

Summary

Structures: Is a user defined datatype that can be used to group elements of different types into a single type.

Ex:

```
struct employee{
    char name[20];
    int age;
    int salary;
};
```

To initialize structure variables -> struct employee emp = {"Mariam", 30, 5000};

To access structure variables -> using dot operator -> emp.name = "Mariam";

Arrays with structures:

```
#include <stdio.h>
struct car {
    int speed;
    int fuel;
};
int main() {
    struct car c[2];
    for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        printf("Enter speed of car %d: ", i + 1);
        scanf("%d", &c[i].speed);
        printf("Enter fuel of car %d: ", i + 1);
        scanf("%d", &c[i].fuel);
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        printf("Car %d\n - Speed: %d, Fuel: %d\n", i+1, c[i].speed, c[i].fuel);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Pointers with structures:

```
#include <stdio.h>
struct Date {
    int day;
    int month;
    int year;
};

int main() {
    struct Date date1, date2;
    struct Date *p = &date1;
    struct Date *q = &date2;

    if(p->year == q->year
        && p->month == q->month
        && p->day == q->day)
        printf("Dates are equal\n");
    else
        printf("Dates are not equal\n");

    return 0;
}
```

Size of a structure:

The size of a structure = sizes of its members + padding added.

To get the size we use `sizeof(struct_name)` as shown in problem 4

Memory padding: Extra unused bytes added by the compiler between structure members to align data in memory

memory	Aligned	Unaligned
speed	faster	slower
size	larger	smaller

Difference between the Structures and Object

	Structues	Object (in OOP)
Inhertance	Not supported	Supports it
Access control	No access control (no private/ public)	Supports encapsulation with access specifiers
behavior	Can't act	Can have methods / functions built in

Conclusion: Both are containers while objects can have actions.