

PROGRAMMING

CT103
Week 6b

Lecture Content

- Last lecture (Week 6a):
 - Length of a string
 - Insert data in a string
 - String functions
 - Example C program
- Today's lecture (Week 6b):
 - Constants
 - Puts
 - Gets
 - Sscanf_s
 - Example C program

Bank Holiday

- Please note the **bank holiday** on 30 October 2023.
- There will be **no lectures** on **Monday 30 October 2023**.
- Labs with new lab assignment will still take place on Tuesday 31 October 2023.

CONSTANTS

Constants

- We talked a lot about variables already and know what they are.
- E.g. `int age = 62;`
- We can also create **constants**.
- **Constants** refer to fixed values that the program cannot change during its execution. These are also often called literals.

Constants

- You would create a constant in C as follows:

```
const float gravity = 9.81;  
printf("Acceleration due to gravity = %0.2f.\n\n", gravity);
```

C:\Users\Karl\source\repos\CT103_C_Programming\Debug\CT103_C_Programming.exe

```
Acceleration due to gravity = 9.81.
```

Constants

- As the name suggests, you cannot change the value of a constant.

```
const float gravity = 9.81;  
printf("Acceleration due to gravity = %0.2f.\n\n", gravity);  
gravity = gravity + 1;
```



Can't do this!

#Define in C

- You can also declare constants using `#define`.
- These need to be created outside of `main`.
- Using `#define` creates what is called a **macro**.

Macro

- What is a **macro**?
- A macro is a fragment of code which has been given a name. Whenever the name is used it is replaced by the contents of the macro.
- There are two types of macros:
 - Object like macros.
 - Function like macros (we will ignore these for now).

#Define in C

- What does #define look like in C?
- You can create an object like macro in C using the following:

```
#define PI 3.14
```

#Define in C Example

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

#define g 9.81
void main() {
    float mass = 10;
    float F;
    F = mass * g;
    printf("Force = %0.2f N.\n",F);
}
```

#Define in C Example

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

```
#define g 9.81
void main() {
    float mass = 10;
    float F;
    F = mass * g;
    printf("Force = %0.2f N.\n", F);
}
```

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Force = 98.10 N.

PUTS

Puts

- What is puts?
- Puts is a function for printing strings to the screen.
- You need to include the `<stdio.h>` library to call puts.

Why Puts Over Printf?

- Puts is simple.
- Puts is less expensive than printf.
- Puts is more secure.
 - E.g. if there is a “%” in your string, printf may behave strangely, puts won't.

Puts in C

- You would use Puts as follows in C:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void main()
{
    char myString[] = "Here is my string.";
    puts(myString);
}
```


Puts in C

- This gives the following output:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void main()
{
    char myString[] = "Here is my string.";
    puts(myString);
}
```

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```
Here is my string.
```

GETS

Gets

- What is gets?
- Gets is a function for reading input from the keyboard.
- You also need to include the `<stdio.h>` library to call gets.

Gets vs Scanf?

- Gets is only used for strings.
- Gets will not stop reading characters, even with whitespace, until it reaches a newline.
- Gets is easy to use.

Gets in C

- You would use Gets as follows in C:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void main()
{
    char myString[10] = "Temp";
    puts("Enter your name:");
    gets(myString);
    puts(myString);
}
```

Gets in C

- This gives the following output:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void main()
{
    char myString[10] = "Temp";
    puts("Enter your name:");
    gets(myString);
    puts(myString);
}
```

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```
Enter your name:
Bob
Bob
```

USING PUTS AND GETS

Puts and Gets

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

void main()
{
    char firstName[15], secondName[15];
    char fullName[35] = "";

    puts("what is your first name?: ");
    gets(firstName);
    puts("What is your surname?: ");
    gets(secondName);

    strcat_s(fullName, 35, firstName);
    strcat_s(fullName, 35, " ");
    strcat_s(fullName, 35, secondName);

    puts("\nYour full name is:");
    puts(fullName);
}
```


Puts and Gets

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

void main()
{
    char firstName[15], secondName[15];
    char fullName[35] = "";

    puts("what is your first name?: ");
    gets(firstName);
    puts("What is your surname?: ");
    gets(secondName);

    strcat_s(fullName, 35, firstName);
    strcat_s(fullName, 35, " ");
    strcat_s(fullName, 35, secondName);

    puts("\nYour full name is:");
    puts(fullName);
}
```

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```
what is your first name?:
Bobby
What is your surname?:
Axelrod

Your full name is:
Bobby Axelrod
```

SSCANF_S

Sscanf_s

- You may get strings from anywhere, such as files or databases.
- These may then need to be parsed to extract data.
- What does **parse** mean?
 - Transforming a stream of text into some other form of information.

Sscanf_s

- Sscanf_s is useful for **scanning formatted data from a string**.
- **IF** you know the exact format of the string (and it won't be changed), you can read it the same way as you would read the console input using scanf.

Sscanf_s Example

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

void main()
{
    char string[100]="hi";
    char firstName[20], surname[20];
    char fullName[40];
    int dd, mm, yyyy;

    puts("Enter 'firstName' 'Surname' 'dd/mm/yyyy'");

    gets(string);

    sscanf_s(string, "%s %s %d/%d/%d", firstName, 20, surname, 20, &dd, &mm, &yyyy);
    strcpy_s(fullName, 40, firstName);
    strcat_s(fullName, 40, " ");
    strcat_s(fullName, 40, surname);

    printf("\n%s was born on %d-%d-%d\n\n", fullName, dd, mm, yyyy);
}
```

Sscanf_s Example

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

void main()
{
    char string[100]="hi";
    char firstName[20], surname[20];
    char fullName[40];
    int dd, mm, yyyy;

    puts("Enter 'firstName' 'Surname' 'dd/mm/yyyy'");

    gets(string);

    sscanf_s(string, "%s %s %d/%d/%d", firstName, 20, surname, 20, &dd, &mm, &yyyy);
    strcpy_s(fullName, 40, firstName);
    strcat_s(fullName, 40, " ");
    strcat_s(fullName, 40, surname);

    printf("\n%s was born on %d-%d-%d\n\n", fullName, dd, mm, yyyy);
}
```

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```
Enter 'firstName' 'Surname' 'dd/mm/yyyy'
Bobby Axelrod 1/1/1960

Bobby Axelrod was born on 1-1-1960
```

EXAMPLE PROBLEMS

Physics Energy Calculator

- You are writing software to calculate physics equations. Write a program that:
 - Defines acceleration due to gravity as a constant.
 - Reads in 4 measurements of the following:
 - Mass (m), velocity (v) and height (h).
 - Calculate the kinetic (KE) and potential (PE) energy of the 4 objects.
- **Note:**
 - $KE = 0.5 m v^2$
 - $PE = m g h$
 - $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

Physics Energy Calculator

- Go to C program solution.

Physics Energy Calculator

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

#define g 9.81
void main() {
    float mass;
    float v;
    float h;
    float F;
    float kEnergy;
    float pEnergy;
    char dataIn[100] = "temp";

    for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
        puts("Enter the mass, velocity and height as: 'mass' 'vel' 'height'");
        gets(dataIn);
        sscanf_s(dataIn, "%f %f %f", &mass, &v, &h);
        kEnergy = 0.5 * mass * v * v;
        pEnergy = mass * g * h;
        printf("Kinetic Energy = %0.2f J.\n", kEnergy);
        printf("Potential Energy = %0.2f J.\n", pEnergy);
    }
}
```

Physics Energy Calculator

- C Program Output:

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```
Enter the mass, velocity and height as: 'mass' 'vel' 'height'
10 20 30
Kinetic Energy = 2000.00 J.
Potential Energy = 2943.00 J.
Enter the mass, velocity and height as: 'mass' 'vel' 'height'
1 2 3
Kinetic Energy = 2.00 J.
Potential Energy = 29.43 J.
Enter the mass, velocity and height as: 'mass' 'vel' 'height'
81 30 25
Kinetic Energy = 36450.00 J.
Potential Energy = 19865.25 J.
Enter the mass, velocity and height as: 'mass' 'vel' 'height'
33 55 7777
Kinetic Energy = 49912.50 J.
Potential Energy = 2517648.25 J.
```