CSCI111: Fundamentals of Programming I

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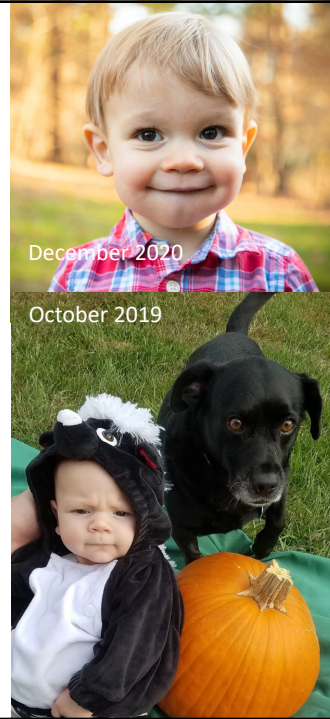
Code: An Essay

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My Bio

- From Dallastown, PA
- Education: B.S., Gettysburg College;
  M.S., Duke University;
  Ph.D., University of Delaware
- For fun: pop culture,
  gardening,
  Rockbridge Animal Alliance

December 2020

October 2019

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My Roommates

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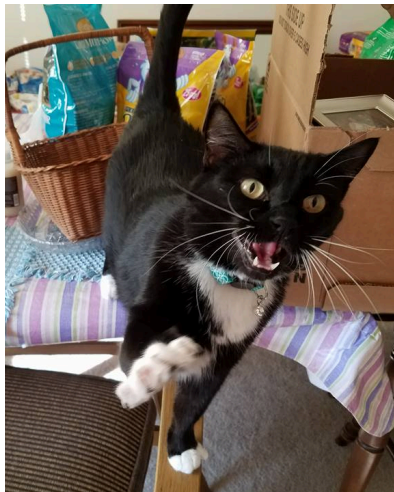
Survey Says…

- What year are you?
- Who has used a computer regularly?
- Who has used the Internet regularly?
- Who has made a web page?
- Who has written a program?
- Why are you taking this course?

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What is Computer Science?

"Computer Science is no more about computers than astronomy is about telescopes."
                    --Edsger Dijkstra

- CS = Complexity Science
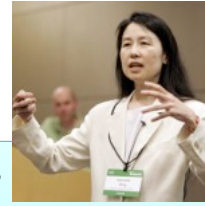
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Jeannette Wing

- Microsoft VP of Research
- Formerly at NSF, CMU

When people talk about the smart grid, smart vehicles, and smart buildings — what makes them '*smart*'? **Computer science.**
When people talk about personalized medicine and personalized learning, how do you think personalization is possible? **Computer science.**

We're not there yet, but the next generation of computer scientists can help us realize these visions — with immeasurable *benefits* to *society* and the *economy*.

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http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2011/06/15/computer-
sciences-sputnik-moment/writing-code-has-become-self-expression
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CS == Complexity Science or the Study of Complexity

- How can it be done?
  - Based on **information**
  - Managing, manipulating data
  - Possible algorithms
- How well can it be done?
  - Most **efficient** algorithm in terms of time and/or space
- Can it be done at all?
  - Often, proof is a program--an implementation of the above

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Computer Science Fields

Systems
- Architecture
- Operating systems
- Networks
- Distributed and parallel systems
- Databases
- …

Software
- Compilers
- Graphics
- Software engineering
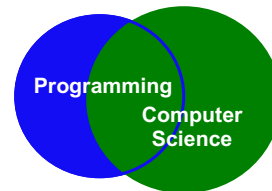- Software testing and verification,
- …

Theory
- Algorithms
- Theory of computation
- …

Other
- Artificial intelligence
- Robotics
- Natural language processing
- Bioinformatics
- Visualization
- Data science
- …

- Often research involves combinations of these fields
- Not just programming!
  - But programming is a tool to do much, much more!

Programming

Computer Science

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What I do **not** do as a Computer Scientist

- Fix hardware
- Fix Microsoft Windows (or other operating systems) problems
- Fix Microsoft Office (or other desktop applications) problems

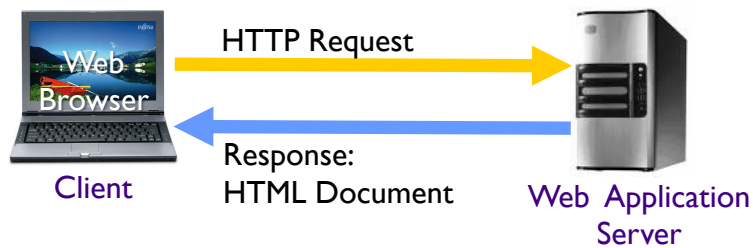Jan 19, 2021   Sprenkle - CSCI111   10

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What I Do as a Computer Scientist

- Interests: Software testing, empirical studies, distributed systems
- Focus: Automated web application testing

Web Browser

Client

HTTP Request

Response: HTML Document

Web Application Server

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What I Do as a Computer Scientist

Find the error(s)!

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Find the Errors

Dear SARA,

You've spent $0 in total as of September, 2010.[†] You're almost there! Just spend $0 more to receive your NY&C Reward!*

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Paris Amour
$14.00 Now $4.00
Limited Time Only! Save Over 70%

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Signature Collection
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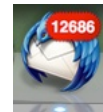
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Total Cats in Household

Share the number of cats in your household and earn 100 points!

How many cats are in your household?

☐ 1

☑ 2

☑ 3

☐ 4

☐ 5+

Submit ›

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SQLExec commands with UPDATE, INSERT, or DELETE statements are only allowed in SavePreChange, SavePostChange, and Workflow type PeopleCode programs.

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500 Internal Server Error

OK

Sorry, something went wrong.

A team of highly trained monkeys has been dispatched to deal with this situation.

If you see them, send them this information as text (screenshots frighten them):

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My Research Interests

- Emails

Review Your Recent Purchases

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write a review

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write a review

From Kroger <noreply@kroger.com> ☆

Subject **Your null Comments Have Been Received**

To Sara Sprenkle ⭐

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My Research Interests

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Digital Humanities

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Dig...

Symbolic Logic Tutorial

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Practice Mode

Make the sentences into math

Key:

A: Apples are yummy.	**B:** I will eat apples.

Sentence 1 of 1: If apples are yummy, then I will not eat apples.

Points Possible: 3

Unanswered

Answer:

Use **&** or the caret (^) for "and", **|** for "or", **~** for "not", **->** for "conditional", and **<->** for "biconditional"

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Practice: Single Step Mole Conversion

Question 1 of 5: You have 3.77e+22 atoms. How many kmol do you have?

○ **a.** 6.26 kmol

○ **b.** 6.26e+4 kmol

○ **c.** 6.26e-5 kmol

○ **d.** 62.6 kmol

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MEET SOME MORE COMPUTER SCIENTISTS

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W&L Alumni at amazon

Software Engineers

Jamie White '17

Alex Cantrell '19

Student Assistant Rinn Joireman heads to Amazon this fall!

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Patrick Ozark '17

Bioinformatician at
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

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PhD Students

Hammad Ahmad '19
Michigan: Software Engineering

Sarah Anne Troise '19
CMU: Engineering and Public Policy

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Lucy Simko '11 and Camille Cobb '12

SECURITY & PRIVACY
RESEARCH LAB
UNIVERSITY *of* WASHINGTON

Worked for the Dept of
Defense on Cybersecurity
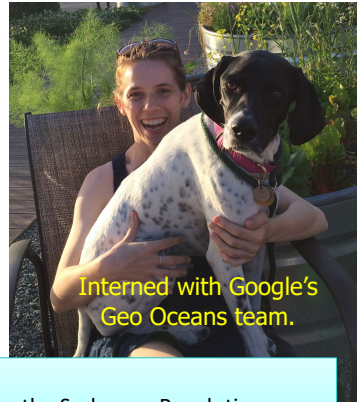
Interned with Google's
Geo Oceans team.

Example publications:
- Defensive Technology Use by Political Activists During the Sudanese Revolution
- What Makes People Install a COVID-19 Contact-Tracing App?

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Computer Science and Law

Christyann Pulliam
- CS and Political Science major
- Law Degree - Wake Forest
- Patent Examiner at the US Patent and Trademark Office
  - ➤ Focus: Search engines, DB apps

Julianne Campbell '18
- Computer Science Major
- Law Degree - Vanderbilt
- IP Law focus

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Samantha O'Dell '15

- Computer Science and English double major
- Associate Technical Writer at Google

http://www.wlu.edu/transformative-education?feature=true&id=x10977

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More at Google

Abby Nason '20
Information Technology Resident

Ruinan Liu '20
Cloud Technical Resident

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Lex McGriff '18

- Digital Tech Senior Program Analyst, in Jacksonville, FL

- Interned with J.P. Morgan Chase
- CoFounder and President of Be The Difference, Inc.
  - ➤ make unique economic, social, and academic contributions to our community

https://www.bethedifferenceinc.org/

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Erich Geist FEEDING™ food banks AMERICA

We use data analytics, computer systems, servers, programming, network and database administration all the time to provide the data necessary to inform our donors, government officials, advocates, and the general public about our mission to feed the hungry.

Without good computer science…there is no food.

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Your Bios

- Where you're from
- Your year
- A fun fact

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Hilary Mason

- Founder of Fast Forward Labs
  - ➤ a machine intelligence research company
- Formerly Chief Scientist at bitly.
- "Teaching someone to program is like giving them a **superpower**." quote in *Glamour*, November 2011

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What This Course Is About

Problem Solving!

From
30 Rock

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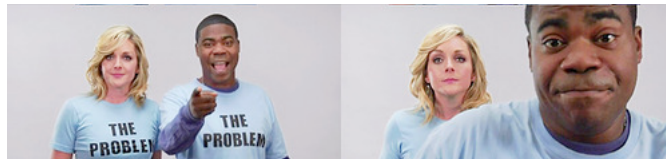
Computational Problem Solving 101

- **Computational Problem**:
  A problem that can be solved by logic
- To solve the problem:
  1. Create a **model** of the problem
  2. Design an **algorithm** for solving the problem using the model
  3. Write a **program** that *implements* the algorithm

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Computational Problem Solving 101

- **Algorithm**: a well-defined, step-by-step process for solving a problem
  - ➤ Has a *finite* number of steps
  - ➤ Completes in a *finite* amount of time
- Program
  - ➤ An algorithm written in a **programming language**
  - ➤ Also called *code*
  - ➤ As code base grows, becomes an *application*

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What to Expect from this Class

- First programming course
- Lots to learn!
  - ➤ Introductions to a lot of new ideas
- Different way of thinking
  - ➤ Similar yet different from math
  - ➤ May get stuck but ask for help!
- Writing some basic programs
  - ➤ Foundations for more complex, sophisticated code
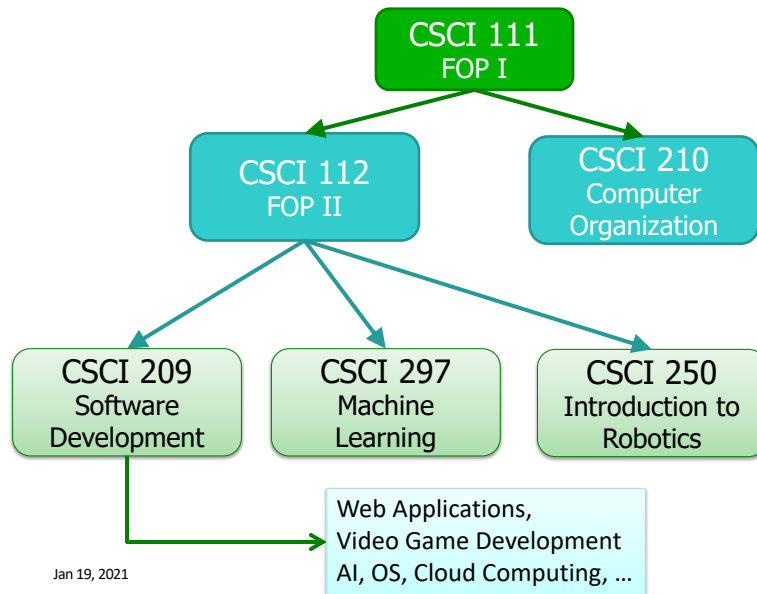- Great power, great responsibility

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Where You Can Go From Here

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             FOP I
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  CSCI 112          CSCI 210
   FOP II           Computer
                   Organization
  /      |      \
CSCI 209  CSCI 297  CSCI 250
Software  Machine   Introduction to
Development Learning  Robotics
   |
   └──────→  Web Applications,
             Video Game Development
             AI, OS, Cloud Computing, …
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Class Details

- Course web page
  - http://www.cs.wlu.edu/~sprenkle/cs111
  - Check schedule frequently for updates
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday lectures
  - Slides posted after class, in PDF format
  - Don't copy down slides verbatim
    - A lot isn't on the slides
    - Use PDF slides later to review
- Tuesday labs
  - "Pre-lab" assignments in the textbook
  - Programming projects due on Friday

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Class Details

- 3 Exams
  - ➢ 2 Exams (see schedule online for dates)
  - ➢ Final Exam
- Discussion of broader issues in CS
  - ➢ Articles about computer science's effect on *everything*
    - Get big picture of CS
  - ➢ Write up on Sakai, due Fridays by 11 a.m.
  - ➢ Discussion Friday
  - ➢ Opportunities for extra credit for finding, reading, summarizing additional articles

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Instructor Responsibilities

- Keep your interest in CS
- Prompt, constructive feedback on assignments
- Office hours:
  - ➢ Wednesday 3:35 – 4:05 p.m., Thursday: 2:30-4 p.m.
  - ➢ Email for appointments
- Respond within 24 hours to emailed questions

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Student Responsibilities

- Check W&L email and course web page frequently for updates
  - Review entire syllabus online
- Attend and participate in class and lecture
  - Mandatory attendance
  - Be respectful to other students
- Arrive promptly to lecture/lab
  - Bring your notes and handouts
- Turn off cell phone
- **Be patient, flexible, and learn from mistakes**

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Textbook

- Online textbook
- Supplement to the material
  - Different perspective, additional practice problems
- Register for the class (instructions on course schedule page)

> **Consequence**: my lecture slides and handouts and your notes are vitally important
> - Reference *frequently*
> - **Bring with you to lab!**

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