

Characters and Strings

NOTES

Characters

- “%c” is used to print/scan character
- By using “%d”, you can print the ASCII value of the character.

Scan and Print

- `ch = getchar();` is the same as `scanf("%c", &ch);`
- `putchar(ch);` is the same as `printf("%c", ch);`

Character Functions

- `#include <ctype.h>`
 - `isalpha()` – is English letter?
 - `isupper()` – is upper case? `toupper()`
 - `islower()` – is lower case? `tolower()`
 - `isdigit()` – a digit character?
 - `isalnum()` – an alphanumeric character?
 - `isspace()` – a whitespace character?
 - `ispunct()` – a punctuation character?

Strings

- `scanf("%s", name);` `// reads in a word`
- `char fruit[] = {"apple"}; char toy[9] = {0};`
- `char fruits[][6] = {"apple", "mango", "pear"};`

- **To read a sentence:**

```
fgets(str, 8, stdin);  // read a line of input
len = strlen(str);    // find length of string
if ( str[len-1] == '\n' )
    str[len-1] = '\0';
```

String Functions (Must include <string.h>)

- **strlen (s)**

Return the number of chars in s, excluding the null character.

- **strcmp (s1, s2)** 0 is equal;

Compare s1 and s2 character by character, from left to right.
Comparison stops once a difference is found or reach the end.

- **strncmp (s1, s2, n)**

Compare the first n characters of s1 and s2.

- **strcpy (s1, s2)**

Copy the string pointed to by s2 into array pointed to by s1.

- **strncpy (s1, s2, n)**

Copy the first n characters of s2 into s1.

String Functions

- **strcat (s1, s2)**

Append a copy of string s2, including the terminating null character, to the end of string s1.

- **strncat (s1, s2, n)**

Append at most n characters from s2 to s1.

- **strchr (s, c)**

Return a pointer to the first occurrence of character c in string s.
Returns a NULL pointer if c is not found in s.

- **strstr (s1, s2)**

Returns a pointer to the first appearance of string s2 in s1.
Returns a NULL pointer if s2 is not found in s1.