

CSE 114A

Foundations of Programming Languages

Lecture 1: Course Overview

A Programming Language

- Two variables

- x, y

- Three operations

- $x++$

- $x--$

- $(x=0) ? L1 : L2 ;$

```
L1 : x++;
```

```
y--;
```

```
(y=0) ? L2 : L1
```

```
L2 : ...
```

Fact: This is “equivalent to” to **every** PL!

Good luck writing quicksort

... or Windows, Google, Spotify!

So why study PL ?

Programming language

shapes

Programming thought

So why study PL ?

Language affects how:

- Ideas are expressed
- Computation is expressed

Course Goals



“Free your mind”
-Morpheus

Learn New Languages/Constructs

Lorenzo da Ponte
English version by
Ruth and Thomas Martin

Overture

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Andante

The image displays a musical score for the Overture of 'The Marriage of Figaro' by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. The score is written for piano and strings. It begins with a tempo marking of 'Andante'. The piano part features a melodic line in the right hand and a supporting bass line in the left hand. The string part consists of six staves, each with a different instrument (Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, and Contrabass). The tempo changes to 'Presto' in the middle of the score. The score is presented in a standard musical notation format with treble and bass clefs, time signatures, and various musical symbols.

New ways to:

- describe
- organize
- think about computation

Goal: Enable you to Program

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Overture

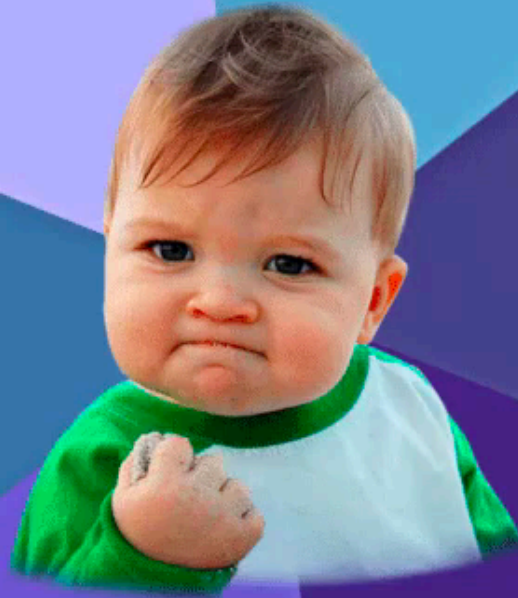
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Andante

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- Readable
- Correct
- Extendable
- Modifiable
- Reusable

#goals



Learn How To Learn

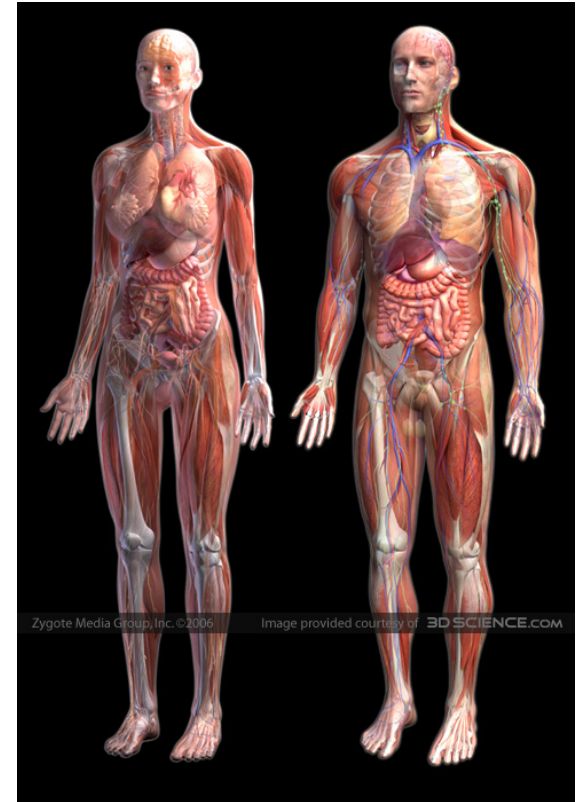
Goal: How to learn new PLs

No Java (C#) 15 (10) years ago
AJAX? Python? Ruby? Erlang? F#?...

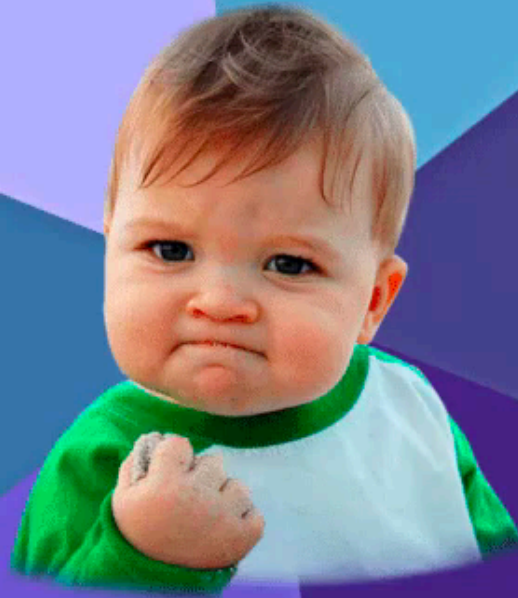
Learn the **anatomy** of a PL

- Fundamental **building blocks**
- Different guises in different PLs

Re-learn the PLs you already know



#goals



Design new languages

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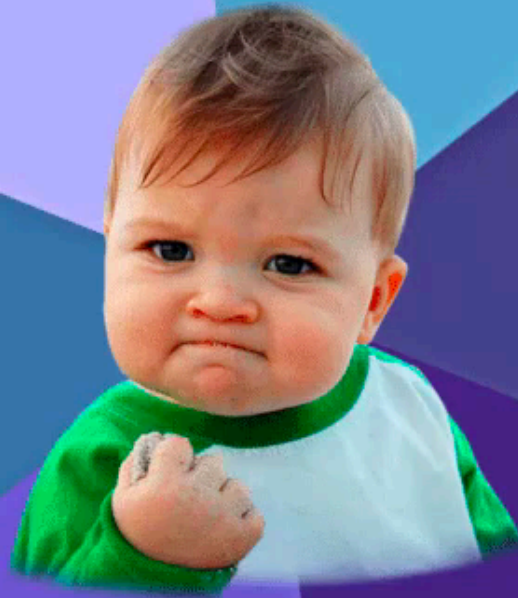
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...“who, me ?”

Buried in *every extensible* system is a PL

- Emacs, Android: Lisp
- Word, Powerpoint: Macros, VBScript
- Unreal: UnrealScript (Game Scripting)
- Facebook: FBML, FBJS
- SQL, Renderman, LaTeX, XML ...

#goals



Choose right language

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Enables you to choose right PL

“...but isn't that decided by

- libraries,
- standards,
- and my boss ?”

Yes.



My goal: educate tomorrow's tech leaders & bosses, so you'll make informed choices

Speaking of Right and Wrong...

Imperative Programming

$$x = x + 1$$

WTF?

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Imperative = Mutation

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Bad!

Don't take my word for it

John Carmack Creator of FPS: Doom, Quake,...



John Carmack
@ID_AA_Carmack



I am starting to remove `op=` operator overloads to discourage variable mutation.

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RETWEETS

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Tim Sweeney (Epic, Creator of UNREAL)

*“In a concurrent world,
imperative is the wrong default”*



Functional Programming

Functional Programming ?

No Assignment.

No Mutation.

No Loops.

OMG! Who uses FP?!

So, Who Uses FP ?

The Google logo is displayed in its characteristic multi-colored font: blue 'G', red 'o', yellow 'o', blue 'g', green 'l', and red 'e'.

MapReduce

So, Who Uses FP ?



Microsoft[®]

Linq, F#

So, Who Uses FP ?

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

facebook

Erlang

So, Who Uses FP ?



twitter

Scala

So, Who Uses FP ?

Wall Street

(all of the above)

So, Who Uses FP ?

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Course Mechanics and Logistics

Logistics

Course website:

<https://ucsc-cse-114a.github.io/Winter22/>

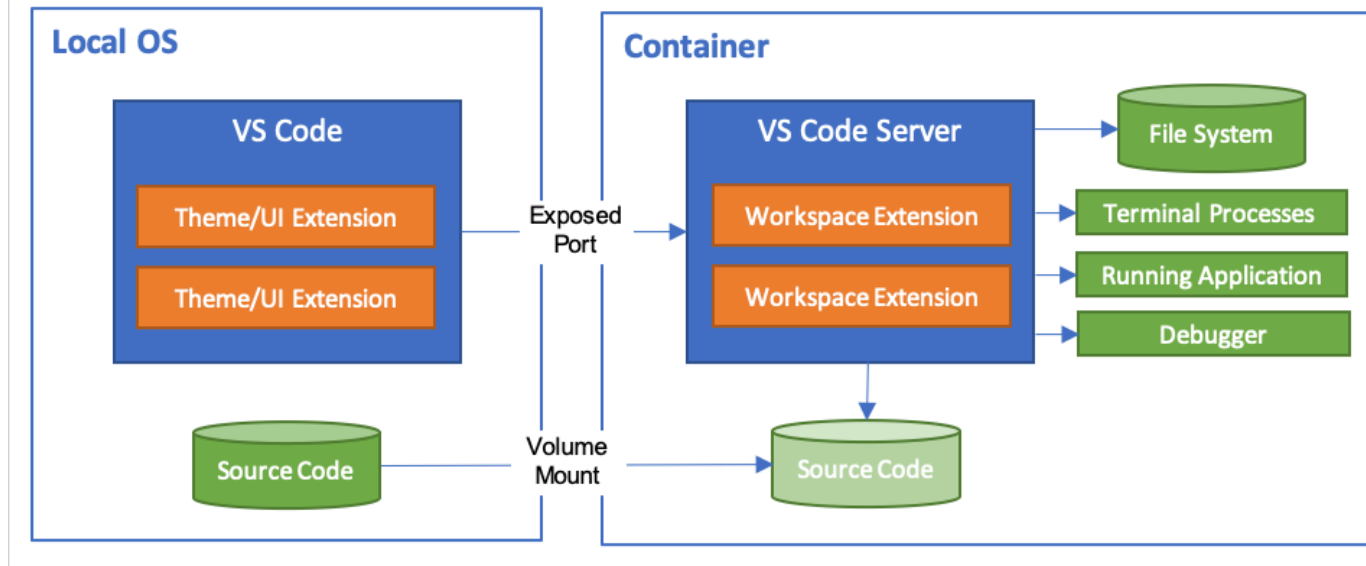
Resources

Course texts (optional):

- [An Introduction to Functional Programming Through Lambda Calculus](#) by Greg Michaelson. Free pre-print.
- [Thinking Functionally with Haskell](#) by Richard Bird. Available online (free via library).
- [Programming in Haskell](#) (2nd ed.) by Graham Hutton.
- [Real World Haskell](#) by Bryan O'Sullivan. Available online (free via library).
- [Learn You a Haskell for Great Good](#) by Miran Lipovača. Available free online
- [Write You a Haskell](#) by Stephen Diehl. (incomplete, but useful) Available free online

Resources

Haskell Dev Container

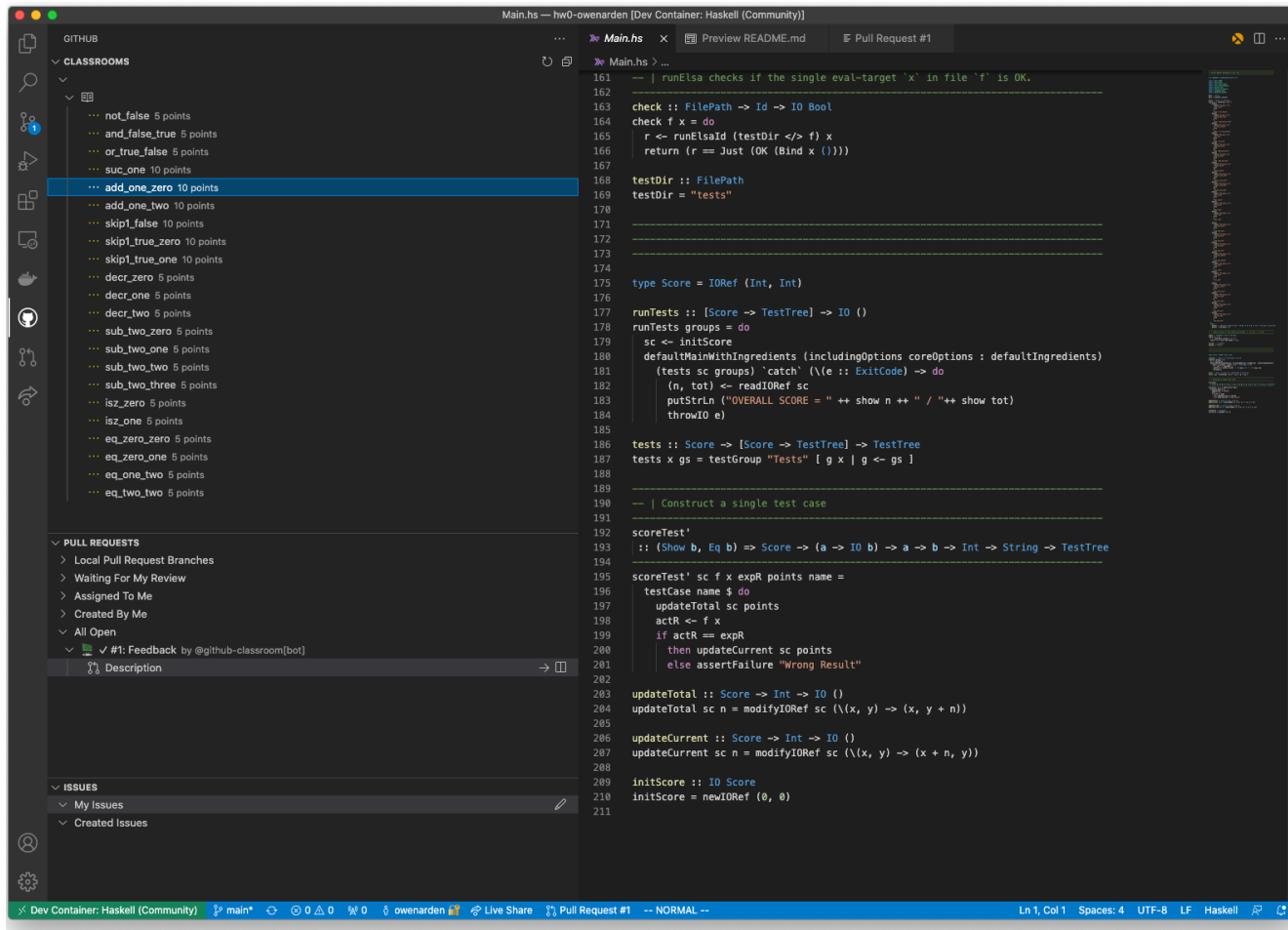


- <https://github.com/UCSC-CSE-114A/cs114a-devcontainer>

Recommended IDE: VS Code

- New this year, legit IDE setup for Haskell!
 - Devcontainer: A Haskell dev environment is built in a container and VS Code automatically mounts the container volume
 - Also some integrations with Git and GitHub Classroom

VS Code



Peer Instruction (ish)

Peer Instruction

- Make class interactive
 - Help YOU and ME understand whats tricky
- Respond to in-class quizzes
 - 5% of your grade
 - Respond to 75% questions
- Bring laptop/phone if you have one

In Class Exercises

1. Solo Vote: Think for yourself, select answer
2. Discuss: Analyze Problem with neighbors
 - Practice analyzing, talking about tricky notions
 - Reach consensus
 - Have questions, raise your hand!
3. Group Vote: Everyone in group votes
4. Class-wide Discussion:
 - What did you find easy/hard?
 - Questions from here show up in exams

In Class Exercises

Let's try it out (if you have a device):

Indoctrination (a test)

* Required

$x = x + 1$ *

1 point



This is fine



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<http://tiny.cc/cse116-trial>

Make your individual choice

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Now “confer” with a neighbor and agree on a choice for your group

Requirements and Grading

- In-Class Exercises: 5%
- Midterm: 30%
- Programming Assignments (6): 30%
- Final: 35%

Two hints/rumors:

1. Lots of work
2. Don't worry (too much) about grade

Note: Regrades must be requested *within two weeks of receiving grade*

Resources

- Online lecture notes
- Readings and exercises
- Webcasts:
 - User: cse-116-1
 - Pass: lambda
- Pay attention to lecture and section!
- Do assignments yourself (+partner)!

Ask for help!

- Lots of help available, will be adding more soon. (watch website)
- Lab sessions 4 days/wk with tutors to help with assignments
- Discussion sections with TAs to help with lecture concepts

Programming Assignments

All assignments are managed through GitHub Classroom (link on course page).

- **You must *push* your submitted code.**

Deadline Extension:

- Four “late days”, used as “whole unit”
- 5 mins late = 1 late day
- Plan ahead, **no other extensions**

See course webpage for HW deadlines

Programming Assignments

Unfamiliar languages
+ Unfamiliar environments

Start Early!

Weekly Programming Assignments

Scoring = Test suite

No Compile, No Score

Weekly Programming Assignments



Forget Java, C, C++ ...
... other 20th century PLs

Don't complain

... that Haskell is hard

... that Haskell is @!%@#

Immerse yourself in new language

It is not.

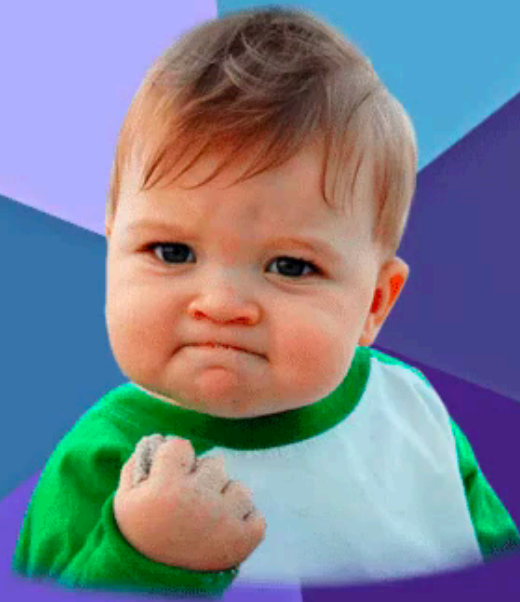
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- Programming Assignments done **ALONE** or in (official) **groups of two** (as permitted)
- We use plagiarism detection software
 - MOSS is fantastic, plagiarize at your own risk
- **Zero Tolerance**
 - offenders punished ruthlessly
- Please see academic integrity statement:
 - <https://ue.ucsc.edu/academic-misconduct.html>

#goals



Ask me questions