The C Programming Language in Action Introduction

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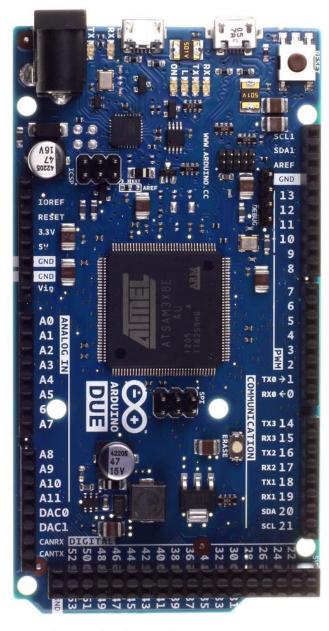
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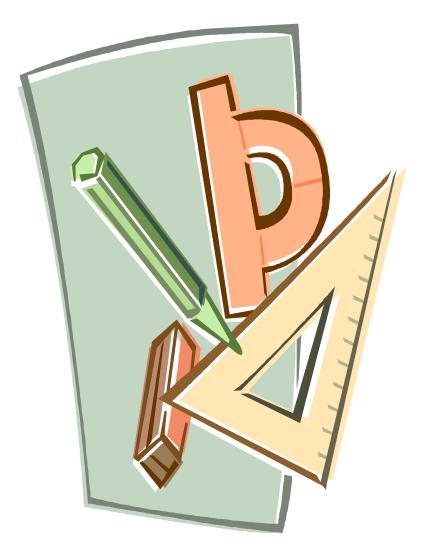
- ANSI C / C89
- C99 & C11
- Standard Library
- Predictable C++

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- Systems programming language
- Reliability
- Real-time response
- Predictability
- Concurrency



- Microsoft Visual Studio
- GCC, the GNU Compiler Collection

Getting Started with Visual C++

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- Visual C++ available in free edition
- Part of Visual Studio
- Always use warning level 4
- cl sample.c /nologo /FeSoup.exe /W4 /TP

Getting Started with GCC: The GNU Compiler Collection

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- GCC, the GNU Compiler Collection
- Choices, choices, choices
- http://nuwen.net
- Stephan T. Lavavej
- MinGW
- gcc sample.c -Wall -std=c99 -Wextra -pedantic -o Sample

A Tour of the C Programming Language

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Variables

- Type
- Name
- Value

Loops

- Condition
- Code

Functions

- Return type
- □ Name
- Parameters & arguments
- Code

From Source Files to Programs

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- Source files (*.c, *.cpp)
- Header files (*.h)
- Declarations and definitions
- Preprocessing
- #include <library.h>
- #define SCARY_MACROS
- #if constant-expression
- #if defined (DEFINITION)
- cl /nologo /c *.c
- link *.obj /out:app.exe

Types and Declarations

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- Variables declared before use
- type Name = initializer;
- int Chickens = 10;

Structures, Unions, and Enumerations

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- Struct names and typedefs
- Layout and padding
- Unions
- Enumerations

Statements

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- if (condition) statement
- if (condition) { ... } else { ... }
- switch (condition) { case 1 : statement break; }
- while (condition) statement
- do statement while (condition);
- for (init; condition; expression) statement

Expressions

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- Computation
- Operations and statements
- Operators, operators, operators
- Conversion

Pointers and Arrays

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- Memory, Addresses, and Pointers!
- Arrays
- Pointers ♥ Arrays
- Functions and Arrays
- String Literals
- Pointers → Pointers

Memory Management

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- malloc & free
- malloc → HeapAlloc
- free → HeapFree
- new → malloc → HeapAlloc

Input and Output

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- printf, sprintf_s, fprintf_s
- scanf_s
- stdout & fopen_s

Working with Strings

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- | \r \n \t \\ \"
- Character classes
- atoi, atof, strtol
- strlen, strcmp
- sprintf_s

From C to C++

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- Member functions
- Construction and destruction
- Classes, structs, and accessibility
- Const
- References
- Function overloading
- Inline functions
- Templates

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