

Assignment 2

C/C++ Programming I

Exercise 0 (6 points – 1 point per question – No program required)

Language standards compliance and appropriate header file inclusion is assumed. Testing code by running it is sometimes misleading due to implementation dependence. These are not trick questions and there is only one correct answer to each. Applicable notes from the course book are listed.

1. The data type of the literal 252767 is:
(Notes 2.1 & 2.2)
A. implementation dependent
B. ~~long~~
C. **int**
D. not defined in standard C
E. none of the above
2. The data types of:
a) unaffixed floating literals and
b) unaffixed integer literals, are:
(Notes 2.4 and 2.2A)
A. implementation dependent in both cases.
B. determined by the value of the literals in both cases.
C. ~~a) double~~
~~b) determined by the number of digits~~
D. **a) double**
b) determined by the value and base of the literal
E. none of the above
3. A mathematical operation where all operands are type **char** is:
(Note 2.10)
A. illegal - type of **char** is only used for character operations.
B. evaluated using type **signed char** arithmetic.
C. evaluated using type **char** arithmetic.
D. **evaluated using type int or unsigned int arithmetic.**
E. not as accurate as an operation with all type **long** operands.
4. Predict the values of 5 / -2 and 5 / -2.0
(Note 2.8)
A. **two possibilities: -2 and -2.5 or -3 and -2.5**
B. A general prediction cannot be made for all implementations
C. None – a compiler or run time error occurs
D. -2, -2.500000
E. two possibilities: -2 and -2.5 or -1 and -2.5
5. If **char** is 8 bits and **int** is 16, predict the values of -7 % 3 and **sizeof**(-5 % 3)
(Notes 2.8 & 2.12)
A. **two possibilities: -1 and 2 or 2 and 2**
B. A general prediction cannot be made for all implementations.
C. -1 and 2 or -1 and 4 depending upon the data type of **sizeof**
D. two possibilities: -1 and 2 or 1 and 2
E. three possibilities: -1 and 2 or 2 and 2 or -2.3 and 2
6. Which of the following guarantees the correct answer on any machine?
(Notes 2.10 & 2.11)
A. **long** value = 300 * 400 * 10L;
B. **long** value = 300 * 400L * 10;
C. **float** value = 300 * 400 * 10;
D. **double** value = **(double)**(300 * 400 * 10L);
E. none of the above because the value of each is implementation dependent

Submitting your solution

Using the format below place your answers in a plain text file named **C1A2E0_Quiz.txt** and send it to the Assignment Checker with the subject line **C1A2E0_ID**, where **ID** is your 9-character UCSD student ID.

-- Place an appropriate "Title Block" here --

1. A
2. C
- etc.

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Limiting the “Scope” of Variables

The scope of an identifier (a name) is defined as the portion of code over which it is accessible. The scope of a variable declared inside a block extends from that declaration to the end of that block, where a “block” is defined as a “curly-brace enclosed sequence of 0 or more statements”. **Good programming practice dictates that the scopes of non-const variables be as small as possible to prevent their values from being changed by code that should not change them.** However, since the values of const variables cannot be changed, if being used in place of macros they should be defined in the same place the macros would have been defined. Otherwise they should be defined as the first things in the function that uses them. Consider the following three examples:

```

1  ...Any C or C++ Function...
2  {
3      int x, y, z;
4      for (x = 0; x < VAL1; ++x)
5      {
6          for (y = 0; y < VAL2; ++y)
7          {
8              if (x + y > VAL3)
9              {
10                 z = x - y;
11             }
12         }
13     }
14 }

```

Poor Declaration Placement (C or C++)

All variables are declared on line 3, which is inside the block that starts on line 2 and ends on line 14. Thus, their scope extends from line 3 to line 14 and they are all accessible within that region. Note, however, that variable **y** is only needed from line 6 through line 10 and variable **z** is only needed on line 10 and, thus, their scopes are both wider than necessary. (Also note that loop count variables should always be initialized in a “for” statement’s “initial expression”, not the original declarations.)

```

15
16 ...Any C or C++ Function...
17 {
18     int x;
19     for (x = 0; x < VAL1; ++x)
20     {
21         int y;
22         for (y = 0; y < VAL2; ++y)
23         {
24             if (x + y > VAL3)
25             {
26                 int z = x - y;
27             }
28         }
29     }
30 }

```

Better Declaration Placement (C or C++)

Variable **x** is declared as in the previous example because it is needed from line 19 through line 26. Its scope extends from line 18 to line 30. However, since variable **y** is only needed from line 22 through line 26 it is declared on line 21, which is inside the block that begins on line 20 and ends on line 29. Thus, its scope only extends from line 21 to line 29. Finally, since variable **z** is only needed on line 26 it is declared there, which is inside the block that begins on line 25 and ends on line 27. Its scope only extends from line 26 to line 27.

```

31
32 ...Any C++ Only Function...
33 {
34     for (int x = 0; x < VAL1; ++x)
35     {
36         for (int y = 0; y < VAL2; ++y)
37         {
38             if (x + y > VAL3)
39             {
40                 int z = x - y;
41             }
42         }
43     }
44 }

```

Best Declaration Placement (All C++ and >= C99)

Although variables that are not being used as “for” loop counters should be declared as in the previous example, those that are being used for that purpose should be declared and initialized as shown in this example. This further limits their scope to only within the “for” statement itself. That is, the scope of variable **x** is now from line 34 to line 43 and the scope of variable **y** is now from line 36 to line 42.

Exercise 1 (5 points – C++ Program)

Exclude any existing source code files that may already be in your IDE project and add a new one, naming it **C1A2E1_main.cpp**. Write a program in that file to convert an uppercase character to lowercase.

Your program must:

1. prompt the user to enter any character;
2. use `cin.get` to read the character;
3. convert the character and display the results in the following format with single quotes around the original and converted characters as shown:
The lowercase equivalent of 'A' is 'a'
4. not test anything; simply apply the same conversion algorithm to any input character without regard for whether it was actually uppercase and display the results;
5. not use `tolower` or any other function to do the conversion (although `tolower` is the best solution in "real life");
6. not name any variable `uppercase` (to avoid standard library conflicts & a bogus assignment checker warning).

Manually re-run your program several times, testing with at least the following 6 input characters:

B Z p 0 % a literal space

Explain what happens and why in the following two situations and place these explanations as comments in your "Title Block":

1. The user enters anything other than an uppercase character;
2. The user precedes the input character with a whitespace.

Submitting your solution

Send your source code file to the Assignment Checker with the subject line **C1A2E1_ID**, where **ID** is your 9-character UCSD student ID.

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Hints:

The most general way to represent the numerical difference between the ASCII uppercase and lowercase character sets is the expression `'a' - 'A'`. Initialize a constant variable (Note 2.14) to that expression and use it in your code and comments as needed. Note, however, that the standard library function `tolower` provides the most portable solution, although you are not allowed to use it in this exercise. This function and its `toupper` counterpart will do the conversions in a completely portable way without regard for the specific characteristics of whatever character set is being used. For your own knowledge and for future use you should look up these two functions in your compiler's documentation, in one of the books recommended for this course, or online.

Exercise 2 (6 points – C Program)

Exclude any existing source code files that may already be in your IDE project and add a new one, naming it **C1A2E2_main.c**. Write a program in that file to display a diagonal line of characters on the screen.

Your program must:

1. prompt the user to enter any positive decimal integer value;
2. use nested "for" loops to display that number of lines of diagonal characters on the console screen starting in column 1. For example, if the user inputs a 4, the leader character is a dot symbol, and the diagonal character is a percent symbol, the following would get displayed:

```
%  
. %  
. . %  
. . . %
```
3. use the exact names **LEADER_CHAR** and **DIAGONAL_CHAR** for macros that represent the desired leader and diagonal characters. Embedding the literal leader and diagonal characters in the body of your code constitutes the inappropriate use of "magic numbers". Similarly, a name that indicates an actual value, such as *DOT*, *PERCENT*, *two*, *five*, etc., is also considered a magic number.

Manually re-run your program several times, testing with several different leader characters, diagonal characters, and line counts. To change the leader and diagonal characters you must change the values associated with the **LEADER_CHAR** and **DIAGONAL_CHAR** macros and recompile.

Submitting your solution

Send your source code file to the Assignment Checker with the subject line **C1A2E2_ID**, where **ID** is your 9-character UCSD student ID.

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Hints:

A "nested loop" is a loop that is within the body of another loop, such as:

```
for (row = 0; row < MAX_ROWS; ++row)
{
    ...maybe do something else here...
    for (column = 0; column < MAX_COLS; ++column)
    {
        ...maybe do something else here...
    }
    ...maybe do something else here...
}
```

For this exercise the "row" loop should be used to keep track of the number of lines and the "column" loop should be used to keep track of the number of leader characters on a line. A "for" loop should normally be used whenever a variable must be initialized when the loop is first entered, then tested and updated for each iteration. It is inappropriate to use a "while" loop or a "do" loop under these conditions. Be sure to choose meaningful names for your loop count variables noting that names like "outer", "inner", "loop1", "loop2", etc., are non-informative and totally inappropriate. Also note that only three variables are necessary to complete this exercise. If you use four you are unnecessarily complicating the code.

Exercise 3 (3 points – C++ Program)

Exclude any existing source code files that may already be in your IDE project and add a new one, naming it **C1A2E3_main.cpp**. Rewrite the program from the previous exercise in C++ in that file and test it as before. Use **const char** variables named **LEADER_CHAR** and **DIAGONAL_CHAR** instead of the previous macros with the same names, declaring each separately on a separate line.

Submitting your solution

Send your source code file to the Assignment Checker with the subject line **C1A2E3_ID**, where **ID** is your 9-character UCSD student ID.

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Hints:

The most significant changes needed to convert the C version to the C++ version involve replacing each **printf** and **scanf** with **cout** and **cin**, respectively, and replacing the macros used for the leader and diagonal characters with constant variables (Note 2.14) having the same names.

Get a Consolidated Assignment Report (optional)

If you would like to receive a consolidated report containing the results of the most recent version of each exercise submitted for this assignment, send an empty email to the assignment checker with the subject line **C1A2_ID**, where **ID** is your 9-character UCSD student ID. Inspect the report carefully since it is what I will be grading. You may resubmit exercises and report requests as many times as you wish before the assignment deadline.