Conclusion

Please take the time to complete the online course evaluation for all your Engineering Courses. For this course, completion of the evaluation is required and carries a weight of 1.

FINAL

Monday, 14 Dec, 7-9:30 PM, Baker Lab 200

8 review sessions next week.
See handout about the final for details.

You should have emailed Maria Witlox if you have a conflict!

Punch cards

Mechanical loom invented by Joseph Marie Jacquard in 1801.
Used the holes punched in pasteboard punch cards to control the weaving of patterns in fabric.
Punch card corresponds to one row of the design.
Based on earlier invention by French mechanic Falcon in 1728.

Charles Babbage designed a “difference engine” in 1822

Compute mathematical tables for log, sin, cos, other trigonometric functions.

The mathematicians doing the calculations were called computers.

Oxford English Dictionary, 1971

Computer: one who computes; a calculator, rekoner, spec. a person employed to make calculations in an observatory, in surveying, etc.
1664: Sir T. Browne. The calendars of these computers.
1704. T. Swift. A very skillful computer.
1744. Walspole. Told by some nice computers of national glory.
1855. Brewster Newton. To pay the expenses of a computer for reducing his observations.
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Charles Babbage planned to use cards to store programs in his Analytical engine. (First designs of real computers, middle 1800s until his death in 1871.)

First programmer was Ada Lovelace, daughter of poet Lord Byron.
Privately schooled in math. One tutor was Augustus De Morgan.
The Right Honourable Augusta Ada, Countess of Lovelace.

Herman Hollerith.

His tabulating machines used in compiling the 1890 Census.
Hollerith’s patents were acquired by the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Co.
Later became IBM.
The operator places each card in the reader, pulls down a lever, and removes the card after each punched hole is counted.

Hollerith 1890 Census Tabulator.
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Computer
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History of computers

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CLI SEX='M' Male?
BNO IS_FEM If not, branch around
L 7 MALES Load MALES into register 7;
LA 7,1(7) add 1;
ST 7,MALES and store the result
B GO_ON Finished with this portion
IS_FEM L 7,FEMALES If not male, load FEMALES into register 7;
LA 7,1(7) add 1;
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GO_ON EQU * if (SEX == 'M') MALES= MALES + 1;
else FEMALES= FEMALES + 1;

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Gries’s 1971 compiler construction book was punched on IBM cards. They are now on display at Stanford

The text for the book was punched onto ~12,000 computer data-processing (IBM) cards. Many figures also created using characters.

Each card: 12 rows of 80 cols. 72 cols for characters of text, 8 cols for identification.

**About 1973. BIG STEP FORWARD**
1. Write program on punch cards.
2. Wait in line (20 min) to put cards in card reader in Upson basement
3. Output comes back in 5 minutes

**About 1979. Teraks**
Prof. Tim Teitelbaum sees opportunity. He and grad student Tom Reps develop “Cornell Program Synthesizer”. Year later, Cornell uses Teraks in its prog course.

November 1981, Terak with 56K RAM, one floppy drive: $8,935.
Want 10MB hard drive? $8,000 more

1983-84
Switched to Macintosh in labs

**Late 1980s**
Put fifth floor addition on Upson. We made the case that our labs were in our office and therefore we need bigger offices.

1980s
CS began getting computers on their desks.

Nowadays
Everybody has a computer in their office.

**1980’s**
Switched to using the programming language Pascal, developed by Niklaus Wirth at Stanford.

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**During 1970s, 1980s, intense research on**
How to prove programs correct,
How to make it all practical,
Methodology for developing algorithms

The way we understand recursive methods is based on that methodology.
Our understanding of and development of loops is based on that methodology.

Throughout, we try to give you thought habits to help you solve programming problems for effectively

Mark Twain: Nothing needs changing so much as the habits of others.

**Programming languages. Dates approximate**

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**Simplicity is key:**
Learn not only to simplify, learn not to complify

Don’t solve a problem until you know what the problem is

Separate concerns, and focus on one at a time.
Specify methods before writing them

Develop and test incrementally
Read a program at different levels of abstraction

Define variables before using them (e.g. class invariant, loop invariant)
Use methods to avoid duplication, keep program simple
Simplicity and beauty: keys to success

CS has its field of computational complexity. Mine is computational simplicity.

David Gries

Inside every large program is a little program just trying to come out. Tony Hoare

CS professor’s non-dilemma

I do so want students to see beauty and simplicity. A language used just has to be one only with that property. Therefore, and most reasonably, I will not and do not teach C.

David Gries

Admonition

a little Grook

In correctness concerns one must be immersed. To use only testing is simply accursed.

On Science and Engineering

Science explains why things work in full generality by means of calculation and experiment. Engineering exploits scientific principles to the study of the specification, design, construction, and production of working artifacts, and improvements to both process and design.

Science asks: WHY? Engineering asks: WHY NOT?