

Miscellaneous

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Variable Argument Lists

- Include <stdarg.h> file
 - ✓ #include <stdarg.h>
- Declaration of a variable of type va_list
 - √ va_list arglist;
- Start to get variable arguments
 - √ va_start(arglist, lastfix);
 - ✓ The second parameter, lastfix
 - Last fixed argument
- Get variable arguments

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✓ arg = va_arg(arglist, type);
```

- ✓ The second parameter, type
 - You have to know it somehow
 - e.g.) predefined or from format string in printf
- Stop to get variable arguments
 - √ va_end(arglist)



Exercise

Variable argument examples

```
$ gcc -o varg varg.c (or make varg)
$ ./varg
```



Time and Date

- Count the number of seconds that have passed since the Epoch:
 - √ 00:00:00 January 1, 1970, UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)
- Data structure for time and date

```
#include <time.h>
struct tm {
  int tm sec;
  int tm_min;
  int tm_hour;
  int tm_mday;
  int tm mon;
  int tm year;
  int tm wday; /* days since Sunday: [0, 6) */
  int tm_yday; /* days since January 1: [0. 365) */
  int tm_isdst; /* daylight saving time flag: <0, 0, >0 */
```



Time and Date (Cont'd)

Functions

```
√ #include <time.h>
✓ time_t time(time_t *calptr);
✓ return: value of time if OK, -1 on error
✓ struct tm *gmtime(time_t *calptr);
✓ struct tm *localtime(time t *calptr);

✓ both return: pointer to broken-down time

✓ localtime takes account the local time zone and daylight saving time flag

√ time t mktime(struct tm *tmptr);

✓ return: calendar time if OK, -1 on error.

✓ char *asctime(struct tm *tmptr);
✓ char *ctime(time t *calptr);

✓ return: pointer to null terminated string
```



Time and Date (Cont'd)

• %j : day of the year (014)

• %m : month (01)

Functions (Cont'd)

```
√ #include <time.h>

√ size_t strftime(char *buf, size_t maxsize, char *format,
  struct tm *tmptr);
✓ return: number of characters stored in array if OK, else 0

✓ Conversion specifiers for strftime

    %a : abbreviated weekday name (Tue)
    ■ %A: full weekday name (Tuesday)
    ■ %b : abbreviated month name (Jan)
    ■ %c : date and time (Tue Jan 14 19:40:30 2003)
    • %d : day of the month (14)
    ■ %H : hour of the 24-hour day (19)
    ■ %I: hour of the 12-hour day (07)
```



Time and Date (Cont'd)

Functions (Cont'd)

✓ Conversion specifiers for strftime (Cont'd)

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• %M: minute (40)
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■ %p : AM/PM (PM)

• %s : second (30)

■ %ʊ : Sunday week number (02)

■ %w: weekday[Sunday=0](2)

• %x : date (01/14/03)

• %x : time (19:40:30)

■ %y: year without century (03)

■ %Y: year with century (2003)

■ %z: time zone name (KST)

✓ Cf) date command



Exercise

■ Time and Date related functions

```
$ gcc -o time time.c (or make time)
$ ./time
```



Summary

- System calls for variable argument list
 - ✓ va_start, va_arg, va_end
- System calls for time and date
 - √ time
 - ✓ gmtime, localtime
 - ✓ mktime
 - ✓ asctime, ctime
 - ✓ strftime

