

Introduction to C

Introduction and Hello World

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Goals

- ▶ C syntax
- ▶ Standard libraries
- ▶ Programming for robustness and speed
- ▶ Understanding compiler

Topics

- Lect01: Introduction and Hello World
- Lect02: Control Flow
- Lect03: Functions and Make
- Lect04: Pointers and Arrays
- Lect05: Complex Types
- Lect06: Memory Model
- Lect07: Performance
- Lect08: Preprocessor
- Lect09: Standard Input and Output
- Lect10: File and Variable-length Argument Lists
- Lect11: Threads and Synchronization
- Lect12: To Be a Master Programmer

Environment

- ▶ OS: GNU/Linux
- ▶ Editor: Vim
- ▶ Compiler: gcc
- ▶ Debugger: gdb

Introduction to Vim

- ▶ `$ vim hello.c`
- ▶ `i` - Enter **editing mode**
- ▶ `<esc>` - Enter **normal mode**

More Normal Mode Commands

- ▶ `:w` - **W**rite/Save
- ▶ `:q` - **Q**uit
- ▶ `:q!` - **Q**uit without saving
- ▶ `:wq` - **W**rite and **Q**uite

Introduction to Vim

More Commands

- ▶ Search
 - ▶ / + <pattern>
 - ▶ n - next search match
 - ▶ N - previous search match
- ▶ Goto
 - ▶ : + <line no>
 - ▶ gg - Goto first line
 - ▶ G - Goto last line
- ▶ Delete Line
 - ▶ dd

Google “vim cheat sheet” for more!

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<local declarations>

<statements>

hello.c: Hello World

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    printf("Hello World\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Compiling and Running

- ▶ `$ gcc hello.c -o hello`
- ▶ `$./hello`
Hello World

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int main() // Main point of execution.  
{  
    printf("Hello World\n"); // Output "Hello World" to console.  
    return 0; // Tell OS the program terminates normally.  
}
```

vars.c: Variables

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int a, b, c;

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    b = 20;
    c = a * b;
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cmdarg.c: Command Line Args

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#include <stdlib.h>

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    int n, m;

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$ ./cmdarg 10 20
```

```
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```

```
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// f = 95.00%
printf("f = %10.2f%%\n", f * 100);
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```


Warning about printf

- ▶ printf is powerful, but potentially dangerous

What does this code output?

```
int i = 90;
float f = 3;
printf("f = %f i = %d\n", f);
printf("f = %f\n", f, i);
printf("i = %d f = %f\n", f, i);
```