



C From Zero to Hero

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Learning objectives

- Project 3
- Learn C
- Include guards
- Make files
- fork + wait + exit
- Go over Xv6 and qemu

Remove min_vruntime



Remove min_vruntime

- The remove method for a RB-Tree is complicated.
- For our application (CFS), we can implement a simple remove method that works in constant time.



min_vruntime

- We can store a reference (pointer) to the node with the min_vruntime in the tree.
- Min_vruntime is always the left most node.
- Everytime we insert a node into the tree, we check if the value of the new node is less than min_vruntime. If the value is smaller, we update min_vruntime.
- This update is done in constant time, we didn't have to search for the minimum value or traverse the tree to the leftmost node.



Remove min_vruntime

Since we always remove the leftmost node, we need to account for two simple cases only:

1. Leftmost has no children: min_vruntime becomes its parent
2. Leftmost has one right child: min_vruntime becomes the right child



Red-Black Tree Visualization

<https://www.cs.usfca.edu/~galles/visualization/RedBlack.html>

Project 3

C From Zero to Hero



Why learn C?

- Middle-level language created in 1972
- One of the Top 10 most used languages
- Mother of all languages (almost all programming languages are influenced by C)
- Used in embedded systems, OSs, automation, self-driving cars, ... etc
- It was developed to write the UNIX operating system.
- Very similar to Java, if you learn it you practically learned C++ too.
- Very very fast!



Keep in mind

- C is not object-oriented, so no classes
- C++ is an extension of C that is object oriented
- No garbage collection like Java, so memory allocation/deallocation is done manually
- gcc is the compiler of choice for C (clang also works)
- Next project is going to be in C, so the sooner you get your computer ready the better!

C Basics



Basic C code structure

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

```
int main() {
```

```
    printf("Hello World!");
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```



Basic C code structure

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```

```
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}
```

Standard IO, to print to terminal and enter text from keyboard.



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```
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```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

Return type: int
Function name: main
Parameters: ()



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```

```
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```

```
    printf("Hello World!");
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

sends formatted output to stdout



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```

```
int main() {
```

```
    printf("Hello World!");
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

return 0 means the program ended normally

return 1 means something went wrong



What we need to write and run C code?

- An IDE of your choosing
 - I recommend VS Code, I will use a text editor called Sublime
- C compiler
 - On Mac and Linux we will use gcc
 - On Windows we will use MinGW or Just download Ubuntu on Windows (I recommend Ubuntu)



Compile and run C code

test.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello World!");
    return 0;
}
```

Compile on terminal

```
>gcc test.c
```



Compile and run C code

test.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello World!");
    return 0;
}
```

run on terminal

```
>./a.out
Hello World!
```



Compile and run C code

test.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello World!");
    return 0;
}
```

Compile on terminal

```
>gcc test.c -o test
```



Compile and run C code

test.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello World!");
    return 0;
}
```

run on terminal

```
>./test
Hello World!
```

Installing C environment

Install instructions



Mac

- Install VS Code
- Install the following extensions to VS Code:
 - C/C++ by Microsoft
 - Code Runner
- In a terminal, check if you have a c compiler:
 - `clang -version`
 - If not installed, type: `xcode-select --install`

Check this [page](#) for troubleshooting.

Windows 10

- Install VS Code
- Install the following extensions to VS Code:
 - C/C++ by Microsoft
 - Code Runner
- Install Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL)
 - Open PowerShell
 - `wsl --install -d ubuntu`
- Run Ubuntu
- Configure Ubuntu with username
- `sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install git nasm build-essential qemu gdb`

Check this [page](#) for troubleshooting

More C Basics



Comments

```
printf("Hello World!"); // This is a comment
```

```
/* The code below will print the words Hello World!  
to the screen, and it is amazing */
```

```
printf("Hello World!");
```



Variables

// Create variables

```
int myNum = 5;           // Integer (whole number)
float myFloatNum = 5.99; // Floating point number
char myLetter = 'N';     // Character
```

// Print variables

```
printf("%d\n", myNum);
printf("%f\n", myFloatNum);
printf("%c\n", myLetter);
```



Formatting output

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main () {
    int ch;

    for( ch = 75 ; ch <= 100; ch++ ) {
        printf("ASCII value = %d, Character = %c\n", ch , ch );
    }

    return(0);
}
```

```
ASCII value = 75, Character = K
ASCII value = 76, Character = L
ASCII value = 77, Character = M
ASCII value = 78, Character = N
ASCII value = 79, Character = O
ASCII value = 80, Character = P
ASCII value = 81, Character = Q
...
```

More info on printf formatting: https://www.tutorialspoint.com/c_standard_library/c_function_printf.htm



Constants

```
const int MYNUM = 15;  // myNum will always be 15
```

```
MYNUM = 10;  // error: assignment of read-only variable 'myNum'
```



Logical Operators

`&&` Logical and

`||` Logical or

`!` Logical not



Sizeof in bytes

```
int myInt;  
float myFloat;  
double myDouble;  
char myChar;
```

```
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(myInt));  
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(myFloat));  
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(myDouble));  
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(myChar));
```



If-statements

```
int time = 22;
if (time < 10) {
    printf("Good morning.");
} else if (time < 20) {
    printf("Good day.");
} else {
    printf("Good evening.");
}
// Outputs "Good evening."
```




Switch statements

```
int day = 4;

switch (day) {
    case 6:
        printf("Today is Saturday");
        break;
    case 7:
        printf("Today is Sunday");
        break;
    default:
        printf("Looking forward to the Weekend");
}
```

// Outputs "Looking forward to the Weekend"



While loops

```
int i = 0;
```

```
while (i < 5) {  
    printf("%d\n", i);  
    i++;  
}
```



For loops

```
int i;  
  
for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {  
    printf("%d\n", i);  
}
```



Break and Continue

```
int i;

for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    if (i == 4) {
        break;
    }
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

```
int i;

for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    if (i == 4) {
        continue;
    }
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

What will be printed?

Break and Continue

```
int i;

for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    if (i == 4) {
        break;
    }
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

0
1
2
3

```
int i;

for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    if (i == 4) {
        continue;
    }
    printf("%d\n", i);
}
```

0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9

What will be printed?



Arrays

```
int myNumbers[] = {25, 50, 75, 100};
```



Arrays (no size function)

```
int myNumbers[] = {25, 50, 75, 100};
```

```
int i;
```

```
for (i = 0; i < 4; i++) {  
    printf("%d\n", myNumbers[i]);  
}
```



Strings

```
char greetings[] = "Hello World!";
```




Strings

```
char greetings[] = "Hello World!";  
  
printf("%s", greetings);
```



Strings are chars

```
char greetings[] = "Hello World!";  
  
printf("%c", greetings[0]);
```



Strings end with '\0'

```
char greetings[] = {'H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', ' ', 'W', 'o', 'r', 'l', 'd', '!', '\0'};
```

```
char greetings2[] = "Hello World!";
```

```
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(greetings)); // Outputs 13
```

```
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(greetings2)); // Outputs 13
```



User input

```
// Create an integer variable that will store the number we get from the user
int myNum;

// Ask the user to type a number
printf("Type a number: \n");

// Get and save the number the user types
scanf("%d", &myNum);

// Output the number the user typed
printf("Your number is: %d", myNum);
```



User input

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// Get and save the number the user types
scanf("%d", &myNum);

// Output the number the user typed
printf("Your number is: %d", myNum);
```

The `scanf()` function takes two arguments: the format specifier of the variable (`%d` in the example above) and the reference operator (`&myNum`), which stores the memory address of the variable.



User input

```
// Create a string
char firstName[30];

// Ask the user to input some text
printf("Enter your first name: \n");

// Get and save the text
scanf("%s", firstName);

// Output the text
printf("Hello %s.", firstName);
```

you don't have to specify the reference operator (&) when working with strings

Memory and pointers



Memory Address

```
int myNum = 10;
```

```
printf("%p", &myNum); // Outputs 0x7ffe5367e044
```




Pointers

```
int myNum = 10;      // An int variable
int* ptr = &myNum ;  // A pointer variable, with the name ptr, that stores the address
of myNum

// Output the value of myNum (10)
printf("%d\n", myNum);

// Output the memory address of myNum (0x7ffe5367e044)
printf("%p\n", &myNum);

// Output the memory address of myNum with the pointer (0x7ffe5367e044)
printf("%p\n", ptr);
```



Dereference

```
int myNum = 10;      // Variable declaration
int* ptr = &myNum;   // Pointer declaration

// Reference: Output the memory address of myNum with the pointer (0x7ffe5367e044)
printf("%p\n", ptr);

// Dereference: Output the value of myNum with the pointer (10)
printf("%d\n", *ptr);
```

Pointer Definition

In C++ a pointer is a variable that stores the address of another variable

Declaring Pointers

```
int* p ;
```

```
int *p ;
```

Operators (not declaration)

*  content

&  address

Looking at Memory

Int x = 5;

Address	Name	Value
0000		
0008		
0016		
0024	x	5
0032		

Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	
0008		
0016		
0024	x	5
0032		

Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

```
p = &x;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	0024
0008		
0016		
0024	x	5
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int x = 5;
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int* p;
```

```
p = &x;
```

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0024	x	5
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Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

```
p = &x;
```

```
*p = 10;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	0024
0008		
0016		
0024	x	5 10
0032		

Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

```
p = &x;
```

```
*p = 10;
```

```
int y = 12;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	0024
0008		
0016		
0024	x	10
0032		
0040	y	12
0048		

Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

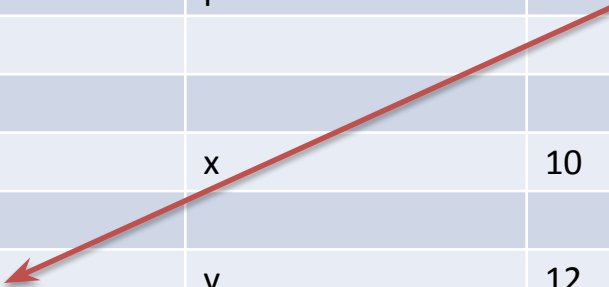
```
p = &x;
```

```
*p = 10;
```

```
int y = 12;
```

```
p = &y;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	0040
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0016		
0024	x	10
0032		
0040	y	12
0048		



Looking at Memory

```
int x = 5;
```

```
int* p;
```

```
p = &x;
```

```
*p = 10;
```

```
int y = 12;
```

```
p = &y;
```

```
*p = 50;
```

Address	Name	Value
0000	p	0040
0008		
0016		
0024	x	10
0032		
0040	y	50
0048		

Summary: create a pointer variable

A pointer that points to an int:

```
int *p;
```

A pointer that points to a float:

```
float *S;
```

Summary: dereference a pointer

dereference the pointer: access the data/value in the memory that the pointer points to.

```
*p = 10;
```

or

```
printf(*p);
```

Quiz

```
printf(x);  
printf(*p);  
printf(p);  
printf(&x);
```

Address	Name	Value
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May the odds be ever in your favor



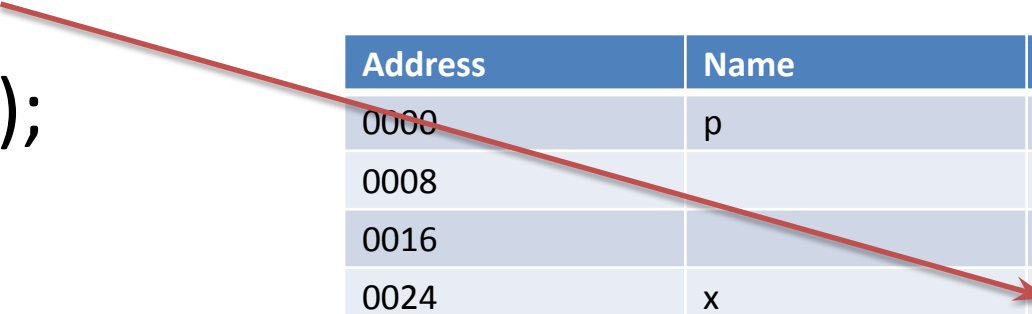
Quiz

printf(x);

printf(*p);

printf(p);

printf(&x);



Address	Name	Value
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Quiz

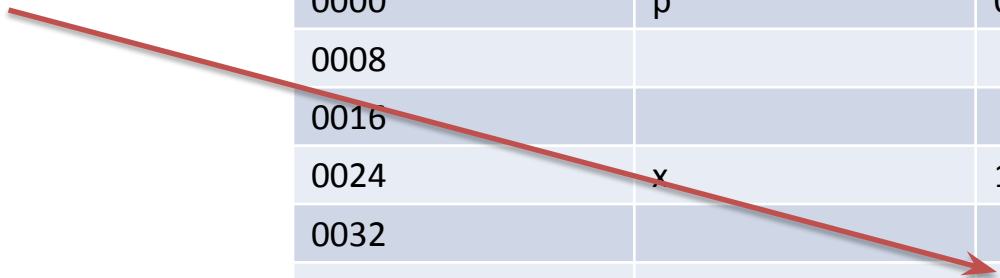
printf(x);

printf(*p);

printf(p);

printf(&x);

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Quiz


printf(x);

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printf(p);

printf(&x);

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0048		



Quiz

```
printf(x);
```

```
printf(*p);
```

```
printf(p);
```

```
printf(&x);
```



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0048		

Questions?

Functions



Functions should be defined before they are called

```
// Create a function
void myFunction() {
    printf("I just got executed!");
}

int main() {
    myFunction(); // call the function
    return 0;
}
```



Function declaration

```
// Function declaration
void myFunction();

// The main method
int main() {
    myFunction(); // call the function
    return 0;
}

// Function definition
void myFunction() {
    printf("I just got executed!");
}
```




Struct is similar to class without methods

```
struct Test {  
  
    int a;  
  
    int b;  
  
};
```

```
int main() {  
  
    struct Test test;  
    test.a = 1;  
    test.b = 2;  
  
    printf("test a is: %d ", test.a);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Compiling multiple files

Multiple files



func1.h

```
#include <stdio.h>

void myFunction2() {
    printf("I just got executed!");
}
```

main.c

```
#include "func1.h"

int main() {

    myFunction2();

    return 0;
}
```

Multiple files



func1.h

```
#include <stdio.h>

void myFunction2() {
    printf("I just got executed!");
}
```

main.c

```
#include "func1.h"

int main() {

    myFunction2();

    return 0;
}
```

```
>gcc main.c
```

More interesting multiple files

func1.h

```
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

void myFunction2() {
    printf("I just got executed!");
}
```

main.c

```
#include "func1.h"

int main() {

    myFunction2();

    return 0;
}
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.c
```

Object files

func1.h

```
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

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

```
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "func1.h"
```

```
int main() {  
  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
>gcc func1.c -c
```

```
>ls
```

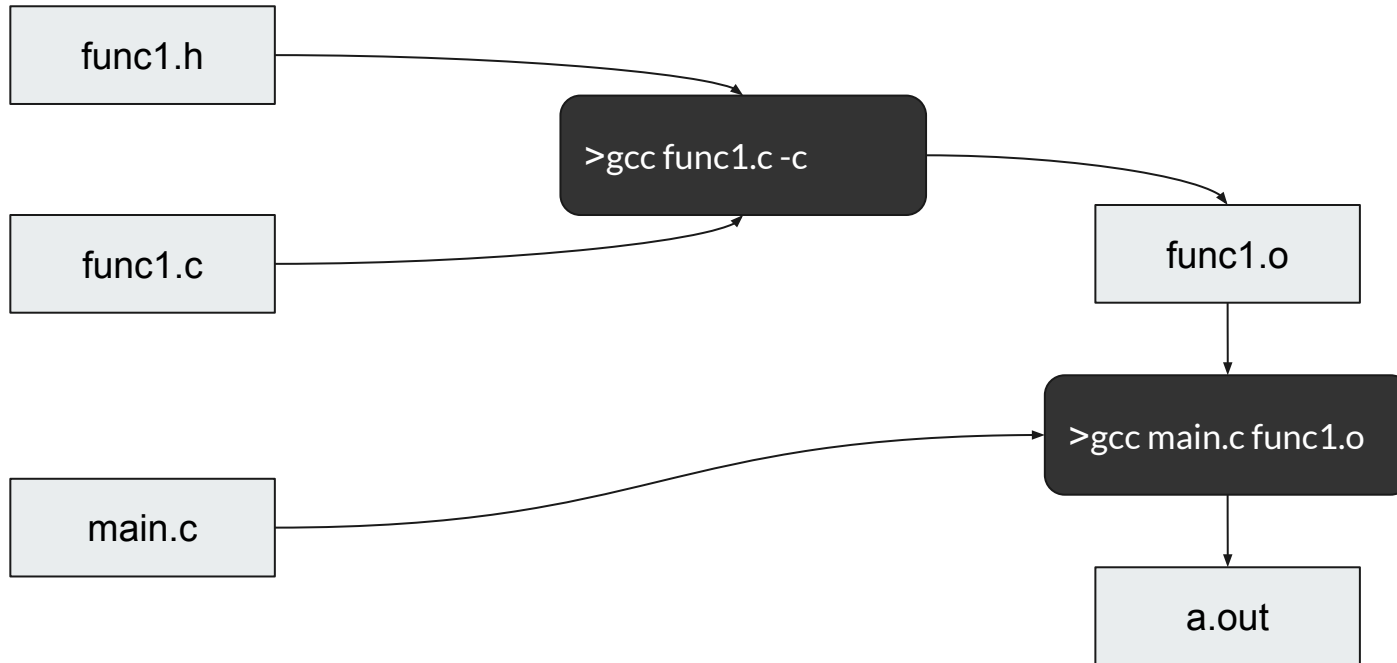
```
>func1.h func1.c main.c func1.o
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.o
```

```
>./a.out
```

```
>I just got executed!
```

Object files



funcs.h

```
void start();  
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

func2.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void start() {  
    printf("Starting!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "funcs.h"  
  
int main() {  
    start();  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

># how to compile this?

funcs.h

```
void start();  
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

func2.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void start() {  
    printf("Starting!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "funcs.h"  
  
int main() {  
    start();  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.c func2.c
```

funcs.h

```
void start();  
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

func2.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void start() {  
    printf("Starting!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "funcs.h"  
  
int main() {  
    start();  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.c func2.c
```

OR

funcs.h

```
void start();  
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

func2.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void start() {  
    printf("Starting!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "funcs.h"  
  
int main() {  
    start();  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
>gcc -c func1.c
```

```
>gcc -c func2.c
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.o func2.o
```

funcs.h

```
void start();  
void myFunction2();
```

func1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void myFunction2() {  
    printf("I just got executed!");  
}
```

func2.c

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void start() {  
    printf("Starting!");  
}
```

main.c

```
#include "funcs.h"  
  
int main() {  
    start();  
    myFunction2();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
>gcc -c func1.c
```

```
>gcc -c func2.c
```

```
>gcc main.c func1.o func2.o
```





References

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