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VARIABLES/CONSTANTS/IDENTIFIERS

- Variables are place holders for a data type.
- Variables have to be defined before they are used.

1110000111110001010101010101010101010101
Var nchar 11010101010101010101010101010101010101
\frac{101010010}{1101010101010101010101010101
Variable mvint 01010110 Int * myintptr
10100101010101000000000000001010101010
Var frstc 0111001111 Char mychaarray□ 110111101 Short newshort
$ \overline{10100010}101010101010\overline{1011110101010111111101010}1111000001\overline{0101011010010}$
Variable newdouble
01111101000101111000110101010101010101
0101000100101010100110001011111000111010
1110011100110101011100011010101101010101

VARIABLES/CONSTANTS/IDENTIFIERS

- Sample partial memory in the course material displays some variables how they are placed and used.
- Constants are similar to variables but do not change their value during program execution.
- Identifiers are names given to variables and other program elements.

VOID TYPE IDENTIFIERS

void called_function (argument data types);

- void is a data type that does not belong to any specific data type.
- When a function does not return anything void is returned.

NUMERIC DATA TYPE

```
int Count;
float miles;
```

- Integer data types are int, short and long.
- int data type takes 32 bits of length, short will take 16 bits and long will take 64 bits.
- There are signed and unsigned integers with the highest bit is set to '1' or '0'.
- Real numbers are float and double.
- float will take 32 bits and double 64 bits.

CHARACTERS AND STRINGS

- Character data types are declared as char before the variable name.
- Character constants are represented in 8 bits. There are 256 character sets.
- Characters are also 8 bit integer values.
- Character strings are enclosed in double quotes and single characters are within single quotes.
- There is a list of string handling functions in the course material to *copy*, *compare* and *concatenate* strings.
- Special characters are given with escape characters with a special meaning.
- '\0' null character, '\b' back space, '\a' alert, '\f' form feed, '\n' new line, and '\t' for tab.

TYPEDEF

typedef previous_data_type new_data_type

- typedef can be used with a previous declaration and current declaration.
- The advantage of typedef is that the programmer does not have to declare the whole long declaration each time.

C STORAGE CLASSES

auto data_type variable_name

- auto storage class has variables defined with in the scopes of a function, file or a block.
- Storage for the variables is automatically allocated and de-allocated after the closing scopes or end of file. auto keyword before the variable declaration is optional.
- Initialization of auto variable is not done at compile.

C STORAGE CLASSES

register data_type variable_name

• Register classes are used for fast calculations and accumulators with a keyword register before the variable declaration.

static data_type variable_name

- Static is an interesting storage class declared with static keyword before the declaration with file scope or function scope.
- The static variable is initialized at compile time with a default initial value and retains the value.
- Subsequent updates of static variables are retained with the updated values.

C STORAGE CLASSES

extern data_type variable_name

- Extern variables are used a keyword extern before the variable declaration.
- Extern variables are declared in another file.

#define MAXSTUD 100 int grades[MAXSTUD]; float avrg = average (grades[], size); float reverse (int stdgr[], int length) { float average (int stdgr[], int length) } end of firstfile | float average (int stdgr[], int length) } end of secondfile

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SIMPLE PROGRAMS IN C

- Preprocessor directives.
- Global declarations.
- Main start function
- Main declarations.
- Statements
- Return type.
- *Prototypes* are function declarations as signatures of the functions.
- Prototypes are declared with the return type, function name and the function arguments before they are used.
- System calls.

SIMPLE PROGRAMS IN C

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
  float f = 3.14159; /* float point type */
   printf ("a = %d\n", a); // decimal output
  printf ("c = %c\n", c); // ASCCII string output printf ("s = %s\n", s); // ASCII string output
   printf ("f = %f\n", f); // floating output
  printf ("a = \%7d\n", a); // use a field width of 7
  printf ("a = \%-7d\n", a); // left justify in a field of 7
   printf ("f = \%.3f\n", f); // use 3 decimal places
   return 0;
```

SIMPLE PROGRAMS IN C

Output of the above program:

a = 1023

c = a

s = Hello

f = 3.141590

a = 1023

a = 1023

f = 3.142