

talloc assignment (part 2)

Compilers/interpreters

(Note: class next Wed on Zoom)

We're building a linked list

malloc

free

Part 2: build a very rudimentary
garbage collector, so don't need to
worry about free

```
void *talloc(int size) {
```

```
    ... malloc memory ...  
    remember it
```

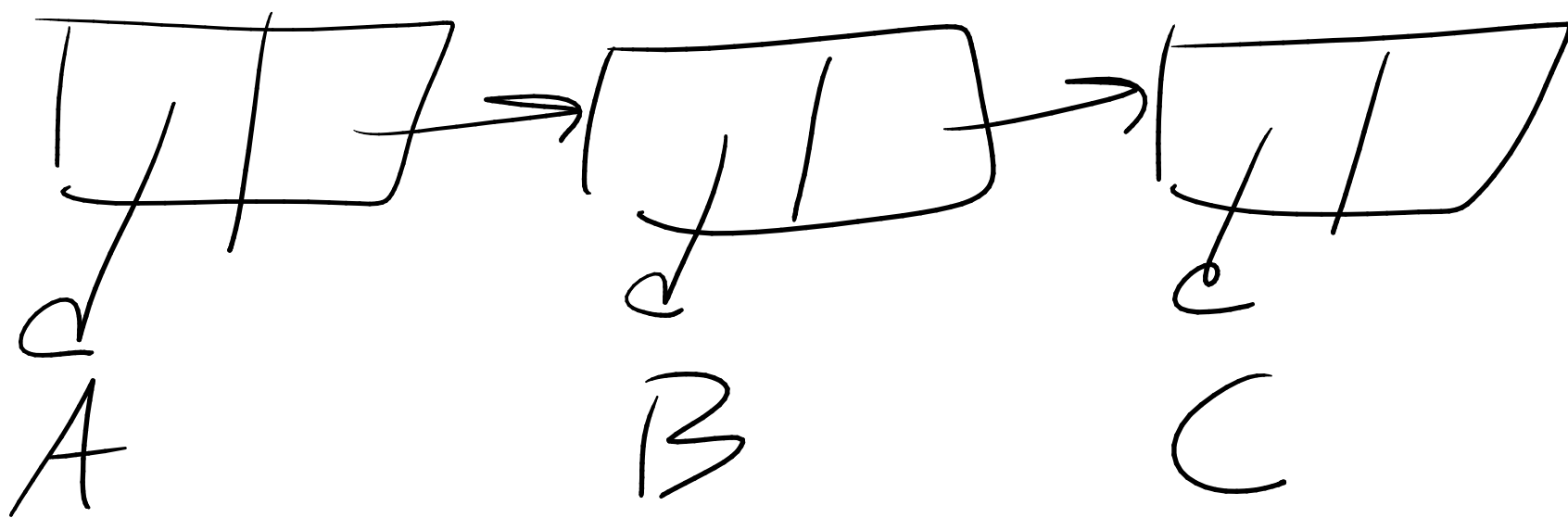
```
    return a pointer to it
```

```
}
```

`talloc(3)` A

`talloc(sizeof(int))` B

`talloc(20)` C



```
void tfree() {  
    loop over list  
    Free memory  
    ~ free list itself  
}
```

After done, in future

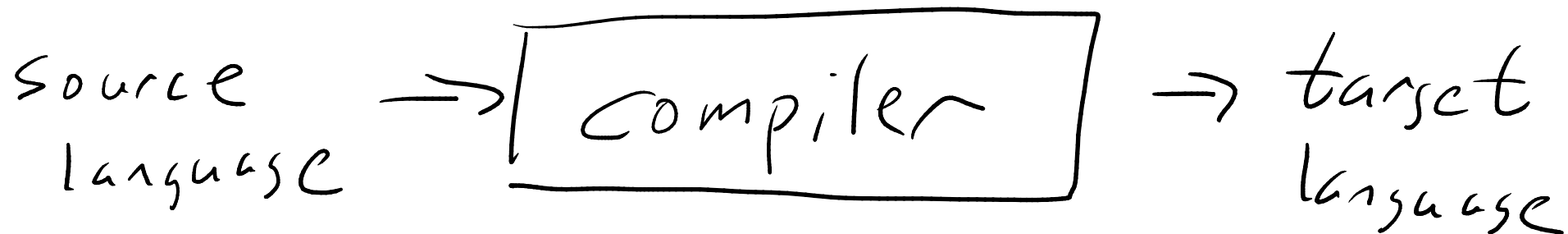
- `talloc` instead of `malloc`

- one `tfree` at end of main

Compiler - translates a program from one language to another

Interpreter - directly executes a program, "pretending to understand it"

We're going to build one of each right now!



Source language: Greet

Greet program:

hello 3

bye 2

hello 1

Output:

hello

hello

hello

bye

bye

hello

Target language: bash

Implementation language

- the language we will write

the compiler in: Python

Myth to ~~demystify~~ bust.

False fact some people believe:

"An interpreter translates a program line-by-line, executing as it goes."

This is not generally true, and is generally unhelpful.

Bust it:

- What is a line of Scheme?
- modify Greet. New command:
suppress, If it appears at end of program, don't even print anything
- Python `print(len(lst))`

Maaser - keep everyone participating

Scribe - writes answers for group

Reader - reads out loud for group

Presenter - share w/ rest of class