

```
1  /* Solution to Problem 1 of Assignment 4-A
2
3  Problem Definition: Write a C program called
4  ROLLNO_string_to_num.c that takes as input a decimal
5  number (including sign and fractional part) as a
6  string, converts the string to a number (its decimal
7  equivalent value), and prints the number.
8
9  Below is one possible solution. There are other ways to do it too.
10
11 Author: Dr. Ramya Balachandran
12 Date and time of upload: February 24, 2021 5:30 pm
13 If you need help understanding this solution,
14 you can send an email to bramya@smail.iitm.ac.in
15 */
16
17 #include <stdio.h>
18 #include <string.h>
19 #define MAX_LENGTH 22 // 20 characters for the number + 1 for the new line
20                        // character + 1 for '\0'
21
22 int main()
23 {
24     char str[MAX_LENGTH]; // String that the user will provide as input
25     float number = 0; // used to store the numeric value computed from the
26                       // string. We can use double too.
27     int valid_input = 1; // 1 if the string has a valid character,
28                       // 0 if the character is invalid
29     int index = 0; // used to access each character in str
30     int length = 0; // used to store length of str
31     int n_frac = 0; // used to store how many digits are there after the
32                       // decimal point
33     int frac_10_power = 1; // used to store by what value the digit after
34                       // decimal point should be divided by
35     int decimal_point = 0; // variable to store if a decimal point was read
36     int negate = 0; // variable to store if the number is a negative number
37     int sign_present = 0; // variable to store if a sign was provided
38
39
40     printf("Enter a string with a number (max %d characters): ",
41            MAX_LENGTH-2); // Message asking for a valid input
42     fgets(str,MAX_LENGTH-1,stdin); // get input from user
43
44     length = strlen(str); // get current length of str
45
46     // Remove the new line character at the end
47     if (str[length-1]=='\n')
48     {
49         str[length-1]='\0'; // change '\n' to '\0'
50         length--; // reducing length of str by 1
51     }
52
53     // Prints the string without the '\n' at the end
54     printf("Entered string is %s\n",str);
55
```

```
56 // The below while loop allows us to go through each character
57 // in the string as long as valid_input is 1
58 while ((valid_input) && (index<length))
59 {
60     int val; // variable to store digit value if str[index] represents
61              // a digit, -1 otherwise
62     switch (str[index])
63     {
64         case '0':
65         case '1':
66         case '2':
67         case '3':
68         case '4':
69         case '5':
70         case '6':
71         case '7':
72         case '8':
73         case '9':
74         // str[index] is a digit
75         {
76             val = str[index]-'0'; // get the numeric value
77             break;
78         }
79         case '.': // str[index] is a decimal point
80         {
81             val = -1;
82             if (!decimal_point) // true if this is the first time a
83                                 // decimal point occurs
84                 decimal_point++;
85             else // this is the second decimal point. So invalid input.
86                 valid_input = 0;
87             break;
88         }
89         case '+': // str[index] is a plus sign
90         {
91             val = -1;
92             // sign is allowed only once and only as the first character.
93             // If you want to allow spaces in the string before the sign,
94             // then you can change the condition accordingly
95             if (sign_present || index)
96                 valid_input = 0;
97             else
98             {
99                 negate = 0;
100                 sign_present++;
101             }
102             break;
103         }
104         case '-': // str[index] is a minus sign
105         {
106             val = -1;
107             // sign is allowed only once and only as the first character.
108             // If you want to allow spaces in the string before the sign,
109             // then you can change the condition accordingly
110             if (sign_present || index)
111                 valid_input = 0;
```

```
112         else
113         {
114             negate = 1; // set to 1 to indicate that we have a
115                          // negative number
116             sign_present++;
117         }
118         break;
119     }
120     default: // invalid character
121     {
122         val = -1;
123         valid_input = 0;
124     }
125 }
126 if ((valid_input) && (val>=0))
127 // Condition is true when str[index] is a digit.
128 // So we have to update the value stored in number.
129 {
130     if (!decimal_point) // digit before decimal point
131         number = number*10 + val;
132     else // digit after decimal point
133     {
134         n_frac++;
135         frac_10_power *=10;
136         number = number + ((float)val/frac_10_power);
137     }
138 }
139 index++; // update index to check the next character in the string
140 }
141
142 if (valid_input)
143 {
144     // Valid number in the string
145
146     if (negate && (number>0)) // handle negative number
147         number = -number;
148     // Print the number. See the use of %.f in the below printf
149     // statement. n_frac's value is taken in place of *. This gives
150     // us an option to print the same number of digits after
151     // decimal point as it was in the input string. (It is okay
152     // if you didn't use it in Assignment 4-A, but you have to
153     // use it in Problem 3 of Assignment 4-B.
154     printf("Number in the string is %.f\n", n_frac, number);
155 }
156 }
157 else // invalid input
158     printf("ERROR: Entered string does not have a valid number.\n");
159
160 return 0;
161 }
```