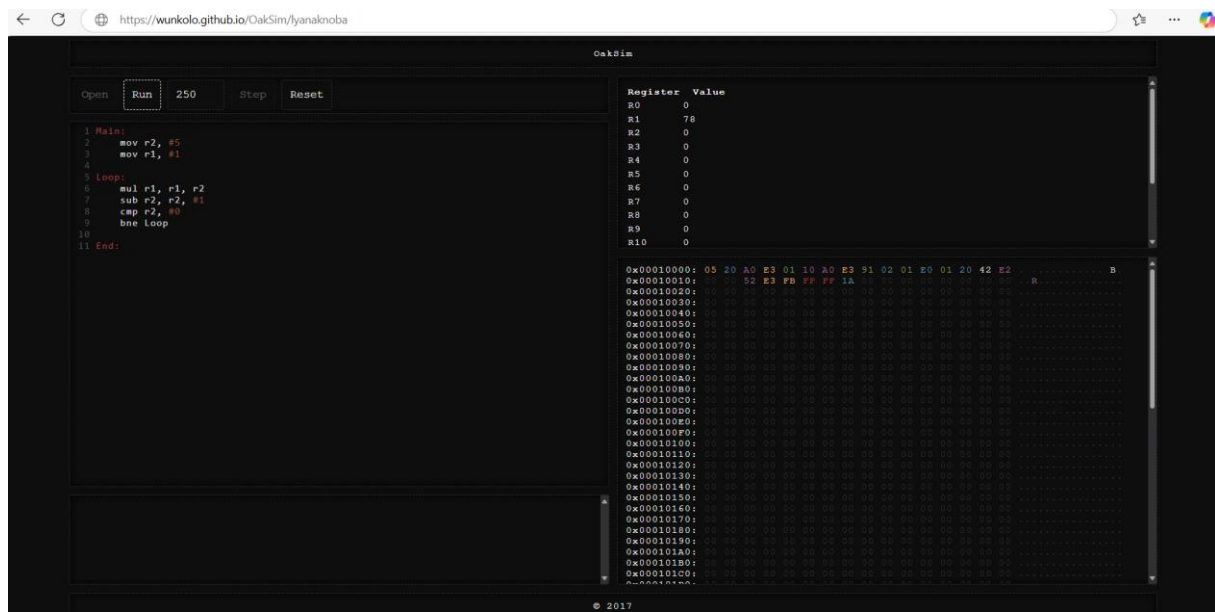


# Template Week 4 – Software

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## Assignment 4.1: ARM assembly

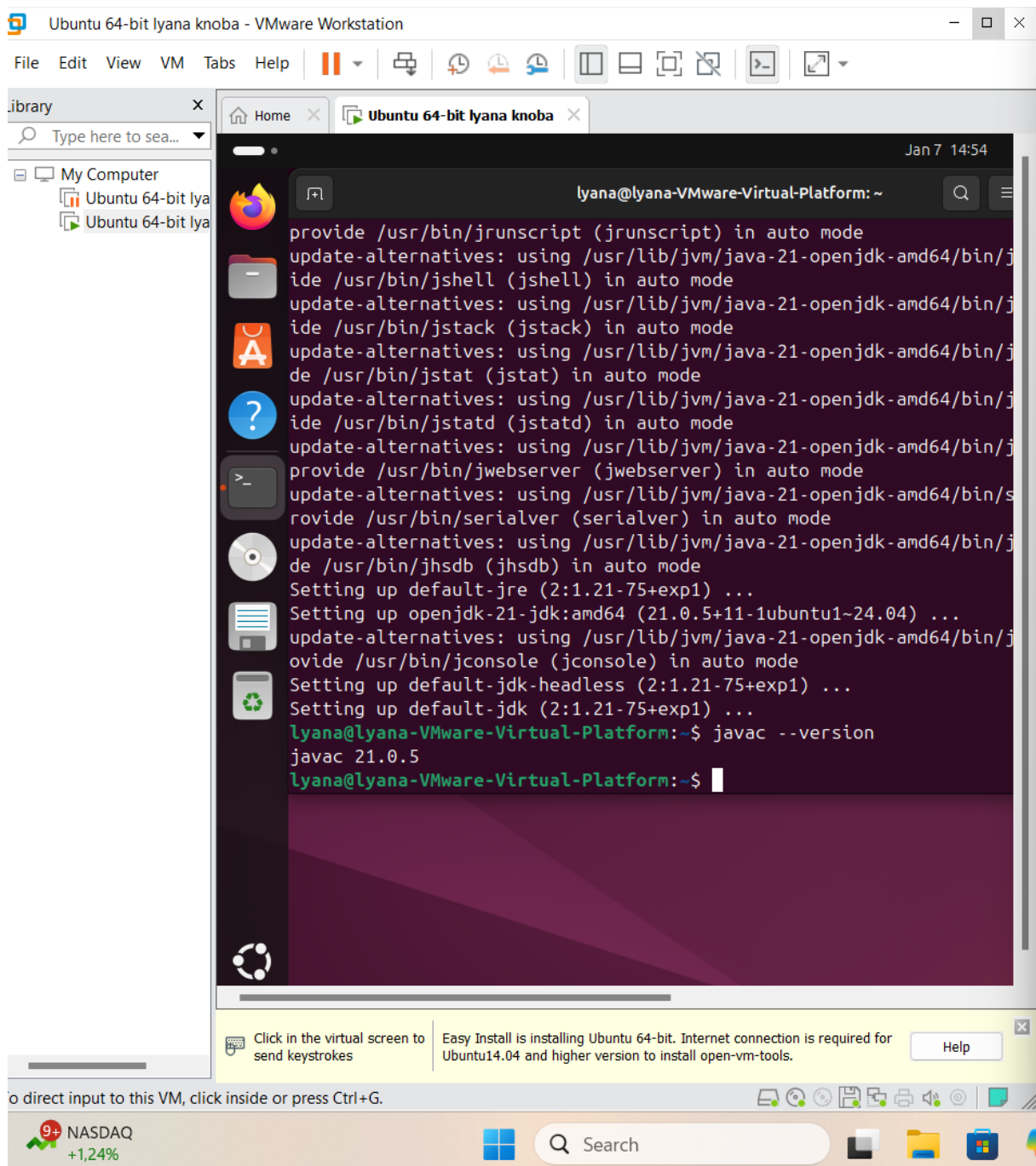
Screenshot of working assembly code of factorial calculation:



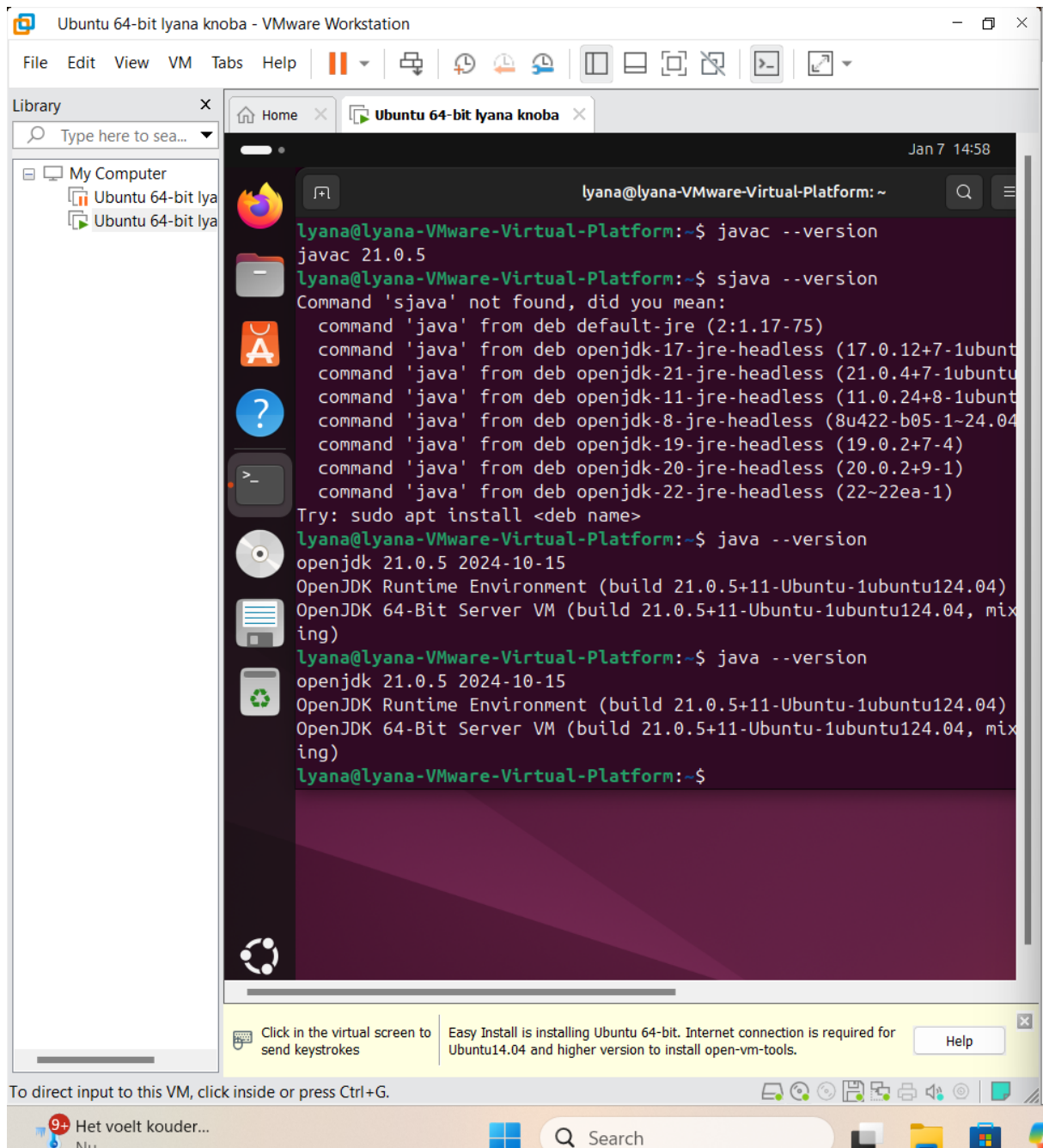
## Assignment 4.2: Programming languages

Take screenshots that the following commands work:

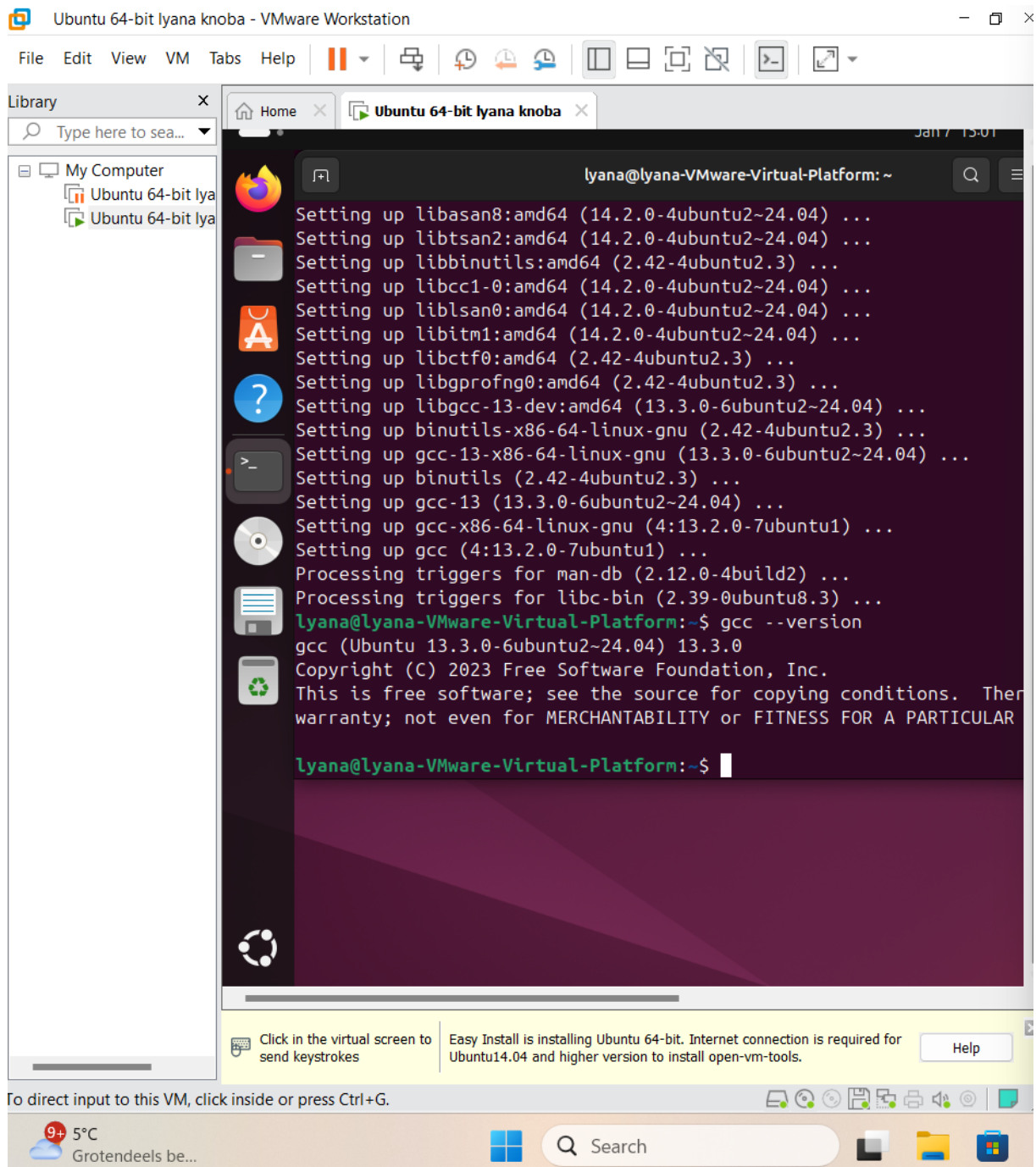
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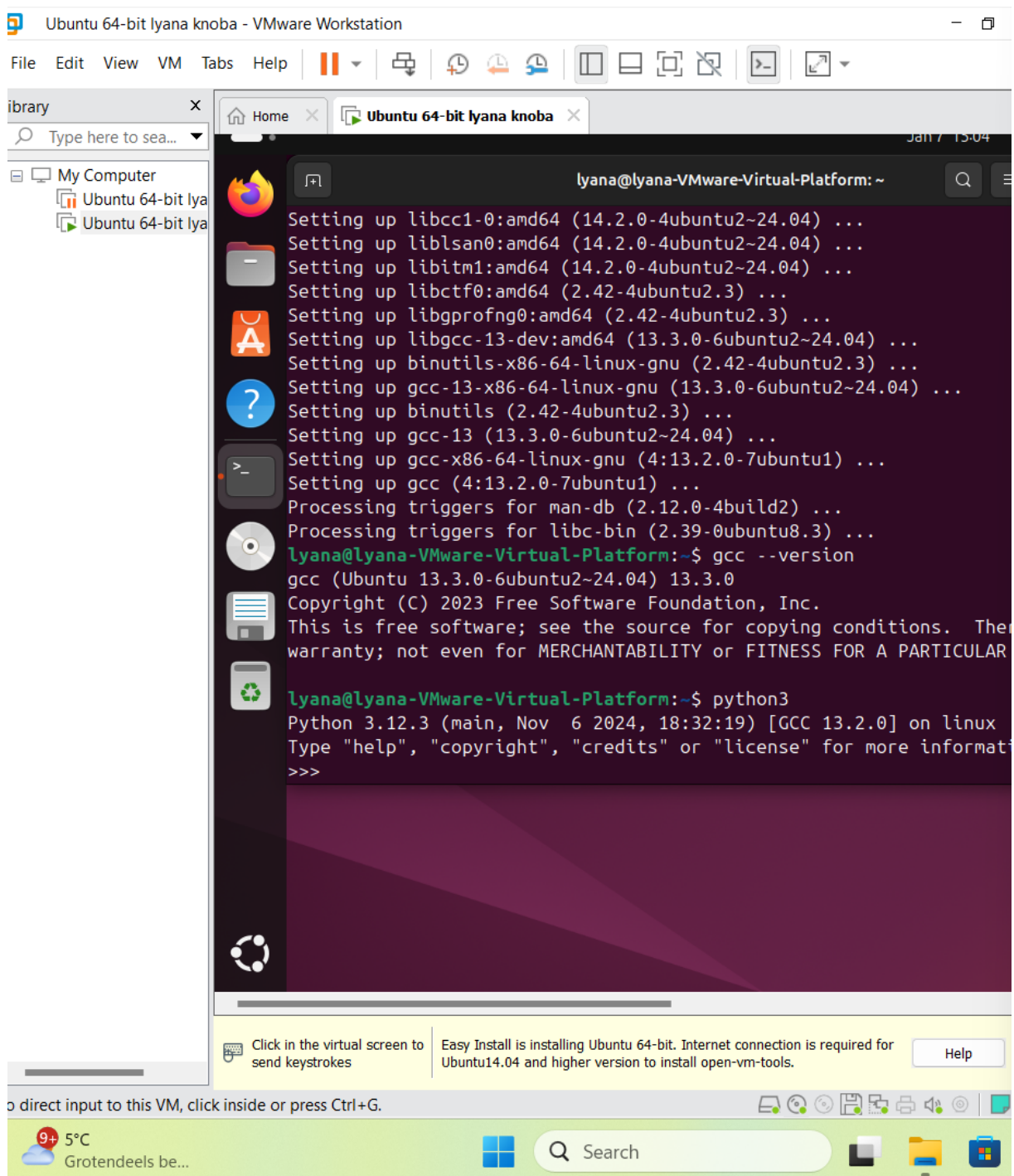
java -version



gcc --version



python3 --version



bash --version



### Assignment 4.3: Compile

**Which of the above files need to be compiled before you can run them?:** C and Java files need to be compiled before running. So, fib.c needs to be compiled with a C compiler and Fibonacci.java needs to be compiled with the java compiler.

**Which source code files are compiled into machine code and then directly executable by a processor?:** The C source file is compiled into machine code and can be executed directly by the processor.

**Which source code files are compiled to byte code?:** The java source file is compiled into byte code.

**Which source code files are interpreted by an interpreter?:** The python source file is interpreted by the python interpreter and the bash script is interpreted by the shell.

**These source code files will perform the same calculation after compilation/interpretation. Which one is expected to do the calculation the fastest?:** The C program performs the calculation the fastest because it is compiled into native machine code and can directly execute on the processor.

**How do I run a Java program?:** first you need to compile the source code using the javac compiler by typing "javac Fibonacci.java" in the terminal. Then run the command by typing "java Fibonacci"

**How do I run a Python program?:** type in "python3 fib.py"

**How do I run a C program?:** first you need to compile it by typing in "gcc -o fib fib.c" and run it by typing in "./fib"

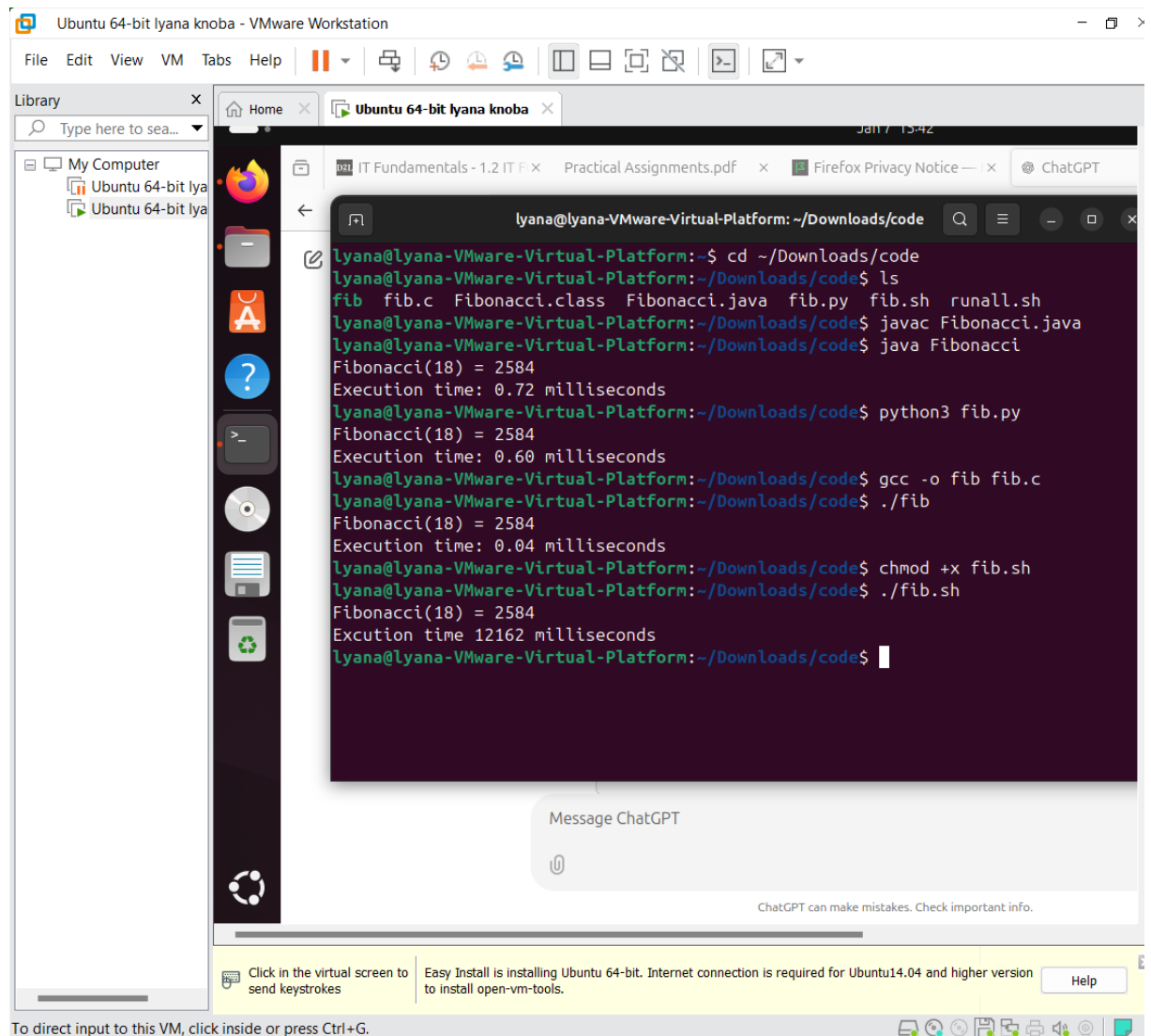
**How do I run a Bash script?:** first make the script executable by typing in "chmod +x fib.sh" and then run it by typing in "./fib.sh"

**If I compile the above source code, will a new file be created? If so, which file?:** yes, new files will be created for fib.c and Fibonacci.java. the python and bash scripts don't need compilation so no new files are created.

Take relevant screenshots of the following commands:

- Compile the source files where necessary
- Make them executable
- Run them
- Which (compiled) source code file performs the calculation the fastest?





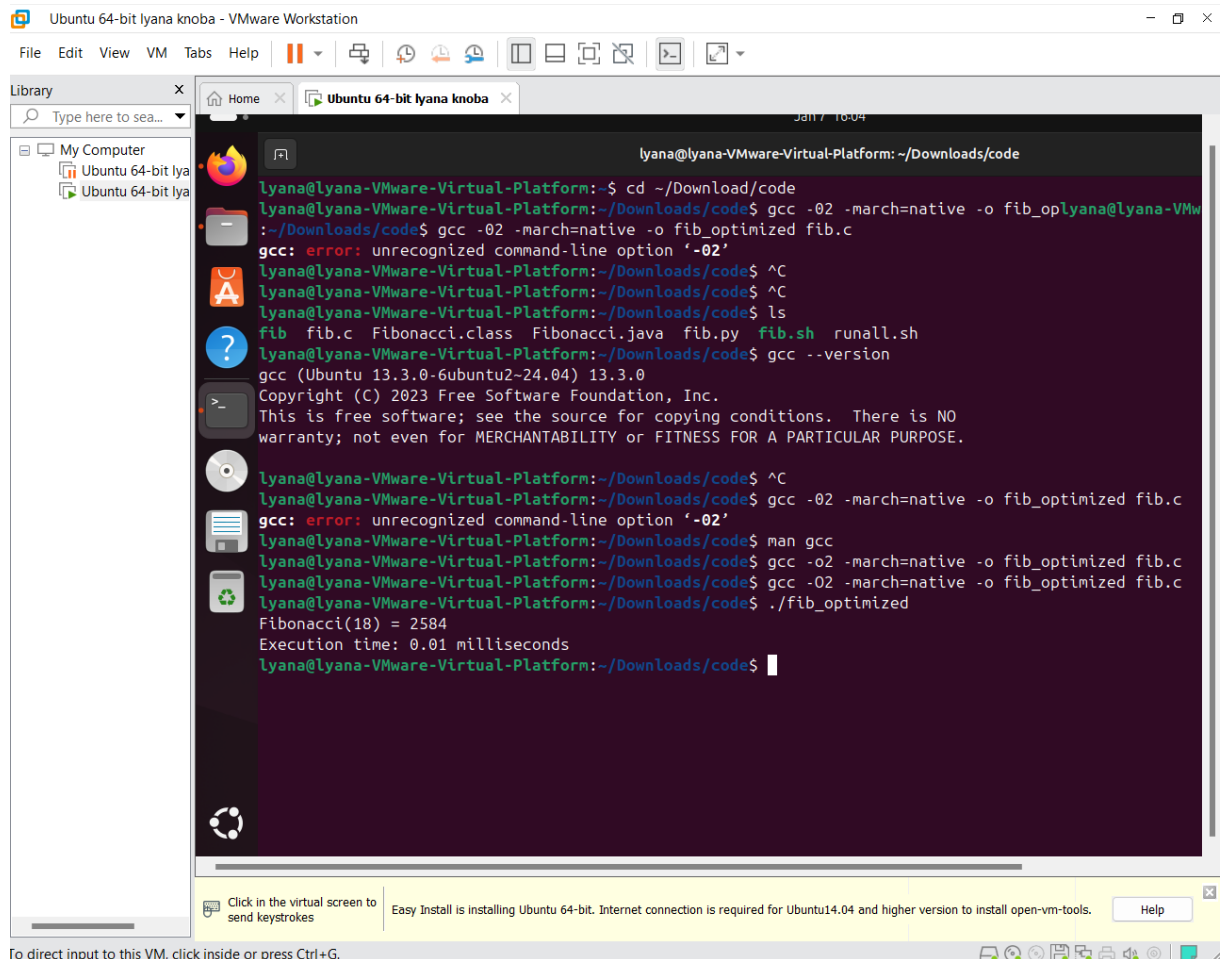
The c source code runs the fastest. It only took 0.04 milliseconds while the bash script took the longest at 12162 milliseconds.



## Assignment 4.4: Optimize

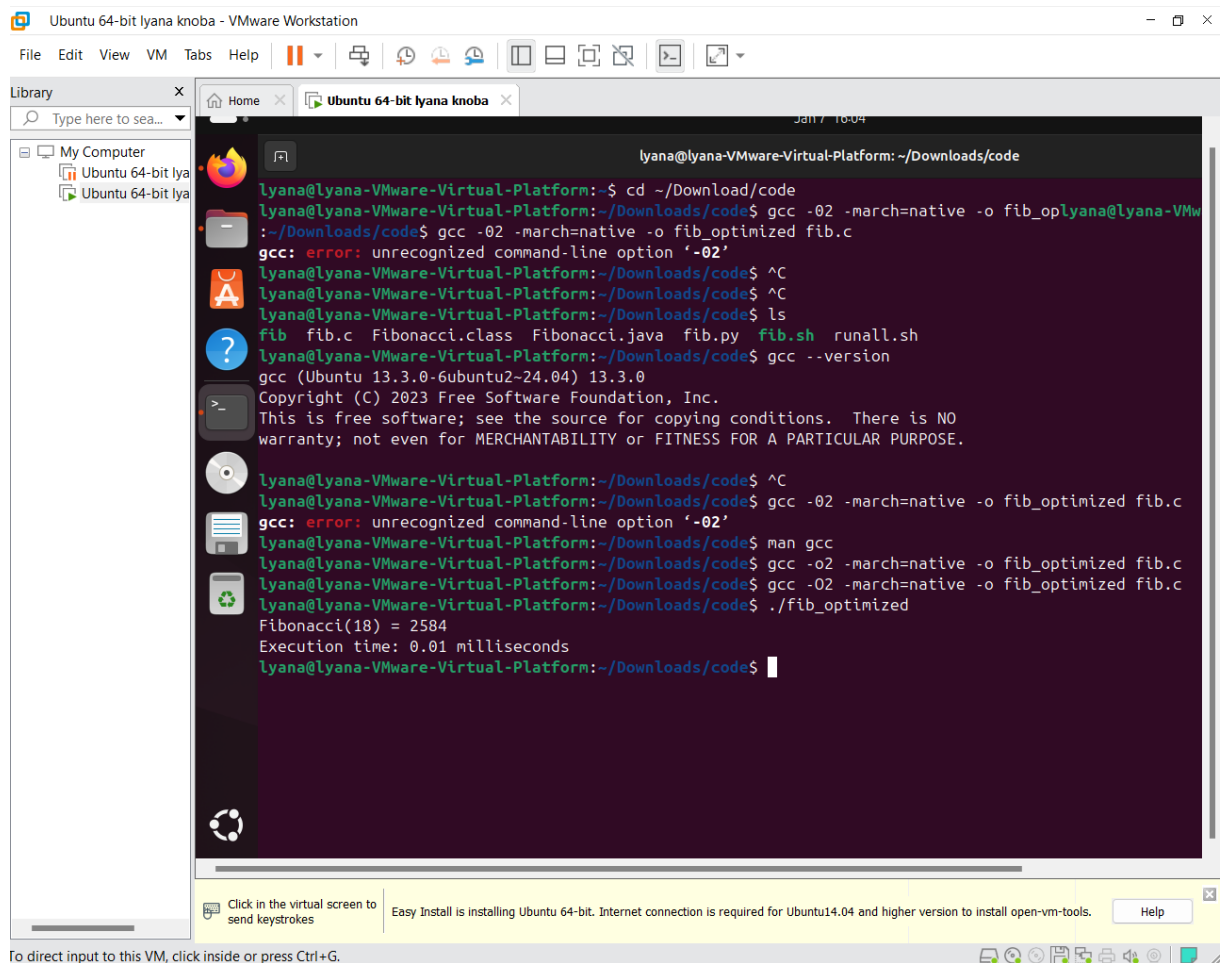
Take relevant screenshots of the following commands:

- Figure out which parameters you need to pass to **the gcc** compiler so that the compiler performs a number of optimizations that will ensure that the compiled source code will run faster. **Tip!** The parameters are usually a letter followed by a number. Also read **page 191** of your book, but find a better optimization in the man pages. Please note that Linux is case sensitive.



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lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ cd ~/Download/code
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc -O2 -march=native -o fib_optimized fib.c
gcc: error: unrecognized command-line option '-O2'
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ^C
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ^C
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ls
fib  fib.c  Fibonacci.class  Fibonacci.java  fib.py  fib.sh  runall.sh
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc --version
gcc (Ubuntu 13.3.0-6ubuntu2~24.04) 13.3.0
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warranty; not even for MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
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gcc: error: unrecognized command-line option '-O2'
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ man gcc
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc -O3 -march=native -o fib_optimized fib.c
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc -O2 -march=native -o fib_optimized fib.c
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ./fib_optimized
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.01 milliseconds
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$
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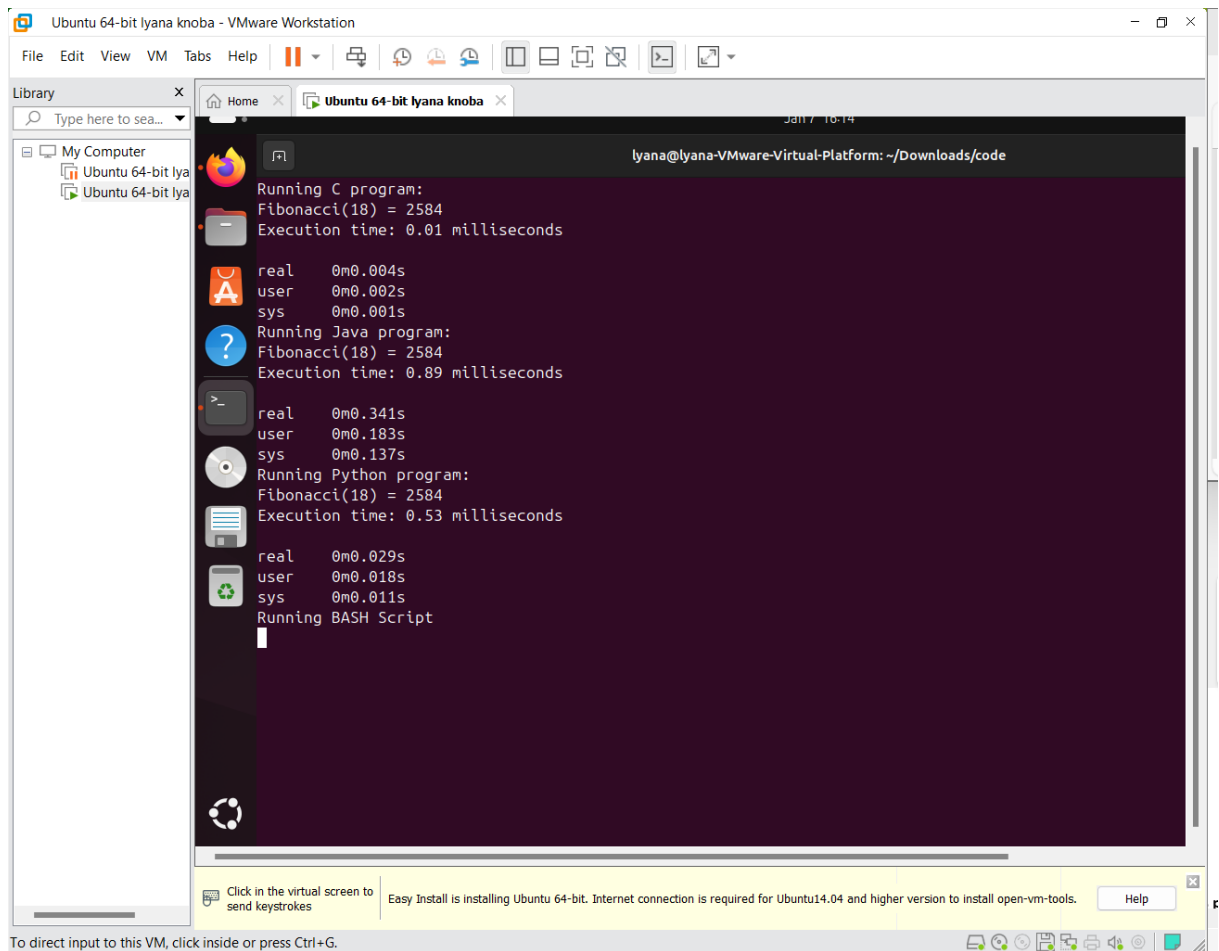
- Compile **fib.c** again with the optimization parameters



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lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ^C
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc -O2 -march=native -o fib_optimized fib.c
gcc: error: unrecognized command-line option '-O2'
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ man gcc
lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc -O2 -march=native -o fib_optimized fib.c
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lyana@lyana-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ./fib_optimized
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- c) Run the newly compiled program. Is it true that it now performs the calculation faster?  
Yes, it is true. It's execution time is now 0.01 milliseconds.
- d) Edit the file **runall.sh**, so you can perform all four calculations in a row using this Bash script.  
So the (compiled/interpreted) C, Java, Python and Bash versions of Fibonacci one after the other.



e) To direct input to this VM, click inside or press Ctrl+G.

### Bonus point assignment – week 4

Like the factorial example, you can also implement the calculation of a power of 2 in assembly. For example you want to calculate  $2^4 = 16$ . Use iteration to calculate the result. Store the result in r0.

\_start:

```
mov r1, #2
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mov r2, #4
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```
mov r0, #1
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Loop:

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mul r0, r0, r1
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subs r2, r2, #1
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bne Loop
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End:

(Note to self, in case I come back and have no clue about what is going on, here, we are storing in r0 and we have r2 which has the value of 4 as the counter. In the loop  $r1(2) * r0(1) = r0(2)$  then r2 decreases by 1 which now is 3. Now  $r0(2) * r1(2) = r0(4)$  now r2 decreases to 2 and this loops until r2 becomes 0

Complete the code. See the PowerPoint slides of week 4.

Screenshot of the completed code here.

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