PROGRAMMING MERIT BADGE 2018

Let's see just how far the rabbit hole goes!
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Chris' Career

- Master in Computer Science from WSU
- Started career as Research Scientist @ BBN Technologies
- Became a backend/server developer
 - Worked at TriGeo Network Security for 7 years
 - Solarwinds for 3 years
- Research-QA Engineer at Tenable Network Security
- Software Engineer at Tenable Network Security

Chris' First Computer



To talk about Software let's first talk about Hardware



What are the parts of a programmable device?

- Central processing unit (CPU)
- Peripherals
 - Screen
 - Mouse
 - Keyboard
 - Hard drive
 - Memory
 - Touch screen
 - Compass
 - Printer

CPU

How does a processor work?

- Numbers, lots and lots of numbers!
 - Binary numbers
 - Two States a 1 or a 0
 - What is a 1?
 - What is a 0?

How does a processor work? Continued...

- Two types of numbers
 - Instructions
 - Data
- Computer reads in an instruction and does what it is programmed to do when is sees that instruction
 - \$A9 Load the Accumulator
 - \$80 Store the Accumulator to memory
- Otherwise its just a number

Embedded Processors and Electronics Resources

- Suppliers
 - Adafruit.com
 - SparkFun.com
 - EvilMadScientist.com
- Learning
 - http://arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/HomePage
 - http://tronixstuff.com/tutorials/
- Project Ideas
 - http://www.instructables.com
 - Arduino and Raspberry Pi channels

In the end

That's just the hardware, if we want it to do something useful we need...

Devices that have code running on them?

One of the first home computers



What is programming?

The process of developing and implementing various sets of instructions to enable a computer to do a certain task.

History of Programming

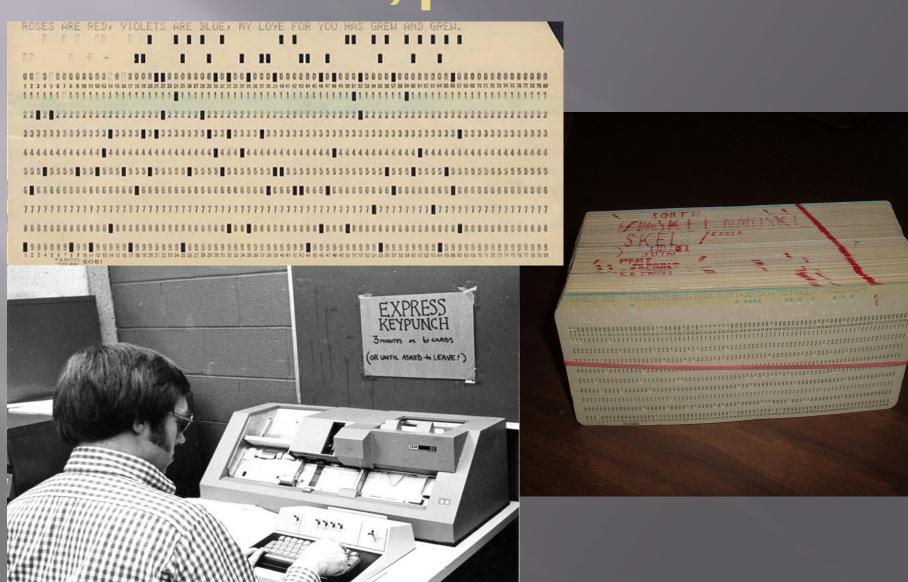
Code, Part 0001



Programming in the Dark Ages

- Switches and blinking lights
 - Entered the instructions and data into memory one byte at a time
- Paper tape
- Punch Cards
- Instructions go from the cards into the computers memory
 - Still what happens today, just faster and more convenient

Code, part 0010



First big Milestone

- Assemblers
 - Allowed programmers to work with a more human readable format
 - Managed memory to some extent
- Linkers
 - Allowed programmers to build reusable bits of code
 - Programmers could share code

Human Readable 2 Binary

section .text ;section declaration

;we must export the entry point to the ELF linker or

global _start ;loader. They conventionally recognize _start as their

;entry point. Use ld -e foo to override the default.

_start: ;write our string to stdout

mov edx,len ;third argument: message length

mov ecx,msg ;second argument: pointer to message to write

mov ebx,1 ;first argument: file handle (stdout) mov eax,4 ;system call number (sys_write)

int 0x80 ;call kernel

;and exit

mov ebx,0 ;first syscall argument: exit code mov eax,1 ;system call number (sys_exit)

int 0x80 ;call kernel

section .data ;section declaration

msg db "Hello, world!",Oxa ;our dear string

len equ \$ - msg ;length of our dear string

Second milestone Compilers and Interpreters

- Led to the development of languages like C,
 Fortran and Pascal
- Very human readable
 - Printf("Hello World!");
- Allows a more expressive way of working

Object oriented programming

- Paradigm shift
 - Not how to do some thing
 - Describes a machine of parts and how those parts act
 - Each object has responsibilities and behaviors
 - Easier to maintain
 - Easier to modify
- Examples

Programming Languages

Types of programming languages

- Procedural
- Functional
- Object Oriented

Scratch

- Visual Programming environment
- Developed at MIT to teach programming
- Great for developing games and animations
- Perfect for beginners
- Can interface with electronics through special boards
 - Makey Makey
 - Raspberry Pi
- http://scratch.mit.edu/

Alice

- Visual programming language
- Developed at CMU to teach programming
- 3D game creation
- http://www.alice.org/index.php

Javascript

- Designed to run within a web browser
- "Loosely typed" language
- With a number of new libraries, it is a great language for building thin clients within the browser

C

- Compiled language
- Basis for a number of different languages
 - C++
 - **C#**
 - Java
- Can get as low level as assembly
- Used in embedded programming and systems programming
 - business and manufactoring applications

Java

- Object oriented
- Compile once, run anywhere
 - o compiles to a intermediary set of instruction
 - runs in the Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
 - JVM are specific to Operation System/CPU
- web applications (eg. gmail)
- desktop application (programming tools)
- Android support for JVM language called Kotlin

Python

- Interpreted Language no compile step!
- Batteries Included
 - If you want to do something, there is probably a library to do it
- Dynamic language
 - Object properties and method can be created at runtime
- Available on almost any computing platform you can think of
- Used for all sorts of business applications and testing frameworks

Devices

Arduino

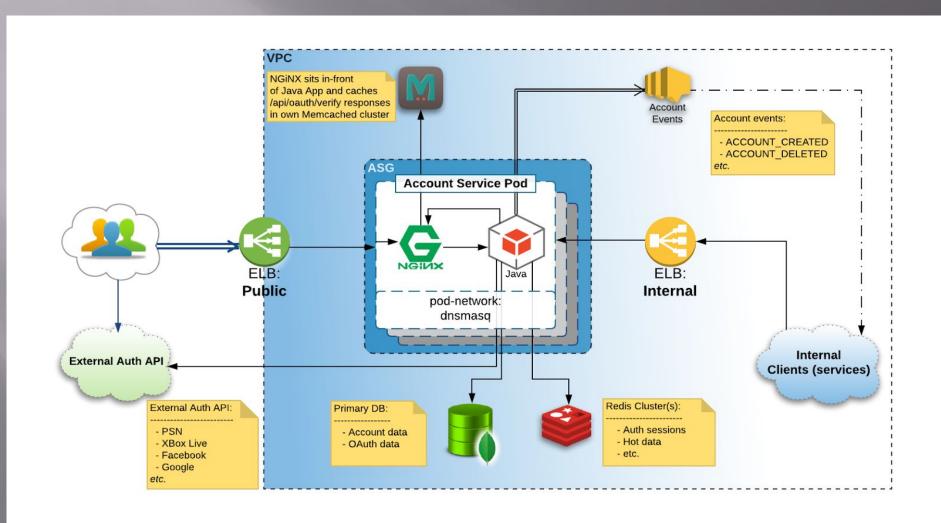
- Microcontroller, not a computer
- Programmed in C from a computer
- Designed for interfacing with electronics
- Comes in lots of different variations
 - Uno
 - Micro
 - Explora
- Lots of libraries and examples online!
- Available at Radio Shack

Raspberry Pi

- A full on Linux computer
- Hooks up to a television
- Has some pins for interfacing with electronics
 - Not as many as the Arduino
- Can run any of the programming languages we have discussed

Questions?

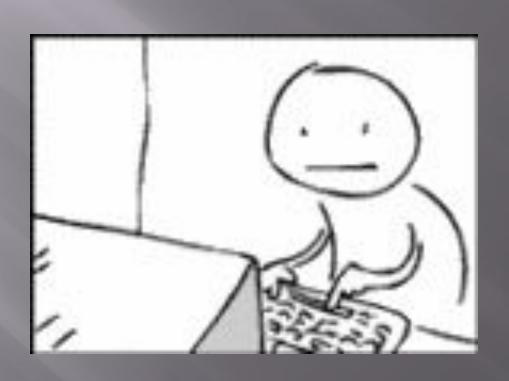
Software System



https://youtu.be/eQ4mvd7D87s?t=662

Lets talk about code!

- Data
- Conditions
- Loops
- Code reuse / organization



Steps to writing Application

- Analysis
- Design
- Code
- Test

Programming Resources, 0001

- Our programming resources
 - https://github.com/ccjones007/meritbadge
 - Boys Life
 - http://boyslife.org/programming/
 - Codecademy
 - http://www.codecademy.com
 - Invent With Python
 - http://inventwithpython.com/

Programming Resources, 0010

- Scratch
 - http://scratch.mit.edu/
- Javascript && HTML (write in webpage)
 - http://jsfiddle.net/
 - https://codepen.io/
 - http://js.do/
 - Г
- Various languages (write in webpage)
 - https://repl.it/
 - https://trinket.io/

Tools of the Trade

- Source version control
 - Software system to manage code base and updates
 - CVS, SVN, Git
 - https://github.com / https://bitbucket.org / https://gitlab.com
- Editor / Integrated Development Environmet (IDE)
 - Eclipse for Java, etc., Visual Studio for C/C++/C#/etc.
- Tracking systems
 - Jira, Redmine, Bugzilla,
- Collboration tools
 - Wikis (MediaWiki, Confluence, Forums, etc.)

Questions?