

Imperative programming

4th Lecture



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1 Expressions (cont.)

- Text
- Sequences

Expressions - repetition

- Lexica: literal, identifier, operator, parentheses, comma
- Syntax: arity and fixity of operators
- Semantics: Process of Evaluation
 - Ordering
 - Precedence
 - Associativity
 - Side-effect
 - Greediness / Laziness
 - Operands / Evaluation Order of Actual Parameters
 - Sequence Point

```
i -- - -- i    /* undefined result, not determined outcome */
```



Sequence Point (in C)

- End of an Expression
- End of evaluating the Actual Parameters of a Function
- End of evaluating the 1st operand of Lazy operators
- Comma operator



Comma Operator (in C)

`<expression> ::= ...
 | <expression> , <expression>`

- Its result is the result of the rightmost expression
- Lowest precedence level

```
int i = 1, v;  
v = (++i, i++);    /* not the same as: v = ++i, i++; */
```



Comma: Operator or Separator (in C)

```
int i = 1, v;  
if( v = f(i,i), v > i )  
    v = f(v,v), i += v;  
  
for( i = f(v,v), v = f(i,i); i < v; ++i, --v ){  
    printf("%d %d\n",i,v);  
}
```



Values

- Number
 - Integer (144L, -23, 0xFFFF)
 - Floating-point (123.4, 314.1592E-2)
 - Complex (3.14j)
- Logical value (0 or False)
- Character ('a', '\n')
- Sequence
 - String
 - Value Sequence



Characters

C

A whole number.

- Character code on 1 byte, e.g. ASCII

```
char c = 'A';      /* ASCII: 65 */
```

Escape-sequences

- Special characters: `\n`, `\r`, `\f`, `\t`, `\v`, `\b`, `\a`, `\\`, `\`, `\"`, `\?`
- Octal code: `\0` – `\377`
- Hexadecimal code, e.g. `\x41`



Signed and Unsigned char (in c)

```
signed char a = '\xFF';    /* a < 0          */
unsigned char b = '\xFF';  /* b > 0          */
char c = '\xFF';           /* platform dependent */
```



Wider Representation

```
wchar_t w = L'é';
```

- Implementation Dependent!
 - Windows: UTF-16
 - Unix: usually UTF-32
- from C99 „universal code’’: e.g. `\uC0A1` and `\U00ABCDEF`



Text in C

- Not a string!
- Array of characters, terminated by `'\0'`
 - Indexed starting with 0

```
char word[] = "apple";  
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(word));    /* 6 */
```

```
char a = word[0];  
word[0] = 'A';
```

```
wchar_t wide[] = L"körte";
```



Accented Characters in Text (in C)

- Platform dependent representation
- One character can be represented on multiple bytes
 - e.g. UTF-8

```
char word[] = "körte";  
printf("%lu\n", sizeof(word));    /* 7 */
```



Allocating an Array of Characters

```
char w1[] = "alma";  
char w2[8] = "alma";  
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w1), w1);    /* 5 alma */  
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w2), w2);    /* 8 alma */
```



Danger: Allocating Too Small Array

```
char w1[] = "lakoma";  
char w2[4] = "alma";  
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w1), w1);    /* 7 lakoma */  
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w2), w2);    /* 4 almalakoma */
```



Zero inside a Text

```
char word[] = "lak\0ma";  
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(word), word); /* 7 lak */  
printf("%c\n", word[4]);               /* m */
```



Manipulating Text

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

int main()
{
    char word[100];
    strcpy(word, "alma");
    strcat(word, "lakoma");
    printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(word), word); /* 100 almalakoma */
    printf("%lu\n", strlen(word));         /* 10 */
    return 0;
}
```



Outlook

```
char w1[] = "alma";    /* text is inside it */
char w2[6] = "alma";   /* text is inside it */
char * w3 = "alma";    /* points to text, shouldn't be modified */

printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w1), w1);    /* 5 alma */
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w2), w2);    /* 6 alma */
printf("%lu %s\n", sizeof(w3), w3);    /* 8 alma */

w1[0] = 'A';
w2[0] = 'A';
w3[0] = 'A';           /* problematic - Segmentation Fault? */
```



Type of Sequences

- C: array



C array

```
double point[3];      /* size should be constant */  
point[0] = 3.14;      /* indexed from zero */  
point[1] = 2.72;  
point[2] = 1.0;
```



Initialization of C Array

```
double point[] = {3.14, 2.72, 1. + .1};  
    /* elements should be constant if in global scope */  
  
point[2] = 1.0;    /* can be modified */
```



Processing

```
#define DIMENSION 3
```

```
double sum( double point[] ){  
    double result = 0.0;  
    int i;  
    for( i=0; i<DIMENSION; ++i ){  
        result += point[i];  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

```
int main(){  
    double point[DIMENSION] = {3.14, 2.72, 1.0};  
    printf("%f\n", sum(point));  
    return 0;  
}
```



Generalization

```
double sum( double nums[], int length )
{
    double result = 0.0;
    int i;
    for( i=0; i<length; ++i ){
        result += nums[i];
    }
    return result;
}

int main()
{
    double point[] = {3.14, 2.72, 1.0};
    printf("%f\n", sum(point,3));
    return 0;
}
```



Hazards

Compilation Error

```
double point[DIMENSION] = {3.14, 2.72, 1.0, 2.0};
```

Uninitialized Elements

```
double point[DIMENSION] = {3.14, 2.72};
```

Over-indexing, illegal memory read

```
printf("%f\n", point[1024]);
```

Over-indexing, illegal memory write (buffer overflow)

```
point[31024] = 1.0;    /* Segmentation fault? */
```



Texts as Arrays



```
char good[] = "good";  
char bad[] = {'b', 'a', 'd'};  
char ugly[] = {'u', 'g', 'l', 'y', '\\0'};  
printf("%s %s %s\\n", good, bad, ugly);
```

