Einführung in C - Introduction to C

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Example: Real-life C code snippet...

```
#include "mmio.h"
#include <direct/messages.h>
#include <core/system.h>
/* * Set up the extended FIFO. @note It will be turned on if ucovl->scrwidth > 1024. *
void uc ovl setup fifo(UcOverlayData* ucovl, int scrwidth)
     u8* mclk save = ucovl->mclk save;
     if (!iop1(3)) {
          if (scrwidth <= 1024) { // Disable
               if (ucovl->extfifo on) {
                    dfb layer wait vsync(dfb layer at(DLID PRIMARY));
                    outb(0x16, 0x3c4); outb(mclk save[0], 0x3c5);
                    outb (0x17, 0x3c4); outb (mclk save[1], 0x3c5);
                    outb(0x18, 0x3c4); outb(mclk save[2], 0x3c5);
                    ucovl->extfifo on = false;
          else { // Enable
//....
```

Organisation – TINF18AI

- Termine:
 - s. Stundenplan
 - Pausen in der VL nach Bedarf
- Vorlesung und Übungen = viel eigenes Programmieren
 - Nutzen Sie Frage- und Feedbackmöglichkeiten in der VL!
 - ggf. Einreichen von Hausaufgaben
- Fragen: Am besten direkt in der VL
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- Verteilung der Folien und Übungsaufgaben/Code snippets
 - nach/vor jeder Vorlesung per E-Mail-Verteiler
- Leistungsnachweis:
 - (Teil-)klausur (60 min.)

Eigentlich selbstverständlich...

Bewährte Regeln für effizientes gemeinsames Arbeiten, Besprechungen usw. → gilt auch für diese Vorlesung:

- Pünktlichkeit (Vorlesungsbeginn, Pausenende)
- Anwesenheit: von Körper + Geist
- Anzahl gleichzeitig redender Personen ≤ 1 (Ausnahme: Übungen)
- Konzentration auf das Geschehen
 - Laptops nur für Übungsaufgaben
- Handys ausschalten, keine Telefonate
- ggf. Feedback zum Arbeitsprozess
 - Stoff zu schnell / zu langsam? Pausenbedarf?

Wie funktioniert Lernen?





Motivation – Why C?

The programming language C is:

- Very old (* 1972)
- Cryptic (--a->b? *++c: ++*c;)
- Low-level (no object orientation)
- Dangerous, high risk of making errors ("everything is allowed")

"C forces you to build a mental model of what the computer is actually doing when you run your programs. ... So if you want to write extremely good software — in any language — you should ignore all the advice to learn Python... and instead begin your journey with C. The view from the top is nice, but if you aspire to climb mountains, there's no better place to start than at the bottom." www.evanmiller.org/you-cant-dig-upwards.html

Established, stable, standardized, omni-present, OS-independent, "runs everywhere"

fast, efficient, lean

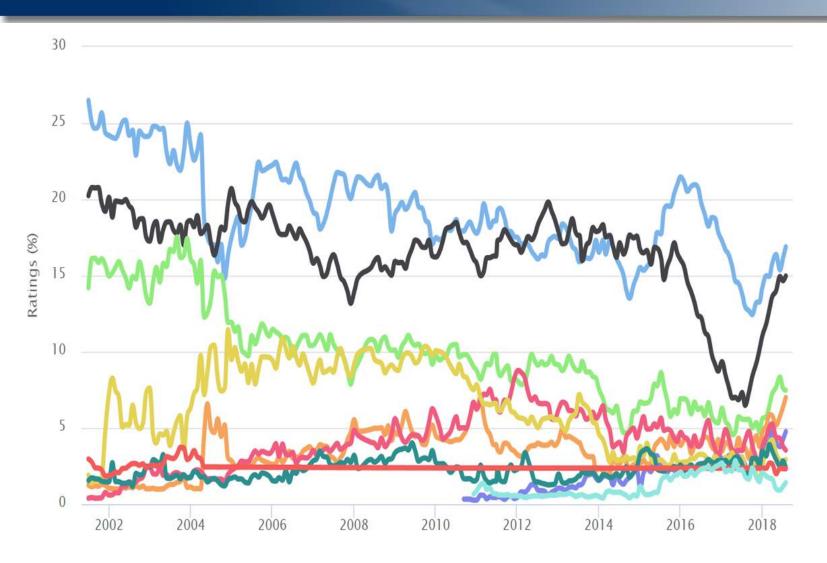
provides 'full control', e.g. direct hardware access, OS drivers, realtime requirements...

perfect e.g. for embedded systems (Arduino, Pi, TVs, cars, ...)

C is still one of the most important programming languages!

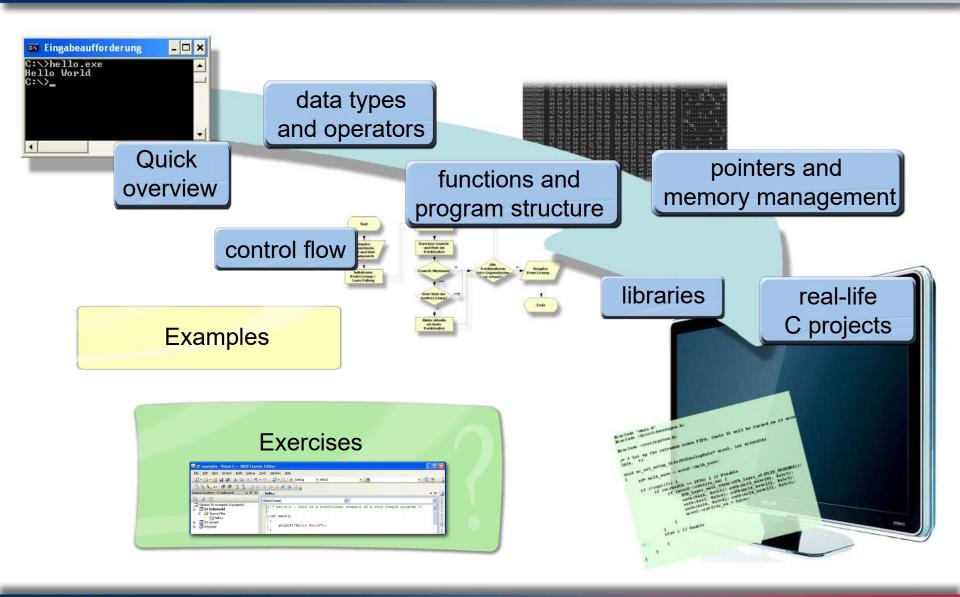
(And more modern languages, e.g. C++, Java, C#, have inherited a lot from it.

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Quelle: http://www.tiobe.com/index.php/content/paperinfo/tpci/index.html

How to become a great C programmer?



Goals – Why learn C? (→ Studienplan)





- Make your own programming experiences
- Get to know one of the most important programming languages
- Understand procedural programming concepts
- Understand key computing concepts (data structures, memory handling, pointers)

... and impress your friends by understanding weird things: a--->b? ++*++c: ++*--d;



Einführung in C - Introduction to C Quick overview of C concepts

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Hello world

```
/* hello.c - this is a traditional example of a very
  simple program */
#include <stdio.h>
                        Common functions provided
                           in Standard Library
main()
    printf("Hello World!\n");
```

This text, i.e. the ,source-file', is compiled into a program, which then can be executed.



```
>lc hello.c
>hello.exe
Hello world!
```

Variables + arithmetics

```
main() {
    Explicit, static typing

int a, b, c, res;
    a = 5; b = 7; c = 18;
    res = (a*a+3*b+c)/2;
    printf("result is %d", res);
}
```

The program is executed in a linear way, command by command.

Each command is terminated by a semicolon.

```
>calc.exe
result is 32
```

Control flow

```
/* Celsius - Fahrenheit converter */
main()
  int lower, upper, step;
  float cel, fahr;
  lower=0; upper=100; step=10;
  for(cel=lower; cel<=upper; cel=cel+step)</pre>
    fahr=9.0/5.0*cel+32.0;
    printf("%f %f\n",cel,fahr); /* output */
  Loop: Repeated execution of a command block
```

```
>convert.exe
0.0 32.0
10.0 50.0
20.0 68.0
30.0 86.0
40.0 104.0
50.0 122.0
60.0 140.0
70.0 158.0
80.0 176.0
90.0 194.0
100.0 212.0
```

Functions and program structure

```
>power.exe
int power(int x, int n)
                                                 1 \ 2 \ -3
   int i, p;
                                                 2 4 9
   p = 1;
                                                 38 - 27
   for (i = 1; i \le n; i=i+1)
                                                 4 16 81
     p=p*x;
                                                 5 32 - 243
   return p;
                                                 6 64 729
                                                 7128 - 2187
                                                 8 256 6561
                                                 9 512 -19683
main()
                                                 10 1024 59049
  int i;
  for(i = 0; i \le 10; i = i+1)
       printf("%d %d %d\n", i, power(2,i), power(-3,i));
```

Arrays

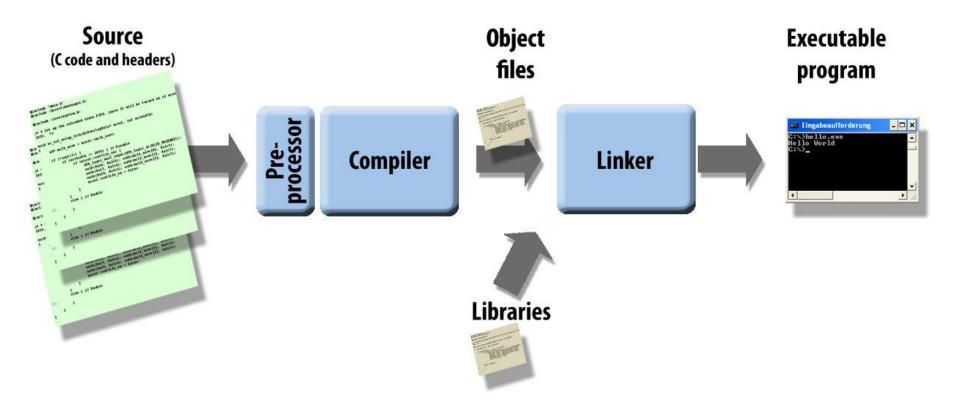
```
/* prime sieve of Eratosthenes */
                                  >eratosthenes simple.exe
main()
                                  Prime numbers are: 2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23
                                  29 31 37 41 43 47 53 59 61 67 71 73 79 83
   int i, j;
                                  89 97 101 103 107 109 113 127 131 137 139
   int is prime[200];
                                  149 151 157 163 167 173 179 181 191 193
                                  197 199
   for(i=0; i<200; i=i+1)
       is prime[i]=1;
   for (i = 2; i < 200; i = i + 1)
       for (j = 2*i; j < 200; j = j+i)
          is prime[j]≡0;
                                           No array bounds checking!
   printf("Prime numbers are: ");
   for(i=2; i<200; i=i+1)
       if(is prime[i]>0)
          printf("%d ",i);
```

Strings

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
main()
                 string = array of characters
   char name[100], c;
   int i, p1, p2;
   printf("Please enter your name:\n");
   gets (name);
   for(i=0; i<10; i=i+1)
                             string functions
      p1=rand()%strlen(name);
      p2=rand()%strlen(name);
      c=name[p1];
      name[p1]=name[p2];
      name [p2]=c;
      printf("Hello %s\n", name);
```

```
>string_shuffle.exe
Please enter your name:
Eckhard Kruse
Hello Eckhsrd Kruae
Hello Eckhsud Krrae
Hello Eckasud Krrhe
Hello Eck sudaKrrhe
Hello Eck srdaKurhe
Hello Eck srdaKurhe
Hello EckhsrdaKur e
Hello KckhsrdaEur e
Hello KckhdrsaEur e
Hello Kckhd saEurre
>
```

C is a compiled language



First steps in C



Exercise

1.1 First steps in C

The most important thing about learning programming is: Try it yourself!

- a) Install a C compiler choose according to your personal preference:
 - a) Use light-weight C compiler, e.g. LCC: http://www.cs.virginia.edu/~lcc-win32/
 - b) Use full-featured IDE, e.g.
 - Visual Studio Community, Netbeans, Code::Blocks, Eclipse...
 - Visual Studio: MSDN Academic Alliance Software Center
 - c) Temporary emergency solution: Use an online C compiler, e.g. ideone.com
- b) Have a look at the example programs.
- c) Compile and run them.

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d) Modify them and see what happens.

Code snippets 101-106



Learning by doing!



- Don't be afraid
- 2. Have a first look at what's there (source files...)
- 3. Get it compiled and run
- 4. See what happens
- 5. Try to modify it and check results
- 6. Accept that at first not everything needs to be understood fully
- 7. Try the debugger
- 8. Look for errors / improvement potential / possible extensions