COMSM1201 : Programming in C

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About the Course

These course notes were originally based on :

C By Dissection (3rd edition)
Al Kelley and Ira Pohl

because I liked arrays being taught late(r).
I've since changed my mind a little & have re-jigged the notes quite heavily over the years.

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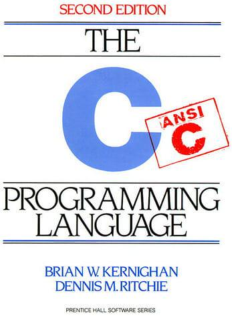

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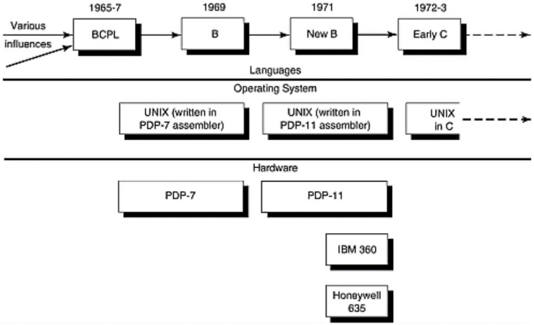

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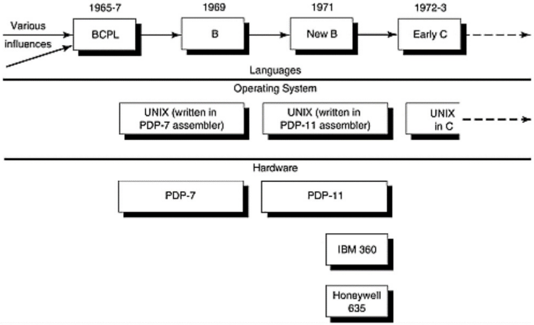

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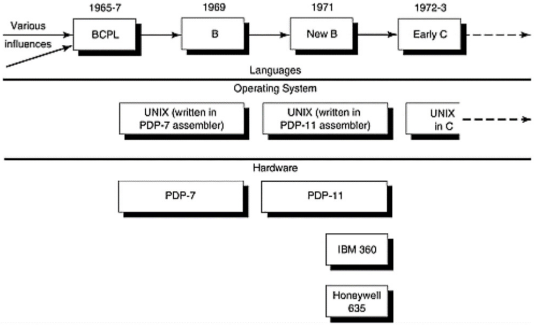

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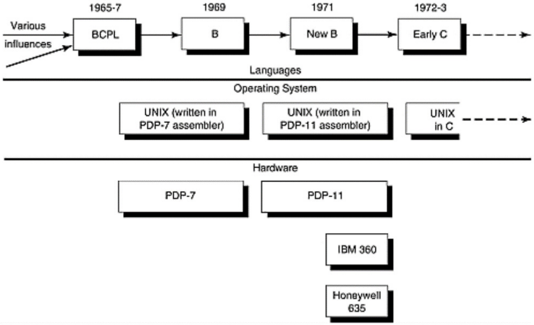

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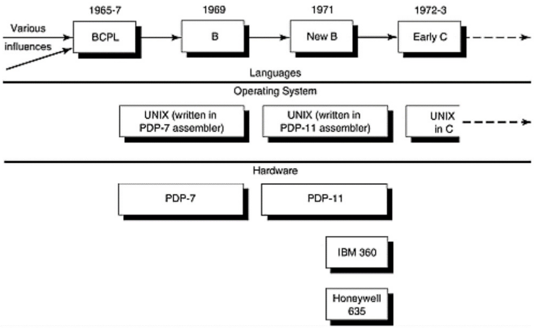

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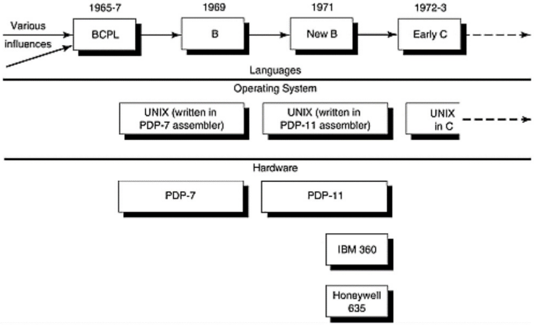

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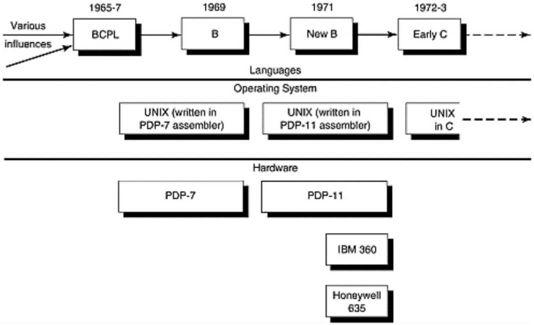

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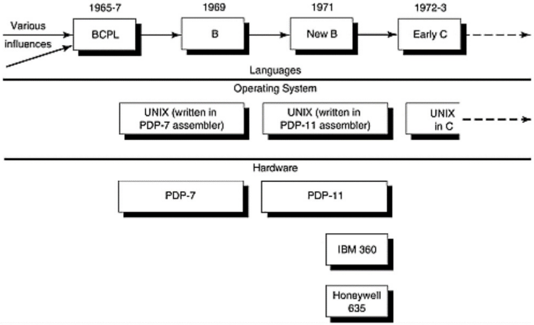

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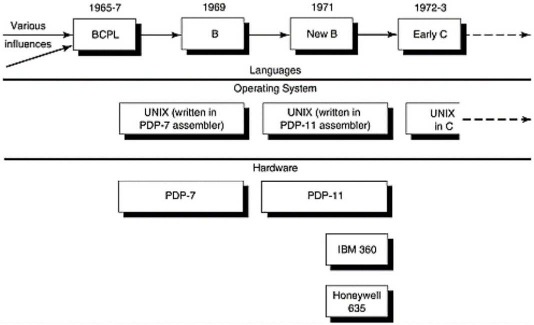

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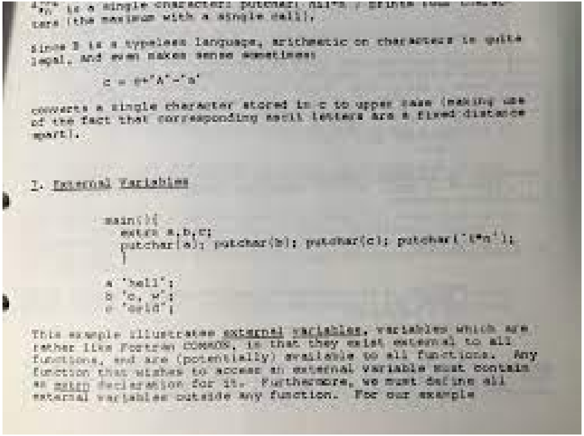

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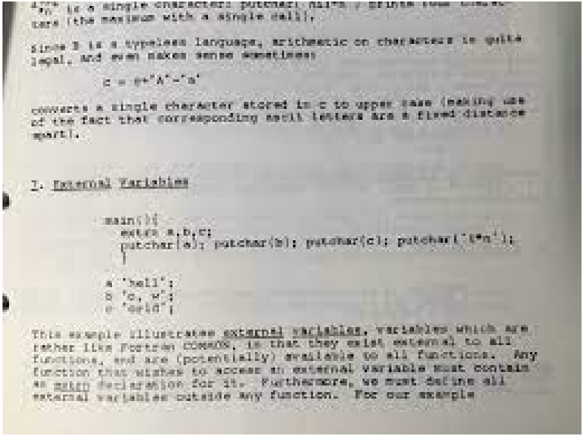
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- `return(0)` Instruct the Operating System that the function `main()` has completed successfully.

Area of a Rectangle

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#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
   // Compute the area of a rectangle
   int side1, side2, area;
   side1 = 7;
   side2 = 8;
   area = side1 * side2;

   printf("Length of side  1 = %i metres\n", side1);
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    }

    printf("\n%s%5i\n%s%5f\n\n",
           "Count:", cnt, "Sum: ", sum);
    return 0;
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Input some numbers: 1 5 9 10

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// 1st few powers of 2 are printed.

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
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    int   i = 0, power = 1;

    while (++i <= 10){
        printf("%5i", power *= 2);
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Execution :

```
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if(x >= 0.0 && sqrt(x) < 10.0){
..... /* Do Something */
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```

It's not possible to take the sqrt() of a negative number. Here, the sqrt() statement is never reached if the first test is *false*. In a logical AND, once any expression is *false*, the whole must be *false*.

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A Practical Example of if:

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   // Nasty, dropped braces:
   else
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A Triply-Nested Loop

```c
// Triples of integers that sum to N
#include <stdio.h>

#define N 7

int main(void)
{
   int   cnt = 0, i, j, k;

   for(i = 0; i <= N; i++){
      for(j = 0; j <= N; j++){
         for(k = 0; k <= N; k++){
            if(i + j + k == N){
               ++cnt;
               printf("%3i%3i%3i\n", i, j, k);
            }
         }
      }
   }
   printf("\nCount: %i\n", cnt);
   return 0;
}
```

Output :

```
  0  0  7
  0  1  6
  0  2  5
  0  3  4
  0  4  3
  0  5  2
  0  6  1
  0  7  0
```

etc.

```
  4  3  0
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Count: 36
```

The Comma Operator

This has the lowest precedence of all the operators in C and associates left-to-right.

```
a = 0 , b = 1;
```

Hence, the for loop may become quite complex :

```
for(sum = 0, i = 1; i <= n; ++i){
    sum += i;
}
```

An equivalent, but more difficult to read expression :

```
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Notice the loop has an empty body, hence the semicolon.

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   do{
      printf("Enter a number from 2 - 9 : ");
      n = scanf("%i", &i);
   }while( (n!=1) || (i<2) || (i>9) );
   switch(i){
      case 2:
      case 3:
      case 5:
      case 7:
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- When using printf() and scanf() the formats %c and %i do very different things :

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printf("%i\n", c); /* prints : 97 */
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  printf("%i\n", c); /* prints : 97 */
  ```

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\b	08	Backspace
\e	1B	Escape character
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Combining typedefs and enums

- Often typedef's are used in conjunction with enumerated types:

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#include <assert.h>

enum day {sun,mon,tue,wed,thu,fri,sat};
typedef enum day day;

day find_next_day(day d);

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{
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Rewrite/complete this code using typedefs and enums to create self-documenting code in any manner you wish.

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// Argument 1 is temperature
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int fvr(double t, int s);

int main(void)
{
    assert(fvr(37.5, 0)==1);
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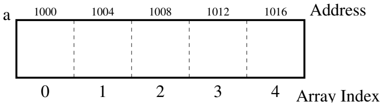

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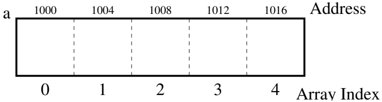

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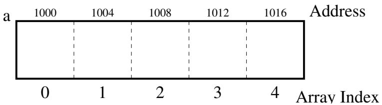

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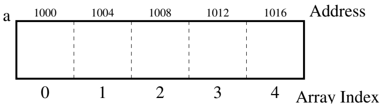

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    /* fill array */
    for (i = 0; i < N; ++i){
       a[i] = 7 + i * i;
    }
    /* print array */
    for (i = 0; i < N; ++i){
       printf("a[%i]=%i ", i, a[i]);
    }
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            printf("%2i", d[i].pips);
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Execution :

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 4 of Spades
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 7 of Clubs
 9 of Spades
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- The `print_deck()` function is clearly messy ! We can simplify this a little when we understand strings.

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{
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   assert(nstrlen("")==0);
   assert(nstrlen("\n")==1);
   assert(nstrlen("abcdef")==nstrlen("fedcba"));
   return 0;
}

unsigned nstrlen(const char s[])
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   register unsigned n = 0;

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   print_card(str, d[0]);
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// Simple demo of sscanf (and fgets in passing)
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#define BIGSTR 1000
#define SMLSTR 100
#define DAYSINYEAR 365.2425

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{


   printf("Please type your first name and your age\n");
   char bigstr[BIGSTR];
   fgets(bigstr, BIGSTR, stdin);
   char name[SMLSTR];
   int age;
   // Note no "&" before name : passed by reference already
   assert(sscanf(bigstr, "%s %i\n", name, &age)==2);
   printf("%s, you've lived approximately %.0f days\n",
          name, ((double)(age)+0.5)*DAYSINYEAR);
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Execution :

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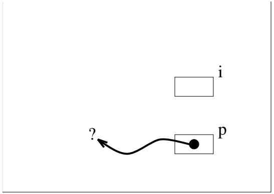

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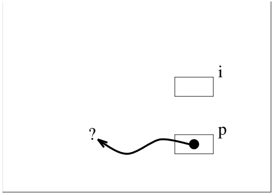

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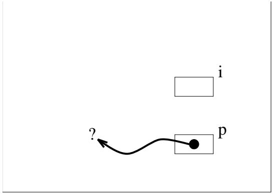

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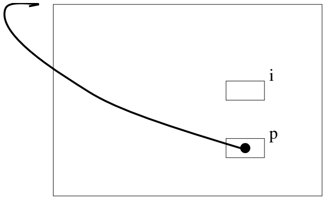

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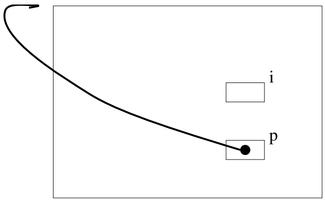

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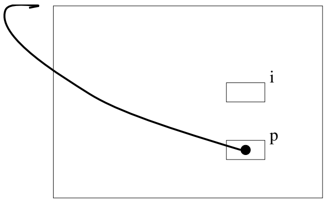

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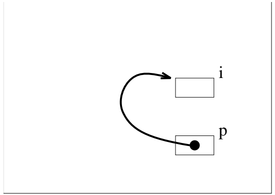

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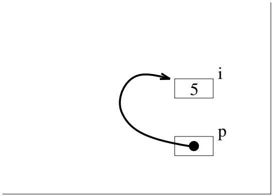

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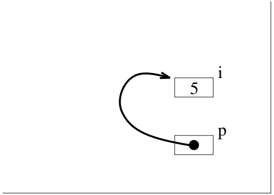

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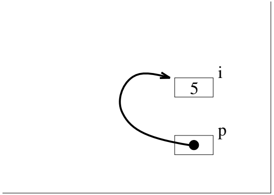


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    printf("%i\n", *p);
    i = 17;
    printf("%i\n", *p);
    *p = 99;
    printf("%i\n", i);

    return 0;

}
```

Execution :

5
17
99

scanf Again

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{

    int i;
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    p = &i;
    printf("Please Type a number : ");
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Execution :

```
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70
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3
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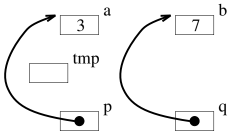

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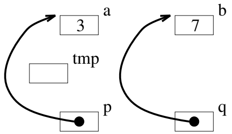

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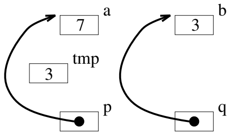

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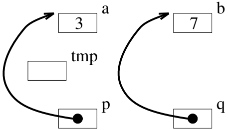

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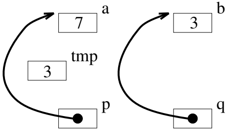

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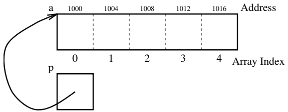

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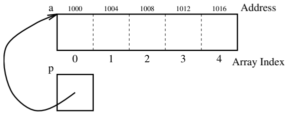

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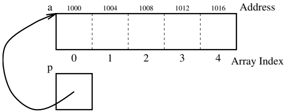

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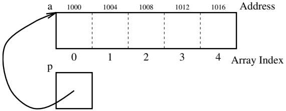

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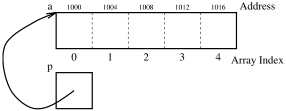

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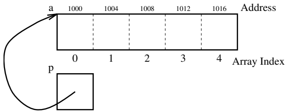

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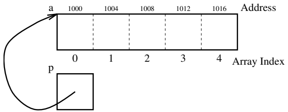

- To assign p to point to the next element, we could either :

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p = a + 1;
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- Notice that p = a + 1 advances the pointer **4** bytes and not 1 byte. This is because an integer is 4 bytes long and p is a pointer to an int.
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   printf("\n");
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Nested Structures

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   dob date;
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#define WORD 500

int main(void)
{

    printf("Please type a string :\n");
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    assert(scanf("%s", s)==1);
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    // Deep copy: character by character
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void addtolist(data* tail);
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Execution :

3 6 17 15 13 15 6 12 9 1 2 7 10

- calloc() is similar to malloc(), but *clears* the memory is reserves for you. It's passed the number of array cells you wish to create, and the size of each of them.

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    facttype facts[FACTS] = {1};
    for(facttype i=1; i<FACTS; i++){
        facts[i] = facts[i-1]*i;
    }

    int n = fwrite(facts, sizeof(facttype), FACTS, fpout);
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   }
   FILE* fpin = fopen(argv[1], "rb");
   if(!fpin){
      fprintf(stderr, "Cannot read %s\n", argv[1]);
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   }
   char str[BIGSTR];
   if(fgets(str, BIGSTR, fpin)==NULL){
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   }
   int n = strlen(str);
   if(n > 1){
      if((str[n-1] == '\n') && (str[n-2] == '\r')){
         printf("Looks like a DOS file?\n");
      }
      else{
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