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# LAB 4 Local and Global variables. "pass by value", string and other library functions. 2D arrays. Pointer basics.

Due: Feb 18 (Tuesday) 11:59 pm

# 0.0 Problem A0 Scope, Life time and Initialization of global variables, local variables and static global/local variables

Download the files lab4A0.c and cal.c, compile them together (the order does not matter), and run the a.out file.

[Scope and initialization of global variables] Observe that global variables x and y, which are defined in cal.c, can be accessed in other file lab4A0.c (x and y have global scope), and in order to access x and y, the other file needs to declare them using keyword extern. Moreover, the output x:0 y:0 demonstrates that global variables x and y, which were not initialized explicitly, all got initialized to 0 by the complier. Also observe how the function modify(), which was defined in cal.c, was declared and used in the other file. In declaring a function, keyword extern is optional.

Also observe how the values of x and y are changed in function modify() using compound operators, and how the second operation is evaluated following the operator precedence, giving y a new value 120, not 100 or 102.

[Scope of local variables] Next, uncomment the commented printf statement, and compile the files again. Observe the error message. The problem here is that local variable a's scope is the block/function in which it is defined. Here a is defined in the if block, so it is not accessible outside the if block, even in the main function. Modify by declaring a before the if clause, i.e., change to int a; if  $(y != 0) \{ a = y; \}$  Now a's defining block is the main function, so a's scope is anywhere in main after its declaration, which makes it accessible after the if block. Compile and run the program again.

[Lifetime of local variables] Uncomment the commented block near the end of main. Observe that function aFun is called several times, and all produce the same value for counter. This is because local variable counter in the function has life time 'automatic' – comes to life (allocated in memory) when aFun is called and vanishes (deallocated from memory) when aFun returns. So each time the function is call, a brand-new variable called counter is created and initialized. Thus it always has value 100.

[Initialization of local variables] Observe the initial values of local variable b in aFun. In C and Java, if a local variable is not explicitly initialized, it is <u>not</u> initialized to 0 (or, more precisely, it is initialized with some garbage values). Run the program again and you might see different values.

[Lifetime of static local variables] Next, make counter a static local variable, compile and run again. Observe that the value of counter is different in each call and its value is maintained between the function calls, due to the fact that in C a static local variable has persistent life time over function calls, similar to global variable. (Note that, a static local variable's scope is still within the block where it is defined. So counter is still not accessible outside the function.) Also observe that compound operator += is used.

[Initialization of <u>static</u> local variables] Next, remove the initial value 100 for counter, compile and run again, and observe that in the first time call counter gets an initial value 0. As discussed in class, global variables and static local variables get initial value 0 if not initialized explicitly. ('Regular' non-static local variables such as b, as we observed above, are not initialized to 0, or, more precisely, are initialized with some garbage values).

[Scope of static global variables] Finally, make y in cal.c to be static and compile again. Observe that global variable y becomes inaccessible in main. (But it is still accessible later in file cal.c where it is defined.)

No submission for this question.

# 0.1. Problem A1 variable scope, "Pass-by-value", tracing a program with debugger

# Specification

To understand variable scope and pass-by-value in C, in this exercise we trace a program using a software tool called debugger, rather than using print statements. A debugger allows us to examine the values of variables during program execution. With a debugger, you can do this by setting several "breakpoints" in the program. The program will pause execution at the breakpoints and you can then view the current values of the variables.

You will use a GNU debugger call **gdb**. It is a command line based debugger but also comes with a simple text-based gui (tui).

To debug a C program using gdb, you need to compile the program with -g flag of gcc.

# Implementation

Download the program swap.c, and compile using gcc -g swap.c. Then invoke gdb by issuing gdb -tui a.out. And then press enter key.

A window with two panels will appear. The upper panel displays the source code and the lower panel allows you to enter commands. Maximize the terminal and use arrow keys to scroll the upper panel so you can see the whole source code.

First, we want to examine the values of variables mainA and mainB after initialization. So we set a breakpoint at the <u>beginning</u> of line 11 (before line 11 is executed) by issuing break 11. Observe that a "b+" or "B+" symbol appears on the left of line 11. We want to trace the values of variables x and y defined in function swap, both before and after swapping, so we set breakpoints at (the beginning of) line 18 and line 21. Finally we set a breakpoint at line 12 so that we can trace the value of mainA and mainB after the function call.

When the program pauses at a breakpoint, you can view the current values of variables with the print or display or even printf command.

```
Sample input/output
red 64 % gcc -g swap.c
red 65 % gdb -tui a.out
Reading symbols from a.out...done.
(qdb) break 11
Breakpoint 1 at 0x400488: file swap.c, line 11.
(qdb) break 18
Breakpoint 2 at 0x4004a3: file swap.c, line 17.
(qdb) break 21
Breakpoint 3 at 0x4004b5: file swap.c, line 21.
(qdb) break 12
Breakpoint 4 at 0x400497: file swap.c, line 12.
                                                   /* run the program until the
(qdb) run -----
                                                   first breakpoint. Notice the >
Starting program: /eecs/home/huiwang/a.out
                                                   sign on the left of the upper
                                                   panel */
Breakpoint 1, main () at swap.c:11
(qdb) display mainA
                                    What do you get for
mainA = ?
                                    mainA and mainB?
(qdb) display mainB
mainB =
                                                  /* continue execution to the
(gdb) continue
                                                  next breakpoint. Notice the
Continuing.
                                                  position of > sign */
Breakpoint 2, swap (x=1, y=20000) at swap.c:18
(qdb) display x
x = ?
                                    What do you get
                                    for x and y?
(qdb) display y
y = ?
(gdb) display mainA
                                     What do you get
.....?
                                     for mainA and
(qdb) display mainB
                                     mainB, and why?
.....?
(qdb) continue
Continuing.
Breakpoint 3, swap (x=20000, y=1) at swap.c:21
(qdb) display x
                                    What do you get for x
x = ?
                                    and y? Are they
(gdb) display y
                                    swapped?
y = ?
(qdb) continue
Continuing.
Breakpoint 4, main () at swap.c:12
(gdb) display mainA
mainA = ?
                                     What do you get for mainA
                                     and mainB? Are they
(gdb) display mainB
                                     swapped?
mainB = ?
(qdb) display x
.....?
                               What do you get here, and
(gdb) display y
                               why?
.....?
(gdb) quit
```

### **Submission**

Write your answers into a text file, and submit it. Or submit a snapshot of your gdb session. (Anything that show your work is acceptable.)

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submit 2031M lab4 text file or pictures
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# 1. Problem A2

# 1.1 Specification

Complete the ANSI-C program runningAveLocal.c, which should read integers from the standard input, and computes the running (current) average of the input integers. The program terminates when -1 is entered. Observe

how the printf is formatted so it displays the running average with 3 decimal points.

# 1.2 Implementation

- Define a function void r\_avg(int sum, int count) which, given the current sum sum and the total number of input count, computes and displays the running average in double. The current sum and input count are maintained in main.
- Complete main so that input is read and maintained.

# 1.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

```
red 307 % gcc -Wall runningAveLocal.c
red 308 % a.out
Enter number (-1 to quit): 10
running average is 10 / 1 = 10.000
Enter number (-1 to quit): 20
running average is 30 / 2 = 15.000
Enter number (-1 to quit): 33
running average is 63 / 3 = 21.000
Enter number (-1 to quit): 47
running average is 110 / 4 = 27.500
Enter number (-1 to quit): 51
running average is 161 / 5 = 32.200
Enter number (-1 to quit): 63
running average is 224 / 6 = 37.333
Enter number (-1 to quit): -1
red 309 %
```

Assume all the inputs are valid.

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 runningAveLocal.c

# 2. Problem A3

# 2.1 Specification

Modify the above program, simplifying communications between functions.

# 2.2 Implementation

- download program runningAveLocal2.c.
- define a function void r\_avg (int input), which, given the current input input, computes and displays the running average. Notice that unlike the function in A2, this function takes only one argument about current input and does not take current sum and input count as its arguments. In such an implementation, current sum and input count are not maintained in main. Instead, main just pass current input to r\_avg(), assuming that r\_avg() somehow maintains the current sum and input count info.
- do not modify or add to the code in main().
- do not use any global variable. How can function r\_avg maintain the current sum and input count info?

Hint: **static** can be used to local variables to make their lifetime persistent.

# 2.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

Same as in problem A2.

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 runningAveLocal2.c

# 3. Problem A4

# 3.1 Specification

Modify the program above, further simplifying communications between functions by using global variables.

# 3.2 Implementation

- download program runningAveGlobal.c. Complete the main() function.
- download program function.c. Complete function void r\_avg(), which computes and displays the running average. Notice that this function takes no arguments.
- define all global variables in function.c

# 3.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

Same as in problem A2.

fputs()

Submit your program using

submit 2031M lab4 runningAveGlobal.c function.c

In the rest of this lab you are going to practice using some C library functions. The simplified prototypes of the functions covered in this week's lecture are listed below:

```
<stdio.h>
             <string.h>
                                <ctype.h>
                                                     <stdlib.h>
                                                                        <math.h>
printf()
                                                     int
                                int islower(int)
                                                             atoi(s)
             int strlen(s)
                                                                        sin() cos()
scanf()
                 strcpy(s,s)
                                int isupper(int)
                                                     double atof(s)
                                                                        double exp(x)
                 strcat(s,s)
                                int isalpha(int)
                                                     long
                                                             atol(s)
                                                                        double log(x)
getchar()
             int strcmp(s,s)
                                int isdigit(int)
                                                     int
                                                             rand()
                                                                        double pow(x,y)
putchar()
                                int isxdigit(int)
                                                     int
                                                            abs(int)
                                                                        double sqrt(x)
                                                     system(s)
                                                                        double ceil(x)
sscanf()
                                int tolower(int)
                                                                        double floor(x)
                                                     exit()
sprintf()
                                int toupper(int)
fgets()
```

For exact prototypes of these functions, you can either 1) issue man 3 function\_name in the terminal. 2) look at Appendix B of the textbook.

You are encouraged to use these functions when appropriate, especially string functions declared in <string.h> as well as string-related IO functions declared in <stdio.h>.

Don't forget to include the corresponding header files. Moreover, if you use functions declared in <math.h>, you need to link the library by using -lm flag of gcc.

# 4. Problem B0 String manipulations, Library functions

Download file lab4B.c. This short program first creates a character array and then uses string library function strcpy and strcat to change the content of the array. Observe that,

- strcpy(s1, s2) always copies the s2 to the beginning of s1.
- strcat(s1, s2) always appends s2 to the end of s1. s1 may contain some characters so where is the end of s1? Starting from beginning of the array (the left end), the first \0 in s1 is considered the end of s1, thus the first character of s2 replaces the first \0 character in s1, gluing s1 and s2.
- strlen(s) and printf("%s", s) also treat the first \0 of s as the end of the string.

No submission for problem B0.

# 5. Problem B1 String manipulations, Library functions 5.1 Specification

Implement your version of strcat, called my strcat.

# 5.2 Implementation

Download file lab4strcat.c. This program reads two words (strings with no spaces) from the user, stored them into arrays a and b. It then copies the inputs into another two arrays c and d, using library function strcpy. Then it calls strcat to concatenate a and b, and calls  $my\_strcat$  to concatenate c and d. If implemented correctly, a and c should have the same content. The program terminates when user enters two xxx.

- Implement function void my\_strcat(char []). Obviously, function should not call library function strcat. Also should not create temporary arrays.
- Complete the while loop so that it keeps on prompting the user for inputs, and terminates when both two input strings are xxx, as shown in the sample output. You are encouraged to use strcmp library function to check the termination condition.

# 5.3 sample input, output (assume each input has less than 20 characters and contains no space.)

red 118 % a.out hello worlds

strcat: helloworlds
mystrcat: helloworlds

# good ok

strcat: goodok
mystrcat: goodok

hi

g

strcat: hig
mystrcat: hig

# goodluck thanks

strcat: goodluckthanks
mystrcat: goodluckthanks

# xxx good

strcat: xxxgood
mystrcat: xxxgood

# xxx

XXX

red 119 %

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 lab4strcat.c

Both strcpy(s,t), strcat(s,t), and my\_strcat(s,t) modify the actual array pass to the function, by modifying s. Do you think that this is strange, given that in C everything is pass by value? Recall that void increment(int x) or void swap(int x, int y) would never work, as x and y are just local copies of actual arguments. Isn't s just a local copy of the corresponding actual argument too? Think about this, we will talk about this soon.

# 6. Problem B2 String manipulations, Library functions 6.0 introduction

Consider the string library function strcmp(s,t). In Java there is a similar method string.compareTo(s). This function determines if s lexicographically precedes t (i.e., if s appears earlier than t in dictionary). It does so by comparing the two strings character by character.

If the first characters of two strings are the same, the next characters of two strings are compared. This continues until the corresponding characters of two strings are different or a null character '\0' is reached.

If two corresponding characters are different, then if the unmatched character of s appears earlier in the ASCII table than the corresponding character in t, string s is deemed lexicographically precedes t. In this case the function returns a negative number. If the unmatched character in s appears later in the ASCII table than the character in t, then t does not lexicographically precede t (now t lexicographically precedes t). In this case the function returns a positive number.

The function returns 0 if both strings are identical (equal).

If the end of one string is reached, the shorter word is considered lexicographically precedes the longer one. For example,

strcmp("apple", "beast") should return a negative number, as "apple" lexicographically precedes (appears earlier in the dictionary than) "beast". This is why: the first unmatched characters between them is 'a' and 'b'. 'a' appears earlier than 'b' in the ASCII table.

strcmp("exit", "exam") returns a positive number, as "exam" lexicographically precedes
"exit": the first unmatched characters are 'i' and 'a'. 'i' appears later than 'a' in ASCII.
strcmp("exam", "exam") returns 0, as they have the same content.

strcmp("exam", "examine") returns a negative number. Shorter string exam is considered to lexicographically precedes longer string examine.

# 6.1 Specification

Implement your version of strcmp, called my strcmp, which does the same comparison.

# 6.2 Implementation

examination

exam

Download file lab4strcmp.c. This program reads two strings from the user, calls library function strcmp to compare their lexicographical ordering, and then calls function  $my\_strcmp$  to compare the lexicographic ordering again.

The program terminates when user enters two xxx.

- Implement function int my\_strcmp(char []). Obviously, the function should not call library function strcmp. Note that your function doesn't have to return exactly the same value as strcmp -- it needs to return a value that has the same sign as those returned by strcmp.
- Complete the while loop so that it keeps on prompting user for inputs, and terminates when both two input strings are xxx, as shown in the sample output. You are encouraged to use function strcmp or my strcmp to check.

```
6.3 sample input and output
red 118 %
apple
beast
         "apple" appears earlier in dictionary than "beast"
mystrcmp: "apple" appears earlier in dictionary than "beast"
ace
ave
          "ace" appears earlier in dictionary than "ave"
strcmp:
mystrcmp: "ace" appears earlier in dictionary than "ave"
exit
exam
         "exit" appears later in dictionary than "exam"
mystrcmp: "exit" appears later in dictionary than "exam"
exam
exam
"exam" and "exam" are same
"exam" and "exam" are same
exam
examine
          "exam" appears earlier in dictionary than "examine"
strcmp:
mystrcmp: "exam" appears earlier in dictionary than "examine"
```

strcmp: "examination" appears later in dictionary than "exam" mystrcmp: "examination" appears later in dictionary than "exam"

# kxx hello strcmp: "xxx" appears later in dictionary than "hello" mystrcmp: "xxx" appears later in dictionary than "hello" xxx xxx red 119 %

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 lab4strcmp.c

# 7 Problem C1 String manipulations, Library functions

# 7.1 Specification

Develop an ANSI-C program that reads user information from the standard inputs, and outputs the modified version of the records.

# 7.2 Implementation

Download file lab4fgets.c and start from there. Note that the program

- uses loop to read inputs (from standard in), one input per line, about the user information in the form of name age rate, where name is a word (with no space), age is an integer literal, and rate is a floating point literal. See sample input below.
- uses fgets () to read in a whole line at a time.
  - As discussed earlier, since the input contains space, using scanf ("%s", inputArr) does not work here, as scanf stops at the first blank (or new line character if no space). Consequently, if user enters Joe 2 2.3, only Joe is read in.
  - As mentioned in this week's class, in order to read a whole line of input which may contain blanks, you can use  $scanf("%[^\n]s", inputsArr)$ , or, depreciated function gets(inputsArr), but a much more common approach is to use function fgets(). Both these functions are declared in stdio.h.
  - fgets (inputsArr, n, stdin) reads a maximum of n characters from stdin (Standard input) into array inputsArr.

### The program should,

- after reading each line of inputs, if it is not "exit", output the original input using printf and fputs. Notice that since fgets reads in a '\n' at the end of input, printf does not need \n in the formatting string.
- then create a char array resu for the modified version of the input. In the modified version of input, the first letter of name is capitalized, age becomes age + 10, and rate has 100% increases with 3 digits after decimal point, followed by the floor and ceiling of the increase rate. The values are separated by dashes and brackets as shown below.
- then output the resulting string resu.
- continue reading input, until a line of exit is entered.

### Hints:

- When fgets reads in a line, it appends a new line character \n at the end (before \0). Be careful about this when checking if the input is exit.
- To tokenize a string, consider sscanf

- To create resu from several variables, consider sprintf.
- If you use math library functions, be aware that the return type is double. Also remember to compile the program using -lm flag of gcc.

# 7.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

```
red 118 % a.out
Enter name, age and rate (or "exit"): sue 22 33.3
sue 22 33.3
sue 22 33.3
Sue-32-66.600-[66,67]
Enter name, age and rate (or "exit"): john 60 1.0
john 60 1.0
john 60 1.0
John-70-2.000-[2,2]
Enter name, age and rate (or "exit"): lisa 30 1.34
lisa 30 1.34
lisa 30 1.34
Lisa-40-2.680-[2,3]
Enter name, age and rate (or "exit"): judy 40 3.2
judy 40 3.2
judy 40 3.2
Judy-50-6.400-[6,7]
Enter name, age and rate (or "exit"): exit
red 119 %
```

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 lab4fgets.c

# 8. Problem C2. 2D array, Library functions.

# 8.1 Specification

Write an ANSI-C program that reads user information from the standard inputs, and outputs both the original and the modified version of the records.

# 8.2 Implementation

A file lab4table1.c is for you to get started. The program should:

- use a table-like **2-D array** (i.e., an array of 'strings') to record the inputs.
- use loop and scanf ("%s %s %s") to read inputs (from standard in), one input per line, about the user information in the form of name age rate, where name is a word (with no space), age is an integer literal, and rate is a floating point literal. See sample input below.
- store each input string into the current available 'row' of the 2D array, starting from row 0.
- create a modified string of the input, and store it in the next row of the 2D array. In the modified version of input, all letters in name are capitalized, age becomes age + 10, and rate has 50% increases and is formatted with 2 digits after decimal point.

Hint: for converting name to upper cases, you might need a small loop to convert character by character.

- continue reading input, until a name xxx is entered, followed by any age and rate values.
- after reading all the inputs, output the 2-D array row by row, displaying each original input followed by the modified version of the input.
- display the current date and time and program name before generating the output, using predefined macros such as \_\_FILE\_\_, \_\_TIME\_\_ (implemented for you).

Note that as the partial implementation shows, each input line is read in as three 'strings' using scanf ("%s %s %s", ....). In the next question, you will practice reading in the whole line as a string, as in lab4C (and then tokenize the string). Each approach has its pros and cons.

Note that you will lose all marks if, instead of a 2D-array, you use 3 parallel 1-D arrays -- one of names, one of ages, one for wages -- to store and display information.

# 8.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

```
red 307 % a.out
Enter name, age and rate: john 60 1.0
Enter name, age and rate: eric 30 1.3
Enter name, age and rate: lisa 22 2.2
Enter name, age and rate: Judy 40 3.2254
Enter name, age and rate: xxx 2 2
Records generated in lab4table1.c on Feb 7 2020 13:32:48
row[0]: john 60 1.0
row[1]: JOHN 70 1.50
row[2]: eric 30 1.3
row[3]: ERIC 40 1.95
row[4]: lisa 22 2.2
row[5]: LISA 32 3.30
row[6]: Judy 40 3.2254
row[7]: JUDY 50 4.84
red 308 %
```

# 8.4 Sample Inputs/Outputs: (download file inputD.txt)

```
red 309 % a.out < input.txt</pre>
Enter name age and rate: Enter name age and rate: Enter name age and
rate: Enter name age and rate: Enter name age and rate: Enter name
age and rate:
Records generated in lab4table1.c on Sep 29 2019 18:02:03
row[0]: john 60 1.0
row[1]: JOHN 70 1.50
row[2]: Sue 30 1
row[3]: SUE 40 1.50
row[4]: Lisa 22 2.2
row[5]: LISA 32 3.30
row[6]: JuDy 40 3.22
row[7]: JUDY 50 4.83
row[8]: eric 30 1.3345
row[9]: ERIC 40 2.00
red 310
```

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 lab4table1.c

# 9. Problem C3. 2D array, library functions.

# **Specification**

Same question as problem C2 but now you read each line of input as a whole line of string. A file lab4table2.c is created for you to get started.

As the code shows, reading a whole line allows the input to be read into a table row directly. So you don't have to store the original input into the table manually. The disadvantage, however, is that you have to tokenize the line in order to get the name, age and wage information.

# **Sample Inputs/Outputs:**

Same output as above, except that the generated file name is lab4table2.c now, and the time is different.

Submit your program using submit 2031M lab4 lab4table2.c

# 10. (Optional) Problem D Pointer 101

# 10.1 Specification

Write your first (short) program that uses pointers.

# **10.2 Implementation**

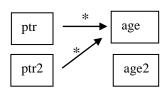
- define an integer age and initialize it to 10. Define another integer age2, which is initialized to 100;
- define an integer pointer variable ptr, and make it point to age
- display the value of age, both via age (direct access), and
   via pointer ptr (indirect access).



- use ptr to change the value of age to 14;
- confirm by displaying the value of age, both via age and via its pointer ptr
- define another pointer variable ptr2, and make it point to age2
- copy/assign age's value to age2 via pointer ptr and ptr2; age2 is 14 now.



- display the value of age2, both via age2, and via its pointer ptr2
- now let ptr2 point to age by getting the address of age from pointer variable ptr (i.,e., without using &age)
- confirm by displaying the value of ptr2's pointee via ptr2
- display value of age, both from age, and via ptr and ptr2.



- use ptr2 to decrease the value of age by 1. age is 13 now.
- display value of age, both from age, and via ptr and ptr2.
- finally, display the address of age, using printf("%p %p %p\n", &age,ptr,ptr2); Notice that here we print prt and ptr2 directly. This displays the content of the pointer variables, which is the address of age (in Hex).

### 10.3 Sample Inputs/Outputs:

red 305 % a.out

age: 10 10 age: 14 14 age2:14 14

ptr2's pointee: 14

age: 14 14 14 age: 13 13 13

0x7ffd04a92bcc 0x7ffd04a92bcc 0x7ffd04a92bcc

red 306

numbers here but they should be identical to each other. This is the memory address of variable age, in Hex.

You may get different

# 10.4 Submission:

Name your program lab4pointer.c and submit using

submit 2031M lab4 lab4pointer.c

In summary, in this lab you should submit

File for the degugger problem

lab4runningAveLocal.c lab4runningAveLocal2.c

lab4runningAveGlobal.c function.c

lab4strcat.c lab4strcmp.c

lab4fgets.c lab4table1.c lab4table2.c

lab4pointer.c (optional)

You may want to issue **submit -1 2031M lab4** to view the list of files that you have

submitted.

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# **Common Notes**

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