

# Introduction to Cybersecurity

## A Software/Hardware Approach

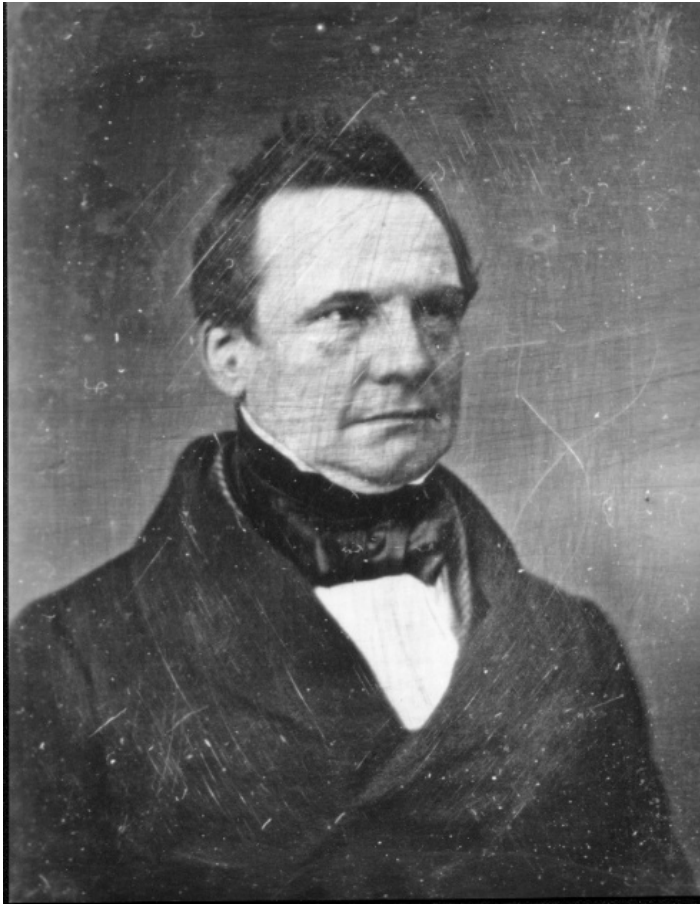
Brief Computer History  
& C Introduction

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# Computing Devices Now



# Charles Babbage 1791-1871



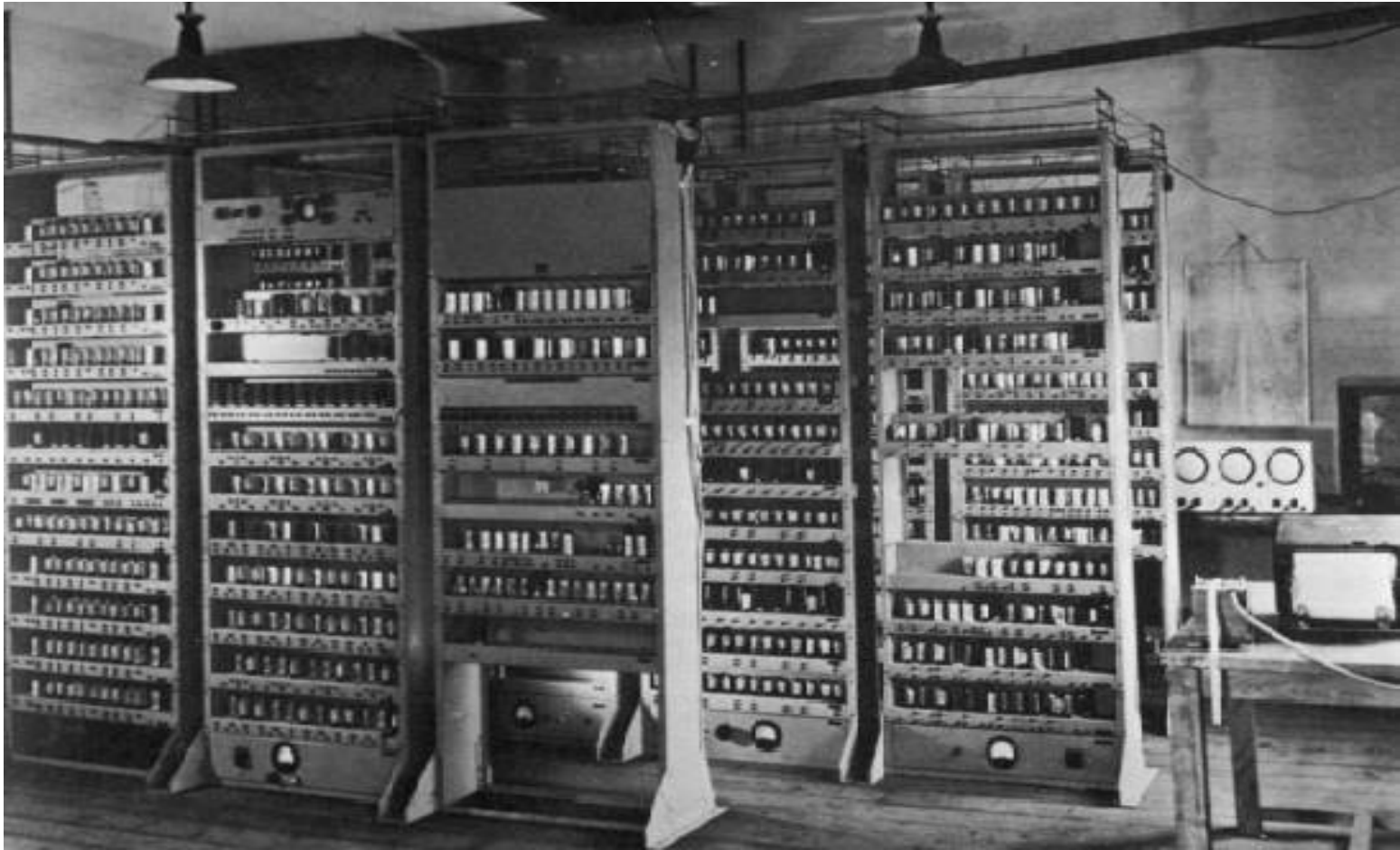
- Difference Engine 1823
- Analytic Engine 1833
  - The forerunner of modern digital computer!
  - Application
    - Mathematical Tables – Astronomy
    - Nautical Tables – Navy
  - Background
    - Any continuous function can be approximated by a polynomial
    - Any Polynomial can be computed from difference tables

# The First Programmer

- Ada Byron aka “Lady Lovelace” 1815-52
  - Ada’s tutor was Babbage himself!



# Computing Devices Then...



# Automatic Computer

- Electronic Discrete Variable Automatic Computer
- ENIAC's programming system was external
  - Sequences of instructions were executed independently of the results of the calculation
  - Human intervention required to take instructions "out of order"
- EDVAC was designed by Eckert, Mauchly and von Neumann in 1944 to solve this problem
  - Solution was the stored program computer
  - "program can be manipulated as data"

# The Big Idea in Today's Computers

- Stored Program Computer

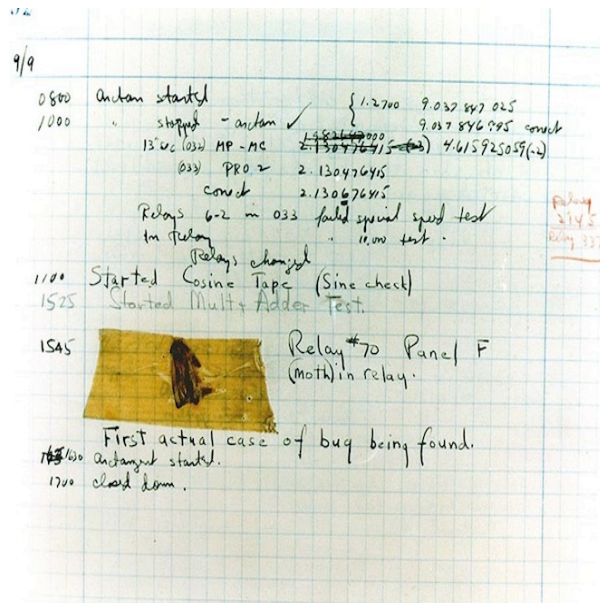
***Program = A sequence of instructions***

- How to control instruction sequencing?
  - Manual control
    - Calculators
  - Automatic control external (paper tape)
    - Harvard Mark I , 1944
    - Zuse's Z1, WW2
  - Internal
    - Plug board ENIAC 1946



# First Program Bug

- The first computer bug is a moth!
- Grace Murray Hopper found the bug while working on the Harvard Mark II computer



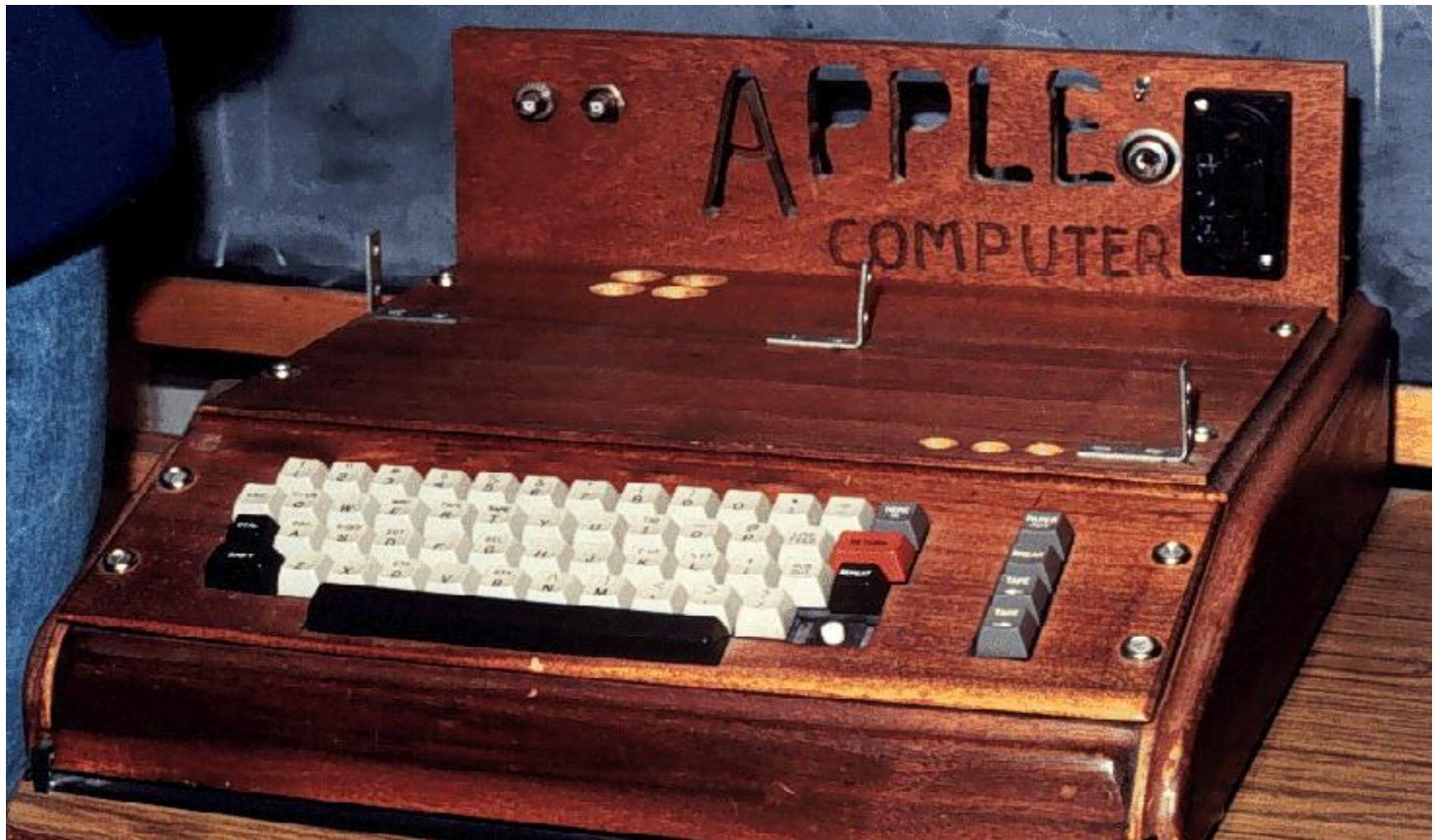


# First Microprocessor

- By Intel Corporation
  - 4-bit Microprocessor 4004 in 1971
  - 8-bit microprocessor 8008 in 1972



# Apple 1 Computer - 1976



# IBM PC - 1981

- IBM-Intel-Microsoft joint venture
  - First wide-selling personal computer used in business
  - 8088 Microchip - 29,000 transistors
  - 4.77 Mhz processing speed
  - 256 K RAM (Random Access Memory) standard



# Apple Macintosh - 1984





# The Amiga 1000 1985



# PowerPC 1991

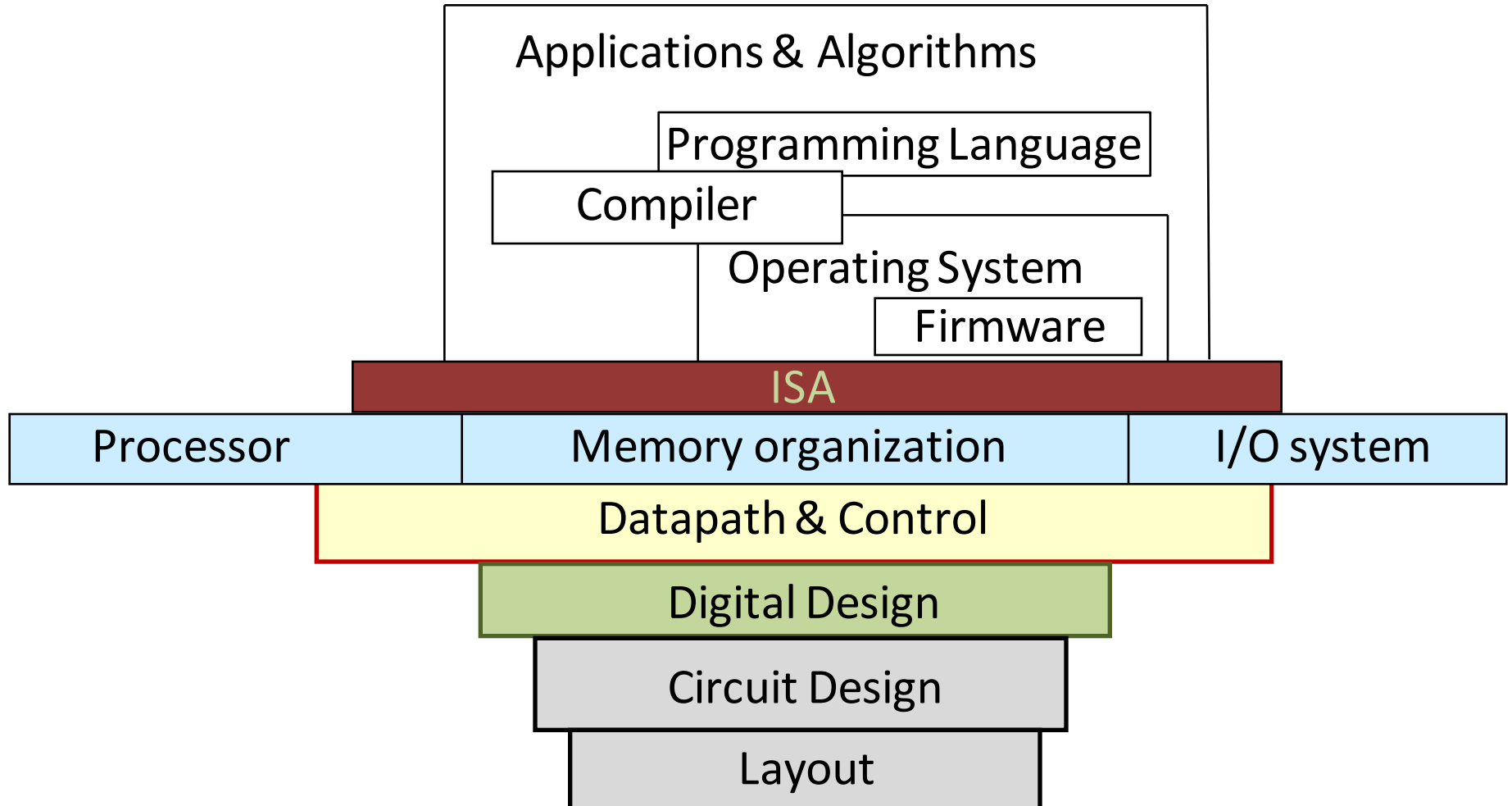




# Apple 2016



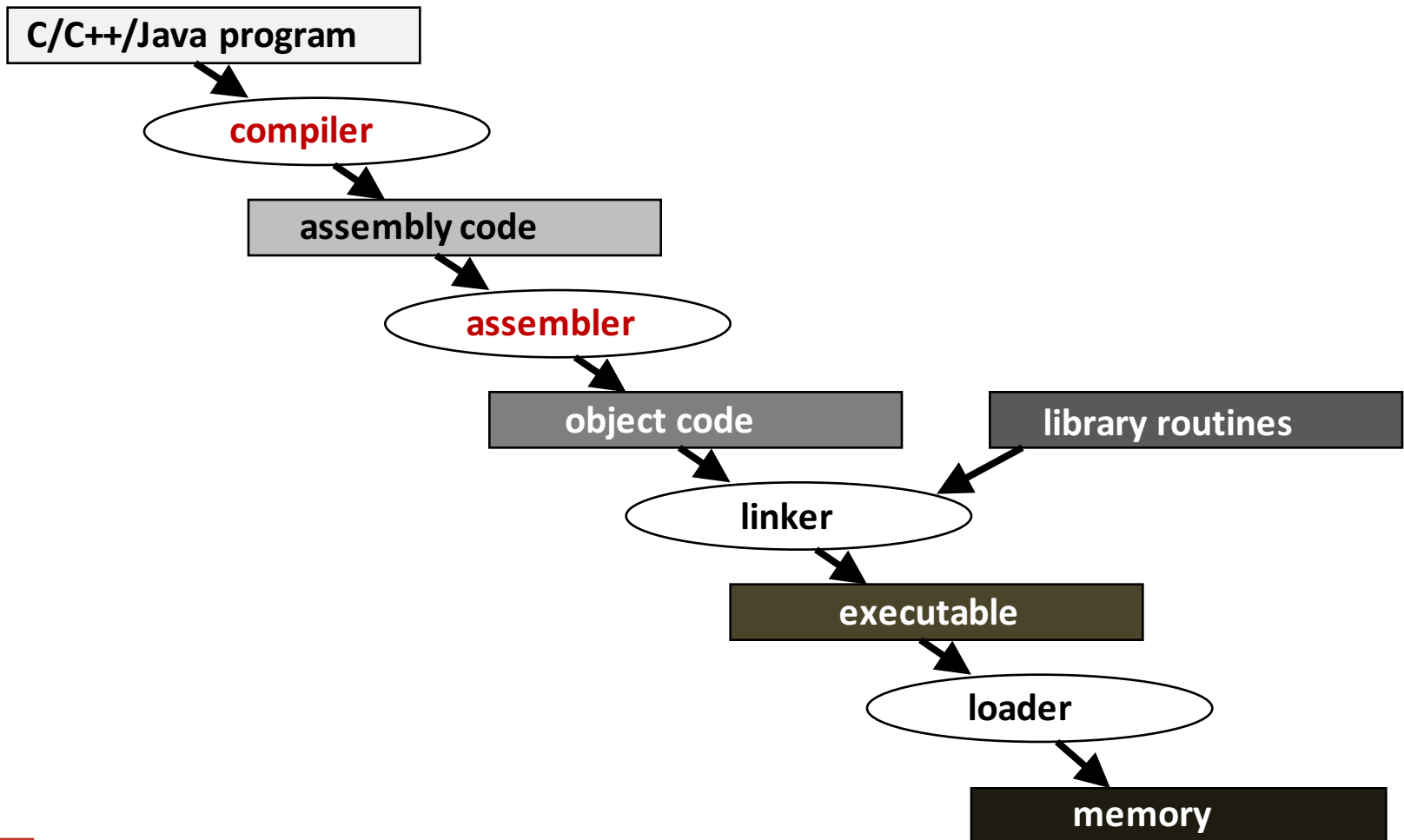
# The Computing Stack



# Bridging/Compiling Process

- High-Level Language

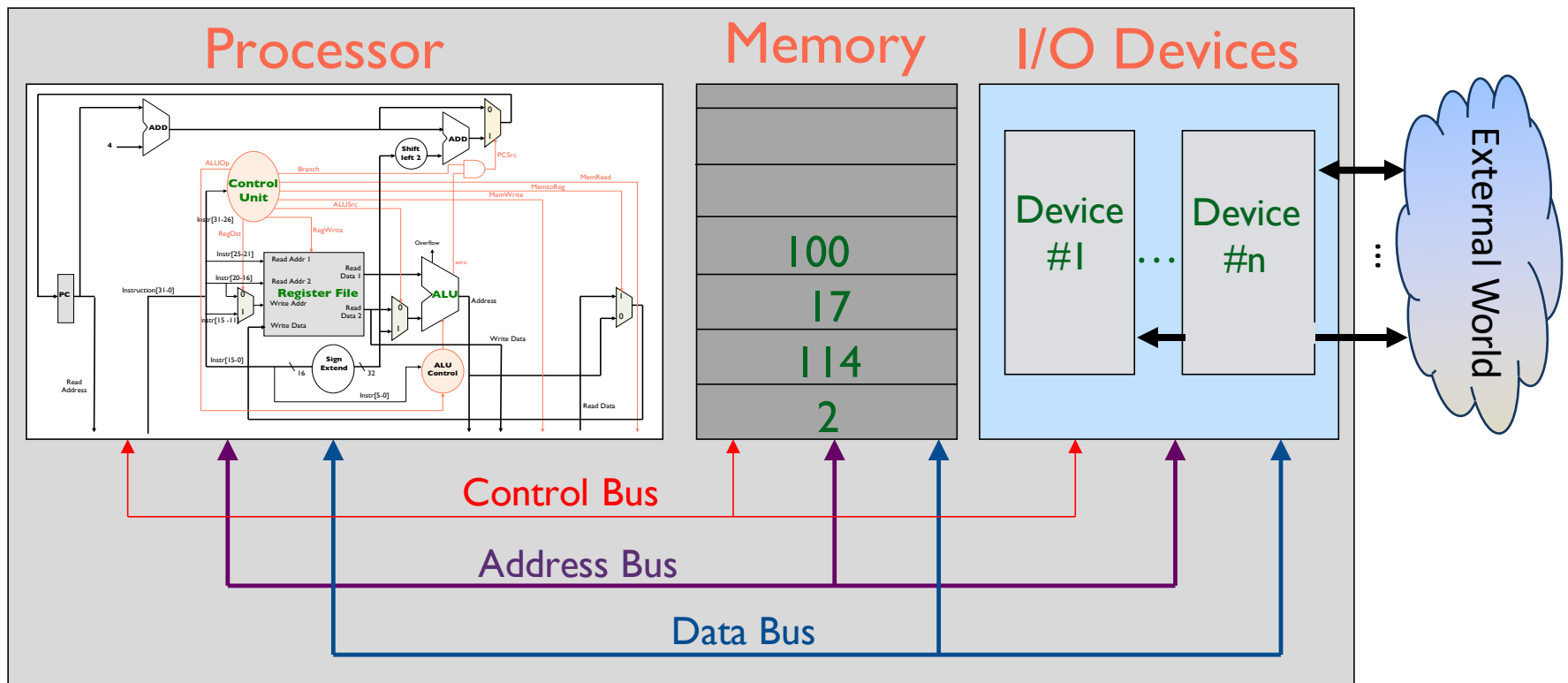
Human  
Readable



Machine  
Code

# The Overall Organization!

- The modern computer system has three major functional hardware units: CPU (Processing Engine), Main Memory (Storage) and Input/Output (I/O) Units



# Programming Languages

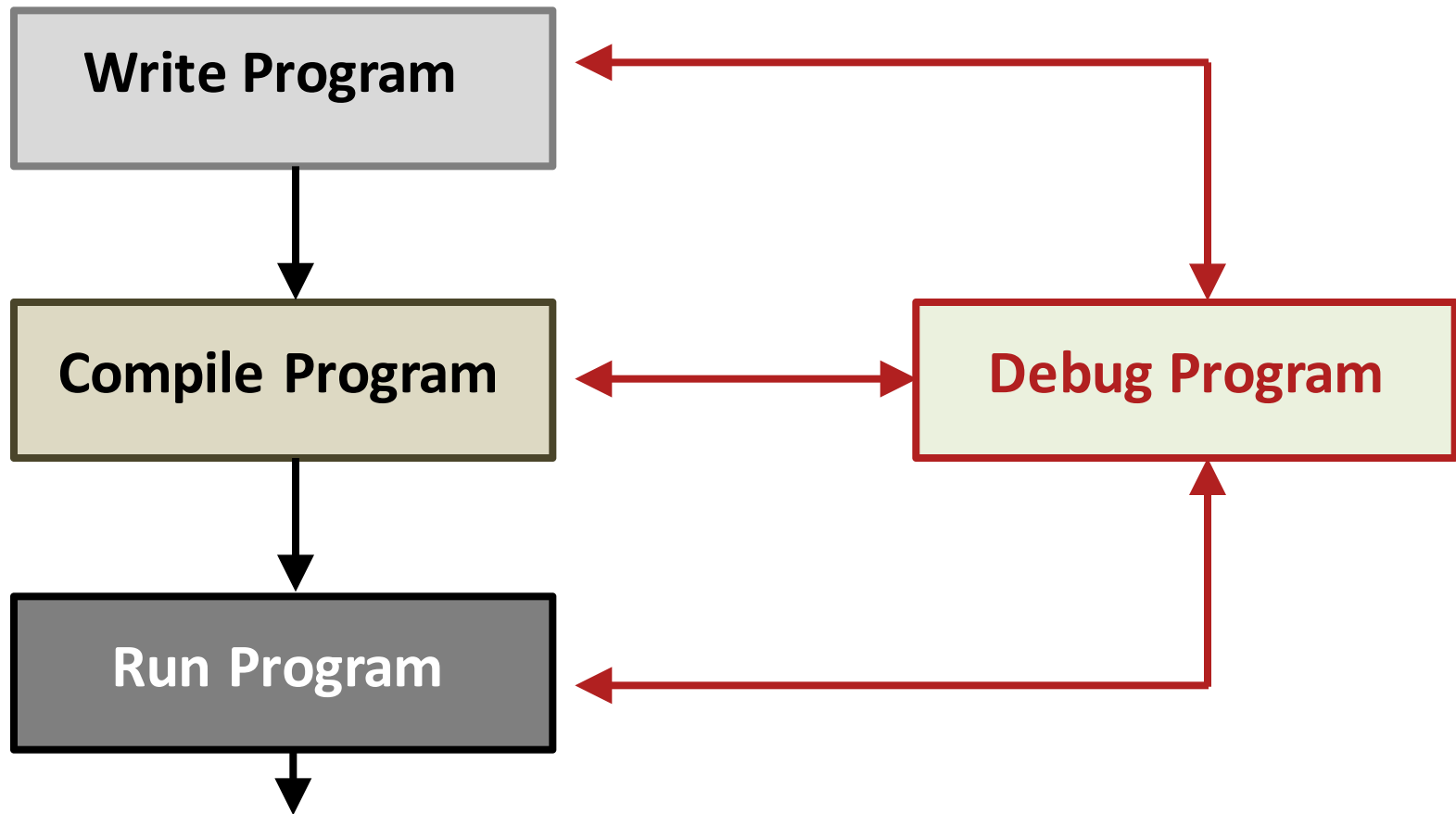
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- By focusing on these concepts, you are better able to learn any programming language

# Programming Languages

- There are many programming languages available: Pascal, C, C++, Java, Ada, Perl and Python
- All of these languages share core concepts
- Hence, by learning C, you are poised to learn other languages, such as Java or Python
  - In this class, we will learn core programming concepts through the powerful C language
  - Why C? It runs nearly as fast as assembly language code



# Programming Process



# Introduction to C

- Developed in 1972 by Dennis Ritchie at Bell Labs
- It is imperative programming language
- It provides:
  - Efficiency, high performance and high quality software
  - Flexibility and power
  - Many high-level and low-level operations

# Introduction to C

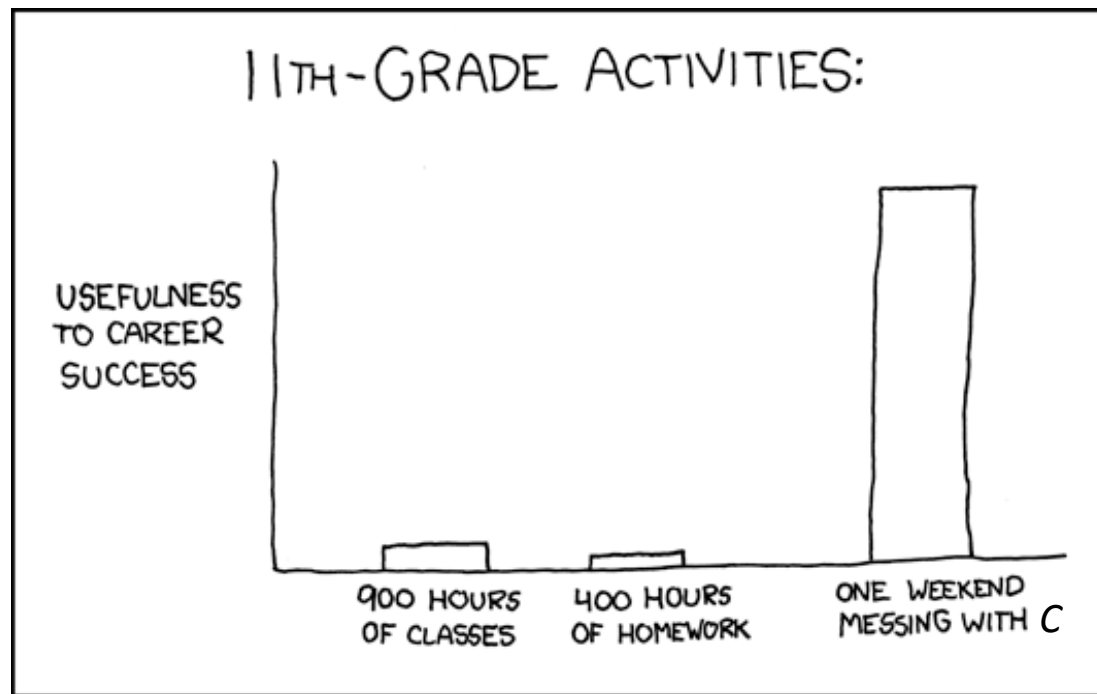
- Developed in 1972 by Dennis Ritchie at Bell Labs
- It is imperative programming language
- It provides:
  - Stability and small size code
  - Provide functionality through rich set of function libraries
  - Gateway for other professional languages like C++ and Java

# Introduction to C

- It is used:
  - System software, Compilers, Editors, embedded systems, application programs
  - Data compression, graphics and computational geometry, utility programs
  - Databases, operating systems, device drivers, system level routines
- The real world still runs on C
  - Most of legacy code in use are in C
  - Many other programming languages are based on C

# Introduction to C

- <http://spectrum.ieee.org/computing/software/the-2015-top-ten-programming-languages>



Original comic is available here: <http://xkcd.com/519/>

# Basic C variable types

- There are five basic data types in C
  - **Char: 'a'**
    - A single byte capable of holding one character in the local character set
  - **Int: 3**
    - An integer of unspecified size
  - **Float: 3.14**
    - Single-precision floating point
  - **Double: 3.1415926**
    - Double-precision floating point
  - **Void: Valueless special purpose type**



# Basic C variable types

Type (32 bit)	Smallest Value	Largest Value
short int	$-32,768(-2^{15})$	$32,767(2^{15}-1)$
unsigned short int	0	$65,535(2^{16}-1)$
Int	$-2,147,483,648(-2^{31})$	$2,147,483,648(2^{31}-1)$
unsigned int	0	4,294,967,295
long int	$-2,147,483,648(-2^{31})$	$2,147,483,648(2^{31}-1)$
unsigned long int	0	4,294,967,295

# Variable assignment

- In C variables must be declared
- They are given values through assignments
- Assignment is done with the '=' operator

## Declarations

```
int number_of_students;  
float average_gpa;
```

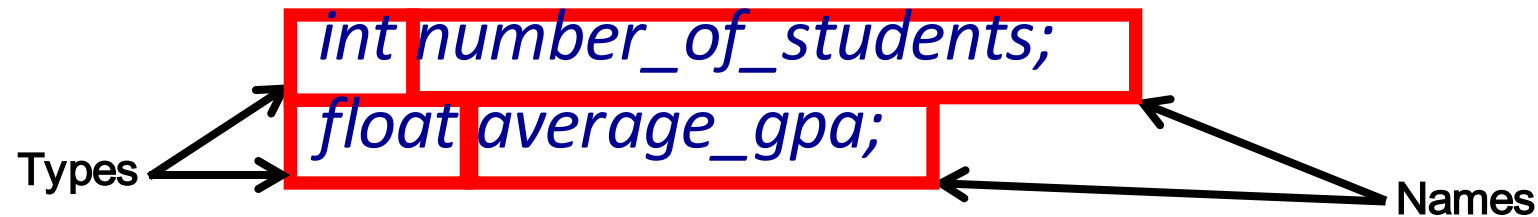
## Assignments

```
number_of_students = 12;  
average_gpa = 3.9;
```

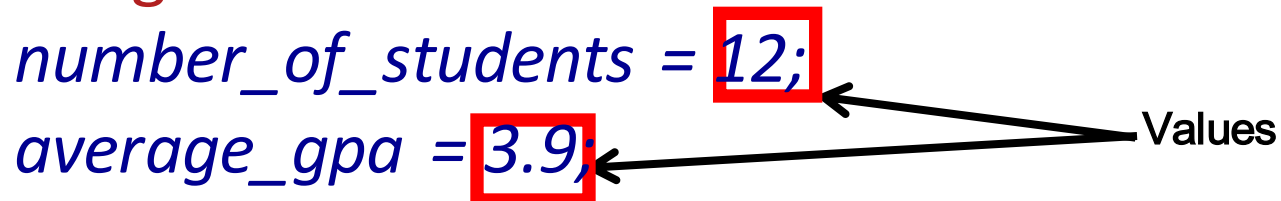
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## Declarations



## Assignments



# A Simple C Program

```
#include <stdio.h> /* Header files */  
  
int main(void) {  
    printf("Hello World!\n");  
    return 0;  
}
```

# C Program compilation

*Compile: gcc – o myhello hello.c*

*Run: ./myhello*

# C Program Analysis

- `#include <stdio.h> /* Header files */`
  - It is a preprocessor directive
  - It tells computer to load contents of the file
  - It allows standard input/output operations
- Comments are used to describe program
  - Text surrounded by `/*` and `*/` is ignored by computer
  - Lines starting with `//` are also ignored



# C Program Analysis

- `int main (void)`
  - C programs contain one or more functions, exactly one of which must be `main`
  - Parenthesis used to indicate a function
  - `int` means that `main` "returns" an integer value
- Braces (`{` and `}`) indicate a block
  - Bodies of all functions must be contained in braces
- `printf ("Hello World!\n" )`
  - `printf` and `scanf` functions

# C Program Analysis

- `printf`
  - Sends output to standard out
  - General form
    - `printf(format descriptor, var1, var2, ...);`
  - `printf("%s\n", "Hello world");`
    - Translation: Print hello world as a string followed by a newline character
  - `printf("%d\t%f\n", j, k);`
    - Translation: Print the value of the variable j as an integer followed by a tab followed by the value of floating point variable k followed by a new line

# C Program Analysis

- scanf
  - Gets inputs from user
  - General form
    - scanf(format descriptor, &var1, &var2, ...);
  - `scanf("%f", &i);`
    - Translation: Get floating point input i from user
  - `scanf("%d %f\n", &j, &k);`
    - Translation: Get the value of the variable j as an integer followed by the value of floating point variable k from user
    - Blocks program until user enters input

# C Program Analysis

- Some special characters are not visible directly in the output stream
- These begin with an escape character (\);
  - `\n` newline
  - `\t` horizontal tab
  - `\a` alert bell
  - `\v` vertical tab

# C Program Operations

## ■ Arithmetic operators

- + "plus"
- - "minus"
- \* "times"
- / "divided by"

```
#include <stdio.h> /* Header files */  
int number1, number2, number3;  
  
int main(void) {  
    scanf("Enter number1: %d", &number1);  
    scanf("\nEnter number2: %d", &number2);  
    number3 = number1 + number2;  
    printf("\n Number1 + number 2 = %d\n", number3);  
  
    number3 = number1 - number2;  
    printf("\n Number1 - number 2 = %d\n", number3);  
  
    number3 = number1 * number2;  
    printf("\n Number1 * number 2 = %d\n", number3);  
  
    number3 = number1 / number2;  
    printf("\n Number1 / number 2 = %d\n", number3);  
    return 0;  
}
```

# C Program Comparators

- Relational operators:
  - == "is equal to"
  - != "is not equal to"
  - > "greater than"
  - < "less than"
  - >= "greater than or equal to"
  - <= "less than or equal to"

# C Program Logical Operators

- There are two logical operators in C
- `||` “logical or”
  - An expression formed with `||` evaluates to true if any one of its components is true
- `&&` “logical and”
  - An expression formed with `&&` evaluates to true if all of its components are true

# Advance Data types

- In C
  - Arrays (a list of data (all of the Same Data Type!))
    - `int grades [ ] = {94, 78, 88, 90, 93, 87, 59};`
  - Structures (a collection of named data referring to a single entity)

```
struct Student {  
    char Name [50];  
    int id;  
    float GPA;  
    char major [25];  
};
```



# Advance Data types

- Pointers in C
  - Pointers are memory addresses
  - Every variable has a memory address
  - Symbol & means "take the address of" e.g., &x
  - Symbol \* means "take the value of" e.g., \*p
  - Symbol \* is also used to denote a pointer type e.g., int \*q;

# Advance Data types

- Pointers in C
  - Declaration of integer pointers and and an integer number
    - `int * pointer1 , * pointer2 ;`
    - `int number1;`
  - Setting pointer1 equal to the address of number1
    - `pointer1 = &number1;`
  - Setting pointer2 equal to pointer1
    - `pointer2 = pointer1;`

# Functions

- A Definition: A function is a named, independent section of C code that performs a specific task and optionally returns a value to the calling program or/and receives values(s) from the calling program
- There are two types of function
  - **Predefined functions**
    - Standard libraries like `stdio.h`, `math.h`
  - **User-defined functions**
    - Programmer created functions for specialized tasks
    - e.g., `int fibonacci(int n)`

# Functions

- Characteristics of a function
- Function header: Its has a return type, a unique name, and list of parameters with their types

```
Return_type function_name (type1 parameter1, type2 parameter2  
...){  
    variable declaration(s)  
    statement(s)  
}
```

## Examples

```
void function1 (int x, float y, char z)  
float function2 (float x, double y)  
int  function3 (long size)  
void function4 (void)
```

# Functions

- The rules govern the use of variables in functions:
  - To use a variable in a function, it must be declared either in the function header or the function body
  - For a function to obtain a value from the calling program (caller), the value must be passed as an argument (the actual value) unless it is a global value

```
/* declare and define */  
int exponential (int x)  
{  
    int result = 1;  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0, i < x, i++)  
        result *= 2;  
    return result;  
}  
int main()  
{  
    /* function call */  
    int y;  
    y = exponential(3);  
}
```

# Functions

- The rules govern the use of variables in functions:
  - For a calling program (caller) to obtain a value from function, the value must be explicitly returned from the called function (callee) unless it is updated through a global variable

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```

# Recursion

- Often it is difficult to express a problem explicitly
  - For example the Fibonacci sequence:  
0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34,55,...
  - It is difficult to follow the logic of this sequence
- However, a recursive definition consisting of expressing higher terms in the sequence in terms of lower terms
  - Recursive definition for  $\{f_n\}$ :
  - Initialization:  $f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1$
  - Recursion:  $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$  for  $n > 1$

# Recursion

- Sometimes the best way to solve a problem is by solving a smaller version of the exact same problem first
- Recursion is a technique that solves a problem by solving a smaller problem of the same type
- The technique ends up with functions that call themselves (recursive functions)



# Logic of recursive functions

- Recursive definition and inductive proofs are complement each other
- A recursive function has two parts
- Initialization – analogous to induction base cases
- Recursion – analogous to induction step
  - Recursive definition for  $\{f_n\}$ :
  - Initialization:  $f_0 = 0, f_1 = 1$
  - Recursion:  $n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$  for  $n > 1$

# Recursion

- Factorial function
  - Iterative implementation

```
int Factorial(int n)  
{  
    int count;  
    int fact = 1;  
    for(count = 2; count <= n; count++)  
        fact = fact * count;  
    return fact;  
}
```

# Recursion

- Factorial function
  - Recursive implementation

```
int Factorial(int n)  
{  
    if (n==0) // base case  
        return 1;  
    else  
        return n * Factorial(n-1);  
}
```

# What does any language need to do?

## Language Perspective

1. Declare and initialize variables
2. Access variables
3. Control flow of execution
4. Use data structures
5. Execute statements

## Potential Attack Vectors

# Next Class

- Programming & Computer Organization