

*Introduction to Programming *

Basics of C: Keywords, Identifiers, Datatypes, variable constants, Input/output, operators, storage close format specifiers

- Control Statement: if else, for, while do while loop, switch. break, continue
- Functions & Recursion : Actual & formal arguments, Parameter Passing technique ,Scoping
- concept of pointer : Introduction Pointer & Array, Pointer & function, Dynamic memory allocation

Strings: Library functions, Pointer & strings..

-Structure & union.

-File Handling.

Features of C

1. High level lang.
2. Small level lang having 32 keywords
3. Core lang. as many other programming language are dependent on C
4. Portable
5. Built in functions & operators.
6. Structured lang.
7. Pointers
8. Extensible lang.
9. Compilation and execution is faster.
10. Dynamic memory allocation
11. Platform dependent

Structure of C

1. Documentation section—

(includes `//`, `/* */`) comments.

2. Link section-- (`#include <stdio.h>`) → → (printf scanf)

++ (Standard input output)

`#include <conio.h>` -> getch()

++(Console input output)

`#include <math.h>` (√, power).

`#include <string.h>` ->(strlen, strcmp, etc)

Definition Section - `# define pi 3.14159`

`# define max 200` etc.

4. Global declaration section -- `int a`, `void sum()`, `void sub()`

5. Main function- `int main()`,

6. Sub Program Section

Variables in C

A **variable** is a name of the memory location. It is used to store data. Its value can be changed, and it can be reused many times.

It is a way to represent memory location through symbol so that it can be easily identified.

Let's see the syntax to declare a variable:

```
A= 50
```

```
B= 60
```

```
int a: 10
```

```
float a= 3.14
```

```
Char as 'a'
```

```
→ void main()
```

```
{
```

```
Int a ;
```

```
a = 10
```

```
print f("%d", a);
```

```
getch();
```

```
}
```

*Rules for Constructing variable names.

Variables different variables

Average NUM

Sum 12 Num

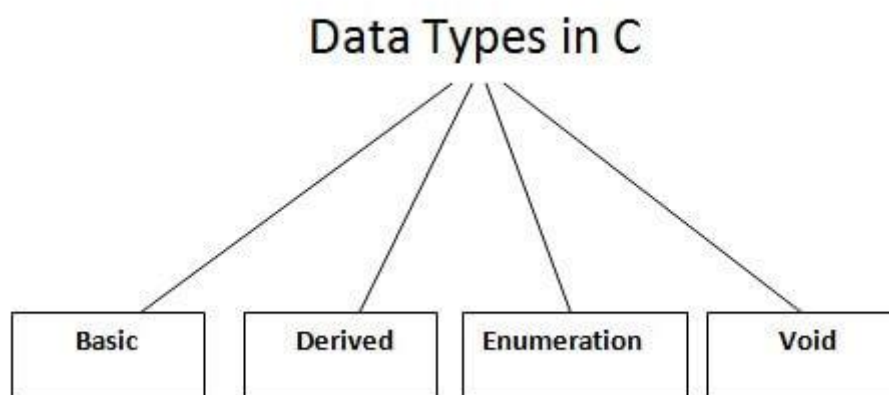
Sum _12 num

_sum

Etc.

Data Types in C

A data type specifies the type of data that a variable can store such as integer, floating, character, etc.



There are the following data types in C language.

Types	Data Types
Basic Data Type	int, char, float, double
Derived Data Type	array, pointer, structure, union
Enumeration Data Type	enum
Void Data Type	void

Keywords in C

A keyword is a **reserved word**. You cannot use it as a variable name, constant name, etc. There are only 32 reserved words (keywords) in the C language.

A list of 32 keywords in the c language is given below:

auto	break	case	char	const	continue	default	do
double	else	enum	extern	float	for	goto	if
int	long	register	return	short	signed	sizeof	static
struct	switch	typedef	union	unsigned	void	volatile	while

C Identifiers

C identifiers represent the name in the C program, for example, variables, functions, arrays, structures, unions, labels, etc. An identifier can be composed of letters such as uppercase, lowercase letters, underscore, digits, but the starting letter should be either an alphabet or an underscore. If the identifier is not used in the external linkage, then it is called as an internal identifier. If the identifier is used in the external linkage, then it is called as an external identifier.

Rules for constructing C identifiers

- o The first character of an identifier should be either an alphabet or an underscore, and then it can be followed by any of the character, digit, or underscore.
- o It should not begin with any numerical digit.
- o In identifiers, both uppercase and lowercase letters are distinct. Therefore, we can say that identifiers are case sensitive.
- o Commas or blank spaces cannot be specified within an identifier.

- o Keywords cannot be represented as an identifier.
- o The length of the identifiers should not be more than 31 characters.
- o Identifiers should be written in such a way that it is meaningful, short, and easy to read.

Example of valid identifiers

1. total, sum, average, _m _, sum_1, etc.

C Operators

An operator is simply a symbol that is used to perform operations. There can be many types of operations like arithmetic, logical, bitwise, etc.

There are following types of operators to perform different types of operations in C language.

- o Arithmetic Operators
- o Relational Operators
- o Shift Operators
- o Logical Operators
- o Bitwise Operators
- o Ternary or Conditional Operators
- o Assignment Operator
- o Misc Operator

Category	Operator	Associativity
Postfix	() [] -> . ++ --	Left to right
Unary	+ - ! ~ ++ -- (type)* & sizeof	Right to left
Multiplicative	* / %	Left to right
Additive	+ -	Left to right
Shift	<< >>	Left to right

Relational	< <= > >=	Left to right
Equality	== !=	Left to right
Bitwise AND	&	Left to right
Bitwise XOR	^	Left to right
Bitwise OR		Left to right
Logical AND	&&	Left to right
Logical OR		Left to right
Conditional	?:	Right to left
Assignment	= += -= *= /= %= >>= <<= &= ^= =	Right to left
Comma	,	Left to right

C Control Statements

C if-else

The if-else statement in C is used to perform the operations based on some specific condition. The operations specified in if block are executed if and only if the given condition is true.

There are the following variants of if statement in C language.

- o If statement
- o If-else statement
- o If else-if ladder
- o Nested if

C switch

The switch statement in C is an alternate to if-else-if ladder statement which allows us to execute multiple operations for the different possible values of a single variable called switch variable. Here, We can define various statements in the multiple cases for the different values of a single variable.

C Loops

The looping can be defined as repeating the same process multiple times until a specific condition satisfies. There are three types of loops used in the C language. In this part of the tutorial, we are going to learn all the aspects of C loops.

Why use loops in C language?

The looping simplifies the complex problems into the easy ones. It enables us to alter the flow of the program so that instead of writing the same code again and again, we can repeat the same code for a finite number of times. For example, if we need to print the first 10 natural numbers then, instead of using the printf statement 10 times, we can print inside a loop which runs up to 10 iterations.

Advantage of loops in C

- 1) It provides code reusability.
- 2) Using loops, we do not need to write the same code again and again.
- 3) Using loops, we can traverse over the elements of data structures (array or linked lists).

Types of C Loops

There are three types of loops in [C language](#)

that is given below:

1. do while
2. while
3. for

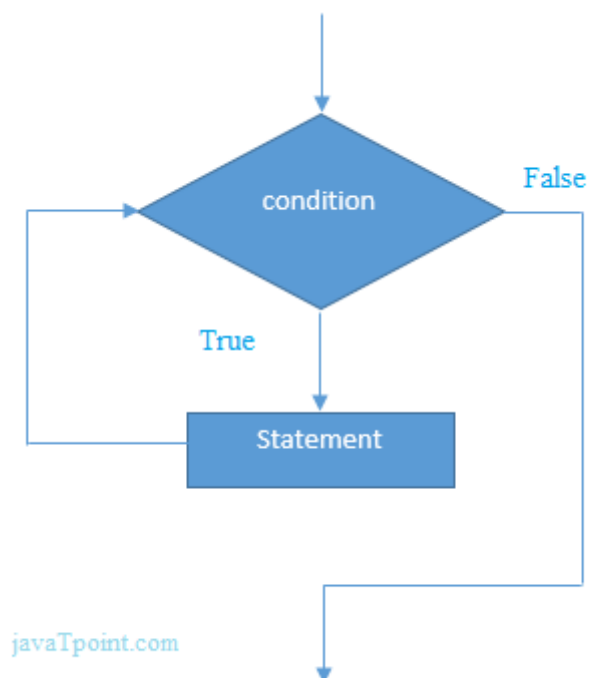
C do-while loop

The do while loop is a post tested loop. Using the do-while loop, we can repeat the execution of several parts of the statements. The do-while loop is mainly used in the case where we need to execute the loop at least once. The do-while loop is mostly used in menu-driven programs where the termination condition depends upon the end user.

C while loop

While loop is also known as a pre-tested loop. In general, a while loop allows a part of the code to be executed multiple times depending upon a given boolean condition. It can be viewed as a repeating if statement. The while loop is mostly used in the case where the number of iterations is not known in advance.

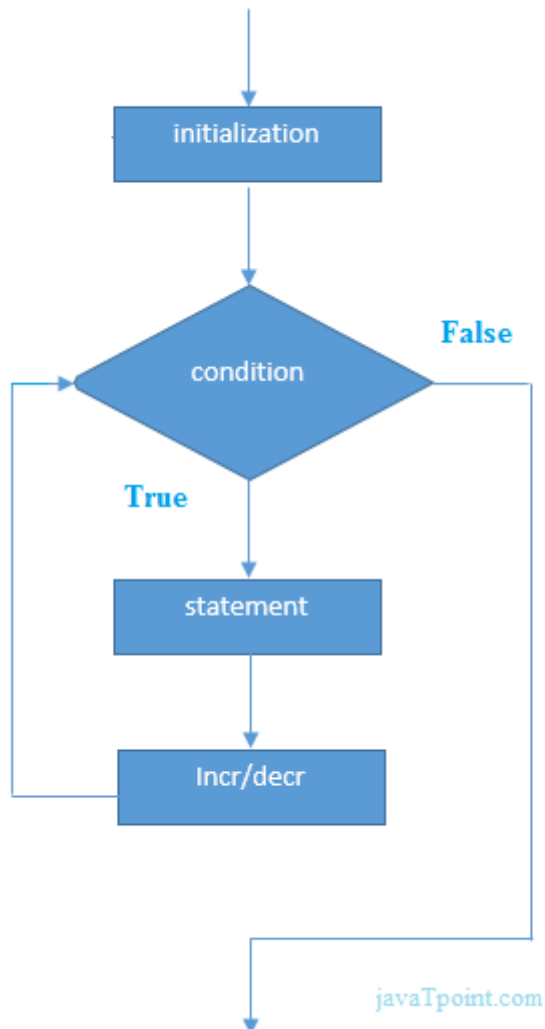
Flowchart of while loop in C



C for loop

The **for loop in C language** is used to iterate the statements or a part of the program several times. It is frequently used to traverse the data structures like the array and linked list.

Flowchart of for loop in C



Nested Loops in C

C supports nesting of loops in C. **Nesting of loops** is the feature in C that allows the looping of statements inside another loop. Let's observe an example of nesting loops in C.

Any number of loops can be defined inside another loop, i.e., there is no restriction for defining any number of loops. The nesting level can be defined at n times. You can

define any type of loop inside another loop; for example, you can define '**while**' loop inside a '**for**' loop.

Functions arrays and pointers

C Functions

In c, we can divide a large program into the basic building blocks known as function. The function contains the set of programming statements enclosed by {}. A function can be called multiple times to provide reusability and modularity to the C program. In other words, we can say that the collection of functions creates a program. The function is also known as *procedure* or *subroutine* in other programming languages.

Advantage of functions in C

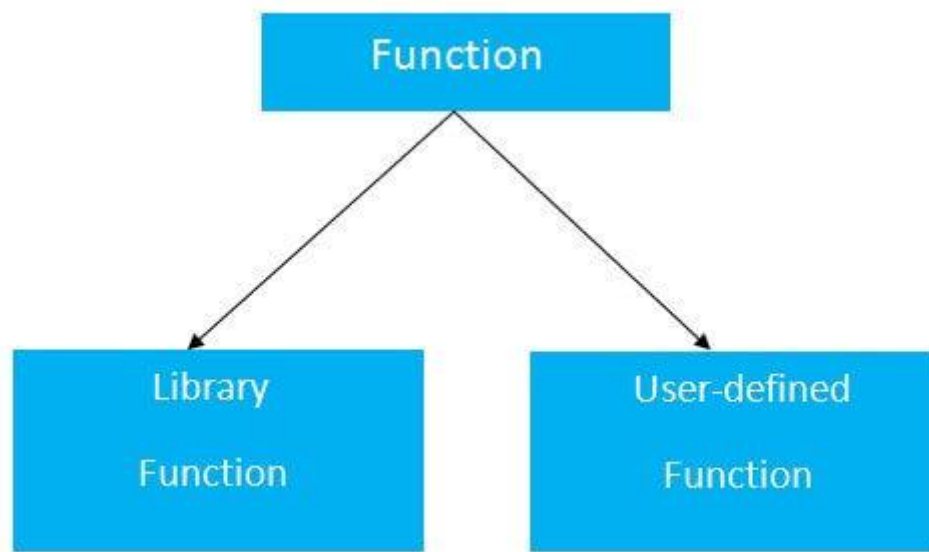
There are the following advantages of C functions.

- o By using functions, we can avoid rewriting same logic/code again and again in a program.
- o We can call C functions any number of times in a program and from any place in a program.
- o We can track a large C program easily when it is divided into multiple functions.
- o Reusability is the main achievement of C functions.
- o However, Function calling is always a overhead in a C program.

Types of Functions

There are two types of functions in C programming:

1. **Library Functions:** are the functions which are declared in the C header files such as scanf(), printf(), gets(), puts(), ceil(), floor() etc.
2. **User-defined functions:** are the functions which are created by the C programmer, so that he/she can use it many times. It reduces the complexity of a big program and optimizes the code.



Recursion in C

Recursion is the process which comes into existence when a function calls a copy of itself to work on a smaller problem. Any function which calls itself is called recursive function, and such function calls are called recursive calls. Recursion involves several numbers of recursive calls. However, it is important to impose a termination condition of recursion. Recursion code is shorter than iterative code however it is difficult to understand.

Recursion cannot be applied to all the problem, but it is more useful for the tasks that can be defined in terms of similar subtasks. For Example, recursion may be applied to sorting, searching, and traversal problems.

Generally, iterative solutions are more efficient than recursion since function call is always overhead. Any problem that can be solved recursively, can also be solved iteratively. However, some problems are best suited to be solved by the recursion, for example, tower of Hanoi, Fibonacci series, factorial finding, etc.

In the following example, recursion is used to calculate the factorial of a number.

C Array

An array is defined as the collection of similar type of data items stored at contiguous memory locations. Arrays are the derived data type in C programming language which can store the primitive type of data such as int, char, double, float, etc. It also has the capability to store the collection of derived data types, such as pointers, structure, etc. The array is the simplest data structure where each data element can be randomly accessed by using its index number.

C array is beneficial if you have to store similar elements. For example, if we want to store the marks of a student in 6 subjects, then we don't need to define different variables for the marks in the different subject. Instead of that, we can define an array which can store the marks in each subject at the contiguous memory locations.

By using the array, we can access the elements easily. Only a few lines of code are required to access the elements of the array.

Declaration of C Array

We can declare an array in the c language in the following way.

1. `data_type array_name[array_size];`
Now, let us see the example to declare the array.

1. `int marks[5];`
Here, int is the *data_type*, marks are the *array_name*, and 5 is the *array_size*.

Two Dimensional Array in C

The two-dimensional array can be defined as an array of arrays. The 2D array is organized as matrices which can be represented as the collection of rows and columns. However, 2D arrays are created to implement a relational database lookalike data structure. It provides ease of holding the bulk of data at once which can be passed to any number of functions wherever required.

Declaration of two dimensional Array in C

The syntax to declare the 2D array is given below.

1. `data_type array_name[rows][columns];`
Consider the following example.

1. `int twodimen[4][3];`

String and string function

C Strings

[String in C](#)

[C gets\(\) & puts\(\)](#)

[C String Functions](#)

[C strlen\(\)](#)

[C strcpy\(\)](#)

[C strcat\(\)](#)

[C strcmp\(\)](#)

C Strings

The string can be defined as the one-dimensional array of characters terminated by a null ('\0'). The character array or the string is used to manipulate text such as word or sentences. Each character in the array occupies one byte of memory, and the last character must always be 0. The termination character ('\0') is important in a string since it is the only way to identify where the string ends. When we define a string as `char s[10]`, the character `s[10]` is implicitly initialized with the null in the memory.

C String Functions

There are many important string functions defined in "string.h" library.

No.	Function	Description
1)	<u>strlen(string_name)</u>	returns the length of string name.
2)	<u>strcpy(destination, source)</u>	copies the contents of source string to destination string.
3)	<u>strcat(first_string, second_string)</u>	concat or joins first string with second string. The result of the string is stored in first string.
4)	<u>strcmp(first_string, second_string)</u>	compares the first string with second string. If both strings are same, it returns 0.

Structure & union

C Structure Union

C Structure

typedef in C

C Array of Structures

C Nested Structure

C Union

What is Structure

Structure in c is a user-defined data type that enables us to store the collection of different data types. Each element of a structure is called a member. Structures can simulate the use of classes and templates as it can store various information

The **struct** keyword is used to define the structure. Let's see the syntax to define the structure in c.

typedef in C

The **typedef** is a keyword used in C programming to provide some meaningful names to the already existing variable in the [C program](#). It behaves similarly as we define the alias for the commands. In short, we can say that this keyword is used to redefine the name of an already existing variable.

Syntax of typedef

1. **typedef** <existing_name> <alias_name>

Array of Structures in C

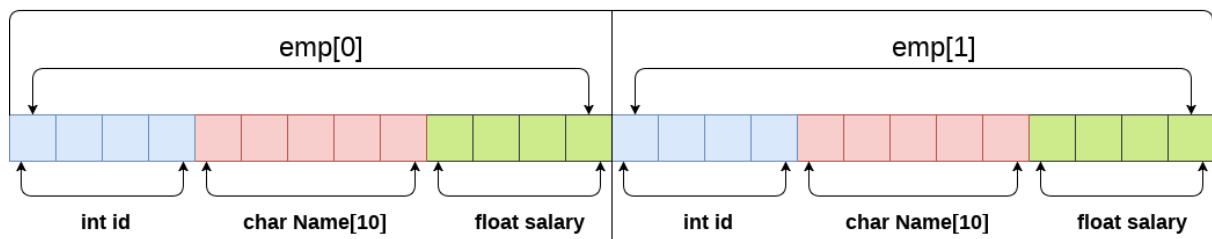
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Array of structures



```
struct employee
{
    int id;
    char name[5];
    float salary;
};
struct employee emp[2];
```

`sizeof (emp) = 4 + 5 + 4 = 13 bytes`

`sizeof (emp[2]) = 26 bytes`