

# COMP10002 – Foundations of Algorithms

*Algorithms are fun!  
Workshop Time is fun Time!*

Workshop Time: 3:20PM – 5:10PM

While waiting, please:

- turn on your video,
- say hello to classmates,
- chat & have fun ☺

*Did you know? You can temporarily unmute your mic by just holding the SPACE key when talking.*

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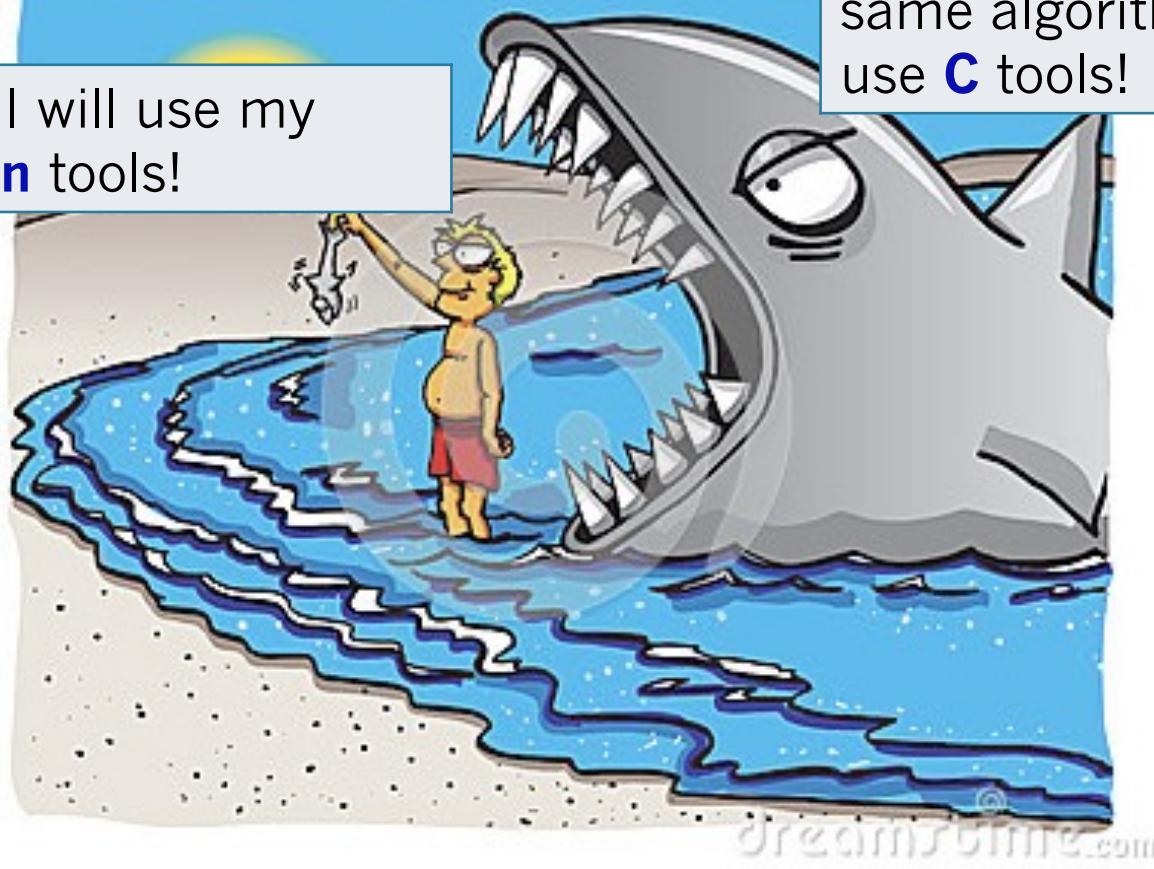
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.. and I will use my  
**Python** tools!

Pity, I employ the  
same algorithm, but I  
use **C** tools!



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# About You – we'll do it a bit later

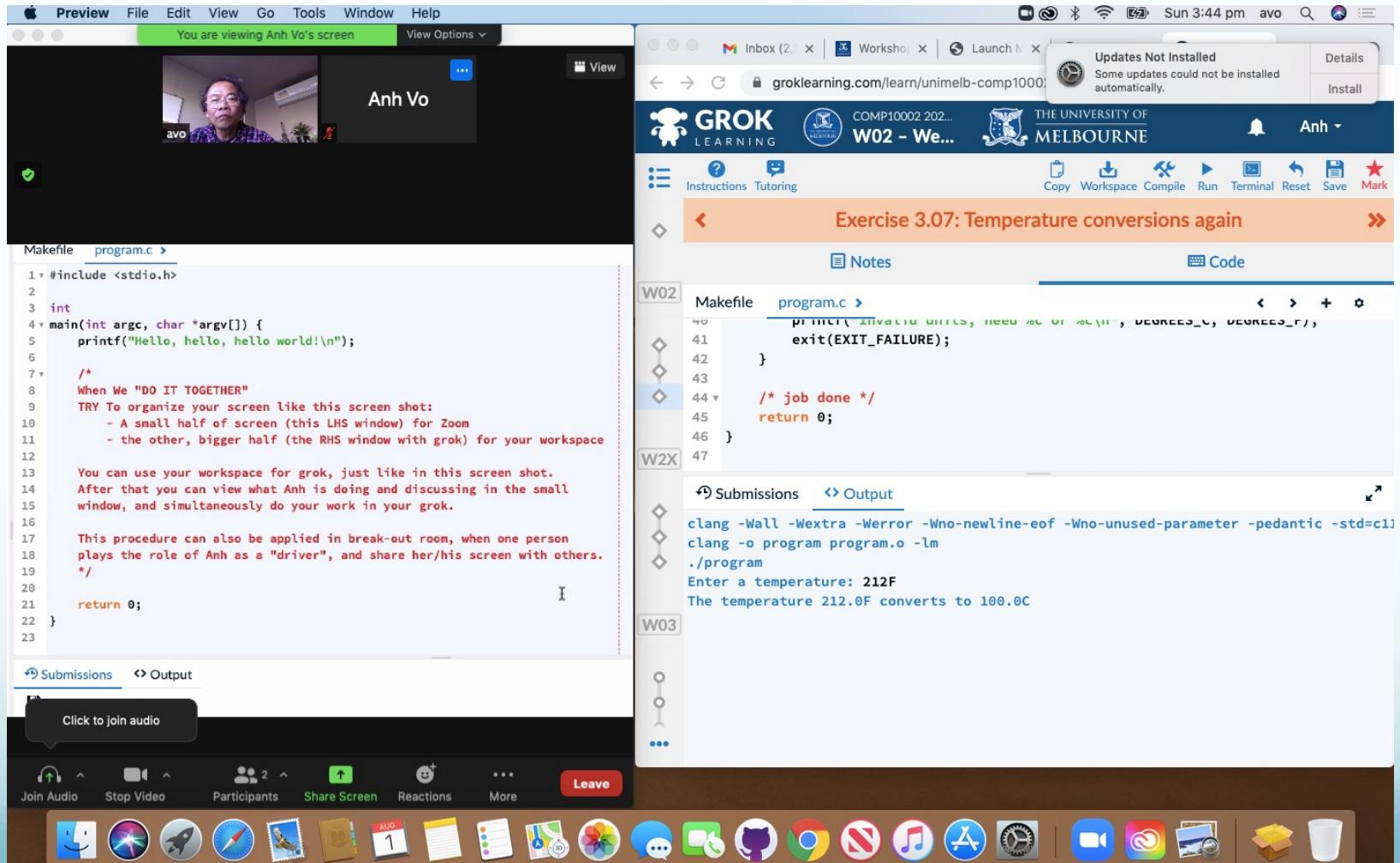
- In group, have a chat, introduce, get to know some friends
- Tell about your interest, your funny things, your biggest programming/algorithim experience so far

# About Us: Workshops

- General:
  - Visit Canvas frequently and explore all contents there
  - Use grok and discussion forum
- Before each workshop:
  - watch all lecture recordings of the previous week
  - try the workshop's exercises (well, as much as you can)
- During a workshop:
  - Be active, start & follow discussions.
  - Turn ON video (if Zooming), have fun, be engaged

# Suggestion for arranging your screen during Workshops

## Try It Now, together, we'll also visit Anh's github.



# Discussion 1: A Problem to Solve

- What steps a computer must do to help us to solve equations  $ax+b=0$ ?
- Build an algorithm, and then a C program for that.

## program for solving $ax+b=0$

Your algorithm:

input a, b  
x= -b/a  
output x

Anh-the-computer:  
a 10 b 20 x -2  
say “x is -2”

# C program: equation.c

Opening	#include <stdio.h> int main (int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
Declaring <b>Inputting</b>	float a, b, x; printf ("a, b = "); scanf("%lf%lf", &a, &b); if ( a != 0 ) { x= -b/a; printf("Solution x= %f\n", x); } else { printf("a must be non-zero\n"); }
Computing <b>Outputting</b>	
Closing	return 0; }

*Compare with a (imaginable) Python version!*

# Full C program: equation.c

Documentation

```
/* Solving equation ax + b = 0
Author: Anh Vo - anhviro@gmail.com
Last updated: 01 Aug 2020 */
```

Opening

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main (int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
```

Declaring  
Inputting  
Computing  
Outputting

```
    double a, b, x;
    ...
    /* comments for complicated code segments */
    ...
```

Closing

```
    return 0;
}
```

Why documentation and indentation? Programs are not just for computers to execute, but also for people to read, understand, and make changes.

*Hints: keep your Python indentation habit, but also learn C syntax!*

## Discussion 2: transition Python → C

- Variables are typed and must be declared before used

(also note ; )

Python	C
a= 10 b= 5	int a, b; a= 10; b= 5;

# transition Python → C

- Code block defined by { ... }, not by indentation

Python	C
a= 10 b= 5 if (a>b): print("max= ", a) # a is the winner else: max= b	int a, b; a= 10; b= 5; if (a>b) { printf("max= %d\n", a); // a is the winner } else { x= b; }

# transition Python → C

- Input, output using `formats`: `printf`, `scanf`
- In `printf`, at the end of the format string, add `\n` for `end_of_line`

Python	C
<pre>a= 10 b= 5 if (a&gt;b):     print("max= ", a)     print("Done!") else:     ...     </pre>	<pre>int a, b; a= 10; b= 5; if (a&gt;b) {     printf("%d max=%n", a);     printf("Done!\n"); } else {     ... }     </pre>
	<p>Output of this C snippet:</p> <pre>10m max= Done!</pre>

# **scanf is a bit picky!**

- copy `my_scnf.c` from [github.com/anhvir/c102](https://github.com/anhvir/c102)
- paste it to your Editor's window and try it
- we're doing that together right now

# Quiz 1

If we execute the following fragment:

```
int i=8; float x=9;  
scanf("%d%f", &i, &x);  
printf("i= %d, x= %.1f\n", i, x);
```

with the input stream (data from keyboard) of:

100.0 3.43

The output is:

A:

i= 100, x= 3.4

B:

i= 8, x= 9.0

C:

i= 100, x= 0.0

D:

i= 100 x= 3.43

# Quiz 2

If we execute the following fragment:

```
int i=8; float x=9; char c= 'A';
scanf("%d%c%f", &i, &c, &x);
printf("i= %d, c= %c, x= %.1f\n", i, c, x);
```

with the input stream (data from keyboard) of:

100AB 3.4

The output is:

A:

i= 100, c= AB, x= 3.4

B:

i= 100, c= A, x= 9.0

C:

i= 100, c=A, x= 3.4

D:

i= 100, c= A, x= 3.4

# Quiz 3

If we execute the following fragment:

```
int i;  char c;  float x;  
scanf("%d%c%f", &i, &c, &x);
```

with the input stream (data from keyboard) of:

100.1A200.2

Then, the value of **i**, **c**, and **x** become respectively:

A:

100      A      200.2

B:

100.1      A      200.2

C:

100      .      1

D:

(something else)

## Quiz 4: **scanf** is actually a function, returning the number of data items it *successfully read*

If we execute the following fragment:

```
int i;  char c; float x; int n1, n2;  
n1= scanf("%f%d", &x, &i);  
n2= scanf("%c%d", &c, &i);  
printf("n1= %d, n2= %d, i= %d\n", n1, n2, i);
```

with the input stream (data from keyboard) of:

100.1A200.2

The output is:

A:

n1= 1, n2= 2, i= 200

B:

n1= 2, n2= 2, i= 200

C:

n1= 2, n2= 2, i= 2

D:

(something else or errors)

## C Workspace for Professionals

- You need to have some software installed:
  - A text editor such as [jEdit](#)
  - A unix-style terminal such as Mac's [Terminal](#), or Windows' [minGW](#), which includes a C compiler such as [gcc](#)
- Then, you need to organize a neat working environment, including:
  - Make a dedicated directory (ie file folder) [comp10002](#), and sub-folders [Week02](#), [Week03](#), ... under it
  - Arrange the app windows in your screen neatly so that you can [view](#) both editor and Terminal windows at the same time, and also can easily switch to your browser when needed.

# How to run my equation program on a computer?

1. Type, edit, and save it as `equation.c` using your text editor.
2. Using Terminal and:
  - Run `gcc` to compile `equation.c` to have an executable file with a name such as `equation` or `equation.exe`:  
`gcc -Wall -o equation equation.c`
  - Run the executable file  
`./equation`
3. If `equation.c` has some errors, go back to step 1

# Fun Time

- go to [github.com/anhvir/c102](https://github.com/anhvir/c102)
- Click on `guessNumber.c` → Raw
- Press ^A^C to copy the Raw content
- Paste it into grok's playGround or your Editor Windows
- Try it

# Make Lab Time both Useful and Fun

- The exercises are in **grok**, but sometimes incomplete
- You can use **jEdit+Terminal** or **grok**
- Work in breakout rooms (suggestions):
  - One Driver, sharing the screen and do the typing etc.
  - Other people discuss and advise the Driver on what to do while also doing the job in their own computer
  - Change the Driver role after finishing a task, or 15 minutes
  - Call Anh if having problems/questions
- If using grok, you can ask me question, remember to start your question with “avo, ” to get my attention, AND in Zoom call me for help

# Lab Time, Play Time ☺

## Minimal

Exercise	Where to Find, and Notes
2.08	<code>grok.W02</code>
3.07	<code>grok.W02</code> , but <b>incomplete</b> . It should be read as: <i>Extend 2.8 program for additional units. Use F for Fahrenheit, C – Celsius, M – miles, K – kilometers, P – pounds, and G for kilograms. (1M= 1.609K; 1P = 0.454G).</i> <i>For example:</i> <b>H:&gt;converter</b> <b>Enter a quantity:</b> 100M <b>The distance 100.0 miles converts to 160.9 kilometers.</b>

## Advanced

3.04	<code>grok.W2X</code> : print out the date of tomorrow. Excellent real-life problem, you will use heap of <code>if</code>
NA	Play with <code>guessNumber.c</code> ( <a href="https://github.com/anhvir/c102">github.com/anhvir/c102</a> ). Try it, explore to understand it, modify it to suit your need and/or make it better.

# Wrap-Up

- Algorithms are fun! Stay active, stay happy, stay safe!
- Be engaged: talk, ask friends, Anh, Ed Forum and [Google](#)
- Workspaces: [Canvas](#), [grok](#), ready with [JEdit+Terminal](#)
- Programs: structure, editing, compiling, running, testing
- C - Python: typed variables, [printf](#), [scanf](#), syntax, and ... faster!
- But similar: algorithmic thinking, and indentation ☺ .

type	<b>int</b>	<b>float</b>	<b>double</b>	<b>char</b>	<b>string</b>
printf format	<b>%d</b>	<b>%f</b>	<b>%lf</b>	<b>%c</b>	<b>%s</b>
scanf format	<b>%d</b>	<b>%f</b>	<b>%lf</b>	<b>%c</b>	<b>%s</b>
scanf for <b>v</b>	<b>&amp;v</b>	<b>&amp;v</b>	<b>&amp;v</b>	<b>&amp;v</b>	<b>v</b>

# **See You Next Week!**

It's time, and you can leave.

But if you still have questions, you can stay with me for a few more minutes.

## Lab implementation: Ex. 2.8 & 3.7

**2.8:** To convert from degrees Fahrenheit to degrees Celsius, you must first subtract 32, then multiply by 5/9. Write a program that undertakes this conversion.

**3.7:** Extend 2.8 program for additional units. Use F for Fahrenheit, C – Celsius, M – miles, K – kilometers, P – pounds, and G for kilograms. ( $1M = 1.609K$ ;  $1P = 0.454G$ ).

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