Data structure & Algorithms

with C

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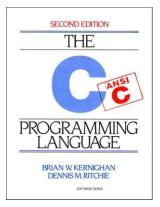


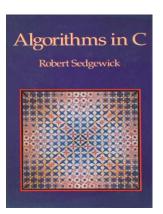
Introduction

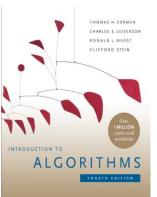
Goals of this course:

- Learning basics of C programming language
- Learning basics of Data Structures and Algorithms

Resources:











HomeWorks and Slides:

- ❖ Weekly homework assignments will be available at: https://kiarashrahmani.ir/DA.html
- ❖ Slides will be uploaded on the same page every week.

C Programming Language: What is C?

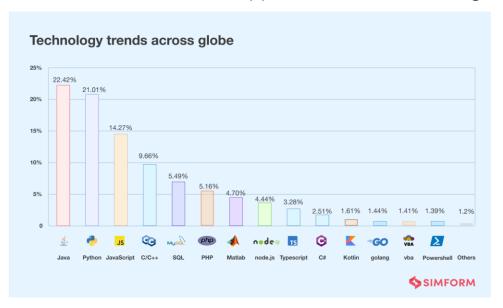
-C is a general-purpose programming language created by Dennis Ritchie at the Bell Laboratories in 1972.



- -It is a very popular language, despite being old. Its popularity is mainly because it is a fundamental language in computer science. (which is the main reason I chose C for this course.)
- -C is strongly associated with UNIX, as it was developed to write the UNIX operating system.

C Programming Language: Why Learn C?

- ❖ It is one of the most popular programming languages in the world
- ❖ If you know C, you will have no problem learning other popular programming languages such as Java, Python, C++, C#, etc, as the syntax is similar
- ❖ C is very fast, compared to other programming languages, like Java and Python
- C is very versatile; it can be used in both applications and technologies



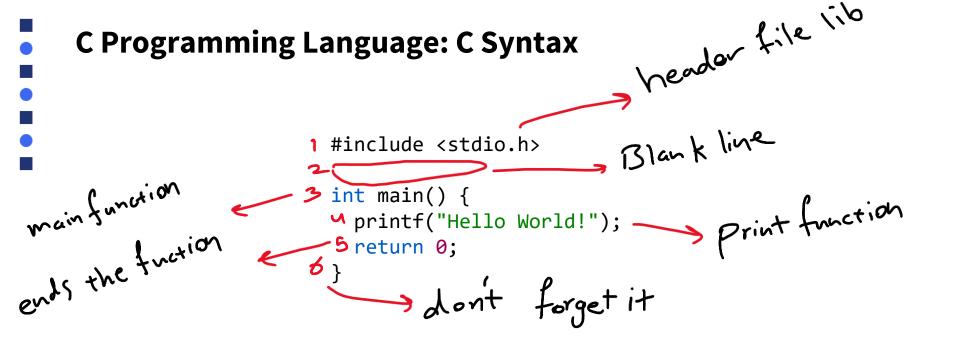
C Programming Language: C Quickstart

- Let's create our first C file.
- Open Codeblocks and go to File > New > Empty File.
- Write the following C code and save the file as myfirstprogram.c (File > Save File as):

```
myfirstprogram.c

Code:

#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
   printf("Hello World!");
   return 0;
}
Result:
```



Remember: The compiler ignores white spaces. However, multiple lines make the code more readable.

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C Programming Language: C Statements

- A computer program is a list of "instructions" to be "executed" by a computer.
- In a programming language, these programming instructions are called statements.
- The following statement "instructs" the compiler to print the text "Hello World" to the screen:

```
printf("Hello World!");
```

Remember: If you forget the semicolon (;), an error will occur and the program will not run.

printf("Hello World!")

error: expected ';' before 'return'

C Programming Language: C Statements

Most C programs contain many statements.

The statements are executed, one by one, in the same order as they are written:

```
printf("Hello World!");
printf("Have a good day!");
return 0;
```

Hello World!Have a good day!

C Programming Language: C Output

To output values or print text in C, you can use the printf() function.

Double Quotes:

When you are working with text, it must be wrapped inside double quotation marks "". If you forget the double quotes, an error occurs:

```
printf("This sentence will work!");
printf(This sentence will produce an error.);
```

C Programming Language: C New Lines

The newline character (\n) is called an escape sequence, and it forces the cursor to change its position to the beginning of the next line on the screen. This results in a new line.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
  printf("Hello World!\nI am learning C.\nAnd it is awesome!");
  return 0;
}
```

```
Hello World!
I am learning C.
And it is awesome!
```

C Programming Language: C Statements

Examples of other valid escape sequences are:

Escape Sequence	Description
\t	Creates a horizontal tab
\\	Inserts a backslash character (\)
\"	Inserts a double quote character