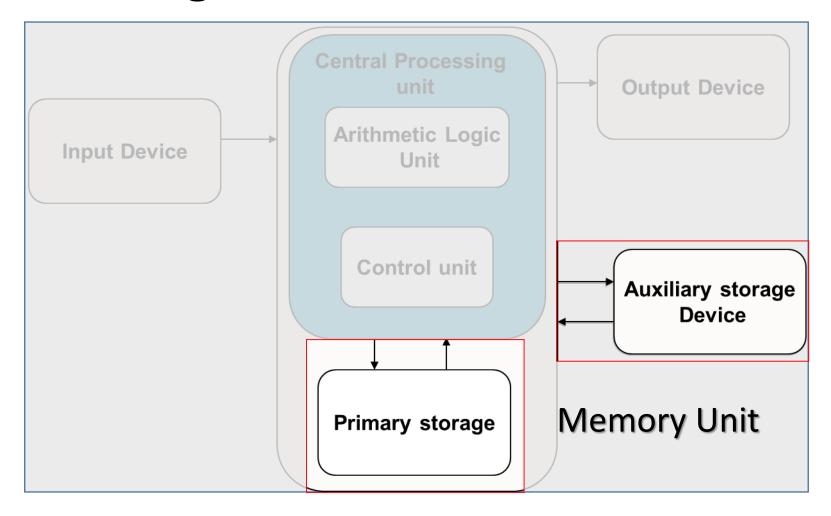
Introduction to Computing

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Computer Organization



Memory unit

- >Storage device where the data and instructions fed by the user are stored
- ➤ An **ordered sequence of storage cells**, each capable of holding a piece of **information**
 - Each cell has its own unique address
- The information held can be input data, computed values, or your program instructions.

Memory unit

- The computer memory is measured in terms of **bits**, **bytes** and **words**.
- A bit is a binary digit either 0 or 1.
- >A byte is unit of memory and is defined as sequence of 8 bits.
- The word can be defined as a sequence of 16/32/64 bits or 2/4/8 bytes respectively depending on the machine architecture.

Computer memory classification

- Main memory-Primary storage
- Secondary memory-Auxiliary storage
- Cache memory

Main memory

- ➤ Memory where the data and instructions, currently being executed are stored
 - Located outside CPU
 - ➤ High speed
 - > Data and instructions stored get erased when the power goes off
- ➤ Also referred as **primary / temporary** memory
 - Semiconductor memory
 - ➤ Measured in terms of megabytes and gigabytes

Primary storage: RAM & ROM

- RAM stands for Random Access Memory
 - > Read and write memory
 - > Information typed by the user are stored in this memory
 - ➤ Any memory location can be accessed directly without scanning it sequentially (random access memory)
 - ➤ During power failure the information stored in it will be erased → volatile memory
- ROM stands for Read Only Memory
 - ➤ Permanent memory and non volatile
 - ➤ Contents in locations in ROM can not be changed
 - >Stores mainly stored program and basic input output system programs

Secondary memory

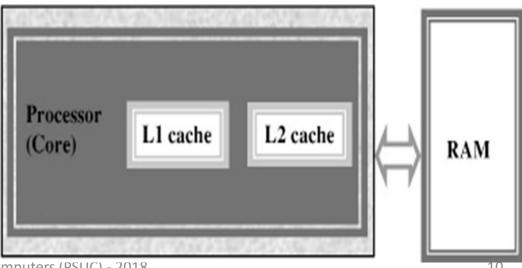
- ➤ Main memory is volatile and limited
 - ➤ Hence it is essential for other types of storage devices where programs and data can be stored when they are no longer being processed
- ➤ Installed within the computer at the factory or added later as needed

Secondary memory

- ➤ Non-volatile memory
- ➤ Made up of magnetic material
- ➤ Stores large amount of information for long time
- **≻**Low speed
- > Holds programs not currently being executed

Cache memory

- High speed memory placed between CPU and main memory
- Stores data and instructions currently to be executed
- More costlier but less capacity than main memory
- Users can not access this memory



Memory System (Video)



Operating System

- ➤OS is an **integrated collection** of programs which make the computer operational and help in executing user programs.
- > It acts as an interface between the man and machine.
- ➤ It manages the system resources like memory, processors, inputoutput devices and files.
 - ✓e.g. Windows, Linux, DOS

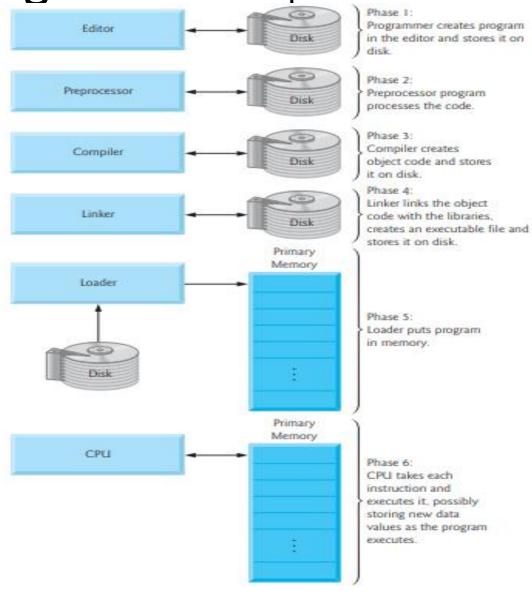
Computer Languages

- Machine Language- The only programming language available in earlier days
 - Consists of only 0's and 1's; e.g.:- 10101011
- Symbolic language or Assembly language-
 - symbols or mnemonics are used to represent instructions
 - hardware specific
 - ✓ e.g. MASM : ADD X,Y; Add the contents of y to x
- High-level languages- English like language using which the programmer can write programs to solve a problem.
 - more concerned with the problem specification
 - not oriented towards the details of computer
 - ✓ e.g. C, C++, C#, Fortran, BASIC, Pascal etc.

Language Translator

- **Compiler**: Program that translates entire high-level language program into machine language at a time. e.g. C, C++ compilers.
- Interpreter: Program which translates one statement of a high-level language program into machine language at a time and executes it.
 - e.g. Basic Interpreters, Java Interpreters.
- Assembler: Program which translates an assembly language program into machine language.
 - e.g. TASM(Turbo ASseMbler), MASM(Macro ASseMbler).

Typical C program development environment



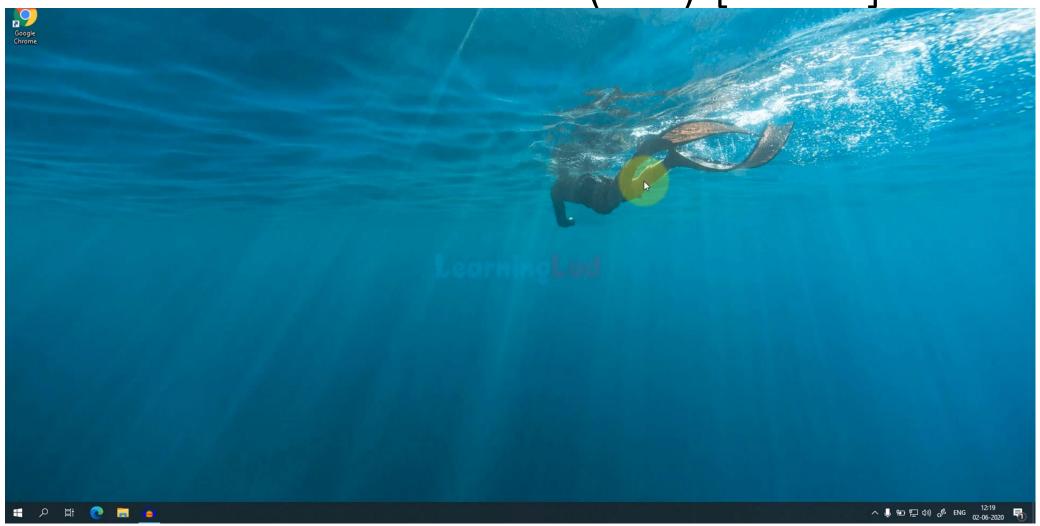
Typical C program development environment

C programs typically go through six phases to be executed.

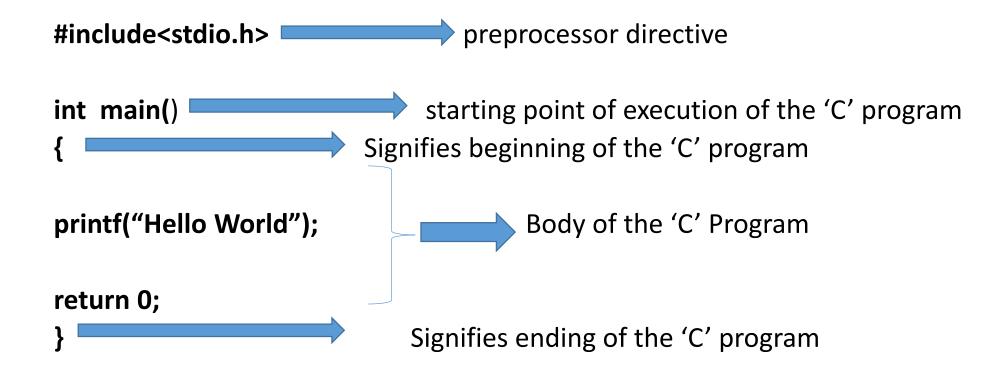
These are: edit, preprocess, compile, link, load and execute

- ✓ Phase 1 : creating a program
- ✓ Phases 2 and 3: Preprocessing and Compiling a C Program
- ✓ Phase 4: Linking
- ✓ Phase 5: Loading
- ✓ Phase 6: Execution

How to Install Code Blocks (IDE) [Video]

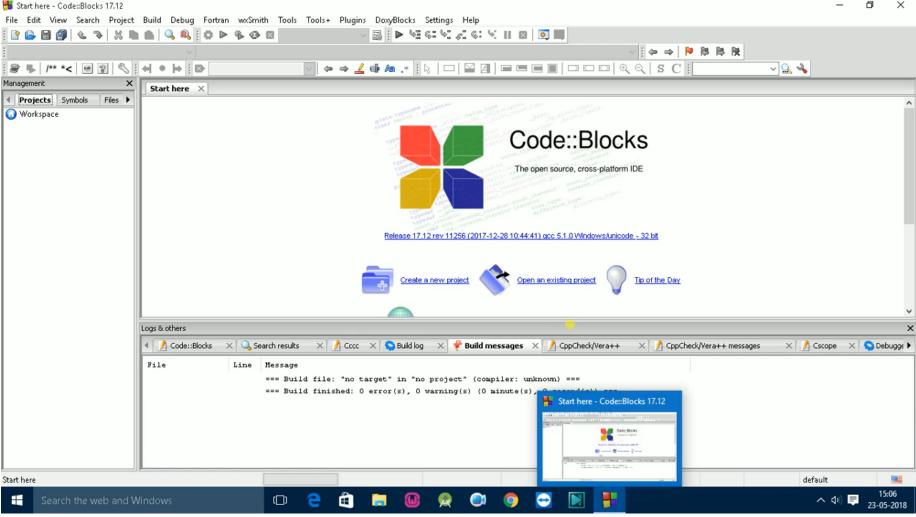


My first C program



• *printf*- This statement is used to output any message on the screen or console (message within the double quotes)

Running C program in Code Blocks (Video)



Summary

- ✓ Memory System
- ✓ Operating system
- ✓ Different computer languages
- ✓ Typical C program development environment
- ✓ Code::Blocks Integrated Development Environment (IDE)



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