

Multi-Language Projects



One-Slide Summary

- Many modern software projects involve code written in **multiple languages**. This can involve a common **bytecode** or **C native** method interfaces.
- Native code interfaces can be understood in terms of (1) **data layout** and (2) special common **functions to manipulate** managed data.
- **Performance** modeling and **debugging** are complicated in multi-language projects.

Course Goals

- After completing this course, you will have learned how to implement compilers and interpreters. You will understand the theory and practice of lexing, parsing, semantic analysis, and code interpretation. You will also have gained practical experience programming in multiple different languages.

Lecture Outline

- Motivating Example
 - XOR (String Cryptography)
- Ocaml + C
 - Object Layout, Type Tags
 - Interfacing
- Python + C
 - Interfacing
- Java + C
 - Interfacing



Motivating Example

- Take out a piece of paper
- First: record every word you heard.
 - This will be hard.
- Second: translate.

practice, they became skilled storytellers:

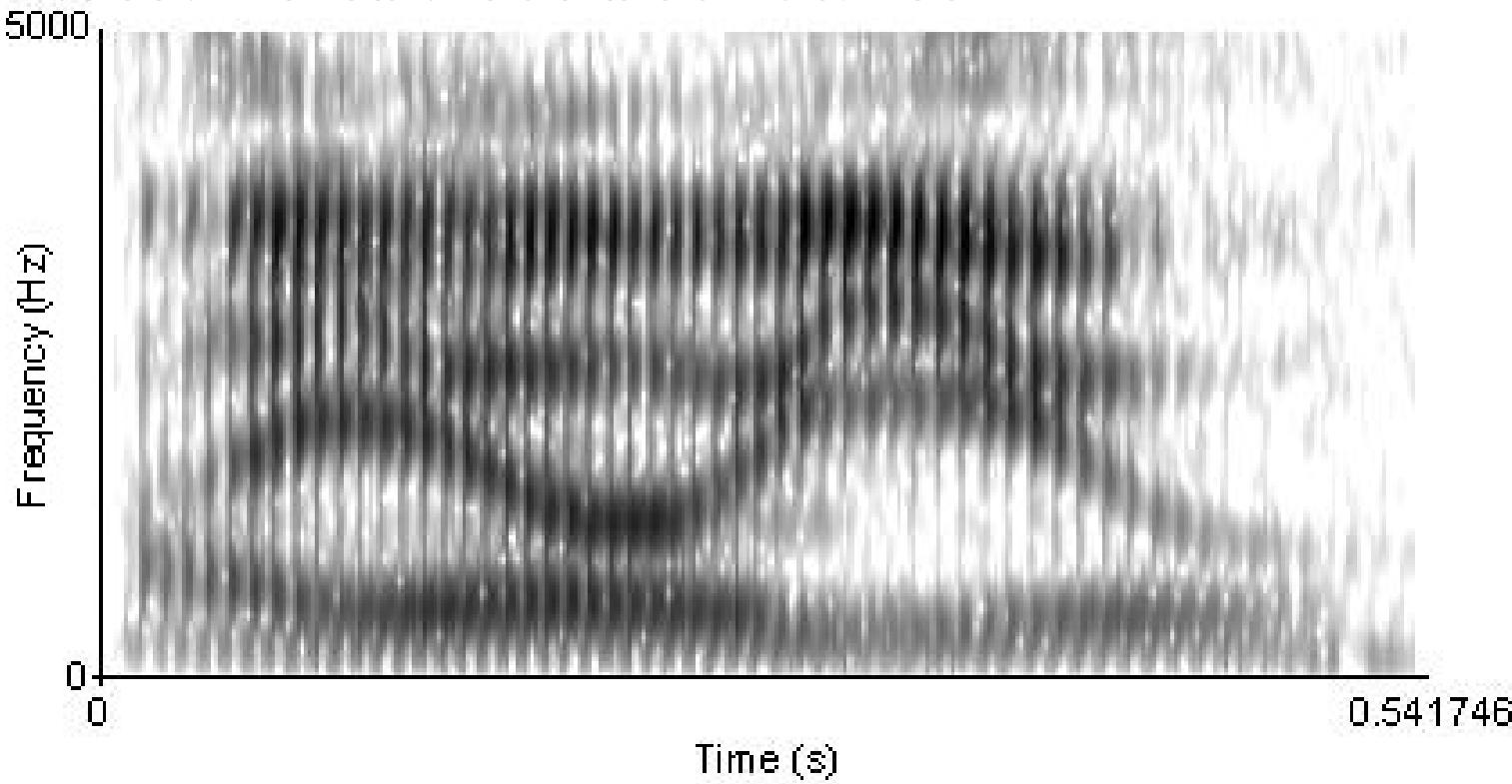
... So there I was, trapped in the Cove
of Death, staring into the drooling jaws
of Mongo, The Moose From Hell ...

This narrative style reached a climax with the invention of the romance novel:

... Helga, the voluptuous Moose Queen, slowly peeled off her gown
and uttered a moan as the mighty Ragnar clenched her in his tawny arms.
"Be gentle, my warrior," she sighed as he ran his tongue down her neck.
"Yoarrrrgggh!" he grunted. Helga's bosom heaved with desire as
Ragnar's hungry kisses grew ever more furious. "Yes!" she cried. "Yes!"

Speech Perception, Segmentation

- The spectrogram is for the phrase “I owe you”
 - cf. “Raw Data Layout”
 - Note: no obvious boundaries



Motivating Example

In un mondo splendido, colorato e magico

Little ponies vivono, in pace sempre in armonia

Timidi e simpatici, burberi e romantici

Sono i caratteri, degli amici che troverai

Ed ogni giorno crescerai, quanti problemi risolverai

Insieme agli altri pony, lo sai, ti divertirai!

Vola e vai, my little pony, se nuovi amici vorrai incontrare

Prendi il volo, ascolta il cuore, ed ogni avventura potrai affrontare!

Vola e vai, my little pony, realizza i tuoi sogni e non ti fermare!

In a world

splendid

colorful

magical

In un mondo splendido, colorato e magico

Little ponies vivono, in pace sempre in armonia

vivacious = living

semper fi =
always

harmony

Sono i caratteri decisamente vivaci, burbenti e roventi che troverai

Ed ogni giorno, Requiescat in pace = RIP
i problemi risolverai
peace

Insieme agli amici, ti divertirai!

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Prendi il volo, ascolta il cuore, ed ogni avventura potrai affrontare!

Vola e vai, my little pony, realizza i tuoi sogni e non ti fermare!

timid

sympathetic

brusque

romantic

Live ponies

vanno, in pace sempre

armonia

Timidi e simpatici, burberi e romantici

Sono i caratteri, degli amici che troverai

characters

crescerai

quanti

treasure trove =
found

Insieme agli altri

amicable =
friends

Vola e vai, my little pony, se nuovi amici vorrai incontrare

Prendi il volo, ascolta il cuore, ed ogni avventura potrai
affrontare!

Vola e vai, my little pony, realizza i tuoi sogni e non ti
fermare!

Multi-Language Projects In Two Stages

- First, reason about the **raw data layout**
- Second, translate **concepts** you already know
- We will reason about the raw data layout using C and Assembly
 - Projects almost always use C for performance-critical kernels and low-level OS/hardware interfacing.
 - C is the Lingua Franca of multi-language projects.

Traditional Multi-Language Projects

- **Application Kernel**
 - Statically Typed, Optimized, Compiled, interfaces with OS and libraries.
- **Scripts**
 - Dynamically Typed, Interpreted, Glue Components, Business Logic.
- Examples: Emacs (C / Lisp), Adobe Lightroom (C++ / Lua), NRAO Telescope (C / Python), Google Android (C / Java), most games (C++ / Lua),

Bytecode Multi-Language Projects

- Microsoft's **Common Language Runtime** of Managed Code in the .NET Framework
 - C++, C#, J#, F#, Visual Basic, ASP, etc.
 - Common Language Infrastructure
- **Java Bytecode**, Java Virtual Machine, Java Runtime Environment
 - Java, Scala, JRuby, JScheme, Jython, Fortress, etc.

Why Cover “Multi-Language”?

- Increasingly **common**. Developer quote:
 - “My last 4 jobs have been apps that called: Java from C#, and C# from F#; Java from Ruby; Python from Tcl, C++ from Python, and C from Tcl; Java from Python, and Java from Scheme (And that's not even counting SQL, JS, OQL, etc.)”
- Use the **best tool** for the job (Course Goal!)
 - Example: concurrency might be better handled in OCaml (immutable functional) or Ruby (designed to hide such details), while low-level OS or hardware access is much easier in C or C++ or Rust, while rapid prototyping is much easier in Python or Lua

Disadvantages of Multi-Language Projects

- Integrating data and control flow across languages can be difficult
- Debugging can be harder
 - Especially as values flow and control flow from language A to language B
- Build process becomes more complicated
- Developer expertise is required in multiple languages
 - Must understand type safety (etc.) in all languages

How Will We Do It?

In practice, interoperating between F# and C# (or any other CLR language) is relatively straightforward, once the "shape" of the code (what the language turns into at the IL level) in both languages is well understood.

- Ted Neward, Microsoft Developer Network



Worked Examples

- We are going to write a fast C-and-assembly routine for low-level processing.
- Then we will call that C code from
 - Python
 - Java
 - OCaml
- This will involve
 - Data Layout and Run-Time Organizations
 - Translating Familiar Concepts

Native Kernel: One-Time Pad

- One of the building blocks of modern cryptography is the **one-time pad**.
 - When used correctly it has a number of very desirable properties.
- To encrypt plaintext P with a key K (the one time pad) you produce ciphertext C as follows:
 - $\text{ciphertext}[i] = \text{plaintext}[i] \text{ XOR } \text{keytext}[i]$
 - A constant key **mask** may be also used for testing.
- Decryption also just xors with the key.

Basic Ocaml Implementation

```
type char_or_string =
| MyChar of char          (* constant bit pattern *)
| MyString of string      (* one-time pad *)

let ocaml_xor_function plain key =
  let cypher = String.create (String.length plain) in
  ( match key with
  | MyChar(mask) ->
    for i = 0 to pred (String.length plain) do
      cypher.[i] <- Char.chr
        ((Char.code plain.[i]) lxor (Char.code mask))
    done
  | MyString(keyt) ->
    for i = 0 to pred (String.length plain) do
      cypher.[i] <- Char.chr
        ((Char.code plain.[i]) lxor (Char.code keyt.[i]))
    done
  ) ; cypher
```

Telling Ocaml about C

```
external  
ocaml_name_for_c_xor_function :  
string -> char_or_string -> string  
= "c_string_xor"
```

- We are promising to provide a Native C function called “c_string_xor” that takes a “string”, a “char_or_string”, and returns a “string”.

Native C Implementation

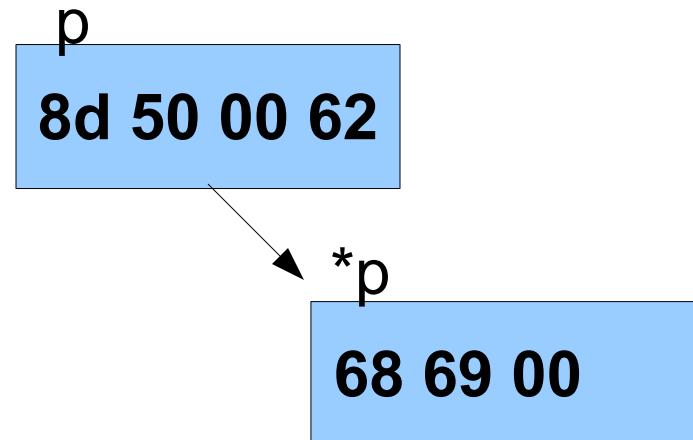
- Basic idea:
 - accept “string” and “char_or_string” as args
 - extract contents of “string” (plaintext)
 - examine “char_or_string”
 - If “char” (mask), extract character code value
 - If “string” (keytext), extract contents of string
 - create a new string (return value, ciphertext)
 - for loop (over length of string)
 - ciphertext = plaintext xor key
 - return ciphertext

The Problem

- `int x = 127;`



- `char * p = "hi";`



- `let cos = MyChar('\127') in`



The Problem

- let cos = MyChar('\127') in
cos

```
ff 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 fc 08 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..
```

- let cos2 = MyString("hi") in
cos2

```
60 8d 62 00 00 00 00 00 fc 04 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..
```

- let cos = MyCharacter
cos

```
ff 00 00 00 00
```

- let cos2 = MyCharacter
cos2

```
60 8d 62 00 00
```



The Problem

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60 8d 62 00 00 00 00 00 fc 04 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..
```

0x628d60

```
68 69 00 00 ..
```

Run-Time Type Tags

- let cos = MyChar('127') in
cos

00 04 00 00 00 00 00 00

ff 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 fc 08 00 00 00

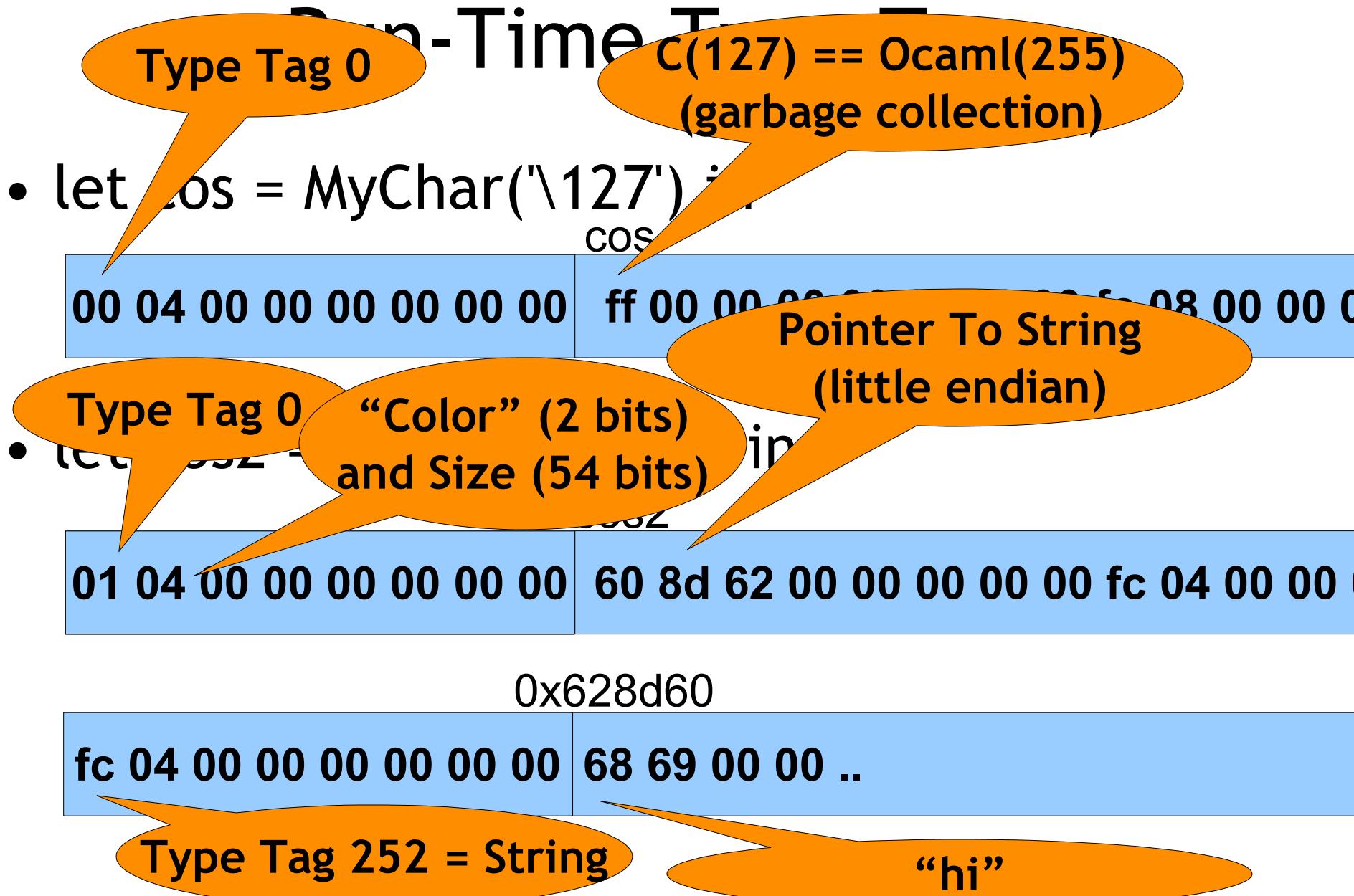
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cos2

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60 8d 62 00 00 00 00 00 fc 04 00 00 00

0x628d60

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Medieval History

(student “memorial”)



- This Greek-speaking descendant of the Roman Empire centered around Istanbul (was Constantinople) and conquered much of the Mediterranean coast. Greek fire, mosaics, orthodox Christianity, the crusades, and the Hagia Sophia are all associated with this empire.

Trivia: 1980-1989 Science Fiction

(student “memorial”)

- This 1986 James Cameron film is, among other things, the first movie to pass the *Bechdel Test* (two named women characters talk to each other about something other than a man).

Sports Trivia

(student “memorial”)



- This annual College Football award was founded in 1935 and is bestowed on the most outstanding player. Recent winners include Jayden Daniels (LSU), Caleb Williams (USC) and Bryce Young (Alabama).

Modern Languages

- These mutually-intelligible Central Semitic languages are closely related to Hebric, Phoenician and Aramaic. Used as a liturgical language for 1.6 billion Muslims as well as a natural language for 380M native speakers, it features a right-to-left script, open and closed syllables, elided vowels, and a rich literary tradition.
- Example: 

Special C File

```
CAMLprim value c_string_xor(value o_plain, value o_key) {
  CAMLparam2 (o_plain, o_key);
  CAMLlocal1 (o_cypher);
  int len = caml_string_length(o_plain) ;
  int i;
  char * n_plain = String_val(o_plain);
  char * n_cypher ;
  o_cypher = caml_alloc_string(len);
  n_cypher = String_val(o_cypher);
  if (Tag_val(o_key) == 0) { /* MyChar:Mask */
    char n_mask = Int_val(Field(v2, 0));
    for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i]^n_mask;
  } else if (Tag_val(o_key) == 1) { /* MyString:Key */
    char * n_keytext = String_val(Field(v2, 0));
    for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^
      n_keytext[i];
  }
  CAMLreturn(o_cypher);
}
```

Special C File

If you choose an answer to
this question at random, what
is the chance you will
be correct?

- A) 25 %
- B) 50 %
- C) 60 %
- D) 25 %

Special C File

```
CAMLprim value c_string_xor(value o_plain, value o_key) {
  CAMLparam2(o_plain, o_key);
  CAMLlocal1(o_cypher);
  int len = caml_string_length(o_plain);
  Macro: This C function will be called from Ocaml.
  o_cypher = caml_alloc_string(len);
  n_cypher = String_val(o_cypher);
  Typedef: Opaque Type for Ocaml-managed Data Values
  if (Tag_val(o_key) == 0) { /* MyChar:Mask */
    char n_mask = Int_val(Field(v2, 0));
    for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i]^n_mask;
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int i;
char * n_plain = String_val(o_plain);
char * n_cypher ;
o_cypher = caml_alloc_string(len);
n_cypher = String_val(o_cypher);
if (Tag_val(o_key) == 0) { /* MyChar */
    char n_mask = Int_val(Field(v2,
        for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_keytext[i];
    } else if (Tag_val(o_key) == 1) { /* MyString:Key */
        char * n_keytext = String_val(Field(v2, 0));
        for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^
            n_keytext[i];
    }
CAMLreturn(o_cypher);
}
```

Macros:
Play nice with Ocaml's garbage collector.

Functions:
Extract C-string From Ocaml-string (drop header)

Functions:
Make Ocaml-string (create header)

Special C File

```
CAMLprim value c_string_xor(value o_plain, value o_key) {
  CAMLparam2 (o plain, o key);
  CAMLlocal1 o_cypher;
  Macros, Functions:
  Check Type Tag
  (from Ocaml Header)
  char * n_cypher;
  char * n_keytext;
  o_cypher = caml_alloc_string(length(o plain));
  n_cypher = String_val(o_cypher);
  if (Tag_val(o key) == 0) { /* MyChar:Mask */
    char n_mask = Int_val(Field(v2, 0));
    for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = o plain[i]^n_mask;
  } else if (Tag_val(o key) == 1) {
    char * n_keytext = String_val(o key);
    for (i=0;i<len;i++) n_cypher[i] = o key[i]^n_keytext[i];
  }
  CAMLreturn(o_cypher);
}
```

Macros, Functions:
Check Type Tag
(from Ocaml Header)

Macros, Functions:
Extract Fields of
Ocaml Tuple (Block)

Macros:
Convert Ocaml-Int
To C-Int
(bit shift/mask)

Linking C and OCaml

```
$ ocamlopt -verbose -o odemo ocaml.ml cocaml.c
+ as -o 'ocaml.o' '/tmp/camlasmb117d1.s'
+ gcc -D_FILE_OFFSET_BITS=64 -D_REENTRANT -c
-I'/usr/lib/ocaml' 'cocaml.c'
+ as -o '/tmp/camlstartupf4cd24.o'
'/tmp/camlstartup31ba44.s'
+ gcc -o 'odemo' '-L/usr/lib/ocaml'
'/tmp/camlstartupf4cd24.o'
'/usr/lib/ocaml/std_exit.o' 'ocaml.o'
'/usr/lib/ocaml/stdlib.a' 'cocaml.o'
'/usr/lib/ocaml/libasmrun.a' -lm -ldl
```

- Just pass C files on the end of ocamlopt command line.

Linking C and OCaml

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'/tmp/camlstartup31ba44.s'  
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'/usr/lib/ocaml/std_exit.o' 'ocaml.o'  
'/usr/lib/ocaml/stdlib.a' 'cocaml.o'  
'/usr/lib/ocaml/libasmrun.a' -lm -ldl
```

Ocaml
created this ASM from
my "ocaml.ml"

Ocaml invokes GCC
To compile my
Special "C" file

Ocaml invokes GCC
to link all
object and library
files

- Just pass C files on the end of ocamlopt

XOR In Python

```
def python_string_xor(plain, key):
    cypher = bytearray('*'*len(plain))
    if type(key) is str:
        for i in range(len(plain)):
            cypher[i] = ord(plain[i]) ^ ord(key[i])
    else: # is char
        for i in range(len(plain)):
            cypher[i] = ord(plain[i]) ^ key
    return cypher
```

Interfacing Python with C

```
static PyObject * cpython_string_xor(PyObject *self, PyObject *args)
{
    const char *n_plain, *n_keytext;
    int plain_size, i, n_mask;
    if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#s", &n_plain, &plain_size, &n_keytext)) {
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_keytext[i];
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);
    } else if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#i", &n_plain, &plain_size, &n_mask)) {
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);
    }
    return NULL;
}
```

typedef:
Opaque type for
Python-controlled
Values.

```
static PyObject *  
PyCryptor_Cipher(PyObject *self, PyObject *args)  
{  
    const char *n_plain, *n_keytext;  
    int plain_size, i, n_mask;  
  
    if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#", &n_plain, &plain_size, &n_keytext)) {  
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);  
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)  
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_keytext[i];  
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);  
    } else if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#i", &n_plain, &plain_size, &n_mask)) {  
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);  
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)  
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;  
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);  
    }  
    return NULL;  
}
```

All functions are
“variable argument”.

Duck typing:
Can we interpret
The arguments as two strings?

Interfacing Python with C

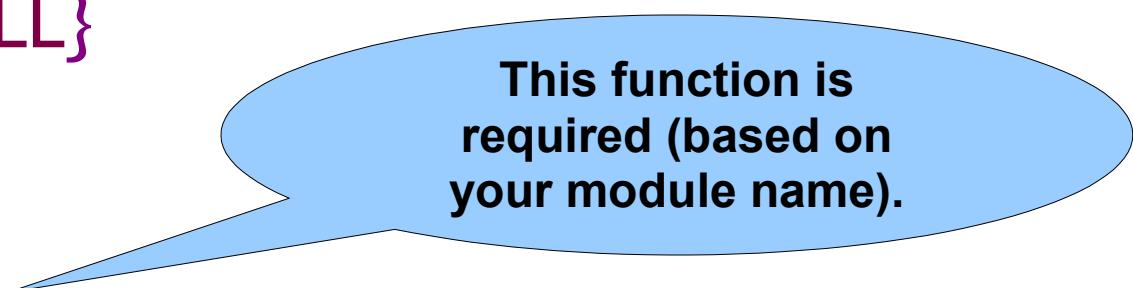
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static PyObject * cpython_string_xor(PyObject *self, PyObject *args)
{
    const char *n_plain, *n_keytext;
    int plain_size, i, n_mask;
    if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#s", &n_plain, &n_keytext, &plain_size, &n_keytext)) {
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_keytext[i];
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);
    } else if (PyArg_ParseTuple(args, "s#i", &n_plain, &plain_size, &n_mask)) {
        char * n_cypher = malloc(plain_size);
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++)
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        return Py_BuildValue("s#", n_cypher, plain_size);
    }
    return NULL;
}
```

Function:
Build a Python String
from a C string.

Duck Typing:
Can we interpret the
arguments as a string
followed by an int?

Interfacing Python with C, cont'd

```
static PyMethodDef CpythonMethods[] = {  
    {"string_xor", cpython_string_xor, METH_VARARGS,  
     "XOR a string with a string-or-character"},  
    {NULL, NULL, 0, NULL}  
};
```



This function is required (based on your module name).

```
PyMODINIT_FUNC initcpython(void)  
{  
    (void) Py_InitModule("cpython", CpythonMethods);  
}
```

Linking Our Native Python Code

- `gcc -pthread -fno-strict-aliasing -DNDEBUG
-g -fwrapv -O2 -Wall -Wstrict-prototypes
-fPIC -I/usr/include/python2.7 -c cpython.c
-o build/temp.linux-x86_64-2.7/cpython.o`
- `gcc -pthread -shared -Wl,-O1 -Wl,-
Bsymbolic-functions -Wl,-Bsymbolic-
functions -Wl,-z,relro build/temp.linux-
x86_64-2.7/cpython.o -o build/lib.linux-
x86_64-2.7/cpython.so`

Linking Our Native Python Code

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-o build/temp.linux-x86_64-2.7/cpython.o
```
- ```
gcc -pthread -shared -Wl,-O1 -Wl,--symbolic-functions -Wl,--no-undefined -Wl,-z,relro  
build/temp.linux-x86_64-2.7/cpython.o -o build/lib.linux-x86_64-2.7/cpython.so
```

Position Independent Code
(see lecture on Libraries)

Build Shared Library Code
(see lecture on Libraries)

.so = .dll = shared library

Interfacing C with Python

```
import cpython    # loads cpython.so  
...  
if do_native:  
    result = cpython.string_xor(plaintext,  
        char_or_string_key)  
else:  
    result = python_string_xor(plaintext,  
        char_or_string_key)
```

Programming Paradigms

- This “pass a string or an integer as the second argument” plan ...
 - Works well for Functional (algebraic datatypes)
 - Works well for Dynamic (duck typing)
 - Is not a natural fit for Object-Oriented
 - More natural: dynamic dispatch on “string-or-int”
- abstract class StringOrInt
- class StringOrInt_IsInt extends StringOrInt
- class StringOrInt_IsString extends StringOrInt

Java Code (1/2)

```
abstract class StringOrInt {  
    abstract public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] str1);  
}  
  
class StringOrInt_IsInt extends StringOrInt {  
    public int my_int;  
    public StringOrInt_IsInt (int i) { my_int = i; }  
    public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] plain) {  
        byte [] cypher = new byte[plain.length];  
        for (int i = 0; i < plain.length; i++)  
            cypher[i] = (byte) ((int) plain[i] ^ my_int);  
        return cypher;  
    } }
```

Java Code (1 / 2)

Java's String is so tied up in encodings that it's not raw-content-preserving.

```
abstract class StringOrInt {
```

```
    abstract public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] str1);
```

```
}
```

```
class StringOrInt_IsInt extends StringOrInt {
```

```
    public int my_int;
```

```
    public StringOrInt_IsInt (int i) { my_int = i; }
```

```
    public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] plain) {
```

```
        byte [] cypher = new byte[plain.length];
```

```
        for (int i = 0; i < plain.length; i++) {
```

```
            cypher[i] = (byte) ((int) plain[i] ^ my_int);
```

```
        return cypher;
```

```
}
```

Cutely, Java warns about a lack of precision here (int/byte) unless you cast.

Java Code (2/2)

```
abstract class StringOrInt {  
    abstract public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] str1);  
}  
  
class StringOrInt_IsString extends StringOrInt {  
    public byte[] my_string;  
    public StringOrInt_IsString (byte[] s) { my_string = s; }  
    public byte[] java_string_xor (byte[] plain) {  
        byte [] cypher = new byte[plain.length];  
        for (int i = 0; i < plain.length; i++)  
            cypher[i] = (byte) (plain[i] ^ my_string[i]);  
        return cypher;  
    } }
```

Tell Java about the Native Method

```
static {  
    /* load native library */  
    System.loadLibrary("cjava");
```

```
}
```

```
private static native byte[]  
c_string_xor(byte[] plain, StringOrInt key);
```

C Code using JNI (1/2)

```
JNIEEXPORT jbyteArray JNICALL Java_StringXOR_c_1string_1xor
(JNIEnv * env, jclass self, jbyteArray jplain, jobject jkey)
{
    jbyte * n_plain = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements
                           (env, jplain, NULL);
    size_t plainsize = (*env)->GetArrayLength(env, j_plain);
    jclass key_cls = (*env)->GetObjectClass(env, jkey);
    jfieldID fid;
    int i;
    jbyteArray jcipher = (*env)->NewByteArray(env, plainsize);
    jbyte * n_cypher = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env,
                                                    jcipher, NULL);

    fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_int", "I");
    if (fid != NULL) {
        /* key has "int my_int;" field */
        jint n_mask = (*env)->GetIntField(env, jkey, fid);
        for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++) {
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        }
    } else {
```

Macro:

This function is visible to Java.

Typedef:

Opaque types for Java objects.

```
C Code Using JNI
```

```
JNIEXPORT jbyteArray JNICALL Java_StringXOR_c_1string_1xor
(JNIEnv * env, jclass self, jbyteArray jplain, jobject jkey)
{
    jbyte * n_cypher = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env,
                                                    jplain, &jplain_size);
    jbyte * n_plain = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env,
                                                    jkey, &jkey_size);

    int i;
    jbyteArray jcipher = (*env)->NewByteArray(env, plain_size);
    jbyte * n_cypher = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env,
                                                    jcipher, &jcipher_size);

    fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_int", "I");
    if (fid != NULL) {
        /* key has "int my_int;" field */
        jint n_mask = (*env)->GetIntField(env, jkey, fid);
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++) {
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        }
    } else {
        /* key does not have "my_int" field */
        /* Create a new array with the same size as plain */
        jcipher_size = plain_size;
        jcipher = (*env)->NewByteArray(env, jcipher_size);
        /* Copy the plain array to the cipher array */
        for (i=0;i<plain_size;i++) {
            jcipher[i] = n_plain[i];
        }
    }
}
```

Java Native Interface
environment
provides services for
manipulating Java values.

Remember
when we said
the receiver
object was passed
as a hidden first
'self' parameter?

C Code: JNI (1/2)

```
JNIEEXPORT jbyteArray JNICALL Java_com_example_myapp_R_c_1string_1xor
(JNIEnv * env, jbyteArray jplain, jobject jkey)
{
    jbyte * n_plain = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements
                           (env, jplain, NULL);
    size_t plainsize = (*env)->GetArrayLength(env, j_plain);
    jclass key_cls = (*env)->GetObjectClass(env, jkey);
    jfieldID fid;
    int i;
    jbyteArray jcipher;
    jbyte * n_cypher;

    fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_int", "I");
    if (fid != NULL) {
        /* key has "int my_int;" field */
        jint n_mask = (*env)->GetIntField(env, jkey, fid);
        for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++) {
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        }
    } else {
        /* key does not have "my_int" field */
        n_cypher = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements
                           (env, jplain, plainsize);
    }
}
```

Function:
extract C string from Java
byte[]. “Drop tags”, etc.

Function:
Extract type tag from
Object. Each object
is an instance of a class.

C Code using JNI (1/2)

```
JNIEEXPORT jbyteArray JNICALL Java_StringXOR_c_1string_1xor  
(JNIEnv * env, jclass self, jbyteArray jplain, jobject jkey)  
{  
    jbyte * n_plain; // GetByteArrayElements  
    jbyte * n_cypher; // GetByteArrayElements  
    jint n_mask; // GetIntField  
    if (n_plain = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env, jplain, &n_plain, NULL) ;  
        n_cypher = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements(env, jkey, &n_cypher, NULL) ;  
        fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_int", "I") ;  
        if (fid != NULL) {  
            /* key has "int my_int;" field */  
            jint n_mask = (*env)->GetIntField(env, jkey, fid) ;  
            for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++) {  
                n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;  
            }  
        } else {  
            // handle error  
        }  
    } // ReleaseByteArrayElements  
}
```

Function:
This is the _____ from _____:
is there an int field named “my_int”
in this class (or inherited
from its parents)? If so, at what
position/offset does it live?

C Code using JNI (1/2)

```
JNIEEXPORT jbyteArray JNICALL Java_StringXOR_c_1string_1xor
(JNIEnv * env, jclass self, jbyteArray jplain, jobject jkey)
{
    jbyte * n_plain;
    jbyte * n_cypher;
    jint plainsize;
    jbyte n_mask;
    jbyte n_cypher[plainsize];
    jbyte n_plain[plainsize];
    jbyteArrayElements(env, jplain, &n_plain);
    GetByteArrayElements(env, jkey, &n_cypher);
    GetIntFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_int", &fid);
    if (fid != NULL) {
        /* key has "int my_int;" field */
        jint n_mask = (*env)->GetIntField(env, jkey, fid);
        for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++) {
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_mask;
        }
    } else {
        // fall back to XOR
        for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++) {
            n_cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ 0xFF;
        }
    }
    return n_cypher;
}
```

Function:
This is the CLASS MAP from PA4.
Is there an int field named “my_int”
in this class (or inherited
from its parents)? If so, at what
position/offset does it live?

C Code using JNI (2/2)

```
else {

    fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_string", "[B");
    if (fid != NULL) {

        /* key has "byte[] my_string;" field */
        jbyteArray jkeyt = (*env)->GetObjectField(env, jkey, fid);
        jbyte * n_keytext = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements
                            (env, jkeyt, NULL);

        for (i=0;i<plainsize;i++)
            cypher[i] = n_plain[i] ^ n_keytext[i];
        (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jkeyt, n_keytext, 0);
    }

    (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jplain, n_plain, 0);
    (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jcypher, n_cypher, 0);
    return jcypher;
}
```

C Code using JNI (2/2)

```
else {  
    fid = (*env)->GetFieldID(env, key_cls, "my_string", "[B");  
    if (fid != NULL) {  
        /* key has "byte[] my_string" */  
        jbyteArray jkeyt = (*env)->GetObjectField(env, jkey, fid);  
        jbyte * n_keytext = (*env)->GetByteArrayElements  
            (env, jkeyt, NULL);  
  
        /* Copying elements */  
        for (i = 0; i < n; i++)  
            n_keytext[i] = plain[i];  
  
        (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jkeyt, n_keytext, 0);  
    }  
    (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jplain, n_plain, 0);  
    (*env)->ReleaseByteArrayElements(env, jcipher, n_cypher, 0);  
    return jcipher;  
}
```

CLASS MAP again.
“[B” == “[] Byte”

Can indicate whether
elements were copied or shared.

Playing nice with
the garbage collector.

Compiling, Linking and Running JNI

```
gcc -I $(JAVA)/include \
      -o libcjava.so -shared -fPIC cjava.c
javac StringXOR.java
java -Djava.library.path=. StringXOR
```

- That's it!
- “javap” also exists to automatically generate header files for C JNI implementations.

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Actual Numbers



Actual Numbers (You Explain)

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What?

What?

“Master's Degree Level” Problem Solving Example

- Input:
 - 4b50 0403 0014 0000 0008 59b7 42cd 0ed7
- Expected Output, XOR with '\127':
 - 342f 7b7c 7f6b 7f7f 7f77 26c8 3db2 71a8
- Actual Output, Deterministic:
 - b4af fbfc ffeb ffff fff7 a648 bd32 f128
- What's the bug?

— Oceanic Native Interface

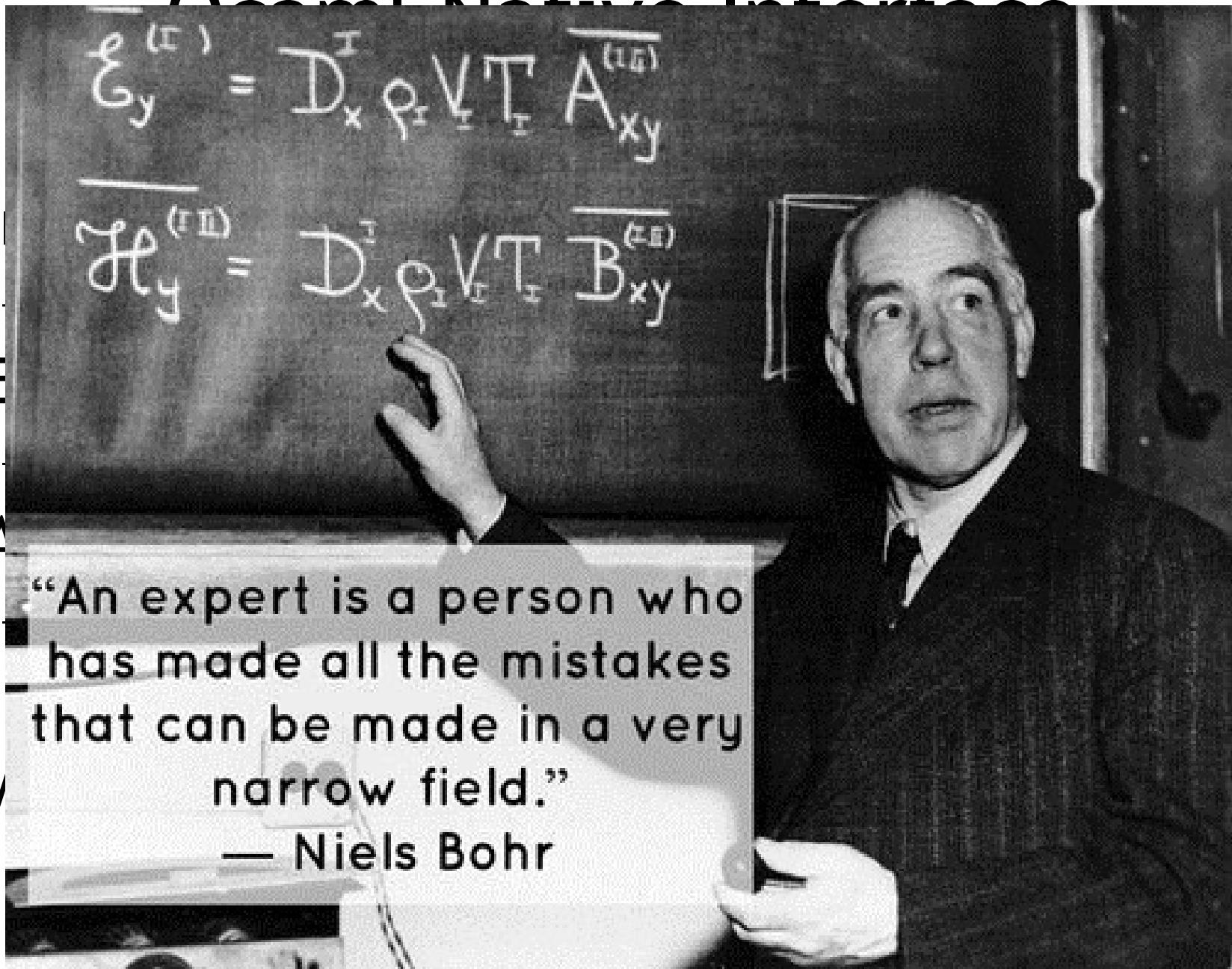
$$\mathcal{E}_y^{(I)} = D_x \rho_i V T_i \overline{A}_{xy}^{(15)}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_y^{(II)} = D_x \rho_i V T_i \overline{B}_{xy}^{(25)}$$

- I
- E
- A
- V

“An expert is a person who has made all the mistakes that can be made in a very narrow field.”

— Niels Bohr



Homework

- PA4 Due Thursday
- PA5t Due Soon!