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Strings, functions
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EEEE1042 C++ Programming: Scheduled classes

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5	Oct 3 – 09	Thu2-4pm	Mon3-6pm	Wed3-6pm	
6	Oct 10 – 14	Thu2-4pm	P.H.	Wed3-6pm	
7	Oct 17 – 21	Thu2-4pm	Mon3-6pm	Wed3-6pm	PT1 5%
8	Oct 24 – 28	Thu2-4pm	P.H.	Wed3-6pm	
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11	Nov 14 – 18	Thu2-4pm	Mon3-6pm	Wed3-6pm	CW1 10%
12	Nov 21 – 25	Project Week 2			
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Outline EEEE1042 C Lecture 5:

- 1 Functions
 - Call by value vs call by reference
 - Recursion
- 2 Generating Random Numbers
- 3 String functions in C
 - Strings Chars and Pointers
 - C string library

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    return(z);
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The **function declaration**, goes at the top or in its own header file. As the function declaration only needs to know the **type** of the input parameters, the name of the variable can be omitted.

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The **function call** can be made after function has been declared.

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The function definition is not needed until the linking stage. It can go in its own file and be compiled separately.

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Functions in POP and OOP

Functions are the heart of POP (procedural-oriented programming).

- Every chunk of code that performs a self-contained task with potential for re-use should be separated out into its own function.
- In bigger projects, functions are separated into their own file and compiled separately
 - Enables more modular code with easier re-use
 - The function file can be compiled separately and independently from the main.
 - No need to recompile subfunctions, when working on the main.

Functions are still used in OOP (object-oriented programming), but they are bundled together with data of the object.

- This helps to manage the functions better.
- Function management is important as project grows in size

Function example: prime number

Code without functions/comments

```
for (i=1,k=3;i<N;k++) {  
    for (j=0;j<i;j++) {  
        if (k%x[j]==0)  
            goto notPrime;  
    }  
    printf("%3d %6d\n",i,k);  
    x[i]=k;  
    i++;  
notPrime:  
}
```

Code with functions/comments

```
// Iterate over each test  
// number k  
for (i=1,k=3;i<N;k++) {  
    if (isPrime(k,x,i)) {  
        printf("%3d %6d\n",i,k);  
        // Save prime, and increment  
        x[i]=k;  
        i++;  
    }  
}
```

You should aim to produce the code on the right.

Functions: Call by reference vs call by value

1 Call-by-value

```
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int main () {
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}
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2 Call-by-reference

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int main () {
    int x=3,y=6,z=printAndAdd(&x,&y); // function call
}
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    int z=x+y;
    printf("In function printAndAdd: x+y=%d\n",z);
    // Reassign input variables, to see if affects calling environment
    x=100; y=100;
    printf("In printAndAdd, reassigning x and y: x=%d, y=%d\n",x,y);
    return(z);
}
int main () {
    int x=3, y=6, z;
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⇒ Variables in function scope **do not** affect variables in calling scope

Call-by-value

Calling by value has limitations.

- ① You can't pass an array when using call-by-value.
 - Arrays are pointers, and passing a pointer to the array is using call-by-reference
 - Call-by-value only passes single values.
- ② C functions can only return a single value
 - If you want your function to return more than one value, you must use call-by-reference:
 - Pass the address of an output variable to the function.
 - Function modifies the variable in the calling environment.

Example: Call-by-reference

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    // Reassign input variables, to see if affects calling environment
    *x=100; *y=100;
    printf("In printAndAdd, reassigning *x and *y: x=%d, y=%d\n",*x,*y);
    return(z);
}
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Call-by-reference example: Incrementing an array

```
#include <stdio.h>

void printArray(int *a, int N) {
    // print all elements in array a[] of length N
    int i;
    for (i=0;i<N;i++) printf("%3d %3d\n",i,a[i]);
}

void incrementArray(int *a, int N) {
    int i;
    // update all elements in array a[] of length N.
    for (i=0;i<N;i++) a[i]++;
}

int main () {
    int a[]={20, 15, 18, 33, 25, 13};
    printf("Before increment\n");
    printArray(a,6);
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    return 0;
}
```

Output:

Before increment

0 20

1 15

2 18

3 33

4 25

5 13

After increment

0 21

1 16

2 19

3 34

4 26

5 14

Recursive functions

- Recursive functions are a special type of function that are allowed to call themselves.
- You might think this could result in an infinite loop, which it can if you do not control the exit condition properly
- Recursion is a useful tool to in certain cases such as in the case of computing factorials:

Definition: $n! = n \times (n - 1)!$ for $n \geq 1$ and
 $0! = 1$

- We can use recursion to evaluate $n!$ by multiplying n by $(n - 1)!$, ie: a function calling itself.
- The terminating condition is that when $n = 0$ the function should return 1.

Example Recursion: Computing Factorial

```
#include <stdio.h>
// Recursive function factorial
long unsigned int factorial (long unsigned int n) {
    if (n==0) return(1); // 0! = 1
    else return(n*factorial(n-1));
}
int main () {
    int i;
    for (i=0;i<10;i++) printf("%d! = %lu\n",i,factorial(i));
    return 0;
}
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Output:

```
0! = 1
1! = 1
2! = 2
3! = 6
4! = 24
5! = 120
6! = 720
7! = 5040
8! = 40320
9! = 362880
```


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Generating Random Numbers

- Sometimes you need the computer to generate random numbers for your program
- Computers cannot generate truly random numbers, but they can generate **pseudo-random** numbers.
- **Pseudo-random numbers generators** (PRNG) are an algorithm that produce numbers having the appearance of being random.
 - However pseudo-random numbers are not truly random. They will repeat with some period N .
 - If the period of repetition is large enough, then for all intents and purposes, the numbers will be random.
- The issue with PRNGs is about making the period big enough that the output never repeats within the duration of usage.

The Standard C PRNG

Reference: Press, Teukolsky, Vetterling Flannery "Numerical Recipes in C", Second Edition, chapter 7.

The synopsis for generating random numbers using the standard C library routine is:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#define RAND_MAX ...
void srand(unsigned seed);
int rand(void);
```

- The function `void srand(unsigned seed);` initializes the random seed to the given value. This value is used to seed the random number generator that allows it to generate the future random number sequences.
- The function `int rand (void);` returns an integer between 0 and `RAND_MAX` **inclusive**.

Example generating random numbers

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
int main () {
    srand(1); // Initialize the random seed
    printf("Random number: %d\n",rand());
    printf("Random number: %d\n",rand());
    printf("Random number: %d\n",rand());
    printf("Random number: %d\n",rand());
    printf("RAND_MAX=%d\n",RAND_MAX);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Random number: 1804289383
Random number: 846930886
Random number: 1681692777
Random number: 1714636915
RAND_MAX=2147483647
```

The same seed should generate the same random sequence of numbers.

Generating uniformly distributed floats

To generate a uniformly distributed random floating number, between 0 and 1 divide by (RAND_MAX+1.0):

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
int main () {
    printf("Random number:%f\n",rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    printf("Random number:%f\n",rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    printf("Random number:%f\n",rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    printf("Random number:%f\n",rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Random number: 0.840188
Random number: 0.394383
Random number: 0.783099
Random number: 0.798440
```

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Generating uniform integers between 1 and 10

To generate uniformly distributed random integers between 1 and 10 use the most significant bits (MSBs):

```
1+(int) (10.0*rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
int main () {
    int x;
    x=1+(10.0*rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    printf("Random number: %d\n",x);
    x=1+(10.0*rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0));
    printf("Random number: %d\n",x);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Random number: 9
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The MSB's and LSB's of the a 4-byte integer:

1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
MSB's																LSB's															

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Refresher on Strings Chars and Pointers

- In C, strings are just arrays of chars.

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char c;           // c is a single char
char *s1;         // s1 is a pointer to a char
char s2[]="Hello"; // s2 is an array of 6 chars.
```

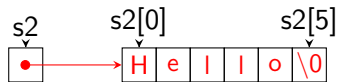
- A pointer is a **memory address pointing** to a location in memory. `s1` is a pointer (because of the `*`), it holds an **address in memory**. `*s1` refers to the contents of the memory address pointed to by `s1`.



`c` is a char that the compiler uses to refer to 1 byte of memory, interpreted as a char.



`s1` is a pointer to a char. It consumes 4 or 8 bytes of memory. When declared, but uninitialized it is pointing randomly.



`s2` is a pointer (because of the `[]`) that is declared and initialized. 6 bytes of memory are allocated and filled with the string "Hello\0". `printf("%s", s2);` is valid. `printf("%s", s1);` has undefined behaviour

Strings Chars and Pointers

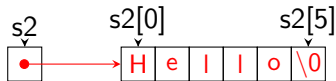
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c='Q'; //Assign a value to the memory of c
s1=&c; // store the address of c into s1
```



On assignment, the compiler puts the value into the memory associated with c

On assignment, the **address** of c (denoted by &c) is stored in s1. Now *s1 is an alias s1[0] is an alias for c



s2 is a pointer (because of the []) that is declared and initialized. 6 bytes of memory are allocated and filled with the string "Hello\0".
printf("%s",s2); is valid.

printf("%s",s1) is now valid, but the string pointed to by s1 is unterminated: There is no '\0' character terminating the char c which only has 8 bits allocated.

Strings Chars and Pointers: Example

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    s1=&c;    // Assign the address of c to memory of s1
    printf("Before: c=%c\n",c); //Print c as char
    printf("Before: *s1=%c\n",*s1); //Print s1 as char
    printf("Before: s1=%s\n",s1); //Print s1 as string
    *s1='W';  // reassign the value of *s1 (alias for c)
    printf("After: c=%c\n",c); //Print c as char
    printf("After: *s1=%c\n",*s1); //Print s1 as char
    return(0);
}
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```

Before: c=Q

Before: *s1=Q

Before: s1=Q(rubbish text)

After: c=W

After: *s1=W

2D string arrays

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    // Declare and initialize 2D char array
    char a[3][6]={"abcde","fghij","klmno"};
    printf("a[0]=%s\n",a[0]);
    printf("a[1]=%s\n",a[1]);
    printf("a[2]=%s\n",a[2]);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
a[0]=abcde
a[1]=fghij
a[2]=klmno
```

a is a **pointer to** (array of) an array of char $*[6]$'s (6 chars)

a is pointer to pointer to char
 \equiv array of array of char

a[0] is a pointer to array of 6 char's →

a[1] is a pointer to array of 6 char's →

a[2] is a pointer to array of 6 char's →

a
↓

a	b	c	d	e	\0
f	g	h	i	j	\0
k	l	m	n	o	\0

printf() works because each string is NULL-terminated.

a[0][0] is the first element in the array a[0]='a'

a[1][0] is the first element in the array a[1]='f'

a[2][0] is the first element in the array a[2]='k'

Initializing 2D int arrays

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    //How to initialize a 2D int array:
    int a[3][4]={
        {0, 1, 2, 3} , /* initializers for a[0] */
        {4, 5, 6, 7} , /* initializers for a[1] */
        {8, 9, 10, 11} /* initializers for a[2] */
    };
    printf("a[0][0]=%d\n",a[0][0]);
    printf("a[1][1]=%d\n",a[1][1]);
    printf("a[2][2]=%d\n",a[2][2]);
    printf("a[2][3]=%d\n",a[2][3]);
    printf("a[3][3]=%d\n",a[3][3]);
    return 0;
}
```

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    };
    printf("a[0][0]=%d\n",a[0][0]);
    printf("a[1][1]=%d\n",a[1][1]);
    printf("a[2][2]=%d\n",a[2][2]);
    printf("a[2][3]=%d\n",a[2][3]);
    printf("a[3][3]=%d\n",a[3][3]);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
a[0][0]=0
a[1][1]=5
a[2][2]=10
a[2][3]=11
```



Example: Printing/processing 2D int array

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    //How to print a 2D int array:
    int a[3][4]={
        {0, 1, 2, 3} , /* initializers for a[0] */
        {4, 5, 6, 7} , /* initializers for a[1] */
        {8, 9, 10, 11} /* initializers for a[2] */
    };
    int i,j;
    for (i=0;i<3;i++) {
        for (j=0;j<4;j++) {
            printf(" %2d",a[i][j]);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```


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    };
    int i,j;
    for (i=0;i<3;i++) {
        for (j=0;j<4;j++) {
            printf(" %2d",a[i][j]);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
0 1 2 3
4 5 6 7
8 9 10 11
```

Example: Printing/processing 2D char array

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    //How to print a 2D int array:
    int i,j;
    for (i=0;i<5;i++) {
        for (j=0;j<5;j++) {
            printf(" %c",'a'+i*5+j);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Example: Printing/processing 2D char array

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    //How to print a 2D int array:
    int i,j;
    for (i=0;i<5;i++) {
        for (j=0;j<5;j++) {
            printf(" %c",'a'+i*5+j);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
a b c d e
f g h i j
k l m n o
p q r s t
u v w x y
```

Example: Printing/processing 2D char array

```
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int main () {
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    int i,j;
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            printf(" %c",'a'+i*5+j);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
a b c d e
f g h i j
k l m n o
p q r s t
u v w x y
```

Note: that while the previous example used a 2D array of ints, this current example does not use a 2D array of chars, it is calculating each char directly from the indices *i* and *j*.

C string library

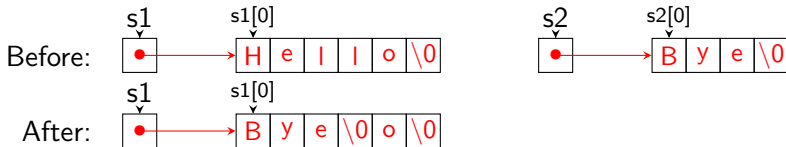
In C, as per the POP programming paradigm, there is a library of functions for handling strings. To access the C-string library in C, you need to `#include<string.h>`

The common C-string functions are listed here:

<code>strcpy(s1, s2);</code>	Copies string s2 into string s1.
<code>strcat(s1, s2);</code>	Concatenate string s2 onto the end of s1.
<code>strlen(s1);</code>	Returns the length of s1.
<code>strcmp(s1, s2);</code>	Returns 0 if s1 is same as s2. Returns +1 or -1 if s2 is greater or less than s1
<code>strchr(s1, ch);</code>	Returns pointer to first occurrence of character ch in string s1.
<code>strstr(s1, s2);</code>	Returns pointer to first occurrence of string s2 in string s1.

Example: strcpy(char *s1, char *s2);

Copy string s2 into string s1. s1 must hold sufficient memory.



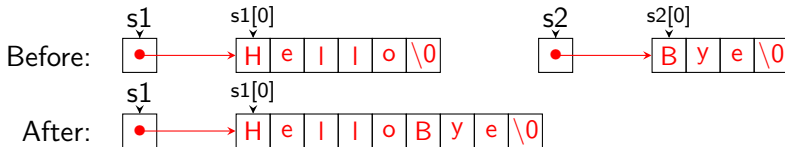
```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main () {
    char s1 []="Hello";
    char s2 []="Bye";
    strcpy(s1,s2);
    printf("s1=%s\n",s1);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
s1=Bye
```

Example: `strcat(char *s1, char *s2);`

Concatenate `s2` onto end of `s1`. `s1` must hold enough memory.

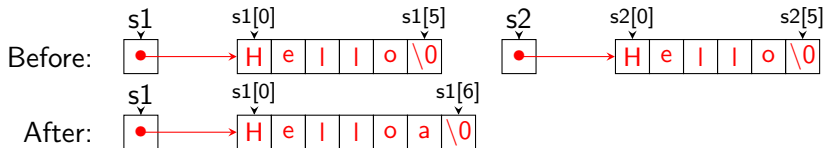


```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main () {
    char s1[10]="Hello";
    char s2[]="Bye";
    strcat(s1,s2);
    printf("s1=%s\n",s1);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
s1=HelloBye
```

Example: strcmp(char *s1, char *s2);



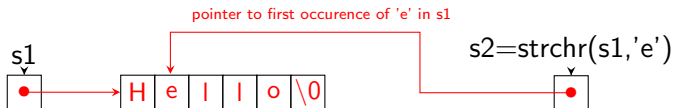
```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main () {
    char s1[10]="Hello";
    char s2[]="Hello";
    printf("Before strcat=%d\n",strcmp(s1,s2));
    strcat(s1,"a");
    printf("After strcat=%d\n",strcmp(s1,s2));
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
Before strcat=0
After strcat=97
```


Example: strchr(char *s1, char c);

Search for first occurrence of character 'e' in s1



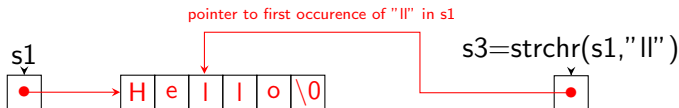
```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main () {
    char s1[10]="Hello";
    char *s2=strchr(s1,'e');
    printf("s2=%s\n",s2);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
s2=ello
```

Example: strstr(char *s1, char* s2);

Search for first occurrence of string "ll" in s1



```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main () {
    char s1[10]="Hello";
    char *s3=strstr(s1,"ll");
    printf("s3=%s\n",s3);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
s3=ll o
```

External resources

Sites to learn about C functions:

- www.tutorialspoint.com
- www.programiz.com
- tutorialsclass.com
- www.w3schools.in

Numerical recipes in C, Chapt 7 for random numbers:

- [Numerical Recipes in C](#)

Some external sites you can go to learn about C strings:

- www.tutorialspoint.com
- www.programiz.com
- www.programiz.net
- www.cprogramming.com
- www.tutorialkart.com