

Tutorial 1

Data types and Conversion

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What to do in Tutorials?

- Discussion of 10 topics in C programming
- Doing exercises
- Q/A: any questions on programming with C

Topics to discuss in Tutorials:

- **Input/Output**
- **Data types and conversion**
- **Control and iteration**
- **Pointers**
- **Functions**
- **Passing by values vs. passing by references**
- **Memory allocation**
- **Pointer to pointer**
- **Macro and Header**
- **Some data structures**

An example:

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 2;
    float b = 1.5;
    int c;

    c = a+b;    // question 1: what value is c?
    b = c/a;    // question 2: what value is b?
    printf("%d,%.2f\n", c, b); // question 3: what is the output?;

    return 0;
}
```

Data types

• <code>bool</code>	logic	true or false	8bit=1byte	
• <code>char</code>	character	'A'	8bit	1
• <code>int</code>	integer	2	32bit	4
• <code>float</code>	real	2.4	32bit	4
• <code>double</code>	real	3.1415926	64bit	8

Other keywords for data type: `short`, `long`, `unsigned`

bool

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

char

0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

int

0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	--------	---	---	---

float

0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	--------	---	---	---



32 bits (4 bytes)

Conversions

General rule:

1. Once defined, the data type of a variable cannot change.
2. Same data type can be operated directly; different data types should be converted to same type.

Several operators convert operand values from one type to another automatically.

1. characters, and integers.

char--> short --> int

2. double, float and integer

int --> float --> double

3. float(double) --> integer (only for assignment operation)

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Conversions

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```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 2;
    char b = 'A'; // 'A'==65
    float c = 1.5;
    double d = 3.1415926;
    float x;

    x = a+b+c+d;
    c = a/3;
    b = b+1;
    d = d*a*a;
    printf("%c,%f,%lf\n", b, c, d);

    return 0;
}
```

Frequent mistakes

- Integer divisions

```
a=2/3*b;
```

- Divided by zero

```
a=b/c;
```

- Comparison operator '=='

```
float a= b*c-d+e...;
```

```
if(a=0) ...;
```

Exercise 1

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

int main()
{
    bool a = true; // true == 1
    char x = 'A';  // 'A' == 65
    int b = 2;
    float c = 3;
    double d = 3.1415926;

    b = b/3*c;
    printf("%d\n", b); // question 1

    c = a/2.0*c;
    printf("%f\n", c); // question 2

    d = d*2/a;
    printf("%f\n", d); // question 3

    a = a+1;
    printf("%d\n", a); // question 4

    x = x+1;
    printf("%c\n", x); // question 5
    return 0;
}
```

Exercise 2

Write a program to compute the body mass index (BMI). Input variables are the weight (in kg) and height (in metre). Compute BMI by formula

$$\text{BMI} = \text{weight} / (\text{height} * \text{height});$$

Category	BMI
Underweight	≤ 18.4
Normal	$18.4 \sim 24.9$
Overweight	$24.9 \sim 30.0$
Obese	≥ 30.0

Output in which category the user belongs to.

Exercise 3: C Math Functions

Write a program which computes 2^{16} .

1)	<code>ceil(number)</code>	rounds up the given number. It returns the integer value which is greater than or equal to given number.
2)	<code>floor(number)</code>	rounds down the given number. It returns the integer value which is less than or equal to given number.
3)	<code>sqrt(number)</code>	returns the square root of given number.
4)	<code>pow(base, exponent)</code>	returns the power of given number.
5)	<code>abs(number)</code>	returns the absolute value of given number.