

COMP20005 Workshop Week 10

Preparation:

- open `grok`, `jEdit`, and `minGW` (or `Terminal` if yours is a `Mac`)
- download this slide set ([ws10.pdf](https://github.com/anhvir/c205)) from github.com/anhvir/c205 if you like
- open related files for assignment 2

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| 1 | <code>struct</code> revisited, Ex. 8.1 |
| 2 | Ex. 8.2-8.4 combined |
| 3 | Assignment 1 review |

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Assignment 2:

- Watch the assignment video
- Q&A
- Working on assignments

OR

- Any exercise from W5 to W10, including W5X-W10X

struct Revisited: building (simplified) student_t

on whiteboard:

Exercise 8.1:

Using RHS, suppose that we have declarations:

```
student_t bill;  
student_t allstudents[10000];
```

If an `int` occupies 4 bytes of the memory, and a `char` requires 1 bytes, how many bytes each do `bill` and `allstudents` consume?

```
#define NAMELEN 40  
#define MAXSUBJECTS 8  
  
typedef namestr_t char[NAMELEN+1];  
  
typedef struct {  
    namestr_t first, others, family;  
} fullname_t;  
  
typedef struct {  
    int dd, mm, yyyy;  
} date_t;  
  
typedef struct {  
    int subjectcode;  
    date_t enrolled;  
    int status;  
    int final_mark;  
} subject_t;  
  
typedef struct {  
    int id;  
    fullname_t name;  
    date_t dob;  
    int nsubjects;  
    subject_t subjects[MAXSUBJECTS];  
} student_t;
```

struct How to use student_t?

```
typedef struct { /* this is a simplified version */
    int id;           // 4 bytes
    name_t name;      // 3x40= 120 bytes used by name
    date_t dob;       // 3x4 = 12 bytes
} student_t;

//           id           name           dob
student_t bob={10001, {"Ali", "Boss", "Mo"}, {01, 01, 2001}};
student_t new;
student_t *ps;
```

write function to read a (simplified) student

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    int id;          // 4 bytes
    name_t name;     // 3x40= 120 bytes used by name
    date_t dob;      // 3x4 = 12 bytes
} student_t;
```

```
1  ? read_stud( ? ) {
2      scanf("%d %s%s%s %d/%d/%d" ,
3              id, first, others,
4              family, dd,
5              mm, yyyy);
6
7  }
8  ...
9  read_stud(&new);
10
11
12
```

function for input – the bad

```
student_t bad_read_stud() {  
    student_t s;  
    scanf("%s%s%s %d %d/%d/%d", s.name.given,  
        s.name.others, s.name.family,  
        &s.id,  
        &s.dob.dd, &s.dob.mm, &s.dob.yyyy);  
    return s;  
}
```

What's bad?

```
student_t stud;  
stud= bad_read_stud();
```

function for input – the good

```
void read_stud(student_t *ps) {  
    scanf("%s%s%s %d %d/%d/%d", ps->name.given,  
        ps->name.others, ps->name.family,  
        &ps->id,  
        &ps->dob.dd, &ps->dob.mm, &ps->dob.yyyy);  
}
```

How to use read_stud? How good is this version in comparison with the bad guy?

```
student_t stud;  
read_stud(&stud)
```

and the not-ugly: using buddy variables to reduce mistakes/stress

```
void read_stud(student_t *ps) {  
    fullname_t *pn= &(ps->name);    //no need ()  
    fullname_t *pd= &ps->dob;  
    scanf("%s%s%s %d %d/%d/%d", pn->given,  
        pn->others, pn->family,  
        &ps->id,  
        &pd->dd, &pd->mm, &pd->yyyy);  
}
```

Bravo pointers, bravo ->

Structures: important rules

DON'T:

- use a struct as a function argument
- return a struct

DO:

- use a *pointer to struct* as a function argument
- return a *pointer to struct*
- use buddy variables to reduce complexity of writing multiple struct levels
- use arrays of struct when there is a need to process a number of struct

Case Study: Polygons (Ex 8.2-8.4)

Suppose that a closed polygon is represented as a sequence of points in two dimensions. Give suitable declarations for a type `poly_t`, assuming that a polygon has no more than 100 points.

Write a program that includes the functions that

- (i) reads a poly from `stdin`*
- (ii) returns the length of the perimeter of a polygon (ex 8.3, and 8.2?).*
- (iii) returns the area of a polygon (ex 8.4) .*
- (iv) return distance between the centroids of two polygon.*

Test these functions using input “3 0 0 3 0 0 4” (which is a triangle), or something else.

Your Task: *Choose between:*

Do incremental development in your computer, keep up with Anh’s speed. OR

Do incremental development is your speed, and give Anh private chat questions. OR

*If you already finished this task and **you are certain that you did well**, do some other exercises or assignment 2, and send Anh private questions on Chat [or post questions on `grok` if we are in lab time]*

ass1 review: a sample solution

assignment 2: new items in rubric

- avoidance of structs (eg, using skinny 2d arrays), -1.0;
- avoidance of struct pointers (eg, using whole-struct arguments), -0.5;
- inappropriate or over-complex structs, -0.5;
- other abuses of structs, -0.5;

And not new, but sometime left forgotten:

- errors in compilation that prevent testing, -4.0;
- **unnecessary warning** messages in compilation, **-1.0**;
- runtime segmentation fault on any test with no output generated, -2.0;
- runtime segmentation fault on any other test with no output generated, -2.0;

Assignment 2

(if not done,) skim the spec then watch:

Assignment 2 The Movie!

then (if not yet done):

- read, understand Stage 1
- start your `ass2.c` by:
 - copying `ass2_skel.c` to `ass2.c` and sign the declaration
 - *stealing* applicable things from Alistair's movie and sample solution (there is a **green light** for this stealing) `#define PIE 3.14159`
 - implementing Stage 1 [*incremental development*]
 - read, understand Stages 2 and 3, and ... implement them
- remember to use `struct` (start with a simple design just for stage 1, we can change them later to fit stages 2-4)
- *ask questions, discuss with Anh and everybody*
- submit today (and see if that compiler complains)

