## Fundamental data types

Chapter 3

## Beginning of a program

## Fundamental Data Types

#### **Short form**

char signed char unsigned char

short int long

unsigned short unsigned unsigned long

float double long double

The long form includes e.g. signed short int, unsigned long int, signed int etc, but this form is rarely used.

### Functionality Groups

#### **Integral Types:**

char signed char unsigned char

short | int long

usigned short unsigned unsigned long

#### **Floating Types:**

float double long double

#### **Arithmetic Types:**

integral types + floating types

### Constants

| char        | 'a', 'x', '0', '&', '\n' |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| int         | 1, 0, -54, 4234567       |
| long        | 01, 1231, -77661         |
| unsigned    | 0u, 23u, 300000000u      |
| float       | 1.2f, .2f, 1.f, 3.14159f |
| double      | 1.0, -3.1412             |
| long double | 1.01, -2.44331           |

# Characters and the data type char

# Some Character Constants and their Integer Values

In C, variables of any integral type can be used to represent characters. In particular char and int are used.

| character:     | 'a' | 'b'   | 'c' |       | ' <b>z</b> ' |
|----------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|--------------|
| integer value: | 97  | 98    | 99  |       | 112          |
|                |     |       |     |       |              |
| character:     | 'A' | 'B'   | 'C' |       | ' <b>Z</b> ' |
| integer value: | 65  | 66    | 67  |       | 90           |
|                |     |       |     |       |              |
| character:     | '0' | '1'   | '2' |       | '9'          |
| integer value: | 48  | 49    | 50  | • • • | <b>57</b>    |
|                |     |       |     |       |              |
| character:     | '&' | 1 * 1 | 1+1 |       |              |
| integer value: | 38  | 42    | 43  |       |              |

## Some Special Character Constants and their Integer Values

| Name of Character | Written in C | Integer Value |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|
| alert             | \a           | 7             |
| backspace         | \b           | 8             |
| backslash         | \\           | 92            |
| horizontal tab    | \t           | 9             |
| newline           | \n           | 10            |
| null character    | \0           | 0             |
| double quote      | \            | 39            |

## Some Character Constants and their Integer Values

```
char c = 'a';
This variable can be printed both as character or integer
printf("%c", c);  /* a is printed */
printf("%d", c);  /* 97 is printed */
printf("%c%c%c", c, c+1, c+2);  /* abc is printed */
```

## Some Character Constants and their Integer Values

```
character: 'A' 'B' 'C' ...
integer value: 65 66 67 ... 90
char c = 0;
int i = 0;
for ( i = 'a'; i <= 'z'; ++i )
 printf( "%c", i ); /* ab ... z is printed */
for (c = 65; c \le 90; ++c)
 printf( "%c", c ); /* AB ... Z is printed */
for ( c = '0'; c <= '9'; ++c )
 printf( "%d", c ); /* 48 49 ... 57 is printed */
```

## The integer data types: int, short, unsigned and long

```
int is typically 2 or 4 bytes.
short is typically 2 or 4 bytes.
long typically 4 bytes
unsigned has the size of int.
```

### Going over the Limit

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <limits.h>
int main( void )
  int i = 0;
  unsigned u = UINT_MAX; /*Typically 4294967295 */
  for (i = 0; i < 5; ++i)
     printf("%u + %d = %u\n", u, i, u + i );
  for (i = 0; i < 5; ++i)
     printf("%u * %d = %u\n", u, i, u * i);
  return 0;
```

### Going over the Limit

#### Output:

```
4294967295 + 0 = 4294967295
4294967295 + 1 = 0
4294967295 + 2 = 1
4294967295 + 3 = 2
4294967295 + 4 = 3
4294967295 * 0 = 0
4294967295 * 1 = 4294967295
4294967295 * 2 = 4294967294
4294967295 * 3 = 4294967293
4294967295 * 4 = 4294967292
```

### The floating data types

- float
- double
- long double

#### Examples:

3.14159 314.159e-2f 0e0 1.

Floating data types can be described by:

- precision
- range

#### Limited precision

```
Floats has limited precision hence strange phenomena may occur:
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
   int i = 0;
   float f = 0;
   for ( i = 0; i < 100; ++i )
        f += 0.01f;
   printf( "%f\n", f );
   return 0;
}</pre>
```

#### **Output:**

0.99999

### Special Float Values

```
NaN – Not a Number - represents an illegal value
printf("%f\n", sqrt(-1));
   will print
-1. #IND00 or NAN
INF – infinity
printf("%f\n", 1.0/0);
or
printf("%f\n",-log(0));
will print
1.#INFOO or INF
```

#### The use of typedef

The typedef mechanism allows to associate a type with an identifier:

```
typedef char uppercase;
typedef int INCHES;
typedef unsigned long size_t;
```

Each of these identifiers can be used later to declare variables, e.g.

```
uppercase u;
INCHES length, width, height;
```

#### The size of Operator

Find the number of bytes needed to store an object.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
  printf( "The size of some fundamental types is
  computed.\n\n");
  printf( "char: %3d byte \n", sizeof(char) );
  printf( "short: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(short) );
  printf( "int: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(int) );
  printf( "long: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(long) );
  printf( "unsigned: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(unsigned) );
  printf( "float: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(float) );
  printf( "double: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(double) );
  printf( "long double: %3d bytes\n", sizeof(long double));
  return 0;
```

# compute the size of some fundamental types

run on this laptop, using cygwin:

The size of some fundamental types is computed.

char: 1 byte

short: 2 bytes

int: 4 bytes

long: 4 bytes

unsigned: 4 bytes

float: 4 bytes

double: 8 bytes

long double: 8 bytes

# Guarantees about storage of fundamental types

```
sizeof(char) == 1
sizeof(short) <= sizeof(int) <= sizeof(long)
sizeof(signed) == sizeof(unsigned) == sizeof(int)
sizeof(float) <= sizeof(double) <= sizeof(long double)</pre>
```

#### getchar and putchar

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
  int c = 0;
  while ( ( c = getchar() ) != EOF )
     putchar( c );
     putchar( c );
  return 0;
Look at file 02_double_out.c
```

#### Mathematical Functions

There are no built mathematical functions in C. Functions such as

```
sqrt()    pow()    exp()    log()
sin()    cos()    tan()
```

are part of the math library declared in <math.h>.

All the functions use doubles

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
int main(void)
  double x = 0;
  printf( "\n%s\n%s\n\n", "The square root of x and x
  raised", "to the x power will be computed.");
  while (1)
      printf( "Input x: " );
      if (scanf( "%lf", &x ) != 1)
         break;
      if (x >= 0.0)
         printf("\n%14s%15.8e\n%14s%15.8e\n
  %14s%15.8e\n\n",
           \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}
           "sqrt(x) = ", sqrt(x),
           "pow(x, x) = ", pow(x, x));
      else printf( "\nSorry, your number must be
  nonnegative. \n\n");
  return 0;
```

### The Result of the Program

The square root of x and x raised to the x power will be computed.

```
Input x: 2
```

```
x = 2.0000000e+00

sqrt(x) = 1.4142136e+00

pow(x, x) = 4.0000000e+00
```

```
Input x:
```

#### Conversions and Casts

#### **Integral promotions**

A char or short (signed or unsigned) can be used in any expression where an int or unsigned int is used.

#### The usual arithmetic conversions

These can occur when operands of binary operators are evaluated. E.g. if i is an int and f is float, then in the expression i + f, the operand i is promoted to float.

#### The usual arithmetic conversions

If either operand is a long double the other operand is converted to long double.

Otherwise, if either operand is a double the other operand is converted to double.

Otherwise, if either operand is a **float** the other operand is **converted** to **float**.

Otherwise, the "integral promotions" are performed on both operands:

- If either operand is an unsigned long the other operand is converted to unsigned long.
- Otherwise if one operand has type **long** and the other operand has type **unsigned** then one of two possibilities occurs:
  - If a long can represent all the values of an unsigned, then the operand of type unsigned is converted to long.
  - If a long *cannot represent* all the values of an unsigned, then *both* operands are *converted* to unsigned long.
- Otherwise, if either operand is of type long, the other operand is *converted* to long.
- Otherwise, if either operand is of type unsigned, the other operand is converted to unsigned.
- Otherwise, both operands have type int.

## Examples for arithmetic conversion

```
char c;
            short s;
                               int i;
long 1
          unsigned u;
                               unsigned long ul;
float f; double d;
                               long double ld;
 Expression
                           Expression
                                            Type
                Type
c - s / i
             int
                         u * 7 - i
                                       unsigned
u * 2.0 - i
            double
                         f * 7 - i
                                       float
c + 3
                         7 * s * ul
                                       unsigned long
             int
c + 5.0
                                       long double
             double
                         1d + c
d + s
                                       unsigned long
             double
                         u - ul
2 * i / 1
                         u - 1
             long
                                       system dependent
```

#### Casts

In addition to implicit conversion, there are explicit conversions, called casts. For example if i is an int, then (double) i will cast i so the expression has a type double.

```
(long) ('A' + 1.0);
f = (float) ((int)d + 1);
d = (double) i/3;
(double) (x = 77);
```

The cast operator is unary, and has the same precedence of other unary operators. So for example

```
(float) i + 3 is equivalent to ((float) i) + 3
```

## Decimal, Hexadecimal, Octal conversions

```
/* decimal, hexadecimal, octal conversions */
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
 printf("%d %x %o\n", 19, 19, 19); /* 19 13 23 */
  printf("%d %x %o\n",0x1c,0x1c,0x1c);/* 28 1c 34 */
  printf("%d %x %o\n",017,017,017); /* 15 f 17 */
  printf("%d\n", 11 + 0x11 + 011); /* 37 */
 printf("%x\n", 2097151);
                                  /* 1fffff */
  printf("%d\n", 0x1FfFFf);
                                    /* 2097151 */
  return 0;
```