Welcome to CS0.101 Lab 0

https://cpro-iiit.github.io/docs/course_material/labs/0/lab0.pdf



Introduction

Coding can be learnt only by solving programming problems!

80% of the weightage of evaluations is on programming problems.

Goal: Solve 8-9 programming problems every week.

(3 in lab, 2 in tutorial, 1-2 in assignment, 2 in practice)

Solve 100 over the entire course.

Lab sessions are evaluated (2% marks per lab, 20% for 10 labs).



What's the plan for Lab 0?

- 1. Help you set up the coding environment.
- 2. Download problems from AutoLab (https://pingala.iiit.ac.in) and learn the basic tools required for coding.
- 3. Submitting solutions and seeing the score.
- 4. Problem-1, Solve a "Hello World" problem.
- 5. Problem-2, Print "Hello World! I am learning Computer Programming in C, And it is awesome!"



Some Buzz Words!

AutoLab: where all labs/assignments problems are set. You can download handouts and upload solutions (or handins). Autolab will automatically grade your solutions and give you a score. You will also get feedback on code from TAs here. You can access autolab in 2 ways.

- 1. Through the website https://pingala.iiit.ac.in
- 2. Through autolab commands in the *pingala shell*.

Pingala Shell: where you will do all the coding. The *pingala shell* is a standard Ubuntu Linux shell with all the programs required for this course. This also ensures that the outputs/errors you encounter are similar for the entire batch.



1. Basic Setup



1.1 Reseting Password for AutoLab:

- 1. Open a browser and go to https://pingala.iiit.ac.in (the web interface for autolab).
- 2. Reset your password using forgot password. The username is the IIIT email id.
- 3. Goto Outlook Mailbox for instructions for reset.
- 4. After resetting, login to the site and keep this browser window open, as it is also needed for step 1.3.
- Remember this password! It will be used for all labs, assignments and exams.



1.2 Open pingala shell:

1. Open the Terminal in lab machines and run the command

ssh <your_iiit_username>@pingala.iiit.ac.in

2. Enter your IIIT CAS password to open the *pingala shell*.

pingala shell is a standard Ubuntu Linux shell with all the programs required for this course.



1.3 Setup AutoLab in the shell:

1. Run the following command for setting up autolab in *pingala shell*

autolab setup

- 2. Copy the 6-character access code and paste it into https://pingala.iiit.ac.in/activate in the same browser window where you logged in.
- 3. More info: https://docs.autolabproject.com/command-line-interface/



2. Download Problems/Basic Tools for Coding



2.1 Download Problems

- 1. Run the command autolab courses to list the courses
- 2. Run the command autolab asmts <course_id> to list the assessments under the courses. <course_id> is "cs0-101-m24" for this course (as shown by the previous command).
- 3. Run the command autolab download <course_id>:<asmts_id> to download the handout for Lab 0. <asmts_id> is "lab0" for Lab 0 (as shown by the previous command).

More Info: https://docs.autolabproject.com/command-line-interface/



2.2 Navigate folders, edit code, extract/create tar archive in 'pingala shell'

- use 1s command to list folders and files in the current directory.
- use cd to change the directory. e.g. cd lab0/
- use tar xvf <file_name> to unzip tar archives lab0-handout.tar . More about tar file: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tar_(computing)
- use cd lab0-handout/ and ls to check the assessment files (driver.sh, Makefile, p1, p2, README)
- use nano p1/main.c to open C file for the lab0/problem-1.



- use nano <file_name> to edit <file_name> as a text file.e.g. nano p1/main.c , nano p2/main.c .
- Edit your code and use ctrl+o to write the code. Hit enter to save, and use ctrl+x to exit the nano editor. More about nano editor: https://www.nano-editor.org/
- use 'cd ..` to exit the current directory.
- use tar cvf <tar_file_name> <folder_name> to create a tar archive (similar to a zip file) for the folder <folder_name>. e.g. tar lab0-handin.tar lab0-handout.
- run ls to check the created tar files.
- use arrow keys (up and down) to check the command history.

More Info: https://missing.csail.mit.edu/2020/course-shell/



2.3 Test your solutions locally

- run make all to compile both your problem solutions. If it runs inside the problem directory, only that problem is compiled.
- run ./main in each problem directory to see your program running.
- run sh driver.sh to see your program running on test cases.



3. Submitting Solutions/Seeing Score



3.1 Submit solutions

- 1. go 1 directory above using cd .. (now ls should show lab0-handout directory) and create a tar archive of the entire assessment by running tar cvf lab0-handin.tar lab0-handout
- 2. submit 10-handin.tar using the command autolab submit lab0-handin.tar



3.2 See your score

see your score by running

autolab scores

Logout from the pingala shell by running logout Logout from pingala.iiit.ac.in too.



4. Solve Lab 0

Problem-1

Problem-2



4.1 Coding Treasure Hunt!

Use the above clues to solve lab 0 with full marks.

- 1. Make guesses and try it out.
- 2. Only when you are completely stuck, ask others.
- 3. Understand why a guess didn't work out. Read the Error and debug it accordingly.
- 4. C-error debug: https://naagar.notion.site/C-Error-debug-197096220a264f53a994742fd2d4971d



Honor Code

- When you copy, you are only damaging yourself!
- When you allow your friend to copy, you are not helping your friend!
- We will run your code for Plagiarism Detection.



Questions



Can I use my computer/editor for coding?

Yes. You can access Autolab through the website (https://pingala.iiit.ac.in) if you are connected to the IIIT network directly or indirectly through VPN (https://vpn.iiit.ac.in/).

Autolab command line could also be installed in Linux systems using directions provided at the links below:

https://github.com/autolab/autolab-cli

https://docs.autolabproject.com/command-line-interface/

However, it's recommended to use the **pingala shell** where everything is already installed. This ensures that you can get help from your colleagues and TAs easily. This is also the same setup used for all exams.

