

String

A **string** is an array of characters ended with a null character ('\0'). The length of string is the number of characters present excluding the null character.

As a string is also an array, it supports index accessing.

Declaration and initialization:

syntax : char stringName[Size];

char a[6]; //declaration

char b[] = "S Mishra"; //declaration and initialization

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
b	S		M	i	s	h	r	a	\0
	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132

String Input and output

Input using scanf() :

It can input a string up to the first white space.

```
scanf ("%s", stringname);
```

input using gets():

gets() is a standard un-formatted input function defined in <stdio.h>. It can input a string including the spaces.

```
gets(stringanme);
```

Output with printf() :

Unlike scanf(), printf() can print the string with the spaces.

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

Output with puts():

puts() is a standard un-formatted input function defined in <stdio.h>. It is used to print a string including the spaces.

```
puts(stringanme);
```

Program: Write a program to input your name and count the length.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
    char s[70];
    int i,c=0;
    printf("Enter your name:");
    gets(s);
    for(i=0; s[i]!='\0';i++)
        c++;
    printf("Name length = %d",c);
    return 0;
}
```

What is the difference between a string and array of characters?

Programs Exercise:

(Do following programs without using string library functions)

1. Input a string. Display all characters line by line
2. Input a string. Count the characters.
3. Input a string. Count the capital letters, small letters, digits ,spaces and symbols.
4. Input a string. Count the words present in it.
5. Input a string. Convert all alphabets to upper case.
6. Input a string. Convert all alphabets to Lower case.
7. Input your name. Print in short form.
8. Input a string. Print the first word.
9. Input a string. Reverse it.
10. Input a string. Copy it to another string.
11. Input two strings. Join them.

String handling library functions

Following functions are defined in <string.h>

- strlen()** : returns the length of the string
 syntax: `strlen(string);`
- strrev()** : It reverses the string
 syntax: `strrev(string);`
- strcpy()** : Copies the source string to target string.
 syntax: `strcpy(TargetString, SourceString);`
- strcat()** : Concatenates the second string with first string.
 syntax: `strcpy(String1, String2);`
- strcmp()** : Compares two strings in lexicographical order. Returns
 a +ve (difference), If first string lexicographically greater than second string
 a -ve number(difference), If first string lexicographically less than second string
 0 , if both the strings are lexicographically equal.
 syntax: `strcmp(String1, String2);`

Recommended other string functions to learn

`strlwr(string)`
`strupr(string)`
`strcmpi(string1,string2)`
`strncmp(string1,string2,n)`
`strset(string,char)`
`strncpy(dest,source,n)`

Program: Input a string.Input a word. Search the word in the string and print the position

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main()
{
    char a[80],b[30],w[30];
    int i,j,loc=-1;
```

```

printf("Enter a string:");    gets(a);
printf("Enter a word to search:");
scanf("%s",w);
j=0;
for(i = 0;i<=strlen(a);i++)
{
    if(a[i]!=32 && a[i]!='\0')
        b[j++] = a[i];
    else
    {
        b[j] = '\0';
        if(strcmp(w,b)==0)
        {
            loc = i - strlen(w);
            break;
        }
        j = 0;
    }
}
if(loc== -1)
    printf("Given word is not present");
else
    printf("The word is present in %d position",loc);
return 0;
}

```

Programs:

1. Input a string. Print the all the words in reverse order.
2. Input a string. Input a word. Delete the word from the string.
3. Input a string. Input a word. Locate the position of word in the string.
4. Input a string. Print the last word.
5. Input a string. Delete the last word.
6. Input a string. Delete the first word.
7. Input a string. Input a word and a position. Insert the word in given position.
8. Input a string. print the frequencies of each word in the string
9. Input a string. Print the length of each word.
10. Input your name. Print as follows
 Input : Shesha Shankar Gnanindranath Mishra
 Output : S S G Mishra
11. Input a string. Print the average length of words.