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Preface

This document is a compilation of useful programming formulations, definitions, constants, and general information used throughout my own schooling and research as a reference while furthering education. It's purpose is to provide a complete 'encyclopedia' per say of various codes, syntax and significant ideas used often. The idea and motivation behind it is to be a quick reference providing easily accessible access to necessary information for either double checking or recalling proper formulations or algorithms for use in various situations due to my own shortcomings in matters of memorization. All the material in this document was either directly copied from one of the references listed at the end or derived from scratch. On occasion typos may exist due to human error but will be corrected when discovered.

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This book contains codes, formulas, definitions, and theorems that by nature are very precise. Due to this, some of the material in this book was taken directly from other sources. This is only such in cases where a change in wording or codes could cause ambiguities or loss of information quality. Following this, all known sources used are listed in the references section.

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Introduction

This document is still under the initial formatting stages and useful information will be added soon. When it has sufficient information to be ready for distribution the version will be updated to 1.000.

Linux

Linux is a broad subcategory that encompass a large family of free and open sourced operating systems. Installing, setting up, and using a linux based operating system is the perfect way for anyone to gain knowledge, understanding, and practice of how a computer system truly works. Unlike the end user experience with Windows and Mac OS, linux has a much higher capability for customization and a higher degree of freedom. With that said, linux is not necessarily more user friendly to the new or average computer user, however it is free in most cases!

2.1 System Related Commands

Retrieve information and valid arguments for a command.

```
COMMAND --help # COMMAND must be a valid command such as cd, ls, etc...
```

Changing directory via terminal via the **cd** command.

```
cd /directory # Changes the directory to the subdirectory /directory
cd ..         # Goes back one directory
```

Getting current directory via terminal

```
pwd
```

How to display the processes that are currently running.

```
ps aux
```

To search the results of a command for a string of characters one can use the grep command. For example:

```
ps aux | grep "firefox"
```

Restore power/battery icon if it disappears on a laptop.

```
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/indicator-power/indicator-power-service &disown
```

Restore volume icon/control button if it disappears.

```
gsettings set com.canonical.indicator.sound visible true
```

Reset wifi services in case the connection gets lost.

```
sudo systemctl restart network-manager.service
```

Turn off LCD display.

```
xset dpms force off // Turns off display.
```

Change or view the host name of a computer with the hostname file.

```
sudo nano /etc/hostname # Opens this file using nano for editing.
hostname                # Command to see what the current hostname is.
```

Make a file executable and execute a file

```
chmod a+x /location/of/FILE # Makes a file executable
./FILE                       # Executes a file.
```

2.2 Files and Storage

To find a file within a folder or its sub-folders, you can use the **find** command.

```
find -name "fileName.txt" # Finds a file named fileName.txt
find -name "file*" # Finds a file containing "file" in its name.
```

Copy a file or directory to a different computer

```
# To copy a file.
scp -v <File Path> username@computer:"<path to copy to>"

# To copy a directory.
scp -rv <File Path> username@computer:"<path to copy to>"
```

Show information about the file system on which each FILE resides, or all file systems by default.

```
df
```

Retrieve the Disk Usage (file sizes) of a directory or its contents.

```
du # List the size of the subdirectories.
du -sh # List the size of the directory in a human readable format.
du -ah # Lists the size of all files in the directory.
```

List information about File(s) (in the current directory by default).

```
ls # list all items in a directory
ls -l # list all items in a directory (one item per line)
ls -lh # list all items in a directory with size, owner, and date modified
```

List all of the block devices (hence partitions) detected by the machine

```
lsblk
```

Mount and **unmount** a partition

```
sudo mount <DEVICE TO MOUNT> <MOUNT POINT>
sudo mount /dev/sdb1 /mnt/ # example of mounting
sudo umount <DEVICE TO MOUNT> <MOUNT POINT>
sudo umount /dev/sdb1 /mnt/ # example of mounting
```

To open a **pdf** via terminal, most generic desktop environments support

```
xdg-open filename.pdf
```

2.3 Users and Groups

List all users

```
cut -d: -f1 /etc/passwd
```

Create a new user using the **useradd** command.

```
sudo useradd [options] <USERNAME> # Creates a user
sudo useradd -e 2016-02-05 <NAME> # Creates a user that expires on a day.
sudo useradd <USERNAME> -G <GROUPNAME> # Adds a user to a group upon creation.
useradd --help # See full useradd options.
```

Change a users password using passwd.

```
passwd <USERNAME>
```

Change the user in terminal using the **su** command.

```
su - <USERNAME>
```

Add a user to the sudoers group

```
usermod -aG sudo <USERNAME>
```

2.4 Networking

The **ifconfig** command is for viewing IP configuration information and configuring network interface parameters.

```
ifconfig
```

The **traceroute** command is for printing the route that packets take to a network host.

```
traceroute
```

The **Domain Information Groper** is used to perform DNS lookups and display answers returned from the DNS servers.

```
dig
```

The **telnet** command connects the destination host:port via the telnet protocol. An established connection means connectivity between two hosts is properly working.

```
telnet
```

The **nslookup** command is for querying Internet domain name servers.

```
nslookup
```

The **netstat** command is used to review open network connections and open sockets.

```
netstat
```

The **nmap** command is used to check for opened ports on a server

```
nmap <SERVER NAME>
```

The **ifup** and **ifdown** commands are used to disable network interfaces.

```
# enables an ethernet parameter
ifup <ETHERNET INTERFACE PARAMETER>
ifup eth0 # example: enables 'eth0'

# disables an ethernet parameter
ifdown <ETHERNET INTERFACE PARAMETER>
ifdown eth0 # example: disables 'eth0'
```

Enable/Disable **IPv6**. This is only a temporary solution as it may turn itself back on after some time.

```
#Use these two commands to disable IPv6
sudo sysctl -w net.ipv6.conf.all.disable_ipv6=1
sudo sysctl -w net.ipv6.conf.default.disable_ipv6=1

#Use these two commands to re-enable IPv6
sudo sysctl -w net.ipv6.conf.all.disable_ipv6=0
sudo sysctl -w net.ipv6.conf.default.disable_ipv6=0
```


2.5 Shell Scripting

To create a shell script you must create a new text file and save it as a '.sh' file. The file should start with the directory to the proper shell which is generally the default below. The first line (starting with '#!') is not a comment, but instead is treated by Unix as "which shell do I use to run this code." In our case, the Bourne shell will be used [5].

```
#!/bin/sh
# This is a comment!
```

To print text one can use the **echo** command as follows.

```
#!/bin/sh
echo Hello World
echo "Hello World"
```

To make a file executable, the **chmod** command can be used and is typically used as follows.

```
chmod a+rx <SCRIPTNAME>.sh
```

Shell script **variables** are created by use of the equal sign. spaces in lines containing variables need to be avoided. To reference a variable, the '\$' character is used. Quotations are used to avoid ambiguities with spaces.

```
#!/bin/sh
MY_VARIABLE="Hello World"    # Creates a variable.
echo $MY_VARIABLE            # Prints the variable.
```

The **touch** command can be used to create a new empty file.

```
#!/bin/sh
echo "What is your name?"
read USERNAME
echo "Hello $USERNAME"
echo "I will create you a file called ${USERNAME}_file"


# The quotations prevent multiple files from being called to touch.
touch "${USERNAME}_file"
```






The **mkfifo** command is used to create a new named pipe. A pipe is used to store the output of one program to be used in another.

```
mkfifo namedPipe    # Creates a pip named "namedPipe".
ls > namedPipe       # Feeds the output of ls into namedPipe.
cat < namedPipe      # Feeds namedPipe into cat and displays the data from ls.
mkfifo namedPipe2 -m700 # Modifies the permissions of a created pipe.
```

Windows

3.1: Windows Key Combinations

Windows has various key combinations. These are used to do different things. For the purposes of this chart, the windows key will be represented by .

Key combination	Descriptions
 + R	Opens a run window.
 + m	Minimize all open windows.
 + E	Opens the explorer window.
 + UP	Minimize the currently opened window.
 + F	Opens search for searching files and folders.
Alt + Tab	Change between open windows.
CTRL + ALT + Delete	Provides user options such as changing password.
CTRL + SHIFT + ESC	Opens Windows Task Manager.

To access the Windows 7 "God Mode" which is essentially a collection of administrator and troubleshooting features, create a folder with the following name:

```
GodMode.{ED7BA470-8E54-465E-825C-99712043E01C}
```

To view system information, including RAM installed, graphics processor and more, run the following command

```
dxdiag
```

Mac

4.1: Mac Startup Options

Mac has various startup features. To use them, hold the following keys down simultaneously upon startup as soon as you hear the startup chime:

Startup Keys	Descriptions
Command, R	Boot into OS X Recovery mode.
C	Boot to external device such as CD, DVD, or USB.
N	Netboot.
Shift	Safe Boot.
Command, V	Boot using verbose mode for comprehensive boot details.
Command, S	Single user mode.
Command, Option, P, R	Resetting the PRAM during boot.
T	Enable target disk mode.

C/C++

5.1 Data Types

5.1: C Integer data types

This information is taken from ??

C type	stdint.h type	Bits	Sign	Range
char	uint8_t	8	Unsigned	0 .. 255
signed char	int8_t	8	Signed	-128 .. 127
unsigned short	uint16_t	16	Unsigned	0 .. 65,535
short	int16_t	16	Signed	-32,768 .. 32,767
unsigned int	uint32_t	32	Unsigned	0 .. 4,294,967,295
int	int32_t	32	Signed	-2,147,483,648 .. 2,147,483,647
unsigned long long	uint64_t	64	Unsigned	0 .. 18,446,744,073,709,551,615
long long	int64_t	64	Signed	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 .. 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
C type	IEE754 Name	Bits		Range
float	Single Precision	32		-3.4E38 .. 3.4E38
double	Double Precision	64		-1.7E308 .. 1.7E308

5.2 Basics of the Language

The C++ main function is designed by default to pass in arguments when a program is ran. The argument passign is set up as follows.

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    // argc would represent how many arguments were passed to the program.
    // argv[] is an array of each argument with the first element being the program name.
    for (int i=0;i<argc;i++) std::cout << argv[i] << std::endl; //Prints the arguments.
    return 0;
}

// So for example if I had HelloWorld.cpp as the above and ran using
// ./HelloWorld argument1 argument2 argument3
// we would get an output of
/some/file/path/HelloWorld
argument1
argument2
argument3
```

“The address of a variable can be obtained by preceding the name of a variable with an ampersand sign (&), known as **address-of operator**. [1]

```
var = 314;           //Creates a variable and stores in in memory.
address = &var;      //Returns the memory address of the stored variable.
```

“**Pointers** are said to ‘point to’ the variable whose address they store.” [1] Proceeding a pointer with the dereference operator (*), which can be read as ‘value pointed to by’ can be used to access a variable which stores the address of another variable (called a **pointer**).

```
pointer = *address; //Sets pointer to the value of the variable that address points to.
```

A pointer must be declared using the type of the data the pointer points to.

```
int * number;           //Creates number to point to an int.
char * character;       //Creates character to point to a char.
double * decimals;      //Creates decimals to point to a double.
int array [20];         //Creates an empty array with 20 elements.
number = &array [2];    //Sets number to point to the third memory slot of array.
cout << *number;       //Prints the value stored in array [2].
```

Incrementing pointers. “When adding one to a pointer, the pointer is made to point to the following element of the same type, and, therefore, the size in bytes of the type it points to is added to the pointer.”

```
char *mychar;           //Creates mychar to point to a char.
short *myshort;         //Creates myshort to point to a short.
long *mylong;           //Creates mylong to point to a long.

++mychar;               //Would increment to the next memory slot.
++myshort;              //Would increment two memory slots.
++mylong;               //Would increment four memory slots.

*p++ // same as *(p++): increment pointer, and dereference unincremented address
*++p // same as *(++p): increment pointer, and dereference incremented address
++*p // same as ++(*p): dereference pointer, and increment the value it points to
(*p)++ // dereference pointer, and post-increment the value it points to
```

Within C++, you can use operations with **pointers to functions** which is typically used when calling a function with another function as a parameter. An example follows as [1]:

```
int addition (int a, int b){ return a+b; }
int subtraction (int a, int b){ return a-b; }

int operation (int x, int y, int (*functocall)(int,int)){
    int g;
    g = (*functocall)(x,y);
    return g;
}

int main (){
    int m,n;
    int (*minus)(int,int) = subtraction; //minus is a pointer to a function that has two
        parameters of type int.

    m = operation (7, 5, addition);
    n = operation (20, m, minus);
    cout << n;
    return 0;
}
```

Templates can be used for defining classes that support multiple types.

```
template<class type>
class className{ //Creates a class named className
    type a,b;    //Creates some variables of type
public:
    className(type val1, type val2) : a(val1), b(val2){}; //Constructor for className.
```

```
type getMax(){ return a>b ? a:b; };
};
```

...Alternately, the above code can also be written as

```
template<class type>
class className{ //Creates a class named className
    type a,b;    //Creates some variables of type
public:
    className(type val1, type val2){ a = val1; b = val2; }; //Constructor for className.
    type getMax();
};

template<class type>
type className<type>::getMax(){ return a>b ? a:b; }
```

5.3 Basic Input and Output

To output text via a terminal you can use:

```
uint32_t number = 0x123456 // A hexadecimal number.
std::string text = "Hello World!"; // A string.

std::cout << text << std::endl; // std::endl is equivalent to the new-line character.
std::cout << std::hex << number; // Prints a number in hexadecimal format.
```

To get input as a user in the type of a std::string, you can use:

```
std::string input = "";
std::cout << "Enter some text: ";
std::getline(std::cin, input);
```

5.4 Variable Types

Creating and using a vector.

```
#include <vector>

int size1 = 5;
int size2 = 6;
uint32_t number = 0x345678; //Creates a 32 bit unsigned integer and sets it in hexadecimal.

//Creates a vector named V1 containing int's with a size of 5 and sets each element to 0.
std::vector<int> V1(size1, 0);

//Creates a 2-D vector (vector containing vectors) of size 5x6 named V2 containing doubles;
std::vector< std::vector<double>> V2(size1, std::vector<double>(size2, 0));

V1[0] = 8; //Sets the first element in V1 to 8.

V2[0][3] = 3.1415; //Sets the 4th element in the first row of V2 to 3.1415.
```

5.5 Class Structures

In C++ a Class is an object that can contain variables and functions all defined within the object to be used in various ways.

```
// This creates a class named ParentClass.
class ParentClass{
    // The public members of a class are accessible to anything outside of the class.
    public:
        ParentClass(); // Constructor for the ParentClass.
        ~ParentClass(); // De-structor for the ParentClass.
        int notSoSpecialInt = 13; // Creates an integer.
};

// This creates a class named ChildClass and inherits the public features of another class
// ParentClass.
class ChildClass : public ParentClass {
    // The public members of a class are accessible to anything outside of the class.
    public:
        // Creates a public method to return notSoSpecialInt.
        int getNotSoSpecialInt() { return notSoSpecialInt; };
        // Creates a public method to return secretInt.
        int getSecretInt() { return secretInt; };

    // The protected members of a class are accessible to this class and any class that
    // inherits this one.
    protected:
        void hello(); // Creates a protected method hello() that is not defined.

    // The private members of a class are only accessible to this class.
    private:
        int secretInt = 2; // Creates a private integer secretInt.
};

// This defines the hello method within the ChildClass class.
void ChildClass::hello() {
    std::cout << "Hello!" << std::endl;
}

int main() {
    ChildClass child; // Creates an object of ChildClass named child.

    int number = child.secretInt(); // ERROR: This would not work because secretInt is
    private;
    int number = child.getSecretInt(); // SUCCESS: This works because getSecretInt() is public
    return 0;
}
```

5.5.1 Converting Between Types

std::string to int

To convert a string to an integer you can use the **stoi** function:

```
std::string text = "31415";
int number = std::stoi(text);
```

std::string to double

To convert a string to a double you can use the **stod** function:

```
std::string text = "3.1415";
double number = std::stof(text);
```

std::string to const char*

To convert a string to a const char* you can use the `c_str()` function:

```
std::string str = "3.1415";
const char* chr = str.c_str();
```

5.6 Mathematical Commands

Prime Number

A simple brute force method to determine if a number of type long is **prime** or not.

```
bool isPrime(long num) {
    int c = 0; //c is a counter for how many numbers can divide evenly into num
    if (num == 0 || num == 1 || num == 4) {
        return false;
    }
    for (long i = 1; i <= ((num + 1) / 2); i++) {
        if (c < 2) {
            if (num % i == 0) {
                c++;
            }
        } else {
            return false;
        }
    }
    return true;
}
```

Trigonometric Identities

To perform calculations using trigonometric identities, you first must include `cmath` and then do so as follows. These trigonometric functions from `cmath` can be used as floats, doubles, or long doubles.

```
#include <cmath> // Needed at start of file.

float num = 0.05; // creating a number.
float numS = std::sin(num); // Calculates the sin of the number
float numC = std::cos(num); // Calculates the cos of the number
float numT = std::tan(num); // Calculates the tan of the number
```

5.7 System Commands

Sleep

Make the thread **sleep** for some amount of time using the `std::chrono` to determine the duration [2].

```
#include <thread>
#include <chrono>
```



```
std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::milliseconds(50)); //Makes the system sleep for 50
    milliseconds.

std::this_thread::sleep_for(std::chrono::seconds(50)); //Makes the system sleep for 50
    seconds.
```

On a Windows specific program this can be simplified by including the windows.h header

```
#include <windows.h>

Sleep(50); //Makes the system sleep for 50 milliseconds.

Sleep(5000); //Makes the system sleep for 50 seconds.
```

On a Windows specific program one can run a command directly from command prompt using the system function. The input variable to system is const char*.

```
#include <windows.h>

//system(const char* input)
system("DATE"); // Runs the DATE command from windows command prompt.
```

5.7.1 Simulate Key Strokes (Windows Only)

First the correct files must be included and an event must be setup.

```
#define WINVER 0x0500
#include <windows.h>

INPUT ip;

ip.type = INPUT_KEYBOARD; // Set up a generic keyboard event.
ip.ki.wScan = 0; // hardware scan code for key
ip.ki.time = 0;
ip.ki.dwExtraInfo = 0;
```

After this, functions can be setup to simulate various keys based on the specific key codes, two examples of such are

```
void space(){
// Press the "space" key.
ip.ki.wVk = VK_SPACE; // virtual-key code for the "space" key.
ip.ki.dwFlags = 0; // 0 for key press
SendInput(1, &ip, sizeof(INPUT));

// Release the "space" key
ip.ki.wVk = VK_SPACE; // virtual-key code for the "space" key.
ip.ki.dwFlags = KEYEVENTF_KEYUP; // KEYEVENTF_KEYUP for key release
SendInput(1, &ip, sizeof(INPUT));
Sleep(50);
}

void one(){
// Press the "1" key.
ip.ki.wVk = 0x31; // virtual-key code for the "1" key.
ip.ki.dwFlags = 0; // 0 for key press
SendInput(1, &ip, sizeof(INPUT));

// Release the "1" key.
ip.ki.wVk = 0x31; // virtual-key code for the "1" key.
```

```
ip.ki.dwFlags = KEYEVENTF_KEYUP; // KEYEVENTF_KEYUP for key release.
SendInput(1, &ip, sizeof(INPUT));
Sleep(50);
}
```

A similar method can be used to simulate mouse clicks. An example for left click follows

```
void leftclick() {
INPUT ip={0};
// left down
ip.type = INPUT_MOUSE;
ip.mi.dwFlags = MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTDOWN;
SendInput(1,&Input, sizeof(INPUT));

// left up
ZeroMemory(&Input, sizeof(INPUT));
ip.type = INPUT_MOUSE;
ip.mi.dwFlags = MOUSEEVENTF_LEFTUP;
SendInput(1,&Input, sizeof(INPUT));
Sleep(50);
}
```

5.8 Compiler/Processor specific

The order of bytes within a binary representation of a number can be either **little endian** or **big endian**. In some cases, it is important to know this. Below is a function that will return the endianness of the machine you are compiling on.

```
bool is_big_endian() {
    union { uint32_t i; char c[4]; } bint = {0x01020304};
    return bint.c[0] == 1;
}

#ifdef BYTEORDER == BIG_ENDIAN
// Use big endian code here.
#endif

#ifdef BYTEORDER == LITTLE_ENDIAN
// Use little endian code here.
#endif
```

Make/CMake

6.1 CMake

A poorly constructed and hard to follow yet fairly comprehensive example of how to use CMake and CMakeLists.txt files can be found at the following link (which is where much of the information in this section is derived from).

<https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/guide/tutorial/index.html>

A basic project with CMake will contain an executable built from source code. To use CMake this project must contain a **CMakeLists.txt** file containing the following.

```
cmake_minimum_required( VERSION 3.14 )

# Set the project name and version.
project( ProjectName VERSION 1.001)

# Add an executable.
add_executable( Main main.cpp )

# Create a binary tree to search for include files.
target_include_directories( Tutorial PUBLIC
"${PROJECT_BINARY_DIR}"
)
```

To define and enable support for a specific **C++ standard**, you can use the following.

```
# Specify the C++ standard to use.
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD 11)
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD_REQUIRED True)
```

To add a **library** in a subdirectory and use that library in the main level, you must define where the library is in the main level CMakeLists.txt file.

```
# Add the LibraryName library.
add_subdirectory( LibraryDirectory )

# Links this Main file to the desired target library.
target_link_libraries( Main PUBLIC LibraryName )

# Add the binary tree to the search path for include files so that we will find LibraryName.
h
target_include_directories( Main PUBLIC
"${PROJECT_BINARY_DIR}"
"${PROJECT_SOURCE_DIR}/LibraryDirectory"
)
```

In the directory containing the library, a CMakeLists.txt file must also exist and contain the following.

```
# Defines the file as a library.
add_library( LibraryName LibraryName.cpp)
```

To create **optional arguments** that can be turned on and off, one can use the **option** command.

```
# Creates a variable USE_MYLIBRARY and set it to on.
option( USE_MYLIBRARY "Use my library with this project" ON )
```

Variables like the above can be used as follows.

```
if( USE_MYLIBRARY )
    add_subdirectory( MathFunctions )
    list( APPEND EXTRA_LIBS LibraryName )
    list( APPEND EXTRA_INCLUDES "${PROJECT_SOURCE_DIR}/LibraryDirectory" )
endif()

# add the executable
add_executable( Main main.cpp )

target_link_libraries( Main PUBLIC ${EXTRA_LIBS} )

# Add the binary tree to the search path for include files.
target_include_directories( Main PUBLIC
    "${PROJECT_BINARY_DIR}"
    ${EXTRA_INCLUDES}
)
```

The use of variables defined in CMake can be defined in the source code using

```
#cmakedefine USE_MYLIBRARY
```

Git

7.1: Git Resources

Various git resources exist for use of or with git (an open source, distributed version-control system).

Description	Source
Main git website	https://git-scm.com/
git book	https://git-scm.com/book/en/v2

To turn an existing directory into a git repository you can use the **git init** command,

```
git init    # Makes the current directory a git repository.
```

Git contains some basic **configuration** that can be set for all the local repositories.

```
# Sets the name you want attached to your commit transactions.
git config --global user.name "[name]"
```

```
# Sets the email you want attached to your commit transactions.
git config --global user.email "[email address]"
```

```
# Enables helpful colorization of command line output.
git config --global color.ui auto
```

Some basic commands used by git include cloning repositories with the **clone** (a local version of a repository, including all commits and branches) command, checking the **log** of previous changes, and checking the **status** of current files.

```
git clone https://github.com/torodean/Antonius-Handbook-II.git
```

```
git log      # Prints a list of the commits and their messages.
git log --stat # Shows individual file changes along with the log.
```

```
git status    # Checks which state current files are in.
```

To **synchronize** your local repository with the remote repository.

```
git fetch    # Downloads all history from the remote tracking branches.
git merge    # Combines remote tracking branch into current local branch.
git pull     # A combination of git fetch and git merge.
```

To record changes to a git repository, you will primarily use the **add**, **commit** (a Git object, a snapshot of your entire repository compressed into a SHA), **diff**, and **push** commands. The **add** command can be thought of to “add precisely this content to the next commit”.

```
git add -A      # Stages all files to be committed.
git add textFile.txt # Stages a text file named 'textFile'.
git rm textFile.txt # Removes a text file from staging.

git diff        # Shows unstaged changes.
git diff --cached # Shows staged changes.

git commit      # Commits changes and asks for commit message.
git commit -m "text" # Commits changes with a string as the commit message.
git commit -v    # includes the diff output into the commit.

git push        # Updates remote references using local references.
```

The **branch** (a lightweight movable pointer to a commit) command is used to create a new branch. The **checkout** command is used to change the working branch.

```
git branch                # Lists all branches.
git branch --merged       # See merged to current branches.
git branch -v             # See last commit on each branch.

git branch issue087       # Creates a branch issue087.
git checkout issue087     # Changes to the branch issue087.
git branch -d issue087    # Deletes the branch issue087.

git checkout -b issue087  # Does both of the above commands in one line.
```

The **merge** command is used to combine multiple branches after work on them is finished. To assist with merge conflicts, you can use **mergetool**.

```
git checkout master       # Changes to the master branch.
git merge issue087        # Attempts to merge master and issue087.

git mergetool             # Starts mergetool to assist with merge conflicts.
```

Using the **fork** command, one can create a copy of a repository owned by a different user.

```
git fork [URL]
```

Sometimes a file or type of file(s) are desired to be ignored by git and not push to the repository. This can be done by creating a special file named **.gitignore**.

```
# Example of a .gitignore file. This file tells git to ignore the following types of files.
*.aux
*.log
*.synctex.gz
*.toc
*.o
```

C#

The language C# is very similar to C++ and Java. All programming snippets listed in this section were tested and from a program created in Visual Studio 2013. Many of the functions written in this section depend on the Windows .Net application framework and may not function without that.

8.1 Useful Application Functions

Exit a program.

```
//These are needed at the beginning of the file.
using System;
using System.Windows.Forms;

//This exits the program
public static void exitLOLA() {
    if (System.Windows.Forms.Application.MessageLoop) {
        System.Windows.Forms.Application.Exit(); // WinForms app
    } else {
        System.Environment.Exit(1); // Console app
    }
}
```

The following will return the current Epoch time in seconds. This is useful for version control, random number generation, and more. Also, a demonstration of how to set the current date as a string.

```
//Sets the current date as a string.
private static string today = System.DateTime.Today.ToString("d");

//Returns the current epoch time in seconds (time passed since January 1, 1970).
public static long getEpochTime() {
    var epoch = (DateTime.UtcNow - new DateTime(1970, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, DateTimeKind.Utc)).
        TotalSeconds;
    return (long)epoch;
}
```

The following can be used to increase the size of a terminal window for a terminal application made in Visual Studio.

```
//Doubles the length of the output terminal window if the resolution on the computer permits
it.
//Otherwise leaves it as the default.
public static void setScreenSize_double() {
    //determines the screen resolution to then determine the size of the output window.
    int origWidth = Console.WindowWidth;
    int origHeight = Console.WindowHeight;
    int height;
    int screenHeight = Screen.PrimaryScreen.Bounds.Height;

    if (screenHeight < 1080) {
        height = origHeight;
    } else {
        height = origHeight * 2;
    }

    //int height = origHeight;
    Console.SetWindowSize(origWidth, height);
}
```

Get the directory path that the executable file is located in.

```
//returns the path that the program executable file is in.
public static string getProgramPath() {
    string path = System.IO.Path.GetDirectoryName(Assembly.GetEntryAssembly().Location);
    return path;
}
```

8.2 Getting Windows System Information

Return the system name

```
//Returns the user defined system name.
public static string getSystemName() {
    systemName = Environment.MachineName;
    return systemName;
}
```

Determines and returns whether a processor is 32 or 64 bits and returns the number of bits as an int.

```
//Returns twwhether the processor is 32 or 64-bit.
public static int getBits() {
    bool bitOS = Environment.Is64BitOperatingSystem;
    if (bitOS) {
        bits = 64;
        return bits;
    } else {
        bits = 32;
        return bits;
    }
}
```

Returns the Full Operating System Name. Then, an alternate function to format the operating system name in a friendly manner.

```
public static string getOSFullName() {
    return new Microsoft.VisualBasic.Devices.ComputerInfo().OSFullName.ToString();
}

//Returns a 'friendly' string with the OS listed.
public static string getFriendlyOS() {
    OSversion = getOSFullName() + " " + getBits() + "-bit";
    return OSversion;
}
```

Returns the IPv4 address of a machine.

```
//Returns the IPv4 that the user is using.
public static string getIPv4address() {
    if (IPv4address != null) {
        return IPv4address;
    }
    IPAddress[] ipv4Addresses = Array.FindAll(Dns.GetHostEntry(string.Empty).AddressList, a
        => a.AddressFamily == AddressFamily.InterNetwork);
    int i = 1;
    try {
        IPv4address = ipv4Addresses[i].ToString();
    }
    catch (System.IndexOutOfRangeException) {
        i = 0;
    }
}
```



```

        IPv4address = ipv4Addresses[i].ToString();
    }
    return IPv4address;
}

```

Determines CPU specs for a machine.

```

//Sets the CPU specs for the machine.
ManagementObject Mo = new ManagementObject("Win32_Processor.DeviceID='CPU0'");
uint speed = (uint)(Mo["CurrentClockSpeed"]);
string name = Mo["Name"].ToString();
Mo.Dispose();
int CPUSpeed = Convert.ToInt32(speed);
string CPUmodel = name;

```

Determines the model of a PC.

```

string PCModel

System.Management.SelectQuery query = new System.Management.SelectQuery(@"Select * from
Win32.ComputerSystem");
using (System.Management.ManagementObjectSearcher searcher = new System.Management.
ManagementObjectSearcher(query))

foreach (System.Management.ManagementObject Mo in searcher.Get()){
    Mo.Get();
    string Model = Mo["Model"].ToString();
    //System.Console.WriteLine("{0}{1}", "...System Model: ", Mo["Model"]);
    PCModel = Model;
}
if (PCModel == "System Product Name"){
    PCModel = "unknown";
}

```

Returns the installed RAM in a machine. Multiple methods are listed which give varied results depending on the environment.

```

//This returns an estimate of the ram installed on a machine.
//It is keyed to take the total bytes of RAM and convert them to the nearest 2^n value.
//This is the old function to determine RAM capacity. getInstalledRAM() returns a more
    accurate value.
public static ulong getTotalPhysicalMemoryInBytes(){
    return new Microsoft.VisualBasic.Devices.ComputerInfo().TotalPhysicalMemory;
}
public static ulong getTotalVirtualMemoryInBytes(){
    return new Microsoft.VisualBasic.Devices.ComputerInfo().TotalVirtualMemory;
}

//Returns the physically installed RAM.
public static ulong getInstalledRAM(){
    string Query = "SELECT Capacity FROM Win32_PhysicalMemory";
    ManagementObjectSearcher searcher = new ManagementObjectSearcher(Query);

    UInt64 Capacity = 0;
    foreach (ManagementObject WmiPART in searcher.Get()){
        Capacity += Convert.ToUInt64(WmiPART.Properties["Capacity"].Value);
    }

    return Capacity;
}

```

Python

The official python documentation can be found at the following links

```
# Documentation for version 3+  
https://docs.python.org/3/  
# Documentation for version 2+  
https://docs.python.org/2/
```

Import floating point division which allows python 2 compatibility when using division with doubles. Include this at the beginning of the script.

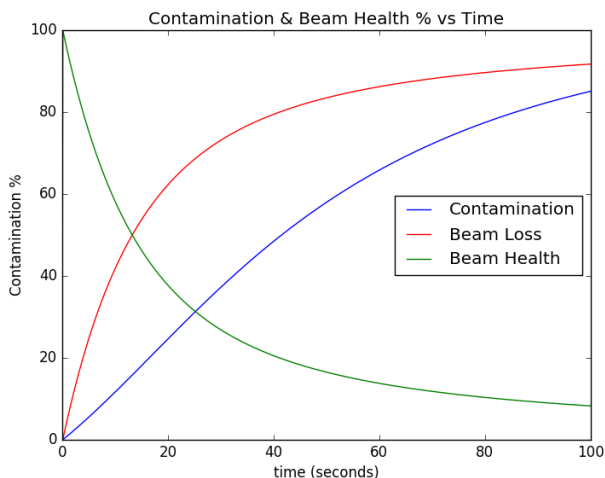
```
from __future__ import division
```

9.1 Plotting and Graphs

A nicely formatted plot with a legend using the pylab package.

```
import pylab as plt #Imports the correct packages for plotting.  
  
plt.title('Contamination & Beam Health % vs Time') # Creates a title.  
  
plt.plot(t, Contamination, '-b', label='Contamination') #Plots Contamination in blue.  
plt.plot(t, Beam_loss, '-r', label='Beam Loss') #Plots Beam_loss in red.  
plt.plot(t, Beam_health, '-g', label='Beam Health') #Plots Beam_health in green.  
#plt.plot(x,y,'-color', label='Legend Label') #Template  
  
plt.xlabel("time (seconds)") #Creates a x-axis label  
plt.ylabel("Contamination %") #Creates a y-axis label  
  
plt.legend(loc='center right') #Creates a legend with the labels set above.  
#Other locations include upper/lower/center left/right  
  
plt.show() #Displays plot.
```

This code would display a graph such as the one below such that the proper values are input.



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