

CSE101-Lec#10

Formatted and Unformatted Input/Output Functions

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Outline

- Unformatted Input/Output functions
 - getchar()
 - putchar()
 - getch()
 - putch()
 - gets()
 - puts()



Unformatted Functions

- C has three types of I/O functions:
 - i. Character I/O
 - ii. String I/O
 - iii. File I/O



getchar()

- This function reads a character-type data from standard input.
- It reads one character at a time till the user presses the enter key.

```
Variable-name = getchar();
```

Example:

```
char c;
c = getchar();
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
void main()
char c;
printf("enter a character");
c=getchar();
printf("c = %c ",c);
```

```
Enter a character k
c = k
```



putchar()

 This function prints one character on the screen at a time which is read by standard input.

```
Syntax

putchar(variable name);
```

```
Example: char c= 'c';
putchar (c);
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
 void main()
char ch;
printf("enter a character: ");
scanf("%c", ch);
putchar(ch);
```

```
enter a character: r
r
```



getch() & getche()

- These functions read any alphanumeric character from the standard input device
- The character entered is not displayed by the getch() function until enter is pressed
- The getche() accepts and displays the character.
- The getch() accepts but does not display the character.

```
Syntax

getche();
```



```
#include<stdio.h>
void main()
    printf("Enter two alphabets:");
    getche();
    getch();
```

Enter two alphabets a



putch()

This function prints any alphanumeric character taken by the standard input device

```
#include<stdio.h>
  void main()
{
     char ch;
     printf("Press any key to continue");
     ch = getch();
     printf(" you pressed:");
     putch(ch);
}
```

```
Press any key to continue
You pressed : e
```



gets()

String I/O

 This function is used for accepting any string until enter key is pressed (string will be covered later)

```
char str[length of string in number];
gets(str);
```



```
#include<stdio.h>
void main()
    char ch[30];
    printf("Enter the string:");
    gets (ch);
    printf("Entered string: %s", ch);
```

Enter the string: Use of data!
Entered string: Use of data!



puts()

 This function prints the string or character array. It is opposite to gets()

```
char str[length of string in number];
gets(str);
puts(str);
```



```
#include<stdio.h>
void main()
       char ch[30];
      printf("Enter the string:");
      gets (ch);
      puts("Entered string:");
      puts (ch);
```

Enter the string: puts is in use Entered string: puts is in use





Next Class: Revision

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