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FUNDAMENTALS OF PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

UNIT I

INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAM PLANNING & C -

WHITE BOX SCENIC PROGRAMMING

* HISTORY & IMPORTANCE OF C

- C is a programming language developed at AT & T's Bell Laboratories of USA in 1972.
- It was developed & written by man named Dennis Ritchie.
- C became more popular because it is reliable, simple & easy to use.
- In an industry where newer languages, tools & technologies emerge & vanish day in & day out, a language that has survived for more than three decades has to be really good.
- Nobody can learn C++, C#, Java directly. Learning these complicated concepts when you are not even comfortable with basic language elements is like putting Cart before horse.
- C++, C#, Java make use of principle called Object Oriented Programming [OOP] to organize the program. But even while using this organizing principle you would still need a good

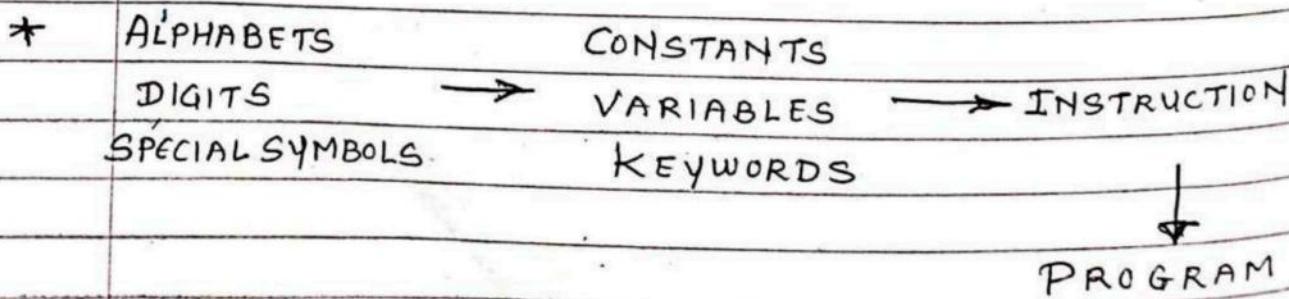
hold over language elements of C & basic programming skills.

- Major parts of popular operating systems like Windows, UNIX, Linux are still written in C. This is because even today when it comes to performance (speed of execution) nothing beats C.
- If one needs to extend the operating system to work with new devices one needs to write device driver programs. These programs are exclusively written in C.
- Devices like Cellular phones, Palm tops, Microwave ovens, washing machine, Digital Cameras has Microprocessor, Operating System & program embedded in these devices. These programs not only have to run fast but also have to work in limited amount of memory. No wonder that such programs are written in C.
- Professional 3D Computer Games where user navigates some object like say a Spaceship & fires bullets at the invaders. requires great speed. To match the expectation of player, the game has to react fast to the user inputs. This is where C language scores over other languages.

* GETTING STARTED WITH C :-

- There is close analogy between Learning English language & ~~Learning~~ Learning C language.
- The Classical Method of learning language is to first learn alphabets used in english language , then learn to combine these alphabets to form words , which in turn are combined to form sentences & sentences are combined to form paragraphs.
- In C Language , Instead of straight away learning how to write programs , we must first know what Alphabets , Numbers & Special symbols are used in C , then how using them Constants , Variables & keywords are constructed & finally how are these combined to form an Instruction A Group of Instructions would be combined later on to form a program .

* ALPHABETS → WORDS → SENTENCES → PARAGRA



* THE C CHARACTER SET : [SPECIAL SYMBOLS]

- A character denotes any alphabet, digit or special symbol used to represent information.

- ALPHABETS A, B, C Y, Z
 a, b, c y, z

- DIGITS 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

- SPECIAL SYMBOLS (29) ~ ! @ # % ^ & * () - + = \ / { } [] : ; ^ > , ? \$

.	period	&	ampersand
;	semicolon	^	Caret
:	Colon	#	hash
'	Apostrophe		
"	double quotation	>	greater than or
	vertical bar		Closing angle bracket
/	forward slash	<	less than or
\	backward slash		opening angle bracket
~	tilde		
\$	dollar sign		

(opening left parenthesis

) closing right parenthesis

* CONSTANTS :- & VARIABLES

- A Constant is an entity that does not change whereas Variable is an entity that may change.
- In any program we do lots of calculations. The results of these calculations are stored in Computer's memory - The calculated values are stored in these memory cells.
- To make retrieval & usage of these values easy these memory cells are given names - Since, value stored in each location may change the names given to these locations are called Variable names.

Eg:-

X	3		

X	5		

- 3 is stored in memory Location & name x is given to it.
- Then we have assigned a new value 5 to same Memory location x - This would overwrite earlier value 3, since a memory location can hold only one value at a time.
- Since, the location whose name is x can hold different values at different

times, x is known as Variable.

- As against this, 3 or 5 do not change - hence are known as Constants.

* TYPES OF CONSTANTS :

C CONSTANTS

PRIMARY
CONSTANTS

INTEGER
REAL
CHARACTER

SECONDARY
CONSTANTS

ARRAY
SET
POINTER
STRUCTURE
UNION
ENUM.

* PRIMARY CONSTANTS :

1. INTEGER CONSTANT

- An Integer Constant must have atleast one digit.
- It must not have a decimal point.
- It can be either positive or negative.
- If no sign precedes an integer constant, it is assumed to be positive.
- No Commas or blanks are allowed within an integer constant.
- The allowable range for integer constant is - 2147483648 to + 2147483647

Eg:- 426 , - 8000
+782 , - 7605

2. REAL CONSTANT / FLOATING POINT

- They are often called Floating point Constants
- It could be written in two forms :-
Fractional form & Exponential form.

* FRACTIONAL FORM

- A real constant must have atleast one digit.
- It must have a decimal point.
- It could be either positive or negative.
- Default sign is positive.
- No commas or blanks are allowed within a real constant.

Eg:- +325.34, 426.0, -32.76, -48.5792.

* EXPONENTIAL FORM:

- It is usually used if the value of constant is either too small or too large.
- It is represented in two parts:-
The part appearing before 'e' is called Mantissa

The part following e is called Exponent.

Eg:- $0.000342 = 3.42 \times 10^{-4}$

The Mantissa part after exponential part should be separated by one letter i.e. E or +

- The Mantissa part may have positive or negative sign +, -, +, -
- Default sign of Mantissa part is positive.

- The exponent must have atleast one digit which must be positive or negative integer. Default sign is positive.
- Range of real constant expressed in exponential form is -3.4×10^{-38} to 3.4×10^{38}

Eg:- $+3.2 \times 10^{-5}$, 4.1×10^8 , -0.2×10^3 ,
 -3.2×10^{-5} .

3. CHARACTER CONSTANT :-

An character constant is a single alphabet, a single digit or a single physical symbol enclosed within single inverted commas. Both the inverted commas should point to the left.

Eg:- 'A', 'I', '5', '='

- The Maximum length of character constant can be 1 character.

4. STRING CONSTANT :-

- It is a sequence of characters enclosed in double quote., the characters may be letters, numbers, special character & blank space.

Eg:- "rama", "a", "+123", "1/a"

"good" // string constant
 " " // null string constant.
 " " " // string constant of 6 white spaces
 "x" // string constant having single character.

"Earth is round \n" // prints string with new line.

5. BACKLASH CHARACTER CONSTANT :-

- It is also known as Escape Characters.

\n new line

\r carriage return

\t tab

\v vertical tab

\b backspace

\f form feed (page feed)

\a alert (beep)

\' single quote ('')

\" double quote ("")

\? question mark (?)

\ backslash (\)

* VARIABLES

- An Entity that may vary during program execution is called Variable.
- Variable names are names given to locations in memory or basic address line.
- These locations can contain integer, real or character constants.
- Integer variable can hold only an integer, Constant, real variable can hold only a real constant & character variable can hold only a character constant.

dot positive ✓
separated ✓

* RULES FOR CONSTRUCTING VARIABLE NAMES

- (*) start sign : /
- A Variable name is any combination of 1 to 31 Alphabets, digits or underscores. Do not create unnecessarily long Variable names as it adds to our typing effort. ; /
- The first character of the Variable Name must be an Alphabet or Underscore.
- No Commas or blanks are allowed within a Variable name.

- No special symbol other than the underscore can be used in a variable name.

Eg :- Si - int , m_hra , pop_e - 89

- C compiler is capable to distinguish between two variables in names by marking it as compulsory to us to declare the type of any variable name that you wish to use in a program.
- ~~i const = float~~ :- XATHYR -
- Examples of type declaration statement
 - int Si , m_hra ; i = 001 = 00 :- E3 -
 - float bassal ; i = 22.51 = 0
 - char code ; i = ? = 09

~~if user want to calculate simple Interest, it is always advisable to construct meaningful variable names like prin , roi , noy to represent principal, rate of interest & no. of years rather than using variables a, b, & c.~~ i = 001 = 00 :- E3
~~i = 22.51 = 0.51~~

* DECLARATION OF VARIABLE :-

- A Variable can be used to store value of any data type.
- Declaration of variable must be done before they are used in program .
- Variables are separated by commas & declaration statement ends with semicolon
- SYNTAX :- data_type Variable-1, Variable-2 ;

Eg:- int $x, y, z;$

float $a, b;$

char $m, n;$

* ASSIGNING VALUES TO VARIABLES :-

- Values can be assigned to variables using the assignment operator ($=$).

- SYNTAX :- Variable = Constant ;

- Eg:- $x = 100;$

$a = 12.25;$

$m = f;$

- We can also assign a value to a variable at the time of variable declaration.

- SYNTAX :- data-type Variable = Constant ;

Eg:- int $x = 100;$

float $a = 12.25;$

char $m = f;$

A variable can be declared at the time of its definition.

The variable can be used in the program after its declaration.

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* C KEYWORDS

- They are also known as Reserved words.
 - They have fixed meaning that we cannot change.
 - Keywords are the words whose meaning has already been explained to C Compiler.
 - Keywords cannot be used as Variable names because if we do so, we are trying to assign new meaning to the keyword, which is not allowed by computers.
 - There are only 32 keywords available in C.
- | | | | | |
|----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| auto | double | int | new | struct |
| break | else | long | operator | switch |
| case | enum | register | | typedef |
| char | extern | return | | union |
| const | float | short | | unsigned |
| continue | for | signed | | void |
| default | goto | sizeof | | volatile |
| do | if | static | | while |
- We cannot use keywords as Constant name, Variable name etc.

* int main()

- It indicates that main funcn will return integer value.

Eg:- #include <stdio.h>

```
int main()
```

{

```
    printf("Hello World");
```

}

return 0; // By default it is zero, so, if we don't write then also OK.

- If there is an error, it will return 1 or -1.

- return 0 tells us about exit status successful.

* void main()

- void means null. It indicates that main function will not return any value to OS.

- Eg:- #include <stdio.h>

```
void main()
```

{

```
    printf("Hello World");
```

}

* HEADER FILES :-

- First & foremost component in C-program

- It is a file with extension -h

printf
scanf :- stdio.h :- defines std::input & output function

- conio.h :- defines Console input & output Function

- string.h :- defines String handling Functions

- math.h :- defines common Mathematical Functions

- Eg:- #include <stdio.h>

```
#include <conio.h>
```

- Console means O/P Screen Functions

clrscr(), getch(), getche()

* THE FIRST C PROGRAM:-

- Program for Calculating Simple Interest

```
/* Calculation of Simple Interest */
```

```
/* Author: girish Date : 24/6/24 */
```

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

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int P, n;
    float r, si;
```

```
P = 1000;
```

```
n = 3;
```

```
r = 8.5;
```

```
si = P * n * r / 100; /* Formula for
Simple Interest */
```

```
printf ("%f\n", si);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

1. Blank Spaces may be Inserted between two words to improve the readability of statement. However, no blank spaces are

allowed within a variable, constant or keyword.

2. All statements are entered in small case letters.

3. Every C statement must end with ;

4. Comment about the statement must be enclosed within /* */.

Eg:- // This is one line comment .. /* Multiline comment */

5. A Comment can be written before the statement, after the statement or within the statement.

Eg:- /* formula */ Si = P * n * r / 100 ;

Si = P * n * r / 100 ; /* formula */

Si = P * n * r / /* formula */ 100 ;

6. The text written inside a comment can be small case, capital or a combination.

7. Comments cannot be nested

Eg:- /* Cal of SI */ /* Author : Girish */ */

8. A comment can be split over more than one line

Eg:- /* This is
an exaggerated
comment */

- g. `main()` is a function. A function is nothing but set of statements. In C program there can be multiple functions.
- To begin with, we would concentrate only on those programs which have only one function. The name of this function has to be `main()`; it cannot be anything else.

All statements that belong to `main()` are enclosed within a pair of braces {} as shown.

`int main ()`

{

Statement 1;

Statement 2;

Statement 3;

}

10. Some Compilers even permit us to return nothing from `main()`. In such a case, we should precede it with keyword `void`. `Void` Function specifies that it returns no value. Eg.: `Void main()`.

11. Any variable used in program must be declared before using it.

Eg: `int p, n ; /* declaration */
float r, si ; /* declaration */`

$si = p * n * r / 100 ; /* usage */$

12. In the statement, * and / are the arithmetic operators. The arithmetic operators available in C are +, -, *, /.

There are about 45 operators available in C. Surprisingly there is no operator for exponentiation.

13. Once the value of si is calculated, it needs to be displayed on the screen. This is achieved by using function `printf()`.

- For us to able to use `printf()` function
 - it is necessary to use `#include <stdio.h>` at the beginning of program.
- `#include` is a preprocessor directive. It includes Standard i/P, o/P library functions.
- The general form of `printf()` function is

`printf ("<format string>", <list of variables>) ;`

- `<format String>` can contain

% f for double

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- % f for printing real values
- % d for printing integer values
- % c for printing character values.

Eg:-

printf ("%f", si);

printf ("%d %d %f %f", P, n, r, si);

printf ("Simple Interest = Rs. %f", si);

printf ("principal = %d \n Rate = %f",
P, r);

Output of Last statement will be :-

principal = 1000

Rate = 8.5 00000

14. \n is known as new line & it takes the cursor to the next line. It is known as Escape Sequences available in C.

15. printf() can not only print values of variables it can also print the result of an expression. An expression is nothing but combination of constant, variables & operators. Thus, 3, 3+2, c & a+b*c-d all are valid expressions. The results of these expression can be printed as follows:-

printf ("%d %d %d %d", 3, 3+2, c,
a+b*c-d);

EXERCISE :

16. `getch()` function asks for single character. Until you press any key, it blocks the screen. [Holds the input until we press any key on keyboard.]

17. `#include <stdio.h>` It includes standard input output functions. The `printf()` function is defined in `<stdio.h>`

18. `#include <conio.h>` includes console input output library functions. The `getch()` function is defined in `conio.h` file.

19. `printf()` function : is used to print data on the console to screen of user.

20. `getch()` :- It asks for single character. Until you press any key, it blocks the screen.

→ Keys which are not allowed to use are

• `ctrl+alt+del`

→ No special characters, symbols or numbers are allowed to use. → `!@#$%^&*(){}~``

* C TOKENS :-

- The smallest individual units are known as Tokens.
- C has 6 types of tokens:
 - a) Identifiers.
 - b) Keywords.
 - c) Constants.
 - d) Strings.
 - e) Special symbols.
 - f) Operators.

a) IDENTIFIERS :-

- It refers to names of variables, constant, function & arrays.
- It can only have alpha-numeric characters [a-z, A-Z, 0-9] & underscore [-].
- The first character of an identifier can only contain alphabet or underscore.
- Identifiers are case sensitive.
Eg:- name & Name are two different identifiers.
- Keywords are not allowed to use as identifiers.
- No special character, such as semicolon, period, whitespaces, slash or comma are permitted to be used as identifiers.

Eg: VALID

INVALID

STDNAME

Return

SUB

\$stay

TOT_MARKS

1RECORD

-TEMP

STD NAME

Y2K

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* DATA TYPES :

- A data type specifies the type of data that a variable can store such as Integer, Floating , character .
- 1. Basic Data type :- / Primary Data type :-
Floating point , integer , double , character
- 2. Derived Data type :-
Union , Structure , Array .
- 3. Enumerated data type :-
Enums .
- 4. Void Data type :-
Empty value
- 5. Bool type :-
True or False .

1] PRIMARY DATA TYPE :-

- INTEGER :- is used for storing various whole numbers such as 5, 8, 67, -3, 2390
Eg:- int a ; • int b ;
- CHARACTER :-
It stores a single character belonging to defined character set of C Language .
Eg:- char c ;
- FLOATING POINT :-
These refers to all real number values

[precision of 6 digits after decimal points.]

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or decimal points such as 40.1, 820.673, 5.9 etc. Eg:- float c ;

- **DOUBLE**

- It includes all large type of numeric values that do not come under either floating type data or integer
- It is capable of holding double the size of info. & data as compared to that of float.
- It is capable of holding about 15 to 16 digits after & before any given decimal point.
- Eg:- 1.9876, 5.43219, -876.543, 21.987654, 0.15197 e-7.
double c ;

- **VOID :-**

- This term refers to no values at all.
- It is used to define functions in a program.

* DATA TYPE MODIFIERS:-

- Modifiers in C-Language help in making primary data type much more specific.
- There are basically 4 types of Modifiers :-
 - **UNSIGNED** :- only positive.
 - **SIGNED** :- positive & negative
 - **SHORT** } cause an effect on the value
 - **LONG** } range of any given data type.

* SIZE & RANGE OF DATA TYPES:

TYPE	SIZE (bytes)	RANGE	CONTROL STRING.
1. Signed char.	1	-128 to 127	% c
2. Unsigned char	1	0 to 255	% c
3. Signed int	2	-32768 to 32767	% d or % i
4. Unsigned int	2	0 to 65535	% u
5. Signed short int	1	-128 to 127	% d or % h
6. Unsigned short int	1	0 to 255	% d or % e
7. Signed long int	4	-2147483648 to 2147483647	% ld
8. Unsigned long int	4	0 to 4294967295	% lu
9. float	4	3.4 E -38 to 3.4 E +38	% f or % g
10. Double	8	1.7 E -308 to 1.7 E +308	% lf
11. Long double	10	3.4 E -4932 to 3.4 E +4932	% lf

* STORAGE CLASS :

- In C Language, each variable has a storage class which is used to define scope & life time of a variable.
- Any variable declared in program can be stored either in memory or registers.
- Registers are small amount of storage in CPU. The data stored in registers has fast access compared to data stored in memory.
- It gives information about location of variable in which it is stored, initial value of variable if storage class is not specified, scope of the variable, life of the variable.

1. AUTOMATIC STORAGE CLASS :

- It is the default storage class in C.
- To define a variable as automatic storage class, keyword "auto" is used.
- Scope of the variable is within the block where it is defined & life of the variable is until the control remains within the block.
- SYNTAX
 - auto data-type Variable-name ;
 - auto int a, b ;

Eg:-

Void main ()
{

 int detail ;

 or

 auto int detail ; // Both are same

}

2. REGISTER STORAGE CLASS :

- To define the variable as register storage class , the keyword 'register' is used .
- When variable is declared as register , it is stored in the CPU registers .
- Register variable has faster access than normal variable .
- Frequently used variables are kept in registers .
- only few variables can be placed inside the register .

- SYNTAX

register data-type Variable_name ;

Eg:- register int i ;

3. STATIC STORAGE CLASS :-

- When the variable is declared as static it is stored in the memory .
- The default value of the variable will be zero .
- To define a variable as static storage class , the keyword 'static' is used .
- A static variable can be initialised only once , it cannot be reinitialised .
- SYNTAX :-

static data-type variable-name ;

Eg:- static int i ;

4. EXTERNAL STORAGE CLASS

- When the variable is declared as extern , it is stored in the memory .
- The default value is initialised to zero
- The scope of variable is global & life of the variable is until program execution comes to an end .
- To define the variable as external storage class , the keyword "extern" is used .
- An extern variable is also called as global variable .
- It remains available throughout the entire program .
- Their values can be changed by any function in the program .
- SYNTAX :- `extern data-type Variable_name ;`
Eg:- `extern int i ;`

STORAGE CLASS	STORAGE PLACE	DEFAULT VALUE	SCOPE	LIFE TIME
auto	RAM	Garbage value	Local	Within Function
extern	RAM	Zero	Global	Till end of Main program. May be declared anywhere in program
static	RAM	zero	Local	Till the end of Main program. Retains value bet ⁿ multiple func ⁿ call .
register	Register	Garbage Value	Local	Within func ⁿ

* DECLARING VARIABLE AS CONSTANT :-

1. USING Const KEYWORD :-

- The Const keyword specifies that a variable or object value is constant & can't be modified at the compilation time.
- SYNTAX :-

Const data-type Variable_name = initial_value ;

Eg:- # include < stdio.h >

int main()

{

Const int num = 1 ;

: num = 5 ; // Modifying the value .

return 0 ;

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OUTPUT :- It will throw an error as variable value is constant & cannot be modified.

2. USING enum KEYWORD :-

- Enumeration is user defined data type in C .
- It is mainly used to assign names to integral constants , that make a program easy to read & maintain .

- It gives an opportunity to invent our own data type & define what values the variable of this data type can take.
- It helps to reduce programming errors.
- It helps in making program listing more readable, which can be an advantage when program gets complicated or when more than one programmer would be working on it.

Eg:- We can invent a data type called `mar_status` which can have 4 possible values - Single, married, divorced or widowed.

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

```
enum VARS {var = 42};
```

//where mytype = int, char, long but it can't be float, double or user defined data type

```
int main ()
```

```
{
```

```
printf ("The value of var : %d", var);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

OUTPUT :- The value of var : 42.