Object-Oriented Programming in C++ CGS 3406

About Myself

- Primary Research Areas
 - Real-time Systems
 - Operating system design
 - Scheduling
 - Storage
- Use C/C++ (among other languages) in my research

About This Course

- Introductory *programming* course
- Material applicable to many programming languages
- Object oriented programming



This Course

- Remember that this is primarily a course on programming
- However, you will have to learn some C++
 - Basic facilities
 - Learning through doing
 - Practice

Objectives

- Basic understanding of software and hardware
- Solve computing problems using a top-down approach with a well-structured design using procedural programming techniques
- Design, implement, test, and debug a C++ program to solve problems
- Control structures used in procedural programming
- Make use of data types and structures in C++
- Design and implement algorithms to perform common tasks
- Demonstrate competence with the use of functions, reference parameters, arrays, pointers, recursion and I/O

Meeting the Objectives

- Lectures
- Book, notes, online resources, ...
- ~8 Programming Assignments
- 3 Tests
- Quizzes
- More information in the course syllabus

Programming

Programming

- Translating an idea (e.g., algorithm) into a form that can be run on a computer
- Tell the computer what to do
 - Easy?
- Problem solving
- Is programming the same as computer science?

Computer Hardware

- CPU
 - Executes machine language
- Main memory
 - Stores instructions and data
- Secondary storage (e.g., SSD, hard disk)
 - Persistent







Programming Languages

- Machine Language
 - Based on machine's core instruction set
 - Difficult for humans to read (1's and 0's)
 - Example: 111011010101010001101010
 - Say what?
- Assembly Language
 - Translation of machine instructions to symbols, slightly easier for humans to read
 - Example: ADD \$R1, \$R2, \$R3
 - Well, we know it has something to do with addition!

Programming Languages

- High-level procedural languages
 - Abstraction of concepts into more human-readable terms
 - Closer to "natural language" (i.e. what we speak)
 - Easy to write and design, but must be modified for computer to execute
 - Examples include C, Pascal, Fortran
- Object-oriented languages
 - Abstraction taken farther than procedural languages
 - Objects model real-world objects, not only storing data (attributes), but having inherent behaviors (operations, functions)
 - Easier to design and write good, portable, maintainable code
 - Examples include Smalltalk, C++, Java

C++

Why C++

"There are only two kinds of languages: the ones people complain about and the ones nobody uses."

— Bjarne Stroustrup, The C++ Programming Language

- Portability
 - supported on nearly all platforms (including embedded systems)
- Supports major programming styles
- Used in many projects
 - Typically systems and embedded



• Need a programming language to learn programming

This Course

- The entire C++ language will not be covered
 - Not necessary to meet objectives
 - This course won't make you an expert in C++
 - C++ has many "interesting" rules/constructs
- General approach
 - Programming concepts, techniques, principles
 - Map them to code
 - Process to perform the mapping

"Hello, World!"

- Program that says Hi
- Very simple program
- Verify
 - Basic understanding of language syntax
 - Build tools
 - Execution platform

"Hello, World!"

```
#include <iostream> // pre-processor directive
using namespace std;
int main() // start of program
{
    cout << "Hello, World!\n"; // standard output stream
    return 0; // return value to operating system
}</pre>
```

Compile, Link, Execute







Application











Coding

- Quality
 - Design
 - Organization
 - Ease of understanding
 - Self documenting code
- Style
- Debugging

Plagiarism

the act of using another person's words or ideas without giving credit to that person - Merriam-Webster Dictionary

- Code
 - Do not "share" assignment code/ideas from others
 - Do not claim others' code as your own
- Discussing material is encouraged
 - Especially for exams
 - Help each other out
- List any sources you used
 - If in doubt, list the source
- Plagiarism detection software will likely catch cheating
- Expect to verbally explain assignment code you turn in

How to Succeed

"For the things we have to learn before we can do them, we learn by doing them."



— Aristotle, The Nicomachean Ethics

- Write code frequently
- Ask questions
 - Office hours
- Assignments
- Tests/Quizzes
- Bring computer and do examples in class

Till Next Class

- Program and execute a "hello world" program
 - Computer
 - Lab
 - Personal
 - Software
 - Visual Studio
 - g++
 - ...