

# C String Functions

There are many important string functions defined in "string.h" library.

No.	Function	Description
1)	strlen(string_name)	returns the length of string name.
2)	strcpy(destination, source)	copies the contents of source string to destination string.
3)	strcat(first_string, second_string)	concatenates or joins first string with second string. The result of the string is stored in first string.
4)	strcmp(first_string, second_string)	compares the first string with second string. If both strings are same, it returns 0.
5)	strrev(string)	returns reverse string.
6)	strlwr(string)	returns string characters in lowercase.
7)	strupr(string)	returns string characters in uppercase.

## C String Length: strlen() function

The strlen() function returns the length of the given string. It doesn't count null character '\0'.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
char ch[20]={'v', 's', 's', 'u', 't', '\0'};
printf("Length of string is: %d",strlen(ch));
return 0;
}
```

### OUTPUT

Length of string is: 5

## C Copy String: strcpy()

The strcpy(destination, source) function copies the source string in destination.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
char ch[20]={'v', 's', 's', 'u', 't', '\0'};
char ch2[20];
strcpy(ch2,ch);
printf("Value of second string is: %s",ch2);
}
```

```
return 0;
}
```

OUTPUT

```
Value of second string is: vssut
```

### **C String Concatenation: strcat()**

The `strcat(first_string, second_string)` function concatenates two strings and result is returned to `first_string`.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char ch[10]={'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0'};
    char ch2[10]={'c', '\0'};
    strcat(ch,ch2);
    printf("Value of first string is: %s",ch);
    return 0;
}
```

OUTPUT

```
Value of first string is: helloc
```

### **C Compare String: strcmp()**

The `strcmp(first_string, second_string)` function compares two string and returns 0 if both strings are equal.

Here, we are using `gets()` function which reads string from the console.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char str1[20],str2[20];
    printf("Enter 1st string: ");
    gets(str1);//reads string from console
    printf("Enter 2nd string: ");
    gets(str2);
    if(strcmp(str1,str2)==0)
        printf("Strings are equal");
    else
        printf("Strings are not equal");
    return 0;
}
```

OUTPUT

```
Enter 1st string: hello
```

```
Enter 2nd string: hello
Strings are equal
```

### **C Reverse String: strrev()**

The strrev(string) function returns reverse of the given string. Let's see a simple example of strrev() function. This is a non-standard function that works only with older versions of C.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char str[20];
    printf("Enter string: ");
    gets(str);//reads string from console
    printf("String is: %s",str);
    printf("\nReverse String is: %s",strrev(str));
    return 0;
}
```

#### **OUTPUT**

```
Enter string: vssut
String is: vssut
Reverse String is: tussv
```

### **C String Lowercase: strlwr()**

The strlwr(string) function returns string characters in lowercase. Let's see a simple example of strlwr() function. This is a non-standard function that works only with older versions of C.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char str[20];
    printf("Enter string: ");
    gets(str);//reads string from console
    printf("String is: %s",str);
    printf("\nLower String is: %s",strlwr(str));
    return 0;
}
```

#### **OUTPUT**

```
Enter string: HELLO vssut
String is: HELLO vssut
Lower String is: hello vssut
```

## C String Uppercase: strupr()

The strupr(string) function returns string characters in uppercase. Let's see a simple example of strupr() function. This is a non-standard function that works only with older versions of C.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char str[20];
    printf("Enter string: ");
    gets(str);//reads string from console
    printf("String is: %s",str);
    printf("\nUpper String is: %s",strupr(str));
    return 0;
}
```

OUTPUT

```
Enter string: vssut
String is: vssut
Upper String is: VSSUT
```

## C String strstr()

The strstr() function returns pointer to the first occurrence of the matched string in the given string. It is used to return substring from first match till the last character.

### Syntax:

```
char *strstr(const char *string, const char *match)
```

### String strstr() parameters

**string:** It represents the full string from where substring will be searched.

**match:** It represents the substring to be searched in the full string.

### String strstr() example

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(){
    char str[100]="be good do good";
    char *sub;
    sub=strstr(str,"good");
    printf("\nSubstring is: %s",sub);
    return 0;
}
```

OUTPUT

Substring is: good do good