

Template Week 4 – Software

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Assignment 4.1: ARM assembly

Screenshot of working assembly code of factorial calculation:

The screenshot shows a debugger interface with the following components:

- Top bar with buttons: Open, Run, 250, Step, Reset.
- Assembly code area:

```
1 Main:
2     mov r2, #5
3     mov r0, #1
4
5 Loop:
6     mul r0, r0, r2
7     sub r2, r2, #1
8     cmp r2, #1
9     beq End
10    b Loop
11
12 End:
13
```
- Registers table:

Register	Value
R0	78
R1	0
R2	1
R3	0
R4	0
R5	0
R6	0
R7	0
R8	0
R9	0
R10	0
- Bottom bar showing a browser window with a Google search result for "yousef 583168".

Assignment 4.2: Programming languages

Take screenshots that the following commands work:

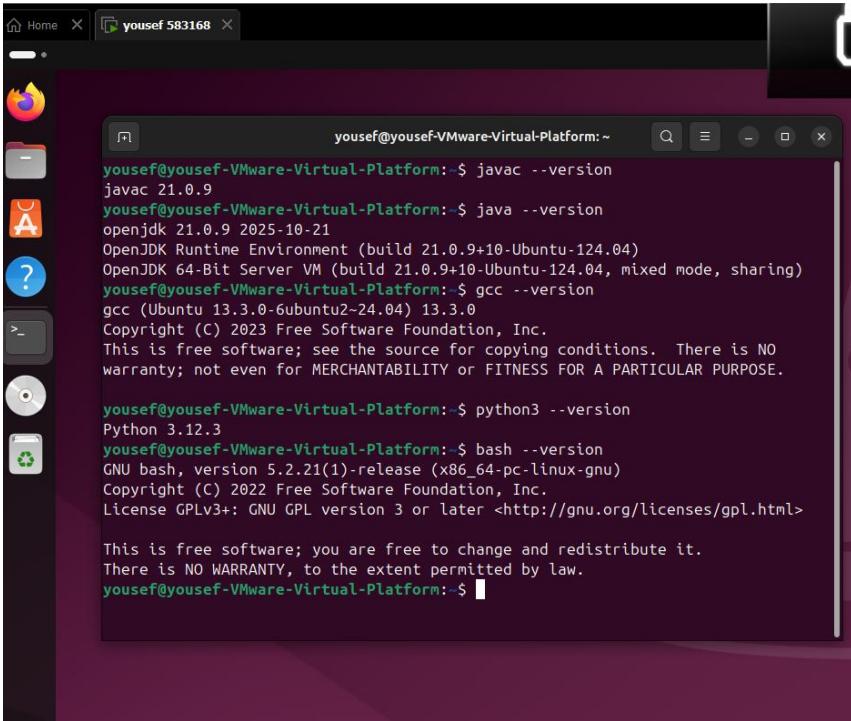
javac --version

java --version

gcc --version

python3 --version

bash –version

A screenshot of a Linux desktop environment. On the left is a dock with icons for a browser, file manager, terminal, and others. A terminal window titled "yousef 583168" is open, showing the following command-line session:

```
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$ javac --version
javac 21.0.9
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$ java --version
openjdk 21.0.9 2025-10-21
OpenJDK Runtime Environment (build 21.0.9+10-Ubuntu-124.04)
OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM (build 21.0.9+10-Ubuntu-124.04, mixed mode, sharing)
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$ gcc --version
gcc (Ubuntu 13.3.0-6ubuntu2-24.04) 13.3.0
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warranty; not even for MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$ python3 --version
Python 3.12.3
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$ bash --version
GNU bash, version 5.2.21(1)-release (x86_64-pc-linux-gnu)
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yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~$
```

Assignment 4.3: Compile

Which of the above files need to be compiled before you can run them?

Fibonacci.java and fib.c need to be compiled before running, fib.py and fib.sh are interpreted.

Which source code files are compiled into machine code and are then directly executable by a processor?

fib.c is compiled into machine code and directly executable by the processor.

Which source code files are compiled to byte code?

Fibonacci.java is compiled to byte code.

Which source code files are interpreted by an interpreter?

fib.py is interpreted by the Python interpreter and fib.sh is interpreted by the Bash shell.

These source code files perform the same calculation. Which one is expected to perform the calculation the fastest?

fib.c is expected to perform the calculation the fastest.

How do I run a Java program?

Compile Java with javac Fibonacci.java and run with java Fibonacci.

How do I run a Python program?

Run Python with python3 fib.py.

How do I run a C program?

Compile C with gcc fib.c -o fib and run with ./fib.

How do I run a Bash Script?

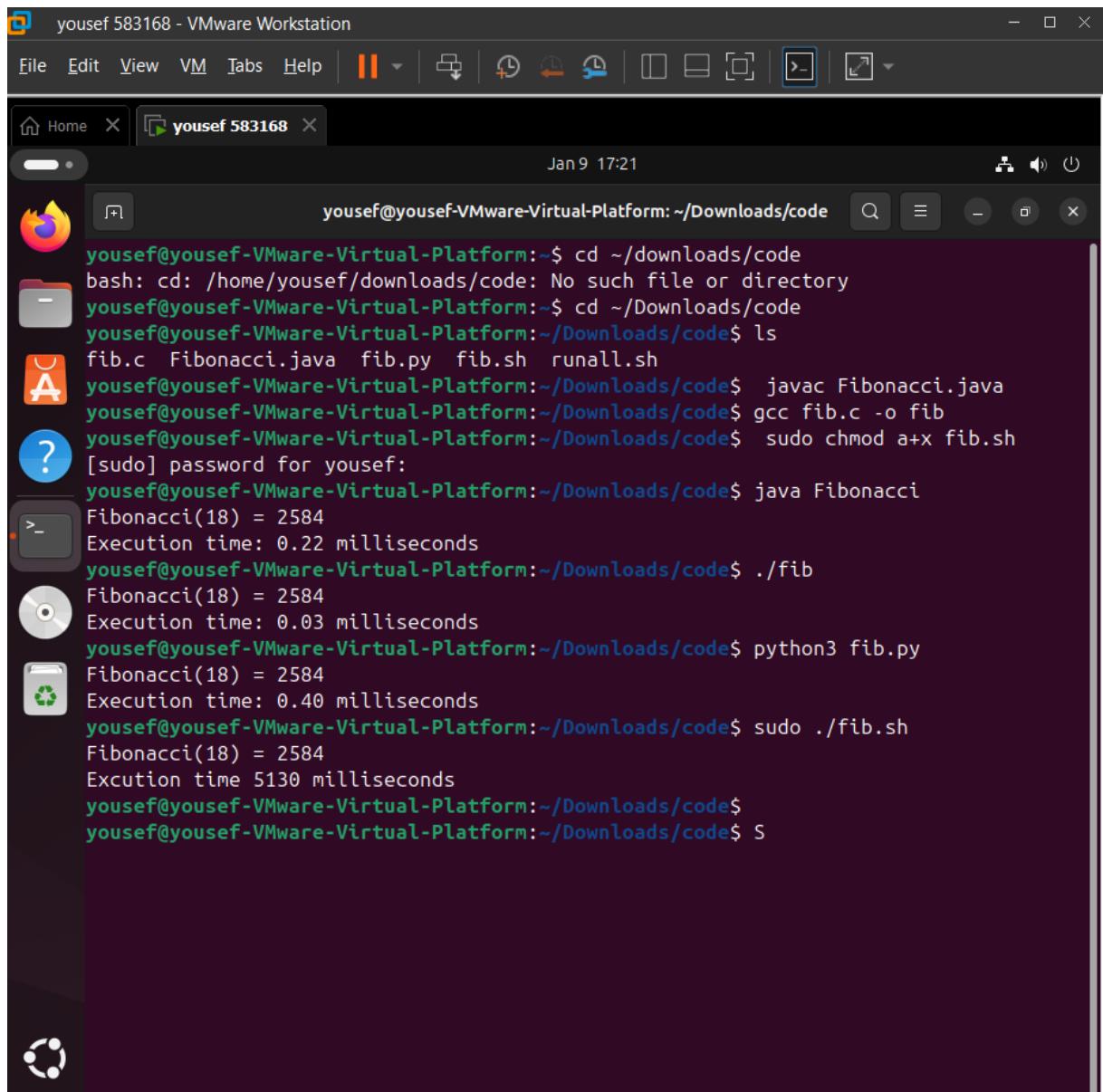
Make Bash script executable with sudo chmod a+x fib.sh and run with sudo ./fib.sh.

If I compile the above source code, will a new file be created? If so, which file?

Compiling creates Fibonacci.class for Java and fib for C.

Take relevant screenshots of the following commands:

- Compile the source files where necessary
- Make them executable
- Run them
- Which (compiled) source code file performs the calculation the fastest?



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the title "yousef 583168 - VMware Workstation". The terminal window has a dark background with light-colored text. It displays the following command-line session:

```
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ cd ~/Downloads/code
bash: cd: /home/yousef/Downloads/code: No such file or directory
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ls
fib.c Fibonacci.java fib.py fib.sh runall.sh
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ javac Fibonacci.java
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc fib.c -o fib
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ sudo chmod a+x fib.sh
[sudo] password for yousef:
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ java Fibonacci
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.22 milliseconds
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ./fib
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.03 milliseconds
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ python3 fib.py
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.40 milliseconds
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ sudo ./fib.sh
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Excution time 5130 milliseconds
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ S
```

The C program fib.c runs the fastest

Assignment 4.4: Optimize

Take relevant screenshots of the following commands:

- a) Figure out which parameters you need to pass to **the gcc** compiler so that the compiler performs a number of optimizations that will ensure that the compiled source code will run faster. **Tip!** The parameters are usually a letter followed by a number. Also read **page 191** of your book, but find a better optimization in the man pages. Please note that Linux is case sensitive.
- b) Compile **fib.c** again with the optimization parameters
- c) Run the newly compiled program. Is it true that it now performs the calculation faster?

```
yousef@yousef-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc fib.c -O3 -o fib_opt
yousef@yousef-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ./fib_opt
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.03 milliseconds
yousef@yousef-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ gcc fib.c -O3 -o fib_opt
yousef@yousef-Virtual-Platform:~/Downloads/code$ ./fib_opt
Fibonacci(18) = 2584
Execution time: 0.01 milliseconds
```

- d) Edit the file **runall.sh**, so you can perform all four calculations in a row using this Bash script. So the (compiled/interpreted) C, Java, Python and Bash versions of Fibonacci one after the other.

```
yousef@yousef-VMware-Virtual-Platform: ~/Downloads/code
Running C program:
Fibonacci(19) = 4181
Execution time: 0.01 milliseconds

Running Java program:
Fibonacci(19) = 4181
Execution time: 0.34 milliseconds

Running Python program:
Fibonacci(19) = 4181
Execution time: 0.51 milliseconds

Running BASH Script
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```

Assignment 4.5: More ARM Assembly

Like the factorial example, you can also implement the calculation of a power of 2 in assembly. For example you want to calculate $2^4 = 16$. Use iteration to calculate the result. Store the result in r0.

Main:

```
mov r1, #2
mov r2, #4
```

Loop:

End:

Complete the code. See the PowerPoint slides of week 4.

Screenshot of the completed code here.

The screenshot shows a web-based assembly code editor and debugger interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with back, forward, search, and file operations. Below it is the OakSim logo. On the left, there are buttons for Open, Run, Step, and Reset. A text area contains the following assembly code:

```
1 Main:
2     mov r0, #1
3     mov r1, #2
4     mov r2, #4
5
6 Loop:
7     cmp r2, #0
8     beq End
9     mul r0, r0, r1
10    sub r2, r2, #1
11    b Loop
12
13 End:
```

To the right of the code is a table showing register values:

Register	Value
R0	10
R1	2
R2	0
R3	0
R4	0
R5	0
R6	0
R7	0
R8	0
R9	0
R10	0

Below the registers is a memory dump window showing hex values:

```
0x00001000: 01 00 A0 E3 02 10 A0 E3 04 20
0x000010010: 02 00 00 0A 90 01 00 E0 01 20
0x000010020:
```

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