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## Preface □

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Source code for the examples and solved problems in this book may be downloaded from the author's World Wide Web home page: <http://www.richmond.edu/~hubbard/>

This site will also contain any corrections and addenda for the book.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction to Computing

### 1.1 A BRIEF HISTORY OF COMPUTING

Computing is a human process. It involves recognizing and clarifying a problem, devising a method for solving the problem, executing the solution, and then correcting and revising the solution. A computer is a mechanical device that facilitates the last two stages of this process. These days computers are electronic devices that can perform tasks millions to billions times faster than humans. But they are still just mechanical devices designed and built by humans.

Usually the most difficult part of computing is the second stage of the process: devising a method for solving the problem. The resulting method is called an *algorithm*, which is a step-by-step procedure that can be carried out automatically by a computer. Here is a simple example of an algorithm, discovered by the ancient Babylonians over 4000 years ago:

#### Algorithm 1.1 The Babylonian Algorithm for Computing the Square Root of 2

This is the algorithm that the ancient Babylonians used to compute the square root of two ( $\sqrt{2}$ ):

1. Set  $y = 1.0$ .
2. Replace  $y$  with the average of  $y$  and  $2/y$ .
3. Repeat Step 2 until its effect upon  $y$  is insignificant.
4. Return  $y$ .

#### EXAMPLE 1.1 The Babylonian Algorithm

The Babylonians and the Egyptians apparently used this algorithm to lay square foundations for their buildings. It remains to this day the best way to compute the square root of 2. Here are the resulting calculations using a 12-digit calculator:

$y$	$2/y$	$(y + 2/y)/2$
1.0	2.0	1.5
1.5	1.33333	1.41666
1.41666	333333	666667
66667	1.41176	1.41421
1.41421	470588	568628
568628	1.41421	1.41421
1.41421	143847	356238
356238	1.41421	1.41421
1.41421	356237	356237
356237	1.41421	1.41421
	356237	356237

Square the answer to see that it is correct:  $(1.41421356237)^2 = 1.9999999999 = 2.0000000000$ .

The history of computing is even older than the Babylonian Algorithm. Indeed it is fair to say that computing began with simple counting. The first computing devices were the fingers on a hand. We still use the word "digit" (meaning "finger") to describe the symbols "4", "9", *etc.* that we use for numbers. The simple task of counting is a common task modern computers perform.

Another prehistoric computing device that is still in use today is the *abacus*. This Oriental device allows rapid addition and subtraction by sliding beads along parallel wires held in a frame. Experienced users of the abacus can often outperform western shoppers using a modern calculator.

The first mechanical calculator was designed and built by the German mathematician [Wilhelm Schickard](#) (1592-1635) in 1623. It was capable of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. But in 1624 his only working copy was destroyed in a fire. Schickard and his entire family perished in the plagues brought on by the Thirty Years War. His design was not discovered until 1957 when his complete description with sketches were found in a [letter to Kepler](#).

Because Schickard's achievement went unnoticed by historians, the French mathematician Blaise Pascal (1623-1662) is usually credited with inventing the first calculator. Capable of only addition and subtraction, this device was inferior to Schickard's calculator. But Pascal was actually successful in marketing his device, and several of them exist to this day.

The great German mathematician Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz (1646-1716) expanded upon Pascal's idea, building a calculator in 1673 known as the [Leibniz wheel](#). It completely automated all the four basic arithmetic operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Leibniz had one copy of his machine built for Peter the Great to send to the Emperor of China.

The first modern computer was designed by the English mathematician Charles Babbage (1791- 1871). He actually designed two computing devices: his [Difference Engine](#) in 1823 and his [Analytical Engine](#) in 1833. The Difference Engine was designed to tabulate tables of functions using the [method of finite differences](#). There was a genuine need in England for such a machine: British navigational tables of the time, upon which British shipping depended, were rife with human errors. Babbage recognized that completely accurate tables could be constructed automatically "by steam." But before the construction of his Difference Engine could be completed, Babbage abandoned it in favor of a much better machine: his Analytical Engine. This would be the first truly general purpose programmable computer with its own processor, memory, secondary storage, input device, and output device. The programs would be stored on a belt of punched paste cards, the same way that Joseph Marie Jacquard's loom stored programs for patterns to be weaved into fabrics.

The idea of using punched cards was taken up by the American engineer Herman Hollerith (1860-1929). In 1889 he contracted with the U.S. Census Bureau to process the 1890 census data automatically. He invented an electronic tabulating machine which was a great success. In 1896 Hollerith established the Tabulating Machine Company, which later evolved into the International Business Machine company (IBM).

The next major achievement in the history of computing occurred in 1939 at Harvard University when Howard H. Aiken persuaded IBM to support a project to build a modernized version of Babbage's Analytical Engine. Building upon the already-successful punch-card business machines marketed by IBM, Aiken wanted to build a computer that would do for science what IBM's machines were doing for business. When completed in 1944, the Mark I electromechanical computer was able to perform automatically scientific computations with far greater speed and accuracy than had been possible previously. It stored its programs on punched tape, similar to Jacquard's belts of punched paste cards.

Near end of the Second World War, John W. Mauchly and J. Presper Eckert, Jr. designed and built the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer (ENIAC). This huge machine was the first electronic digital computer. It was built to tabulate firing tables for the U.S. Army. After the war, Mauchly and Eckert formed a private company which built and marketed the Universal Automatic Computer (UNIVAC), the first commercial computer designed for both business and scientific applications. The first one was bought by the U.S. Census Bureau in 1951.

Charles Babbage had borrowed Jacquard's idea of storing programs on external punch cards. But it was the great Hungarian-American mathematician John von Neumann who thought of storing programs in the computer's memory itself, the same way that data is stored. He suggested this idea in 1945 and incorporated it into the design of the IAS (Institute for Advanced Study) computer which became the basis for the design of all modern computers.

Computers in the 1940s used vacuum tubes to store data. These were unreliable, took up a lot of space, and consumed a lot of electricity. In the 1950s, vacuum tubes were replaced by *magnetic core* memory. This consisted of tiny magnetic rings threaded on wire mesh racks. The transition made computer memory faster, cheaper, and more compact.

In 1948 at Bell Labs, William Shockley and associates invented the *transistor*, a tiny electrical device that transfers electrical signals across a resistor. These were found to be effective devices for storing and processing data electronically, and by 1959 were replacing magnetic core memory.

Around 1965, fabrication plants in Santa Clara, California were successful in replacing individual transistors with integrated circuits impressed on a silicon chip. This region, now called *Silicon Valley*, has become a world center of microcomputer technology. Progress in the VLSI (very large scale integration) of integrated circuits on silicon microchips has been continuous and dramatic.

In 1974, the Intel Corporation released its 8080 microprocessor. This inexpensive CPU (*central processing unit*) made the microcomputer possible. Progress in microcomputer technology can be measured by the successors to the *i8080*: the *i8086* in 1977, the *i80286* in 1984, the *i80386* in 1986, the *i80486* in 1989, the Pentium (also called the *i80586*) in 1993, and the Pentium II in 1996.

In the 1960s the U.S. Defense Department developed a nationwide computer network called ARPANet (Advanced Research Projects Agency Network) to facilitate communication among its researchers. This network later expanded and combined with other networks, and evolved into today's Internet. In 1990 Tim Berners-Lee, working at the CERN laboratory in Switzerland developed software that made it easy to link to distant computers on the Internet and to send email (electronic mail). His work marks the beginning of the World Wide Web.

The unprecedented growth in the computer industry in the past 50 years is difficult to overstate. A new generation of technology appears about every three years which makes computing much faster, easier, and cheaper. In less than 50 years, the computer industry has become the third largest sector of the world economy (after energy and illegal drugs). It has been observed that if the automobile industry had developed as fast, we would now be able to purchase a car for under a dollar that could take us to the moon and back in a few minutes.

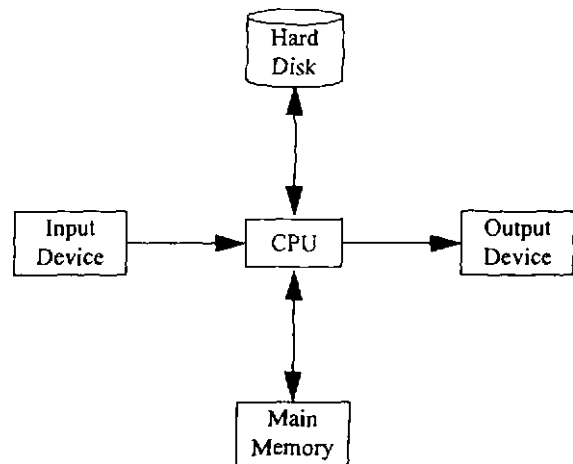
## 1.2 COMPUTER HARDWARE

A computer is usually defined as a machine that has five essential parts: a central processor, memory, secondary storage, an input device, and an output device.

The CPU controls nearly all the activities the computer performs. In modern computers the CPU resides on a single computer chip, called a *microprocessor*. The Intel Pentium II processor is a popular example. Microprocessors are usually rated according to how fast their internal clock runs. A computer's *clock speed* is usually measured in *megahertz*, abbreviated MHz. A 300-MHz processor has a clock that "ticks" 300,000,000 times per second. This means that in the best of circumstances, the processor can execute 300,000,000 machine instructions per second, which suggests that each instruction takes only about 3.3 nanoseconds to execute. (A *nanosecond* is one billionth of a second:  $10^{-9}$  seconds.)

In practice, that speed is rarely attained because the processor often has to wait for other components to catch up to it. Even to read one byte from its memory may take more than 1,000 nanoseconds, and to read a byte from the hard disk may take 100 times longer. In general, a 300-MHz processor will run faster than a 150-MHz processor, but not twice as fast.

Some computers have more than one microprocessor. Such multiprocessor computers are able to do some things much faster than single processor computers. But the advantage of running several processors simultaneously is mostly dependent upon the software that the processors run. Some algorithms are amenable to parallel processing, and in those cases the greater expense of many processors is justified. For example, the U.S. Weather Bureau uses several large multiprocessor computers to run its weather simulation programs, which are becoming increasingly effective at predicting severe weather. Some multiprocessor computers have as many as 65,536 processors, all capable of running simultaneously.



The *main memory* of a computer is the storage place for the data that is directly accessed by the CPU. It typically consists of a set of single in-line memory modules (SIMMs) mounted on the computer's motherboard close to the CPU. These SIMMs are available in various sizes, from 1 MB to 128 MB. ("MB" stands for "megabyte."  $1 \text{ MB} = 2^{20} \text{ bytes} = 1,048,576 \text{ bytes}$ .)

Conceptually, it is best to imagine main memory as consisting of a very long list of individual bytes, each byte having its own address. For example, a 32 MB PC would have  $33,554,432 (= 2^{25})$  individual bytes, numbered from 0 to 33,554,431. (Computer scientists typically begin counting locations with 0 instead of 1.)

The picture at right shows the first block of 256 bytes in memory. The numbers on the left are the addresses. For example, the third byte has address  $00000010 (= 2_{10})$  and contains the data byte  $00111100$ . A 32-MB RAM would be 8,388,608 times as long as this, with the last binary address being  $00000001111111111111111111111111$  ( $= 33,554,431_{10}$ ).

00000000	11100110
00000001	10011001
00000010	10100110
00000011	10100111
00000100	10001111
00000101	10001011
00000111	00011011
00001000	10101011
⋮	⋮
11111011	10110100
11111100	00011110
11111101	10110111
11111110	00101101
11111111	01010100

**EXAMPLE 1.2 Memory size**

In a PC with 64 MB of RAM, how many actual bytes would memory hold and what would be the last address?

The actual memory would hold 67,108,864 bytes:  $64 \text{ MB} = 64 \cdot 1 \text{ MB} = 64 \cdot 1024 \text{ KB} = 64 \cdot 1024 \cdot 1024 \text{ B} = 2^6 \cdot 2^{10} \cdot 2^{10} = 2^{26} = 67,108,864$  bytes of memory. The addresses would run from 0 to  $00000011111111111111111111111111 (= 67,108,863_{10})$ .

**1.3 BINARY NUMERALS**

Primitive cultures learned to count using decimal (base 10) numerals, a natural consequence of the biological fact that we have 10 digits on our hands. We use the 10 *Hindu-Arabic symbols* 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 to form our decimal numerals. These "digits" are used to represent powers of 10 in a decimal numeral. For example, the 8 in the numeral 380745 represents not eight, but eight ten-thousands ( $8 \cdot 10^4$ ). Similarly, the 3 represents three hundred-thousands ( $3 \cdot 10^5$ ), and the 5 represents five ones ( $5 \cdot 10^0$ ). If we number the digits of a decimal numeral from right to left starting with 0, then each digit represents that many powers of 10 where the power is the digit number. The 8 in 38102945 represents  $8 \cdot 10^6$  because it is digit number 6.

Most people use decimal numerals quite well without ever thinking about the actual digit numbers as powers of 10. But that understanding is important for students of computer science because computers don't use base 10. They use binary numerals (base 2) instead. Binary numerals use only the first two Hindu-Arabic symbols: 0 and 1. These are called *bits*, for "binary digit". A *binary numeral* is any string of bits, such as 10001101. The meaning of the bits in a binary numeral is completely analogous to the meaning of the digits in a decimal numeral. Just as the left-most digit 3 in the decimal numeral 38102945 represents  $3 \cdot 10^7 = 30,000,000$ , the left-most bit 1 in the binary numeral 10001101 represents  $1 \cdot 2^7 = 128$ .

**Algorithm 1.2 Conversion from Binary to Decimal**

To convert the stored bit string  $b_k \cdots b_2 b_1 b_0$  to a positive integer:

1. Set  $x = 0$ .
2. For each  $b_j = 1$ , add  $2^j$  to  $x$ . (Note that  $j$  is the number of bits to the right of  $b_j$ ).
3. Return  $x$ .

**EXAMPLE 1.3 Translating a Binary Numeral into its Decimal Equivalent**

To find the decimal equivalent of the binary numeral  $y = 10001101$ :

$$10000000_2 = 2^7 = 128_{10}$$





5. Divide  $x$  by 2.
6. Add 1 to  $k$ .
7. If  $x > 0$ , repeat steps 3-6.
8. Return  $b_k \cdots b_2 b_1 b_0$ .

### EXAMPLE 1.5 Decimal Integer to Binary

$k$	$x$	$b_k$
0	176	
1	88	0
2	44	0
3	22	0
4	11	0
5	5	1
6	2	1
7	1	0
8	0	1

To convert the integer 176 into its equivalent binary numeral:

$$\text{Thus } 176_{10} = b_7b_6b_5b_4b_3b_2b_1b_0 = 10110000_2.$$

### 1.4 COMPUTER STORAGE

Every byte of memory always contains some string of 8 zeros and ones. If those 8 bits are set by some program, then we say that the byte has been *initialized*. Otherwise the byte remains *uninitialized*, which usually means that the zeros and ones in the byte are unpredictable.

A byte of memory that has been initialized by a program contains data that can be interpreted meaningfully by other programs. The way that it is interpreted is determined by the *data type* that has been assigned to the byte. It could be text, numeric, sound, graphics, or some other binary type. It could be the machine language for some program, part of a compressed file, or an encrypted message.

### EXAMPLE 1.6 Interpreting Four Bytes

Suppose that the four bytes with address 10000011–10000111 are as shown at right.

These 32 bits can be interpreted to have different meanings depending upon the data type assigned to them.

Suppose that a C++ program has assigned the character data type `char` to these four bytes. Then since each `char` occupies one byte, these four bytes represent the three letters 'B', 'y', 'e', and the null character `NUL`. These characters

are obtained from the ASCII code. Each byte is interpreted as an integer and then translated into the character that has that code value. For example, the byte 01000010 is read as a binary numeral whose decimal equivalent is 66. The ASCII code for the letter B is 66.

If the program instructs the computer to print these four characters, it prints Bye. When the null character is "printed," it does not appear. When used this way its purpose is to mark the end of the character string.

Suppose that the C++ program has assigned the integer data type `short` to these four bytes. This type uses two bytes (16 bits) for each integer, so these four bytes will be interpreted as two integers.

	⋮
10000011	01000010
10000100	01111001
10000101	01100101
10000111	00000000
	⋮

	⋮	
10000011	01000010	$01000010_2 = 66_{10} = \text{'B'}$
10000100	01111001	$01111001_2 = 121_{10} = \text{'y'}$
10000101	01100101	$01100101_2 = 101_{10} = \text{'e'}$
10000111	00000000	$00000000_2 = 0_{10} = \text{NUL}$
	⋮	

As decimal numerals, these two integers are 17,017 and 25,856. Note that 16-bit (signed) integers will be in the range -32,768 to 32,767.

Now suppose that these same four bytes are interpreted with the Standard C++ data type `wchar_t`. This type uses two bytes (16 bits) for each character, so

	⋮	
10000011	01000010	
10000100	011111001	0100001001111001 <sub>2</sub> = 17017 <sub>10</sub>
10000101	01100101	
10000111	00000000	0110010100000000 <sub>2</sub> = 25856 <sub>10</sub>
	⋮	

these four bytes will be interpreted as two Unicode characters. The first of these two 16-bit characters (Unicode 17,017) is a Chinese glyph.

Another possible interpretation of the same four bytes is as a single 32-bit integer of type `int`. These four bytes represent the single (decimal) integer 1,115,251,968. Note that, in general, 32-bit (signed) integers range from -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647.

	⋮	
10000011	01000010	
10000100	011111001	
10000101	01100101	
10000111	00000000	01000010011110010110010100000000 <sub>2</sub> = 1,115,251,968 <sub>10</sub>
	⋮	

If these four bytes are assigned the C++ floating-point type `float`, they evaluate to the decimal number 62.34863. The algorithm used for this conversion is complicated. It divides the 32 bits into three parts: the left-most bit is called the *sign bit*, the next 8 bits form the *exponent*, and the right-most 23 bits form the *fraction*. For the 32-bit string 01000010011110010110010100000000, the sign bit is 0, the exponent is 10000100, and the fraction is 11110010110010100000000. These three components determine that the number is positive, it has an exponent value of  $10000100_2 - 127 = 132 - 127 = 5$ , and a fraction value of  $1.111100101100101_2 \times 2^5 = 111110.0101100101_2 = 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^{-2} + 2^{-4} + 2^{-5} + 2^{-8} + 2^{-10} = 62.34863$ . Note that 127 is subtracted from the stored 8-bit exponent and 1 is added to the 23-bit fraction. This algorithm is known as the *excess-127 floating-point representation*.

This example shows that the same four bytes can represent the text "Bye", the four integers {66, 121, 101, 0}, the two integers 17,017 and 25,856, two Unicode characters, the single integer 1,115,251,968, or the single real number 62.34863, depending upon whether the data type is `char`, `unsigned char`, `short`, `wchar_t`, `int`, or `float`. There are several other data types available in C++ that would yield other different values for these same 32 bits.

The correspondences between memory bits and the characters that they represent are called *character codes*. Standard C++ uses the 8-bit ASCII code and the 16-bit Unicode. ASCII (pronounced "as-key") is an acronym for the American Standard Code for Information Interchange. Unicode is a newer international code that includes all the standard European and Asian characters and many special symbols, such as mathematics and music symbols.

## 1.5 OPERATING SYSTEMS

There is a special program that is always running when the computer is turned on; it is called its *operating system*, because it "operates" the computer, controlling all its hardware and software functions. When you turn on your computer, as soon as it finishes running its diagnostic tests, it copies its operating system from its hard disk into its memory and starts it running. This is called *booting the system* because the computer is getting itself running, like pulling itself up by its bootstraps.

Different computers use different operating systems. The most popular are Windows 95, MacOS, MS-DOS, Windows NT, OS/2, and various dialects of UNIX such as LINUX, Solaris, FreeBSD, AIX, XENIX, HP-UX, IRIX, and NEXTSTEP. Most PCs use Windows 95, most Macintoshes use MacOS, and most workstations use some dialect of UNIX. Since all programs that run on your computer must be controlled by its operating system,

any new software that you install has to be compatible with that system. So most popular software like the Firefox web browser have different versions for the most popular operating systems.

The computer's OS (operating system) controls all the computer's hardware. This is done through the CPU. When you run a program like Firefox, the OS starts the program and remains ready to respond to every request that the program and its client programs make. For example, if you want to read your email you click on a button that requests access to your new mail. That request goes to the OS which looks up where your mail is stored and then returns information (*e.g.*, how many messages there are) to your mail program which then displays it for you.

The most common activity performed by the CPU is simple arithmetic. This is handled by the *arithmetic and logic unit* (the ALU) which is an internal part of the most modern CPUs. To illustrate how this is done, consider the problem of adding the integers 37 (= 00100101<sub>2</sub>) and 84 (= 01010100<sub>2</sub>). First the CPU fetches these two numbers from memory and loads them into registers which are storage places within the CPU. Then it carries out the addition, placing the sum into another register. Then it stores that answer back into memory. These operations themselves are translated into binary numerals, called *opcodes*, and stored with the data in memory. The opcodes are appended to the memory addresses of the data, called *operands*, upon which they operate. For example, if the opcode for the `LOAD` operation is 16 (= 00010000<sub>2</sub>) and its operand (*i.e.*, the memory address of the number to be loaded) is 97 (= 01100001<sub>2</sub>), then the first machine language instruction would be 0001000000000100, which means "load the number stored at byte number 4 into the accumulator (the register in the CPU where arithmetic is performed). Suppose that the machine language uses the following opcodes:

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LOAD          00010000
STORE        00010001
ADD          00100011
MULTIPLY     00100100

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Then our complete machine language program would be

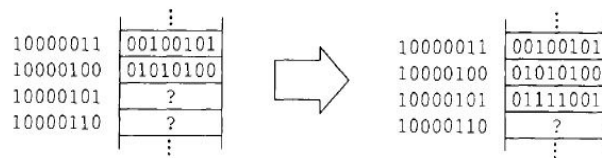
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0001000001100001      LOAD the number stored at byte #97
0010001101100010      ADD to it the number stored at byte #98
0001000101100011      STORE the result at byte #99

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When executed, this program would have the effect shown here:

Of course the 48-bit program will be stored somewhere else in memory. The OS reads each 16-bit instruction one-at-a-time. Each time, the OS "fetches" (*i.e.*, copies) the instruction into one of its registers, and then executes it. That two-step process is called the *fetch-execute*



*cycle*. A 120-MHz CPU can do that 120,000,000 times per second. So it would take that CPU about 25 nanoseconds ( $3 \times 10^{-8}$  seconds) to perform the addition  $37 + 84 = 121$ .

The 3-line machine language program above would be written in *assembly language* as

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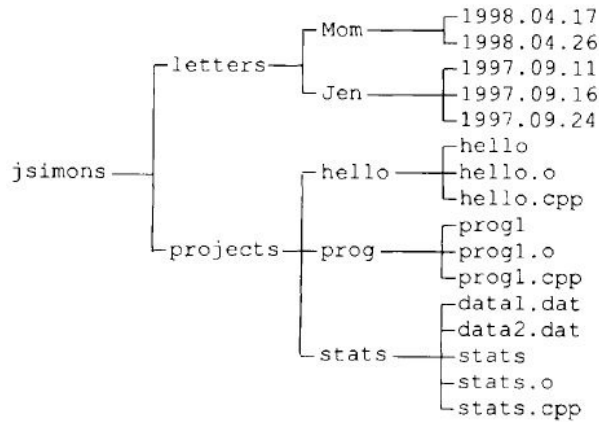
LOAD A
ADD B
STORE C

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where A and B are symbolic names for the addresses where 37 and 84 are stored, and C is a symbolic name for the address where the sum is to be stored.

## 1.6 FILE SYSTEMS

Nearly everything stored in a computer is organized into individual units, called **files**. These units are organized into a hierarchical structure called a **file system**. Each operating system has its own file system, but most work the same way these days. There are several kinds of files, but most files are classified as either **plain files** or **directory files**. A plain file may be a text file like a letter to your mother, a data file, a source code file for a program, or an executable file. A directory file is a



file that is used to navigate around the file system. The diagram above shows a very simple file system. The file names at the right all represent plain files, while the other file names represent directory files. The left-most directory file is called the **root directory**. In this example, the root directory is named `jsimons`, which is the **user name** of the person who "owns" this account. This directory has two **subdirectories**: `letters` and `projects`. Each of them has subdirectories, and each of them contains plain files. Analogous to a family tree, a directory immediately to the left of a file is called its parent directory. So in the example above, `letters` is the parent directory of `Mom`.

Whenever you are running your computer, one of your directories will be your **current directory** (also called the **working directory**). On most systems, when you log in your own root directory will be your current directory. The operating system that runs your computer will have commands for listing all the files in your current directory; in DOS the command is `DIR`; in UNIX it is `ls`. It will also have commands for "navigating" about your directory tree. For example, in UNIX you can "move down" into a subdirectory named `projects` by executing the command `cd projects`, and you can "move up" to your parent directory with the command `cd..`. Here the double dot (`..`) always refers to the parent directory.

Every file in your directory tree has a **path** which locates it relative to the root of the tree. In the example above, the path to the file named `1997.09.15` is `~/letters/Jennifer/`, and the path to the directory `stats` is `~/projects/`. The tilde symbol "`~`" represents your home directory. The **absolute file name** of a file is the file's name preceded by its path. So the absolute file name for the file named `1997.09.15` is `~/letters/Jennifer/1997.09.15`.

## 1.7 SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

A **programming language** is an artificial language invented to allow humans to instruct computers on how to execute algorithms. The process of writing those instructions is called **software development**, or more simply **programming**.

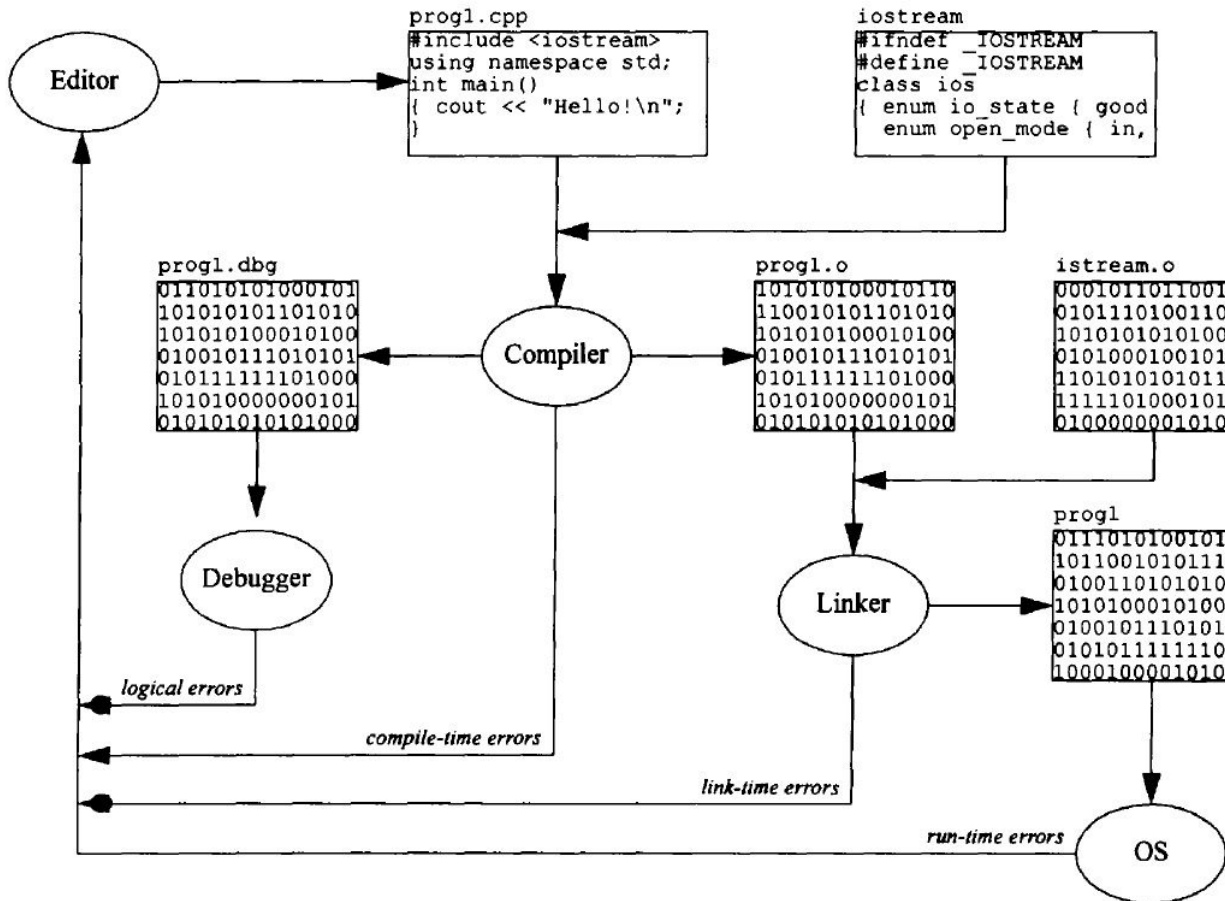
The first programmer is often purported to be Countess Augusta Ada Byron Lovelace (1815-1852) because in an annotation to a lecture by Charles Babbage she suggested the possibility that his Analytical Engine would have the capacity to do repetition automatically. But computer programs were not created until the 1940s, and no simple means of programming was devised until 1954 when the first high-level programming language was created by John Backus and a team at IBM. Named FORTRAN for "formula translator," it was designed for solving problems in scientific and engineering. Since then hundreds of programming languages have been invented.

The second major programming language that is still widely used today was named COBOL for "common business oriented language." It was created in 1959 at the U.S. Department of Defense by a team led by Grace Hopper, the first female admiral in the U.S. Navy. In the 1960s, John Kemeny and Thomas Kurtz at Dartmouth College invented BASIC (for beginners' all-purpose symbolic instruction code). In 1971 the Swiss computer scientist Niklaus Wirth created another successful teaching language, named Pascal after Blaise Pascal (1623-1662). In 1972 Dennis Ritchie developed the C language at Bell Labs. Ten years later, the Danish computer scientist Bjarne Stroustrup expanded C into C++ for object-oriented programming. In 1995, a team at Sun Microsystems created the Java language for Internet programming.

Usually the most difficult part of program development is the invention of the algorithm: *i.e.*, the language-independent outline of the problem solution. Once that has been completed and tested by hand, one is ready to sit down in front of the computer to write the program. This next stage involves several steps using several different software systems. The first step is to use an editor to create a file that contains your source code text. In the diagram below the source code file is named `prog.cc`.

The next step is to translate your C++ program into machine language. This is done by a *compiler*, which is an independent program. If the compiler is unable to complete its compilation of your program, it will list the compile-time errors that it found. In this case, you will have to go back to the editor to correct these mistakes and then re-compile your revised source code. This edit- compile-edit loop may have to be repeated several times before the compiler is able to compile your program. If you separate the compile step from the linking step, then when it is successful, the compiler will produce an *object module* containing the machine language translation of your source code. In the diagram below, this is the file named `prog.o`.

The compiler includes a separate program that can link your object module(s) to the other machine language code needed to produce an executable program. For example, in C++, the instructions on how the input stream `cin` and the output stream `cout` work are located in the system library file `iostream.h`, so that information has to be linked to any program that uses `cin` or `cout`. If you forget to `#include` some necessary header file, the linker will issue an error message, and you will have to go back to the editor to fix the problem. If there are no such problems, then the linker will create a new file (named `prog` in the diagram below) and load it into memory.



The next step is to run your program. But the operating system may encounter instructions in your program that it cannot carry out with its current data. For example, if you have the expression  $y/x$  in your program and the current value of  $x$  is 0, then the OS will not be able to do the division and will stop the execution of your program at that step. Such run-time errors are often called "crashes." When your program crashes, you will have to go back to the editor to fix it.

Finally, once your program is running, the last step is to test it with various input sets. If it does not run correctly, you will have to return again to the editor to fix your **logical errors**. These are the most troublesome errors because none of the development systems (the compiler, the linker/loader, the OS) is able to find them for you. It's up to you to do a logical re-analysis of your algorithm to find the problem. With large programs, this task can be very difficult. Fortunately, most compilers come equipped with a **debugger** that can help you with this task. A debugger allows you to trace through your program step-by-step so you can see its logic. It also allows you to check the values of your variables at each step so you can see the details of the execution.

Compile-time errors are reduced by learning the requirements of the programming language. This comes mostly through experience, although a good IDE (Integrated Development Environment) with color-coded syntax can help here. Link-time errors are due mostly to repeated or absent definitions when a multi-file program is linked. These can be reduced by testing the independent modules before they are linked together. Run-time errors are usually caused by careless use of operators. Programming experience and knowledge of operator limitations can help reduce these errors. Logical errors are caused by many mistakes, such as poor planning and careless hacking. Efficient use of a debugger is the best way to solve those problems.

Correcting run-time errors and logical errors may require some major revisions to your program, which might generate more compile-time errors. In general, the program development process can lead to retracing many of the inner correction cycles, as shown in the picture.

Obviously, the programmer wants to minimize the number of times these cycles have to be repeated. Many modern compilers are part of a larger **Integrated Development Environment** (IDE) that helps the programmer reduce the number of cycles repeated. A good IDE integrates the compiler with the editor and the debugger so that they work together. For example, when the compiler locates a syntax error it will automatically re-launch the editor with the program in it and the cursor placed at the point where the error occurs. Some IDEs also include class inspectors, library inspectors, and other visual aids that help the programmer see the structure of his/her programs more clearly.

### Review Questions

1.1 Match the names on the left with achievements on the right.

<a href="#">Aiken, Howard H.</a>	marketed the first calculator
Babbage, Charles	built the first mechanical calculator
Backus, John	built the first successful automatic calculator
Eckert, J. Presper	Created the first stored program
Hollerith, Herman	designed the first programmable computer
Jacquard, Joseph Marie	built the first commercially successful data processor
Leibniz, Gottfried Wilhelm	built the first successful electromechanical computer
Mauchly, John W.	jointly built the first electronic digital computer
Pascal, Blaise	jointly built the first electronic digital computer
Schickard, Wilhelm	designed the prototype of the modern computer
Stroustrup, Bjarne	created FORTRAN, the first programming language
von Neumann, John	created the C++ programming language

1.2 Match the acronyms on the left with the descriptions on the right:

ASCII	the modern computer design created by John von Neumann in 1945
CD	a small computer usually owned by a single person independently
COBOL	secondary storage that cannot be changed
CPU	memory or disk space for $2^{10}$ bytes; about 1,000 bytes
ENIAC	the main memory in a computer
FORTRAN	a small optical disk used for secondary storage
GB	the first company to sell computers, founded by Eckert and Mauchly in 1949
IAS	a removable memory module; typical sizes: 1 MB, 4 MB, 16 MB, 64 MB
IDE	the original programming language designed for business applications



KB	units of speed for a computer clock: 1,000,000 cycles/second
MB	a software systems that integrates an editor, a compiler, and a debugger
MHz	the "brain" of a computer
OS	memory or disk space for $2^{20}$ bytes; about 1,000,000 bytes
PC	memory or disk space for $2^{30}$ bytes; about 1,000,000,000 bytes
RAM	memory or disk space for $2^{40}$ bytes; about 1,000,000,000,000 bytes
ROM	the program that controls all operations of a computer
SIMM	the first high-level programming language, used mostly by scientists
TB	the huge computer built by Eckert and Mauchly in 1945
UNIVAC	the code used by most computer systems to translate characters into integers

- 1.3 Describe the basic components of a computer.
- 1.4 What various kinds of memory units are found in modern computers?
- 1.5 How is memory organized in a computer?
- 1.6 What happens when you "boot" a computer?
  
- 1.7 What is an operating system?
- 1.8 What is a file system?
- 1.9 What is a file path name?
- 1.10 What is a computer program?
- 1.11 How is a computer program executed?
- 1.12 What kinds of errors typically occur in the programming process?
- 1.13 What is the fundamental distinction between integers and real numbers in a computer?

### Problems

- 1.14 In a PC with 16 MB of RAM, how many actual bytes would memory hold and what would be the last address?
- 1.15 In a PC with 1 GB of RAM, how many actual bytes would memory hold and what would be the last address?
- 1.16 Charles Babbage (see page 2) won the first government research grant in history when in 1823 he persuaded the British government to finance the construction of his Difference Engine. In his proposal to the government he used  $y = x^2 + x + 41$  as an example of a mathematical function that the computer would tabulate by means of the *Method of Finite Differences*. Construct a difference table for this function and explain how it facilitates its evaluation.
- 1.17 Use the method of Finite Differences to tabulate the function  $x^2 - 3x + 5$ .
- 1.18 Use the method of Finite Differences to tabulate the function  $x^3 - 3x + 5$ .
- 1.19 Explain why the Babylonian Algorithm (Algorithm 1.1) works.
- 1.20 The Babylonian Algorithm (Algorithm 1.1) can be modified easily to compute the square root of any positive number: just change the 2 in Step 2 to the number whose square root you want. For example, to compute the square root of six ( $\sqrt{6}$ ), do this for Step 2:
  2. Replace  $x$  with the average of  $x$  and  $6/x$ .
  - a. Use a modified Babylonian Algorithm to compute  $\sqrt{6}$ .
  - b. Use a modified Babylonian Algorithm to compute  $\sqrt{666}$ .
  - c. Use a modified Babylonian Algorithm to compute  $\sqrt{0.0066}$ .
 Be sure to check your answers by squaring them.
- 1.21 Determine empirically how many iterations are needed for the Babylonian Algorithm to compute  $\sqrt{25}$  to:
  - a. 3 decimal place accuracy;
  - b. 6 decimal place accuracy;
  - c. 9 decimal place accuracy;
  - d. 12 decimal place accuracy.
- 1.22 Determine what 4 one-byte integers are stored in these 4 bytes:
 

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- 1.23 Determine what 2 two-byte integers are stored in the 4 bytes shown

in Problem 1.22.

**1.24** Determine what four-byte integer is stored in the 4 bytes of memory shown in Problem 1.22.

**1.25** Convert  $11011100_2$  to decimal. (Use Algorithm 1.2 on page 5.)

00100010
01100001
00010001
00000000
⋮

**1.26** Convert each of the following binary numerals to decimal:

- a. 11011110
- b. 10101010
- c. 11111111
- d. 10000000000000000000000000000000 (31 zeros)

**1.27** Convert  $555_{10}$  to binary.

**1.28** Convert each of the following decimal numerals to binary:

- a. 888
- b. 4444
- c. 1025
- d. 255

**1.29** A *hexadecimal* numeral uses base 16. This requires the use of 16 symbols ("digits"). We use the 10 ordinary digits plus the first 6 letters of the alphabet. For example, the hexadecimal numeral  $9ca2f$  represents  $9 \cdot 16^4 + 12 \cdot 16^3 + 10 \cdot 16^2 + 2 \cdot 16^1 + 15 \cdot 16^0 = 641,583_{10}$ . Devise an algorithm similar to that in Algorithm 1.4 to convert decimal to hexadecimal, and then apply it to find the hexadecimal representation for  $100,000_{10}$ .

**1.30** Convert each of the decimal numbers in Problem 1.28 to hexadecimal (see Problem 1.29):

**1.31** Convert the hexadecimal  $2d7b$  into decimal.

**1.32** Create an algorithm that uses Horner's Method to convert hexadecimal to decimal, reversing Algorithm 1.4 on page 6. The algorithm should be similar to Algorithm 1.2 on page 5. Use it to convert each of the following hexadecimal numerals (see Problem 1.29) to decimal:

- a. f4d9
- b. 543ab
- c. 100000
- d. ffffffff

**1.33** Create an algorithm to convert binary to hexadecimal, and then apply it to find the hexadecimal representation for each of the numerals in Problem 1.26.

**1.34** Horner's Method (page 5) is more efficient than the usual method for evaluating a polynomial. For example, the polynomial  $p(x) = 2x^5 - 7x^4 + 6x^3 + 9x^2 + 8x - 5$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= \left( \left( \left( (2x - 7)x + 6 \right)x + 9 \right)x + 8 \right)x - 5 \\
 p(4.1) &= \left( \left( \left( (2 \cdot 4.1 - 7) \cdot 4.1 + 6 \right) \cdot 4.1 + 9 \right) \cdot 4.1 + 8 \right) \cdot 4.1 - 5 \\
 &= \left( \left( (1.2 \cdot 4.1 + 6) \cdot 4.1 + 9 \right) \cdot 4.1 + 8 \right) \cdot 4.1 - 5 \\
 &= \left( (10.92 \cdot 4.1 + 9) \cdot 4.1 + 8 \right) \cdot 4.1 - 5 \\
 &= (53.772 \cdot 4.1 + 8) \cdot 4.1 - 5 \\
 &= 931.70732
 \end{aligned}$$

The advantage of Horner's Method is that it eliminates exponentiation.

Use Horner's Method to evaluate  $p(3.4)$  for this polynomial.

**1.35** Use Horner's Method to evaluate  $p(3.4)$  for  $p(x) = 3x^5 - 5x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 6$ .

**1.36** Use Horner's Method to evaluate  $p(3.4)$  for  $p(x) = 3x^8 - 2x^5 + 4x^3 - 5x$ .

**1.37** Consider the general  $n$ th degree polynomial  $p(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-2}x^2 + a_{n-1}x + a_n$ . Compare the number of multiplications that it takes to evaluate this directly (using exponentiation) with the number of multiplications required by Horner's Method.

### Solutions

**1.1** Howard H. Aiken built the first successful electromechanical computer; Charles Babbage designed the first programmable computer;

John Backus created FORTRAN, the first programming language;  
 J. Presper Eckert jointly built the first electronic digital computer with J. W. Mauchly;  
 Herman Hollerith built the first commercially successful data processor;  
 Joseph Marie Jacquard created the first stored program;  
 Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz built the first successful automatic calculator;  
 John W. Mauchly jointly built the first electronic digital computer with J. P. Eckert;  
 Blaise Pascal marketed the first calculator;  
 Wilhelm Schickard built the first mechanical calculator;  
 Bjarne Stroustrup created the C++ programming language;  
 John von Neumann designed the prototype of the modern computer.

- 1.2 ASCII: the code used by most computer systems to translate characters into integers;  
 CD: a small magnetic disk used for secondary storage;  
 COBOL: the original programming language designed for business applications; CPU: the "brain" of a computer;  
 ENIAC: the huge computer built by Eckert and Mauchly in 1945;  
 FORTRAN: the first high-level programming language, used mostly by scientists;  
 GB: memory or disk space for bytes; about 1,000,000,000 bytes;  
 IAS: the modern computer design created by John von Neumann in 1945;  
 IDE: a software systems that integrates an editor, a compiler, and a debugger;  
 KB: memory or disk space for  $2^{10}$  bytes; about 1,000 bytes;  
 MB: memory or disk space for  $2^{20}$  bytes; about 1,000,000 bytes;  
 MHz: units of speed for a computer clock: 1,000,000 cycles/second;  
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 PC: a small computer usually owned by a single person independently;  
 RAM: the main memory in a computer;  
 ROM: secondary storage that cannot be changed;  
 SIMM: a removable memory module; typical sizes: 1 MB, 4 MB, 16 MB, 64 MB;  
 TB: memory or disk space for  $2^{40}$  bytes; about 1,000,000,000,000 bytes;  
 UNI VAC: the first company to sell computers, founded by Eckert and Mauchly in 1949;
- 1.3 The five basic components are its processor (CPU), its main memory (RAM), its secondary memory (disks), its input devices (keyboard, mouse, *etc.*), and its output devices (monitor, printer, *etc.*).
- 1.4 The main memory unit of a computer is called its RAM (random access memory), typically ranging from 8 MB to 128 MB in modern PCs (personal computers). Other internal memory units include EPROM (erasable programmable memory) chips, cache memory (typically 128 KB to 512 KB), and video memory (VRAM) used by the computer's windowing system. The secondary memory unit in a computer is usually its hard disk, typically 1 GB to 9 GB. This is supplemented by removable floppy disks (1.44 MB), removable optical disks (100 MB to 1 GB), CD ROM (compact disk, read-only memory) drives, tape drives, and other external hard disks.
- 1.5 All computer data is stored in bits (binary digits). Bits are grouped into bytes. Each byte has a unique address. Quantities of memory are measured in kilobytes (KB), megabytes (MB), gigabytes (GB), and terabytes (TB). One kilobyte is 1024 bytes, one megabyte is 1024 kilobytes, one gigabyte is 1024 megabytes, and one terabyte is 1024 gigabytes.
- 1.6 When you turn on the computer or restart it, a small program stored in the computer's EPROM loads the computer's operating system from disk into memory and then starts it. This runs brief diagnostics on the computer's components, reports any problems, and then starts its windowing system. When finished, the windowing system usually offers a user login prompt. The process is called "booting" because it is a "boot-strap" process starting itself.
- 1.7 The computer's operating system (*e.g.*, Windows 95, UNIX) is its main program that controls the computer. It runs continuously while the computer is on.
- 1.8 Data stored on secondary storage devices (disks, tape, *etc.*) is organized into files. Each file has a name, an owner, a size, a location, *etc.* This information is maintained by the file system. It organizes the files into a tree hierarchy where every file (except the "root") has a parent file, called its directory.
- 1.9 A file's path name is a symbolic description of the file's ancestry, listing the file's parent, its parent, *etc.*, up to the root of the hierarchy. In UNIX, a file path name looks like this:

/Users/j smith/cs101/projects/Hello.cc Each directory is denoted by the

directory's name ending with the slash character '/ '.

- 1.10 A computer program is a file containing instructions for the computer to carry out an algorithm. When the program is run, the computer carries out (executes) its instructions.
- 1.11 Most computer programs are written in high level programming languages such as C++ or Java. The file containing this source code is then compiled into the equivalent machine language program stored in a separate file. In UNIX, the program is then run by using the name of its executable file as a command.
- 1.12 The three main kinds of errors are compile-time errors, run-time errors, and logical errors. Compile-time errors are detected and reported by the compiler when the programmer attempts to compile the program. Run-time errors can be detected and reported by the operating system when the programmer attempts to run the program. Logical errors must be detected by the programmer by means of testing the program on various input sets.
- 1.13 Integers are exact; real numbers are only approximate.
- 1.14  $16 \text{ MB} = 16 \times (1024 \text{ KB}) = 16,384 \text{ KB} = 16,384 \times (1024 \text{ B}) = 16,777,216 \text{ B}$ . This is  $16 \times 1024 \times 1024 = 2^4 \times 2^{10} \times 2^{10} = 2^{24}$ , so the last memory address would be 11111111111111111111111111111111.
- 1.15  $1 \text{ GB} = 2^{10} \text{ MB} = 2^{10} \times (2^{10} \text{ KB}) = 2^{20} \text{ KB} = 2^{20} \times (2^{10} \text{ B}) = 2^{30} \text{ B} = 1,073,741,824 \text{ B}$ , so the last memory address would be 11111111111111111111111111111111 (30 1s)

**1.16** The difference table at the right shows the values for  $y = x^2 + x + 41$ ,  $\Delta y$  and  $\Delta^2 y$  computed for  $x$  from 0 to 20. Each number in the column labeled  $y$  is equal to  $x^2 + x + 41$  where  $x$  is the number on its left. For example,  $83 = 6^2 + 6 + 41$ . Each number in the column labeled  $\Delta y$  is equal to the number on its left minus the number above it. For example,  $12 = 83 - 71$ . Similarly, each number in the column labeled  $\Delta^2 y$  is equal to the number on its left minus the number above it. For example,  $2 = 12 - 10$ . After the first few rows have been completed it is easy to see that every number in the  $\Delta^2 y$  column will be 2. (This is due to the fact that the highest exponent in the function  $x^2 + x + 41$  is 2.) So each number in the  $\Delta y$  column is equal to the number above it +2. For example,  $14 = 12 + 2$ . Similarly, each number in the  $y$  column is equal to the number above it plus the number on its right. For example,  $97 = 83 + 14$ . So all the  $y$  values from row 7 down can be calculated using only simple addition. This is the method of Finite Differences that Babbage planned to have his Difference Engine use to tabulate functions. He used the example of  $x^2 + x + 41$  because this function has the peculiar property that its first 21 values are all prime numbers

$x$	$y$	$\Delta y$	$\Delta^2 y$
0	41		
1	43	2	
2	47	4	2
3	53	6	2
4	61	8	2
5	71	10	2
6	83	12	2
7	97	14	2
8	113	16	2
9	131	18	2
10	151	20	2
11	173	22	2
12	197	24	2
13	223	26	2
14	251	28	2
15	281	30	2
16	313	32	2
17	347	34	2
18	383	36	2
19	421	38	2
20	461	40	2

**1.17** Tabulating the function  $x^2 - 3x + 5$  using only subtraction and addition:

$x$	$y$	$\Delta y$	$\Delta^2 y$
0	5		
1	3	-2	
2	3	0	2
3	5	2	2
4	9	4	2
5	15	6	2
6	23	8	2

**1.18** Tabulating the function  $x^3 - 3x + 5$  using only subtraction and addition:

**1.19** If  $x$  is close to  $\sqrt{2}$ , then  $2/x$  will also be close because:  $x \approx \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow x^2 \approx 2 \Rightarrow x \approx 2/x$ . Also,  $\sqrt{2}$  will be between  $x$  and  $2/x$  because as long as  $x > 0$ ,  $x < \sqrt{2} = 2/\sqrt{2} \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{2} \cdot x < 2 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{2} < 2/x$ . Thus the average of  $x$  and  $2/x$  will be closer to  $\sqrt{2}$  than either  $x$  or  $2/x$ , so each repetition brings  $x$  closer to  $\sqrt{2}$ .

**1.20** a. The square root of 6 is computed from

- 1.0
- 3.5
- 2.607142857
- 2.449494372
- 2.449489743

Check:  $(2.449489743)^2 = 6.000000001$

$x$	$y$	$\Delta y$	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
0	5			
1	3	-2		
2	7	4	6	
3	23	16	12	6
4	57	34	18	6
5	115	58	24	6
6	203	88	30	6
7	327	124	36	6
8	493	166	42	6
9	707	214	48	6

333.5

The square root of 666 is computed from

1.0

- b.** 167.7485007  
 85.85936499  
 46.80811789  
 30.51820954  
 26.17062301  
 25.80950228  
 25.80697592  
 25.80697580  
 Check:  $(25.80697580)^2 = 665.9999999$

- c.** The square root of 0.0066 is computed from

1.0

- 0.5033  
 0.258206726  
 0.141883820  
 0.094200376  
 0.082131895  
 0.081245223  
 0.081240384

Check:  $(0.081240384)^2 = 0.006599999$

- 1.21** **a.** It takes 5 iterations to obtain 3 decimal place accuracy for  $\sqrt{25}$ .  
**b.** It takes 6 iterations to obtain 6 decimal place accuracy for  $\sqrt{25}$ .  
**c.** It takes 6 iterations to obtain 9 decimal place accuracy for  $\sqrt{25}$ .  
**d.** It takes 7 iterations to obtain 12 decimal place accuracy for  $\sqrt{25}$ .

- 1.22**  $00100010_2 = 2^5 + 2^1 = 32 + 2 = 34$ .  
 $01100001_2 = 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^0 = 64 + 32 + 1 = 97$ .  
 $00010001_2 = 2^4 + 2^0 = 16 + 1 = 17$ .  
 $00000000_2 = 0$ .

- 1.23**  $0110000100100010_2 = 2^{14} + 2^{13} + 2^8 + 2^5 + 2^1 = 16,384 + 8192 + 256 + 32 + 2 = 24,866$ .

Note that this result can also be computed from the answers to Problem 1.22:

$$97 \cdot 2^8 + 34 = 97 \cdot 256 + 34 = 24,866.$$

$$000000000010001_2 = 2^4 + 2^0 = 16 + 1 = 17.$$

- 1.24**  $0000000000100010110000100100010_2 = 2^{20} + 2^{16} + 2^{14} + 2^{13} + 2^8 + 2^5 + 2^1 = 1,048,576 + 65,536 + 16,384 + 8192 + 256 + 32 + 2 = 1,138,978$ . Note that this result can also be computed from the answers to Problem 1.23:

$$2^{16} \cdot 17 + 24,866 = 65536 \cdot 17 + 24,866 = 1114112 + 24,866 = 1,138,978.$$

- 1.25**  $11011100_2 = 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 = 128 + 64 + 16 + 8 + 4 = 220_{10}$

- 1.26** Using Algorithm 1.2 on page 5:

$j$	$b_j$	$x \leftarrow 2x + b_j$
8		0
7	1	$2 \cdot 0 + 1 = 1$
6	1	$2 \cdot 1 + 1 = 3$
5	0	$2 \cdot 3 + 0 = 6$
4	1	$2 \cdot 6 + 1 = 13$
3	1	$2 \cdot 13 + 1 = 27$
2	1	$2 \cdot 27 + 1 = 55$
1	1	$2 \cdot 55 + 1 = 111$
0	0	$2 \cdot 111 + 0 = 222$



1.27 Converting 555 to binary:

$k$	$x$	$b_k$
0	555	1
1	277	1
2	138	0
3	69	1
4	34	0
5	17	1
6	8	0
7	4	0
8	2	0
9	1	1
10	0	

So  $555_{10} = 1000101011_2$ .

1.28 Using Algorithm 1.4 on page 6:

$k$	$x$	$b_k$
	888	
0	444	0
1	222	0
2	111	0
3	55	1
4	27	1
5	13	1
6	6	1
7	3	0
8	1	1
9	0	1



a. Converting 888 to binary. So  $888_{10} = 1101111000_2$ .

b. Converting 4444 to binary.

$k$	$x$	$b_k$
	4444	
0	2222	0
1	1111	0
2	555	1
3	277	1
4	138	1
5	69	0
6	34	1
7	17	0
8	8	1
9	4	0
10	2	0
11	1	0
12	0	1

So  $4444_{10} = 1000101011100_2$ .

- c. Converting 1025 to binary is easy because  $1025 = 1024 + 1 = 2^{10} + 2^0 = 1000000001_2$ .  
d. Converting 255 to binary is easy because  $255 = 256 - 1 = 2^8 - 1 = 11111111_2$ .  
Imagine a binary odometer on a car: the next mile after 01111111 would be 100000000.

1.29 The algorithm is the same except that the repeated division is by 16 instead of 2:

**Algorithm 1.5 Decimal Integer to Hexadecimal**

To convert the integer  $x$  into its equivalent hexadecimal numeral:

1. Assert  $x > 0$ .
2. Set  $x = 0$ .
3. Divide  $x$  by 16, setting  $x$  equal to the (integer) quotient.
4. Set  $h_k$  equal to the remainder from the previous division.  
Use one of the 16 *hexadecimal digits* 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, a, b, c, d, e, f, representing the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, for  $h_k$ .
5. Add 1 to  $k$ .
6. If  $x > 0$ , repeat steps 3-6.
7. Return  $h_k \cdots h_2 h_1 h_0$  (*i.e.*, the hexadecimal numeral whose  $j$ th hex symbol is  $h_j$ .)

Applying Algorithm 1.4 to 100,000 yields  $100000_{10} = h_4 h_3 h_2 h_1 h_0 = 186a0_{16}$

$k$	$x$	$h_k$
0	100000	
1	6250	0
2	390	a
3	24	6
4	1	8
8	0	1

**1.30** Use Algorithm 1.4 on page 6:

*a.* Converting 888 to hexadecimal:

$k$	$x$	$h_k$
	888	
0	55	8
1	3	7
2	0	3

So  $888_{10} = 378_{16}$

*b.* Converting 4444 to hexadecimal:

$k$	$x$	$h_k$
	4444	
0	277	c
1	17	5
2	1	1
3	0	1

So  $4444_{10} = 115_{16}$ .

*c.* Converting 1025 to hexadecimal:

$k$	$x$	$h_k$
	1025	
0	64	1
1	4	0
2	0	4

So  $1025_{10} = 401_{16}$ .

*d.* Converting 255 to hexadecimal:

$k$	$x$	$h_k$
	255	
0	15	f
1	0	f

Thus  $255_{10} = ff_{16}$

Note that  $ff_{16} + 1 = 100_{16} = 16^2_{10} = 256_{10}$ .

**1.31** Conversion of  $0x2d7b$  into decimal:

$$2d7b_{16} = 2 \cdot 16^3 + 13 \cdot 16^2 + 7 \cdot 16^1 + 11 \cdot 16^0 = 8192 + 3328 + 112 + 11 = 11,643_{10}.$$

**1.32** This algorithm is similar to Algorithm 1.2 on page 5:

**Algorithm 1.6 Converting Hexadecimal to Decimal by Horner's Method**

To convert the hexadecimal integer  $b_k \cdots b_2 b_1 b_0$  into its equivalent decimal numeral:

1. Set  $x = 0$ .
2. Set  $j = k + 1$  (the actual number of bits in the hexadecimal string).
3. Subtract 1 from  $j$ .
4. Multiply  $x$  by 16.
5. Add  $h_j$  to  $x$ .
6. If  $j > 0$ , repeat steps 3-6.
7. Return  $x$ .

a. Converting  $f4d9$  to decimal:

$j$	$h_j$	$x = 2x + h_j$
4		0
3	f	$16 \cdot 0 + f = 15$
2	4	$16 \cdot 15 + 4 = 244$
1	d	$16 \cdot 244 + 13 = 3917$
0	9	$16 \cdot 3917 + 9 = 62,681$

So  $f4d9_{16} = 62,681_{10}$ .

b. Converting  $543ab$  to decimal:

$j$	$h_j$	$x = 2x + h_j$
5		0
4	5	$16 \cdot 0 + 5 = 5$
3	4	$16 \cdot 5 + 4 = 84$
2	3	$16 \cdot 84 + 3 = 1347$
1	a	$16 \cdot 1347 + a = 21,562$
0	b	$16 \cdot 21,562 + b = 345,003$

So  $543ab_{16} = 345,003_{10}$ .

c. Converting  $100000$  to decimal:  $100000_{16} = 16^5_{10} = 1,048,576_{10}$ .

ci. Converting  $ffffff$  to decimal: note that  $ffffff_{16} + 1 = 1000000_{16} = 16^6_{16} = 16,777,216_{10}$   
 so  $ffffff_{16} = 16,777,216_{10} - 1 = 16,777,215_{10}$ .

**1.33** This algorithm is based upon the following one-to-one correspondence between 4-bits strings (called *nibbles*) and the hexadecimal digits:

Binary	Hex	Binary	Hex
0000	0	1000	8
0001	1	1001	9
0010	2	1010	a
0011	3	1011	b
0100	4	1100	c
0101	5	1101	d
0110	6	1110	e
0111	7	1111	f

**Algorithm 1.7 Converting Binary to Hexadecimal**

To convert the binary integer  $b_k \cdots b_2 b_1 b_0$  into its equivalent hexadecimal numeral:

1. Use the table above to convert the nibble  $b_3b_2b_1b_0$  to the hexadecimal digit  $h_0$ .
2. Use the table above to convert the nibble  $b_7b_6b_5b_4$  to the hexadecimal digit  $h_1$ .
3. Repeat using the table to convert the nibble  $b_{j+3}b_{j+2}b_{j+1}b_j$  to the hexadecimal digit  $h_j$  for  $j = 2, 3, \dots$

a. Converting 11011110 to hexadecimal:

$$h_0 = b_3b_2b_1b_0 = 1110_2 = e \text{ and } h_1 = b_7b_6b_5b_4 = 1101_2 = d, \text{ so } 11011110_2 = de.$$

b. Converting 10101010 to hexadecimal:

$$h_0 = b_3b_2b_1b_0 = 1010_2 = a \text{ and } h_1 = b_7b_6b_5b_4 = 1010_2 = a, \text{ so } 10101010_2 = aa.$$

c. Converting 11111111 to hexadecimal:

$$h_0 = b_3b_2b_1b_0 = 1111_2 = f \text{ and } h_1 = b_7b_6b_5b_4 = 1111_2 = f, \text{ so } 11111111_2 = ff.$$

d. Converting 10000000000000000000000000000000 to hexadecimal:  $h_0 = b_3b_2b_1b_0 = 0000_2 = 0$ ;

$$\text{similarly, } h_1 = h_2 = h_3 = h_4 = h_5 = h_6 = 0000_2 = 0, \text{ and } h_7 = b_{31}b_{30}b_{29}b_{28} = 1000_2 = 8, \text{ so } 10000000000000000000000000000000_2 = h_7h_6h_5h_4h_3h_2h_1h_0 = 80000000_{16}.$$

$$1.34 \quad p(3.4) = \left( \left( \left( \left( (2 \cdot 3.4 - 7) \cdot 3.4 + 6 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 9 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 8 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 5 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 8 \cdot 3.4 - 5 = \left( \left( \left( (-0.2) \cdot 3.4 + 6 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 9 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 8 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 5 = (5.32 \cdot 3.4 + 9) \cdot 3.4 + 8 \cdot 3.4 - 5 = (27.088 \cdot 3.4 + 8) \cdot 3.4 - 5 = 100.0992 \cdot 3.4 - 5 = 335.33728.$$

$$1.35 \quad p(x) = 3x^5 - 5x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2 - 8x - 6 = \left( \left( \left( (3x - 5)x + 2 \right)x + 1 \right)x - 8 \right)x - 6,$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(3.4) &= \left( \left( \left( (3 \cdot 3.4 - 5) \cdot 3.4 + 2 \right) \cdot 3.4 + 1 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 8 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 6 \\ &= \left( \left( (5.2 \cdot 3.4 + 2) \cdot 3.4 + 1 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 8 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 6 \\ &= \left( (19.68 \cdot 3.4 + 1) \cdot 3.4 - 8 \right) \cdot 3.4 - 6 = (67.912 \cdot 3.4 - 8) \cdot 3.4 - 6 \\ &= 222.9008 \cdot 3.4 - 6 = 751.86272 \end{aligned}$$

$$1.36 \quad p(x) = 3x^8 - 2x^5 + 4x^3 - 5x = \left( \left( \left( \left( (3x)x - 2 \right)x + 4 \right)x - 5 \right)x \right) \cdot (3x^3 - 2)x^2 + 4)x^2 - 5)x \text{ so}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(3.4) &= \left( \left( \left( (3 \cdot 3.4^3 - 2) \cdot 3.4^2 + 4 \right) \cdot 3.4^2 - 5 \right) \cdot 3.4 \right) \\ &= (115.912 \cdot 3.4^2 + 4) \cdot 3.4^2 - 5 \cdot 3.4 \\ &= (1343.943 \cdot 3.4^2 - 5) \cdot 3.4 = 15,530.978 \cdot 3.4 \\ &= 52,805.325 \end{aligned}$$

1.37 If the general  $n$ th degree polynomial  $p(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-2}x^2 + a_{n-1}x + a_n$  is evaluated directly, it requires  $n(n+1)/2$  multiplications, where the exponentiation  $x^k$  is counted as  $k-1$  multiplications. However, by Horner's Method, the evaluation requires only  $n$  multiplication.

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