

# PROGRAMMING

## WEEK 2

### MODULE 1: ARRAYS

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# Arrays

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- So far, we used datatypes provided by the language
  - ▣ *int, float, char*
- Aggregate Datatype
  - ▣ A logical collection of values
- Arrays
  - ▣ Aggregate datatype of **same** type of elements
  - ▣ Fixed size, sequentially indexed

# Arrays

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- Logical collection of values of the same type
  - ▣ List of marks of a student
  - ▣ Daily temperature over the last year
  - ▣ Matrices
  - ▣ List of students in a class
- Operations done on such collections
  - ▣ Find maximum, average, minimum...
  - ▣ Order the elements
  - ▣ Search for a particular element

# Imagine this: Find Average Temperature of the Year

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Code Segment:

```
float sum, average;
```

```
average = sum/365;
```

# More Elegant: Arrays (Example 1)

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Code Segment:

```
float temp[365];  
float sum=0.0, average;  
int i;
```

**365 elements of the same type**

```
for(i=0; i<365; i++){  
    scanf("%f",&temp[i]);  
}
```

**Scan the elements one by one  
and store**

```
for(i=0; i<365; i++){  
    sum += temp[i];  
}  
average = sum/365;
```

**Add the elements**

# Arrays

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## □ Declaration

- `<type array name[number of elements]>`

- Examples:

  - `int marks[7];`

  - `float temperature[365];`

## □ `int marks[7];`

- A contiguous group of 7 memory locations called “marks”

- Elements

  - `marks[0], marks[1], ..., marks[6]`

  - `marks[i]`  $0 \leq i \leq 6$

# Memory point of view

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```
int marks[7] ;
```

- Each element can be thought of as a variable
- Just like individual variables, they start out uninitialized
- Values can be assigned to elements
  - ▣ `marks[3] = 36;`
- ‘&’ is used to get the location in the memory
  - ▣ Just like it was for a variable
  - ▣ `&marks[1]` would be 2735

Address:  
2731

-
-
-
36
-
-
-

marks[0]

marks[1]

marks[2]

marks[3]

marks[4]

marks[5]

marks[6]

Address:  
2755

# Revisit the Example

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Code Segment:

```
float temp[365];
```

**365 elements of the type float**



```
float sum=0.0, average=0.0;
```

```
int i;
```

```
for(i=0; i<365; i++){
```

```
    scanf("%f",&temp[i]);
```

```
}
```

**Read into memory location of temp[i]**



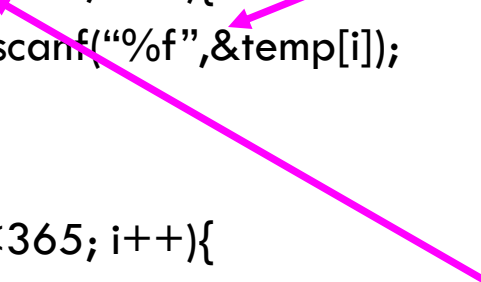
```
for(i=0; i<365; i++){
```

```
    sum += temp[i];
```

```
}
```

```
average = sum/365;
```

**Loop runs from i=0 to i=364, a total of 365 times**





# Initialization

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- Arrays can be declared with initialization
  - ▣ `int marks[7] = {22,15,75,56,10,33,45};`
- New values can be assigned to elements
  - ▣ `marks[3] = 36;`

22	0
15	1
75	2
36	3
10	4
33	5
45	6

# Few Fine Points

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- Array indices start at 0
  - ▣ Not 1
- Very common mistake to assume index starting at 1
- `int marks[7];`
  - ▣ Valid entries are `marks[0]` to `marks[6]`
  - ▣ `marks[7]` is invalid
  - ▣ `marks[-1]` is also invalid

# Example 2: Find the Hottest Day

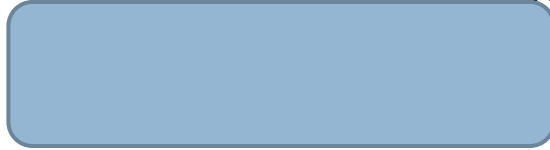
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Code Segment:

```
float temp[365], max;
```

```
int hottestDay, i;
```

```
/* NOT SHOWN : Code to read in temperature for the 365 days*/
```



**Assume Day 0 is the hottest  
and record the temperature.**

```
for(i=1; i<365; i++){
```



**If the  $i^{\text{th}}$  day is  
hotter than our  
current record,  
update**

```
}
```

```
printf("The hottest day was Day %d with temperature %f", hottestDay, max);
```

# Multidimensional Arrays

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- Arrays with two or more dimensions can be defined
  - Useful for matrices, 3D graphics etc.

`int A[4][3];`

	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			
3			

`float B[2][4][3];`

	0	1	2		0	1	2
0							
1							
2							
3							

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MODULE 2: WORKING WITH 1D ARRAYS

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# Generic Programs

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```
#include <stdio.h>
#define N 6
int main (void)
{
    int values[N];
    int i;
    for ( i = 0; i < N; i++ ) {
        printf("Enter value of element number %d:\n",i);
        scanf("%d", &values[i]);
    }
    for ( i = 0; i < N; i++ )
        printf ("values[%d] = %d\n", i, values[i]);
}
```

**Generic value; Change, recompile and run if N has to be different**

# Ex 1: Generate First N Fibonacci numbers

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```
#include <stdio.h>
#define N 10
int main (void)
{
    int Fib[N];
    int i;
    Fib[0] = 0;
    Fib[1] = 1;
    for ( i = 2; i < N; i++ ) {
        Fib[i] = Fib[i-1] + Fib[i-2];
    }
    for ( i = 0; i < N; i++ )
        printf ("Fib[%d] = %d\n", i, Fib[i]);
}
```

# Ex 2: Using Arrays as Counters

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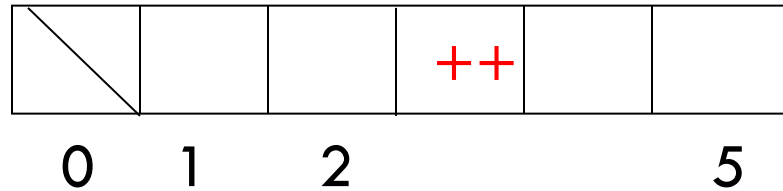
- Let's say 1000 students took this course
- Each student rates the course from 1 to 5
- Find how the ratings are spread
  - ▣ Count the number of times each rating was given



# Ex3: Array of counters


ratingCounters

↓ response




`ratingCounters[i]` = how many students rated the course as i

# Ex3: Array of counters (contd.)

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main (void) {
    int ratingCounters[6] = {0,0,0,0,0,0}, i, response;
    printf ("Enter your responses\n");
    for ( i = 1; i <= 1000; ++i ) {
        scanf ("%d", &response);
        
    }
    printf ("\n\nRating      Number of Responses\n");
    printf ("-----\n");
    for ( i = 1; i <= 5; ++i )
        printf ("%d      %d\n", i, ratingCounters[i]);
    return 0;
}
```

**Record valid  
responses only.  
Ignore if invalid**



# Problem 3.1: Finding All Prime Numbers $\leq N$

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## □ Observations:

- ▣ 2 is the only even prime number
- ▣ 3 is the smallest odd prime number
- ▣ To find out if a number  $p$  is prime or not, it is enough to check if  $p$  is divisible by all primes less than  $p$ 
  - If some prime number  $i < p$  divides  $p$ , then  $p$  is composite
  - If there is no  $i$  such that  $i$  divides  $p$  fully, then  $p$  is prime

# Code Segment

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```
12:    for ( p = 5; p <= N; p = p + 2 ) { //iterate over all odd numbers <= N
        isPrime = 1; //assume that it is prime
14:        for ( i = 1; i < primeIndex; ++i ){
            //if p is divisible by some prime i, then p is not prime
            if ( p % primes[i] == 0 )
                isPrime = 0;
        }
19:    if ( isPrime == 1 ) {
        primes[primeIndex] = p;
        ++primeIndex;
    }
}
```

# Exercise

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- Can make the program more efficient
  - ▣ Check only till  $\sqrt{N}$
  - ▣ If  $p$  is divisible by some prime number, the loop in Line 14 still runs till all prime numbers less than it are checked
- Each of these techniques will reduce number of steps
- Can also combine both

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PRIME NUMBERS – DEMO OF DEBUGGING

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# Problem 3.1: Finding All Prime Numbers $\leq N$

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### MODULE 3: TWO DIMENSIONAL ARRAYS

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# Multidimensional Arrays

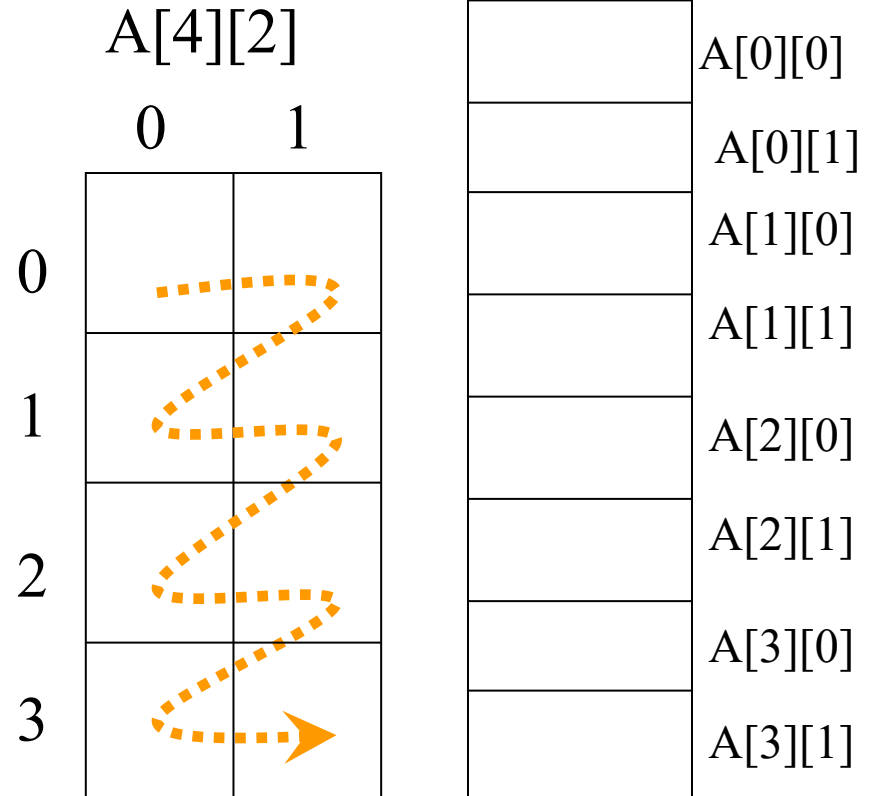
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- Many times, data come in the form of tables
  - ▣ Spreadsheets etc.
- Matrices are common in several engineering disciplines
- Spreadsheets and matrices can be thought of as 2D arrays
- More than 2 dimensions are also common
  - ▣ Example: 3D graphics

# Two Dimensional Arrays

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- `int A[4][2];`
  - ▣ 4 x 2 array; 4 rows, 2 columns
- Storage
  - ▣ Row major order
- Initialization
  - ▣ `int B[2][3] = { {4, 5, 6},  
                  {0, 3, 5}  
                  };`



# Multi-dimensional Arrays

Arrays with two or more dimensions can be defined

`int A[4][3];`

	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			
3			

`float B[2][4][3];`

	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			
3			

	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			
3			

# Matrix Operations

An m-by-n matrix:  $M$ : m rows and n columns

Rows : 0, 1, ..., m-1 and Columns : 0, 1, ..., n-1

$M[i][j]$  : element in  $i^{\text{th}}$  row,  $j^{\text{th}}$  column

$$0 \leq i < m, 0 \leq j < n$$

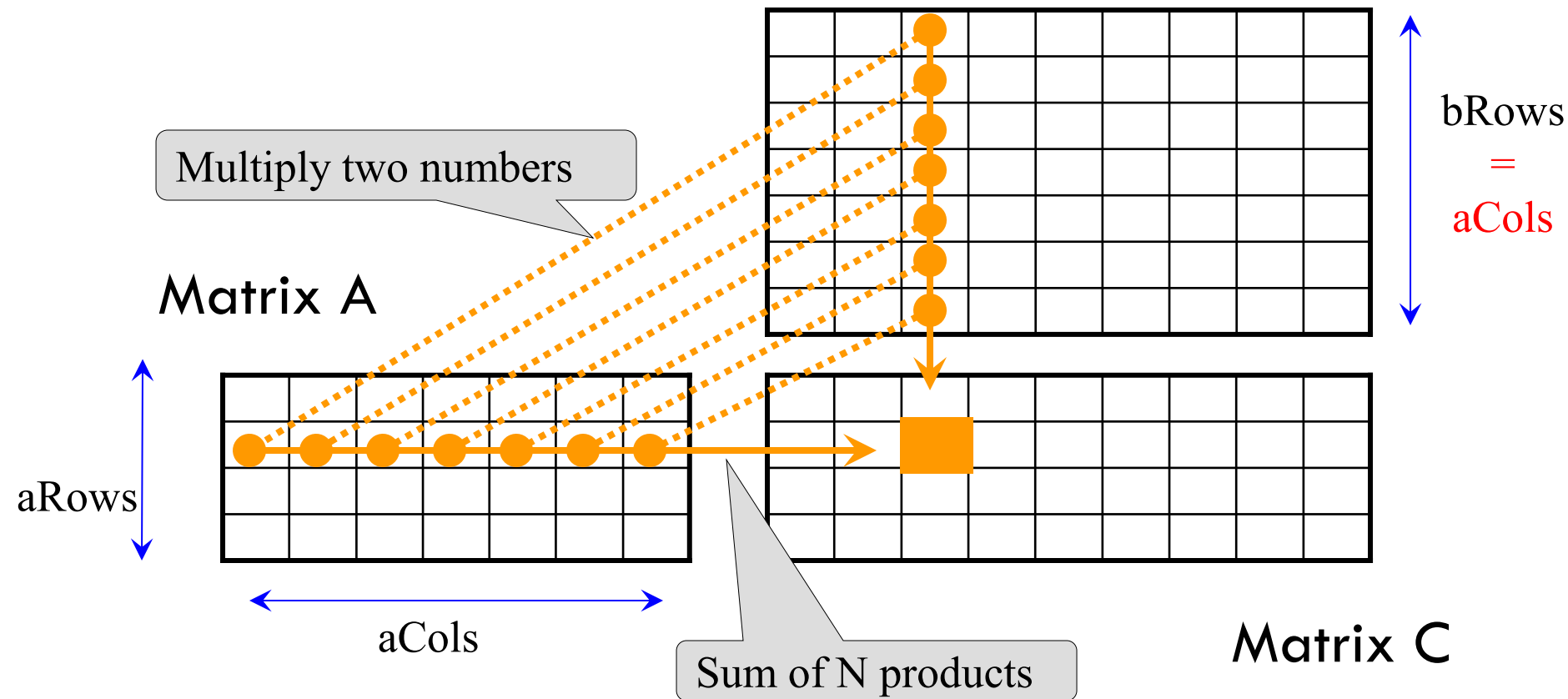
# Filling Values Into and Printing a 2D Array

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## □ Demo

# Matrix multiplication

Matrix B



# Using Matrix Operations

```
main(){  
    int a[10][10], b[10][10], c[10][10]; /* max size 10 by 10 */  
    int aRows, aCols, bRows, bCols, cRows, cCols;  
    int i, j, k;  
    scanf("%d%d", &aRows, &aCols);  
    for(int i = 0; i < aRows; i++)  
        for(int j = 0; j < aCols; j++)  
            scanf("%d", &a[i][j]);  
    scanf("%d%d", &bRows, &bCols);  
    for(int i = 0; i < bRows; i++)  
        for(int j = 0; j < bCols; j++)  
            scanf("%d", &b[i][j]);
```

Remember  
bRows=aCols; Validate  
user input if you desire  
to

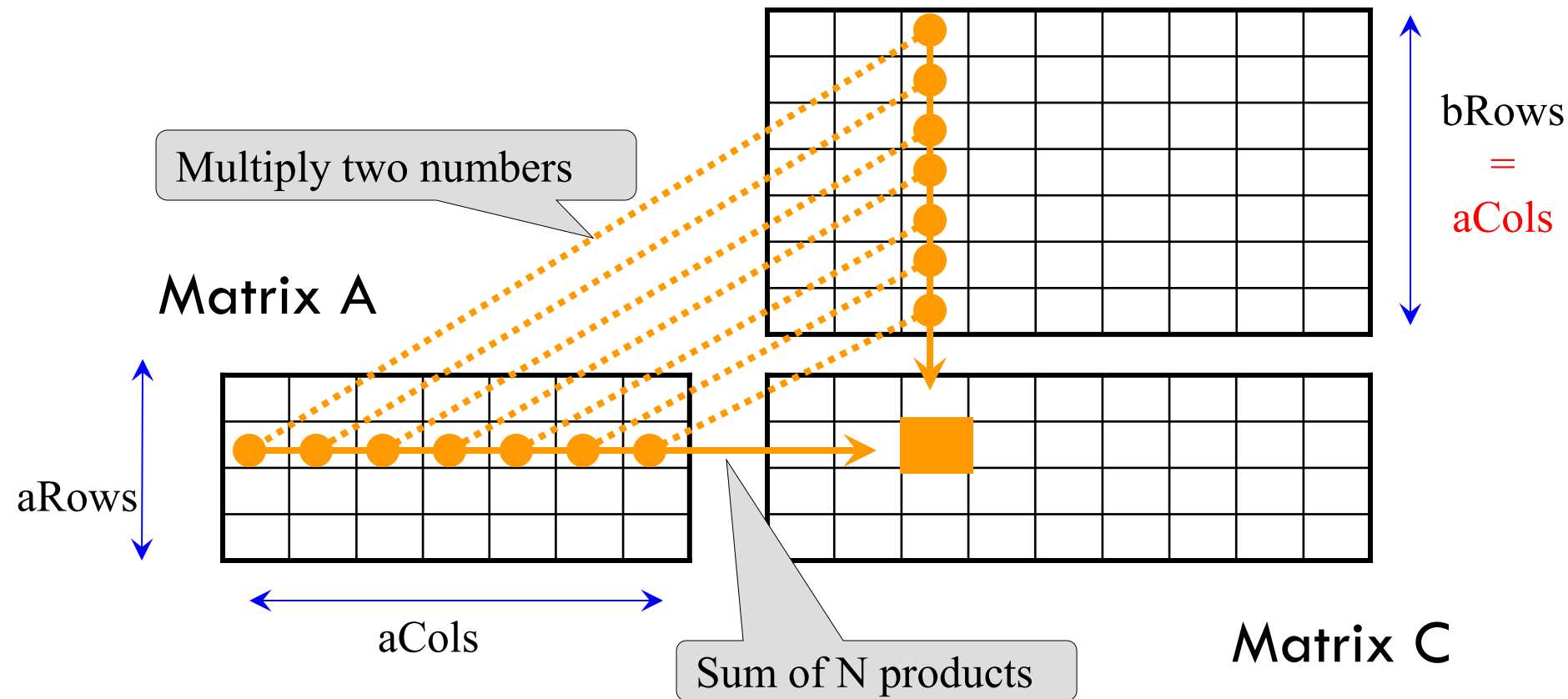
# Using Matrix Operations

```
cRows = aRows; cCols = bCols;
for(int i = 0; i < cRows; i++)
    for(int j = 0; j < cCols; j++) {
        c[i][j]=0;
        for(int k = 0; k < aCols; k++)
            c[i][j] += a[i][k]*b[k][j];
    }
for(int i = 0; i < cRows; i++){
    for(int j = 0; j < cCols; j++) /* print a row */
        printf("%d ", c[i][j]); /* notice missing \n */
    printf("\n"); /* print a newline at the end a row */
}
}
```



# Matrix multiplication

Matrix B



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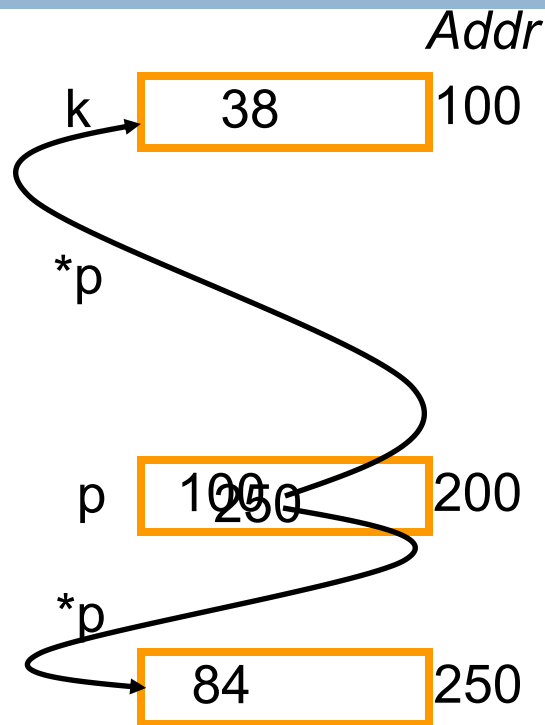
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### MODULE 4: POINTERS

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# What is a pointer?

- **Recap: a variable `int k`**
  - ▣ Names a memory location that can hold one value at a time
- **A pointer variable: `int *p`**
  - ▣ Contains the address of a memory location that contains the actual value
  - ▣ Can only hold one address at a time
    - Because it is a variable
  - ▣ Can point to different addresses at different times



# l-value and r-value

- Given a variable  $k$
- Its l-value refers to the *address* of the memory location
  - ▣ l-value is used on the left side of an assignment
$$k = \text{expression}$$
- its r-value refers to the *value* stored in the memory location
  - ▣ r-value is used in the right hand side of an assignment
$$\text{var} = k + \dots$$
- pointers allow one to manipulate the l-value!

# Pointers

- Pointers are themselves *variables* that store the *address* of a memory location
- The memory required by a pointer depends upon the size of the memory in the machine
  - ▣ one byte could address a memory of 256 locations
  - ▣ two bytes can address a memory of 64K locations
  - ▣ four bytes can address a memory of 4G locations
  - ▣ modern machines have RAM of 1GB or more...
- The task of allocating this memory is best left to the system

# Declaring Pointers

- Pointer variable – precede its name with an asterisk
- Pointer type - the type of data stored at the address we will be storing in our pointer. For example,

```
int *p;
```

- **p** is the *name* of the variable
  - ▣ The '\*' informs the compiler that we want a *pointer variable*
  - ▣ Sets aside however many bytes is required to *store an address* in memory.
- The **int** says that we intend to use our pointer to point to an integer value

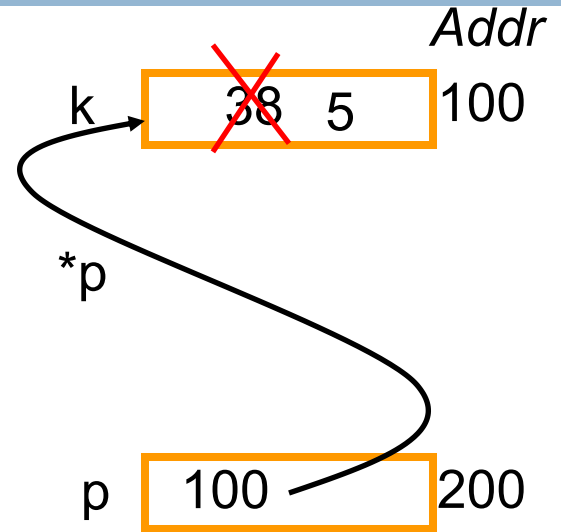
# Contents of Pointer Variables

```
int k=38;
```

```
int *p;
```

```
p = &k;
```

```
*p = 5;
```





# Example: pointers

```
// Program to illustrate pointers
#include <stdio.h>
int main (void)
{
    int a = 10, b = 5;
    int *ip;
    ip = &a;
    printf ("a = %d, ip = %p, *ip = %d\n", a, ip, *ip);
    *ip=4;
    printf ("a = %d, ip = %p, *ip = %d\n", a, ip, *ip);

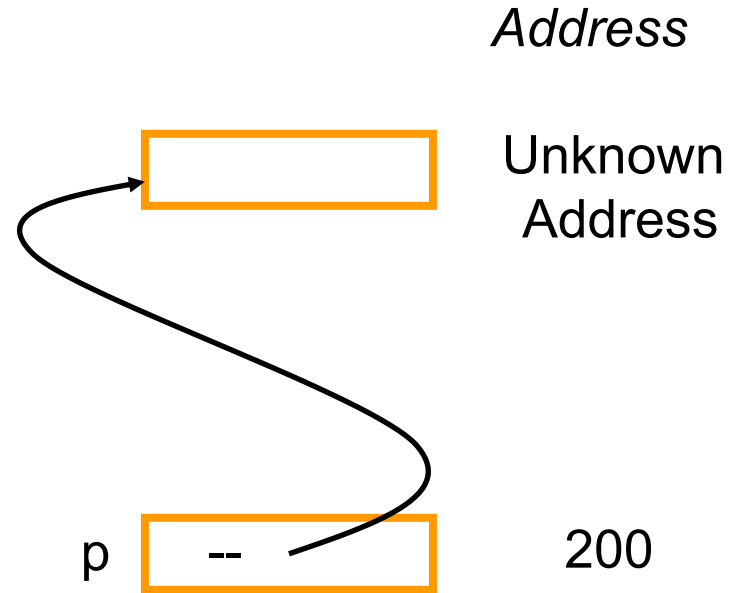
    ip = &b;
    printf ("b = %d, ip = %p, *ip = %d\n", b, ip, *ip);
    return 0;
}
```

# Memory Allocated to Values

- Declaring a pointer does not allocate memory for the value.

```
int *p;  
*p = 4;
```

- $\& p = 200$
- $p$  is unknown
- $*p$  is illegal



End of Module

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### MODULE 5: MORE ON POINTERS

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# Contents of Pointer Variables

```
int k=38;
```

```
int *p;
```

```
p = &k;
```

```
*p = 5;
```

- \* is used for two things (besides multiplication)
  - ▣ When you declare a pointer
  - ▣ To “dereference” the pointer
    - To get the rvalue
- p is said to “point to” k

# Dereferencing operator

- The "dereferencing operator" is the asterisk and it is used as follows:

```
*p = 7;
```

- will copy 7 to the address pointed to by **p**. Thus if **p** "points to" **k**, the above statement will set the *value of k* to 7.
- Using '\*' is a way of referring to the value of that which **p** is pointing to, not the value of the pointer itself.
- ```
printf("%d\n", *p);
```

  - prints the number 7

# NULL pointers

- Values of a pointer variable:
  - ▣ Usually the value of a pointer variable is a pointer to some other variable
- A *null pointer* is a special pointer value that is known not to point anywhere.
- No other valid pointer, to any other variable, will ever compare equal to a null pointer !

# NULL Pointers

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- Predefined constant NULL, defined in <stdio.h>
- Good practice: test for a null pointer before inspecting the value pointed !

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

```
int *ip = NULL;
```

```
ip = ...
```

```
if(ip != NULL)    printf("%d\n", *ip);
```

or

```
if(ip )    printf("%d\n", *ip);
```



# Pointer types

- C provides for a pointer of type void. We can declare such a pointer by writing:

```
void *vptr;
```

- A void pointer is a *generic* pointer. For example, a pointer to *any* type can be compared to a void pointer
- Typecasts can be used to convert from one type of pointer to another under the proper circumstances

# Trying out pointers

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

```
int main(void) {
```

```
    int m=1, k=2, *ptr;
```

```
    ptr = &k;
```

```
    printf("\n");
```

```
    printf("m has the value %d and is stored at %p\n", m, (void *)&m);
```

```
    printf("k has the value %d and is stored at %p\n", k, (void *)&k);
```

```
    printf("ptr has the value %p stored at %p\n", ptr, (void *)&ptr);
```

```
    printf("The value of the integer pointed to by ptr is %d\n", *ptr);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

Generic  
address of j

Dereferencing – will print r-value of k

# Pointers and arrays

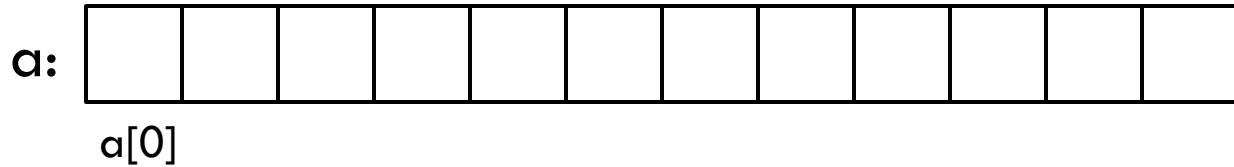
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- In C, there is a strong relationship between pointers and arrays
- Any operation that can be achieved by array subscripting can also be done with pointers

# Pointers and Arrays

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```
int a[12];
```

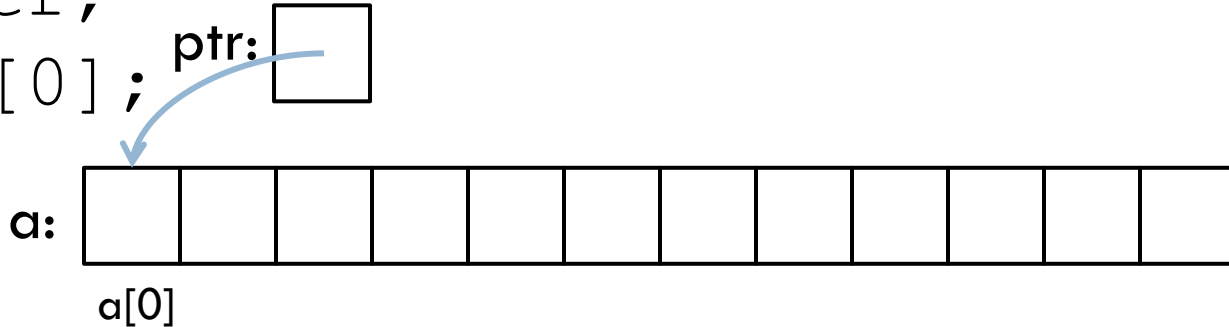


```
int *ptr;
```

```
ptr=&a[0];
```

Or

ptr=a;



The name of an array is a synonym for the address of the 0<sup>th</sup> element.

# Pointer arithmetic

ptr

`int *ptr = a;`



□ `ptr = ptr + 1;`

▣ says to point to the *next* data item after this one

ptr



`*ptr = *ptr + 1;`

What does this do?

# Arrays are **constant** pointers

```
int a[10];  
int *pa;
```

```
pa=a;
```

```
pa++;
```

OK. Pointers are variables that  
can be assigned or incremented

```
int a[10];  
int *pa;
```

```
a=pa;
```

```
a++;
```

**Error!!!**

The name of an array is a **CONSTANT** with the value as the location of the first element.  
You cannot change the address where the array is stored !  
An array's name is equivalent to a **constant** pointer

# Accessing Arrays with Pointers

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{
    int myArray[] = {1,23,17,4,-5,100}, *ptr, i;
    ptr = &myArray[0];    /* point our pointer to the first element of the array */
    printf("\n\n");
    for (i = 0; i < 6; i++)
    {
        printf("myArray[%d] = %d ", i, myArray[i]);    /*<-- A */
        printf("Contents in address ptr + %d = %d\n", i, *(ptr + i));    /*<-- B */
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# ptr++ and ++ptr

- **++ptr** and **ptr++** are both equivalent to **ptr + 1**
  - ▣ though they are “incremented” at different times
- Change line B to read:

```
printf("ptr + %d = %d\n",i, *ptr++);
```

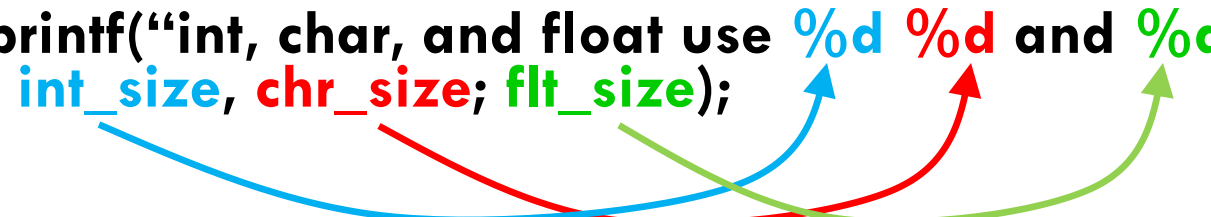
- and run it again... then change it to:

```
printf("ptr + %d = %d\n",i, *(++ptr));
```



# sizeof( ) operator

```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{ int int_size;
  int chr_size;
  int flt_size;
  int_size = sizeof(int); chr_size = sizeof(char);
  flt_size = sizeof(float);
  printf("int, char, and float use %d %d and %d bytes\n",
    int_size, chr_size, flt_size);
}
```



The diagram illustrates the correspondence between variables and format specifiers in the printf statement. Three curved arrows originate from the variable names in the printf call: a blue arrow from `int_size` to the first `%d`, a red arrow from `chr_size` to the second `%d`, and a green arrow from `flt_size` to the third `%d`. Additionally, three straight arrows point from the format specifiers to the corresponding variable names: a blue arrow from the first `%d` to `int_size`, a red arrow from the second `%d` to `chr_size`, and a green arrow from the third `%d` to `flt_size`.

# Pointer Arithmetic

- *Valid pointer operations:*
  - ▣ Assignment between pointers of the same type
  - ▣ Addition/ subtraction between a pointer and an integer
  - ▣ Comparison between two pointers that point to elements of the same array
  - ▣ Subtraction between two pointers that point to elements of the same array
  - ▣ Assignment or comparison with zero (NULL)

# Pointer Arithmetic – Increment/Decrement

- **Increment/decrement:** if  $p$  is a pointer to type  $T$ ,  $p++$  increases the value of  $p$  by  $\text{sizeof}(T)$  ( $\text{sizeof}(T)$  is the amount of storage needed for an object of type  $T$ ). Similarly,  $p--$  decreases  $p$  by  $\text{sizeof}(T)$ ;

```
T tab[N];
```

```
T * p;
```

```
int i=4;
```

```
p=&tab[i];
```

```
p++;    // p contains the address of tab[i+1];
```

# Add/Subtract Integers from Pointers

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- **Addition/subtraction with an integer:** if  $p$  is a pointer to type  $T$  and  $n$  an integer,  $p+n$  increases the value of  $p$  by  $n*\text{sizeof}(T)$ .
- Similarly,  $p-n$  decreases  $p$  by  $n*\text{sizeof}(T)$ ;

```
T tab[100];
```

```
T *p;
```

```
p=tab;
```

```
p=p+5;    // p contains the address of tab[5].
```

# Comparing Pointers

- ***If  $p$  and  $q$  point to members of the same array,*** then relations like  $==$ ,  $!=$ ,  $<$ ,  $>=$ , etc., work properly.
  - ▣ For example,  $p < q$  is true if  $p$  points to an earlier element of the array than  $q$  does.
- Any pointer can be meaningfully compared for equality or inequality with zero.

# Example: Pointer Subtraction

```
/* strlen: return length of string s */
int strlen(char *s)
{
    char *p = s;
    while (*p != '\0')
        p++;
    return p - s;
}
```

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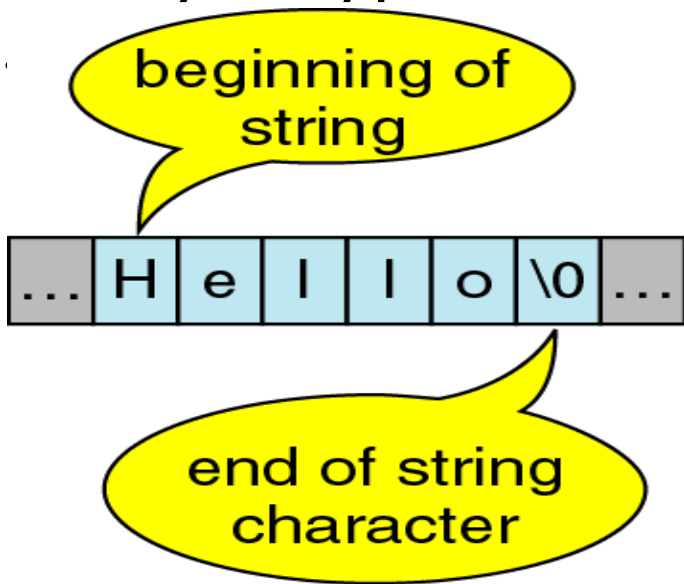
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# Strings

- A sequence of characters is often referred to as a character “string”.
- A string is stored in an array of type `char` ending with the null character `'\0'`.

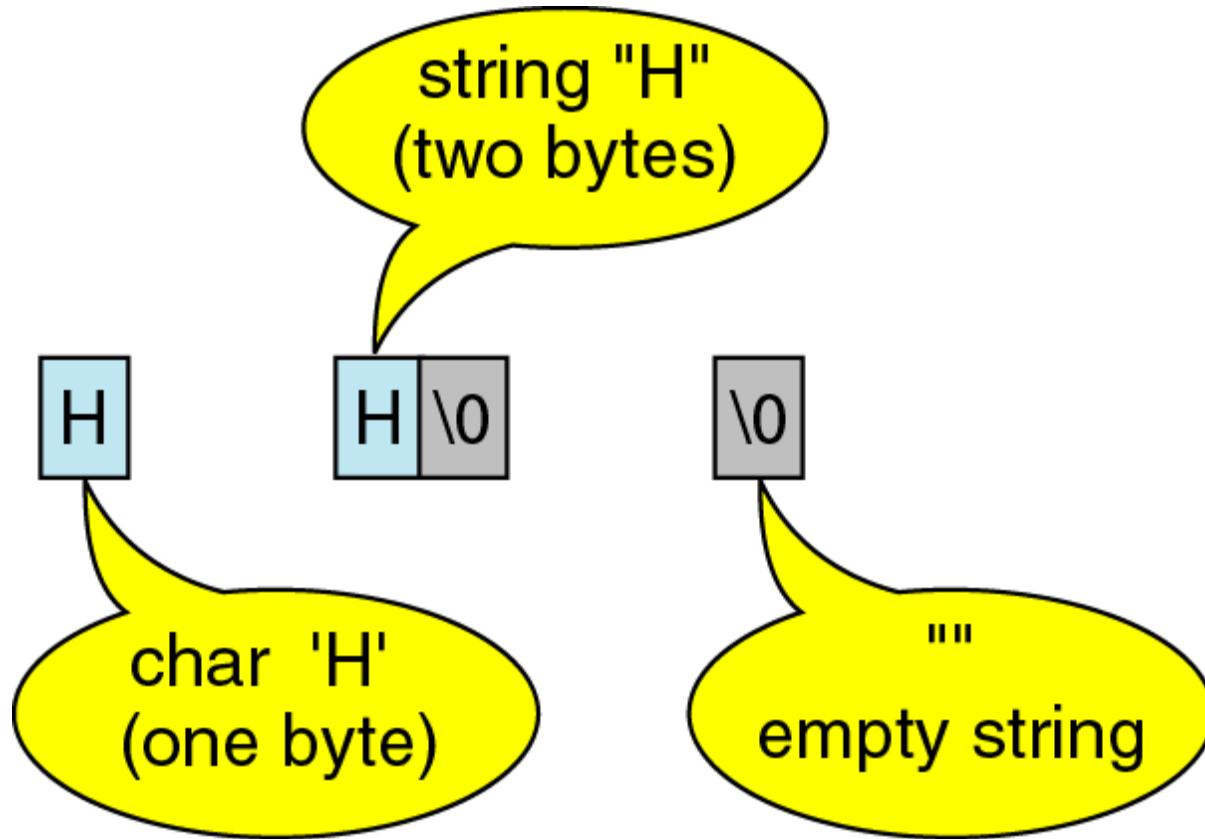


# Strings

```
char str[11];
```



# Character vs. Strings



# Character vs. String

- A string constant is a sequence of characters enclosed in double quotes.

- For example, the character string:

`char s1[2]="a"; //Takes two bytes of storage.`

s1: 

|   |    |
|---|----|
| a | \0 |
|---|----|

- On the other hand, the character, in single quotes:

`char s2= 'a'; //Takes only one byte of storage.`

s2: 

|   |
|---|
| a |
|---|

# Example 1

```
char message1[12] = "Hello world";
```

message1:

|   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| H | e | l | l | o |  | w | o | r | l | d | \0 |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|----|

```
char message2[12];
```

```
scanf ("%s", message2);    // type "Hello" as input
```

message2:

|   |   |   |   |   |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H | e | l | l | o | \0 | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? |
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# Initializing Strings

```
char *message3 = "Hello world";  
printf ("%s", message3);
```

|   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| H | e | l | l | o |  | w | o | r | l | d | \0 |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|----|

- message3 is a pointer to an array of characters
- Contents of message3 should not be changed
  - ▣ message3 points to a sequence of locations that are “read-only” portion of the program that is executing
  - ▣ message3[1] = ‘a’; //undefined behavior

# Sample Code

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```
int main() {
```

```
    char *a1 = "Hello World";
```

**Pointer to  
constant string**

```
    char a2[] = "Hello World";
```

```
    char a3[6] = "World";
```

```
    printf("%d %d\n", sizeof(a1), sizeof(a2) );
```

```
    a1[1] = 'u'; //undefined behavior
```

```
    a1 = a2;
```

```
    printf("%s",a1);
```

```
    a2 = a3;//error
```

**Constant pointer  
to string**

```
}
```

# Reading Strings

□ `scanf ("%s", pointer_to_char_array);`

```
char A_string[80], E_string[80];  
printf("Enter some words in a string:\n");  
scanf("%s%s",A_string, E_string);  
printf("%s%s",A_string, E_string);
```

Output:

Enter some words in a string:

This is a test.

Thisis



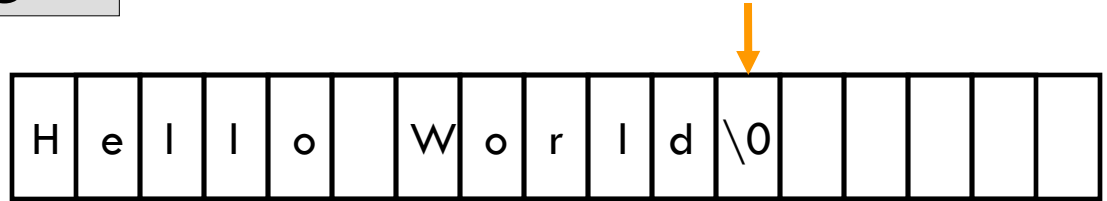
# Functions to Handle Strings

- String is a non-basic data type
  - ▣ Constructed data type
  - ▣ Requires functions to handle
  - ▣ Regular datatypes have operators in C directly
- Typical functions on strings are:
  - ▣ Length of a string
  - ▣ Are two strings equal?
  - ▣ Does a given pattern occur as a substring?
  - ▣ Concatenate two strings and return the result
- These functions are provided as a library
  - ▣ string.h
  - ▣ We will see how to write some of these functions

# String Length

Find length of string A

A



```
int stringLength(char *A) {  
    int i = 0;  
    while (A[i] != '\0') i++;  
    return i;  
}
```

# String Copy

Copy array A to B

A



B



```
void stringCopy (char *A, char *B) {  
    int N1 = stringLength(A);  
    for (int k=0; k<=N1; k++)  
        B[k] = A[k];  
}
```

# String Concatenation

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Concatenate array B to A

A



B



A



Exercise for you!

# Lexicographic Ordering

- Badri < Devendra
- Janak < Janaki
- Shiva < Shivendra
- Seeta < Sita
- Badri < badri
- Bad < Badri

upper case before lower case

- Based on the ordering of characters

A < B ... < Y < Z < a < b < c < ... < y < z

# Lexicographic ordering

- What about blanks?
  - “Bill Clinton” < “Bill Gates”
  - “Ram Subramanian” < “Ram Subramanium”
  - “Ram Subramanian” < “Rama Awasthi”
- In ASCII the blank (code = 32) comes before all other characters. The above cases are taken care of automatically.

# String Comparison

```
int strCompare(char *A, char *B, int N1, int N2) {  
    int k=0;  
    while ((A[k] == B[k]) && k<N1 && k<N2)  
        k++;  
    if(N1 == N2 && k == N1) printf("A = B");  
    else if (A[k] == '\0') printf("A < B");  
    else if (B[k] == '\0') printf("A > B");  
    else if (A[k] < B[k]) printf("A < B");  
    else printf("A > B");  
}
```

## Examples

A = "Hello" B = "Hello"

A = "Hell" B = "Hello"

A = "Hello" B = "Hell"

A = "Bell" B = "Bull"

A = "Hull" B = "Hello"

# Built-in string functions

- `#include <string.h>`
- ***int strlen(const char\* s)*** - `strlen` returns the length of a string, excluding the NUL character.
- ***char\* strcpy(char\* dest, char\* src)*** - `strcpy` copies one string to another. The destination must be large enough to accept the contents of the source string.
- ***char\* strcat(char\* dest, char\* src)*** - `strcat` combines two strings and returns a pointer to the destination string. In order for this function to work, you **must** have enough room in the destination to accommodate both strings.



# Built-in string comparison

- `int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);`
- `int strncmp(const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n);`

The return values are

- 0 if both strings are equal.
- 1 if first string is lexicographically greater than second.
- -1 if second string is lexicographically greater than first.

Compares first n characters only

End of Week 2