

Formal Languages and Compilers

Lab8

Introduction to C

- ▶ C is a procedural programming language(=function based):
 - ▶ the program is divided into small parts called *functions*
 - ▶ overloading is not possible
 - ▶ there are no objects, no classes
- ▶ Suitable for system programming like operating system or compiler development
- ▶ Compiled language (middle-level language)
- ▶ Used to create: Windows, Python, Git

Syntax

- ▶ `#include <stdio.h>` -header file library used to be able to work with input/output functions
- ▶ `main()` - function; anything inside `{}` will be executed
- ▶ Every statement ends with `;`
- ▶ `printf()` - function to print (output)
- ▶ `return` - end of a function

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11  int main()
12  {
13      printf(" Hello World");
14
15      return 0;
16  }
17
```



A terminal window showing the output of the program. The text "Hello World" is displayed in a monospaced font on a black background. Above the text are three small icons: a downward arrow, a leftward arrow, and a document icon.

Data Types

Data Type	Format Specifier	Description
int	%i or %d	Store numbers (without decimals)
float	%f	Store fractional values (up to 7 decimals)
double	%lf	Store fractional values (up to 15 decimals)
char	%c	Store a single character/letter/number/ASCII value

- Strings are not a native data type in C. In order to create a String variable, a list of characters must be used.
- To declare a variable, the following syntax must be used:
type variableName = value;
- Format specifiers are used inside printf() to tell the compiler what data type is the variable storing.

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11  int main() {
12      int myNum = 5; // integer
13      double myDub = 6.58765; //double
14      float myFloat = 7.87654; //float
15      char myChar = 's'; //char
16
17      printf(" %d\n", myNum);
18      printf(" %i\n", myNum);
19      printf(" %lf\n", myDub);
20      printf(" %f\n", myFloat);
21      printf(" %c\n", myChar);
22      return 0;
23  }
24
```

```
5
5
6.587650
7.876540
s
```

Variables

- ▶ Names (=identifiers):
 - can contain letters, digits and underscores
 - Can start with a letter or an underscore
 - Are case sensitive
 - Cannot be the same as reserved words (e.g., int, float)
- ▶ **const** -keyword to declare constant variables (unchangeable, read-only)

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int main() {
12     int myNum, myNum2, multip; // integer
13     myNum=5;
14     myNum2=6;
15     int sum=myNum+myNum2;
16     multip=myNum*myNum2;
17     const float myConstPI = 3.14;
18
19     double myDub = 6.58765, myDub2= 4.332; //double
20     float myFloat = 7.87654; //float
21     char myChar = 's'; //char
22
23     printf(" I have a float number %f and a letter %c\n", myFloat, myChar);
24     printf(" I have two double numbers %lf and %lf \n", myDub, myDub2);
25     printf(" The sum is %i\n", sum);
26     printf(" The difference is %i\n", myNum-myNum2);
27     printf(" The multiplication is %i\n", multip);
28     printf(" My constant value is %lf\n", myConstPI );
29     return 0;
30 }
31
```



input

```
I have a float number 7.876540 and a letter s
I have two double numbers 6.587650 and 4.332000
The sum is 11
The difference is -1
The multiplication is 30
My constant value is 3.140000
```

Operators

► Arithmetic operators

Operator	Name	Example int x=7, y=5	Result
+	Addition	x+y	12
-	Subtraction	x-y	2
*	Multiplication	x*y	35
/	Division	x/y	1
%	Modulus	x%y	2
++	Increment	++x	x=8
--	Decrement	--x	x=6

► Assignment operators

Operator	Example (int)	Meaning
=	x=10	x=10
+=	x+=3	x=x+3 => x=13
-=	x-=3	x=x-3 => x=7
=	x=3	x=x*3 => x=30
/=	x/=3	x=x/3 => x=3
%=	x%=3	x=x%3 => x=1

Operators

- ▶ Comparison operators
(The returned value is 1 for true and 0 for false)

Operator	Name
==	Equal
!=	Not equal
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Grater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to

- ▶ Logical operators
(The returned value is 1 for true and 0 for false)

Operator	Meaning	Example x=7
&&	Logical AND - Returns True if both statements are true	x>2 && x<8 1 x>15 && x <20 0 x>10 && x <5 0
	Logical OR - Returns True if one of the statements is true	x>2 x<8 1 x>15 x <20 1 x>10 x <5 0
!	Logical NOT - Reverse the result (if the result is True, it returns False)	!(x>2 && x<8) 0 !(x>15 && x <20) 1 !(x>10 && x <5) 1 !(x>2 x<8) 0 !(x>15 x <20) 0 !(x>10 x <5) 1

If...else if...else

```
if (condition1) {  
    // block of code to be executed if  
    condition1 is true  
} else if (condition2) {  
    // block of code to be executed if the  
    condition1 is false and condition2 is true  
} else {  
    // block of code to be executed if the  
    condition1 is false and condition2 is  
    false  
}
```

```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11 int main() {  
12     int x, y;  
13     x=5;  
14     y=7;  
15  
16     if (x > y)  
17         printf("x is grater than y");  
18     else if (x < y)  
19         printf("x is smaller than y");  
20     else  
21         printf("x is equal to y");  
22  
23     return 0;  
24 }  
25
```

input

x is smaller than y

Switch

```
switch(expression) {  
    case x:  
        // code block  
        break;  
    case y:  
        // code block  
        break;  
    default:  
        // code block  
}
```

default-optional (runs if no case match)

Duplicate cases are not allowed

```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11  int main()  
12  {  
13      char ch='b';  
14      switch (ch)  
15      {  
16          case 'd':  
17              printf("CaseD ");  
18              break;  
19          case 'b':  
20              printf("CaseB");  
21              break;  
22          case 'c':  
23              printf("CaseC");  
24              break;  
25          case 'z':  
26              printf("CaseZ ");  
27              break;  
28          default:  
29              printf("Default ");  
30      }  
31      return 0;  
32  }
```

input
CaseB


While / do...while loop

```
while (condition) {  
    // code block to be executed  
}
```

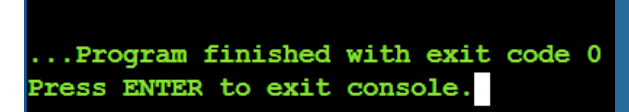
```
do {  
    // code block to be executed  
}  
while (condition);
```

-the code will execute at least once, even if the condition is not true because the block code is executed before verifying the condition


```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11 int main() {  
12     int i = 2;  
13  
14     while (i < 5) {  
15         printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
16         i++;  
17     }  
18  
19     return 0;  
20 }  
21
```




```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11 int main() {  
12     int i = 6;  
13  
14     while (i < 5) {  
15         printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
16         i++;  
17     }  
18  
19     return 0;  
20 }  
21
```



```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11 int main() {  
12     int i = 3;  
13  
14     do {  
15         printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
16         i++;  
17     }  
18     while (i < 5);  
19  
20     return 0;  
21 }  
22
```



```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11 int main() {  
12     int i = 6;  
13  
14     do {  
15         printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
16         i++;  
17     }  
18     while (i < 5);  
19  
20     return 0;  
21 }  
22
```



For loop

```
for (statement 1; statement 2; statement 3) {  
    // code block to be executed  
}
```

- ▶ **Statement 1** is executed (one time) before the execution of the code block.
- ▶ **Statement 2** defines the condition for executing the code block.
- ▶ **Statement 3** is executed (every time) after the code block has been executed.

continue - breaks one iteration (in the loop), if a specified condition occurs, and continues with the next iteration in the loop.

break - used to jump out of a loop.

```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11  
12  int main() {  
13      int i;  
14  
15      for (i = 1; i < 5; i++) {  
16          printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
17      }  
18  
19      return 0;  
20  }  
21
```

input

Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4

```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11  int main() {  
12      int i;  
13  
14      for (i = 1; i < 10; i++) {  
15          if (i == 5) {  
16              break;  
17          }  
18          printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
19      }  
20  
21      return 0;  
22  }  
23
```

input

Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 4

```
9  #include <stdio.h>  
10  
11  int main() {  
12      int i;  
13  
14      for (i = 1; i < 6; i++) {  
15          if (i == 4) {  
16              continue;  
17          }  
18          printf(" Number: %d\n", i);  
19      }  
20  
21      return 0;  
22  }  
23
```

input

Number: 1
Number: 2
Number: 3
Number: 5

Arrays

- ▶ store multiple values in a single variable

- ▶ syntax:

`datatype name[] = {value1,value2..}`

- ▶ access elements inside the array: index

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int main() {
12     int myNumbers[] = {25, 50, 75, 100};
13     printf(" The first number: %d\n", myNumbers[0]);
14     myNumbers[0]=1;
15     printf(" The first number, changed: %d\n", myNumbers[0]);
16
17     myNumbers[4]=10; //add number at the end
18     printf(" The elements inside the array are: \n");
19
20     int i;
21
22     for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
23         printf("\t%d\n", myNumbers[i]);
24     }
25     return 0;
26 }
27
```

input

```
The first number: 25
The first number, changed: 1
The elements inside the array are:
    1
    50
    75
    100
    10
```

2D arrays

- ▶ Array of arrays (known as a matrix)
- ▶ Syntax:

`datatype name[no_rows][no_columns] =
{{value11,value12..},{value21,value22..}}`

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int main() {
12     int matrix[2][3] = { {1, 4, 2}, {3, 6, 8} };
13
14     matrix[0][0]=0; //change first element in first array
15
16     printf(" The elements of the matrix are:\n ");
17     int i, j;
18     for (i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
19         for (j = 0; j < 3; j++) {
20             printf("\t%d\n", matrix[i][j]);
21         }
22     }
23
24     return 0;
25 }
26
```

< input

```
The elements of the matrix are:
    0
    4
    2
    3
    6
    8
```

Strings

- ▶ Syntax: `char name[] = " "`
- ▶ mandatory double quotes for the value of the string
- ▶ Format specifier: `%s`
- ▶ Access elements inside the String: index
- ▶ Use `\'` or `\"` special characters to add quotation marks inside a string

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int main() {
12     char greetings[] = "Hello World!";
13     printf(" %s\n", greetings);
14
15     greetings[5] = 'o';
16     printf(" New string: %s\n\n", greetings);
17
18     char txt[] = " My string \"greetings\" needed quotes.";
19     printf("%s", txt);
20
21     return 0;
22 }
```

input

```
Hello World!
New string: HellooWorld!

My string "greetings" needed quotes.
```

Exercises

- ▶ Go to https://www.onlinegdb.com/online_c_compiler
- 1. Check if a year is a leap year. (leap years are divisible by 4 and not divisible by 100 or divisible by 400)
- 2. Using switch, find if a number is positive, negative or 0.
- 3. Find the sum of all the odd numbers between 0 and 20.
- 4. Print the number of digits in an integer (e.g., `x=123456`, `no_digits=6`)
- 5. Find the sum of all elements in an array (e.g., `arr[]={1,2,3,4,5}` `sum=15`)
- 6. Find the maximum between 3 numbers.

Homework

► Install Code::Blocks

1. Search if an element is in an array. (e.g., `arr[]={1,2,3,4,5}` `x=5` `x` is in `arr`)
2. Add two 2D arrays. (e.g., `arr[2][2]={{1,2},{3,4}}` `arr2[2][2]={{5,6},{7,8}}`
`sum[2][2]={{5,8},{10,12}}`
3. Check if two 2D arrays are equal. (e.g., `arr[2][2]={{1,2},{3,4}}` `arr2[2][2]={{1,2},{3,4}}` are equal)
4. Find the length of a string. (e.g., `char str[]="Hello"` `length=5`)
5. Search for the word FILS and display its index in the following array: `char ex[]`
`= "FILS is part of UPB. I am a student at FILS. Welcome!"`
6. Check if a string is a palindrome.