

19CSE201 :Advanced Programming

Lecture 1 Introduction

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How do programming languages differ?

• Common Constructs:

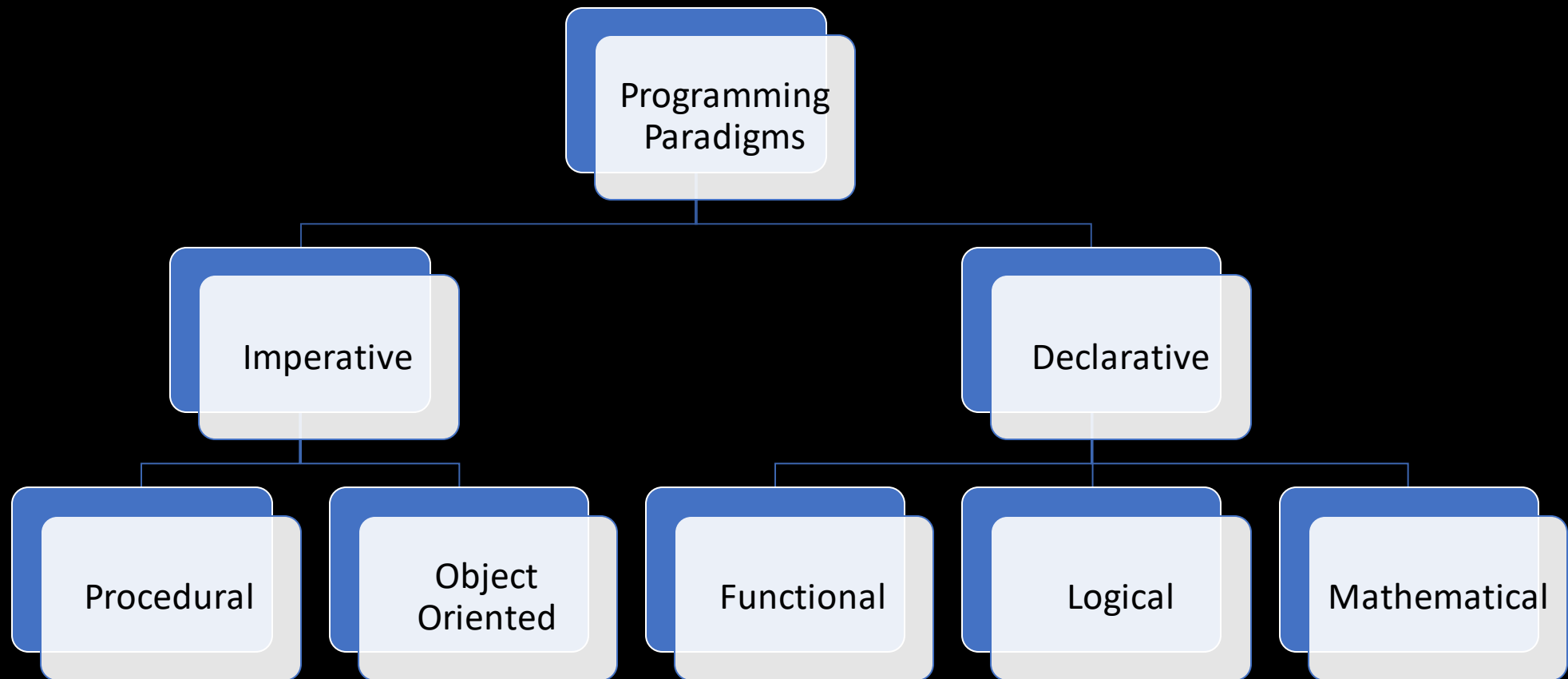
- basic data types (numbers, etc.);
- variables;
- expressions;
- statements;
- keywords;
- control constructs;
- procedures;
- comments;
- errors ...

So which is
better? Why??

• Uncommon Constructs:

- type declarations;
- special types
(strings, arrays, matrices, ...);
- Sequential execution;
- concurrency constructs;
- packages/modules;
- objects;
- general functions;
- generics;
- modifiable state;...

Programming Paradigms

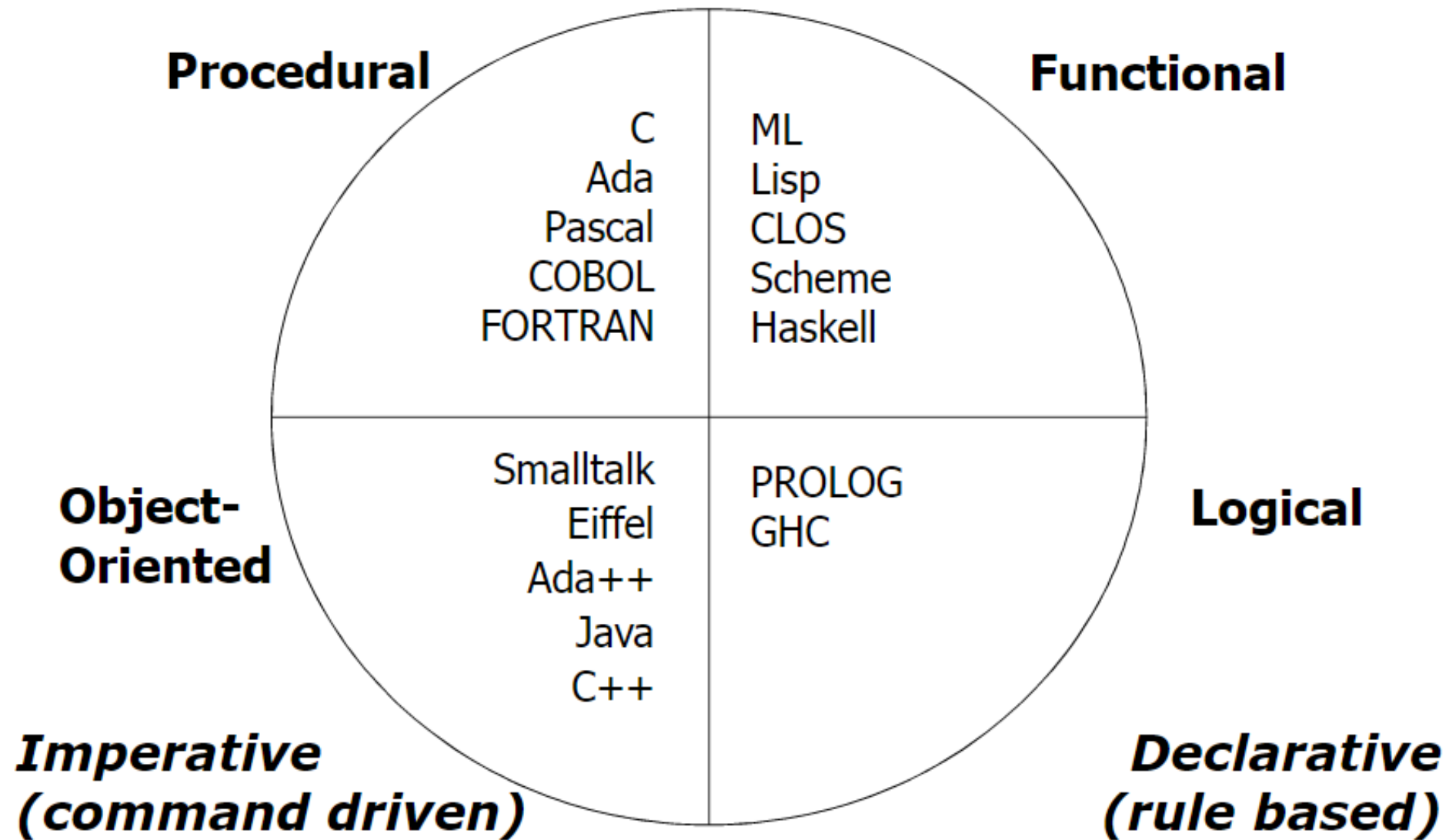


Imperative paradigm

- Procedural and object-oriented programming belong under imperative paradigm. Eg. Languages like C, C++, C#, PHP, Java and of course Assembly.
- Code focus is on creating statements that change program states by creating algorithms that tell the computer how to do things. It closely relates to how hardware works.
- Typically the code will make use of conditional statements, loops etc..

Declarative paradigm

- Logic, functional and domain-specific languages belong under declarative paradigms and they are not always Turing-complete (they are not always universal programming languages). Examples would be HTML, CSS, SQL, Prolog, Haskell, Lisp etc.
- Declarative code focuses on building logic of software without actually describing its flow.
- You are saying 'what' without adding 'how'. For example with HTML you use `` to tell browser to display an image and you don't care how it does that.



So what about
mathematical
Programming?



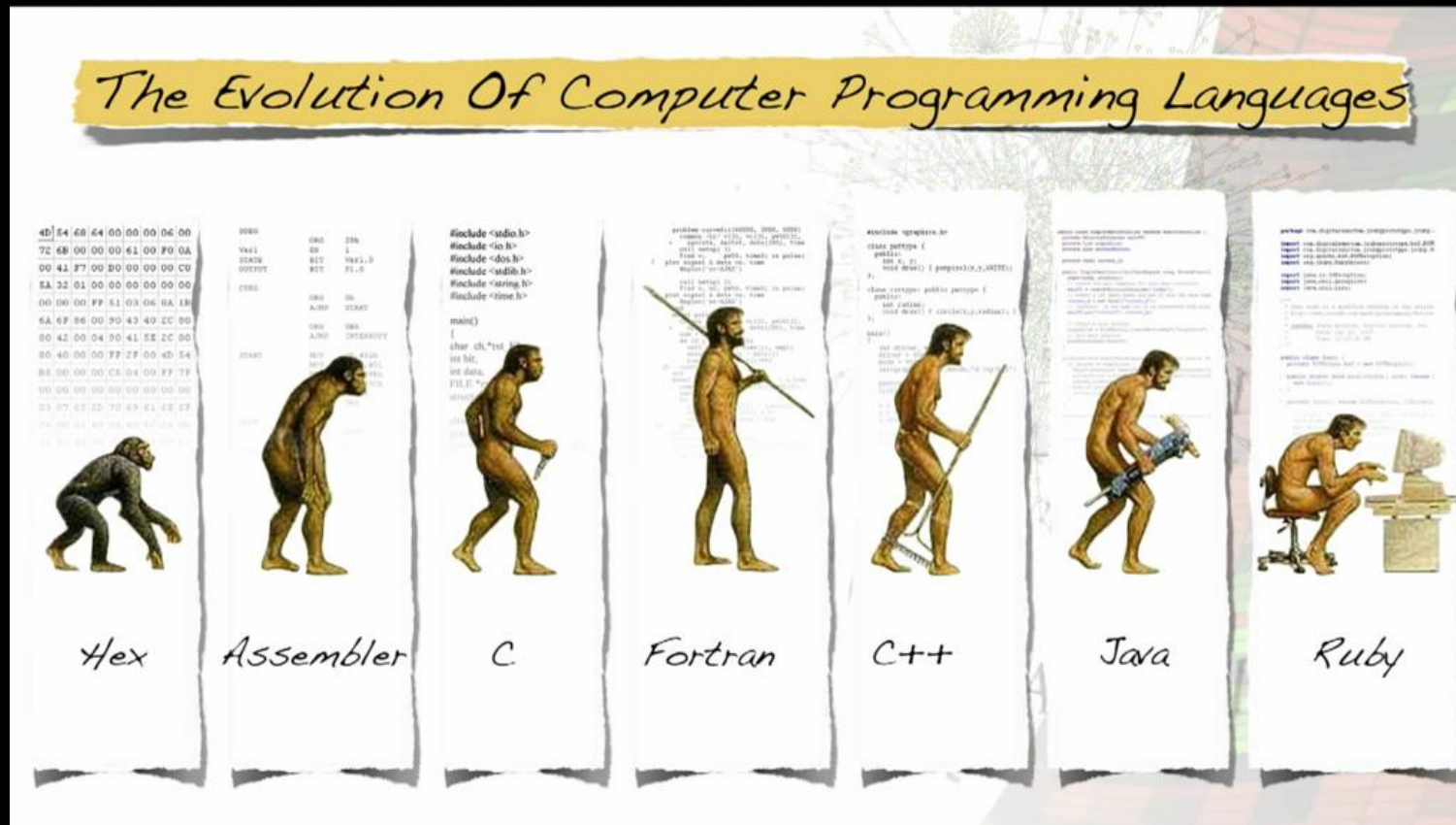
A programming language is a problem-solving tool

Paradigm	Style	Purpose	Example	Language
Procedural	program =algorithms + data	good for decomposition	If(a>0) printf("5");	C
Functional	program =functions (functions)	good for reasoning	(if (positive? -5) (error "doesn't get here") 2)	Scheme
Logical	program =facts + rules	good for searching	(X =< Y -> Z = Y ; Z = X). Max of 3 nos	Prolog
Object Oriented	program =objects + messages	good for hiding	If(a>0){ cout<<"5";}	C++

- Other styles and paradigms: blackboard, pipes and filters, constraints, lists, etc.

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Why So Many Programming Languages?

2. Socio-Economic Factors

- New Infrastructures



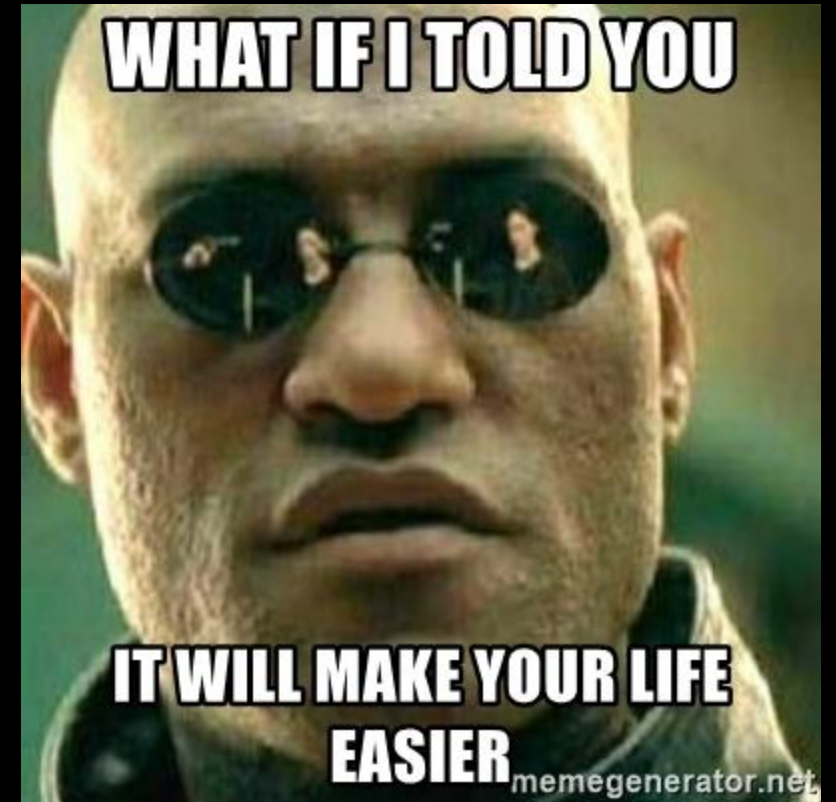
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3. Proprietary Interests / Commercial aspects



Why So Many Programming Languages?

4. Different views on what is "easier"



Top Programming Languages of 2020



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