

More on C Programming

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- **Program control**
- **Advanced data types**
- **File handling**

Program control

- **C provides two styles of flow control:**
 - Branching (**If** , **if-else** and **switch** structures)
 - Looping (**while loop**, **do loop** and **do...while loop**)
- **Branching** is deciding what actions to take. We call it ***branching*** because the program will choose to follow one branch or another.
- **Looping** is deciding how many times to take a certain action.

if statement

- **if** statements take the following form:

```
if (expression)
statement;
```

```
if (expression)
{
Block of
statements;
}
```

```
if (expression)
{
Block of
statements;
}else {
Block of
statements;
}
```

```
if (expression)
{
Block of statements;
}else if(expression)
{
Block of statements;
}else {
Block of statements;
}
```

- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `main() {`
 - `int cows = 6;`
 - `if (cows > 1)`
 - `printf("We have cows\n");`
 - `if (cows > 10)`
 - `printf("lots of them!\n");`
 - `else`
 - `printf("Executing else part...!\n");`
 - `if (cows == 5)`
 - `printf("We have 5 cows\n");`
 - `else if(cows == 6)`
 - `printf("We have 6 cows\n");`
- `}`

switch statement:

- **The switch statement is much like a nested if .. else statement**
- switch (<variable>) {
- case this-value: Code to execute if <variable> == this-value
 - break;
- case that-value: Code to execute if <variable> == that-value
 - break; ...
- default: Code to execute if <variable> does not equal the value following any of the cases
 - break; }

- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `main() {`
 - `int Grade = 'A';`
 - `switch(Grade) {`
 - `case 'A' : printf("Excellent\n");`
 - `break;`
 - `case 'B' : printf("Good\n");`
 - `break;`
 - `case 'C' : printf("OK\n");`
 - `break;`
 - `case 'D' : printf("Mmmmm....\n");`
 - `break;`
 - `default : printf("What is your grade anyway?\n");`
 - `break;`
 - `}`
 - `}`

Looping

- Loops provide a way to repeat commands and control how many times they are repeated.
- **while loop**
- **for loop**
- **do...while loop**

While Loop

```
while ( expression )  
{  
    Single statement  
    or  
    Block of statements;  
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>  
main()  
{  
    int i = 10;  
    while ( i > 0 )  
    {  
        printf("Hello %d\n", i );  
        i = i -1;  
    }  
}
```

For LOOP

```
for( expression1;  
expression2; expression3)  
{  
    Single statement  
    or  
    Block of statements;  
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>  
main() {  
    int i; int j = 10;  
  
    for( i = 0; i <= j; i ++ ) {  
        printf("Hello %d\n", i );  
    }  
}
```

Do...While LOOP

```
do {  
    Single statement  
    or  
    Block of statements;  
}while(expression);
```

```
#include <stdio.h>  
main() {  
    int i = 10;  
    do{  
        printf("Hello %d\n", i );  
        i = i -1;  
    }  
    while ( i > 0 );  
}
```

break and continue statements

- C provides two commands to control how we loop:
- **break** -- exit form loop or switch.
- **continue** -- skip 1 iteration of loop.

- #include <stdio.h>
- main(){
 - int i; int j = 10;
 - for(i = 0; i <= j; i ++) {
 - if(i == 5) { continue; }
 - printf("Hello %d\n", i);
 - }
- }

- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `main(){`
 - `int x ;`
 - `for (x=0 ; x<=100 ; x++) {`
 - `if (x%2) { continue;}`
 - `printf("%d\n" , x);`
 - `}`
- `}`
- `a % b`
- produces the remainder when **a** is divided by **b**;
and zero when there is no remainder.

Advanced Data Types

- **Arrays**
- **Pointers**
- **string**

```
main(){
```

- `int a1,a2,a3,a4,a5;`
- `scanf("%d %d %d %d %d",&a1,&a2,&a3,&a4,&a5);`
- `printf("%d %d %d %d %d",a5,a4,a3,a2,a1);`
- `}`

Arrays

- **type array[size]**
- **int a[5]**
- Declares an array called **a** with five elements. The first element is **a[0]** and the last **a[4]**.
- **int a[5] = {1,2,3,4,5};**
- Declares an integer array and initializes it so that **a[0]= 1**, **a[1] = 2** and so on
- If you omit the size of the array, an array just big enough to hold the initialization is created.
- **double balance[] = {1000.0, 2.0, 3.4, 17.0, 50.0};**

- Following is an example of array declaration, assignment.
- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `int main () {`
 - `int n[10]; /* n is an array of 10 integers */`
 - `int i,j; /* initialize elements of array n to 0 */`
 - `for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) {`
 - `n[i] = i + 100; /*SetElement at location i to i + 100 */`
 - `}`
 - `/* output each array element's value */`
 - `for (j = 0; j < 10; j++) {`
 - `printf("Element[%d] = %d\n", j, n[j]);`
 - `}`
- `return 0;`
- `}`

Pointers

Every memory location has its address which can be accessed using ampersand (&) operator.

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

```
int main () {
```

```
    int var1; char var2[10];
```

```
    printf("Address of var1 variable: %x\n", &var1 );
```

```
    printf("Address of var2 variable: %x\n", &var2 );
```

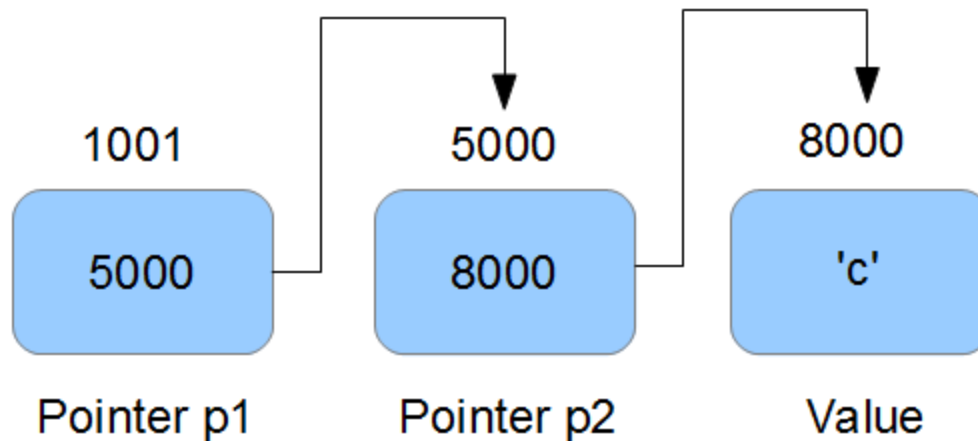
```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

Pointers

- A *pointer* is a variable that stores location of memory.
- In more fundamental terms, a pointer stores the *address* of another variable .
- In more picturesque terms, a pointer points to another variable.

- Lets suppose we have a pointer 'p1' that points to another pointer 'p2' that points to a character 'ch'. In memory, the three variables can be visualized as :



- So we can see that in memory, pointer p1 holds the address of pointer p2. Pointer p2 holds the address of character 'ch'.

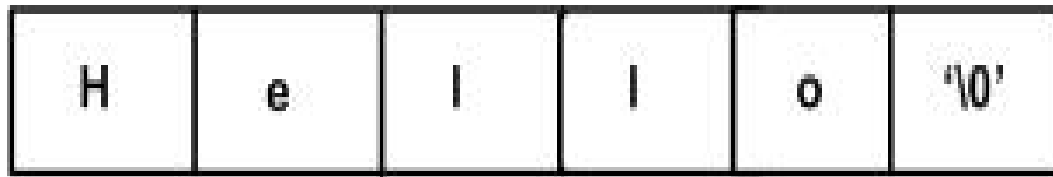
- A pointer has to be declared just like any other variable.
- **int *p;**
- **p** is the name of our variable. The '*' informs the compiler that we want a pointer variable, i.e. to store an address in memory. The **int** says that we intend to use our pointer variable to store the address of an integer. Such a pointer is said to "point to" an integer.
- **To declare a pointer add * in front of its name.**
- **To obtain the address of a variable use & in front of its name.**
- **To obtain the value of a variable use * in front of a pointer's name**

- **int *a , b, c;**
- Declares a pointer to an **int** and two **int** variables, not 3 pointers.
- **b = 10;**
- **a = &b;**
- The **&** operator returns the address of a variable. It stores the address of **b** in **a**. So **a** points to **b**
- **c = *a;**
- Stores the value in the variable pointed to by **a** in **c**. As **a** points to **b**, its value 10 is stored in **c**.
- In other words, this is a long way of writing
- **c = b;**
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- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `int main() {`
 - `int x; /* A normal integer*/`
 - `int *p; /* A pointer to an integer ("*p" is an integer, so p must be a pointer to an integer) */`
 - `p = &x; /* Read it, "assign the address of x to p */`
 - `Printf("Please give x a value: ");`
 - `scanf("%d", &x); /* Put a value in x*/`
 - `printf(" Address is %d\n", p); /* Note the use of the * to get the value */`
- `}`

string

- A **string** is just an array of characters which is terminated by a **null** character '\0'.
- **char greeting[6] = {'H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0'};**
- you can write the above statement as follows:
- **char greeting[] = "Hello";**
- Following is the memory presentation of above defined string



- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `int main () {`
 - `char greeting[6] = {'H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0'};`
 - `printf("Greeting message: %s\n", greeting);`
 - `return 0;`
- `}`

- C supports a wide range of functions that manipulate null-terminated strings:
- **strcpy(s1, s2);**
Copies string s2 into string s1.
- **strcat(s1, s2);**
Concatenates string s2 onto the end of string s1.
- **strlen(s1);**
Returns the length of string s1.

- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `#include <string.h>`
- `int main () {`
 - `char str1[12] = "Hello"; char str2[12] = "World"; char str3[12];`
 - `int len ;`
 - `/* copy str1 into str3 */`
 - `strcpy(str3, str1);`
 - `printf("strcpy(str3, str1) : %s\n", str3);`
 - `/* concatenates str1 and str2 */`
 - `strcat(str1, str2);`
 - `printf("strcat(str1, str2): %s\n", str1);`
 - `/* total length of str1 after concatenation */`
 - `len = strlen(str1);`
 - `printf("strlen(str1) : %d\n", len);`
- `return 0;`
- `}`

File Handling

- C communicates with files using a new data type called a file pointer. This type is defined within `stdio.h`, and written as `FILE *`.
- A file pointer called `f` is declared in a statement like **`FILE *f;`**
- `#include<stdio.h>`

```
int main(){
```

- `FILE *f;`
`return 0;`

```
• }
```

- **open a file for reading or writing**
- **read/write the contents of a file**
- **close the file**

- **Opening a file with fopen**

- The program must open a file before it can access it.

- `#include<stdio.h>`

```
int main(){
```

- `FILE *f;`

```
    f = fopen("test.txt","w");
```

```
    return 0;
```

- `}`

- "r" Open file for reading

- "w" Open file for writing

- "a" Open file for appending

- **Closing a file using fclose**
- The fclose command can be used to disconnect a file pointer from a file.
- **fclose(file);**
- If files are still open when a program exits, the system will close them for you. However it is usually better to close the files properly.

Input /Output with file pointers

- To work with text input and output, you use **fprintf** and **fscanf**, both of which are similar to their friends **printf** and **scanf** except that you must pass the FILE pointer as first argument.
- #include <stdio.h>
- main() {
 - FILE *fp;
 - fp = fopen(" test.txt", "w");
 - fprintf(fp, "This is testing...\n");
 - fclose(fp);
- }

fscanf

- **Here is an example which will be used to read from a file:**
- *fscanf* stops reading after the first space character encounters
- #include <stdio.h>
- main() {
 - FILE *fp;
 - char buffer[20];
 - fp = fopen("test.txt", "r");
 - fscanf(fp, "%s", buffer);
 - printf("Read Buffer: %s\n", buffer);
 - fclose(fp);
- }

- **It is also possible to read (or write) a single character or a string to a file by**
- `fputc` `fputc(int c, FILE *fp);`
- `fputs` `fputs(const char *s, FILE *fp);`
fputs("This is testing for fputs...\n", fp);
- `fgetc` `fgetc (FILE *fp);`
- `fgets` `char *fgets(char *buf, int n, FILE *fp);`
fgets(buff, 255, (FILE)fp);*

- `#include <stdio.h>`
- `main() {`
 - `FILE *fp;`
 - `fp = fopen("test.txt", "w");`
 - `fputs("This is testing for fputs...\n", fp);`
 - `fclose(fp);`
- `}`

Questions