

Low-level programming

Lecture 5

Structures
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Structures

Theory and examples

Structures

- **Structure** is a type which collects one or many variables (which are then called fields) under a common name (they are old „records” in Pascal language).
- Using structures allows easier organization of data which are then gathered as a single entity.
- Example: different variables describing a person in a company, like name, position, time of employment, salary, etc.
- Structure is therefore a set of fields where a field can be single variable or an object of another structure.
- What one can do with a structure object:
 - assign one to the other,
 - copy one into other,
 - return as a result of a function,
 - send them to a function.
- **Structure definition:**

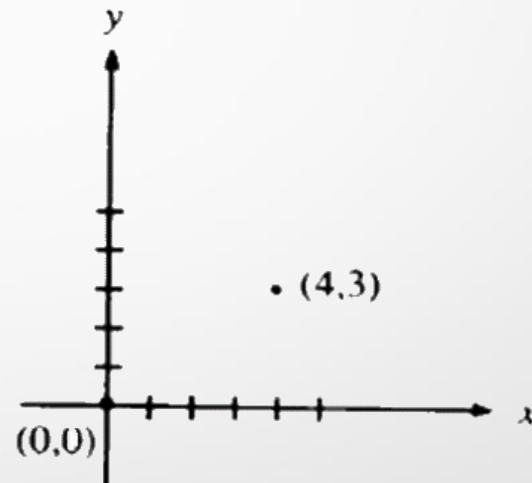
```
struct type_of_structure { list_of_fields }
    list_of_identifiers ;
```

Structures

- Declaration of a new structure without specifying the identifiers (names for structure objects) will not reserve any memory.

- **Example:** point coordinates:

```
struct point {      // does not reserve memory
    int x;
    int y;
};
struct point pt; // pt variable definition
point pt; // only in C++ (i.e., we don't have to use struct keyword here)
```



Structures

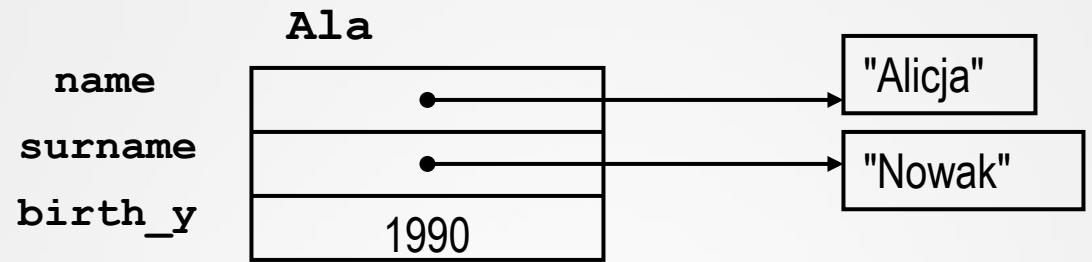
- Structure can be initiated using curly brackets syntax as in the example:
`struct point maxpt = {1920, 1200};`
- In a direct initialization (as seen above) values are assigned to the specific fields of a structure in the order taken from brackets and the order of fields in a structure (i.e., if in **point** field **x** is defined before **y**, then **x** = 1920, **y**=1200).
- **Example:**

```
struct{  
    int width;  
    int accuracy;  
    char conversion;  
} pattern;  
  
struct{  
    float re;  
    float im;  
} z0, z1, z2;
```

Structures

- Examples:

```
struct person {  
    char *name;  
    char *surname;  
    int birth_year;  
};  
struct person Ala, Ola, Ela;  
  
struct address {  
    char town[16];  
    char street[32];  
    int house;  
    int apartment;  
};  
struct address AAla, AOla, AEla;
```



Structures

- When we have a structure like this:

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
}pt, pt1;
```

- then calling to a specific field of it can be done using the following syntax:

structure_name.field name

for example:

```
pt.x = 320;  
pt.y = 200;  
printf("%d \t %d", pt.x, pt.y);
```

- Operator . (dot) joins the structure object with its field.
- E.g.: calculating distance between two points
 - function: **double sqrt(double)** – returns square root from its argument:

```
double result = 0.0;  
result = sqrt(pow((double)pt.x - pt1.x, 2) + pow((double)pt.y - pt1.y, 2));
```

Nested structures

- Examples:

```
struct engine {  
    float power;  
    char *fuel;  
};  
  
struct car {  
    struct {  
        char *producer;  
        char *model;  
    } mark;  
    struct engine V8;  
};
```

Nested structures

- How to define rectangle easy? For example by giving its two opposite coordinates (in a diagonal):

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

- Calling:

```
struct rect my_rectangle;  
my_rectangle.p1.x = 10;      // refers to x coordinate  
my_rectangle.p1.y = 20;      // of p1, where p1 is a field of  
                           // rectangle
```

Structures – allowed operation

- **Allowed operations:**
 - Assigning whole structure to the other one.
 - Copying one structure into another.
 - Obtaining structure object address with & operator.
 - Calling a structure specific field.
 - Structure can have its fields initialized directly or using {}.
- **Structure cannot be directly compared**, i.e., a new function is required which compares all fields separately – meaning, we have to write it ourselves.

Assigning structures

```
struct signature {  
    char *Name;  
    char Initials;  
    char *Surname;  
};  
struct signature AK = {"Ann", 'M', "Kowalska"}, NN, st;  
st.Name = "Andrew" ; // string constant - cannot be modified!  
NN = AK ;  
  
// if types were equal:  
//     NN . Name = AK . Name ;  
//     NN . Initial = AK . Initial ;  
//     NN . Surname= AK . Surname;  
// AK.Name and NN.Name point to the same text  
// AK.Surname and NN.Surname point to the same text  
  
char BeatifulName[20] = { "Teofil" };  
AK.Name = BeatifulName;      // AK.Name points to beginning of array BeatifulName  
NN = AK;                    // now NN.Name points the same as AK.Name  
AK.Name[0] = 'M';           // modification will be visible in array  
                           // BeatifulName both in AK.Name and NN.Name  
printf("%s, %s", AK.Name, NN.Name); // Meofil, Meofil
```

Assigning structures

- **Example:**

```
int T1[3], T2[3] = { 1, 2, 3 };
T1 = T2; // error, T1 is not a pointer variable so it cannot be used
          // to modify its destination-address. Copying the
          // elements will also not work

struct TT{
    int T[3];
};

struct TT T1, T2 = { { 1, 2, 3} };
T1 = T2; // or: copying arrays which are fields
          // of the structures T1 and T2
          // but:
int a = T1.T[1];
```

Arrays of structures

Theory and example

Arrays of structures

- Lets assume we have a structure with a sequence of characters and type **int** variable:

```
struct key {  
    char *word;  
    int count;  
}
```

- An array of such a structure (i.e., an array which elements are objects of this structure type) can be declared as follows:

```
struct key keytab[50];
```

- so the syntax is:

```
struct structure_name array_name [ size ]
```

Arrays of structures

- **Example:**

```
struct library {
    char name [ 16 ] ;
    int number ;
} computers [ 100 ] ;           // reserves memory for the array
struct library printers [ 100 ] ; // reserves memory for the array

int how_k = 0, how_d = 0;
for ( int i = 0 ; i < 100 ; ++i ) // sums up
{
    how_k += computers[ i ].number ;
    how_d += printers[ i ].number ;
}
```

Arrays of structures: Initialization

- An array can be initialized using bracket syntax:

```
int year[] = {31, 28, 31, ..., 30, 31};
```

- An array of structures can be similarly initialized:

```
struct key {  
    char *word;  
    int count;  
} keytab[] = {  
    "auto", 0,  
    "break", 0,  
    /* ... */  
    "while", 0  
};
```

- Initial values must be given in pairs, in order of their fields appearance within the structure type.

Arrays of structures: Initialization

- To be more precise, the pairs can also be separated using brackets:

```
struct key {  
    char *word;  
    int count;  
} keytab[] = { // the number of elements will be  
               // calculated automatically  
    {"auto",0},  
    {"break",0},  
    /* ... */  
    {"while",0}  
};
```

- Internal brackets can be omitted when we give all values for all fields, and when the fields are simple types.

Arrays of structures: Example

```
const int MAX = 100
struct TV{
    char Mark[32];
    int Price;
    int Number;
};

int main(int argc, char* argv[]){
    struct TV TabTel[MAX];
    int how_many = 0, which;
    bool go_on= true;
    char option;

    while(go_on){
        printf("Choose option [N, W, U, S, Q] : ");
        fflush(stdin);
        scanf("%c", &option);
```

Arrays of structures: Example

```
switch(option & 0x5F){
    // add new TV, variable how_many stores its number, must be
    // less than MAX
    case 'N':
        if (how_many < MAX){
            printf("Enter a name : ");
            scanf("%31s", TabTel[how_many].Mark); // mark is a table
            printf("Enter price: ");
            scanf("%d", &TabTel[how_many].Price);
            printf("How many?: ");
            scanf("%d", &TabTel[how_many++].Number);
        } else
            printf("Table is full.\n");
        break;
    // show all TVs
    case 'W':
        for(int i = 0; i < how_many ; ++i)
            printf("%d. TV: %s, Price : %d, How many: %d\n", i, TabTel[i].Mark,
                   TabTel[i].Price, TabTel[i].Number);
        break;
}
```

Arrays of structures: Example

```
// remove TV with a given index:  
case 'U': printf("Provide index of TV: ");  
    scanf("%d", &which);  
    if (which >= 0 && which < how_many){  
        // in place of the removed one put the last one:  
        TabTel[which] = TabTel[--how_many];  
        printf("Removed.\n");  
    } else printf("Wrong ID.\n");  
    break;  
// compute sum of prices:  
case 'S':  
    which = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < how_many; ++i)  
        which += TabTel[i].Price * TabTel[i].Number;  
    printf("Total value: %d\n", which );  
    break;  
// quit  
case 'Q':  
    go_on = false;  
    break;  
default: printf("Wrong option.\n");  
}  
}  
return 0;  
}
```

Pointers to structures

- Example:

```
struct key {  
    char *word;  
    int count;  
}  
struct key *p; // pointer for key structure, initially points to nothing  
struct key table [] = { <elements_of_table> };  
p = & table [0]; // points on the first element  
//  
struct AZ {  
    char z1;  
    char z2;  
    int lz;  
} p1 = { 'a', 'b', 37 },  
      p2 = { 'x', 'y', 35 };  
struct AZ p3 = { 'k', 'l', 36 };
```

Pointers to structures

- Example:

```
struct S1 {  
    int i;  
    float f;  
} es1;  
  
struct S2 {  
    int i;  
    long l;  
} es2;  
  
struct S1 *wst1;  
struct S2 *wst2;  
  
wst1 = &es1;  
wst2 = &es2;  
wst1 = &es2; // error, wrong (structure) type  
wst2 = wst1; // error, wrong (pointer) type
```

Structures – access to fields

- Access to structure fields:

- ‘ For the identifier . (dot)

- `name_of_structure.name_of_field`

- ‘ For the reference . (dot)

- `reference.name_of_field`

- ‘ For the pointer \rightarrow (~arrow)

- `pointer->name_of_field`

- Example:

```
struct signature {  
    char *Name;  
    char Initial;  
    char *Surname;  
};  
struct signature st, *wst = &st ;  
st . Name = "Andrew" ;           // st is identifier  
wst -> Initial = 'K' ;         // wst is a pointer to the structure
```

Dynamic data structures

Pointers and lists

Pointers to structures

- Pointer to structures are still pointers, like for the normal variables:

```
struct point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
}pt;  
struct point *pp = &pt;
```

- **pp** is a pointer to the structure of a type: **struct point**
- if **pp** points to structure *point*, then ***pp** refers to this structure object, while **(*pp).x** and **(*pp).y** are its fields.
- Parenthesis are necessary, because operator . (dot) has a higher priority than indirect addressing operator *
- So: a statement ***pp.x** means (for the compiler) exactly the same as *** (pp.x)**, and it is WRONG because x is not a pointer!!!

Pointers to structures

```
struct rect{      // definition of a rectangle
    struct point pt1;
    struct point pt2;
}
struct rect r, *rp = &r;
```

- Operators . and -> are left-side joined, so the following statement are equivalent:

```
r.pt1.x
rp->pt1.x // pt1.x, because pt1 is NOT a pointer
(r.pt1).x
(rp->pt1).x
```

- Four operators:
 - reference to the field of a structure: . (dot)
 - operator: ->
 - operator: () - calling a function
 - operator: [] - array indexer

have THE HIGHEST priority, so they are „computed“ before any other.

Pointers to structures

- Example:

```
struct {  
    int len;  
    char *str;  
} *p;  
++p->len      // increases variable len, because ++ has higher  
                // priority than ->
```

- On the same principle, the following statements:

- `(++p)->len` increases *p* before calling field *len*
- `p++->len` increases *p* after calling *len*
- `*p->str` provides something on which *ptr* points
- `*p->str++ z` increases *str*, after providing that for *str* points to (the same as `*s++`)
- `(*p->str)++` increases something what *str* points to
- `*p++->str` increases *p*, after providing something, which *str* points to

- Summary: it is far better to use parenthesis (). We minimize the probability of a mistake because of not remembering exactly what priorities differences are between the different operators.

Structures – dynamic memory assignment

- Example:

```
struct dog{  
    char *leash;  
    char *collar;  
    char *the_dog_itself;  
};  
  
struct dog *Morus;  
Morus = new struct dog;      // allocates memory for a structure  
                            // its fields (pointers) at the moment point at nothing  
  
                            // all field must have memory allocated separately:  
Morus->leash = new char[20];  
delete [] Morus->leash ;   // allocated memory must be released separately  
                            // before removing the structure object itself  
delete Morus;           // releases memory of the structure object
```

Structures – dynamic memory assignment example

```
// Program - registry of bicycles
const int MAX = 100;
struct Bicycle{
    char *Mark;
    int Price;
    int Number;
};

int main(int argc, char* argv[]){
    struct Rower* TabRow[MAX]; // array of bicycles
    int how_many = 0, which_one;
    bool go_on = true;
    char option ;
    char Bufor[64];
    while(go_on){
        printf("Choose an option [N, W, U, S, Q] : ");
        fflush(stdin);
        scanf("%c", &option);
```

Structures – dynamic memory assignment example

```
switch(option & 0x5F) {  
    // add new bicycle  
    case 'N':  
        if (how_many < MAX) { // allocates memory for a new structure:  
            TabRow[how_many] = new struct Bicycle;  
            printf("Provide name: ");  
            scanf("%63s", Bufor);  
            // allocate memory for the bytes provided by user:  
            TabRow[how_many]->Mark = new char[strlen(Bufor) + 1];  
            // copy name from buffer to the field:  
            strcpy(TabRow[how_many]->Mark, Bufor);  
            printf("Enter price: ");  
            scanf("%d", &TabRow[how_many]->Price);  
            printf("Enter number of objects: ");  
            scanf("%d", &TabRow[how_many++]->Number);  
        } else  
            printf("Table is full. n");  
        break;
```

Structures – dynamic memory assignment example

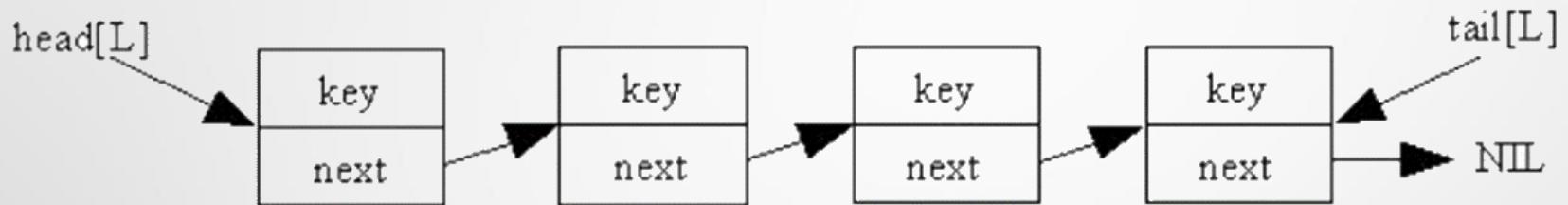
```
// show all bicycles:  
case 'W':  
    for(int i = 0; i < how_many; ++i)  
        printf("%d. Bicycle: %s, Price: %d, How many: %d\n", i,  
               TabRow[i]->Mark, TabRow[i]->Price, TabRow[i]->Number);  
    break;  
// remove bicycle object by an index:  
case 'U':  
    printf("Provide index: ");  
    scanf("%d", &which_one);  
    if (which_one >= 0 && which_one < how_many){  
        // first remove the fields, then the structure:  
        delete [ ] TabRow[which_one]->Mark;  
        delete TabRow[which_one]; // removes the structure  
        // move the last one in place of the removed one:  
        TabRow[which_one] = TabRow[--how_many]; //copy address  
        printf("Removed.\n");  
    } else  
        printf("Wrong ID.\n");  
    break;
```

Structures – dynamic memory assignment example

```
// sum of values:  
case 'S':  
    which_one = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < how_many ; ++i)  
        which_one += TabRow[i]->Price* TabRow[i]->Number;  
    printf("Total value: %d\n", which_one);  
    break;  
// quit  
case 'Q':  
    go_on = false;  
    break;  
default:  
    printf("Wrong option.\n");  
}  
}  
}
```

List

- **One-directional list** – all the structures have one pointer to the next one in line



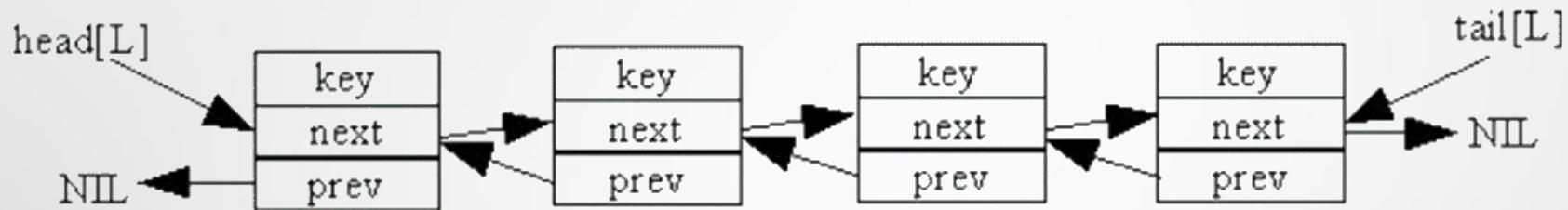
- Single node:

```
struct lnode{  
    int number;  
    struct lnode *next;  
}
```

- Pointer *next* points to the same types of object as the structure it is in.

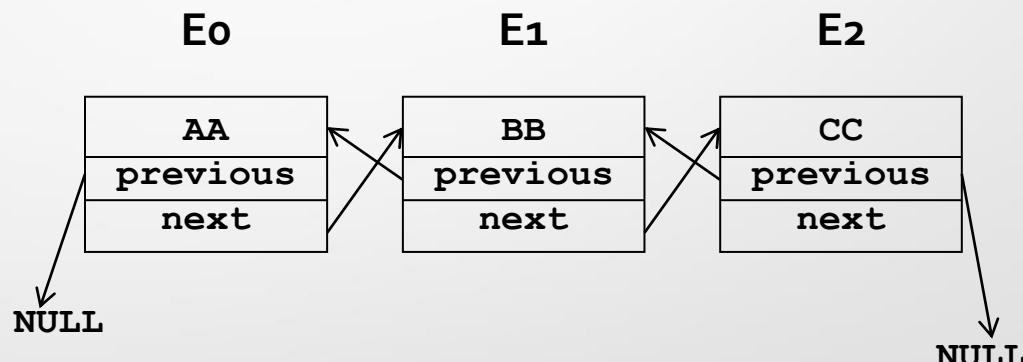
List

- Two-directional list – each structure have two pointes: next and previous



- Example:

```
struct list{
    char etykieta[8];
    struct list *previous;
    struct list *next;
} E0 = { "AA", NULL, NULL };
struct list E1 = { "BB" },
E2 = { "CC", NULL, NULL };
E0.next = &E1; // E0 has pointer pointing to the next element: E1
E1.next = &E2; // E1 has pointer pointing to the next element: E2
E2.previous = &E1; // E2 has pointer pointing to the previous element: E1
E1.previous = &E0; // E1 E2 has pointer pointing to the previous element: E0
```



List with one-way pointers

```
struct Elem {          // single node declaration
    Elem *Next;        // pointer to the next node
    int Value;
};

struct Elem *Head;      // pointer to type Elem structures

int main(){
    //----- Create list -----
    Elem e1 = {NULL, 10};
    Elem e2 = {NULL, 20};
    Elem e3 = {NULL, 30};
    Elem e4 = {NULL, 40};
    Elem e5 = {NULL, 50};

    e1.Next = &e2;
    e2.Next = &e3;
    e3.Next = &e4;
    e4.Next = &e5;
    Head = &e1;          // first pointer of the list: e1 (i.e., Head of the list)
```

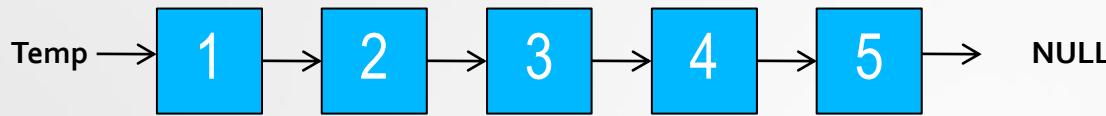
List with one-way pointers - Example

```
//----- Temporary variables -----
Elem *Temp, *Aux;

//----- Writes down all the nodes: -----
printf("\nAfter reverse:\n\n");
Temp = Head;
while (Temp != NULL){ // until the last elements
    printf("%3d", Temp->Value); // writes down value of a node
    Temp = Temp->Next; // go to the next node
}

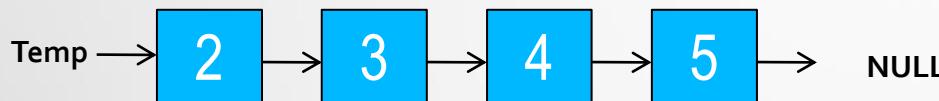
//----- Reversing the list -----
Temp = Head; // current
Head = NULL; // head of reversed list
while (Temp != NULL){
    Aux = Temp->Next; // tail of the initial list (being reversed)
    Temp->Next = Head; //new head for partially reversed list
    // first element of tail of the initial list becomes head of the reversed list
    Head = Temp;
    Temp = Aux; // shorted list (by head)
}
```

List with one-way pointers – Example



Head → NULL

I



Head →  NULL

II



Head →  NULL

...

List with one-way pointers - Example

```
//----- Writes down the list -----
printf("\n\nAfter reversing:\n\n");

Temp = Head;
while (Temp != NULL){
    printf("%3d", Temp->Value);
    Temp = Temp->Next;
}

printf("\n\n");
return 0;
}
```

Union

- Union is a variable while its syntax is similar to the syntax of a structure.
- However, an union can, at a given moment, **store only one value for one of its fields.**
- In different moments the stored field can change, but it can be only one stored at a time.
- All union fields are stored in the same area of memory.
- Example:

```
union u_tag {  
    int ival;  
    float fval;  
    char *sval;  
} u;
```

- Variable *u* will have enough bytes to store the largest of its fields.
- Variable *u* can be assigned a value of any of its fields..
- At any given moment variable *u* can store either **int**, **float** or a pointer to the characters sequence. Only one of them at a time!

Union

- The programmer must know which field of a union is used at a given time (because if we try to access a field which is not stored at the moment, results are dependent on the program implementation (compiler, etc.)).
- Accessing fields of a union:

`union_name.field`

or

`pointer_to_union->field`

- Example:

```
enum types {INT, FLOAT, STRING};  
types utype;  
/* ... */  
if (utype == INT) printf("%d\n", u.ival);  
else if (utype == FLOAT) printf("%f\n", u.fval);  
else if (utype == STRING) printf("%s\n", u.sval);  
else printf("bad type %d in utype\n", utype);
```

Union

- Examples:

```
union
{
    char p1 ;          // 1 byte
    int p2 ;           // 4 bytes
    long long p3 ;   // 8 bytes
} u1;                  // total size for union: 8 bytes

u1.p1 = 'A';          // fields p2, p3 are unidentified
u1.p2 = 1357;         // fields p1, p3 are unidentified
u1.p3 = 15432678LL; // fields p1, p2 are unidentified

union something
{
    char color_1 [ 64 ] ;
    char color_2 [ 64 ] ;
}
```

Union inside a structure

- Unions can be used in arrays or as structure fields.
- Example:

```
struct {
    char *name;
    int flags;
    int utype;
    union {
        int ival;
        float fval;
        char *sval;
    } u;
} symtab[NSYM]; // table of structures
```

- for field *ival* we call:
`symtab[i].u.ival`
- for the first sign of *sval* we can used two syntaxes:

```
// not: symtab[i].u.*sval !!!! - error, no variable: sval
*symtab[i].u.sval // dot has higher priority than *
symtab[i].u.sval[0]
```

Nesting unions and structures

- Example:

```
struct paper{
    char author[64];
    char title[64];
    int year;
    union {
        struct {
            char title[64];
            int volume;
            int page;
        } journal;
        struct {
            char name[64];
        } conference;
    } place;
} a1;
// string.h
strcpy ( a1.place.conference.name, "Polman" );
```

Multi files projects

Compiler joining rules, etc.

Compiler files joining theory

- **Separating code into different files allows:**
 - Making the code which is more readable.
 - It is easier to use different modules in other programs.
 - Compiling different modules separately.
- **Module** – a fragment of a program compiled as a separate file.
- **Each module consists of:**
 - Interface (information what a given module has) in a form of a header file (*.h or .hpp)
 - Implementation – file: *c. or *.cpp. At the beginning of it we should include its header file (e.g., for *module.c* it will be *module.h*).

Compiler files joining theory

- Typical header file consists of:
 - Explicit constants (e.g. **EOF**, **NULL** in *stdio.h*)
 - Macro-functions: e.g. *getchar()* is by default alias for *getc(stdin)* or functions from a library *ctype.h*
 - Functions declarations e.g. file *string.h* contains declarations (prototypes) of functions working on strings.
 - Definitions of patterns, structures, e.g., standard input/output functions (a pattern of I/O structure is in *stdio.h*).
 - Types definitions, e.g., type **FILE** is a pointer to the structure defined in *stdio.h* (with help of *typedef* or directive *#define*). Also types like *size_t* or *time_t* are in such header files.
- Each and every header file should be made in such a way that it can be included many times within a program into any module.

Compiler files joining theory

```
calc.h
#define NUMBER '0'
void push(double);
double pop(void);
int getop(char []);
int getch(void);
void ungetch(int);

main.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "calc.h"
#define MAXOP 100
main() {
    ...
}

getop.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#include "calc.h"
getop() {
    ...
}

stack.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include "calc.h"
#define MAXVAL 100
int sp = 0;
double val[MAXVAL];
void push(double) {
    ...
}
double pop(void) {
    ...
}

getch.c
#include <stdio.h>
#define BUFSIZE 100
char buf[BUFSIZE];
int bufp = 0;
int getch(void) {
    ...
}
void ungetch(int) {
    ...
}
```

Compiler files joining theory

- Most programmers make their own header files and use them in their programs. Some of them are special-purpose files, while the others are for general common tasks.
- Included files can have their own **#include** instructions.
- Header files can have declarations of external variables to be shared in different files. It is however cumbersome, because one has to check if a given variable has been already declared or not.
- Header files usually contain variables with: **const static**.
 - **const** qualifier protects from modifications, while **static** makes every included header file have its own copy of a variable.
 - In such a way one can define a variable in only one file and use it in other ones with keyword **extern**.

Compiler files joining theory

- In a single file we can include another file with its own code.
- Program divided into different files will be merged into one „file” by compiler. For the compiler it will be one **module**, often called **translation unit**.
- It means that changing something in one file will require another compilation of the **whole program**, not one translation unit.
- In general a program can be divided into different translation units, each one compiled separately.
- Translation units can and should divide a program into some „logical” units from the point of view of task / problems that program solves.
- Each translation unit is compiled separately.

Compiler files joining theory

- In C types of variables and calling of a function is always checked. Each function called in a given translation unit must be declared in that unit.
- Function definition should be done once and placed into a single translation unit. All declarations and definitions must be compatible.
- After being joined by the **linker**, all functions „see each other” without problems.
- Names of global functions are in a „common” area of the global modules (they are exported).
- Global variables are not shared. Global variable **x** from one translation unit is accessible only in that unit; the other unit can define global variable with the same name for its own use – there will be then two separate global variables, each visible in its own module.
- If we want to export global variable, it must be defined in one unit and in the other ones we have to use order **extern**, e.g.:

```
extern double x;
```

Example 1

- **Example:** Program separated into different files, while being a single translation unit for the compiler

```
// code in file Part1.cpp
double Recip(double x){
    if(x != 0)
        return 1.0/x;
    else
        return 0;
}
// code in file Part2.cpp
int Power(int n) {
    if (n < 0 || n > 12)
        return 0;
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    else
        return n * Power(n-1);
}
```

Example 1

```
// code in file main.cpp
#include <stdio.h>
#include "Part1.cpp"
#include "Part2.cpp"

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    int k;
    printf("Integer number: ");
    scanf("%d",&k);
    printf("\n%lf\t%d\n\n", Recip(k), Power(k));

    return 0;
}
```

Example 2

- **Example:** Program in different files, and for the compiler it will be divided into different modules (translation units).

```
//code in header file Part1.h
double Recip(double x);

// code in file Part1.cpp
#include "Part1.h"

double Recip(double x)
{
    if(x != 0)
        return 1.0/x;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

Example 2

```
// code in header file Part2.h
int Power(int n);

// code in file Part2.cpp
#include "Part2.h"
int Power(int n)
{
    if (n < 0 || n > 12)
        return 0;
    if (n == 0)
        return 1;
    else
        return n * Power(n-1);
}
```

Example 2

```
// code in file main.cpp
#include <stdio.h>
#include "Part1.h"
#include "Part2.h"

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    int k;
    printf("Integer number: ");
    scanf("%d", &k);
    printf("\n%lf\t%d\n\n", Recip(k), Power(k));
    return 0;
}
```

Scope of variables

Local and global variables and range

Variable declaration scope

- **Variables scope** is an important issue, since we need to know if a given variable is valid (accessible) in a given code fragment or not.
- By **declaration scope** we understand such fragments of a code in which a given declaration is accessible.
- By **visibility scope of the declared variable** we understand an area of the code in which identifier can be used (i.e., the name of identifier is associated with the declaration). Narrow range can **shadow** declaration of another, broad-scope variables.
- **There are two main scopes for variables:**
 - global scope/range: for the whole program
 - local scope/range: definition of a single function

Variable declaration scope

- **Local** variables (privates, automatic variables) – they are declared inside a function.
 - Each local variable of a function starts to exist (in the memory) when a function is called, they end when the function ends.
 - Such variable cannot store its older values for the next calling of a function.
- Variables declared inside a code block (their scope is in range of {} brackets) – should be visible from the line where their declaration is to the end of the code block (e.g., control variable of a loop: **for** declared within () parenthesis of such a loop).
- **Global** variables (external) – they are visible (and accessible) for any function of a program in a single file.
 - **Global** variable must be defined once, outside of any function.
 - Global variable is visible starting from its declaration to the end of file.
 - It must be declared with **extern** if it should be visible in different files.

Variable declaration scope - Example

- **Example**

```
int i, j, k;
float X, Y;
int F1(int a, int b){
    char c1, c2;
    float B;
}

int F2(float z1, float z2, char cp) {
    int A1[15];
    long A2[15][15];
    float B1, B2, B3;
}

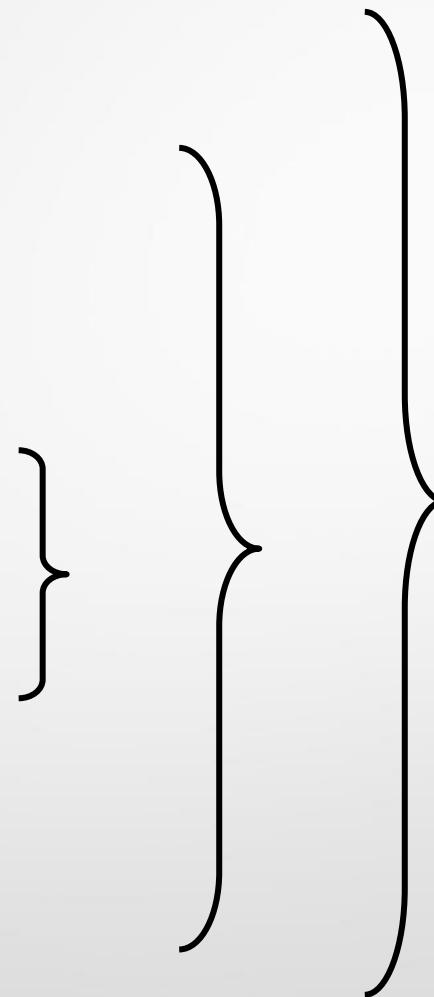
void main(void){
    int m, n, p, q;
    float V1, V2, V3;
    long T1[15][15], T2[15][15];
}
```

Variable declaration scope - Example

- Scope for variables in example:
 - global :
`i, j, k, x, Y, F1, F2 (F1,F2 - functions)`
 - local in function F1 :
`a, b, c1, c2, B`
 - local in function F2 :
`z1, z2, cp, A1, A2, B1, B2, B3`
 - local in function main :
`m, n, p, q, v1, v2, v3, T1, T2`

Variable declaration range

```
{    int i;  
    ...  
    {  
        ...  
        int j;  
        ...  
        {  
            int n;  
            ...  
        }  
        for(int k=0;... )  
        {  ... }  
    }  
}
```



Variables shadowing

- Global variables can be **shadowed** inside a function (or a code block) by declaring a local variable with the same name (it can be of any type).
- In such a situation the name of the variable in such a block refers to the local variable only. Global one exists but it is not accessible by its name inside such a block.
- **Example:**

```
int i = 5;                                // i == 5
int F1 (int n){
    int i = 7;                            // i == 7, shadowing
    return i + n;
}

int F2 (int m)
{ return i + m; }                         // i == 5

int main(void){
    int k, z, i = 0;                      // i == 0
    k = F1(0);                           // k == 7
    z = F2(0);                           // z == 5
    return 0;
}
```

Same identifier in range - error

- Example:

```
float eps = 0.001;  
...  
double eps = 0.05;      // error - global variable range redefinition  
...  
void main(void)  
{  
    long k1;  
    ...  
    int k1;          // error - local variable redefinition in same scope  
    ...  
}
```

Accessing global variables

- In order to access a shadowed variables we can use scope operator ::
- If, for example, variable **x** is shadowed by a local **x**, in order to access global x we need to write ::x
- **Example:**

```
const int max = 15750;    // global scope
int MAX(int TAB[ ], int size )
{
    int max = TAB[0];      // local
    for (int i = 1 ; i < size ; ++i)
        if (::max > TAB[i] && max < TAB[i] ) //global ( :: ) & local
            max = TAB[i];    // local
    return max;             // local
}
```

Static variables – global scope

- **Static variable types:**
 - Global scope
 - Local with **static**
- Lets assume that our program has two modules and for example in *stack.h* there are defined two variables *sp* and *val*:

```
int sp;  
double val[MAXVAL];
```
- For such variables we can access them from another module using keyword **extern** (so it gives us access to global variables from different files).
- If for some reason we do not want to allow such a scenario (i.e., to make some variables global only in one file) we have to use keyword **static**.
- Declaration with **static** used for a global variables and a function limits their scope from the line of their declaration to the end of file they are in.
- Declaring external object as **static** hides their name (in different files).

Static variables – global scope

- External declarations with **static** often are used for variables, but it can also be used for functions.
- Names of the functions are global, accessible in all code.
- If a function is declared as **static**, then it is accessible only within the file where it is declared.
- Example:

```
static char buff[SIZE];
static int index;
static void count(double a):
int other(int a, int b);
```

- Variables *index* and *buff*, also the function *count* are static— they are not accessible from other files.
- Static function can only be called within the file where it is declared.
- Such names (variables and functions) can be used for other variables in different files.

Static variables – local range

- **static** declaration can be used for local variables.
- Internal static variables are local for their function. However, the value they store are kept between different calling to their functions (they act like a memory of a function).
- **Example:**

```
int Counter(void){  
    static int ct = 0;  
    return ++ct;  
}  
  
int number;  
number = Counter();           // number == 1  
.....  
number = Counter();           // number == 2  
.....  
number = Counter();           // number == 3
```

Register variables

- **register** variable is an information for the compiler that such variable will be extensible used.
- This suggest to store such a variable directly on a CPU register.
- **Example:**

```
register int i;  
register char c;
```

- In practice the compiler / machine can ignore such a „suggestion” and make a variable follow normal rules of memory assignment.
- Register variable cannot be used with & operator (to get their address). It does not matter if such a variable will be stored in register of CPU or not (we don't know it anyway when we write the code, nor knows it the compiler).



Questions?