Week 01a: Introduction - Elementary Data and Control Structures in C

COMP9024 20T0

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Data Structures and Algorithms



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3/105 **Course Goals**

COMP9021 ...

- gets you thinking like a programmer
- solving problems by developing programs
- expressing your ideas in the language Python

COMP9024 ...

- gets you thinking like a computer scientist
- knowing fundamental data structures/algorithms
- able to reason about their applicability/effectiveness
- able to analyse the efficiency of programs
- able to code in C

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Pre-conditions 6/105

At the start of this course you should be able to:

- produce correct programs from a specification
- understand the state-based model of computation (variables, assignment, function parameters)
- use fundamental data structures (characters, numbers, strings, arrays)
- use fundamental control structures (if, while, for)
- know fundamental algorithms (sorting)
- fix simple bugs in incorrect programs

Post-conditions

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At the *end* of this course you should be able to:

- choose/develop effective data structures (DS)
- analyse performance characteristics of algorithms
- choose/develop algorithms (A) on these DS
- package a set of DS+A as an abstract data type
- develop and maintain C programs

COMP9024 Themes

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Data structures

• how to store data inside a computer for efficient use

Algorithms

• step-by-step process for solving a problem (within finite amount of space and time)

Major themes ...

- 1. Data structures, e.g. for graphs, trees
- 2. A variety of algorithms, e.g. on graphs, trees, strings
- 3. Analysis of algorithms

For data types: alternative data structures and implementation of operations

For algorithms: complexity analysis

Access to Course Material

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All course information is placed on the main course website:

• https://webcms3.cse.unsw.edu.au/COMP9024/20T0/

Need to login to access material, submit homework and assignment, post on the forum, view your marks

Schedule 10/105

Please note that the following schedule is subject to change.

Lecture Topic	Week(s)
Elementary data structures and algorithms in C	Week 1
Analysis of algorithms	Week 1-2
Dynamic data structures	Week 2
Graph data structures and algorithms	Week 2-3
Search tree data structures and algorithms	Week 3-4
Text Processing algorithms	Week 4
Ethics and Course review	Week 5

Assignment: Available at the end of week-1, due at 10am Monday 03 Feb 2020.

Credits for Material

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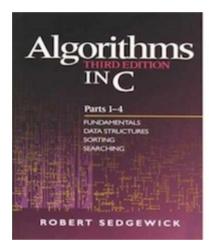
The lecture slides are prepared by Michael Thielscher, and ideas for the COMP9024 material are drawn from

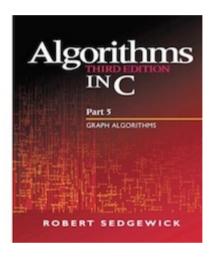
- slides by John Shepherd (COMP1927 16s2), Hui Wu (COMP9024 16s2) and Alan Blair (COMP1917 14s2)
- Robert Sedgewick's and Alistair Moffat's books, Goodrich and Tamassia's Java book, Skiena and Revilla's programming challenges book

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Textbook is a "double-header"

- Algorithms in C, Parts 1-4, Robert Sedgewick
- Algorithms in C, Part 5, Robert Sedgewick





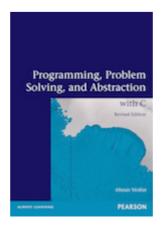
Good books, useful beyond COMP9024 (but coding style ...)

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Supplementary textbook:

Alistair Moffat
 Programming, Problem Solving, and Abstraction with C

 Pearson Educational, Australia, Revised edition 2013, ISBN 978-1-48-601097-4



Also, numerous online C resources are available.

Lectures 14/105

Lectures will:

- present theory
- demonstrate problem-solving methods
- give practical demonstrations

Lectures provide an alternative view to textbook

Lecture slides will be made available before lecture

Feel free to ask questions, but No Idle Chatting

Problem Sets 15/105

The weekly homework aims to:

- clarify any problems with lecture material
- · work through exercises related to lecture topics
- give practice with algorithm design skills (think before coding)

Problem sets available on web at the time of the lecture

Sample solutions will be posted in the following week

Do them yourself! and Don't fall behind!

Assignment 16/105

The assignment gives you experience applying tools/techniques (but to a larger programming problem than the homework)

The assignment will be carried out individually.

The assignment will be released later in Week-1.

The assignment contributes 30% to overall mark.

10% penalty will be applied to the maximum mark for every 24 hours late after the deadline.

- 1 day late: mark is capped at 27 (90% of the maximum possible mark)
- 2 days late: mark is capped at 24 (80% of the maximum possible mark)
- 3 days late: mark is capped at 21 (70% of the maximum possible mark)
- ...

... Assignment 17/105

Advice on doing assignments:

They always take longer than you expect.

Don't leave them to the last minute.

Organising your time \rightarrow no late penalty.

If you do leave them to the last minute:

· take the late penalty rather than copying

Plagiarism

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Just Don't Do it

We get very annoyed by people who plagiarise.

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Examples of Plagiarism (student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism):

1. Copying

Using same or similar idea without acknowledging the source This includes copying ideas from a website, internet

2. Collusion

Presenting work as independent when produced in collusion with others This includes *students providing their work to another student*

Plagiarism will be checked for and punished (0 marks for assignment or, in severe cases/repeat offenders, 0 marks for course)

Help Sessions

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The help Sessions:

- aims to help you if you have difficulties with the weekly programming exercises
- ... and the assignments
- non-programming exercises from problem sets may also be discussed

Time and Location - to be published later.

Attendance is entirely voluntary

Final Exam

3-hour practical exam (in the CSE labs) during the exam period.

Format:

- some multiple-choice questions
- some descriptive/analytical questions
- some programming questions

The final exam contributes 70% to overall mark.

Must score at least 35/70 in the final exam to pass the course.

... Final Exam 22/105

How to pass the Final Exam:

- do the Homework yourself
- do the Homework every week
- practise programming outside classes
- · read the lecture notes
- · read the corresponding chapters in the textbooks

Assessment Summary

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```
assn = mark for assignment (out of 30)
exam = mark for final exam (out of 70)

if (exam >= 35)
   total = assn + exam
else
   total = exam * (100/70)
```

To pass the course, you must achieve:

- at least 35/70 for exam
- at least 50/100 for total

Summary 24/105

The goal is for you to become a better Computer Scientist

- · more confident in your own ability to choose data structures
- · more confident in your own ability to develop algorithms
- able to analyse and justify your choices
- producing a better end-product
- ultimately, enjoying the software design and development process

C Programming Language

Why C? 26/105

- good example of an imperative language
- gives the programmer great control
- produces fast code

- many libraries and resources
- widely used in industry (and science)

Brief History of C

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- C and UNIX operating system share a complex history
- C was originally designed for and implemented on UNIX
- Dennis Ritchie was the author of C (around 1971)
- In 1973, UNIX was rewritten in C
- B (author: Ken Thompson, 1970) was the predecessor to C, but there was no A

... Brief History of C

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- B was a typeless language
- C is a typed language
- In 1983, American National Standards Institute (ANSI) established a committee to clean up and standardise the language
- ANSI C standard published in 1988
 - o this greatly improved source code portability
- Current standard: C11 (published in 2011)
- C is the main language for writing operating systems and compilers; and is commonly used for a variety of applications

Basic Structure of a C Program

```
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```

```
// include files
// global definitions
.
// function definitions
function_type f(arguments) {

    // local variables
    // body of function
    return ...;
}

// body of main function
    // local variables
    return ...;
}

// body of main function
    return 0;
}
```

Exercise #1: What does this program compute?

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```
#include <stdio.h>
int f(int m, int n) {
    while (m != n) {
        if (m > n) {
            m = m-n;
        } else {
            n = n-m;
        }
    return m;
}
```

```
int main(void) {
   printf("%d\n", f(30,18));
   return 0;
}
```

Example: Insertion Sort in C

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Reminder — Insertion Sort algorithm:

... Example: Insertion Sort in C

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```
#include <stdio.h> // include standard I/O library defs and functions
#define SIZE 6
                   // define a symbolic constant
void insertionSort(int array[], int n) { // function headers must provide types
                                          // each variable must have a type
  for (i = 1; i < n; i++) {
                                          // for-loop syntax
     int element = array[i];
     int j = i-1;
     while (j >= 0 && array[j] > element) { // logical AND
         array[j+1] = array[j];
                                              // abbreviated assignment j=j-1
     array[j+1] = element;
                                              // statements terminated by ;
  }
                                              // code blocks enclosed in { }
}
                                              // main: program starts here
int main(void) {
  int numbers[SIZE] = { 3, 6, 5, 2, 4, 1 };  /* array declaration
                                                 and initialisation */
  int i;
  insertionSort(numbers, SIZE);
  for (i = 0; i < SIZE; i++)
     printf("%d\n", numbers[i]);
                                              // printf defined in <stdio>
                       // return program status (here: no error) to environment
  return 0:
}
```

Compiling with gcc

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```
C source code: prog.c

.out (executable program)
```

To compile a program prog.c, you type the following:

```
prompt$ gcc prog.c
```

To run the program, type:

```
prompt$ ./a.out
```

... Compiling with gcc

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Command line options:

- The default with qcc is not to give you any warnings about potential problems
- Good practice is to be tough on yourself:

```
prompt$ gcc -Wall prog.c
```

which reports all warnings to anything it finds that is potentially wrong or non ANSI compliant

• The -o option tells gcc to place the compiled object in the named file rather than a.out

```
prompt$ gcc -o prog prog.c
```

Algorithms in C

Basic Elements

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Algorithms are built using

- assignments
 - conditionals
 - loops
 - function calls/return statements

Assignments

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- In C, each statement is terminated by a semicolon;
- Curly brackets { } used to enclose statements in a block
- Usual arithmetic operators: +, -, *, /, %
- Usual assignment operators: =, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=
- The operators ++ and -- can be used to increment a variable (add 1) or decrement a variable (subtract 1)
 - It is recommended to put the increment or decrement operator after the variable:

```
// suppose k=6 initially
k++; // increment k by 1; afterwards, k=7
n = k--; // first assign k to n, then decrement k by 1
// afterwards, k=6 but n=7
```

It is also possible (but NOT recommended) to put the operator before the variable:

```
// again, suppose k=6 initially 
++k; // increment k by 1; afterwards, k=7 
n = --k; // first decrement k by 1, then assign k to n 
// afterwards, k=6 and n=6
```

... Assignments

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C assignment statements are really expressions

- they return a result: the value being assigned
- the return value is generally ignored

Frequently, assignment is used in loop continuation tests

- to combine the test with collecting the next value
- to make the expression of such loops more concise

```
Example: The pattern

v = getNextItem();
while (v != 0) {
    process(v);
    v = getNextItem();
}

is often written as

while ((v = getNextItem()) != 0) {
    process(v);
}
```

Exercise #2: What are the final values of a and b?

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```
1.
    a = 1; b = 5;
    while (a < b) {
        a++;
        b--;
    }
2.
    a = 1; b = 5;
    while ((a += 2) < b) {
        b--;
    }</pre>
```

```
1. a == 3, b == 3
2. a == 5, b == 4
```

Conditionals 41/105

```
if (expression) {
    some statements;
}

if (expression) {
    some statements1;
} else {
    some statements2;
}
```

- some statements executed if, and only if, the evaluation of expression is non-zero
- some statements₁ executed when the evaluation of expression is non-zero
- some statements₂ executed when the evaluation of expression is zero
- Statements can be single instructions or blocks enclosed in { }

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Indentation is very important in promoting the readability of the code

Each logical block of code is indented:

```
// Preferred else-if style
// Style 1
                           // Style 2 (my preference)
                           if (x) {
if (x)
                                                                     if (expression1) {
                               statements;
                                                                         statements<sub>1</sub>;
{
   statements;
                           }
                                                                     } else if (exp2) {
}
                                                                         statements<sub>2</sub>;
                                                                     } else if (exp3) {
                                                                         statements;
                                                                     } else {
                                                                         statements<sub>4</sub>;
```

... Conditionals 43/105

Relational and logical operators

```
a > b
          а greater than ь
a >= b
          а greater than or equal ь
a < b
          a less than ь
a <= b
          а less than or equal ь
a == b
          a equal to ь
a != b
          a not equal to ь
a && b
          a logical and b
a | b
          a logical or b
! a
          logical not a
```

A relational or logical expression evaluates to 1 if true, and to 0 if false

Exercise #3: Conditionals

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1. What is the output of the following program fragment?

```
if ((x > y) && !(y-x <= 0)) {
    printf("Aye\n");
} else {
    printf("Nay\n");
}</pre>
```

2. What is the resulting value of x after the following assignment?

```
x = (x >= 0) + (x < 0);
```

1. The condition is unsatisfiable, hence the output will always be

Nay

2. No matter what the value of x, one of the conditions will be true (==1) and the other false (==0) Hence the resulting value will be x == 1

Sidetrack: Printing Variable Values with printf()

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Formatted output written to standard output (e.g. screen)

```
printf(format-string, expr1, expr2, ...);
```

format-string can use the following placeholders:

```
%d decimal %f fixed-point
%c character %s string
\n new line \" quotation mark
```

```
Examples:
```

```
num = 3;
printf("The cube of %d is %d.\n", num, num*num*num);
The cube of 3 is 27.

id = 'z';
num = 1234567;
printf("Your \"login ID\" will be in the form of %c%d.\n", id, num);
Your "login ID" will be in the form of z1234567.

• Can also use width and precision:
    printf("%8.3f\n", 3.14159);
```

Loops 47/105

C has two different "while loop" constructs

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```
// while loop
while (expression) {
    some statements;
}

// do .. while loop
do {
    some statements;
}

while (expression);
```

The do .. while loop ensures the statements will be executed at least once

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```
The "for loop" in C

for (expr1; expr2; expr3) {
    some statements;
}
```

- expr1 is evaluated before the loop starts
- expr2 is evaluated at the beginning of each loop
 - o if it is non-zero, the loop is repeated
- expr3 is evaluated at the end of each loop

Example:

```
for (i = 1; i < 10; i++) {
    printf("%d %d\n", i, i * i);
}</pre>
```

Exercise #4: What is the output of this program?

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```
int i, j;
for (i = 8; i > 1; i /= 2) {
    for (j = i; j >= 1; j--) {
        printf("%d%d\n", i, j);
    }
    putchar('\n');
}
```

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Functions 51/105

Functions have the form

```
return-type function-name(parameters) {
    declarations
    statements
    return ...;
}
```

- if return_type is void then the function does not return a value
- if parameters is void then the function has no arguments

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When a function is called:

- 1. memory is allocated for its parameters and local variables
- 2. the parameter expressions in the calling function are evaluated
- 3. C uses "call-by-value" parameter passing ...
 - o the function works only on its own local copies of the parameters, not the ones in the calling function
- 4. local variables need to be assigned before they are used (otherwise they will have "garbage" values)
- 5. function code is executed, until the first return statement is reached

... Functions 53/105

When a return statement is executed, the function terminates:

return expression;

- 1. the returned expression will be evaluated
- 2. all local variables and parameters will be thrown away when the function terminates
- 3. the calling function is free to use the returned value, or to ignore it

Example:

```
// Euclid's gcd algorithm (recursive version)
int euclid_gcd(int m, int n) {
   if (n == 0) {
      return m;
   } else {
      return euclid_gcd(n, m % n);
   }
}
```

The return statement can also be used to terminate a function of return-type void:

return;

Data Structures in C

Basic Data Types

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- In C each variable must have a type
- C has the following generic data types:

```
char character 'A', 'e', '#', ...
int integer 2, 17, -5, ...
float floating-point number 3.14159, ...
double double precision floating-point 3.14159265358979, ...
```

There are other types, which are variations on these

Variable declaration must specify a data type and a name; they can be initialised when they are declared:

```
float x;
char ch = 'A';
int j = i;
```

Aggregate Data Types

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Families of aggregate data types:

- homogeneous ... all elements have same base type
 - o arrays (e.g. char s[50], int v[100])
- · heterogeneous ... elements may combine different base types
 - o structures

Arrays

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An array is

- a collection of same-type variables
- arranged as a linear sequence
- accessed using an integer subscript
- for an array of size N, valid subscripts are 0..N-1

Examples:

```
int a[20];  // array of 20 integer values/variables
char b[10];  // array of 10 character values/variables
```

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Larger example:

Sidetrack: C Style

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We can define a symbolic constant at the top of the file

```
#define SPEED_OF_LIGHT 299792458.0
#define ERROR MESSAGE "Out of memory.\n"
```

Symbolic constants make the code easier to understand and maintain

#define NAME replacement_text

- The compiler's pre-processor will replace all occurrences of NAME with replacement text
- it will not make the replacement if NAME is inside quotes ("...") or part of another name

... Sidetrack: C Style

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UNSW Computing provides a style guide for C programs:

C Coding Style Guide (http://wiki.cse.unsw.edu.au/info/CoreCourses/StyleGuide)

Not strictly mandatory for COMP9024, but very useful guideline

- use proper layout, including indentation
- keep functions short and break into sub-functions as required
- use meaningful names (for variables, functions etc)

Style considerations that do matter for your COMP9024 assignments:

- use symbolic constants to avoid burying "magic numbers" in the code
- use indentation consistently (3 or 4 spaces, do not use TABs)
- comment your code

... Sidetrack: C Style

C has a reputation for allowing obscure code, leading to ...

The International Obfuscated C Code Contest

- Run each year since 1984
- · Goal is to produce
 - o a working C program
 - whose appearance is obscure
 - whose functionality unfathomable
- Web site: www.ioccc.org
- 100's of examples of bizarre C code (understand these → you are a C master)

... Sidetrack: C Style

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Most artistic code (Eric Marshall, 1986)

```
extern int
                                                         errno
                                                           :char
                                                              grrr
                              ;main(
                                                                r,
 argv, argc )
                           int
                                argc
                         char *argv[];{int
                                                                P();
#define x
          int i,
                         j,cc[4];printf("
                                                choo choo\n'
                                                                 )
          (P(
  ;if
               !
                                                  cc[ !
                                                                  j ]
  P(j
          )>2
                                                          argv[i++ +!-i]
                         j
                                                     ) { *
               for
                                        0;;
                                                i++
                                               ) ;printf("%d",P(""));}}
exit(argv[argc- 2
                       / cc[1*argc] | -1<4 ]
                                                                  В
          a )
                           ; {
                                   a ;
                 char a
                                          while(
                                                                */);
          by E
                           ricM
                                   arsh
                                                     all-
                                                                        }
```

... Sidetrack: C Style

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Just plain obscure (Ed Lycklama, 1985)

```
#define o define
#o o write
#o ooo (unsigned)
#o o_o_ 1
#o _o_ char
#o _oo goto
#o
   oo read
#o o_o for
#o o_ main
#o o__ if
#o oo 0
#o _o(_,__,ooo(___))
     _o (o_o_<<((o_o_<<(o_o_<<o_o_))+(o_o_<<o_o_)))+(o_o_<<(o_o_<<(o_o_<<(o_o_<<o_o_)))
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```

Strings

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"String" is a special word for an array of characters

• end-of-string is denoted by '\0' (of type char and always implemented as 0)

Example:

If a character array s[11] contains the string "hello", this is how it would look in memory:

```
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
| h | e | 1 | 1 | o | \0 | | | | | |
```

Array Initialisation

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Arrays can be initialised by code, or you can specify an initial set of values in declaration.

Examples:

```
char s[6] = \{'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\setminus 0'\};

char t[6] = "hello";

int fib[20] = \{1, 1\};

int vec[] = \{5, 4, 3, 2, 1\};

In the third case, fib[0] == fib[1] == 1 while the initial values fib[2] .. fib[19] are undefined.

In the last case, C infers the array length (as if we declared vec[5]).
```

Exercise #5: What is the output of this program?

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```
1
    #include <stdio.h>
 2
 3
    int main(void) {
       int arr[3] = \{10, 10, 10\};
 4
       char str[] = "Art";
5
 6
       int i;
 7
8
       for (i = 1; i < 3; i++) {
9
          arr[i] = arr[i-1] + arr[i] + 1;
10
          str[i] = str[i+1];
11
12
       printf("Array[2] = %d\n", arr[2]);
13
       printf("String = \"%s\"\n", str);
       return 0;
14
15
    }
```

```
Array[2] = 32
String = "At"
```

Example:

Sidetrack: Reading Variable Values with scanf() and atoi()

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```
Formatted input read from standard input (e.g. keyboard) scanf(format-string, expr_1, expr_2, ...); Converting string into integer int value = atoi(string);
```

```
#include <stdio.h> // includes definition of BUFSIZ (usually =512) and scanf()
```

```
#include <stdlib.h> // includes definition of atoi()
...
char str[BUFSIZ];
int n;
printf("Enter a string: ");
scanf("%s", str);
n = atoi(str);
printf("You entered: \"%s\". This converts to integer %d.\n", str, n);

Enter a string: 9024
You entered: "9024". This converts to integer 9024.
```

Arrays and Functions

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When an array is passed as a parameter to a function

• the address of the start of the array is actually passed

Example:

```
int total, vec[20];
...
total = sum(vec);
Within the function ...
```

- · the types of elements in the array are known
- the size of the array is unknown

... Arrays and Functions

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Since functions do not know how large an array is:

- pass in the size of the array as an extra parameter, or
- include a "termination value" to mark the end of the array

So, the previous example would be more likely done as:

```
int total, vec[20];
...
total = sum(vec,20);
```

Also, since the function doesn't know the array size, it can't check whether we've written an invalid subscript (e.g. in the above example 100 or 20).

Exercise #6: Arrays and Functions

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Implement a function that sums up all elements in an array.

Use the prototype

```
int sum(int[], int)
```

```
int sum(int vec[], int dim) {
  int i, total = 0;

for (i = 0; i < dim; i++) {
    total += vec[i];
</pre>
```

```
}
return total;
}
```

Multi-dimensional Arrays

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Examples:

```
Note: q[0][1]==2.7 r[1][3]==8 q[1]==\{3.1,0.1\} Multi-dimensional arrays can also be initialised: float q[][]=\{ { 0.5, 2.7 }, { 3.1, 0.1 } };
```

Sidetrack: Defining New Data Types

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C allows us to define new data type (names) via typedef:

```
typedef ExistingDataType NewTypeName;
Examples:
typedef float Temperature;
typedef int Matrix[20][20];
```

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Reasons to use typedef:

- give meaningful names to value types (documentation)
 - is a given number Temperature, Dollars, Volts, ...?
- · allow for easy changes to underlying type

```
typedef float Real;
Real complex_calculation(Real a, Real b) {
         Real c = log(a+b); ... return c;
}
```

- "package up" complex type definitions for easy re-use
 - o many examples to follow; Matrix is a simple example

Structures

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A structure

- is a collection of variables, perhaps of different types, grouped together under a single name
- helps to organise complicated data into manageable entities
- exposes the connection between data within an entity
- is defined using the struct keyword

Example:

```
typedef struct {
    int day;
    int month;
    int year;
} DateT;
```

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One structure can be nested inside another:

```
typedef struct {
        int day, month, year;
} DateT;

typedef struct {
        int hour, minute;
} TimeT;

typedef struct {
        char plate[7]; // e.g. "DSA42X"
        double speed;
        DateT d;
        TimeT t;
} TicketT;
```

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Possible memory layout produced for TicketT object:

in a 64bit or 32 bit machine
/ in a 64 bit machine should int padding to 8 bytes?

Note: padding is needed to ensure that plate lies on a 4-byte boundary.

Don't normally care about internal layout, since fields are accessed by name.

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Defining a structured data type itself does not allocate any memory

We need to declare a variable in order to allocate memory

DateT christmas;

The components of the structure can be accessed using the "dot" operator

```
christmas.day = 25;
christmas.month = 12;
christmas.year = 2019;
```

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With the above TicketT type, we declare and use variables as ...

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A structure can be passed as a parameter to a function:

Data Abstraction

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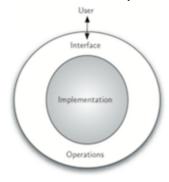
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A data type is ...

- a set of values (atomic or structured values) e.g. integer stacks
- a collection of operations on those values e.g. push, pop, isEmpty?

An abstract data type ...

- is a logical description of how we view the data and operations
- · without regard to how they will be implemented
- creates an encapsulation around the data
- is a form of information hiding



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Users of the ADT see only the interface

Builders of the ADT provide an implementation

ADT interface provides

- a user-view of the data structure
- · function signatures (prototypes) for all operations
- semantics of operations (via documentation)
- ⇒ a "contract" between ADT and its clients

ADT implementation gives

- · concrete definition of the data structures
- function implementations for all operations

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ADT interfaces are opaque

• clients cannot see the implementation via the interface

ADTs are important because ...

- facilitate decomposition of complex programs
- · make implementation changes invisible to clients
- improve readability and structuring of software
- allow for reuse of modules in other systems

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For a given data type

many different data representations are possible

For a given operation and data representation

- several different algorithms are possible
- · efficiency of algorithms may vary widely

Generally,

• there is no overall "best" representation/implementation

cost depends on the mix of operations
 (e.g. proportion of inserts, searches, deletions, ...)

ADOs and ADTs

We want to distinguish ...

- ADO = abstract data object
- ADT = abstract data type

Warning: Sedgewick's first few examples are ADOs, not ADTs.

Example: Abstract Stack Data Object

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Stack, aka pushdown stack or LIFO data structure

Assume (for the time being) stacks of char values

Operations:

- · create an empty stack
- insert (push) an item onto stack
- remove (pop) most recently pushed item
- check whether stack is empty

Applications:

- undo sequence in a text editor
- bracket matching algorithm
- ...

... Example: Abstract Stack Data Object

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Example of use:

Stack	Operation	Return value
?	create	_
_	isempty	true
-	push a	-
а	push b	-
a b	push c	-
a b c	pop	С
a b	isempty	false

Exercise #7: Stack vs Queue

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Consider the previous example but with a queue instead of a stack.

Which element would have been taken out ("dequeued") first?

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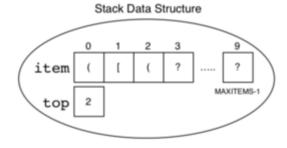
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Note:

- no explicit reference to Stack object
- this makes it an Abstract Data Object (ADO)

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Implementation may use the following data structure:



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Implementation (in a file named Stack.c):

```
#include "Stack.h"
#include <assert.h>
// define the Data Structure
typedef struct {
                                     // insert char on top of stack
                                     void StackPush(char ch) {
   char item[MAXITEMS];
   int top;
                                        assert(stackObject.top < MAXITEMS-1);</pre>
} stackRep;
                                        stackObject.top++;
                                        int i = stackObject.top;
// define the Data Object
                                        stackObject.item[i] = ch;
static stackRep stackObject;
// set up empty stack
                                     // remove char from top of stack
                                     char StackPop() {
void StackInit() {
                                        assert(stackObject.top > -1);
   stackObject.top = -1;
                                        int i = stackObject.top;
                                        char ch = stackObject.item[i];
// check whether stack is empty
                                        stackObject.top--;
int StackIsEmpty() {
                                        return ch;
```

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```
return (stackObject.top < 0);    }
}</pre>
```

- assert(test) terminates program with error message if test fails
- static Type Var declares Var as local to Stack.c

Exercise #8: Bracket Matching

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Bracket matching ... check whether all opening brackets such as '(', '[', '{' have matching closing brackets ')', ']', '}'

Which of the following expressions are balanced?

```
1. (a+b) * c
2. a[i]+b[j]*c[k])
3. (a[i]+b[j])*c[k]
4. a(a+b]*c
5. void f(char a[], int n) {int i; for(i=0;i<n;i++) { a[i] = (a[i]*a[i])*(i+1); }}
6. a(a+b * c</pre>
```

- 1. balanced
- 2. not balanced (case 1: an opening bracket is missing)
- 3. balanced
- 4. not balanced (case 2: closing bracket doesn't match opening bracket)
- 5. balanced
- 6. not balanced (case 3: missing closing bracket)

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Bracket matching algorithm, to be implemented as a client for Stack ADO:

```
bracketMatching(s):
  Input stream s of characters
  Output true if parentheses in s balanced, false otherwise
  for each ch in s do
     if ch = open bracket then
         push ch onto stack
      else if ch = closing bracket then
         if stack is empty then
            return false
                                            // opening bracket missing (case 1)
        else
            pop top of stack
            if brackets do not match then
               return false
                                            // wrong closing bracket (case 2)
            end if
        end if
     end if
  end for
  if stack is not empty then return false // some brackets unmatched (case 3)
                         else return true
```

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Execution trace of client on sample input:

```
([{}])
```

Next char	Stack	Check
_	empty	_
((_
[([_
{	}])	_
}	([{ vs } ✓
]	([vs] ✓
)	empty	(vs) ✓
eof	empty	_

Exercise #9: Bracket Matching Algorithm

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Trace the algorithm on the input

```
void f(char a[], int n) {
  int i;
  for(i=0;i<n;i++) { a[i] = a[i]*a[i])*(i+1); }
}</pre>
```

Next bracket	Stack	Check
start	empty	_
((_
[([_
]	(✓
)	empty	✓
{	{	_
({ (_
)	{	✓
{	{ {	_
[] } }	_
]	{ {	✓
[] } }	_
]	{ {	✓
[] } }	_
]	{ {	✓

{ false

Exercise #10: Implement Bracket Matching Algorithm in C

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Use Stack ADT

```
#include "Stack.h"
```

Sidetrack: Character I/O Functions in C (requires <stdio.h>)

```
int getchar(void);
```

 returns character read from standard input as an int, or returns EOF on end of file (keyboard: CTRL-D on Unix, CTRL-Z on Windows)

```
int putchar(int ch);
```

- o writes the character ch to standard output
- o returns the character written, or EOF on error

Managing Abstract Data Types and Objects in C

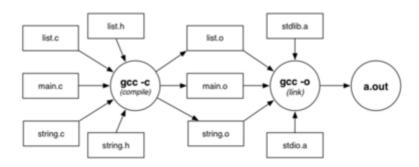
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Compilers are programs that

- convert program source code to executable form
- "executable" might be machine code or bytecode

The Gnu C compiler (qcc)

- applies source-to-source transformation (pre-processor)
- compiles source code to produce object files
- links object files and libraries to produce executables



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Compilation/linking with gcc

```
gcc -c Stack.c
produces Stack.o, from Stack.c and Stack.h

gcc -c brackets.c
produces brackets.o, from brackets.c and Stack.h
gcc -o rbt brackets.o Stack.o
```

links brackets.o, Stack.o and libraries producing executable program called rbt

Note that stdio, assert included implicitly.

gcc is a multi-purpose tool

• compiles (-c), links, makes executables (-o)

Summary 105/105

- Introduction to Algorithms and Data Structures
- C programming language, compiling with gcc
 - Basic data types (char, int, float)
 - Basic programming constructs (if ... else conditionals, while loops, for loops)
 - o Basic data structures (atomic data types, arrays, structures)
- Introduction to ADTs
 - Compilation
- Suggested reading (Moffat):
 - o introduction to C ... Ch. 1; Ch. 2.1-2.3, 2.5-2.6;
 - o conditionals and loops ... Ch. 3.1-3.3; Ch. 4.1-4.4
 - o arrays ... Ch. 7.1, 7.5-7.6
 - o structures ... Ch. 8.1
- Suggested reading (Sedgewick):
 - o introduction to ADTs ... Ch. 4.1-4.3

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