



Unit IV- Part 02 (Operators in C)

Lecture Slide



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Objectives



By the end of this session, students will be able to:

- Explain the different operators
- Appropriately choose the operators for problem solving
- Demonstrate conditional operator
- Understand the precedence of those operators



Operators



- Operators are the symbols that tells the compiler to perform specific mathematical or logical manipulations.
- Used in program to manipulate the data and variables
- Usually a part of the mathematical or logical expressions
- C operators can be classified into following types
 - Arithmetic Operators
 - Relational operators
 - Logical operators
 - Assignment operators
 - Increment operators
 - Conditional operators
 - Bitwise operators
 - Special operators



Arithmetic Operators



- Assume variable A & B having values 10 & 20 respectively

Operator	Description	Example
+	Adds two operands	$A + B$ will give 30
-	Subtracts second operand from the first	$A - B$ will give -10
*	Multiplies both operands	$A * B$ will give 200
/	Divides numerator by de-numerator	B / A will give 2
%	Modulus Operator and remainder of after an integer division	$B \% A$ will give 0

- Note:** Here A & B are operands



Arithmetic Operators Cont..



- Integer division truncates any fractional part & modulo (%) operation produces the remainder of the integer division
- **Integer arithmetic** always yields integer value
Ex. $5+5=10$
- **Real arithmetic** yields real number
Ex. $1.0/3.0=0.333333$
- % operator cannot be used with real number
- real number is produced by **mixed-mode Arithmetic**
Ex. $15/10.0=1.5$



Arithmetic Expression



- Combination of variables, constants and operators arranged as per the syntax of the language
- Every algebraic expression has to be converted to C expression

For ex. (xy/z) can be expressed as $x*y/z$

- Expressions are evaluated using an assignment statement of the form

Variable = expression;

- An arithmetic expression without parenthesis will be evaluated from left to right using the rules of precedence of operators as shown below
 - High priority $\rightarrow * / \%$
 - Lowest priority $\rightarrow + -$
- Example: $x=a-b/3+c*2-1=10$ where $a=9$, $b=12$ and $c=3$



Relational Operators



- Assume A holds 10 & B holds 20

Operator	Description	Example
==	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A == B) is not true.
!=	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not, if values are not equal then condition becomes true.	(A != B) is true.
>	Checks if the value of left operand is greater than the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A > B) is not true.
<	Checks if the value of left operand is less than the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A < B) is true.



Relational Operators



- Assume A holds 10 & B holds 20

\geq	Checks if the value of left operand is greater than or equal to the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	$(A \geq B)$ is not true.
\leq	Checks if the value of left operand is less than or equal to the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	$(A \leq B)$ is true.



Relational Operators



- Expression containing relational operator is called relational expression
- The value of relation operation is either **0** or **1**
- operators are only supported in the form shown in previous slide

Ex. $=< \& =>$ is an invalid operator

- The operands of a relational operators must evaluate to a number
- Characters are valid operand
- It should not be used for comparing strings

Ex. “hello” & “bye”

- It used in decision statement like **if** & **while** statement



Relative Precedence



- Relative precedence of relational & logical operators is as follows

Highest !

 > >= < <=

 == !=

 &&

lowest //

- It is important to remember this when we use these operators in compound expressions



Assignment Operators



- It is used to assigned the result of an expression to a variable
- “ = ” is an assignment operator

Ex. $A=10; c=a+b;$

- C has a set of shorthand assignment operator which takes the following form

$V \text{ OP} = \text{exp};$

Where V is a variable, exp is an expression & OP is c binary arithmetic operator

- the above shorthand assignment operator is equivalent to **$v=v+ (\text{exp});$**

Example: $x+=y+1;$ which means $x=x+(y+1);$



Assignment Operators



- Commonly used shorthand operator

Assignment with simple arithmetic operator	Statement with shorthand operator
$a = a + b$	$a += b$
$a = a - b$	$a -= b$
$a = a * (n + 1)$	$a *= n + 1$
$a = a / (n + 1)$	$a /= n + 1$
$a = a \% b$	$a \% = b$



Increment & Decrement Operators



- C allows two useful operators not generally found in other languages
- These are increment (++) and decrement (--) operators
- The ++ adds 1 to the operand while -- subtracts 1
- Both are unary operator and takes the following form
 ++m; or m++;
 --m; or m--
- Used in looping statements like for and while
- pre increment or decrement and post-increment or decrement means the same thing when statement are formed, but they behave differently when they are used in the expression



Increment & Decrement Operators



- ❑ When postfix ++ or -- is used with a variable in an expression, the expression is evaluated first using the original value of the variable and then the variable is incremented (or decremented) by one

Ex. $M = 5;$

$Y = M++;$

$Y=5, M=6$

- ❑ When prefix ++ or -- is used in an expression, the variable is increment (decremented) first and then expression is evaluated using the new value of the variable

Ex. $M = 5;$

$Y = ++M;$

$M=6, Y=6$



Conditional Operator



- A ternary pair “?:” is available in C to construct conditional expression of the form
exp1 ? exp2 : exp3; where exp1, exp2 & exp3 are expressions
- Example
A=10;
B=15;
X= (A > B)? A:B;



Bitwise Operators



- Bitwise operator is used to manipulate the data at bit level
- Used for testing the bits or shifting them right or left
- It may not be applied to float or double



Bitwise Operators



Assume A holds 60 & B holds 13

Operator	Description	Example
&	Binary AND Operator copies a bit to the result if it exists in both operands.	(A & B) will give 12, which is 0000 1100
	Binary OR Operator copies a bit if it exists in either operand.	(A B) will give 61, which is 0011 1101
^	Binary XOR Operator copies the bit if it is set in one operand but not both.	(A ^ B) will give 49, which is 0011 0001
~	Binary Ones Complement Operator is unary and has the effect of 'flipping' bits.	(~A) will give -61, which is 1100 0011 in 2's complement form.
<<	Binary Left Shift Operator. The left operands value is moved left by the number of bits specified by the right operand.	A << 2 will give 240 which is 1111 0000
>>	Binary Right Shift Operator. The left operands value is moved right by the number of bits specified by the right operand.	A >> 2 will give 15 which is 0000 1111



Precedence in C

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



Precedence in C

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



Thank you