

## C Crib Sheet:Version 7 March 2012

### Abbreviations:

*le* => Logical expression evaluating to true or false.

*st* => One or more C statements.

*ie* => Integer expression, must evaluate to an integer

*args* => Arguments or argument list

*v* => variable, *iv* => integer variable,

*dv* => double variable, *fv* => Float variable

*Lv* => long double variable

[ *st* ] => Optional C statements

### Basic C Program:

```
#include <stdio.h> /*I/O Header files */
int main(void) /* Program starts here */
{ printf("\n Hello World!");
  return(0);} /* final statement */
```

### Data Types:

**short, int, long, long long** Integers

**float, double, long double** Floating pt.

**void** no value, missing or not there

### Variable declaration and initialization

**type name[=value[,name=[value]]**; forgotten

**static type name[=value[]]**; remembered

### Statements:

*v* = expression ; Assign the value of expression to *v*

### Arithmetic operators:

**+, -, \*, / %** (Add, Subtract, Multiply, Divide,  
Integer divide remainder)

### Logical Comparison Operators(LCO) : x LCO y

#### (Must compare like with like!!)

**<, <=** (x less than y, x less than or equal to y)

**==, !=** (x equal y, x not equal y)

**>, >=** (x greater than y, x greater than or equal to y)

*le1* || *le2* (*le1* or *le2*)

*le1* && *le2* (*le1* and *le2*)

!*le* (not *le*)

**<math.h>** type **double** built in Math functions:

**cos(dv), sin(dv), tan(dv), tan2(dv1,dv2),**

**acos(dv), asin(dv), atan(dv), sqrt(dv)**

**cosh(dv), sinh(dv), tanh(dv), pow(dv1,dv2),**

### Changing Data types (casting)

**(double)***iv* or *fv* or *Lv*

creates a double

**(long double)** *iv* or *fv* or *dv*

creates a long double

**(int)** *dv* or *fv* or *Lv*

creates an integer

**(float)** *iv* or *dv* or *Lv*

creates a float

### Flow control:

**while (le) { st }; test and do**

**do{ st } while (le) do and test**

**for (ie1; le; ie3 ) { st } for (start; stop; change)**

**if(le){st} if (true) {do}**

**if(le){st} if (true) {do} else etc..**

**[ else [if(le){st}] {st}]**

**switch(iv){ on value of iv**

**case iv1 :st ; break; do st if iv matches iv1**

**case iv2 : case iv3 : st ; break;**

**default : st ; break;} do st if no case matches.**

**break; leave the current loop or section.**

**continue; go to the beginning of the loop.**

Do test for **do** and **for**

### Preprocessor Commands:

**#include <fn> copy fn from include subdirectory**

**#include "fn" copy fn from current subdirectory**

**#define NAME value** replace every occurrence of **NAME**  
by **value** which can be a C statement

**#define MAXSIZE 1024;**

**#define REAL float;**

### Explicit arrays:

**type name[SIZE]** **SIZE** must be an integer value

cannot be an integer variable

Array addresses run from **name[0]** to **name[SIZE-1]**

### Function Declarations:

**argument declarations=> ,...type name,type name**

**return-type function-name(arg declarations)**

**{st}**

**return-type function-name(arg declarations);**

Prototype declaration (Obligatory!)

### Scope:

Storage Class	Keyword	Life-time	Where defined	Scope	Value Retention
Automatic		temp	inside	Local	lost
Static	<b>static</b>	temp	inside	Local	retained
External		perm	outside	global	retained
External	<b>static</b>	perm	outside	Global in modules	retained

### Addressing and pointers

**&A** => Address of variable A. Useful for functions

**int \*A** Defines A to hold the address of integers

**scanf("%d",&A)** Puts address of variable A into function scanf so scanf can load a value into that address

Main function: **quad(A,B,C,&r1,&r2)** Load values for variables A, B and C and addresses for r1 & r2 into argument list for function:

In function:

**quad(double A,double B,double C,  
double \*r1,double \*r2)**

**. . .  
\*r1=(-B+sqrt( etc. . . ));  
\*r2=(-B- . . .**

Variables declared to be arrays are passed by address to a function. In the main function:

**double A[3],r[2];  
quad(A,r)**

In the quad function:

**quad(double\* A,double\* r,)**

**. . .  
Disc=A[1]\*A[1]-Four\*A[0]\*A[2];  
. . .  
r[0]=(-A[1]-sqrt(Disc))/(two\*A[0]);  
r[1]=. . . ;**

### Allowed pointer operations

**Declaration: float \*pA, \*pB;**

**Assignment: pA=&var;**

**Increment: pA=pA+1; (written pA++;)**

**Decrement: pA=pA-1; (written pA--;)**

**Difference: gap=pA-pB;**

**Comparison: pA==pB+gap;**

**De-referencing: \*pA=var;**

### How to borrow memory

The C memory allocation function is called: **malloc()**  
This function takes a type **int** number as its only argument and it returns a memory pointer of type **void**  
It is good practice to recast this void pointer to the specific type pointer needed. e.g.  
**double \*dv1;**  
**int N;**  
**dv1=(double\*)malloc(N\*sizeof(double));**  
If something goes wrong **malloc** returns the memory pointer **NULL { (0) (FALSE) ! }**

### How to return memory

**free(dv1);** and returns a **void;**  
The argument to **free** must be a pointer that was previously returned by a memory allocation function.

### #include <stdlib.h>

**malloc()** and **free()** have their prototypes defined in the header file **stdlib.h** along with other memory allocation functions. The two other standard memory allocation functions are:

1. **realloc()** which changes the size of a **malloc()** or **calloc()** memory block.
2. **calloc()** which allocates memory and sets it to zero. **calloc()** takes two arguments, the number of memory elements and the size of each element, both integers

### How to allocate a Matrix: pointers to pointers

```
double **make_matrix(int NR, int NC)
{double **M; int n;
/*allocate matrix M[1..NR][1..NC]*/
M= (double **)malloc(
      (NR+1)*sizeof(double *));
M[0]=(double *)malloc(
      (NR*NC+1)*sizeof(double));
M[1]=M[0];
for(n=2; n<=NR; n++) M[n]=M[n-1]+NC;
return(M);}
```

### Matrix addition example:

```
double **matrix_addition
(double **B, double **C, int L, int M)
{double **A;
int i,j;
A=make_matrix(L,M);
```

```
for(i=1;i<=L;i++)
{for(j=1;j<=M;j++)
{A[i][j]=B[i][j]+C[i][j];}}
return(A);}
```

### How to free a Matrix

```
void free_matrix(double **M)
{free(M[0]); free(M);}
```

The first **malloc** call allocates NR+1 pointers to the start of each row of the matrix. The second **malloc** call allocates NR\*NC+1 memory locations of type double. The **for** loop makes each pointer in **M[i]** point to the start of row **i** in the memory block holding the numbers.

**Bitwise Logic:** C can do bitwise logic on unsigned integers. Declaration: **unsigned int U1,U2;**  
C can change **all** of the 0's to 1's and vice versa in a number.

**~one = 111111111111110** in bits.

C can shift all of the bits in a number a fixed number of places to the left or the right. Zeros are propagated in to the vacated places. Bits disappear when shifted out of the number!

The C operator to do the shifting is **>>** (right) or (left) **<<**

The C convention is that the lowest order bit is rightmost.

So if **one = 1;** then **(one << 2) = 4;**

Shifts are cheap integer multiply or divide by powers of two.

### Bitwise Logical Operators:

**&** (and), **|** (or), **^** (exclusive or)

Truth tables:

And: **&** **U1: 0 0 1 1** Or: **|** **U1: 0 0 1 1**  
**U2: 0 1 0 1** **U2: 0 1 0 1**  
**U1 & U2: 0 0 0 1** **U1 | U2: 0 1 1 1**

Exclusive or: **^** **U1: 0 0 1 1**  
**U2: 0 1 0 1**  
**U1 ^ U2: 0 1 1 0**

All binary logic is possible with the 4 operators **& ! ^ ~**

### char data type

A character is a byte (8 bits). It can have 256 values from 0 to 255. In ASCII the values 0 – 31 are non printing characters such as tab, bell, line feed, page feed, etc., Values 32-127 are defined standard characters and values 128-255 are extended characters that vary from font to font.

### Character specific I/O routines.

And character specific format descriptors for **printf** and **scanf**.

**char c; c = getchar();**

will read whatever character is typed at the keyboard

(**sysin**): **char c; FILE \*f; c = getc(\*f);**

will read whatever is the next character in the file pointed

to by the file name pointer **\*f**

**putchar(c);** Puts the character **c** on to the screen.

**putc(c,\*f);** Puts the character **c** in to the file pointed

to by the file name pointer **\*f**

A series of characters as a single variable called a string.

The string literal is set off by the double quote character.

All strings in C are assumed to be terminated by **NULL** sometimes written **\0**. This means that the size of all strings is one byte larger than the number of characters.

### C Keywords (reserved for the Compiler)

<b>auto</b>	<b>break</b>	<b>case</b>	<b>char</b>
<b>const</b>	<b>continue</b>	<b>default</b>	<b>do</b>
<b>double</b>	<b>else</b>	<b>enum</b>	<b>extern</b>
<b>float</b>	<b>for</b>	<b>goto</b>	<b>if</b>
<b>int</b>	<b>long</b>	<u><b>register</b></u>	<b>return</b>
<b>short</b>	<b>signed</b>	<b>sizeof</b>	<b>static</b>
<b>struct</b>	<b>switch</b>	<b>typedef</b>	<b>union</b>
<b>unsigned void</b>	<u><b>volatile</b></u>	<b>while</b>	

**Obsolete words are underlined!**

### Compiler Directive Keywords:

<b>#include</b>	<b>#define</b>	<b>#undef</b>
<b>#if</b>	<b>#ifdef</b>	<b>#ifndef</b>
<b>#elif</b>	<b>#else</b>	<b>#endif</b>
<b>#error</b>	<b>#line</b>	<b>#pragma</b>
<b>#</b>		

### GNU Scientific Library in C:

[www.gnu.org/software/gsl/](http://www.gnu.org/software/gsl/)

This is an updated C-Language version of SLATEC and is managed by scientists at Los Alamos National Laboratory. It is installed in the ICT Cygwin Shell on Windows PCs.

### General Numerical Software Repository

[www.netlib.org](http://www.netlib.org) Most of the code is in FORTRAN, but:

**f2c** Converts Fortran 77 Code into legal C code. See:  
<http://www.netlib.org/f2c/>