



[SWE2015-41] Introduction to Data Structures (자료구조개론)

Strings

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(Recap) What is an Array?



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Declaration in C

```
type name[size] = { ... };
```

```
int numbers[10] = {  
    1, 5, 9, -3, 8,  
    7, 6, 10, -5, 0  
};
```

main.c

Index	Address	Value
0	0x16aedf320	1
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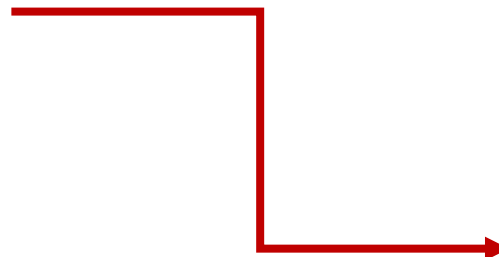
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`numbers[7] = 2`



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- In this string, "ABCD\0" are ignored

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int strlen(char *str) {  
    for (int i = 0; ; i++)  
        if (*(str+i) == '\0')  
            return i;  
}
```

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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Reverse order



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!	o	l	l	e	H	\0

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 - Swap `str[i]` and `str[n-i-1]` characters

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```
void reverse(char *str) {  
    int len = strlen(str); // Compute the length of str  
    char temp;  
    for (int i = 0; i < len/2; i++) {  
        // Swap i-th and (len-i-1)-th elements  
        temp = str[i];  
        str[i] = str[len-i-1];  
        str[len-i-1] = temp;  
    }  
}
```

- Append a string `a[]` to another string `b[]`
 - Example: `a[] = "hello"` & `b[] = ", world"` → `b[] = "hello, world"`

```
void strcat(char *a, char *b) {  
    int alen = strlen(a), blen = strlen(b); // Compute their lengths  
    // Append a to b  
}
```

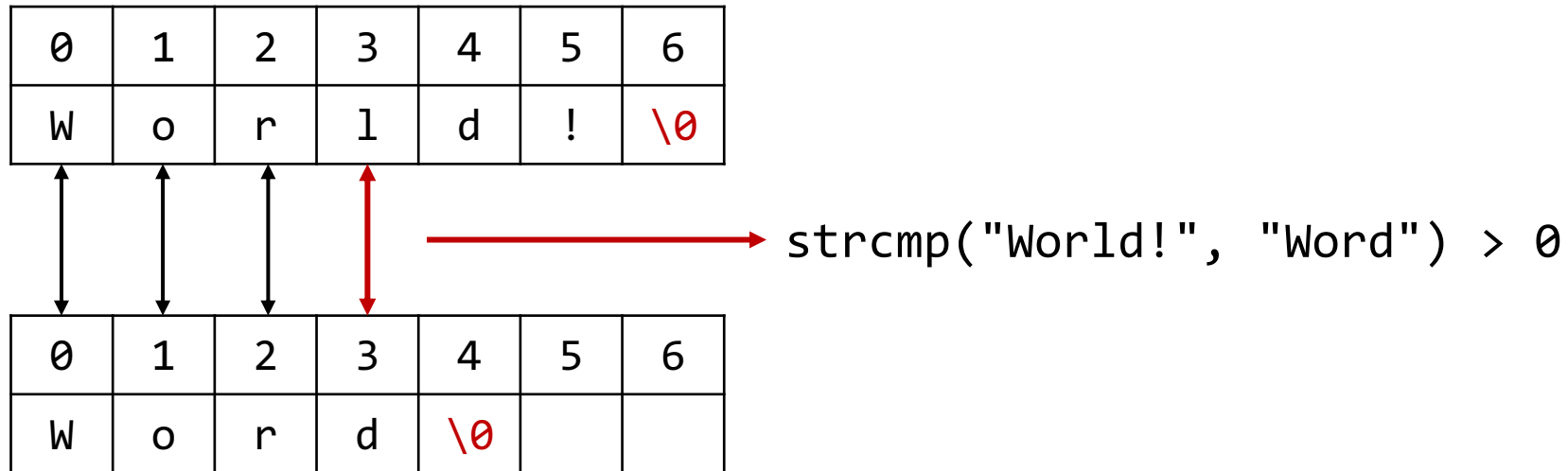
- Check whether a string `a[]` is the prefix of another string `b[]`
 - Example: `a[] = "he"` & `b[] = "hello"` → return value = true
 - Example: `a[] = "eh"` & `b[] = "hello"` → return value = false

```
bool isPrefix(char *a, char *b) {  
    int alen = strlen(a), blen = strlen(b); // Compute their lengths  
    // Check whether a is prefix of b  
}
```

Compare Two Strings



- Comparison between two strings `a[]` and `b[]`
 - `strcmp(a, b) == 0` : two strings are equal
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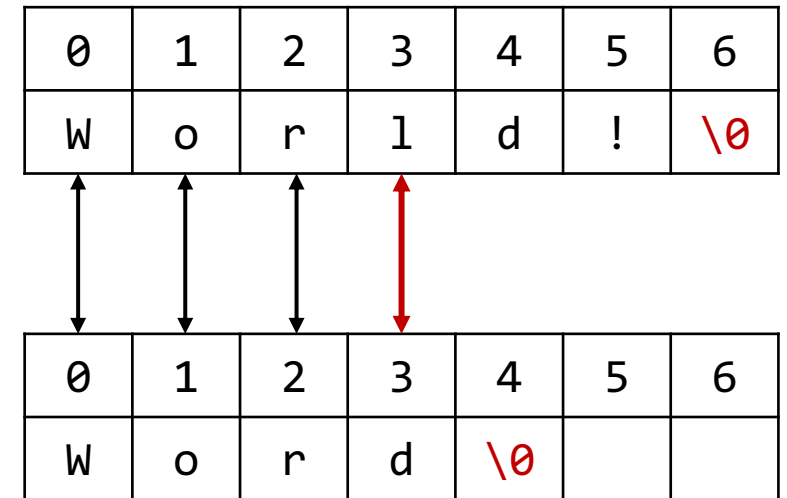


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```
int strcmp(char *a, char *b) {  
    while (*a != 0 || *b != 0) {  
        // Compare characters one by one  
        if (*a > *b) return 1;  
        if (*a < *b) return -1;  
        // If they are same, move forward  
        a += 1;  
        b += 1;  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```



Pattern Matching



- What is the pattern matching problem?

String: Welcome to the **world** of programming

Pattern: **world**

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int strstr(char *str, char *pattern) {  
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    int N = strlen(str), M = strlen(pattern); // Compute their lengths  
    for (int i = 0; i <= N-M; i++) { // Check main[i, ..., i+M-1] == pattern[0, ..., M-1]  
        for (int j = 0; j < M; j++) if (main[i+j] != pattern[j]) break;  
        if (j == M) return i;  
    }  
    return -1;  
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- The best approach: KMP algorithm, $O(N + M)$
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knuth-Morris-Pratt_algorithm
 - https://youtu.be/pu2aO_3R118
 - **Note.** This algorithm is not covered by this course

- Check a string `a[]` is a palindrome
 - Example: `a[] = "tenet"` is a palindrome
 - Example: `a[] = "radar"` is a palindrome
 - Example: `a[] = "hello"` is not a palindrome

```
int isPalindrome(char *a) {  
    // return 1 if a is palindrome  
}
```

- Check a string `a[]` consists of digits only
 - Example: `a[] = "1102131"` is a digit string
 - Example: `a[] = "+423"` is not a digit string

```
int isDigit(char *a) {  
    // return 1 if all characters in the string are digits  
}
```


String Operations in <string.h>



- There are many pre-defined string operations in <string.h>

```
#include <string.h>
```

- strcpy(char *dest, char *source) - copy a string to a certain memory
- strcat(char *dest, char *source) - concatenate two strings
- strcmp(char *str1, char *str2) - compare two strings
- strlen(char *str) - compute the length of a string
- strstr(char *str1, char *str2) - find the position where str2 first occurs
- ...
- https://www.tutorialspoint.com/c_standard_library/string_h.htm

Programming Assignment #1



- **Deadline:** ~ 04/02 23:59:59
- **(Q)** Given a matrix, can you compute the sub-matrix sum efficiently?
 - Sub-matrix is defined by row and column indices (r_0 , r_1 , c_0 , c_1)

$$A[i, j], r_0 \leq i < r_1, c_0 \leq j < c_1$$

		C_0		C_1	
		↓		↓	
		0	1	2	3
$r_0 \rightarrow$	0	1	2	3	4
	1	5	6	7	8
	2	9	10	11	12
$r_1 \rightarrow$	3	13	14	15	16

$$\text{sum} = 2+3+6+7+10+11 = 39$$

Any Questions?

