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## *Week 5 - Class 2:* Exam I Review





- *Small Programming Assignment 2* and *Large Programming Assignment 1* will come out today
- I will be adjusting the timing of *Small Programming Assignment 3* - moving to later in the semester
- *Quiz 1* is due Today at 11:59 pm
- *Exam 1* is this Friday!
  - We will review the format and content extensively today.

# Exam I Format



- 2 Parts, In-class exam, closed book, 100 points total
  - Part 1: Short Answer Questions
    - 7-8 questions
    - Either provide program output or answer with a code snippet or a few short sentences.
  - Part 2: Programming Questions
    - 4-5 questions
    - Either provide the output of a more complex program, or write several lines of code
- Covers material from Weeks 1-5
- You will have the **entire** class period to complete the exam
- Please bring your UCF ID to the exam

# Midterm Exam Review



# *Week 1 - Class 2: C Language Elements*



# Anatomy of a C Program



- Every C Program basically consists of the following parts:

- Preprocessor Commands

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

- Functions `int main()`

- Variables *We will cover next class!*

- Statements & Expressions `printf("Hello World \n");`

- Comments 

```
// main function -  
// where the execution of program begins
```

# Semicolons



- In a C program, the semicolon is a statement terminator
- Each individual statement must be ended with a semicolon, as it indicates the end of a logical entity.
- However, whitespace does not matter (I will demonstrate).



- Comments allow programmers to make notes about their code, and this is generally considered to be good practice.
- Code is often reused, updated, refactored, etc. Therefore, it is important for the author of a certain piece of code to make sure the intent is clear!
- In other words, it helps you to document the reason code was written or document a solution to the problem that the code solves.
- It also allows future coders who work on a past project to see the program intent.
- Syntax: 

```
// This comment has one line
```

```
/* This comment has  
many lines!!!*/
```
- Compilers completely ignore comments





- A C identifier is a name used to identify a variable, function, or any other user-defined item.
- An identifier starts with a letter A to Z, a to z, or an underscore '\_' followed by zero or more letters, underscores, and digits (0 to 9).
- C does not allow punctuation characters such as @, \$, and % within identifiers.
- C is a case-sensitive programming language.
  - Thus, `Manpower` and `manpower` are two different identifiers in C.
- It's best to be consistent in your identifier scheme.
  - in this class, to keep things simple, we will use CamelCase for structs, and snake\_case for everything else :-)

# Anatomy of Hello World



```
// Simple C program to display "Hello World"
// Header file for input output functions
#include <stdio.h>

// main function -
// where the execution of program begins
int main()
{
    // prints hello world
    printf("Hello World \n");

    return 0;
}
```

## Preprocessor Directive

- Provides information to the preprocessor
- A preprocessor modifies a c program prior to its compilation
- `stdio.h` is the standard input/output header file
  - It contains pre-defined functions that we can use!



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    return 0;
}
```

## Main Function

- C programs always execute instructions starting at the main function from top to bottom.
- All c programs are required to have a main function - otherwise *syntax error*.
- The main function end with **return 0;**
  - This terminates the function (and program) by sending the value 0 back to the operating system of the computer.
  - Other values are used to indicate errors and should not be used!

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int main()
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    return 0;
}
```

## printf() Function

- This is a pre-defined function from the `stdio.h` library
- The function displays information to the user (and can also be useful for debugging)
- It displays text on lines
  - You have to specify the newline character `\n` to create a new line.

# *Week 1 - Class 3: C Variables & Data Types*



# User-defined Identifiers



- We choose our own identifiers to name memory cells that will hold data and program result and to name operations that we define.
- Rules for User-Defined Identifiers
  - An identifier must consist only of letters, digits, and underscores.
  - An identifier cannot begin with a digit.
  - A C reserved word cannot be used as an identifier.
  - An identifier defined in a C standard library should not be redefined.
- We will use CamelCase for structs, and snake\_case for variables/functions.

# Variables



- Variables are names associated with a memory cell whose value can change.
  - User-Defined Identifiers
- Variable Declarations are statements that communicate to the compiler the names of variables in the program and the kind of information stored in each variable.
  - Syntax
    - `int variable_list;`
    - `double variable_list;`
    - `char variable_list;`

	A	B	C
0	<code>int x = 0</code>		
1			<code>double num = 1.4</code>
2			
3	<code>char letter = 'a'</code>		
4			

# Sample Syntax for Declaring Variables



```
int val;  
double x;  
float y;  
char letter;
```





- A set of values and operations that can be performed on those values.
- Types of Data that can be stored in C:
  1. `int` – integer numbers
  2. `double` – decimal numbers
  3. `float` – similar to double BUT different amount of allocation for memory storage (smaller allocation)
  4. `char` - a character from the keyboard

Type	Range in Typical Implementation
<code>int</code>	-2,147,483,647 ... 2,147,483,647
<code>double</code>	$10^{-307} \dots 10^{308}$ (15 significant digits)
<code>float</code>	$10^{-37} \dots 10^{38}$ (6 significant digits)

# double and float Data Types



- Most beginners think that doubles and floats can be used interchangeably.
  - THIS IS FALSE!!!
- doubles have twice the precision of float type values.
- If they are used interchangeably, then you will likely encounter rounding errors.
- *When in doubt, always use double for extra precision!!!! If any programming problem does not specify the data type for any real number, use double!!!*

# char Data Type



- Data type char represents an individual character value: letter, digit, or a special symbol
  - Ex: 'A', 'z', '2', '9', '\*', '.', '"', ' '
- Characters are represented uniquely in memory as an integer for the system to properly evaluate.
  - The value is known as ASCII Value
  - This can be utilized when comparing characters.

Character	ASCII Code
' '	32
'*'	42
'A'	65
'B'	66
'Z'	90
'a'	97
'b'	98
'z'	122
'0'	48
'9'	57

# Printing Variables



Format Specifier	Data Type	description	Syntax
%d	int	To print the integer value	<code>printf("%d",&lt;int_variable&gt;);</code>
%f	float	To print the floating number	<code>printf("%f",&lt;float_variable&gt;);</code>
%lf	double	To print the double precision floating number or long float	<code>printf("%lf",&lt;double_variable&gt;);</code>
%c	char	To print the character value	<code>printf("%c",&lt;char_variable&gt;);</code>

# *Week 2 - Class 1: Executable Statements*



# Assignment Statements



- Assignment statements stores a value or a computational result in a variable and is used to perform most arithmetic operations in a program.
- = is called the assignment operator

```
int var;  
var = 32;
```

- Syntax:
  - `variable = expression;`

# Compound Assignment Statements



- In C, you can create *compound assignment statements* in the form of:

```
sum = sum + var;
```



Yes! You are seeing double! Let's take a look at what is happening in a statement like this!

# Printing Special Characters



Escape Sequence	Meaning
<code>\a</code>	Alert
<code>\b</code>	Backspace
<code>\n</code>	Newline
<code>\t</code>	Horizontal Tab
<code>\v</code>	Vertical Tab
<code>\\</code>	Backslash
<code>\'</code>	Single Quote
<code>\"</code>	Double Quote
<code>\?</code>	Question Mark
<code>%%</code>	Percent Symbol



# Accepting User Input with `scanf()`



- Copies data into a variable stored in memory
- Collects user input through the keyboard and stores the value into the respective address of the variable in memory

```
scanf("%d", &var);
```

function name

placeholder with  
data type delimiter

reference to  
memory address  
of the var variable

# Example scanf()



```
// Header file for input output functions
#include <stdio.h>

// main function -
// where the execution of program begins
int main()
{

    int num;
    int var;
    int val;
    printf("Enter 3 values");

    scanf("%d", &num);
    scanf("%d", &var);
    scanf("%d", &val);

    printf("%d, %d, %d", num, var, val);

    return 0;
}
```

# Example scanf()



```
// Header file for input output functions
#include <stdio.h>

// main function -
// where the execution of program begins
int main()
{

    int num;
    int var;
    int val;
    printf("Enter 3 values");

    scanf("%d%d%d", &num, &var, &val);

    printf("%d, %d, %d", num, var, val);

    return 0;
}
```

# Return Statements



- Return terminates the function and transfers control from a function back to the activator of the function. For the main function, the control is transferred back to the operating system.
- A value is sent back to the operating system.
  - 0 means code executed successfully
  - 1 means code executed with run time error (code crash).

```
return 0; // function terminator
```

# Constant Macro



- A name that is replaced by a particular constant value before program is sent to compiler
- Always seen at the top of a program file.
- Syntax:

```
#define MILES PER KM 0.62137
```

*Week 2 - Class 3: Arithmetic Expressions & Library Functions*



# Modulus Operator



- You may not have heard about the modulus operator (remainder operator).
- The modulus operator returns the remainder value of a division result.
- Example:  $\frac{4}{3}$  would result with the remainder 1
- The symbol denoted in C uses % to represent the modulus operator.
  - In mathematics (such as discrete mathematics) the notation *mod* also represents the modulus operator. In this course, we will only use the notation %.

```
int result = 4 & 3;  
printf ("4 & 3 = %d\n", result);
```

# Arithmetic Expressions



Arithmetic Operator	Meaning	Examples
+	addition	$5 + 2 = 7$ $5.0 + 2.0 = 7.0$
-	subtraction	$5 - 2 = 3$ $5.0 - 2.0 = 3.0$
*	multiplication	$5 * 2 = 10$ $5.0 * 2.0 = 10.0$
/	division	$5.0 / 2.0 = 2.5$ $5 / 2 = 2$
%	remainder	$5 \% 2 = 1$





- Casting is converting an expression to a different type by writing the desired type in parentheses in front of the expression.

```
double n;  
double x = 0.5;  
  
n = (int)(9 * 0.5); //casting
```

*What value does n hold?*

- a) 4
- b) 4.0
- c) 4.5
- d) 5

# Writing Mathematical Formulas in C



## Mathematical Formula

## C Expression

$$b^2 - 4ac$$

```
b * b - 4 * a * c;
```

$$a + b - c$$

```
a + b - c;
```

$$\frac{a + b}{c + d}$$

```
1 / (1 + x * x);
```

$$\frac{1}{1 + x^2}$$

```
1 / (1 + x * x);
```

$$a * -(b + c)$$

```
a * - (b + c);
```

# Formatting Output



- C allows you to format output of numbers for consistency.
- You can control the number of spaces
- Text automatically aligns to the right

```
int val = 234;  
printf("%d\n", val);  
printf("%4d\n", val);  
printf("%5d\n", val);  
printf("%6d\n", val);  
printf("%1d\n", val);
```

```
234  
234  
234  
234  
234
```



- The C language has a math library with predefined functions that perform certain mathematical tasks.
- Task Examples: square root, Trigonometry, etc...
- `#include <math.h>` imports all reusable math functions



# Math Library Functions



Function	Header File	Purpose	Argument(s)	Result
<code>abs(x)</code>	<code>&lt;stdlib.h&gt;</code>	Absolute Value	<code>int</code>	<code>int</code>
<code>ceil(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Round Up	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>cos(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Cosine	<code>double (radians)</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>exp(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Natural Exponent	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>floor(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Round Down	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>log(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Natural Logarithm	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>log10(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Base 10 Logarithm	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>pow(x,y)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	$x^y$	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>sin(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Sine	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>sqrt(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Square Root	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>
<code>tan(x)</code>	<code>&lt;math.h&gt;</code>	Tangent	<code>double</code>	<code>double</code>



- Write a program that computes the quadratic function.
- This is defined as follows:

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$



# Revisiting the `scanf()` Function



- We know that functions return a value
- What does `scanf()` return?

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int var1;
    double var2;
    int var3;

    printf("Enter 3 values:");
    int result = scanf("%d%lf%d", &var1, &var2, &var3);
    printf("result = %d\n", result);

    printf("Enter 2 values:");
    result = scanf("%d%d", &var1, &var3);
    printf("result = %d\n", result);

    return 0;
}
```

# *Week 3 - Class 1: User-defined Functions*







- One way that programmers implement top-down design is defining their own functions (user defined functions)
- User defined functions are sets of instructions that are *defined* by the programmer
- Programmers will break down a larger problem into subproblems and will solve these subproblems in user-defined functions
- In order to invoke the function, you must *call* it

# Function Prototypes



- Just like variables, functions must be declared as well.
- Prototypes allows the Operating System know how much memory space needs to be reserved based on the return type and arguments.

Function  
Prototype

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void myOwnFunction();
```

```
int main() {
```

```
    printf("About to call my function!!!\n");  
    myOwnFunction(); // Function call statement
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
void myOwnFunction()
```

```
{
```

```
    printf("This is my awesome function!!!\n");
```

```
}
```

# Function Definitions



- Just like declaring a variable, you must assign it a value.
- For function definitions, you must write out the set of instructions to perform the task that needs to be written out.

Function  
Definition



```
#include <stdio.h>

void myOwnFunction();

int main() {

    printf("About to call my function!!!\n");
    myOwnFunction(); // Function call statement

    return 0;

}

void myOwnFunction()
{
    printf("This is my awesome function!!!\n");
}
```

# Types of Functions



- There are two types of functions.
  - Functions that *return a value*.
  - Functions that *don't return a value*.
- These types of functions are defined through their prototypes.
  - Functions that don't return a value have the reserved word `void` in front of the name.
  - Functions that do return a value have the type of data (`int`, `double`, `char`) in front of the of the name.

# *Week 3 - Class 11: User-defined Functions II*



# Functions with Arguments/Parameters



```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int mySecretFormula (int num, int num2, int num3);
```

```
int main ()  
{
```

```
    int num1 = 3;
```

```
    int num2 = 2;
```

```
    int num3 = 1;
```

```
int x = mySecretFormula (num1, num2, num3) ;
```

```
printf ("x = %d\n", x);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
int mySecretFormula (int num1, int num2, int num3)
```

```
{
```

```
int result = num1 + num2 * num3 - num3;
```

```
return result;
```

```
}
```

Parameters

Arguments



- Whenever a function with arguments is called, they must share the values properly.
- One way of doing this is pass by value.
- Pass by value is when a value stored in memory (stack space) is copied and sent over to the proper parameter of the respective function (which is also stored in a different location of the stack space).
- The following set of slides shows a demonstration.

# *Week 4 - Class 1: Control Structures & Conditionals*







- Control structures are a combination of individual instructions into a single logical unit with one entry point and one exit point
- Compound Statement is a group of statements bracketed { and } that are executed sequentially.

```
int main(void)
{
    printf("Hello World \n");
    return 0;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{
    return 0;
}
```

# Variable Scope



- Now that we have learned control structures, it is time to discuss variable scope.
- Scope is the level of access a variable has in a program run
- There are two types of scopes with variables.
  - Global Scope (*Bad!!!!!!*)
  - Local Scope (*Good!!!*)
- Global means all components (functions have access to the value and can manipulate it)
  - Why is that bad?
  - Never use Global Variables in this course unless Dr. Moran says it is ok
- Local means only the component within the control structure has access the value and can perform certain operations on it.
  - *Good Practice!!!*

# Relational & Equality Operators



- When evaluating expressions, we make comparisons.
- There are 6 relational/equality operators.
  - Less than ( $<$ )
  - Greater than ( $>$ )
  - Less than or equal to ( $<=$ )
- Greater than or equal to ( $>=$ )
  - Equal to ( $==$ )
  - Not Equal to ( $!=$ )
- Important!  $=$  and  $==$  are two different operators!!
  - $=$  is the assignment operator
  - $==$  is the equality operator



# Relational & Equality Operators in C



Operator	Meaning	Type
<	less than	relational
>	greater than	relational
<=	less than or equal to	relational
>=	greater than or equal to	relational
(==)	equal to	equality
!=	not equal to	equality

# Logical Operators



- An expression that uses one or more of the three logical operators
  - `&&` (and)
  - `||` (or)
  - `!` (not)
  - `&&` and `||` operators allows us to combine a set of conditions
- Examples:
  - `in_range = (num >= -10 && num <= 10)`
  - `is_letter = (letter == 'a' || letter == 'b')`
- `!` operator complements (opposite result) the condition
- Examples:
  - `num1 == num2`
  - `!(num1 == num2)`





## The && Operator

Operand 1	Operand 2	Operand 1 && Operand 2
nonzero (T)	nonzero (T)	1 (T)
nonzero (T)	0 (F)	0 (F)
0 (F)	nonzero (T)	0 (F)
0 (F)	0 (F)	0 (F)

## The ! Operator

Operand 1	! Operand 1
nonzero (T)	0 (F)
0 (F)	1 (T)

## The || Operator

Operand 1	Operand 2	Operand 1    Operand 2
nonzero (T)	nonzero (T)	1 (T)
nonzero (T)	0 (F)	1 (T)
0 (F)	nonzero (T)	1 (T)
0 (F)	0 (F)	0 (F)

# Operator Precedence in C



Operator	Precedence	
function calls	Highest	
! + - & (unary)		
* / %		
+ -		
< <= >= >		
!= ==		
&&		
(=)		Lowest

# *Week 4 - Class II: If Statements*





# The If Statement



- Conditions are setup in the if statement.
- Syntax example

```
if(num1 < num2)
{
    printf("num1 is smaller than num2. \n");
}else
{
    printf("num2 is smaller than num1. \n");
}
```

Condition

Statement Executed if  
Condition is "true"

Statement Executed if  
Condition is "false"

# If Statement with One Alternative



- Conditions are setup in the `if` statement.
- Syntax example

```
if(num1 != num2)  
    printf("num1 does not equal num2. \n");
```

**Q&A: What happens if the condition is false?**

- a) Program crashes at runtime
- b) Program does not execute the `printf` statement
- c) Program won't compile
- d) None of the above

# Compound If Statement Example # 1



Here



```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int num1;
    int num2;

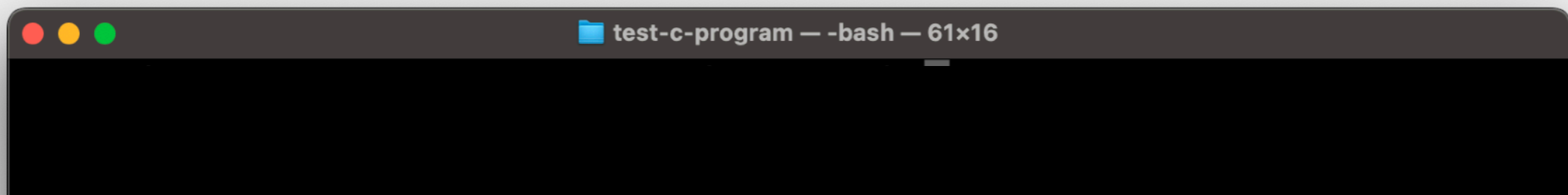
    scanf("%d%d", &num1, &num2);

    if(num1 != num2)
    {
        printf("num1 is smaller than num2. \n");
        printf("Still in the true block. \n");
    }else
    {
        printf("num2 is smaller than num1. \n");
        printf("Still in the false block. \n");
    }

    printf("I will always be displayed! \n");

    return 0;
}
```

Stack	Space
AA9	
AA8	
AA7	
AA6	
AA5	
AA4	
AA3	
AA2	
AA1	
AA0	



# Multiple Alternative `if-else` Statement



Condition 1

Statement executed if  
condition 1 is "true"

```
if(num1 != num2)
{
    printf("num1 and num2 don't have the same value!\n");
} else if(num1 < num2)
{
    printf("num1 is smaller than num2!\n");
} else
{
    printf("num1 is either bigger than num2 or they are exactly the same!\n");
}
```

Condition 2

Statement executed if both  
condition 1 and condition 2  
are "false"

Statement executed if condition 1 is "false"  
and condition 2 is "true"

# Nested `if` Statements



- After testing and determining the outcome, it is possible to dive into another condition.
- This is known as creating nested statements.
- Think about nesting dolls!
- Inside a nest doll is another doll. Inside a nest if statement is another if statement.

```
if (num1 != 0)
    if(num1 !=1)
        if(num1!=2)
            if(num1!=3)
                printf("num is neither 0, 1, 2, or 3 ...");
```

# switch Statement



- Some of the `if else` statements can deal with checking for an exact match.
- What would happen if there are lots of multiple-alternative `if-else` statements that dealt with only equality checks
- Switch Statement allows programmers to write a cleaner version of `if-else` that only deals with `==` operator.

**Q&A: Switch statements use relational operators for comparison?**

a) True

b) False

# switch Statement Syntax



```
switch(ticket) ← variable being evaluated for equality
{
  case 1: ← ticket == 1
    printf("Proceed to entrance 1.\n");
    break;

  case 2: ← ticket ==2
    printf("Proceed to entrance 2.\n");
    break;

  case 3: ← ticket ==3
    printf("Proceed to entrance 3.\n");
    break;

  default: ← ticket !=1 && ticket !=2 && ticket !=3
    printf("Sorry, your ticket does not match!");
}
```

# *Week 5- Class 1: Grouping Expressions*





# Operator Precedence in C



- Precedence determines how operators in C are grouped together.
- When we were writing mathematical expressions in C , we learned that “ ( ) ” was how we grouped certain operands together for an operator to perform some sort of action.
- Example:

$$\frac{a + b}{c + d} \rightarrow (a + b)/(c + d)$$

# Logical Operator Precedence



- !, &&, || are the 3 logical operators in C we utilize
- A common misconception when we talk about precedence with logical operators is who gets to be executed first.
- **VERY DIFFERENT FROM ORDER OF OPERATIONS!!!**
- When we discuss precedence, we are discussing how logical operators group expressions together and what is being evaluated.

```
int main(void) {  
    int a = 0, b = 0, c = 0;  
    ++a || ++b && ++c;  
    printf("%d %d %d", a, b, c);  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Logical Operator Precedence



```
int main(void) {  
    int a = 0, b = 0, c = 0;  
    ++a || ++b && ++c;  
    printf("%d %d %d", a, b, c);  
    return 0;  
}
```

What is the output?

# Operator Precedence in C



Operator	Precedence	
function calls	Highest	
! + - & (unary)		
* / %		
+ -		
< <= >= >		
!= ==		
&&		
(=)		Lowest

# Some Examples



- Assume A, B, C, and D are relation expressions (e.g.,  $x > y$ )
- $A \ \&\& \ B \longrightarrow (A \ \&\& \ B)$
- $A \ \&\& \ B \ || \ C \longrightarrow ((A\&\&B) \ || \ C)$
- $A \ || \ B \ \&\& \ C \ || \ D \longrightarrow ((A \ || \ (B\&\&C)) \ || \ D)$
- $!A \longrightarrow !(A)$



Slides adapted from Dr. Andrew Steinberg's  
COP 3223H course