

# CS35L Software Construction Laboratory

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Week 4; Lecture 2

# Randline.py

- Run it
  - `./randline.py -n 3 filename` (need execute permission)
  - `python randline.py -n 3 filename` (no execute permission)
- randline.py has 3 command-line arguments:
  - n: specifies the number of lines to write
    - **option**
  - 3: number of lines
    - **option argument** to n
  - filename: file to choose lines from
    - **argument** to script
- Output: 3 random lines from the input file
- Python 3 is installed in `/usr/local/cs/bin`
  - `export PATH=/usr/local/cs/bin:$PATH`

# Python Walk-Through

```
#!/usr/bin/python
import random, sys
from optparse import OptionParser
class randline:
    def __init__(self, filename):
        f = open (filename, 'r')
        self.lines = f.readlines()
        f.close ()
    def chooseline(self):
        return random.choice(self.lines)

def main():
    version_msg = "%prog 2.0"
    usage_msg = """%prog [OPTION]...
FILE Output randomly selected lines from
FILE."""
```

Tells the shell which interpreter to use

Import statements, similar to include statements

Import OptionParser class from optparse module

The beginning of the class statement: randline

The constructor

Creates a file handle

Reads the file into a list of strings called lines

Close the file

The beginning of a function belonging to randline

Randomly select a number between 0 and the size of lines and returns the line corresponding to the randomly selected number

The beginning of main function

# Python Walk-Through

```
parser = OptionParser(version=version_msg,
usage=usage_msg) parser.add_option("-n", "--numlines",
action="store", dest="numlines", default=1,
help="output NUMLINES lines (default 1)")
options, args = parser.parse_args(sys.argv[1:])
try:
    numlines = int(options.numlines)
except:
    parser.error("invalid NUMLINES: {0}".
format(options.numlines))
if numlines < 0:
    parser.error("negative count: {0}".
format(numlines))
if len(args) != 1:
    parser.error("wrong number of operands")
input_file = args[0]
try:
    generator = randline(input_file)
    for index in range(numlines):
        sys.stdout.write(generator.chooseline())
except IOError as (errno, strerror):
    parser.error("I/O error({0}): {1}".
format(errno, strerror))
if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

Creates OptionParser instance

**Start defining options**, action "store" tells optparse to take next argument and store to the right destination which is "numlines". **Set the default value of "numlines" to 1 and help message.**

options: an object containing all option args

args: list of positional args leftover after parsing options

**Try block**

get numline from options and convert to integer

**Exception handling**

error message if numlines is not integer type, replace {0} w/ input

**If numlines is negative**

error message

**If length of args is not 1 (no file name or more than one file name)**

error message

**Assign the first and only argument to variable input\_file**

**Try block**

**instantiate randline object with parameter input\_file**  
for loop, iterate from 0 to numlines - 1

**print the randomly chosen line**

**Exception handling**

**error message in the format of "I/O error (errno):strerror"**

**In order to make the Python file a standalone program**

# comm.py

- Support all options for comm
  - 1, -2, -3 and combinations
  - Extra option -u for comparing unsorted files
- Support all type of arguments
  - File names and
  - - for stdin
- If you are unsure of how something should be output, run a test using existing comm utility!
  - Create your own test inputs
- Comm C source code :
  - [comm C source code](#)
  - This will give you an idea of the logic behind the operation that comm executes
- Python OptionParser link :
  - [Python OptionParser](#)
  - How to add your own options to the parser

## comm.py...

- Assume C locale for sorting purpose
- Port comm.py to Python 3
- Change usage message to describe script behaviour
- Follow the instructions on Piazza:

<https://piazza.com/class/jc5z73cpj8rtt?cid=194>

# Supplement resources

- Python tutorial
  - <https://docs.python.org/3.5/tutorial/>
- Python Examples
  - <https://www.programiz.com/python-programming/examples>

# Homework 3 Hints

- The comm options -123 are Boolean
  - Which action should you use?
- Q4: Python 3 vs. Python 2
  - Look up “automatic tuple unpacking”
- Python 3 is installed in /usr/local/cs/bin
  - export PATH=/usr/local/cs/bin:\$PATH



# C Programming

# Basic Data Types

- **int**
  - Holds integer numbers
  - Usually 4 bytes
- **float**
  - Holds floating point numbers
  - Usually 4 bytes
- **double**
  - Holds higher-precision floating point numbers
  - Usually 8 bytes (double the size of a float)
- **char**
  - Holds a byte of data, characters
- **void**

# A simple C Program

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {  
    printf("Hello World\n");  
    getchar();  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Format Specifiers in C

- Defines the type of data to be printed on standard output -  
`printf("%d", 4);` // %d is integer

## Data Types Revised

Data Type	Range	Bytes	Format Specifiers
char	-128 to 127	1	%c
unsigned char	0 to 255	1	%c
short signed int	-32,768 to 32,767	2	%d
short unsigned int	0 to 65,535	2	%u
signed int	-32768 to 32767	4	%d
unsigned int	0 to 65535	4	%u
long signed int	-2147483648 to 2147483647	4	%ld
long unsigned int	0 to 4294967295	4	%lu
float	-3.4e38 to 3.4e38	4	%f
double	-1.7e308 to 1.7e308	8	%lf
long double	-1.7e4932 to 1.7e4932	8	%Lf
<b>Note: The sizes in this figure are for 32 bit compiler</b>			

# Pointers

- Variables that store memory addresses

## Declaration

- `<variable_type> *<name>;`
  - `int *ptr;`      `//declare ptr as a pointer to int`
  - `int var = 77;`    `// define an int variable`
  - `ptr = &var;`      `// let ptr point to the variable var`

# Dereferencing Pointers

- Accessing the value that the pointer points to
- Example:
  - `double x, *ptr;`
  - `ptr = &x;`                      `// let ptr point to x`
  - `*ptr = 7.8;`                    `// assign the value 7.8 to x`

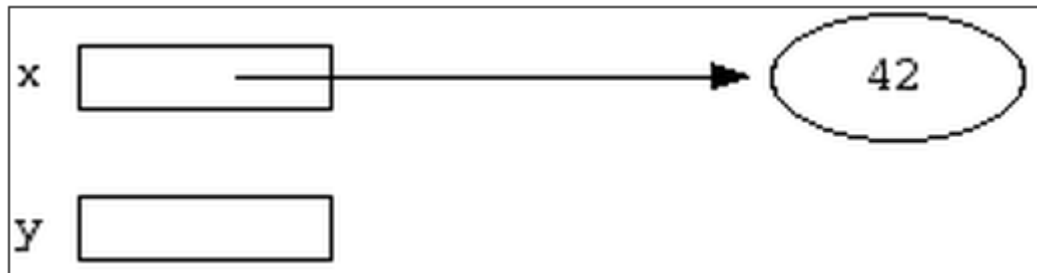
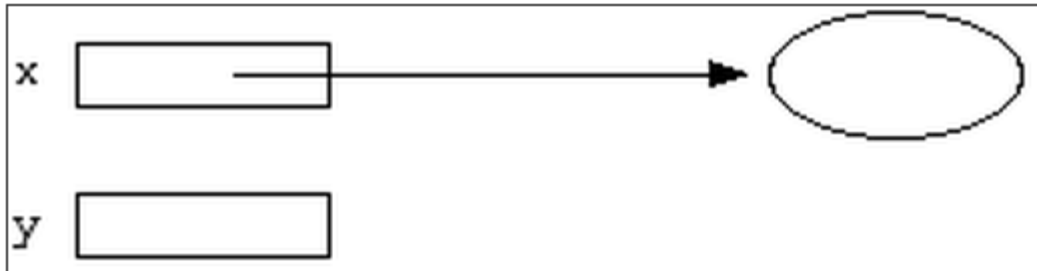
# Pointer Example

```
int *x;
```

```
int *y;
```

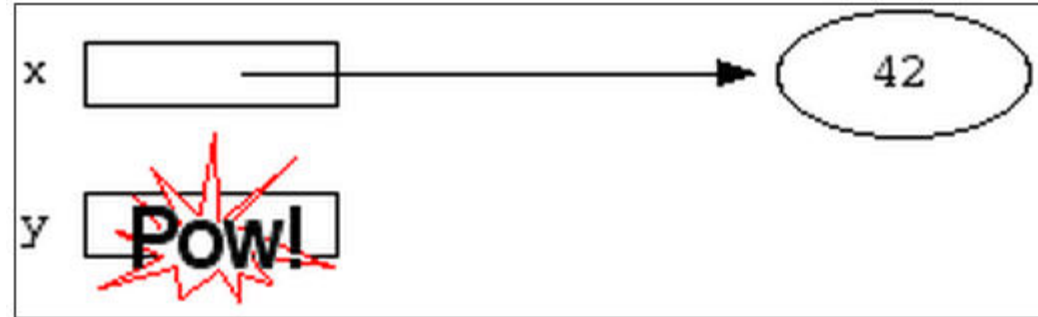
```
int var; x = &var;
```

```
*x = 42;
```

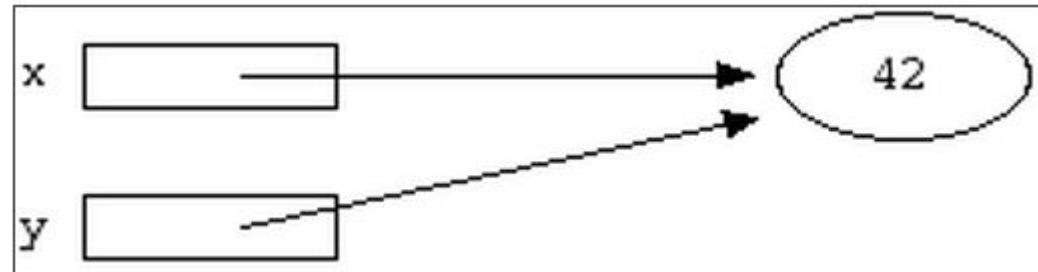


# Pointer Example

`*y = 13;`

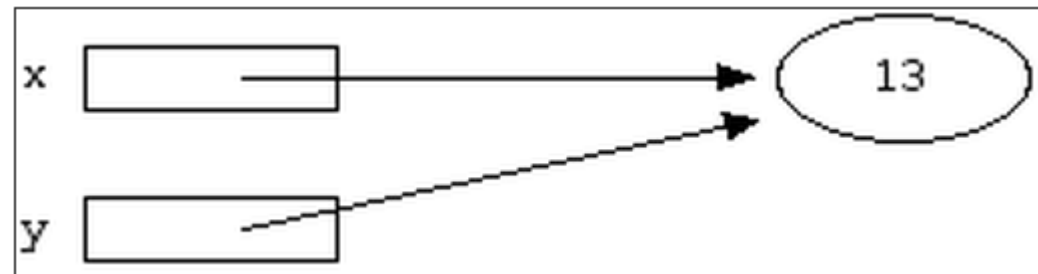


`y = x;`



`*x = 13;`    or

`*y = 13;`





# Pointers to Pointers

`char c = 'A'`      `char *cPtr = &c`      `char **cPtrPtr = &cPtr`



# Loops

```
int i; //initialize outside the loop unlike C++  
for(i=0;i<10;i++){  
}
```

```
int i=0; //initialize outside the loop unlike C++  
while(i<10){  
i++; }
```

# Functions

- Function Name
- Return Type
- Arguments/Parameters
- Function Body

```
int func(int a){  
    //function body  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Parameter Passing

- **Pass by value**

- The data associated with the actual parameter is copied into a separate storage location assigned to the formal parameter.
- Any modifications to the formal parameter variable inside the called function or method affect only this separate storage location and will therefore *not* be reflected in the actual parameter in the calling environment

```
int add(int a, int b) {  
    return a+b;  
}  
  
void main() {  
    int x=4,y=8;  
    int z = add(x,y);  
    printf("%d",x);  
}
```

# Parameter Passing...

- **Pass by reference**

The formal parameter receives a pointer to the actual data in the calling environment. Any changes to the formal parameter *are* reflected in the actual parameter in the calling environment.

```
void swap(int *a, int *b) {  
    int tmp = *a;  
    *a = *b;  
    *b = tmp;  
}  
  
void main() {  
    int a = 1;  
    int b = 2;  
    printf("before swap a = %d\n", a);  
    printf("before swap b = %d\n", b);  
    swap(&a, &b);  
    printf("after swap a = %d\n", a);  
    printf("after swap b = %d\n", b); }
```

# Task 1

- Create a function s.t. it takes three numbers 'a', 'b' and 'c' as arguments, computes  $a^b$  and store the results in 'c'. It should not return any value. Call this function from main() and print the answer in main().

Hint: pass by reference

Hint: you may want to see the pow function [check the return type and library] (or compute the exponent yourself <- better)

# Task 1 solution

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h> //library import
void exponent(int a, int b, double *c){
    *c=pow(a,b); //pow returns a pointer
}
int main(void) {
    int a=2;
    int b=2;
    double z;
    exponent(a,b,&z);
    printf("%f", z);
    return 0;
}
```