

Programming in C

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Chapter -3

Variables and Data types

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Before writing C program

The only way to learn a new programming language is by writing programs in it.

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Before writing C program

Common Programming Errors:

Syntax Error : wrong sentences.

```
float x = ;  
int marks sum;
```

Logical Error : wrong formula.

```
mean = a + b / 2;
```

Runtime Error : something not defined/not available.

```
divided by 0, unable to open file,  
out of memory etc.
```

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Your first C program

Hello World Program

```
/*This is my first program.*/
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
printf("Hello, world!\n");
```

```
return(1);
```

```
}
```

Your comments.

Standard library,
preprocessor
directive.

Program starts from here,
a main function.

Start main

Your Text for
output

Main function wants you to
return an integer number.

End of main
function.

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Your first C program

Build and Run: Hello World Program

```
# cd your_working_directory  
# gcc -o hello hello.c  
# hello  
    Hello, world!
```

C:\windows\system32\cmd.exe

```
D:\>cd D:\nec Lectures\C\Lecture\Chapter 2\Examples  
D:\nec Lectures\C\Lecture\Chapter 2\Examples>gcc -o hello hello.c  
D:\nec Lectures\C\Lecture\Chapter 2\Examples>hello  
Hello, world!  
D:\nec Lectures\C\Lecture\Chapter 2\Examples>
```

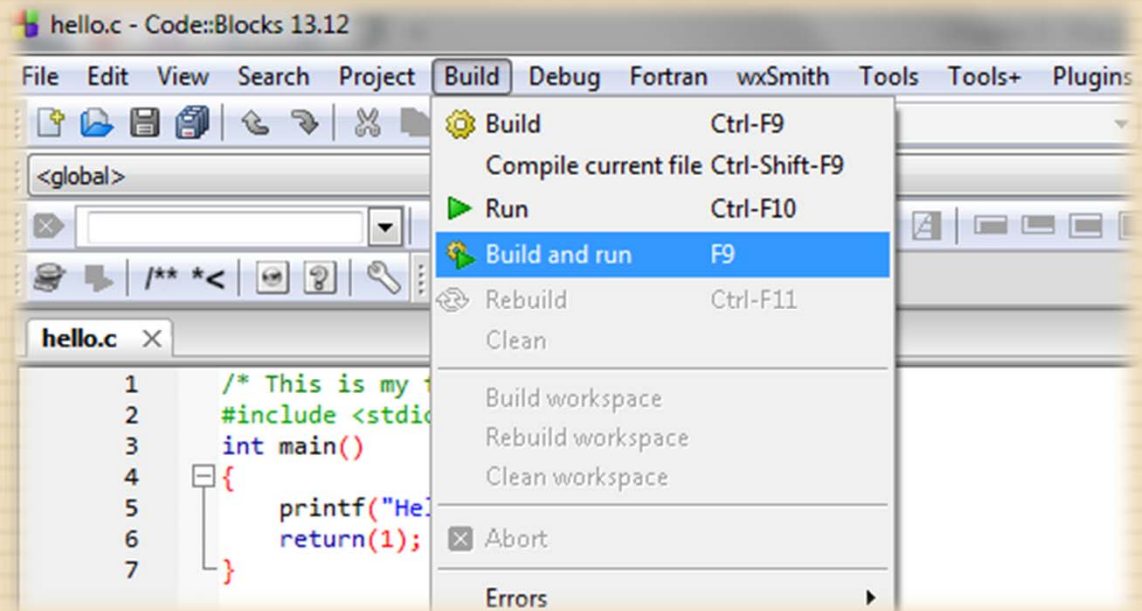
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Variables

A C program, whatever its size,
consists of **functions** and
variables.

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Variable declaration

- All the **variables** must be declared before they are used and at **beginning** of the function.
- A **variable declaration** proclaims the properties of variables.
- A **declaration** consists of a type name and a list of variables.

Syntax: `type variable_list;`

Example:

```
int lower, upper, step;  
float weight, height;
```


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Data types

- C language allows you to declare 6 basic data types: (rely on the machine architecture)
 1. **int** – variables are of integer type, **4 byte** of data.
 2. **float** – variables are of floating point, may have fractional part of at least 6 digits precision, **4 byte** of data.
 3. **char** – a **single byte** integer data, character.
 4. **long** – variables are of integer, **4 byte** of data.
 5. **double** – variables are of floating point with higher precision with 15 decimal places. **8 byte** of data.

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Data types

□ More data types that C supports:

6. **short** – variables are of integer type, **2 byte** of data.

7. **signed and unsigned** – **integer** variables can be either **signed** or **unsigned**. signed type allows you to store **negative integers** too where as unsigned types stores only **positive integers**.

8. Even more types:

```
long long int x; /* 8 bytes */
```

```
long double y; /* 12 bytes */
```

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Data types

- More data types that C supports:

7. More on **signed and unsigned** – An example

int type (4 byte) can store **-2,147,483,648** to **2,147,483,647**.

unsigned int type (4 byte) can store **0** to **4,294,967,295**.

How these numbers appear here ?

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Symbolic Constants

- C language allows you to give meaningful **name** for the numbers (**constants**) used in the program.
- A **#define** does this for you. It replaces all the occurrences of **name** by its **replacement list** during **compilation**.

Syntax: `#define name replacement`

Example: `#define LOWER 0`

`#define UPPER 32767`

`#define HELLO "Hello world!"`

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Symbolic Constants

- You can use **const** keyword in a variable name to declare constants too. Once you make a variable **const**, you cannot change the value of the variable i.e. a **read only variable**.
- Example:

```
const int UPPER = 32767;
```

```
const int LOWER = 0;
```

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Symbolic Constants

- Some Constants.

- Integer type:

`0, -9, 879` → decimal

`076, -077` → octal

`0x67A, 0x82F` → hexa-decimal

- Float type:

`-2.0f, 0.0000234, -0.22E-5`

- Character type:

`'A', 'u', '8'`

- String constant:

`"Nepal", " ", "A", ""`

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Simple Input/Output

- Character input and output: we can read/write a character at a time by numerous functions through standard library.

with **format specifier: %c**

```
scanf( "%c" , &ch );
```

```
printf( "%c" , ch );
```

with **getchar & putchar:**

```
ch = getchar( );
```

```
putchar( ch );
```

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Simple Input/Output

- Integer and Floating point numbers:

int and **long** type with **format specifier**:

`%d` or `%i`, `%o`, `%x`, `%u` & `%ld`.

```
scanf( "%d", &age );
```

floating point type with **format specifier**:

`%f`, `%g`, `%Lf`, `%e`

```
printf( "%e", g );
```

```
printf( "%f", virus_size );
```


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Simple Input/Output

- String type: various library functions and format specifier allows you to read/write string i.e. a sequence of characters.

with format specifier: %s

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

```
printf( "%s" , name ) ;
```

with gets & puts:

```
gets( name ) ;
```

```
puts( name ) ;
```

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Simple Input/Output

- Escape sequences: represents special character within string and characters.

Escape Sequence	Description	Representation
\'	single quote	byte 0x27 in ASCII encoding
\"	double quote	byte 0x22 in ASCII encoding
\?	question mark	byte 0x3f in ASCII encoding
\\	backslash	byte 0x5c in ASCII encoding
\b	backspace	byte 0x08 in ASCII encoding
\f	form feed - new page	byte 0x0c in ASCII encoding
\n	line feed - new line	byte 0x0a in ASCII encoding
\r	carriage return	byte 0x0d in ASCII encoding
\t	horizontal tab	byte 0x09 in ASCII encoding


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Simple Input/Output

□ Putting all together:

```
/* Variable and Constant demonstration program. */
#include <stdio.h>
#define MSG "Enter Your Name : "
int main()
{
    char Name[100];
    const float PI = 3.14159f;
    const float G = 6.67e-11;
    int m_Char = 0x6D;
    printf(MSG);
    gets(Name);
    printf("Hello %s!\n", Name);
    printf("Character m -> %d\t%X\n", m_Char, m_Char);
    printf("Pi & G -> %2.4f\t%e\n", PI, G);
    return(1);
}
```



```
Enter Your Name : Rocky
Hello Rocky!
Character m -> 109      6D
Pi & G -> 3.1416      6.670000e-011
```

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Operators

- **Operators** are used within an expression which specifies the manipulation of **operands** at the time of **evaluation**.
- C supports very rich set of operators.
- **Operators** have **precedence** and **associativity**.
 - # **unary** : takes single operand
 - # **binary** : takes two operands
 - # **ternary** : takes three operands

`+=, -=, *=, /=, %=, &=, |=, ^=, <<=, >>=`

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Operators

- Arithmetic, Assignment and Augmented assignment:

`+, -, *, /, %`

`a = b / c; x = y % z;`

`=`

`x = y;`

`+=, -=, *=, /=, %=, &=, |=, ^=, <<=, >>=`

`a += b; x &= z;`

+=, -=, *=, /=, %=, &=, |=, ^=, <<=, >>=

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Operators

- Bitwise logic, Boolean logic and Bitwise shift:

~, &, |, ^

a = b & c; x = ~y;

!, &&, ||

x = y && z; a = !b;

<<, >>

a = b << 2; x = z >> 3;

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Operators

- Relational, equality and increment/decrement

> , < , >= , <=

a >= b && c < x

!= , ==

a = (b != c) ;

++ , --

a++ ; --x ;

- Conditional Evaluation: ? :

a = b < 0 ? -b : b ;

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Operators

- Size, Calling function, Member selection.

sizeof

```
sizeof(b);
```

()

```
readInput();
```

. , ->

```
c = a->b; y = x.c;
```

- Type conversion: (type_name)

```
int a = (int)b;
```


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Operators

- Comma Operator: sequence of operations can be separated by **comma**.

```
# int a=1, b=2, c=3, i=0;
```

```
# i = (a += 2, a + b); //5
```

```
# i = (a, b, c); //3
```

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Execution sequence

- Understanding the sequence of execution:

```
/*Swapping values of the variables*/  
#include <stdio.h>  
int main(){  
    int x = 99, y = 11;  
    x = x + y; /* x = 110, y = 11 */  
    y = x - y; /* x = 110, y = 99 */  
    x = x - y; /* x = 11, y = 99 */  
    printf("x = %d, y = %d", x, y);  
    return(1);  
} /* Final Output: x = 11, y = 99 */
```

Thank you.

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Questions ?