CS 2810: Computer Organization and Architecture

| Fall 2024 | Topics |
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| Aug 19-23 | binary, 2s complement, binary logic (ch1), linux, cli, ssh |
| Aug 26-30 | ch6: instructions, operands, memory, constants, logical/shift, mul/div, branch & jumps, conditionals & loops |
| Sep 2-6 (Labor Day) | gdb basics, floats intro, ch6: arrays, function calls, stack |
| Sep 9-13 | gdb memory, endianness, float conversions both ways |
| Sep 16-20 | functions, stack frames, memory map |
| Sep 23-27 | more debugger: ch7: microarchitecture, single-cycle processor |
| Sep 30-Oct 4 | ch7: multi-cycle processor, pipelining |
| Oct 7-11 | ch7: advanced microarchitecture |
| Oct 14-18 (Fall Break) | |
| Oct 21-25 (Fall Break) | - |
| Oct 28-Nov 1 | appx C: C overview, compilation |
| Nov 4-8 | appx C: variables, operators |
| Nov 11-15 | appx C: function calls, control flow |
| Nov 18-22 | appx C: pointers, arrays, characters, strings, structs, typedef |
| Nov 25-29 (<i>Thanksgiving</i>) | appx C: dynamic memory allocation, linked lists, standard library |
| Dec 2-6 (<i>Thursday</i> last day) | cpu history |

Note: Substantial changes to this schedule are likely and will be announced in class.

Resources

- Syllabus
- Adventure by Warren Robinett
- Examples from class

Getting started with Linux, CodeGrinder, GDB

- Installing Linux on Windows
- Installing RISC-V tools on MacOS
- Setting up CodeGrinder
- Command-line tutorial
- The missing semester of your CS education

Assembly, C, and architecture resources

- RISC-V cheat sheet
- Modern Microprocessors: A 90-minute Guide
- Beej's Guide to C Programming

Number conversions

- Binary and hexadecimal number systems (Khan Academy)
- Two's complement review (11:44)
- Float review (13:47)
- Converting numbers to floats (10:23)
- Python script to convert 9-bit floats into decimal fractions

Number conversion practice problems

- Binary/decimal/hex practice problems
- Two's complement practice problems

