



# 0 in CODE stands for OBFUSCATION

Let's code 4 fun this time and forget about the business  
sides of code

# WHO AM I ?

Just another coder, having too much  
spare time to code

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“Coding is not just about  
creating a virtual business,  
it’s also be done for the sake  
of fun and happiness”

—no one



# 01

## INTRODUCTION



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## So, what is code ?

Code is a language that human use to  
interact with a machine in order for the  
machine to understand what the human want  
the machine to do

# Obfuscation and Golfing

Obfuscation is about changing a code to make it kinda confusing for even a human to read it

```
# Real Code (Readable)
print('Hello World')

# Obfuscated Code (Unreadable)
print((a:=''.join([str(chr(int(f'0x{p}',
0)))+( ' ' if o==3 else '')) for o,p in
enumerate('0x480x650x6c0x6f0x570x720x64'
.split('0x') [1:])))+f'\r{a[:3]}l{a[3:6]
}o{a[6:7]}l{a[7:8]}}')
```

Golfing in the other hand is about crafting a code as short as possible in order to achieve something

```
# Real Code (58 Bytes)
if a:=input()=='0':
    print('yes')
else:
    print('no')

# Golfed Code (33 Bytes)
print('yneos'[(input()!='0')::2])
```

# The Function

Obfuscation is meant:

- For fun
- For slowing down reverse engineering process (by making the code harder to understand)

Golfing is meant:

- For fun
- For minifying the code to save some space for memory





# 02

## The Techniques

(Mainly, using C & python Language)

# Type Casting

Instead of typing the character directly,  
we can convert it to other type first

```
import binascii

# Real Code
print('Daskom1337')

# Obfuscation process (hex mode)
print(binascii.hexlify(b'Daskom1337')) # -> 4461736b6f6d31333337

# Obfuscated code (hex mode)
print(bytearray.fromhex('4461736b6f6d31333337'))

# Obfuscation process (string -> ascii -> hex)
print(''.join([hex(ord(x)) for x in 'Daskom1337'])) # -> 0x440x610x730x6b0x6f0x6d0x310x330x330x37

# Obfuscated code (string -> ascii -> hex)
print(''.join([chr(int(f'0x{x}', 0)) for x in '0x440x610x730x6b0x6f0x6d0x310x330x330x37.split('0x')[1:]])])
```

# Unnecessary Branching

Add branching to make the code look more complex,  
thus harder to read

```
# Real Code
print('Daskom1337')

# Obfuscated code (branching)
print((j:='D' if (i:='a' if (h:='s' if (g:='k' if (f:='o' if (e:='m' if (d:='l' if (c:='3' if (b:='3' if
(a:='7')== '7' else 'L')== '3' else 'O')== '3' else 'L')== '1' else 'O')== 'm' else 'L')== 'o' else 'O')== 'k' else
'L')== 's' else 'O')== 'a' else 'L')+i+h+g+f+e+d+c+b+a)

# Longer one -> next slide (cause its really long XD)
```

```
# Long Obfuscated code (branching)
j='D';i='a';h='s';g='k';f='o';e='m';d='l';c='3';b='3';a='7'
if a=='7':
    if b=='3':
        if c=='3':
            if d=='l':
                if e=='m':
                    if f=='o':
                        if g=='k':
                            if h=='s':
                                if i=='a':
                                    if j=='D':
                                        print(j+i+h+g+f+e+d+c+b+a)
                                    else:
                                        print('L')
                                else:
                                    print('O')
                            else:
                                print('L')
                        else:
                            print('O')
                    else:
                        print('L')
                else:
                    print('O')
            else:
                print('L')
        else:
            print('O')
    else:
        print('L')
else:
    print('O')
```

See,  
it's pretty loooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooong right ?



This is really unnecessary just  
like this line over there :v

# Unnecessary Looping

Just like branching, but indeed it's a loop

```
# Real Code
print('Daskom1337')

# Obfuscated code (looping)
print(''.join([chr(i).upper() for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][3:4]+[chr(i) for i in
range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][0:1]+[chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][18:19]+[chr(i) for i in
range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][10:11]+[chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][14:15]+[chr(i) for i in
range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][12:13]+[str(i) for i in range(10)][1:2]+[str(i) for i in range(10)][3:4]+[str(i) for i
in range(10)][3:4]+[str(i) for i in range(10)][7:8]]))

# Longer one (more readable version) -> next slide
```

```
# Long Obfuscated code (looping)
print(''.join([chr(i).upper() for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][3:4]
+ [chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][0:1]
+ [chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][18:19]
+ [chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][10:11]
+ [chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][14:15]
+ [chr(i) for i in range(ord('a'),ord('z'))][12:13]
+ [str(i) for i in range(10)][1:2]
+ [str(i) for i in range(10)][3:4]
+ [str(i) for i in range(10)][3:4]
+ [str(i) for i in range(10)][7:8]
))
```

# Golfing

Either obfuscation or golfing shares the same technique which is odd right ?, it surely is...

But the main difference in golfing is that

Our Target is to make the code as short as possible, which turns out to be pretty challenging, and this will burn our brain so hard after doing it quite a while 🤯

# Macros and Ternary operator

We can use C Macros to golf a code, just like this :

```
#include<stdio.h>
#define a printf
#define b "Daskom1337"
main() {a(b);}
```

Also there is this thing called "Ternary operator" which is actually a one line if function using "?" and ":"

```
main() {
    // Real code (70 bytes)
    char c = getchar();
    if(c=='Y') {
        a("Yes");
    } else {
        a("No");
    }

    // Golfed code (29 bytes)
    a(getchar()=='Y'?"Yes":"No");
}
```



# References

## Python

- [Code Golfing in Python](#)
- [Tips for golfing in Python](#)

## C

- [Tips for golfing in C](#)
- <https://www.codingame.com/forum/t/tips-and-tricks-for-code-golfing-in-c/694/7>
- [How to C-Golf](#)

# CODE GOLFING AND OBFUSCATION COMPETITION

# COMPETITION

- [The International Obfuscated C Code Contest](#)
- [Code Golf](#)
- [JS1k - The JavaScript code golfing competition](#)



03

EXAMPLE(S)

# Best Handwriting, using Braille, IOCCC 2015 winner

```
duble $ echo Best Handwriting | ./prog  
best Handwriting
```

# Most Overlooked Obfuscation

## – IOCCC 2015 endoh2.c

```
Resolving ioccc.org (ioccc.org)... 206.197.161.153
Connecting to ioccc.org (ioccc.org)|206.197.161.153|:80... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 829 [text/plain]
Saving to: 'prog.c'

prog.c          100%[=====>]      829  --.-KB/s   in 0s
2016-04-09 20:56:30 (55.6 MB/s) - 'prog.c' saved [829/829]

$ cat prog.c
int main(){ printf("Hello, world!\n"); }

$ gcc -w -o prog prog.c

$ ./prog
```

# Best use of python – IOCCC 2018 endoh2.c

[illegible]

04

# Winner Showcase







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# ADRAMA (75 bytes)

```
a=list(iter(input, ' '));print((len(a)-2!=len(a[0])  
//2)*"Non "+"Symmetrical")
```



## Week 12 Champion

# THANKS !

Ask me anything !  
I'll answer as best as i can



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