

# Ch.13 Structure

# What you will learn in this chapter

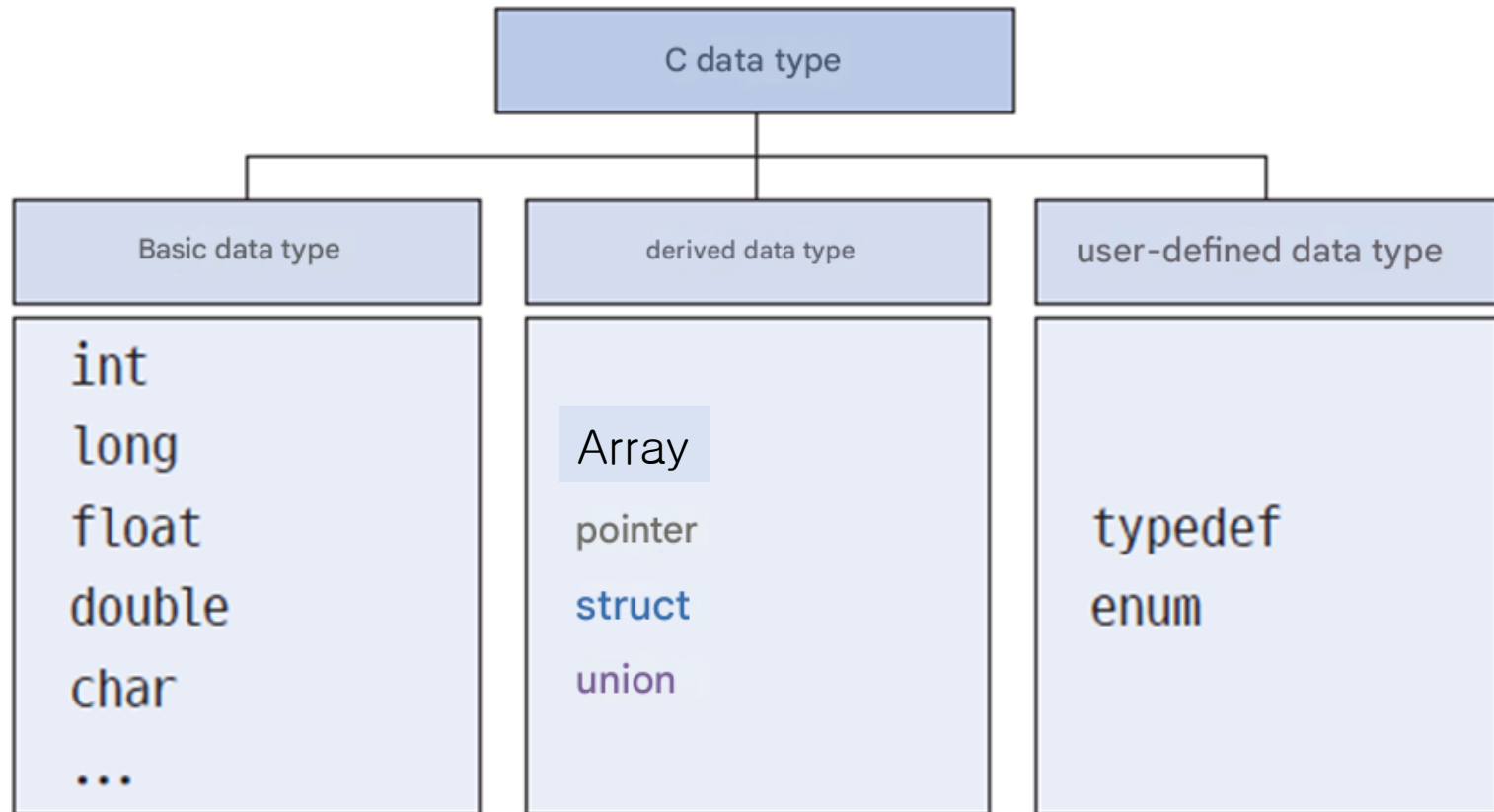


- Structure concept, definition, and initialization method
- Relationship between structures and pointers
- Unions and typedefs

Structures are an important tool for grouping different data together .



# Classification of data types



# The need for structures

- How to gather data about students into one place ?



Student number: 20251234 (Number)  
Name: "first last" (String)  
Grade: 4.3 (Real number)  
...

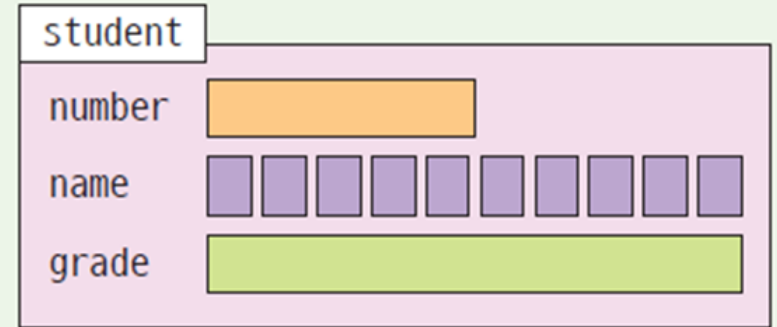


```
int number;  
char name[10];  
double grade;
```

It can be expressed  
as individual variables  
like this, but can it be  
grouped ?

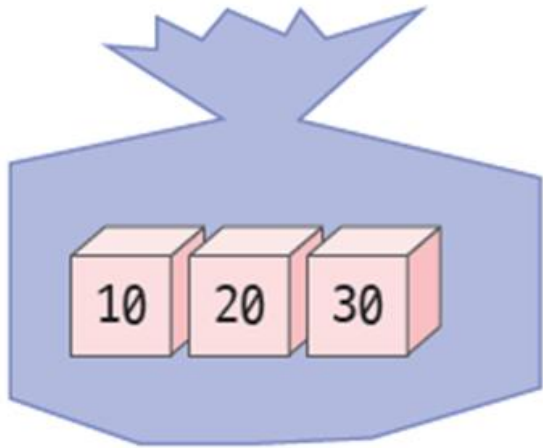
# The need for structures

```
struct student {  
    int number;           // student number  
    char name[10];        // name  
    double grade; // unit  
};
```



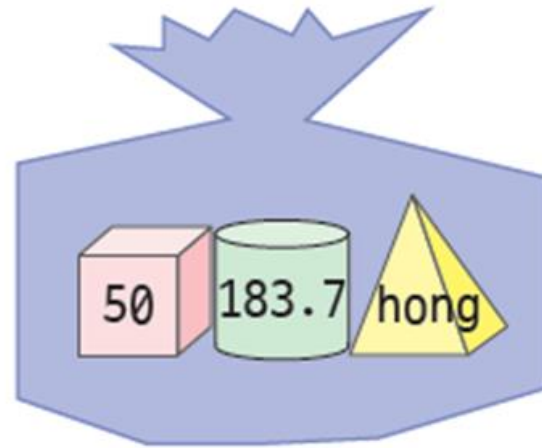
Structures allow you  
to group  
variables together.

# Arrays and Structures



Array

Group variables of the same type



struct

Group variables of different types

# Check points

1. Discuss the difference between structures and arrays .
2. Struct example
  - Student information
    - . Member functions
  - Car
    - . Member functions



# Structure definition

**Syntax** Structure definition

Keyword used when defining a structure

yes

```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[10];  
    double grade;  
};
```

Name of a structure

Member of structure

// student number  
// name  
// credits

There must be a semicolon at the end

A *struct definition* creates the **blueprint** (the layout) of a structure type.

**struct student p1;**

This line is a **declaration of a variable** of type `struct student`.

- It declares a variable `p1`.
- If `struct student` has already been **defined**, then this line also **allocates memory** for `p1`.



# Structure declaration

- A structure definition is not a variable declaration.

Defining a structure is like a mold for making waffles.



Structure  
ex) int

To actually make waffles you need to declare a structure variable.



Structure variable  
ex) int a

```
struct Person {  
    int age;  
};           // structure definition
```

```
struct Person p1; // variable declaration + memory allocation
```

# Example of a structure definition

```
// Screen coordinates made up of x
struct point {
    int x; // x coordinate
    int y; // y coordinate
};
```

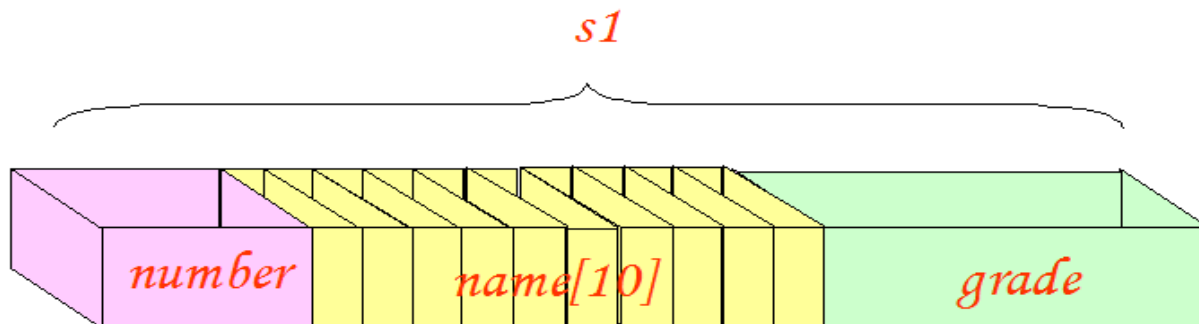
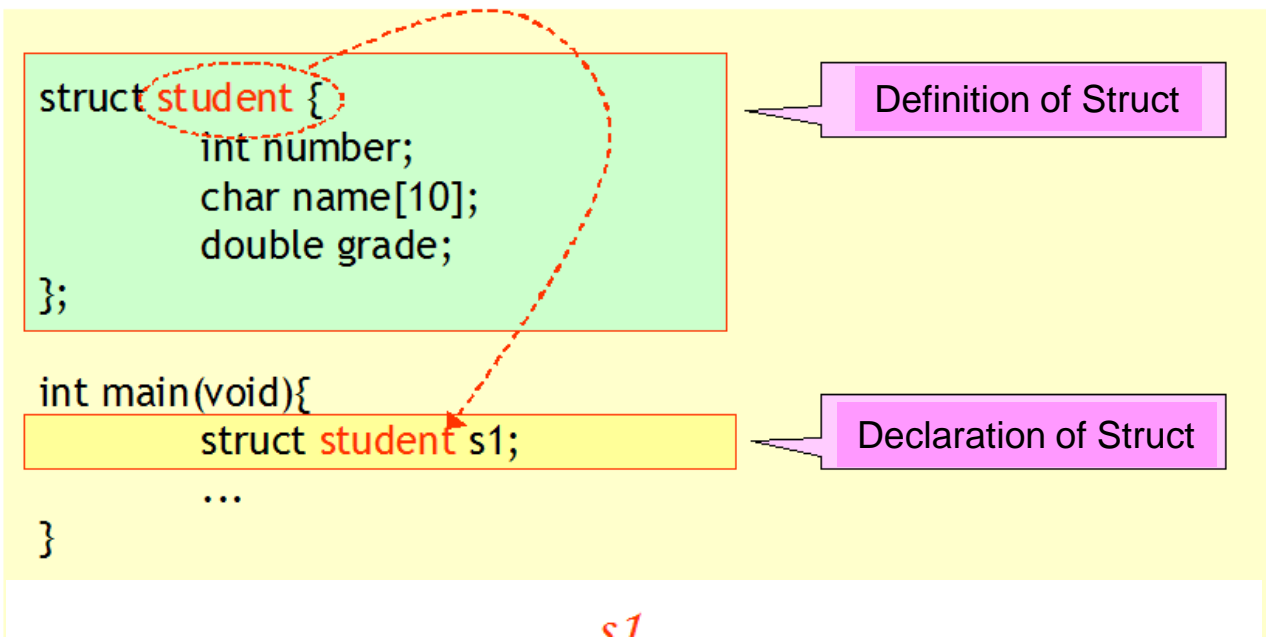
```
// date
struct date {
    int month;
    int day;
    int year;
};
```

```
// Complex number
struct complex {
    double real; // real part
    double imag ; // imaginary part
};
```

```
// square
struct rect angle {
    int x , y ;
    int width;
    int height ;
};
```

# Declaring a structure variable

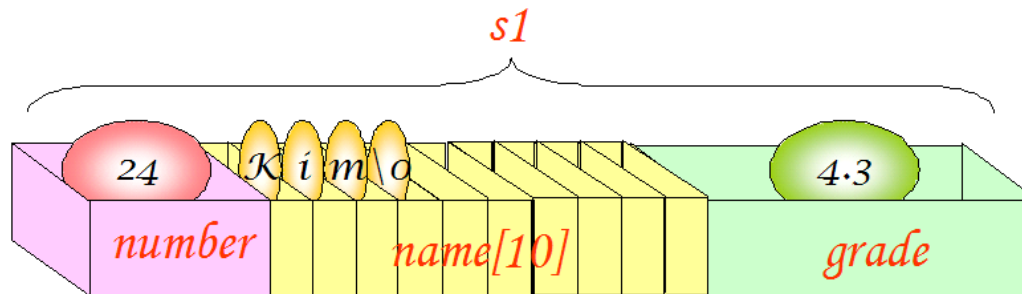
- Defining a structure and declaring a structure variable are different.



# Initializing a structure

- Initial values are listed using curly braces.

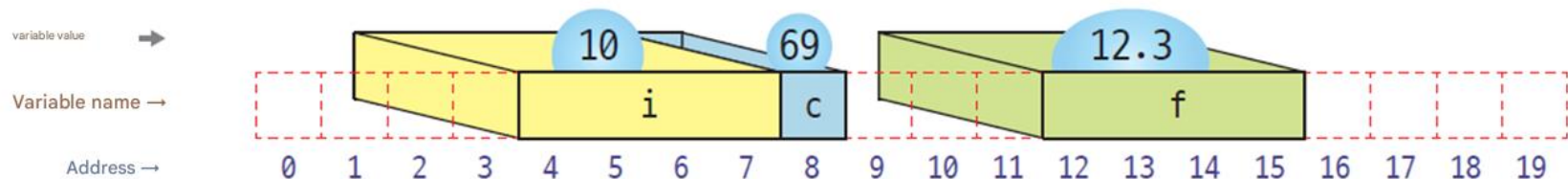
```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[10];  
    double grade;  
};  
struct student s1 = { 24, "Kim" , 4.3 }; // s1 is NOT a pointer,  
                                           // it's variable of derived data type
```



**Padding happens only inside structures or arrays,**  
NOT between separate local variables on the stack.

# char padding (struct)

- Why does a char need 3 bytes of padding even though the smallest memory unit is 1 byte?
  - ❑ Padding exists because of **CPU alignment rules**, not because of byte-accessible memory.
- Why CPUs enforce alignment?
  - ❑ Faster access : Aligned loads/stores are much **faster**.
  - ❑ Hardware requirements : Some CPU architectures **require** aligned access for certain data types.



# Structure member reference

## Syntax

Accessing structure members

yes

struct variable

structure member

```
s1.grade = 3.8;
```



. symbol is an operator  
used when referencing  
members in a structure .

# Example #1

Practice  
ch13-1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
struct student {
    int number;
    char name[100];
    double grade ;
};
```

Structure  
declaration

```
int main( void )
```

```
{
```

```
    struct student s;
```

Declaring a  
structure  
variable

```
    s.number = 20230001;
    strcpy (s.name, " Hong Gil-dong " );
    s.grade = 4.3 ;
```

Structure  
member  
reference

```
    printf ( "Student number : %d\n" , s.number );
    printf ( "Name : %s\n" , s.name);
    printf ( "Grade : %.2f \n" , s.grade ) ;
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
Student number : 20230001
Name : Hong Gil-dong
GPA : 4.30
```

# Example #2

Debugger

```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[10];  
    double grade;  
};
```

Structure  
declaration

```
int main( void )  
{
```

```
    struct student s;
```

Declaring a structure  
variable

```
    printf ( " Student number Enter : " );
```

```
    scanf ( "%d" , & s.number );
```

Passing the address of  
a structure member

```
    printf ( " name Enter : " );
```

```
    scanf ( "%s" , s.name);
```

```
    printf ( " Credit Enter ( error ): " );
```

```
    scanf ( "%lf" , & s.grade );
```

```
    printf ( " \nStudent number : %d\n" , s.number );
```

```
    printf ( " Name : %s\n" , s.name);
```

```
    printf ( " Grade : % .2f \n" , s.grade );
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
Enter your student number : 20230001  
Enter your name : Hong Gil-dong  
Enter your grade ( error ): 4.3
```

```
Student number : 20230001  
Name : Hong Gil-dong  
GPA : 4.30
```



# Initialization method

```
#include <stdio.h>
// Represents a point in two-dimensional space as a structure .
struct point {
    int x;
    int y;
};

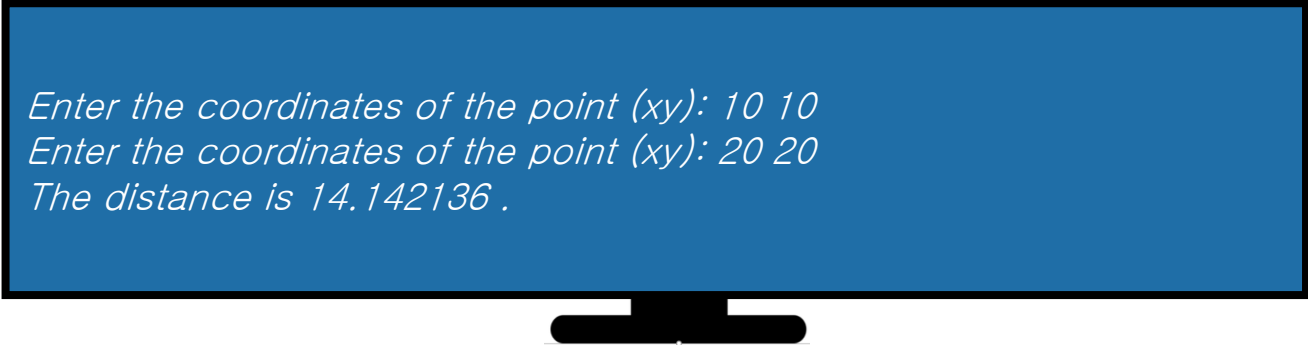
int main( void )
{
    struct point p = { 1, 2 };           // ① Values are assigned in the order of the struct members.
    struct point q = { .y = 2, .x = 1 }; // ② Very readable, Order does not matter

    struct point r = p;                   // ③ structs can be copied using the = operator.
    r = ( struct point ) { 1, 2 };        // ④ Useful when you want to "reinitialize" after the variable is
                                          // declared.

    printf( "p=(%d, %d)\n" , p.x, p.y);
    printf( "q=(%d, %d) \n" , q.x, q.y);
    printf( "r=(%d, %d)\n" , r.x, r.y);
    return 0;
}
```

# Lab: Representing points in two-dimensional space as structures

- Get the coordinates of two points from the user and calculate the distance between the two points. The coordinates of the points are expressed as a structure.



*Enter the coordinates of the point (xy): 10 10  
Enter the coordinates of the point (xy): 20 20  
The distance is 14.142136 .*

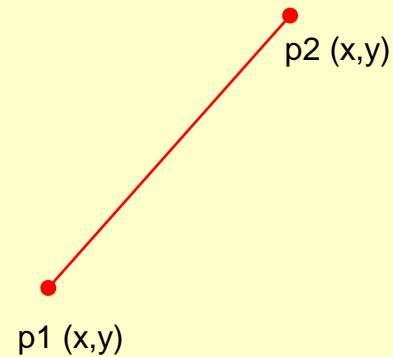
# Source code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
struct point {
    int x;
    int y;
};

int main( void )
{
    struct point p1, p2;
    int xdiff , ydiff ;
    double dist ;

    printf ( " dot Coordinates Enter (x y): " );
    scanf ( "%d %d" , &p1.x, &p1.y);

    printf ( " dot Coordinates Enter (x y): " );
    scanf ( "%d %d" , &p2.x, &p2.y);
```



# Source code

```
xdiff = p1.x - p2.x;  
ydiff = p1.y - p2.y;
```

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

```
dist = sqrt( (double)( xdiff * xdiff + ydiff * ydiff ) );  
printf ( " The distance is % f .\n" , dist );  
return 0;  
}
```

```
Enter the coordinates of the point (x y): 10 10  
Enter the coordinates of the point (x y): 20 20  
The distance is 14.142136 .
```

# Check points


1. Each variable declared within a structure is called \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The keyword used to declare a structure is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Why are tags needed for structures, and what is the difference between using tags and not using them?
4. Are variables created just by declaring a structure?
5. What is the operator for referencing members of a structure?



# A structure that has structures as members.

```
struct date {  
    int year;  
    int month;  
    int day;  
};
```

```
struct student { // Structure declaration  
    int number;  
    char name[10];  
    struct date d ; // structure within structure  
    double grade;  
};
```

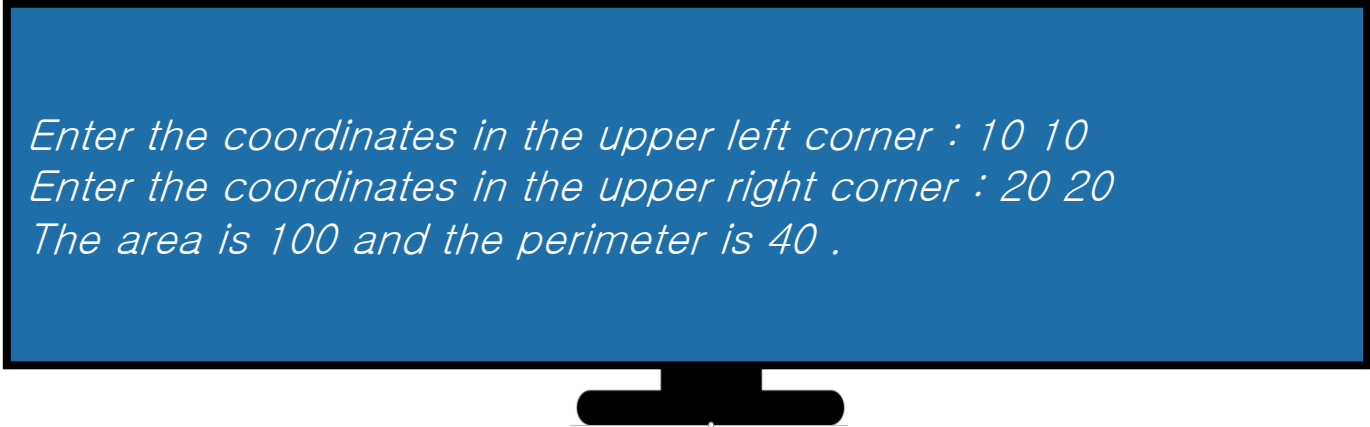


```
struct student s1; // Declare structure variable
```

```
s1.d.year = 1983; // Member reference  
s1.d.month = 03;  
s1.d.day = 29;
```

# Lab: Representing a rectangle as a point structure

- the point structure from the previous example to represent the coordinates of the vertices .

A computer monitor with a black frame and a black stand. The screen is blue and displays three lines of white text.

*Enter the coordinates in the upper left corner : 10 10*  
*Enter the coordinates in the upper right corner : 20 20*  
*The area is 100 and the perimeter is 40 .*

# Example

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

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};
```

```
struct rect {  
    struct point p1;  
    struct point p2;  
};
```

```
int main( void )  
{  
    struct rect r;  
    int w, h, area, peri;
```





# Example

```
printf( "Enter the coordinates of the upper left corner: " );  
scanf( "%d %d" , &r.p1.x, &r.p1.y);
```

```
printf( "Enter the coordinates of the upper right corner: " );  
scanf( "%d %d" , &r.p2.x, &r.p2.y);
```

```
w = r.p2.x - r.p1.x;  
h = r.p2.y - r.p1.y;
```

```
area = w * h;  
peri = 2 * w + 2 * h; (둘레)  
printf( "Area is %d and perimeter is %d.\n" , area, peri);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```



*Enter the coordinates in the upper left corner : 1 1  
Enter the coordinates in the upper right corner : 6 6  
The area is 25 and the perimeter is 20 .*

# Assignment and comparison of structure variables

- Assignment of variables of the same structure is possible, but comparison is not possible.

`p2 = p1;`

good way



Not pointer,  
It's a variable of derived data type

`p2.x = p1.x;`  
`p2.y = p1.y;`

You can do this



```
if( p1 == p2 )  
{  
  
    printf("p1 and p2 are equal.")  
}
```

compilation error



```
if( (p1.x == p2.x) && (p1.y == p2.y) )  
{  
  
    printf("p1 and p2 are equal.")  
}
```

right way



- Struct assignment is allowed because a struct is considered a single object. Structure assignment copies the entire memory block byte by byte.
- Array assignment is not allowed because arrays are treated as collections, not objects, and because of historical reasons and pointer-decay behavior.

# Example

- Assignment of variables of the same structure is possible, but comparison is not possible .

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};  
  
int main( void )  
{  
    struct point p1 = {10, 20};  
    struct point p2 = {30, 40};  
  
    p2 = p1;  // Substitution possible  
  
    if ( p1 == p2 ) // Compare -> Compile error !!  
        printf ( " p1 and p2 It's the same ." )  
  
    if ( (p1.x == p2.x) && (p1.y == p2.y) ) // Correct comparison  
        printf ( " p1 and p2 It's the same ." )  
}
```

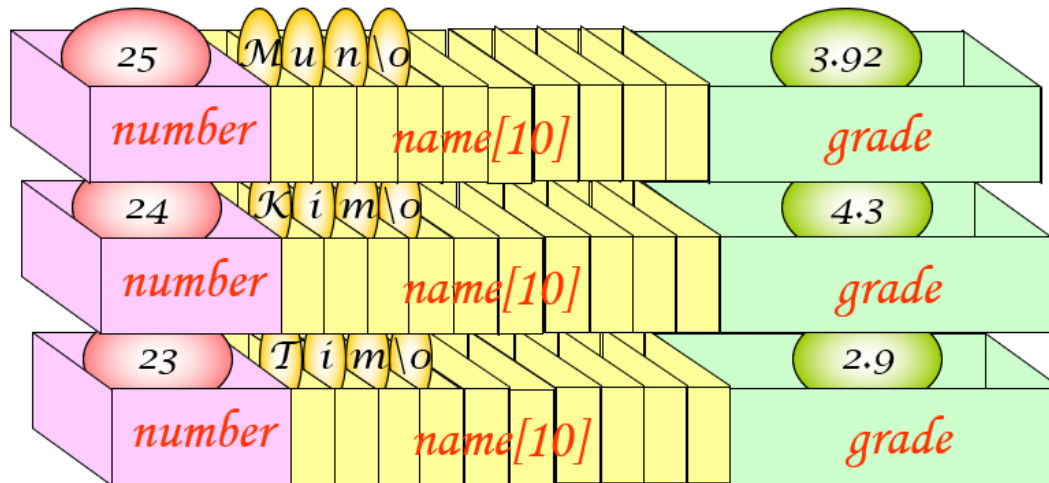
# Check points

1. What operations are allowed between variables of a structure ?
2. What is the difference between structure tags and structure variables ?
3. Can a structure be inserted as a structure member ?
4. Can a structure have an array as a member ?



# Array of structures

- A collection of multiple structures



# Array of structures

```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[20];  
    double grade;  
};  
  
int main( void )  
{  
    struct student list[100]; // Declare an array of structures  
  
    list[2].number = 24;  
    strcpy (list[2].name, " Hong Gil-dong " );  
    list[2].grade = 4.3;  
}
```

# Array of structures initialization

```
struct student list[3] = {  
    { 1, "Park", 3.42 },  
    { 2, "Kim", 4.31 },  
    { 3, "Lee", 2.98 }  
};
```

# Calculate the number of elements in an array of structures

- To automatically find the number of elements in an array of structure, Divide the total number of bytes in the entire array by the number of bytes in each element .

```
n = sizeof (list)/ sizeof (list[0]);
```

- or

```
n = sizeof (list)/ sizeof (struct student);
```

This is only possible within the same function .





```
#include <stdio.h>
#define SIZE 3
struct student {
    int number;
    char name[20];
    double grade;
};
```

```
int main( void )
{
    struct student list[SIZE];
    int i;

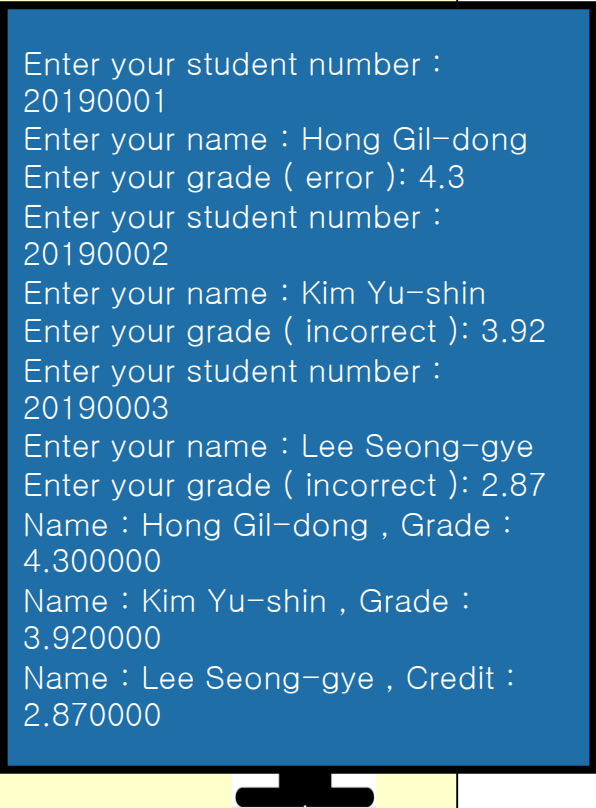
    for ( i = 0; i < SIZE; i ++ )
    {
        printf ( " Student number Enter : " );
        scanf ( "%d" , &list[i].number);
        printf ( " name Enter : " );
        scanf ( "%s" , list[i].name);
        printf ( " Credit Enter ( error ): " );
        scanf ( "%lf" , &list[i].grade);
    }

    for ( i = 0; i < SIZE; i ++ )
        printf ( " Student number : %d, Name : %s, Grade : %f\n" ,
                list[ i ].number, list[ i ].name, list[ i ].grade);

    return 0;
}
```



Practice  
ch13-2.c



```
Enter your student number :
20190001
Enter your name : Hong Gil-dong
Enter your grade ( error ): 4.3
Enter your student number :
20190002
Enter your name : Kim Yu-shin
Enter your grade ( incorrect ): 3.92
Enter your student number :
20190003
Enter your name : Lee Seong-gye
Enter your grade ( incorrect ): 2.87
Name : Hong Gil-dong , Grade :
4.300000
Name : Kim Yu-shin , Grade :
3.920000
Name : Lee Seong-gye , Credit :
2.870000
```

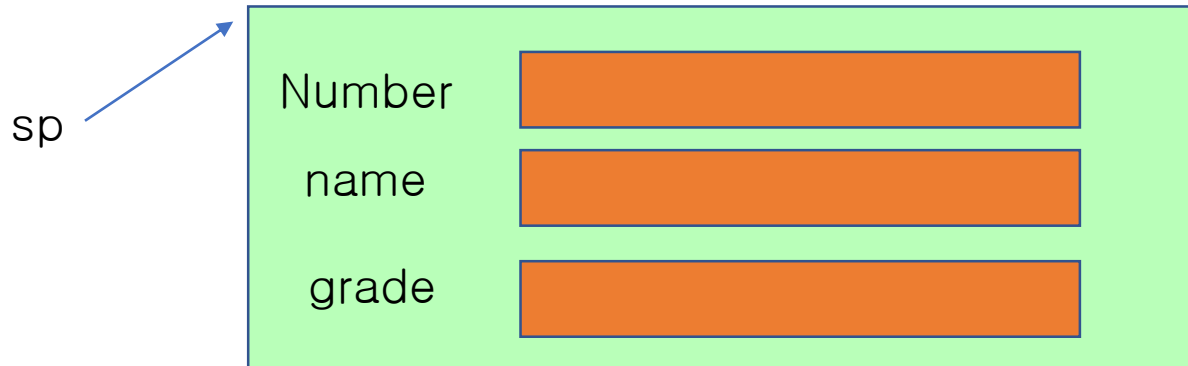
# Check points

1. Define an array of structures that can store information about five products. Products have number, name , and price as members .



# Structures and Pointers

1. Pointer to a structure
2. A structure that has pointers as members.



# Pointer to a structure

```
struct student *p;
```

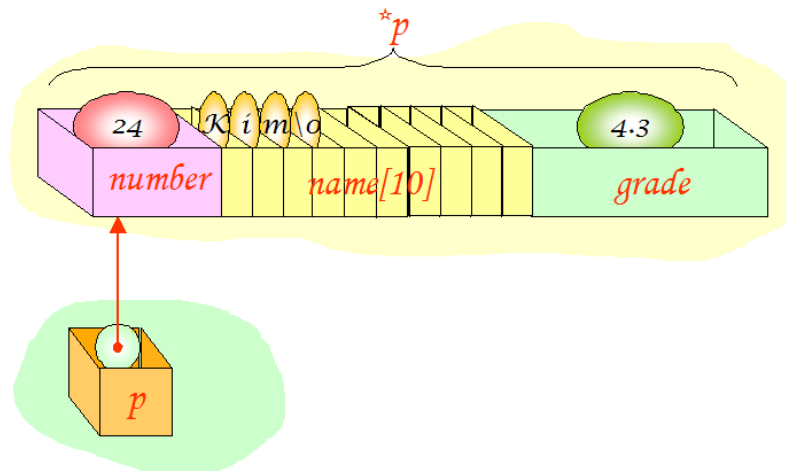
```
struct student s = { 24, "Kim", 4.3 };
```

```
struct student *p;
```

```
p = &s;
```

```
printf("Student number =%d Name =%s Grade =%f \n" , s.number , s.name, s.grade );
```

```
printf("Student number =%d Name =%s Grade =%f \n" , (*p).number,(*p).name,(*p).grade);
```



## -> Operator

-> operator is used when referencing a structure member with a structure pointer.

```
struct student *p;
```

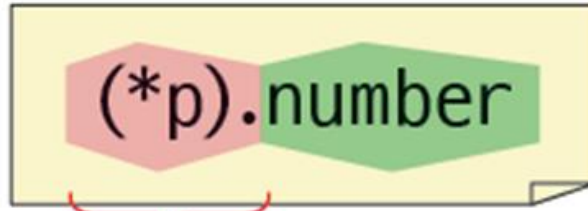
```
struct student s = { 24, "Kim", 4.3 };
```

```
struct student *p;
```

```
p = &s;
```

```
printf("Student number =%d Name =%s Key =%f \n", p->number, p->name, p->grade);
```

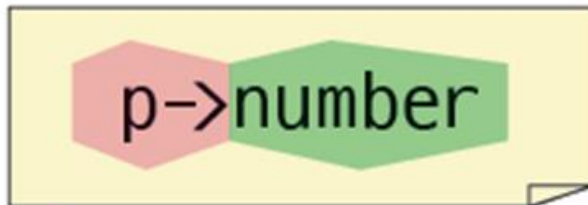
## -> Operator



structure variable pointed to by p




Member number of the structure variable pointed to by p



Member number of the structure variable pointed to by p

# Example



Practice  
ch13-3.c

```
// Referencing a structure through a pointer  
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[20];  
    double grade;  
};
```

```
int main( void )  
{
```

```
    struct student s = { 1, " Hong Gil-dong " , 4.3 };  
    struct student * p;
```

```
    p = &s;
```

```
    printf("Student number=%d Name=%s Grade=%f\n" , s.number , s.name, s.grade );  
    printf("Student number=%d Name=%s Grade=%f\n" , (*p).number, (*p).name, (*p).grade);  
    printf("Student number=%d Name =%s Grade=%f\n" , p->number, p->name, p->grade);
```

```
    return 0;
```


```
}
```

```
Student number = 1 Name = Hong Gil-dong Grade = 4.300000  
Student number = 1 Name = Hong Gil-dong Grade = 4.300000  
Student number = 1 Name = Hong Gil-dong Grade = 4.300000
```

# A structure that has pointers as members.

```
struct date {  
    int month;  
    int day;  
    int year;  
};
```

```
struct student {  
    int number;  
    char name[20];  
    double grade;  
    struct date *today ;  
};
```





# A structure that has pointers as members.

```
int main( void )
{
    struct date d = { 3, 20, 2000 };
    struct student s = { 1, "Kim", 4.3 };

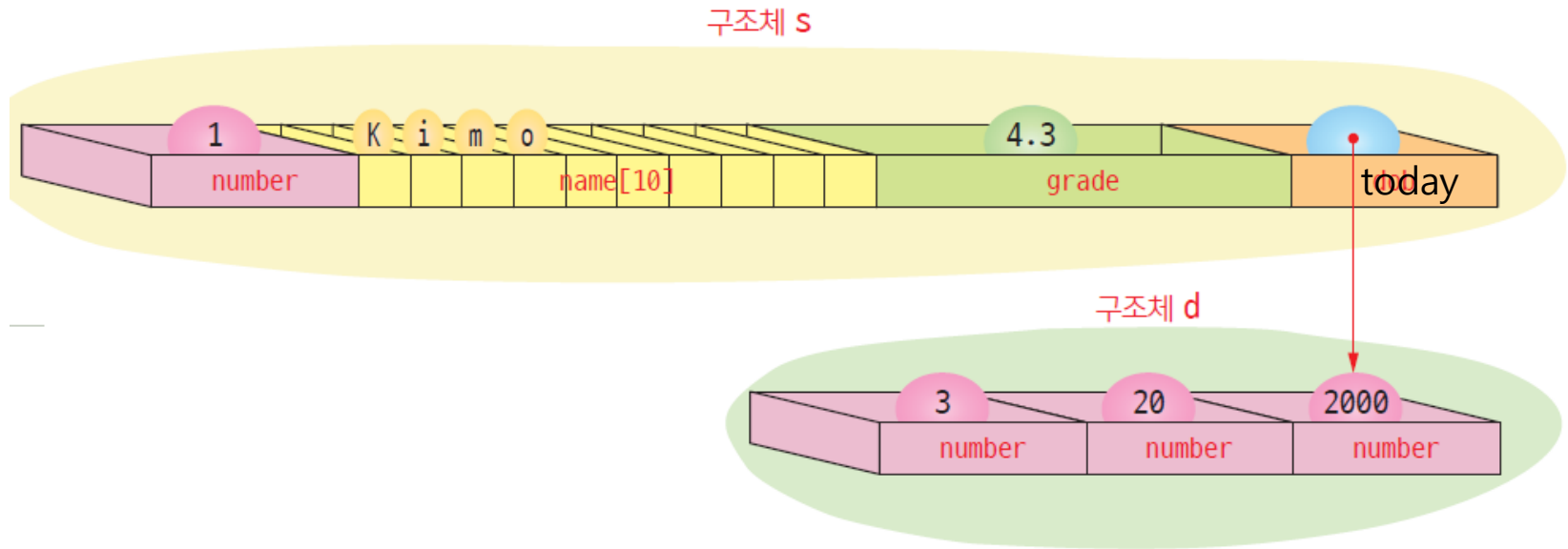
    s.today = &d;

    printf("Student number : %d\n", s.number );
    printf("Name : %s\n", s.name);
    printf("Grade : %f\n", s.grade );
    printf("Birth: Year %d month %d day \n", s.today ->year, s.today ->month, s.today ->day);

    return 0;
}
```

Student number : 1  
Name : Kim  
Credit : 4.300000  
Birth : March 20 , 2000

A structure that has pointers as members.



# Structures and functions

- When passing *a structure as an argument to a function*
  - **A copy of the structure** is passed to the function .
  - If the size of the structure is large, it takes more time and memory .

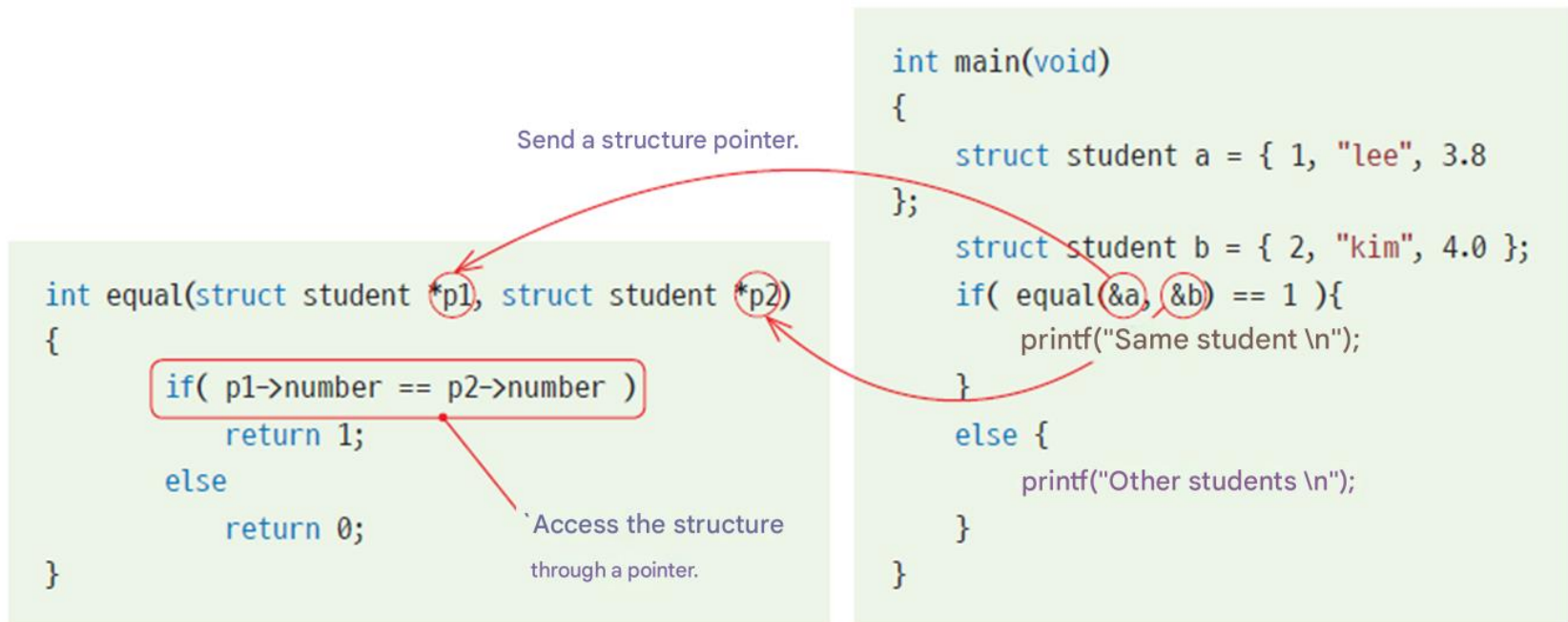
For structures, they are copied.

```
int equal(struct student s1, struct student s2)
{
    if( s1.number == s2.number )
        return 1;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

```
int main(void)
{
    struct student a = { 1, "lee", 3.8 };
    struct student b = { 2, "kim", 4.0 };
    if( equal(a, b) == 1 ){
        printf("Same student \n");
    }
    else {
        printf("Other students \n");
    }
}
```

# Structures and functions

- When passing *a pointer to a structure as an argument to a function*
  - It can save time and space .
  - There is a possibility that the original may be modified .



# No changes via pointers

- If you only need to read the original and do not need to modify it, you can use the `const` keyword when defining the parameter as follows:

```
int equal(const struct student *p1, const struct student *p2)
{
    if( p1->number == p2->number )
        return 1;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

Modifying the structure  
through this pointer is prohibited.

# Returning a structure

- A copy is returned .

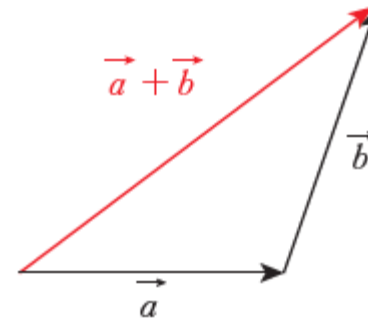
```
struct student create()
{
    struct student s;
    s.number = 3;
    strcpy(s.name,"park");
    s.grade = 4.0;
    return s;
}
```

Structure s is copied into structure a.

```
int main(void)
{
    struct student a;
    a = create();
    return 0;
}
```

# Lab: Vector Operations

- Let's create a function `get_vector_sum ()` that calculates the sum of two vectors. This function takes two vectors as arguments, adds them, and returns the vector created as the result of the addition .



*The sum of the vectors is (7.000000, 9.000000) .*

# Example

```
#include <stdio.h>

struct vector {
    double x;
    double y;
};

struct vector get_vector_sum ( struct vector a, struct vector b);

int main( void )
{
    struct vector a = { 2.0, 3.0 };
    struct vector b = { 5.0, 6.0 };
    struct vector sum;

    sum = get_vector_sum (a, b);
    printf ( " vector of The sum is (%f, %f) .\n" , sum.x , sum.y );

    return 0;
}
```



# Example

```
struct vector get_vector_sum( struct vector a, struct vector b)
{
    struct vector result;

    result.x = ax + bx;
    result.y = ay + by;

    return result; // copy of result to caller function
}
```

*The sum of the vectors is (7.000000, 9.000000) .*

# Check points

1. When passing a struct as an argument to a function, is the original passed or a copy passed?
2. When passing a pointer to a structure to a function , how can I avoid modifying the structure ?

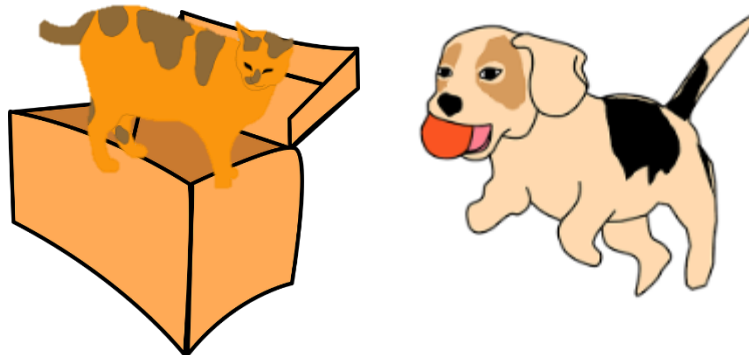


# Union

- union
  - Multiple variables share the same memory area
  - The way to declare and use a union is very similar to a structure.

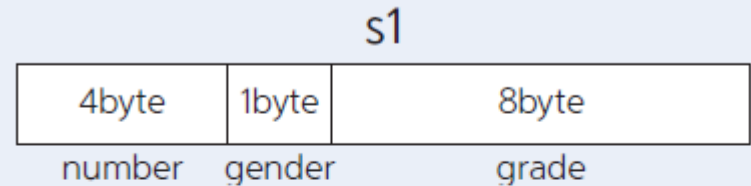
```
union example {  
    char c; // sharing the same space  
    int i;  // sharing the same space  
};
```

**When Only One Data Type Is Used at a Time**

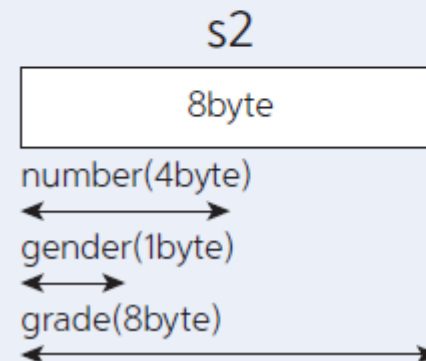


# Difference between structure and union

```
struct student
{
    int number;
    char gender;
    double grade;
} s1;
```



```
union student
{
    int number;
    char gender;
    double grade;
} s2;
```



# Example

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

```
union example {  
    int i;  
    char c;  
};
```

Declaration of a union

```
int main( void )
```

```
{
```

```
    union example v;
```

Declaring a union variable .

```
    v.c = 'A' ;
```

Reference to char type .

```
    printf ( " v.c :%c v.i :% i \n" , v.c , v.i );
```

```
    v.i = 10000;
```

Reference to type int .

```
    printf ( " v.c :%c v.i :% i \n" , v.c , v.i );
```

```
}
```

```
vc:A vi :-858993599
```

```
vc :† vi:10000
```

# Using type fields in unions

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#define STU_NUMBER 1
#define REG_NUMBER 2

struct student {
    int type;
    union {
        int stu_number ;           // Student number
        char reg_number [15];      // resident registration number
    } id;
    char name[20];
};
```

# Using type fields in unions

```
void print( struct student s)
{
    switch ( s.type )
    {
        case STU_NUMBER:
            printf ( " Student number %d\n" , s.id.stu_number );
            printf ( " Name : %s\n" , s.name);
            break;
        case REG_NUMBER:
            printf ( " Resident registration number : %s\n" , s.id.reg_number );
            printf ( " Name : %s\n" , s.name);
            break;
        default :
            printf ( " TypeError \n" );
            break;
    }
}
```

# Using type fields in unions

```
int main( void )
{
    struct student s1, s2;

    s1.type = STU_NUMBER;
    s1.id.stu_number = 20190001;
    strcpy (s1.name, " Hong Gil-dong " );

    s2.type = REG_NUMBER;
    strcpy (s2.id.reg_number, "860101-1056076" );
    strcpy (s2.name, " Kim Cheol-su " );

    print(s1);
    print(s2);
}
```

Student number : 20190001  
Name : Hong Gil-dong  
Resident registration number : 860101-1056076  
Name : Kim Cheol-su



# Check points

1. The keyword used to declare a union is \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. How is the size of memory allocated to a union determined ?



# Definition & Declaration of enumeration

## Syntax

Enum definition

An enumeration is a data type that contains a collection of symbolic constants.

yes

```
enum days { SUN, MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT };
```

When defining an enumeration

Name of the enumeration

Keywords used

```
enum days today;
```

Declaring enumeration variables

```
today = SUN; // OK!
```

variable today will be stored in memory as the integer value 0, because SUN maps to 0.

Compiler => #define SUN 0

#define MON 1

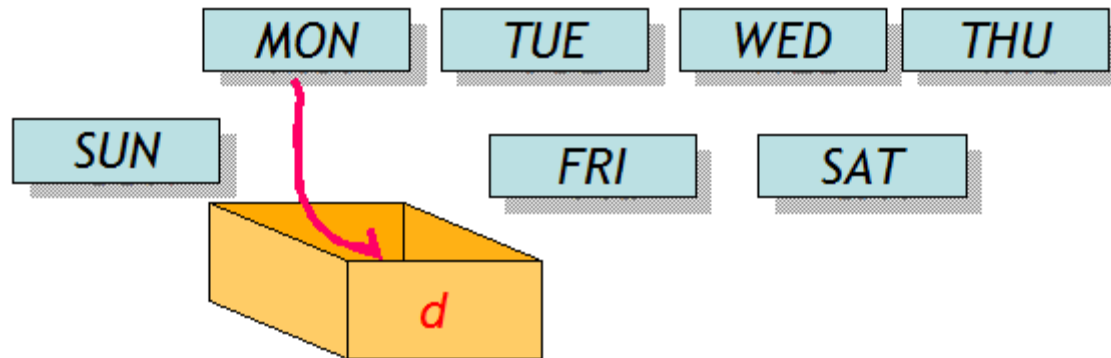
#define .... 2

int today = SUN; // becomes: int today = 0;

# Enumeration

- *An enumeration is* a data type that lists in advance the values that a variable can have.
- ( Example ) A variable storing the day of the week can only have one of the following values :

{ Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday }



# Why we need enumerations

- You can write a program like this : Let's think about the problem

```
int today;  
today = 0; // Sunday  
today = 1; // Monday
```

- If you use enumerations,
  - It can reduce errors and improve readability.
  - The symbolic constant SUN is more preferable than 0, because its meaning is easier to understand.

An **enum** is used when you want to represent a set of related, named integer constants. It's helpful when a value must be one choice from a limited group — like modes, states, colors, commands, or error codes. Enums make code more readable and self-documenting, since the names carry meaning instead of using raw numbers.

Developers typically use enums when:

- A variable should hold **only one value from a fixed list**
- You want to **avoid magic numbers** scattered in your code
- You want to **improve clarity**, especially in switch statement

# Enumeration Initialization

```
enum days { SUN, MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT }; // SUN=0, MON=1, ...  
enum days { SUN=1, MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT }; // SUN=1, MON=2, ...  
enum days { SUN=7, MON=1, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT=6 }; // SUN=7, MON=1,
```

...

If you do not specify a value,  
it is assigned from 0.

# Examples of enumerations

```
enum colors { white, red, blue, green, black };
```

```
enum boolean { false, true };
```

```
enum levels { low, medium, high };
```

```
enum car_types { sedan, suv , sports_car , van, pickup, convertible };
```

# Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
// Define an enum type for traffic light colors
enum TrafficLight {
    RED,    // 0
    YELLOW, // 1
    GREEN   // 2
};

int main(void) {
    enum TrafficLight light;

    light = RED;
    if (light == RED) { printf("Stop!\n"); }

    light = GREEN;
    if (light == GREEN) { printf("Go!\n"); }

    return 0;
}
```

# Comparison of enumerations with other methods

Use of integers	Symbolic Constant	Enumeration
<pre>switch (code) {   case 1:     printf ( "LCD TV\n" );     break ;   case 2:     printf ( "OLED TV\n" );     break ; }</pre>	<pre>#define LCD 1 #define OLED 2  switch (code) {   case LCD:     printf ( "LCD TV\n" );     break ;   case OLED:     printf ( "OLED TV\n" );     break ; }</pre>	<pre>enum tvtype { LCD, OLED };  enum tvtype code; code = LCD;  switch (code) {   case LCD:     printf ( "LCD TV\n" );     break ;   case PDP:     printf ( "OLED TV\n" );     break ; }</pre>
Computers are easy to understand, but people have difficulty remembering .	When writing symbolic constants.	The compiler checks to ensure that no duplication occurs .



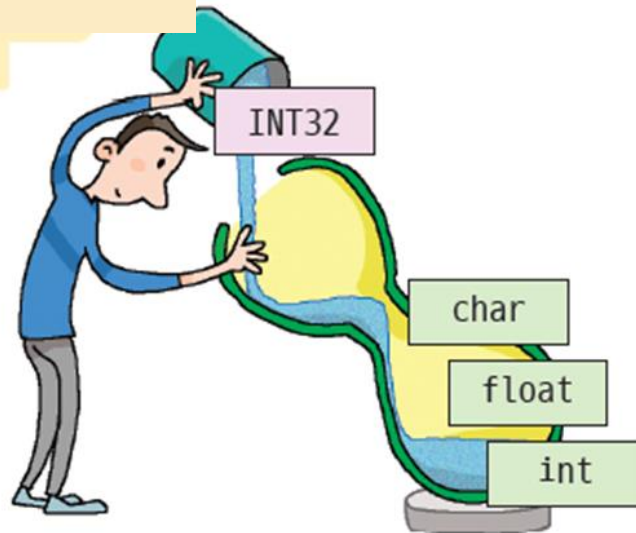
# Check points

1. The keyword used to declare an enumeration is \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. In what cases are enumerations used ?
3. If a value is not specifically specified in an enumeration, is an integer value automatically assigned ?



# The concept of typedef

**typedef** in C is a way of giving a *new, human-friendly name* to an existing type.



We would like to announce that a new type called INT32 is now available.



# typedef

**typedef** creates a new name (an alias) for an existing type.  
It does *not* create a new type—just a new name for convenience.

This defines the existing  
data type unsigned char as a new data type  
BYTE.



# Typedef with structure

[ Without typedef ]

```
struct Person {      // This defines a struct type named Person
    char name[50];
    int age;
};
```

```
struct Person s1 = {"Nora", 27}; // Now create a variable
```

[ Without typedef ]

```
struct {              // This defines an anonymous struct (a struct with no name)
    char name[50];
    int age;
} Person;             // It immediately declares a single variable named Person of that anonymous type.
```

```
strcpy (Person.name, "Nora");
Person.age = 27;
```

```
Person s1;    // ERROR
```

```
struct {
    char name[50];
    int age;
} Person = {"Nora", 27};
```

# Typedef with structure

[ With typedef - Recommended style]

```
typedef struct {    // no name (anonymous)
    char name[50];
    int age;
} Person;           // Not variable, now create new name (alias)
```

```
Person student;
```

```
student = {"Nora", 27};
```

[ With typedef]

```
struct Person{      // struct name
    char name[50];
    int age;
};
```

```
typedef struct Person student; // student becomes a typedef alias for struct Person
```

```
student s = {"Nora", 27};
```

# Example of typedef

```
typedef unsigned char BYTE;  
BYTE index; // Same as unsigned int index;
```

```
typedef int INT32;  
typedef unsigned int UINT32;
```

```
INT32 i; // Same as int  
UINT32 k; // Same as unsigned int k ;
```

# Defining a new type as a struct

- As a structure You can define new types .

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};  
typedef struct point POINT ;  
POINT a, b;
```

```
typedef struct complex {  
    double real;  
    double image;  
} COMPLEX;  
COMPLEX x, y;
```

# Check points

1. What is the use of typedef ?
2. What are the advantages of typedef ?
3. Let 's define a structure representing an employee and define it as a new type called employee using typedef .





# Q & A

