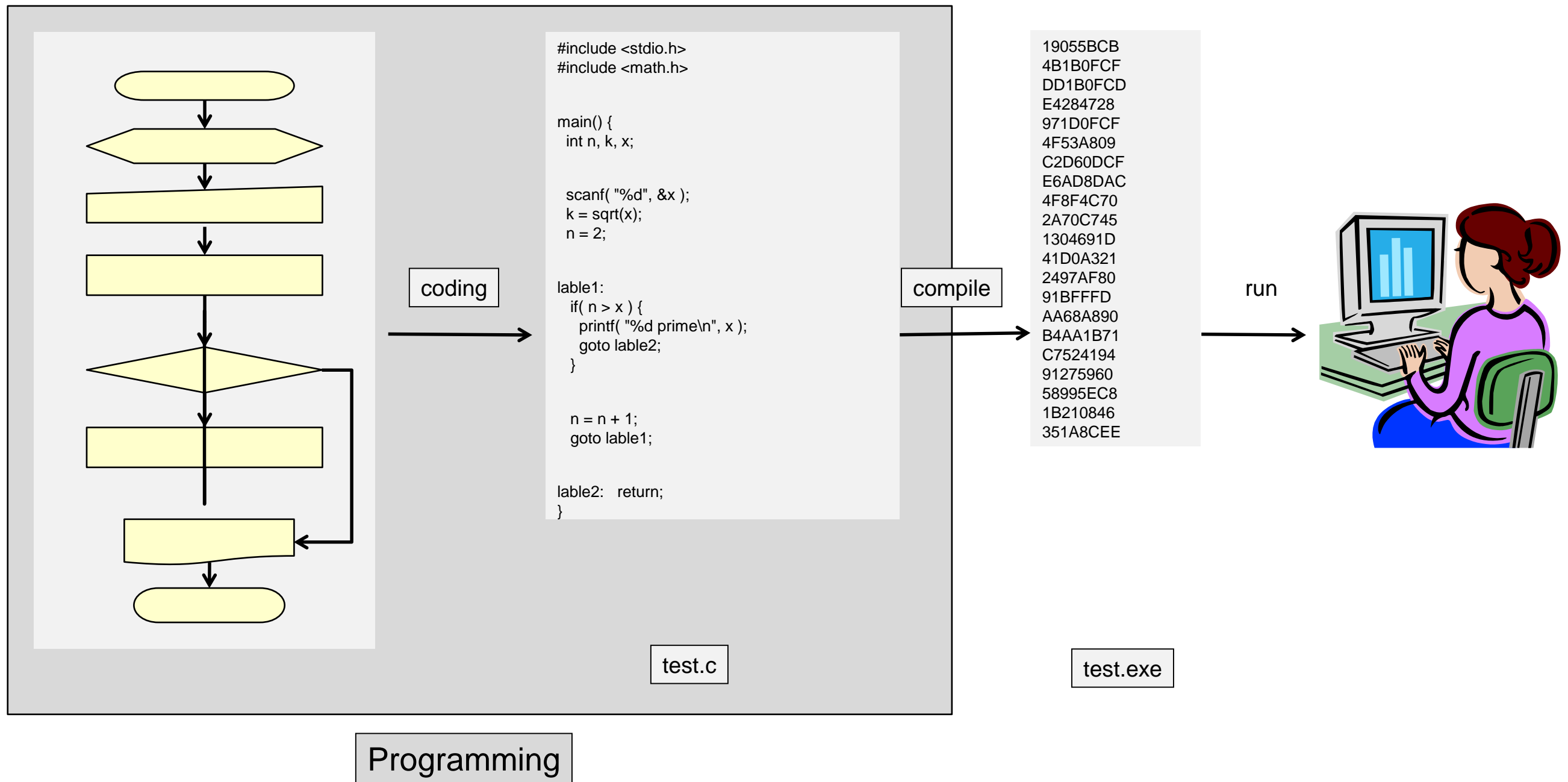
Program

- A list of instructions



Programming

- What are programs for ?



Programs

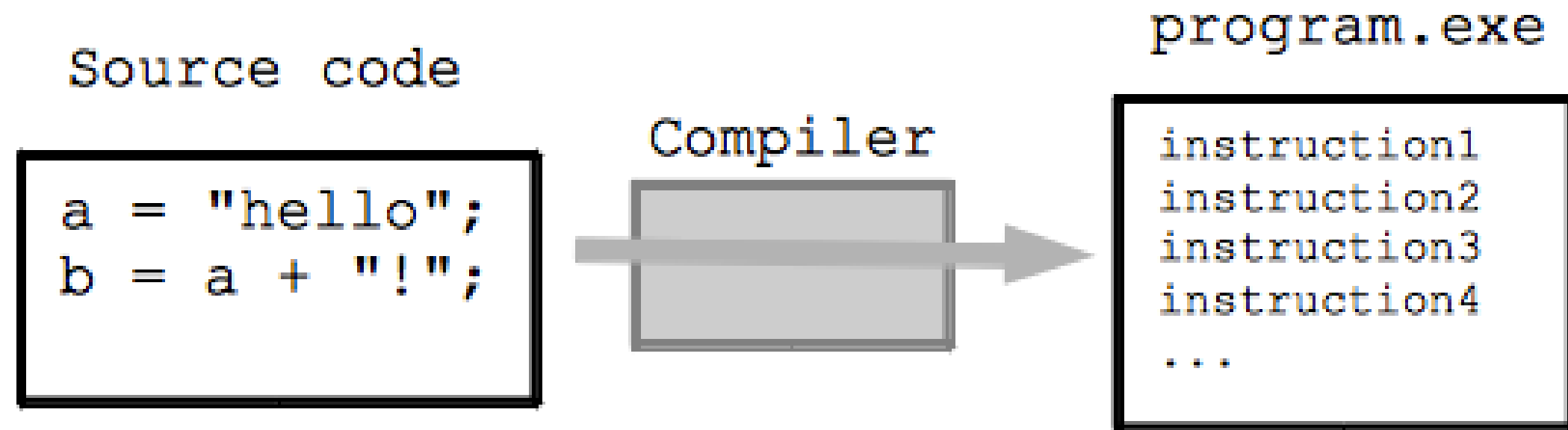
**Coding is to translate an algorithm into
a sequence of instructions written to perform a specified task
for a computer**

- Programming Language?
 - an artificial language designed to express computations that can be performed by a computer
 - C, C++, Java, Perl, Basic, Pascal, Fortran, COBOL, ...

Compiler

- "Compiler" looks at the source code
- Compiler translates the source code into a large number of machine code instructions
 - e.g. Firefox -- written in C++
 - Compiler takes in Firefox C++ source code, produces Firefox.exe
- The end user does not need to the source code or the compiler. Distribute the program.exe file in working form
- Does not work backwards -- having the .exe, you cannot recover the source code (well)

Visual Representation of Compiler



The **Compiler** for the C++ language, (1) reads that C++ code and (2) translates and expands it to a larger sequence of the machine code instructions to implement the sequence of actions specified by the C++ code

History of C Language

- Developed at Bell Lab., 1972 for system-level programming.
- Used for implementing Unix OS

BCPL (Basic Combined Programming Language)

➔ B language (Ken Thompson)

- ➔ C language

Advantages of C Language

- **Efficient**
 - Developed for low-level (machine-level) execution
- **Portability**
 - Applicable to virtually all platforms from PCs to Supercomputers
- **Powerful**
 - Provides various data types and operators
- **Flexibility**
 - Applicable from system-level to application-level programming
- **Many Standard Libraries**
 - Input/Output, String handling, Storage allocation, ...

Disadvantages of C Language


- Error Prone
- Difficult to detect errors resulting from its flexibility
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- Difficulty
 - Difficult to understand and modify it due to many functionalities

Your First Program: HelloWorld.c

```
// The HelloWorld Program
#include "stdio.h"

int main(void)
{
    printf("Hello, World!\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Comment



- Ignored by compiler
- Used by programmer to explain the code, or include other information about the code

One line comment

- `// One line comment`

Multi-line comment

- `/* Multi-line comment`
- `Multi-line comment`
- `Multi-line comment */`

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Lines begin with

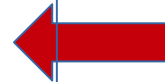
- Preprocessor directive
- Used for including external libraries

stdio.h is the Standard Input/Output library

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The main function

- Every program has a main function
- Execution of the program begins here
- int: this function returns an integer as a return value
- void: this function takes no argument as input

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}
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{

- Every function begins with a brace "{", and ends with a "}"
- Braces are also used to group statement together

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printf

- A function in stdio.h
- Print words on screen

Escape Characters

- Starts with "\"
- Used to display "special" characters

e.g.

\n – new line character

\t – tab

\\ – slash

\a – alert

```
1 // Fig. 2.3: fig02_03.c
2 // Printing on one line with two printf statements.
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 // function main begins program execution
6 int main( void )
7 {
8     printf( "Welcome " );
9     printf( "to C!\n" );
10 }
```

Welcome to C!

Fig. 2.3 | Printing on one line with two `printf` statements.


```
1 // Fig. 2.4: fig02_04.c
2 // Printing multiple lines with a single printf.
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 // function main begins program execution
6 int main( void )
7 {
8     printf( "Welcome\nto\nC!\n" );
9 } // end function main
```

```
Welcome
to
C!
```

Fig. 2.4 | Printing multiple lines with a single `printf`.

Your First Program: HelloWorld.c

```
// The HelloWorld Program
#include "stdafx.h"

int main(void)
{
    printf("Hello, World!\n");
    return 0;
}
```

;

- Every line of code ends with a ";"
- Work as a "full-stop" in English
- Tell the compiler this is the end of the line of code
- If you don't include ";", multiple lines will be treated as one line of code

Your First Program: HelloWorld.c

```
// The HelloWorld Program
#include "stdafx.h"

int main(void)
{
    printf("Hello, World!\n");
    return 0;
}
```

return 0;

- The integer value zero is returned by the main function at the end
- Non-zero value are used to tell the OS that main() has been unsuccessful



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```

Empty spaces

-Note that empty spaces such as new line, tab, space were not read by the compiler

Indentation

- Most programmer uses tab or space to indent the code
- Increase readability for the code
- Easier to debug

Syntax and Semantics

- Programming languages (called “artificial languages”) are languages just as “natural languages” such as English and Korean. ***Syntax*** and ***Semantics*** are important concepts that apply to all languages.

Syntax

- The **syntax** of a language is a set of characters and the acceptable sequences (arrangements) of those characters.
- English, for example, includes the letters of the alphabet, punctuation, and properly spelled words and sentences. The following is a syntactically correct sentence in English,

“what time is it now?”

- The following, however, is not syntactically correct,
“what tyme is it now?”
- The sequence of letters **“tyme”** is not a word in the English language.

Semantics

- The **semantics** of a language is the meaning associated with each syntactically correct sequence of characters.
- Consider the following sentence:

“A silent noise drinks stones.”

This sentence is syntactically correct, but has no meaning.

- Thus, it is ***semantically incorrect***.
- Every language has its own **syntax** and **semantics**.

Semantic Error

In contrast, **semantic errors** are errors in **program logic**.

Such errors cannot be automatically detected, because translators cannot understand the original intention.

For example, if a program computes the average of five numbers ;

$(5 + 6 + 3 + 8 + 1) / 4$

The divisor should be **5** and not **4**, but translators do not understand what a programmer is meant to do.

=> It is up to the programmer to detect such errors.

Program debugging is not a trivial task, and consumes much of the time of program developments.

Debug: Finding out error in code

Program debugging is the process of finding and correcting errors

- (“bugs”) in a computer program.

Syntax Error

- **Syntax errors** are caused by invalid syntax. (for example, entering **prnt** instead of **print**).
- Since a translator (compiler or interpreter) can detect syntax errors (e.g. prnt), translators terminate and indicate where the error occurred.

Q&A?