COMP1511: Selection, Function

Session 2, 2018

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Help Sessions and Consultations

Day	Time	Week Pattern	Place	Tutors ++ Weeks 5-12
Monday	10:00 - 12:00	Weeks 2 - 9, Break, 11 - 12	Flute +Oboe Labs	Dean Wunder, Adam Stucci, Anna Zhang
		Skip Week 10 (Labour Day)	J17 Level 3, 303 +304	++ Adam Tanana, Ben Close, Dominic He, Vincent Chen, Stratton Sloane
Tuesday	18:00 - 20:00	Weeks 3 - 12	Law 201 +202	Connor O'Shea, Alli Murray, Adam Stucci
				++ Lucy Qiu, Braedon Wooding, Dominic He, Kevin Luxa, Angus Worrall
Wednesday	18:00 - 20:00	Weeks 3 - 12	Law 301 +302	Alli Murray, Michael Yoo, Nathan Lam
				++ Tom Kunc, Lance Young, Finbar Berkon, Annie Liu
Thursday	15:00 - 17:00	Weeks 2 - 4	Seminar Room	3-5 Jesse Colville, Jake Fitzgerald, Zachary Partridge, Andrew Bennett
	15:00 - 18:00	Weeks 5 - 12	K17 Level 1, 113	++ 3-5 Tammy Zhong, Harrison Steyn, Heather Cox, ++ 4-6 Oliver Richards, Mitchell Shelton ++ 5-6 Connor O'Shea
Friday	14:00 - 16:00	Weeks 1 - 4	Strings Lab	2-4 Stephen Leung, Dylan Blecher, Johnson Shi, Michael Yoo
	14:00 - 17:00	Weeks 5 - 12	J17 Level 3, 302	++ 3-5 Eleni Dimitriadis, Jake Fitzgerald, Benjamin Sho, Kevin Luxa

11:15am to 11:45am Tuesday in Room **402** K17 Building - Ashesh (during Week-01 to Week-03)In addition to the above Help/Consultation Sessions, I will also be available for **consultation** at the following times/locations. You can ask me any questions you may have regarding the course.

- 11:15am to 11:45am Thursday in Room **403** K17 Building - Ashesh (during Week-01 to Week-03)

Recap: Variables and Constants

- Variable **Types**,
  - `int` (for integer values, e.g.: 42, -10),
  - `float` (for decimal numbers - single *precision*),
  - `double` (for decimal numbers - double *precision*),
  - `char` (for a character like ‘a’, ‘2’, ‘+’, ‘#’, etc.)
- **Variable names** can made up of letters, digits and underscores, they are case sensitive, use a lower case letter to start your variable names

- **Constant** values,
  - `#define SPEED_OF_LIGHT 299792458.0`

```
// Declare and Initialise
int answer = 42;

// Use
printf("Value is %d", num);
```

Recap: `scanf` and `printf`

- **scanf** uses a format string like **printf**. Notice **&** before the variable name.
- scanf **returns number** of items successfully read

Use **%d** to read an **int** (integer) value

```
int answer;
printf("Enter the answer: ");
scanf("%d", &answer);
```

Use **%lf** to read a **double** value

```
double weight;
printf("Enter weight: ");
scanf("%lf", &weight);
```

Reading **multiple** variables (space separated):

```
int num1 = 0;
int num2 = 0;

printf("Enter two numbers, separated by a space: ");
scanf("%d %d", &num1, &num2);
printf("num1 = %d and num2 = %d\n", num1, num2);
```

Recap: Selection - Conditional Execution

```
if (expression) {
    statement1;
    statement2;
    ....
}
```

Logical operators **&&**, **||** and **!**, e.g.:

```
If (mark > 0 && mark < 100) {
    statement1 ;
    statement2 ;
    …
}
```

By De Morgan's Law, the following are equivalent in C:

```
! (x > 50 || Y > 50)
!(x > 50) && !(y > 50)
(x <= 50) && (y <= 50)
```

```
// if they are 16+ print you can drive
if (age >= 16) {
    printf("You can drive!\n");
    printf("you are over 16!\n");
} else {
    printf("You are not allowed to drive!!! go back to school\n");
}
```

Recap: Programming Style

- Use the following command to **configure gedit** in your account for COMP1511, the setup **offers features** like line numbers, auto indentation, etc.

```
% 1511 setup-gedit
```

- **Remember** to,
  - write **comments**
  - use **meaningful** variable names
  - use proper **indentations**

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
int x; printf("What is your x?\n"); scanf("%d", &x); if (x >= 16)
{printf("You can drive!\n"); printf("you are over 16!\n");
} else { printf("You are not allowed to drive!!! go back to school\n");}
printf("Have a nice day!\n");return 0;
}
```

- **Style Guide** is available on the class webpage,

  see the left panel on the class webpage.

Correction:

- The lecture slide-21 of “Introduction to C” is now corrected!
- The above slide is now replaced by two new slides (slide-21 and 22) in “Introduction to C”, also presented here in the following two slides.

Common mistakes

In English, you say "print Hello if **x is not equal to 6, 7 or 8**",

which one of the following is correct? A or B ?

A

```
if( (x != 6) || (x != 7) || (x != 8) ){
    printf("Hello …  \n");
}
```

B

```
if( (x != 6) && (x != 7) && (x != 8) ){
    printf("Hello … \n");
}
```

- Use **different test cases** (here, different values of x) **to check** your logical expression, and make sure that it behaves as per your requirements
- For the answer, see the following slide …

Tautology and Contradiction

- **Avoid *Tautology*:** a ***tautology*** is a logical expression that is ***always true***.

```
if( (x != 6) || (x != 7) || (x != 8) ){
    printf("Hello … \n");
}
```

A

- buggy implementation of "**x is not equal to 6, 7 or 8**".

The above logical expression becomes *false* only if, at the same time,
x == 6 and x == 7 and x == 8, which is not possible! So the condition is always true!

- **Avoid *Contradiction*:** a ***contradiction*** is a logical expression that is ***always false***.

```
if( (x < 0) && (x > 100) ){
    printf("Error … \n");
}
```

- buggy implementation of "**print Error if x is outside the range 0 .. 100**"

The condition is always false!

Selection: Nested `If`

You can put an `if/else` inside another `if/else`.

```
if( boolean_expression_1 ) {
    if( boolean_expression_2 ) {
        /* when boolean_expression_1 is true
           and  boolean_expression_2 is true,
           executes statements here
        */
    } else {
        /* when boolean_expression_1 is true
           and  boolean_expression_2 is false,
           executes statements here
        */
    }
} else {
    if( boolean_expression_3 ) {
        /* when boolean_expression_1 is false
           and  boolean_expression_3 is true,
           executes statements here
        */
    } else {
        /* when boolean_expression_1 is false
           and  boolean_expression_3 is false,
           executes statements here
        */
    }
}
```

Selection: Nested `If` - examples

```
if( (mark >=0) && (mark <=100) ) {

    if(mark >= 50) {
        printf("Pass");
    } else {
        printf("Fail");
    }

} else {

    printf("Invalid mark!");

}
```

```
// Prints out whether a user can drive
// Andrew Bennett (z1234567)
// 2018-03-06

#include <stdio.h>

#define MIN_DRIVING_AGE 16
#define MAX_DRIVING_AGE 120

int main(void) {

    int age;
    printf("What is your age?\n");
    scanf("%d", &age);

    // if they are over the minimum driving age (16) print you can drive
    if (age >= MIN_DRIVING_AGE) {
        if (age >= MAX_DRIVING_AGE) {
            printf("You can't drive, you're too old!\n");
        } else {
            printf("You can drive!\n");
        }
    } else {
        printf("You are not allowed to drive!!! go back to school\n");
    }



    // print have a nice day
    printf("Have a nice day!\n");

    return 0;
}
```

Selection: Nested `If`

```
if (age >= MIN_DRIVING_AGE) {
    if (age <= MAX_DRIVING_AGE) {
        printf ("You can drive.\n");
    }
}
```

The above is same as the following …

```
if (age >= MIN_DRIVING_AGE && age <= MAX_DRIVING_AGE) {
    printf ("You can drive.\n");
}
```

Selection: `If...else if...else` Statement

An **`if`** statement can be followed by an optional **`else if...else`** statement,

```
if( boolean_expression_1 ) {
     /* when boolean_expression_1 is true,
        executes "Statement_list1",
        leaves "if" statement */

} else if( boolean_expression_2 ) {
     /* when boolean_expression_1 is false
        and  boolean_expression_2 is true,
        executes "Statement_list2",
        leaves "if" statement */

} else if( boolean_expression_3 ) {
     /* when boolean_expression_1 is false
        and  boolean_expression_2 is false,
        and  boolean_expression_3 is true,
        executes "Statement_list3",
        leaves "if" statement */

} else {
     /* executes when the none of the above condition is true */
}
```

Selection: `If...else if...else` - examples

Alternative-1

```
/* Preconditin: 0 <= mark <= 100 */

if(mark >= 85) {
    printf("HD");
} else if (mark >= 75) {
    printf("DN");
} else if (mark >= 65) {
    printf("CR");
} else if (mark >= 50) {
    printf("PS");
} else {
    printf("FL");
}
```

Alternative-2

```
/* Preconditin: 0 <= mark <= 100 */

if(mark < 50) {
    printf("FL");
} else if (mark < 65) {
    printf("PS");
} else if (mark < 75) {
    printf("CR");
} else if (mark < 85) {
    printf("DN");
} else {
    printf("HD");
}
```

Selection: `If...else if...else` - example

```c
#define MIN_DRIVING_AGE 16
#define MAX_DRIVING_AGE 120

printf ("How old are you? ");
int age = 0;
scanf("%d", &age);

if (age < 0) {
   printf ("Invalid input.\n");

} else if (age < MIN_DRIVING_AGE) {
   printf ("You can't drive.\n");

} else if (age <= MAX_DRIVING_AGE) {
   printf ("You can drive.\n");

} else {
   printf ("Invalid input.\n");
}

printf ("Have a nice day.\n");
```

Selection: `If...else if...else` - example

```
if( (mark >=0) && (mark <=100) ) {

    if(mark >= 85) {
        printf("HD");
    } else if (mark >= 75) {
        printf("DN");
    } else if (mark >= 65) {
        printf("CR");
    } else if (mark >= 50) {
        printf("PS");
    } else {
        printf("FL");
    }

} else {

    printf("Invalid mark!");

}
```

Program Layout: Indentation

- Always use proper indentations and layout

```
if( (mark >=0) && (mark <=100) ) {

    if(mark >= 50) {
        printf("Pass");
    } else {
        printf("Fail");
    }

} else {

    printf("Invalid mark!");

}
```

```
if( (mark >=0) && (mark <=100) ) {
if(mark >= 50) {
printf("Pass");
}
else {
printf("Fail");
}
} else {
printf("Invalid mark!");
}
```

Abstraction via Functions

Functions allow you to:

- separate out "**encapsulate**" a piece of code serving a single purpose
- **hide complexity** of an implementation from a user of the function.

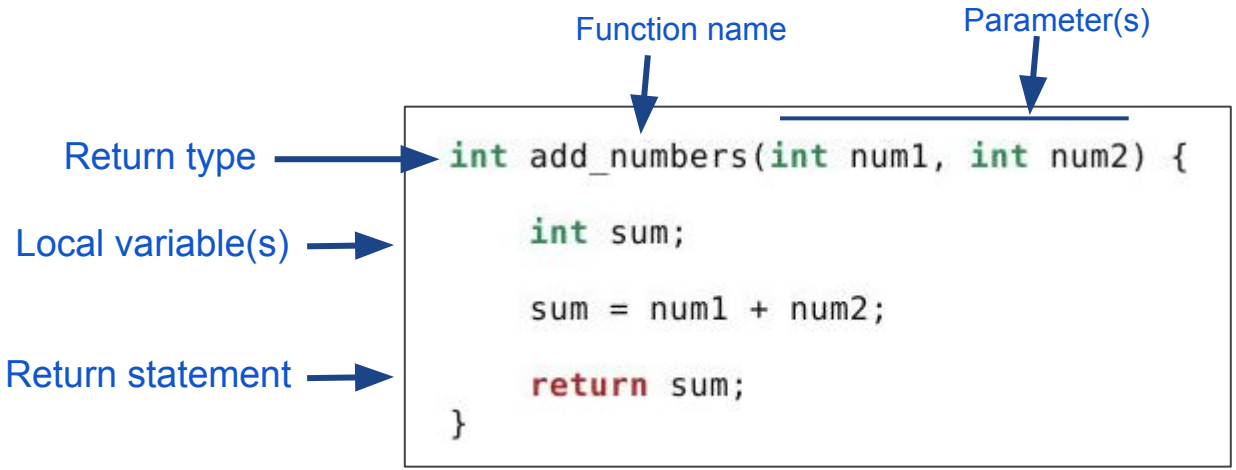
  For example: we use **`printf`** and **`scanf`** functions, but don't need to know how they are implemented. We only need to know how they behave!
- **easily test** and **verify** a piece of code
- **easily reuse** the code (function) - no copy/paste!
- **shorten code** resulting in easier modification and debugging
- offer **flexibility** - **`printf`** is implemented differently on different operating systems

Functions we already use:

- `printf()` , `scanf()`

Structure of a Function

1. Return type
2. Function name
3. Parameters (inside brackets, comma separated)
4. Local Variables (only accessible within function)
5. Return statement



The return Statement

- when a `return` statement is executed, the function terminates.
- the returned expression will be evaluated and, if necessary, converted to the type expected by the calling function.
- *Important:* **all local variables and parameters will be thrown away** when the function terminates.
- the calling function is free to use the returned value, or to ignore it.
- functions can be declared as returning `void`, which means that nothing is returned. A `return` without a value statement can still be used to terminate such a function.

Function - Example

Defining a function

```c
// calculate x to the power of 3
double cube(double x) {

    double result;

    result = x * x * x;

    return result;
}
```

Using a function

```c
int main(void) {
    double a, b;

    printf("42.5 cubed is %lf\n", cube(42.5));

    a = 2;
    b = cube(a);
    printf("2 cubed is %lf\n", b);

    return 0;
}
```

Function Properties

- **function** have a **type** - the type of the value they return
- type **void** for functions that return no value
- **void** also used to indicate function has no parameters
- function can not return arrays (we will discuss this later)
- function have their own **local variables** created when function called and **destroyed** when function returns
- function's **local** variables are **not accessible outside** the function
- **return** statement stops execution of a function
- **return** statement specifies value to return unless function is of type **void**
- **run-time error** if end of non-void function reached without return

Functions with No Return Value

- Some functions do not to compute a value.
- They are useful for "**side-effects**" such as output.

```
void print_sign(int b) {

    if (b < 0) {
        printf("negative");
    } else if (b == 0) {
        printf("zero");
    } else {
        printf("positive");
    }
}
```

Function Parameters : call-by-value

- functions take 0 or more parameters
- parameters are variables
  - **created** each time a function is called and
  - **destroyed** when a function returns
- C functions are ***call-by-value*** (but beware arrays)
- **parameters initialised** with the value supplied **by the caller**
- Important: if a **parameter** variable is **changed** in the function, it has **no effect outside the function**

```
1  // Demo to show call-by-value
2  //
3  #include <stdio.h>
4
5  void f(x) {
6      x = 42;
7
8      printf("From f(x), x is %d \n", x);
9      //prints "From f(x), x is 42"
10 }
11
12
13 int main(void) {
14
15     int y = 13;
16     f(y);
17
18     printf("From main, y is %d \n", y);
19     //prints "From main, y is 13"
20
21     return 0;
22
23 }
```

Function - Scope of a variable

Two different variables:

- `x` in function "`f`"
- `x` in function "`main`"

Variable `x` of the function "`f`" is

- **created** every time "`f`" is called and
- **destroyed** when the function "`f`" returns

```
1  // Demo to show the scope of a variable
2  //
3  #include <stdio.h>
4
5  void f(x) {
6      x = 42;
7
8      printf("From f(x), x is %d \n", x);
9      //prints "From f(x), x is 42"
10 }
11
12
13 int main(void) {
14
15     int x = 13;
16     f(x);
17
18     printf("From main, x is %d \n", x);
19     //prints "From main, x is 13 "
20
21     return 0;
22
23 }
```

Function Prototypes

- Function prototypes allow function to be called before it is defined.
- Specifies key information about the function:
  - function return type
  - function name
  - number and type of function parameters
- Allows top-down order of functions in file
  More readable!
- Allows us to have function definition in separate file.
  Crucial to share code and for larger programs
- Example prototypes:

```
double power(double x, int n);
void print_sign(int b);
```

Example: Prototype allowing Function use before Definition

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int answer(double x);

int main(void) {
    printf("answer(2) = %d\n", answer(2));
    return 0;
}

int answer(double x) {
    return x * 42;
}
```

Library functions

- Over 700 function are defined in the C standard library.
- You'll need to use less than 20 of these in COMP1511
- The C compiler needs to see a prototype for these fucntion before you use them.
- You do this indirectly with **#include** line
- For example **stdio.h** contains prototypes for **printf** and **scanf** so:

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    printf("Andrew Rocks!\n");
}
```