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STRINGS and STRING HANDLING FUNCTIONS



Objectives

To learn and appreciate the following concepts

- String
- String Handling Functions
- Programs using strings



Session outcome

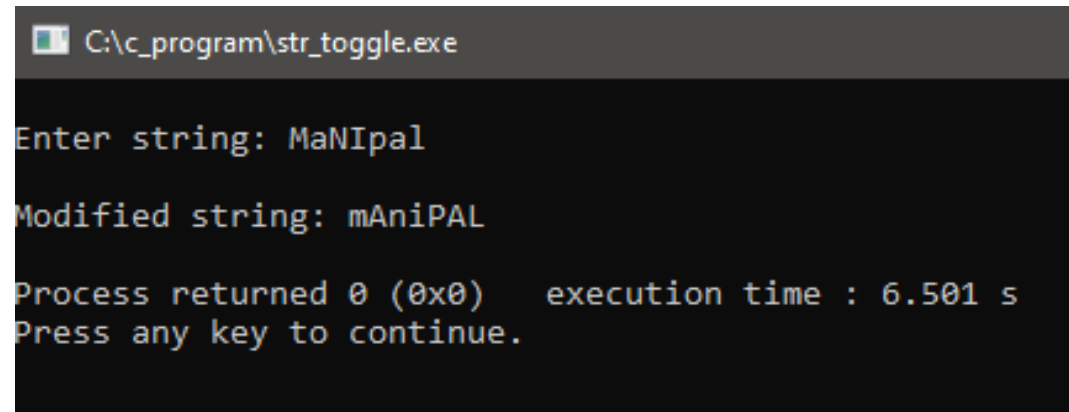
At the end of session student will be able to

- Understand string and String Handling Functions
- Write programs using strings

Input a string and toggle the case of every character in the input string.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{char string[100];
int i;
printf("\nEnter string: ");
gets(string);
for(i=0;string[i]!='\0';i++)
{
if(string[i]>='A'&&string[i]<='Z')
string[i]+=32;
else if(string[i]>='a'&&string[i]<='z')
string[i]-=32;
}
```

```
printf("\nModified string: ");
puts(string);
return 0;
}
```

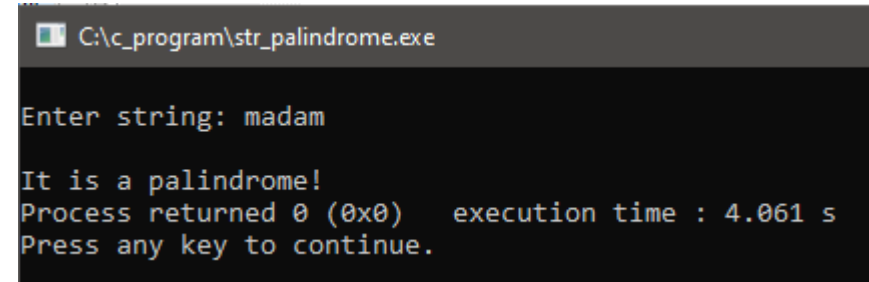


Check whether the given string is a palindrome or not.

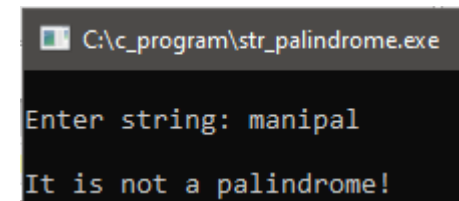
```
#include<stdio.h>

int main()
{
char string[100];
int i,n=0,flag=0;
printf("\nEnter string: ");
gets(string);
for(i=0;string[i]!='\0';i++)
n++;
```

```
for(i=0;i<n/2;i++)
{
    if(string[i]!=string[n-1-i])
    {
        flag=1;
        break;
    }
}
if(flag==0)
printf("\nIt is a palindrome!");
else
printf("\nIt is not a palindrome!");
return 0;
}
```



```
C:\c_program\str_palindrome.exe
Enter string: madam
It is a palindrome!
Process returned 0 (0x0)   execution time : 4.061 s
Press any key to continue.
```



```
C:\c_program\str_palindrome.exe
Enter string: manipal
It is not a palindrome!
```

Library functions: String Handling functions (built-in)

- Used to manipulate a given string.
- These functions are part of **string.h** header file.
 - **strlen ()**
 - ✓ gives the length of the string. E.g. `strlen(string)`
 - **strcpy ()**
 - ✓ copies one string to other. E.g. `strcpy(Dstr1, Sstr2)`
 - **strcmp ()**
 - ✓ compares the two strings. E.g. `strcmp(str1, str2)`
 - **strcat ()**
 - ✓ Concatenate the two strings. E.g. `strcat(str1, str2)`

Library function: `strlen()`

- String length can be obtained by using the following function

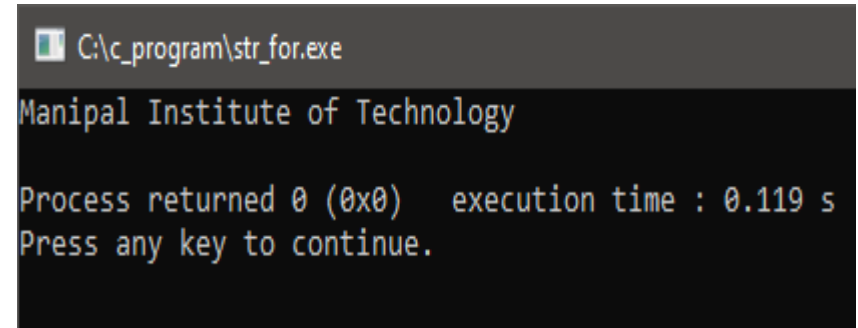
`n=strlen(string);`

- This function counts and returns the number of characters in a string, where n is an integer variable which receives the value of the length of the string.
- The argument may be a string constant.
Eg: `printf("%d",strlen("Manipal"));` prints out 7.

Copies a string using a for loop

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main()
{
    char str1[ ] = "Manipal Institute of Technology";
    const int MAX = 80;           //size of str2 buffer
    char str2[MAX]; //empty string
    int j;
    for(j=0 ; j<strlen(str1); j++) //copy strlen characters
        str2[j] = str1[j];        // from str1 to str2
    str2[j] = '\0';               //insert NULL at end
    printf("%s\n",str2);          //display str2
    return 0;
}
```

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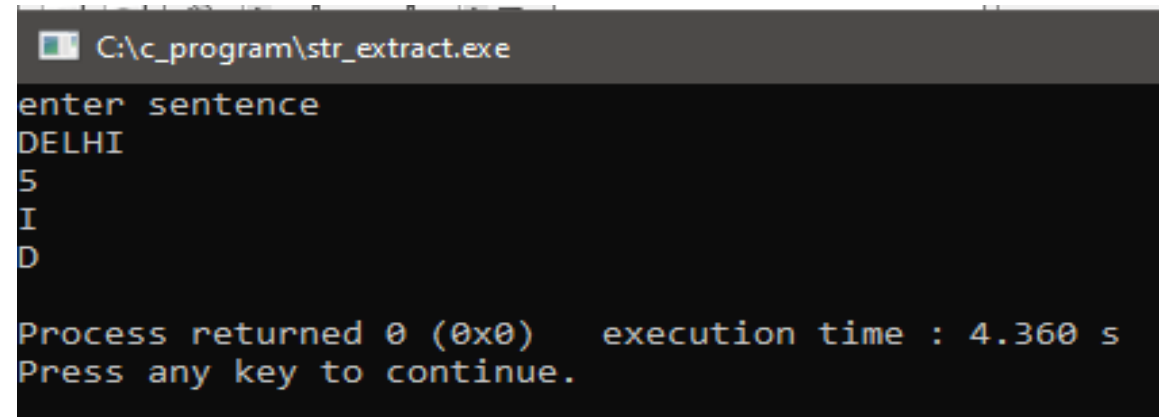
```
C:\c_program\str_for.exe
Manipal Institute of Technology
Process returned 0 (0x0)   execution time : 0.119 s
Press any key to continue.
```


Extracting a character from a string

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main()
{
    const int MAX = 100;
    char sent[MAX];
    int len;
    printf("enter sentence \n");
    gets(sent);
    len=strlen(sent);
    printf("%d\n",len);
    printf("%c\n",sent[len-1]);
    printf("%c\n",sent[0]); }
```



sent[0] sent[1] sent[2] sent[3] sent[4]



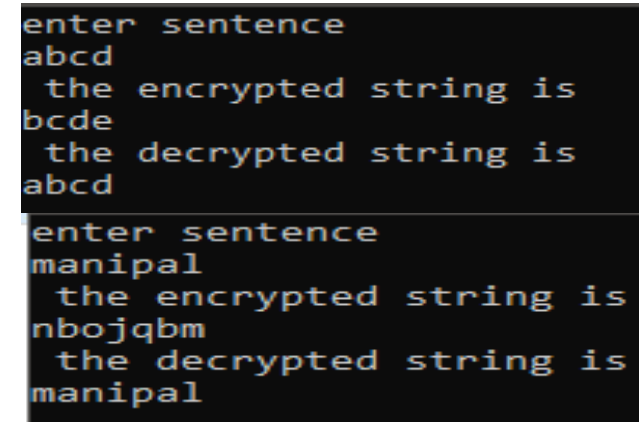
```
C:\c_program\str_extract.exe
enter sentence
DELHI
5
I
D

Process returned 0 (0x0)   execution time : 4.360 s
Press any key to continue.
```

To encrypt and decrypt a string

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main()
{
    const int MAX = 100;
    char sent[MAX];
    int len,i;
    printf("enter sentence \n");
    gets(sent);
    for(i=0;sent[i]!='\0';i++)
        sent[i]=sent[i]+1;
```

```
printf(" the encrypted string is \n");
puts(sent);
for(i=0;sent[i]!='\0';i++)
    sent[i]=sent[i]-1;
printf(" the decrypted string is \n");
puts(sent);}
```



```
enter sentence
abcd
 the encrypted string is
bcde
 the decrypted string is
abcd

enter sentence
manipal
 the encrypted string is
nbojqbm
 the decrypted string is
manipal
```

Library function: `strcpy()`

Copying a String the EASY WAY using

`strcpy(destination, source)`

- The `strcpy` function works almost like a string assignment operator and assigns the contents of source to destination.
- ✓ destination may be a character array variable or a string constant.

e.g., `strcpy(city, "DELHI");`

will assign the string "DELHI" to the string variable city.

- ✓ Similarly, the statement `strcpy(city1, city2);`

will assign the contents of the string variable city2 to the string variable city1.

The size of the array city1 should be large enough to receive the contents of city2.

strcpy(): Example

```
#include <stdio.h>

#include<string.h>

int main() {

    char str1[ ] = "Tiger, tiger, burning bright\n"
                    "In the forests of the night";

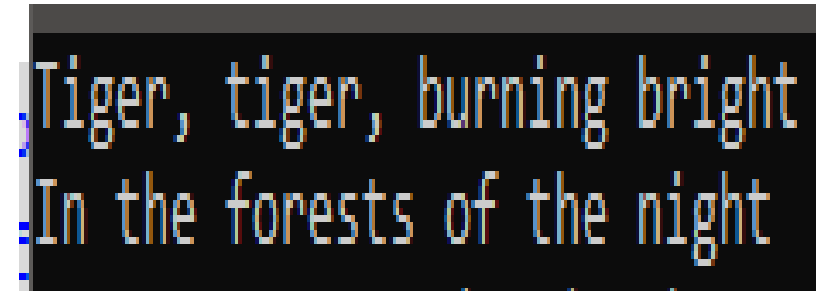
    const int MAX = 80; //size of str2 buffer

    char str2[MAX]; //empty string

    strcpy(str2, str1); //copy str1 to str2

    printf("%s",str2);//display str2

}
```



```
Tiger, tiger, burning bright
In the forests of the night
```

Arrange 'n' names in alphabetical order

(hint: use string handling function-*strcpy*)

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main()
{
    char a[10][10],temp[10];
    int n,i,j;
    printf("\nEnter how many names: ");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    printf("\nEnter the names: \n");
    fflush(stdin);
    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
        gets(a[i]);
```

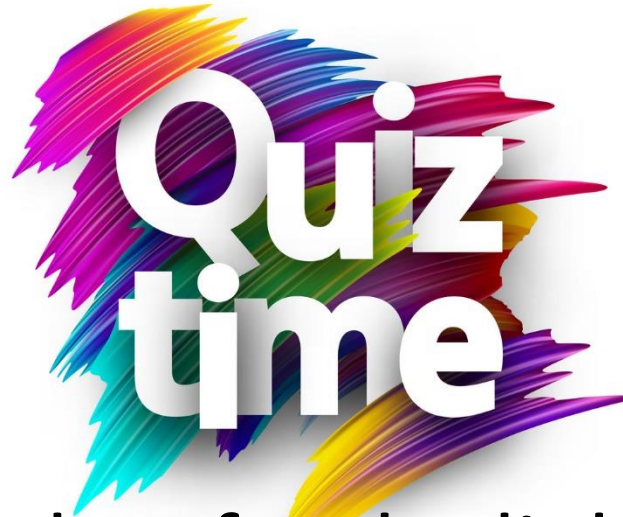
```
    for(i=0;i<n-1;i++)
        for(j=i+1;j<n;j++){
            if(strcmp(a[i],a[j])>0){
                strcpy(temp,a[i]);
                strcpy(a[i],a[j]);
                strcpy(a[j],temp);
            }
        }
    printf("\nThe sorted array is:\n ");
    for(i=0;i<n;i++){
        puts(a[i]);
    }
```

```
Enter how many names: 4
Enter the names:
abc
bca
aaa
dcs
The sorted array is:
aaa
abc
bca
dcs
```



Summary

- Strings and String Handling Functions
- Programs using strings



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