

CSCI 150 OUTLINE
ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE/MACHINE ARCHITECTURE
 TEXT: Assembly Language for Intel-Based Computers
 5th Ed. K. Irvine, Prentice Hall

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Effective: SPRING 2008

MATERIAL TO BE COVERED	SECTIONS FROM TEXT	TIME LINE
Basic Concepts: Assembly language, applications, virtual machine concept, data representation, binary, hexadecimal, two's complement, Boolean operations.	1.1 - 1.5	2.5 Hours
Processor Architecture: basic design, instruction execution cycle, floating-point unit, memory management (real-address mode and protected mode), major components, input/output system.	2.1 - 2.6	2.5 Hours
Assembly Language Fundamentals: basic elements of Assembly language, assembler (assembling and linking programs), defining data, symbolic constants.	3.1 - 3.7	5 Hours
Data Transfers, Addressing and Arithmetic: data transfer instructions, addition and subtraction, data-related operators and directives, indirect addressing, flags, jump and loop instructions.	4.1 - 4.6	3.75 Hours
Procedures: linking to an external library, stack operations, defining and using procedures, saving and restoring registers, program design using procedures.	5.1 - 5.6	2.5 Hours
Conditional Processing: Boolean and comparison operators, conditional jumps, conditional loops, conditional structures.	6.1 - 6.5	2.5 Hours
Integer Arithmetic: shift and rotate instructions, multiplication and division, extended addition and subtraction, ASCII and packed decimal arithmetic (optional).	7.1 - 7.6	3.75 Hours
Advanced Procedures: local variables, parameters, pass by value and pass by reference, stack frames, memory models, recursion, creating multi-module programs.	8.1 - 8.6	3.75 Hours
Strings and Arrays: string primitive instructions, string routines, two-dimensional arrays, searching and sorting (optional).	9.1 - 9.5	2.5 Hours
Structures and Macros: structures and unions, macros (defining, invoking and examples), macro functions, conditional-assembly directives, defining repeat blocks.	10.1 - 10.5	2.5 Hours
High-Level Language Interface: general conventions, inline assembly code, linking to C++ programs.	12.1 - 12.4	1.25 Hours
Disk Fundamentals: tracks, cylinders, sectors, partitions, file systems (FAT and NTFS), disk directory, reading and writing disk sectors, system-level file functions, decoding a FAT table (optional).	14.1 - 14.6	2.5 Hours

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BIOS-Level Programming and DOS Programming: BIOS-level keyboard input and VIDEO programming (optional), DOS function calls, DOS file I/O services, run-time program structure, interrupt handling, memory organization (cache and virtual memory).	13.1 - 13.4 15.1 -15.3 16.1 - 16.4	5 Hours
Memory Management, 32-Bit Windows Programming (optional), floating-point arithmetic (optional).	11.1 - 11.4 17.1 - 1.72	2.5 Hours

*** 1 Hours = 1 hour of face time. ****This outline allows for 3 hours review and exams.

16 Week Term: 1 week = 2.8333 hours (face time) 6 Week Term: 1 week = 7.5 hours (face time)

Keep in mind that most holidays affect M/W or MWF classes, so this timeline, NOT the topical outline may need adjustment.

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