# Software Construction Laboratory

Week 4 Part 1

35L Lab 3

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## Grades for Assignment 1

- Has been posted on MyUCLA
- The average is 90
- The high is 99
- See comments for grade breakdown
- Good job everyone!
- If you have questions, email me

### Assignment 10

- Google Signup Form: https://https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10GHR7sfjtyuCiMjxmZ4XgoGRChEbpcktY-DMAwTmCNY/edit#gid=0
- Deadline to signup is this Wednesday before class!
- You will lose 5 points for this assignment if I can't approve your topic by the deadline
- Your entries will be highlighted green when approved, otherwise its orange and you need to modify it and then dehighlight so that I know you have modified
- Read comments for others so that you can better select your topic

## Assignment 10

- Stick with your topic, contact me if need to change (Won't be able to modify yourself)
- Show up and be on time
- If can't make it, contact me in advance, otherwise -50% grades of presentation + a makeup

## Grading of Assignment

- Report & Slides due one week after your presentation
- Late policy applies
- Grade = Presentation (39) + Slides(6)+ Report (55)
- Basic rubrics for both presentation and report can be found on CCLE
- Graded also based on the particular assignment requirements and interests

## Tips for Presentation

- Keep 7-10 minutes
- Don't dive too deep into the topic
- Keep a maximum of 10 slides
- Don't put too much text on slides
- Try to allow everyone to understand what you are talking about
- Make it interesting & relevant
- Be prepared to answer questions if there are any
- Be prepared to ask questions to presenters since the staff could be on your final exam

#### Outline for This Week

- Introduction to C
- Difference between C and C++
- Pointers in C
- Dynamic memory allocations
- Debuggers (Part 2)
- Common debugging tools (Part 2)

#### Introduction to C

- The most widely used programming language of all times
- Developed in 1970s
- Imperative
- Static typed system
- C99 and C11 (newer version)
- Tutorials Point is a really good source for C function definitions.

#### Difference Between C and C++

- You can think it as a subset of C++ with some changes
- No classes at all
- No function overloading
- No function in structures
- No namespace
- Free functions
- Function driven
- Programmer can control memory explicitly

#### Struct in C

```
typedef struct Database {
       int id_number;
       int age;
       float salary;
} database;

    database tmp;

• tmp.age = 10;
struct Database tmp2; // Same
• tmp2.age = 20;

    Without typedef "database" is only a variable, not type
```

struct can contain other structs

#### Pointers in C

```
int *Ptr;
                 //Declare Ptr as a pointer to integer
• int Var = 77; // Define an integer variable

    Ptr = &Var; //Let Ptr point to the variable Var

• (*Ptr) = 77; // Accessing value of var
```

## **Dereferencing Pointers**

double x, y, *ptr;	// Two double variables and a pointer to double.	
ptr = &x	// Let ptr point to x.	
*ptr = 7.8;	// Assign the value 7.8 to the variable x.	
*ptr *= 2.5;	// Multiply x by 2.5.	
y = *ptr + 0.5;	// Assign y the result of the addition x + 0.5.	

#### Pointer to Functions

You will need this for HW4

#### void & bool

- C does not have a built in Boolean type
- Use #include <stdbool.h> if C99
- If C11 use
   typedef int bool;
   #define true 1 // #define is used to declare global constants
   #define false 0 // Put this at the beginning of the file after include
- If there are no argument to a function, must put "void", the same for functions returning nothing

```
void my_function (void) {};
```

## Dynamic Memory Allocation

```
malloc(size t size)
 //allocates a block of memory whose size is at least size
• p = (int *) malloc (sizeof (int) * n); // Allocates for an array of n integers
          // frees the block of memory pointed to by p
free(p)
               // Always remember to free!
               // Free the same pointer more than once will raise error

    calloc() is very similar to malloc(), but it initializes all fields to 0

P = (int *) calloc(n, sizeof(int));
 // Allocates for an array of n integers initialized all to 0

    void *realloc( void *ptr, size t new size );

 // To adjust the allocated memory size

    You will need this for HW4
```

## Opening & Closing Files

- FILE \*fopen(const char \*filename, const char \*mode)
- // mode includes w/r/a r+/w+/a+
- // return NULL if fails
- FILE \*fp; // file pointer
- int fclose(fp); // Returns EOF if fails, otherwise 0
- Common Streams and their file pointers
- Standard input: stdin
- Standard output: stdout
- Standard error: stderr

## Character I/O

- Reading/Writing characters
  - char c = getc( FILE \*fp );
  - putc(char c, FILE \*pf);
     //get an unsigned char holding in an integer
- Reading/Writing Lines
  - char \*fgets( char \*str, int n, FILE \*stream );
     // Stop if \n is read, n-1 char read or EOF is reached
  - int fputs( const char \*s, FILE \* stream);

## Formatted Input/Output

- Formatted Output
  - int fprintf( FILE \* fp, const char \* format, ... );
  - int fscanf( FILE \* fp, const char \* format, ... );
- Example:
  - int score = 120;
  - char player[] = "Mary";
  - fprintf( stdout, "%s has %d points.\n", player, score );
  - printf("%s has %d points.\n", player, score );
  - -> Mary has 120 points.

## **Common Format Specifiers**

Data Type	Format Specifier	Number of Bytes
char	%c	1
int	%d	4
long	%d	4
unsigned int	%u	4
short	%hi	2
float	%f	4
double	%f	8
Character array	%s	Many

## Reading Numbers

- Byte vs Bits vs Digits
- 3251 is just decimal display of an integer
- Read 1 char != Read 1 digit != Read 1 byte
- Integer range from -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
- To read a number from stdin:
  - int inumber;
  - fscanf(stdin, "%d", &inumber);
  - -> 333333
  - inumber = 333333
  - This reads 4 bytes, not four digits, and that covers the above integer range

## Sample Program

```
#include <stdio.h>
void printHelloWorld();
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
  printHelloWorld();
  return 0;
void printHelloWorld()
  printf("%s\n", "Hello World!");
```

```
// Always need a main function of type int
// argv = input arguments to the program
// argc = # of input arguments including the program name
```

## Compiling

- gcc –o output -g example.c
- –g option indicates to include symbol and source-line info for debugging
- -o specifies the output filename
- -c can be used to generate object files (assembly file) without link them and allow multiple files to be linked together afterwards
- ./output will execute the program
- We will learn more about this in week 8