Introduction to Computer Science and Programming in C

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Announcements

- Homework 4 is out, due last day of class: December 4 before class
- Final Review Thursday 12/4
- Final Exam: Tuesday, 12/16, 1:10 pm 4:00 pm Mudd 233 (our normal room)

Review

- Software Engineering:
 - Waterfall method
 - "Extreme Programming"
 - More interaction with customer, fast iterations, refactoring, pair programming



C Family

- Since C was so popular, many programming languages were designed based on C
- Two Object-Oriented languages derived from C are C++ and Java
- C++ in 1979 (C with Classes) / 1983 (C++)
- Java in 1995 (!)

C vs. C++

- C++ is compiled just like C into machine code (GCC includes C++ compilers with -lstdc++)
- New set of standard libraries
- Implements OOP "classes"
- Gives the programmer the choice of old-style, "procedural" programming or Object-Oriented

C vs. Java

- Compiled by javac (Java Compiler) into Virtual Machine Code. Run on Virtual Machine
 - Java Virtual Machine is implemented on various systems to provide portability
- Strictly implements OOP classes
- Garbage collection (automates memory management)

Hello World

```
• #include <stdio.h> /* Hello World In C */
int main()
{
    printf("Hello, World!\n");
}
```

```
• #include <iostream> // Hello World In C++
int main()
{
    std::cout << "Hello, World!" << std::endl;
}</pre>
```

```
• class HelloWorld { // Hello World In Java
static public void main(String args[]) {
    System.out.println("Hello, World!");
}
```

hello.cpp

- #include <iostream> // Hello World In C++
 int main()
 {
 std::cout << "Hello, World!" << std::endl;
 }</pre>
- **iostream** is C++'s stdio.h
- std::cout is like fprintf(stdout, "...",...)
- std::endl is like \n

HelloWorld.java

```
• class HelloWorld { // Hello World In Java
static public void main(String args[]) {
    System.out.println("Hello, World!");
}
```

- static: **main** function belongs class HelloWorld
- public: it is accessible to other classes
- System.out.println is like printf("...\n");
- String args[] is an array of strings (like *argv[])

```
More examples: C
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    float velocity = 11.2;
    printf("Earth's escape velocity is %f kph\n",
        velocity);
    return 0;
}
/* Example from Java Essentials for C and C++
    Programmers by Barry Boone */
```

More examples: C++

More examples: Java

Classes and Methods

- The Java function, System.out.println() looks like we call a function that is a field in a struct.
- Recall the OOP definition of a class: a collection of variable fields and functions
- These functions are aka "methods"
- println() is a method of the object System.out

Overloading

- C++, Java can **overload** functions & operators
 - C is limited: one function per function name int square(int x);
- e.g. multiple "square" functions that return and take different types (float, int, etc)
- e.g. the '+' operator for strings automatically converts floats, ints, etc in Java

CS Department Course Offerings

- COMS 1007 Taught in Java. More focused on OOP, and introduces graphics, networking
- COMS 3101 Various 1-credit courses (should be light workload or only part of the semester) to learn a new language.