

User-Defined Data Types

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Enumerated Constants

❖ An enumeration is a user-defined data type that consists of integral constants.

❖ Syntax:

```
enum <type_name> {<id1>[=<val1>], <id2>[=<val2>], ..., <idn>[=<valn>]};
```

❖ Example:

```
enum suit {  
    club = 0,  
    diamonds = 10,  
    hearts = 20,  
    spades = 3,  
};
```

❖ Values can be omitted

- Assigned automatically starting from 0, or from last assigned value, and increasing

```
enum week {0sunday,1monday,2tuesday,3wednesday,4thursday,5friday,6saturday };
```

Structure

❖ A Structure is a collection of related variables:

- possibly of different types, unlike arrays
- grouped together under a single name

❖ A structure type in C is called `struct`

❖ A Structure holds data that belongs together

❖ **Examples:**

- Student record: student id, name, major, gender, ..
- Bank account: account number, name, balance, ..
- Date: year, month, day
- Point: x, y

❖ `struct` defines a new datatype.

struct Definition

❖ Syntax:

```
struct <struct_tag>{ struct [<struct_tag>]{  
    <type> <identifier_list>;  
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    <type> <identifier_list>;  
    ...  
    ...  
};  
<variable_list>;
```

❖ Examples

```
struct point{  
    int x ;  
    int y ;  
};
```

```
struct Student{  
    int st_id;  
    char fname[100];  
    char lname[100];  
    int age;  
}
```

Declaration of struct Variable

❖ Declaration of a variable of struct type:

```
struct <struct_type> <identifier_list>;
```

❖ Example1

```
struct studentRec {  
    int student_idno;  
    char student_name[20];  
    int age;  
} s1, s2;
```

```
struct studentRec {  
    int student_idno;  
    char student_name[20];  
    int age;  
};  
struct studentRec s1, s2;
```

❖ Example2

```
struct s1 { char c; int i; } u ;  
struct s2 { char c; int i; } v ;  
struct s3 { char c; int i; } x ;  
struct s3 y ;
```

- The types of u , v and x are all different, but the types of x and y are the same.

struct Members

- ❖ Individual components of a struct type are called members (or fields)
 - can be of different types (simple, array or struct).
- ❖ Complex data structures can be formed by defining arrays of structs.
- ❖ Members of a struct type variable are accessed with direct access operator (.)
- ❖ Syntax: `<struct-variable>.<member_name>;`
- ❖ Example:

```
strcpy(s1.student_name, "Mohamed Ali");  
s1.studentid = 43321313;  
s1.age = 20;  
printf("The student name is %s", s1.student_name);  
struct point ptA;
```

struct Variable Initialization

- ❖ Initialization is done by specifying values of every member.

```
struct point ptA={10,20};
```

- ❖ Assignment operator copies every member of the structure

- be careful with pointers
- Cannot use == to compare two structure variables

- ❖ A variable of a structure type can be also initialized by any the following methods:

- ❖ Example:

```
struct date {  
    int day, month , year ;  
} birth_date = {31 , 12 , 1988};  
struct date newyear={1, 1};
```


Nested Structures

❖ Let's consider the structures:

❖ We can define the Client inside the BankAccount

```
struct BankAccount{  
    char name[21];  
    int accNum[20];  
    double balance;  
    struct{  
        char name[21];  
        char gender;  
        int age;  
        char address[21];  
    } aHolder;  
} b1;  
ba.aHolder.age = 35;
```

```
struct Client{  
    char name[21];  
    char gender;  
    int age;  
    char address[21];  
};  
struct BankAccount{  
    char name[21];  
    int accNum[20];  
    double balance;  
    struct Client aHolder;  
} ba;  
ba.aHolder.age = 35;
```

❖ Client is not visible outside the BankAccount which makes its name optional.

Pointer to Structure

- ❖ Created the same way we create a pointer to any simple data type.

```
struct date *cDatePtr, cDate;
```

- ❖ We can make cDatePtr point to cDate by:

```
cDatePtr = &cDate
```

- ❖ The pointer variable cDatePtr can now be used to access the member variables of date using the dot operator as:

```
(*cDatePtr).year  
(*cDatePtr).month  
(*cDatePtr).day
```

- ❖ The parentheses are necessary!
 - the precedence of the dot operator . is higher than that of the dereferencing operator *

Pointer to Structure Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
struct Point{
    int x;
    int y;
};

float distance(struct Point p1, struct Point p2){
    return sqrt((p1.x-p2.x)*(p1.x-p2.x)+
                (p1.y-p2.y)*(p1.y-p2.y));
}

int main(){
    struct Point pp = {3,7};
    struct Point ppp = {-5,2};
    printf("%.2f\n", distance(pp, ppp));
    return 0;
}
```

Pointer to Structure

- ❖ Pointers are so commonly used with structures.
- ❖ C provides a special operator `->` called the structure pointer or arrow operator or the indirect access operator, for accessing members of a structure variable pointed by a pointer.
- ❖ Syntax:
`<pointer-name> -> <member-name>`
- ❖ Examples:

<code>cDatePtr-> year</code>	<code>⇔</code>	<code>(*cDatePtr).year</code>
<code>cDatePtr-> month</code>	<code>⇔</code>	<code>(*cDatePtr).month</code>
<code>cDatePtr-> day</code>	<code>⇔</code>	<code>(*cDatePtr).day</code>
- ❖ You cannot declare a member `x` of type `struct T` inside `struct T`
- ❖ But you can declare a member `x` of type `struct T*` inside `struct T`

Pointer to Structure Example

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    int y;
};

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}
```

Size of structure

- ❖ size of a structure is greater than or equal to the sum of the sizes of its members.
- ❖ when computer reads/writes from/to memory address
 - it reads/writes a whole word
 - a word size is determined by platform: Ex. 4 bytes in 32-bit systems
 - Self-alignment speeds up memory access to fetch/write typed data
- ❖ Alignment
 - On modern processors, basic C data types has some storage constraints:
 - Variables of 8-bit length can start at any address
 - Variables of 16-bit length must start on even address
 - Variables of 32-bit length must start on an address that is divisible by 4
 - Variables of 64-bit length must start on an address that is divisible by 8
- ❖ Padding:
 - Meaningless bytes were inserted between the end of a structure member and the next

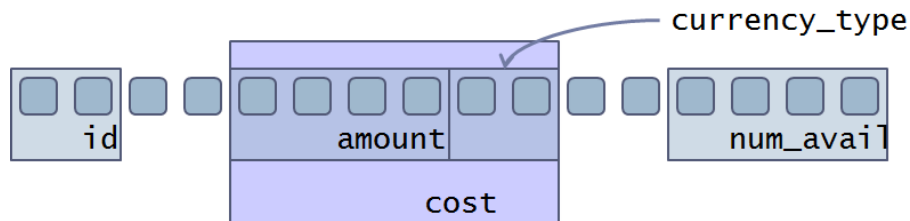
Size of structure

- ❖ `struct` alignment is based on its widest scalar member
- ❖ Address of `struct` is the same as its first member
- ❖ Padding bytes will be added between `struct` members as needed
- ❖ Trailing bytes will be added after `struct` variables as needed
- ❖ `struct` reordering is not guaranteed to shrink the size of the `struct`
- ❖ Compiler directive `#pragma` can be used to override the alignment:
 - Not a good idea since it slows down the execution
 - Needed when a format has to be followed
- ❖ There are too many other details and some are implementation dependent

Size of structure

❖ Alignment

```
struct COST {  
    int amount;  
    char currency_type[2];  
};  
struct PART {  
    char id[2];  
    struct COST cost;  
    int num_avail;  
};
```

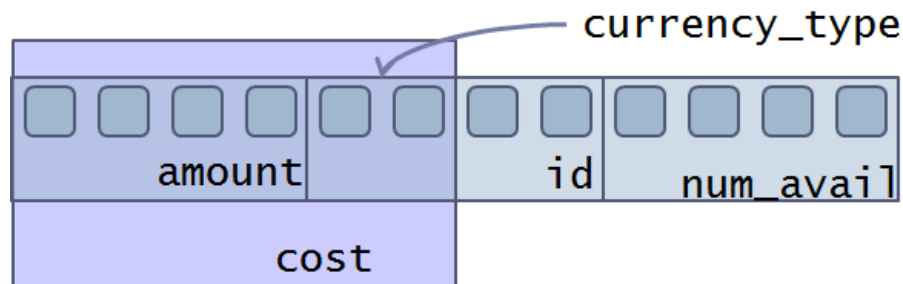


○ Size of struct Part: 16 bytes

❖ You can try to reduce the structure size by structure reordering or using #pragma

❖ Better:

```
struct COST {  
    int amount;  
    char currency_type[2];  
};  
struct PART {  
    struct COST cost;  
    char id[2];  
    int num_avail;  
};
```



○ Size of struct Part: 12 bytes

Array of Structures

❖ Can create an array of structures

❖ Example:

```
struct studentRec {  
    int student_idno;  
    char *student_name;  
    int age;  
};  
struct studentRec studentRecords[500];
```

- studentRecords is an array containing 500 elements of the type struct studentRec.
- Member variable inside studentRecords can be accessed using array subscript and dot operator: `studentRecords[0].student_name = "Mohammad";`

Example

```
#include <stdio.h>

struct Employee { /* declare a global structure type */
    int idNum; double payRate; double hours;
};

double calcNet(struct Employee *); /* function prototype */

int main() {
    struct Employee emp = {6787, 8.93, 40.5};
    double netPay;
    netPay = calcNet(&emp); /* pass an address*/
    printf("The net pay for employee %d is $%6.2f\n", emp.idNum, netPay);
    return 0;
}

/* pt is a pointer to a structure of Employee type */
double calcNet(struct Employee *pt) {
    return(pt->payRate * pt->hours);
}
```

Union

- ❖ A variable that may hold objects of different types/sizes in same memory location

```
union data{  
    int idata;        d1.idata = 10;  
    float fdata;      d2.fdata = 3.14F ;  
    char* sdata;      d3.sdata = "hello world" ;  
} d1, d2, d3;
```

- ❖ Size of union variable is equal to size of its largest element.

- ❖ Compiler does not test if the data is being read in the correct format.

```
union data d; d.idata=10; float f=d.fdata; /* will give junk */
```

- ❖ A common solution is to maintain a separate variable.

```
enum dtype {INT,FLOAT,CHAR};  
struct variant {  
    union data d;  
    enum dtype t;  
};
```

BitField

- ❖ A set of adjacent bits within a single 'word'.

Example:

```
struct flag{  
    unsigned int is_color:1;  
    unsigned int has_sound:1;  
    unsigned int is_ntsc:1;  
} ;
```

- ❖ Number after the colons specifies the width in bits.
- ❖ Each variables should be declared as unsigned int Bit fields
- ❖ Portability is an issue

typedef Keyword

- ❖ Gives a type a new name

```
typedef unsigned char BYTE;  
BYTE b1, b2;
```

- ❖ Can be used to give a name to user defined data types as well

```
struct Books {  
    char title[50];  
    char author[50];  
    char subject[100];  
    int book_id;  
};  
typedef struct Books Book;  
Book b1, b2;
```

```
typedef struct {  
    char title[50];  
    char author[50];  
    char subject[100];  
    int book_id;  
} Book;  
  
Book b1, b2;
```

Example1: Polygon (polygon.h)

```
#ifndef POLYGON
#define POLYGON
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
typedef struct {
    int x;
    int y;
} Point;
typedef struct{
    Point* points;
    int count;
} Polygon;

float distance(Point*, Point*);
Polygon* getPG();
int isParallelogram(Polygon*);

#endif
```

Example1: Polygon (polygon.c)

```
#include "polygon.h"

Polygon* getPG(){
    Polygon* pg;
    Point* p;
    int i=0;
    pg = (Polygon*)calloc(1, sizeof(Polygon));
    printf("Enter number of points:");
    scanf("%d", &(pg->count));
    p=pg->points=(Point*)calloc(pg->count, sizeof(Point));
    if (!p) return NULL;
    while (p < (pg->points)+(pg->count)){
        printf("Enter x for point p%d:", i+1);
        scanf("%d", &(p->x));
        printf("Enter y for point p%d:", i+++1);
        scanf("%d", &(p->y));
        p++;
    }
    return pg;
}
```

Example1: Polygon (polygon.c)

```
float distance(Point* p1, Point* p2){
    return sqrt((p1->x-p2->x)*(p1->x-p2->x) + (p1->y-p2->y)*(p1->y-p2->y));
}

int isParallelogram(Polygon* pg){
    if (pg->count == 4)
        if (distance(pg->points, pg->points+1) == distance(pg->points+2, pg->points+3) &&
            distance(pg->points+1, pg->points+2) == distance(pg->points+3, pg->points))
            return 1;
        /* not a good idea, why? */
    return 0;
}
```


Example1: Polygon (pgtest.c)

```
#include "polygon.h"

int main(){
    Polygon *pg1, *pg2;
    pg1 = getPG();
    printf("This polygon is %sa parallelogram.", isParallelogram(pg1)?"":"not ");
    pg2 = getPG();
    printf("This polygon is %sa parallelogram.", isParallelogram(pg2)?"":"not ");

    return 0;
}
```

data.txt

4	5	-3	6	5	1	4	-4	0
4	-3	5	5	6	4	1	-4	0

Example2: Matrix - revisited

```
#if !defined MAT
#define MAT

typedef struct{
    int** data;
    int rows;
    int cols;
} Matrix;

Matrix get_matrix(int, int);

void free_matrix(Matrix);      /* OR */ void free_matrix(Matrix*);
void fill_matrix(Matrix);
void print_matrix(Matrix);
Matrix transpose(Matrix);

#endif
```