

Computer programming

"Education is a progressive discovery of
our own ignorance."

Will Durant



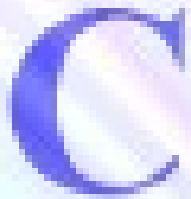
Outline

- Structure, union, enumeration and user defined data types
 - Definitions
 - User defined types
 - Example programs



Structures

- Structures = collections of related variables (aggregates) under one name
 - Can contain variables of different data types
 - Similar to record data type of PASCAL
 - Commonly used to define records to be stored in files
 - Combined with pointers, can create linked lists, stacks, queues, and trees



Structures

- Definition in BNF:

```
structure_definition ::= struct[name_identifier]
                        {
                            member_list;
                        } [variable_identifiers];
```

```
member_list ::= type member_identifier, {,
                member_identifier};
                { type member_identifier, {, member_identifier}; }
```

```
variable_identifiers ::= identifier{, identifier}
```

- Note that in this definition name_identifier and variable_identifiers cannot both be missing;
- A structure variable of type name_identifier can be later declared using:

```
structure_variable_declaration ::= [struct] name_identifier
                                variable_identifier;
```



Structures. Equivalent examples

a.

```
struct material
{
    long code;
    char name[30];
    char uom[10];
    float amount;
    float ppu;
} fabric, paper, engine;
```

b.

```
struct material
{
    long code;
    char name[30];
    char uom[10];
    float amount;
    float ppu;
};
struct material fabric, paper, engine;
or
material fabric, paper, engine;
```

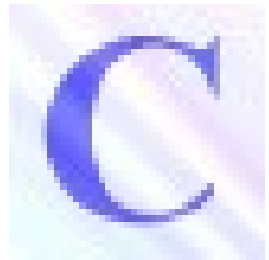
c.

```
struct
{
    long code;
    char name[30];
    char uom[10];
    float amount;
    float ppu;
} fabric, paper, engine;
```



Structures

- **struct** information
 - A **struct** cannot contain an instance of itself
 - Can contain a member that is a pointer to the same structure type
 - A structure definition does not reserve space in memory
 - Instead creates a new data type used to define structure variables
- Valid Operations
 - Assigning a structure to a structure of the same type
 - Taking the address (&) of a structure
 - Accessing the members of a structure
 - Using the **sizeof** operator to determine the size of a structure



Structures

- Access to members – by qualification

- Example:

`fabric.name`

`paper.amount`

- Access to members using pointers:

`pointer_to_structure->`

- Example:

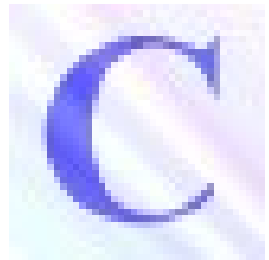
`struct material *p;`

`p=&fabric;`

`p->amount = 20.5; or`

`(*p).amount = 20.5;`

- Structure variables can be allocated like the other variables (simple variables and arrays)



Structure initialization

- Initialization is similar to array initialization

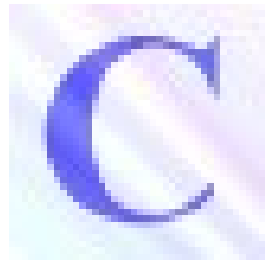
```
struct type_name variable_identifier=  
{  
    value_of_member_1,      value_of_member_2, ...,  
    value_of_member_n  
};
```

- Example:

```
struct material fabric = {1234L, "Wool fabric",  
"meter", 25.5, 45.3};
```

- Members of

- global and static structures are initialized to zero by default
- automatic structures have undefined values



Structures

■ Notes

- In C++ one can assign structure variables of the same type, e.g.

```
material alpha, beta;  
alpha=beta;
```

- Can define recursive structures (heavily used to generate dynamic lists, trees, etc), e.g.

```
struct nodeType  
{  
    long code;  
    char name[30];  
    struct nodeType *next;  
} Node;
```



Using structures with functions

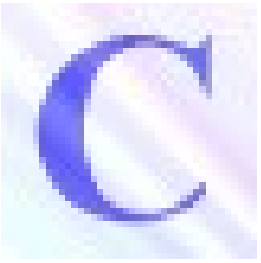
- Passing structures to functions
 - **In C one can pass a structure only by its address**
 - In C++ pass entire structure, e.g. `void f(material p, ...)`
 - Or, pass individual members, e.g. `void f(float p.amount, ...)`
 - Both pass call by value
 - In C++ to pass structures call-by-reference
 - Pass its address: `void f(material *p, ...)`
 - Pass reference to it: `void f(material& p, ...)`
 - In C++ to pass arrays call-by-value
 - Create a structure with the array as a member
 - Pass the structure



Bit Fields (I)

■ Bit field

- Member of a structure whose size (in bits) has been specified
- Enable better memory utilization
- Must be defined as `int` or `unsigned`
- Cannot access individual bits



Bit Fields (II)

- Defining bit fields

- Follow unsigned or int member with a colon (:) and an integer constant representing the width of the field
- Example:

```
struct BitCard {  
    unsigned face : 4;  
    unsigned suit : 2;  
    unsigned color : 1;  
};
```



Bit Fields (III)

- Unnamed bit field

- Field used as padding in the structure
- Nothing may be stored in the bits

```
struct Example {  
    unsigned a : 13;  
    unsigned   : 3;  
    unsigned b : 4;  
}
```

- Unnamed bit field with zero width aligns next bit field to a new storage unit boundary
- Demos



Unions

■ union

- Memory that contains a variety of objects over time
- Only contains one data member at a time
- Members of a union share space
- Conserves storage
- Only the last data member defined can be accessed

■ union definitions

- Same as struct

```
union Number
{
    int x;
    float y;
};
union Number value;
```



Unions

- Valid **union** operations
 - Assignment to **union** of same type: =
 - Taking address: &
 - Accessing union members: .
 - Accessing members using pointers: ->
- Initialization:
 - **In C: not allowed**
 - In C++: first member can be initialized



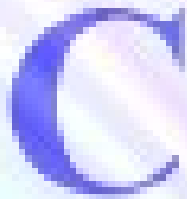
Enumeration

■ Enumeration

- Set of integer constants represented by identifiers
- Enumeration constants are like symbolic constants whose values are automatically set
 - Values start at 0 and are incremented by 1
 - Values can be set explicitly with =
 - Need unique constant names
- Example:

```
enum Months { JAN = 1, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG,  
              SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC};
```

 - Creates a new type enum Months in which the identifiers are set to the integers 1 to 12
- Enumeration variables can only assume their enumeration constant values (not the integer representations)



Enumeration

- BNF definition:

```
enum_definition ::=  
    enum [name_identifier]  
        { enumerator_list } [variable identifiers];  
enumerator_list ::=  
    enumerator_identifier { , enumerator_identifier }  
variable_identifiers ::= identifier { , identifier }
```

- Equivalent examples:

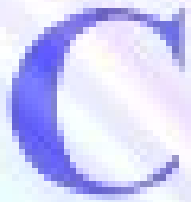
- a.

```
enum week {Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday, Saturday};  
enum week holiday_week;
```
 - b.

```
enum week {Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday, Saturday} holiday_week;
```
 - c.

```
enum {Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday, Saturday} holiday_week;
```
- Possible assignments:

```
holiday_week=Friday; ... holiday_week=Sunday;
```



User-defined data types

- Type definition uses keyword **typedef**

type_definition ::= typedef type type_identifier

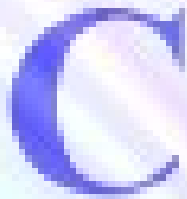
- Examples:

a. **typedef struct**
{
 int i;
 float j;
 double x;
} AlphaT;
AlphaT y, z;

b. **typedef struct complex**
{
 float re;
 float im;
 struct complex *next;
} ComplexT;
ComplexT x, y;

c. **typedef union**
{
 char x[10];
 long code;
} BetaT;
BetaT u, v;

d. **typedef enum {false, true}**
BooleanT;
BooleanT k, l;



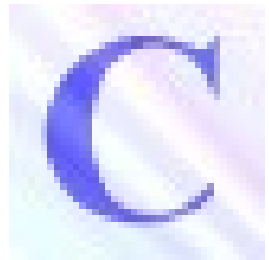
Example programs. Structures. Operations on complex numbers

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

typedef struct {float re, im; }
    ComplexT;
/* parameters passed by pointers
*/
void add(ComplexT *a, ComplexT
    *b,
        ComplexT *c)
{
    c->re = a->re + b->re;
    c->im = a->im + b->im;
}
void subtract(ComplexT a,
    ComplexT b, ComplexT *c)
/* input parameters passed by
value, allowed in C++ only,
result passed by pointer */
{
    c->re = a.re - b.re;
    c->im = a.im - b.im;
}
```

```
/* input parameters passed by value,
result passed by reference, all
allowed in C++ only */

void multiply(ComplexT a, ComplexT b,
    ComplexT& c)
{
    c.re = a.re * b.re - a.im * b.im;
    c.im = a.im * b.re + a.re * b.im;
}
/* parameters passed by pointers */
void divide(ComplexT *a, ComplexT *b,
    ComplexT *c)
{
    float x;
    x = b->re * b->re + b->im * b->im;
    if ( x == 0 )
    {
        puts("\nDivision by zero");
        exit(1);
    }
    else
    {
        c->re = (a->re * b->re +
            a->im * b->im) / x;
        c->im = (a->im * b->re -
            a->re * b->im) / x;
    }
}
```



Example programs. Structures. Operations on complex numbers

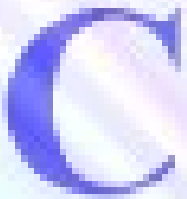
```
void readComplex(const char *msg, const char *nbName, ComplexT *nb)
{
    printf("\nPlease input the %s complex number\n\t%s.re=",
           msg, nbName);
    scanf("%f%c", &(nb->re));
    printf("\t%s.im=", nbName);
    scanf("%f%c", &(nb->im));
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    ComplexT a, b, c;
    char ch;

    ch = 'Y';
    while (ch == 'Y' || ch == 'y')
    {
        readComplex("first", "a", &a);
        readComplex("second", "b", &b);
    }
}
```

Example programs. Structures. Operations on complex numbers

```
add(&a, &b, &c);
printf("\na + b = (%f+j*%f) + (%f+j*%f) = (%f+j*%f) ",
      a.re, a.im, b.re, b.im, c.re, c.im);
subtract(a, b, &c);
printf("\na - b = (%f+j*%f) - (%f+j*%f) = (%f+j*%f) ",
      a.re, a.im, b.re, b.im, c.re, c.im);
multiply(a, b, c);
printf("\na * b = (%f+j*%f) * (%f+j*%f) = (%f+j*%f) ",
      a.re, a.im, b.re, b.im, c.re, c.im);
divide(&a, &b, &c);
printf("\na / b = (%f+j*%f) / (%f+j*%f) = (%f+j*%f) ",
      a.re, a.im, b.re, b.im, c.re, c.im);
printf("\nContinue [Y/N]? ");
ch = getchar();
}
return 0;
}
```



Example programs. Unions

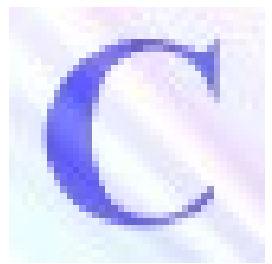
```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
union
{
    char ch[10];
    short int i;
    long l;
    float f;
    double d;
} all;
int main(void)
{
    strcpy(all.ch, "ABCDEFGHJIJ");
    printf("\nThe size of the union is %u bytes\n", sizeof(all));
    printf("Area contents:\n\t- as a character string: %s\n", all.ch);
    printf("\t- as an integer of type short int: %d\n", all.i);
    printf("\t- as an integer of type long: %ld\n", all.l);
    printf("\t- as a real of type float: %f\n", all.f);
    printf("\t- as a real of type double: %g\n", all.d);
    system("pause");
    return 0;
}
```



Example programs. Enumerations

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
typedef enum {zero, one ,two, three, four, fine} NUM;
int main(void)
{
    NUM x, y;
    int z, w;

    x = two; /* x=2 */
    y = three; /* y = 3 */
    z = x + y;
    w = x * y;
    printf("\nz=%d w=%d\n", z, w);
    system("pause");
    x = 2; y = 3; /* cause warnings */
    z = x + y;
    w = x * y;
    printf("\nz=%d w=%d\n", z, w);
    system("pause");
    return 0;
}
```



The Data Hierarchy

- Bit - smallest data item
 - Value of **0** or **1**
- Byte – 8 bits
 - Used to store a character (decimal digits, letters, and special symbols)
- Field - group of characters conveying meaning
 - Example: an address, a name
- Record – group of related fields
 - Represented a **struct** (C,C++) or a **class** (C++)
 - Example: In a payroll system, a record for a particular employee that contained his/her identification number, name, address, etc.
- File – group of related records
 - Example: payroll file
- Database – group of related files



Files

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- Text files

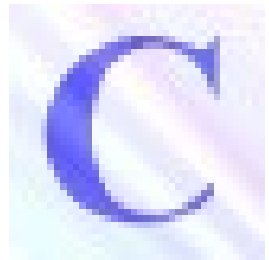
- Characters are (usually) human readable
- Are divided into lines
- May contain a special “End-of-file” marker
- Examples: source files, header files

- Binary files

- None of the above characteristics
- Examples: executables, object files, databases, etc.

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Error Handling

- System calls set a *global* integer called **errno** on error:
 - **extern int errno; /* defined in errno.h */**
- The constants that errno may be set to are defined in **<errno.h>**.

For example:

- **EPERM** operation not permitted
- **ENOENT** no such file or directory (not there)
- **EIO** I/O error
- **EEXIST** file already exists
- **ENODEV** no such device exists
- **EINVAL** invalid argument passed

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

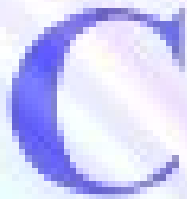
```
void perror(const char * s);
```

- E.G. if **errno==EINVAL**, then **perror("EINVAL: ")** ; prints:
EINVAL: : Invalid argument



File status

- `int stat(const char * pathname, struct stat *buf) ;`
- The `stat()` system call returns a structure (into a buffer you pass in) representing all the stat values for a given filename. This information includes:
 - the file's mode (permissions)
 - inode number (in Unix)
 - number of hard links
 - user id of owner of file
 - group id of owner of file
 - file size
 - last access, modification, change times
 - see header file `stat.h` and `sys/types.h` (`S_IFMT`, `S_IFCHR`, etc.)



File status example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <time.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char *fname="main.c";
    struct stat statBuf;

    if (0==stat(fname, &statBuf))
    {
        printf("\nFile: %s", fname);
        if (S_ISDIR (statBuf.st_mode))
            puts("\n\tdirectory");
        if (S_ISCHR(statBuf.st_mode))
            puts("\n\tcharacter special file");
        if (S_ISBLK(statBuf.st_mode))
            puts("\n\tblock special file");
        if (S_ISREG(statBuf.st_mode))
            puts("\n\tregular file");
        if (S_ISFIFO(statBuf.st_mode))
            puts("\n\tFIFO special file, or a pipe");

        printf("\n\tinode=%u\n\tdevice=%c", statBuf.st_ino,
            statBuf.st_dev+'A');

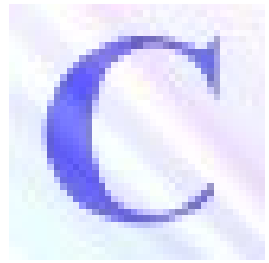
        printf("\n\tlinks=%d\n\tuid=%d\n\tgid=%d\n\tsize=%ld",
            statBuf.st_nlink,
            statBuf.st_uid, statBuf.st_gid,
            statBuf.st_size);
        printf("\n\taccess time=%s\tcontents mod time=%s",
            ctime(&statBuf.st_atime),
            ctime(&statBuf.st_mtime),
            ctime(&statBuf.st_ctime));
    }
    else perror(0);
    system("PAUSE");
    return 0;
}
```



File status example

- Program output example:

```
File: main.c
      regular file
      inode=0
      device=D:
      links=1
      uid=0
      gid=0
      size=1007
      access time=Thu Dec 21 08:47:51 2005
      contents mod time=Thu Dec 21 08:47:51 2005
      attrib mod time=Thu Dec 21 08:47:51 2005
```



Reading

- Deitel: chapter 10, chapter 11 sections 11.1 to 11.3
- Prata: chapters 14 & 15
- King: chapters 16 & 20



Summary

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