프로그래밍언어의 개념 Concepts of Programming Language (Lecture 02/03 : Chapter 1-Preliminaries)

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- Chapter 1-Preliminaries
 - Reasons for studying Concepts of PL
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 - Language Evaluation Criteria

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- Chapter 1-Preliminaries
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 - Language Categories
 - Implementation Methods
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2.1.1 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL



- Increased ability to express ideas
- Each language has limits on the kinds of control structures, data structures, and abstractions.
 - As such, the forms of constructed algorithms is also limited.
- Awareness of a wider variety of programming language features can reduce such limitations.



2.1.2 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL



- Improved background for choosing appropriate languages
- Programmers tend to use only the most familiar language, even if it is poorly suited for the project at hand.
- If these programmers were familiar with a wider range of languages and language constructs, they are able to choose the language with the features that best address the problem.



2.1.3 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL



- Increased ability to learn new languages
- The process of learning a new programming language can be lengthy and difficult
- Once thorough understanding of the fundamental concepts of languages is acquired, it becomes far easier to see how these concepts are incorporated into the design of the language being learned.
- Eg: Understanding the concepts of object-oriented programming will result easier time in learning Java



2.1.4 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL



- Better understanding of significance of implementation
 - Understanding implementation issues helps in
 - i) finding and fixing bugs,
 - ii) visualizing execution of various language constructs
- iii) relative efficiency of alternative constructs that may be chosen for a program.
- For example, programmers unaware about the complexity of the implementation of subprogram calls do not realize that frequent calling of a small subprogram can be a highly inefficient design choice.



2.1.5 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL



- Better use of languages that are already known
- It is uncommon for a programmer to be familiar with all features of a language
- By studying the concepts of programming languages, programmers can learn about previously unknown and unused parts of the languages they already use.



2.1.6 Reasons for Studying Concepts of PL

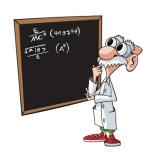


- Overall advancement of computing
- Sometimes, the most popular languages are not always the best available
- A language might become widely used because those in positions to choose languages were not sufficiently familiar with programming language concepts
 - Eg. ALGOL 60 vs. FORTRAN
- ALGOL 60 could not displace FORTRAN although it was more elegant and had much better control statements
 - Many did not clearly understand the conceptual design of ALGOL 60



2.2.1 Programming Domains

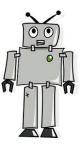
- Scientific applications
 - Large numbers of floating point computations; use of arrays and matrices
 - Common control structures were counting loops and selections
 - FORTRAN, ALGOL 60, MATLAB



- Business applications
 - Produce reports, use decimal numbers and characters
 - COBOL



- Artificial intelligence
 - -characterized by the use of symbolic rather than numeric computations
 - symbols, consisting of names rather than numbers
 - LISP





2.2.2 Programming Domains

- Systems programming
 - System Software: Operating system and the programming support tools
 - Need efficiency because of continuous use
 - C and C++
- Web Software
 - Eclectic collection of languages: markup (e.g., HTML), scripting (e.g., PHP), general-purpose (e.g., Java)







2.3 Language Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation
OUTSTANDING
Excellent
Very Good
Average
Below Average

- Readability
 - the ease with which programs can be read and understood
- Writability
 - the ease with which a language can be used to create programs
- Reliability
 - conformance to specifications (i.e., performs to its specifications)
- Cost
 - the ultimate total cost



2.3.1.1 Evaluation Criteria-Readability

- Overall simplicity
 - A manageable set of features and constructs
 - Minimal feature multiplicity (i.e. more than one way to accomplish a particular operation).

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Example i) count = count + 1
ii) count += 1
iii) count++
iv) ++count
(iii) and (iv) have slightly different meanings, but they are same when used as stand-alone expressions
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- Minimal operator overloading

Example

"+": Addition for both integer and floating-point is acceptable
"+": Sum of all elements of between two single-dimensioned array will be confusing
(Vector addition has different meaning)
"+": Difference between respective elements of array is even worse!!



2.3.1.2 Evaluation Criteria-Readability

Orthogonality

- A relatively small set of primitive constructs can be combined in a relatively small number of ways to build the control and data structures of the language
 - Every possible combination is legal

IBM

Instruction:

A Reg1, memory_cell

AR Reg1, Reg2

Semantics:

Reg1 ← contents(Reg1) + contents(memory_cell)

 $Reg1 \leftarrow contents(Reg1) + contents(Reg2)$

<u>VAX</u>

Instruction:

ADDL operand_1, operand_2

Semantics:

operand_2 ← contents(operand_1) + contents(operand_2)

Operand can be either a register or a memory cell.



The VAX instruction design is orthogonal in that a single instruction can use either registers or memory cells as the operands

2.3.1.3 Evaluation Criteria-Readability

- Data types
 - Adequate predefined data types

Example: Flag Indicator

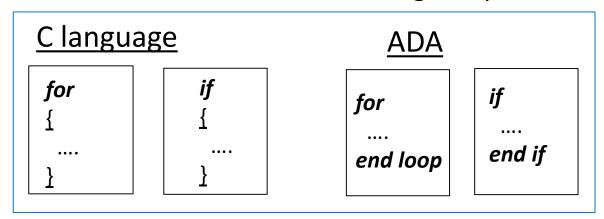
<u>Numeric</u> <u>Boolean</u>

Meaning is unclear Meaning is perfectly clear



2.3.1.4 Evaluation Criteria-Readability

- Syntax Considerations
 - Special words and methods of forming compound statements



FORTRAN 95

- Special Words: Do,
 End
- Do and End are also legal variable names
- Form and meaning: appearance of statement should indicate their purpose

Clanguage (violation) -static

- i) Used on definition of a variable inside a function: variable is created at compile time
- ii) Used on the definition of a variable that is outside all functions: variable is visible only in the file in which its definition appears; that is, it is not exported from that file.



2.3.2.1 Language Evaluation Criteria-Writability

- Simplicity and Orthogonality
 - large number of constructs → difficult to familiarize with all
 - accidental use of unknown features → unusual results
- a smaller number of primitive constructs and a consistent set of rules for combining them (i.e. orthogonality) is better
- On the other hand, when nearly any combination of primitives is legal, errors in programs can go undetected.



2.3.2.2 Language Evaluation Criteria-Writability

- Support for abstraction
 - The ability to define and use complex structures or operations in ways that allow details to be ignored

Types of abstraction

- i) Process abstraction: use of a subprogram
- ii) Data abstraction: use of class (group data members using access specifiers)



2.3.2.3 Language Evaluation Criteria-Writability

- Expressivity
 - A set of relatively convenient ways of specifying operations
 - Strength and number of operators and predefined functions

Example

count++ is more convenient and shorter than count = count + 1

Note!!!

Readability demands minimal feature multiplicity Contradiction??



2.3.3.1 Language Evaluation Criteria-Reliability

- Type Checking
- Verify that the type of a construct (constant, variable, array, list, object) matches what is expected in its usage context
- Run-time type checking is expensive, compile-time type checking is more desirable

Example

-Original C language: Passing an **int** type variable in a call to a function that expected a **float** type as its formal parameter was possible, and neither the compiler nor the runtime system would detect the inconsistency.

-Current version of C : eliminated this problem



2.3.3.2 Language Evaluation Criteria-Reliability

- Exception Handling
- The ability of a program to intercept run-time errors, take corrective measures, and then continue

Examples

- i) a program attempting to divide by zero
- ii) a user providing abnormal input
- iii) a file system error being encountered when trying to read or write a file

- Ada, C++, Java, and C# include exception handling capabilities
- C and Fortran do not have such capabilities.



2.3.3.3 Language Evaluation Criteria-Reliability

Aliasing

- -Two or more distinct names that can be used to access the same memory cell
 - A dangerous feature in a programming language
 - Two pointers set to point to the same variable
- Changing the value pointed to by one of the two changes the value referenced by the other



2.3.4 Language Evaluation Criteria-Cost

- Training programmers to use the language
- Writing programs (closeness to particular applications)
- Compiling programs
- Executing programs
- Language implementation system: availability of free compilers
- Reliability: poor reliability leads to high costs
- Maintaining programs



2.3.5 Language Evaluation Criteria: Others

- Portability
 - The ease with which programs can be moved from one implementation to another
- Generality
 - The applicability to a wide range of applications
- Well-definedness
 - The completeness and precision of the language's official definition



2.4 Influences on Language Design

Computer Architecture

Programming Methodologies Influences

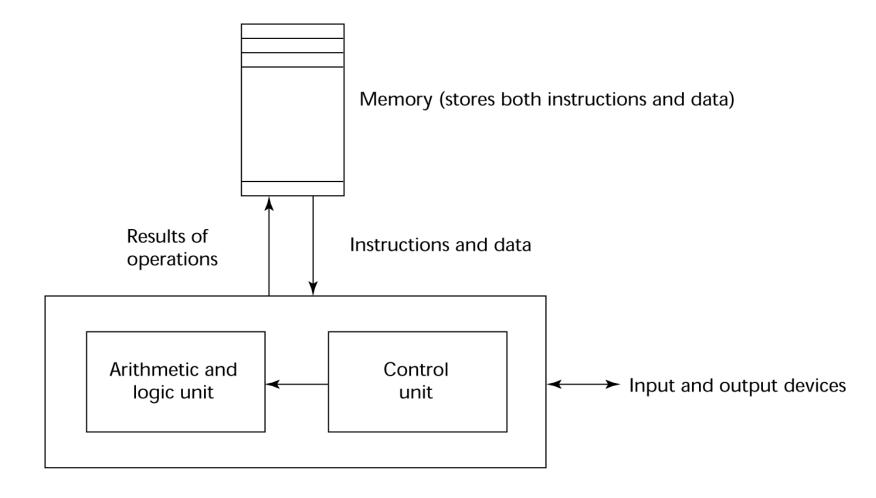


2.4.1.1 Influences on Language Design

- Computer Architecture
 - Most languages around 50 years ago were developed around the *von Neumann* architecture
 - These languages are called imperative language
 - Data and programs are stored in the same memory
 - Memory is separate from CPU
 - Instructions and data must be transmitted, or piped, from memory to the CPU.
 - Results of operations in the CPU must be moved back to memory.



2.4.1.2 The von Neumann Architecture





2.4.1.3 The von Neumann Architecture

- The execution of a machine code program on a von Neumann architecture computer occurs in a process called the fetch-execute cycle
- Fetch-execute-cycle (on a von Neumann architecture computer)

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initialize the program counter
repeat forever
    fetch the instruction pointed by the counter
    increment the counter
    decode the instruction
    execute the instruction
end repeat
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2.4.2 Programming Methodologies Influences

- 1950s and early 1960s: Simple applications; worry about machine efficiency
- Late 1960s: People efficiency became important; readability, better control structures
 - structured programming
 - top-down design and step-wise refinement
- Late 1970s: Process-oriented to data-oriented
 - Data abstraction
- Middle 1980s: Object-oriented programming
 - Data abstraction + inheritance + polymorphism



2.5 Language Categories

- Programming languages are often categorized into:
 - 1. Imperative,
 - 2. Functional,
 - 3. Logic, and
 - 4. *Object-oriented

^{*}Not considered to form a separate category of languages
(although differs significantly from the procedure-oriented paradigm usually used with imperative languages)

^{*}The extensions to an imperative language required to support object-oriented programming are not intensive

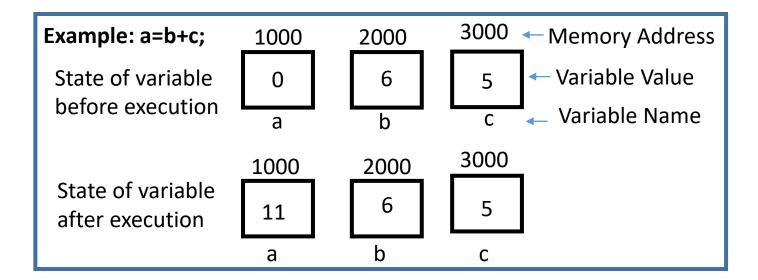
2.5.1 Language Categories

Imperative

- Statement-oriented language in which the programmer instructs the machine how to change its state,
- Consists of a sequence of statements and execution of each statement cause the computer to change the value of one or more location in its memory
- Examples: C, FORTRAN, PASCAL, ADA etc

Syntax

```
Statement1;
Statement 2;
:
Statement n;
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2.5.2 Language Categories

- Functional (Applicative)
 - More emphasis is given to the function that the program represents rather than just the state changes, as the program executes statement by statement
 - Syntax function_n(... function_n(function_n(data).....)
 - -Examples: LISP, Scheme, ML, etc

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Example (LISP)
x^2+y^2 \rightarrow (defun sumsqr(x y) (+(*xx) (*yy)))
```



2.5.3 Language Categories

- Logic (Rule Based)
 - Rule-based (rules are specified in no particular order)
 - Generally used for AI
 - Example: Prolog
 - Syntax enabling condition₁→action₁ enabling condition₂→action₂ enabling condition_n→ action_n
- Object-oriented
 - Encapsulation
 - Data abstraction
 - Inheritance
 - Polymorphism
 - Message Passing
 - Example C++, JAVA, Python, C# etc



2.6.1 Implementation Methods

Compilation

- Programs are translated into machine language
- The advantage of very fast program execution, once the translation process is complete
- Use: Large commercial applications

Pure Interpretation

- Programs are interpreted by another program known as an interpreter
- Use: Small programs or when efficiency is not an issue

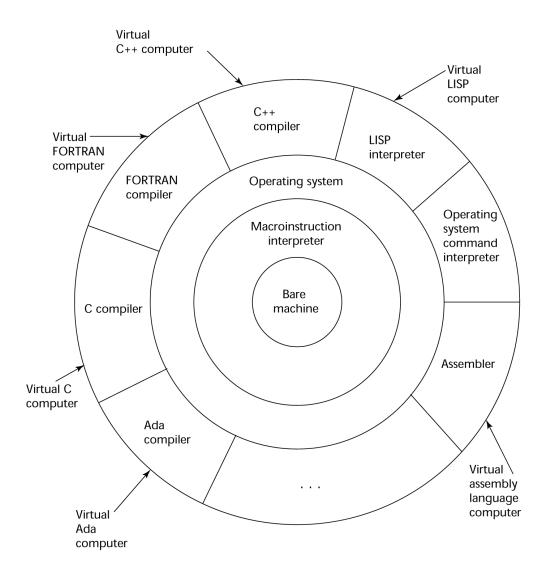
Hybrid Implementation Systems

- A compromise between compilers and pure interpreters
- Use: Small and medium systems when efficiency is not the first concern



2.6.2 Layered View of Computer

The operating system and language implementation are layered over machine interface of a computer



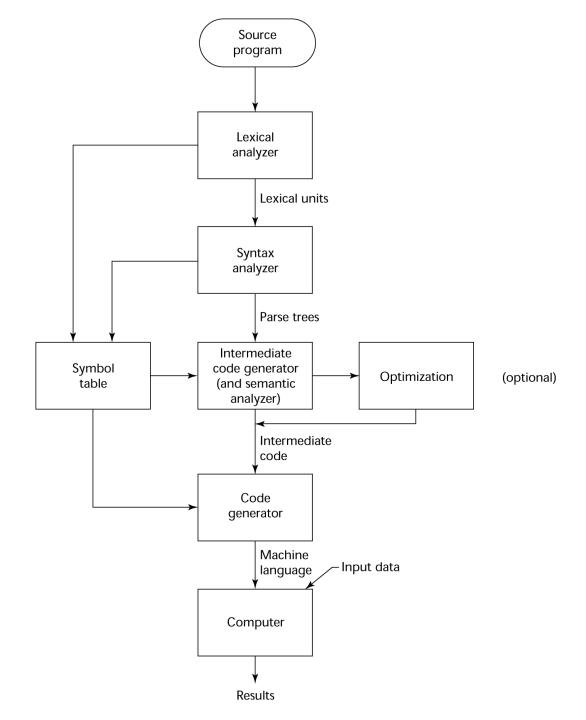


2.6.3 Compilation

- Translate high-level program (source language) into machine code (machine language)
- Slow translation, fast execution
- Compilation process has several phases:
 - lexical analysis: converts characters in the source program into lexical units
 - syntax analysis: transforms lexical units into *parse trees* which represent the syntactic structure of program
 - Semantics analysis: generate intermediate code
 - code generation: machine code is generated

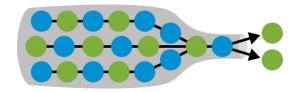


2.6.4 The Compilation Process





2.6.5 Von Neumann Bottleneck!!



 Connection speed between a computer's memory and its processor determines the speed of a computer

 Program instructions often can be executed much faster than the speed of the connection; the connection speed thus results in a bottleneck

• Known as the *von Neumann bottleneck*; it is the primary limiting factor in the speed of computers



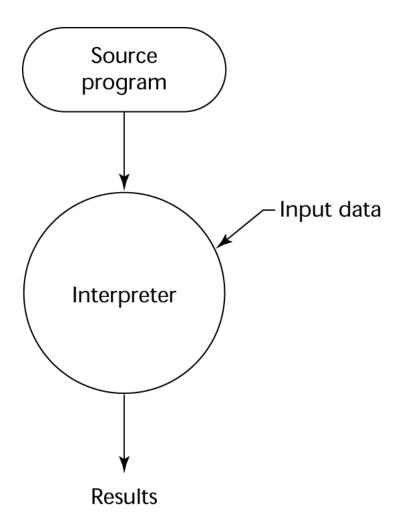
2.6.6 Pure Interpretation

No translation

- Easier implementation of programs (run-time errors can easily and immediately be displayed)
- Slower execution (10 to 100 times slower than compiled programs)
- Now rare for traditional high-level languages
- Significant comeback with some Web scripting languages (e.g., JavaScript, PHP)



2.6.7 Pure Interpretation Process





2.6.8 Hybrid Implementation Systems

A compromise between compilers and pure interpreters

 A high-level language program is translated to an intermediate language that allows easy interpretation

Faster than pure interpretation

- Examples
 - Perl programs are partially compiled to detect errors before interpretation



2.6.9 Just-in-Time Implementation Systems!!

- Initially translate programs to an intermediate language
- Then compile the intermediate language of the subprograms into machine code when they are called
- Machine code version is kept for subsequent calls
- JIT systems are widely used for Java programs
- .NET languages are implemented with a JIT system
- In essence, JIT systems are delayed compilers



2.6.10 Preprocessors

 Preprocessor are commonly used to specify that code from another file is to be included

 A preprocessor processes a program immediately before the program is compiled to expand embedded preprocessor macros

- A well-known example: C preprocessor
 - expands #include, #define, and similar macros



Q & A



