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itoa

<csdlib.h>

char * itoa (int value, char * str, int base);

Convert integer to string (non-standard function)

Converts an integer *value* to a null-terminated string using the specified *base* and stores the result in the array given by *str* parameter.

If *base* is 10 and *value* is negative, the resulting string is preceded with a minus sign (-). With any other *base*, *value* is always considered unsigned.

str should be an array long enough to contain any possible value: (sizeof(int)*8+1) for radix=2, i.e. 17 bytes in 16-bits platforms and 33 in 32-bits platforms.

Parameters

value

Value to be converted to a string.

str

Array in memory where to store the resulting null-terminated string.

base

Numerical base used to represent the *value* as a string, between 2 and 36, where 10 means decimal base, 16 hexadecimal, 8 octal, and 2 binary.

Return Value

A pointer to the resulting null-terminated string, same as parameter *str*.

Portability

This function is **not** defined in ANSI-C and is **not** part of C++, but is supported by some compilers.

A standard-compliant alternative for some cases may be [sprintf](#):

- `sprintf(str,"%d",value)` converts to decimal base.
- `sprintf(str,"%x",value)` converts to hexadecimal base.
- `sprintf(str,"%o",value)` converts to octal base.

Example

```
1 /* itoa example */
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <stdlib.h>
4
5 int main ()
6 {
7     int i;
8     char buffer [33];
9     printf ("Enter a number: ");
10    scanf ("%d",&i);
11    itoa (i,buffer,10);
12    printf ("decimal: %s\n",buffer);
13    itoa (i,buffer,16);
14    printf ("hexadecimal: %s\n",buffer);
15    itoa (i,buffer,2);
16    printf ("binary: %s\n",buffer);
17    return 0;
18 }
```

Output:

Enter a number: 1750
decimal: 1750
hexadecimal: 6d6
binary: 11011010110

See also

sprintf	Write formatted data to string (function)
atoi	Convert string to integer (function)
atol	Convert string to long integer (function)

macro constants:

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[EXIT_SUCCESS](#)
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