Chapter-10 Structure and Union

Structure:

- A structure is a user-defined data type available in C that allows to combining data items of different kinds.
- Structures are used to represent a record.
- All the structure elements are stored at contiguous memory locations.
- Structure type variable can store more than one data item of varying data types under one name.
- Structure is defined using "struct" keyword.

Syntax to define structure:

```
struct tag_name/structure_name
{
    member-1;
    member-2
};

Example:
Structure definition for storing student data
struct Student
{
    int roll_no;
    char name[20];
    int fees;
};
```

Here,

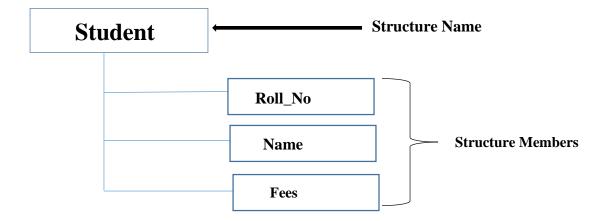
- **struct** is a keyword.
- **Student** is name of the structure and it is also called as structure tag name.
- Roll_no,name and fees are the fields of the structure which is known as structure members.
- There should be semicolon at the end of closing brace.

Note:

The structure definition does not reserve any space in memory for the members. So, it is called a structure template and memory will not be allocated for the template. Memory is allocated for the variables. This is pictorially represented as shown below for above defined structure student:

```
roll no -> int type = 4 bytes
name[20]-> char type array =20 bytes
fees -> int type = 4 bytes
Total=28 bytes
```

so whenever we will declare variable of student type it will take 28 bytes as per above definition of student structure.



Structure variable declaration:

Structure variables are used to access the members of structure. There are 2 ways to create a structure variable.

```
1st way:
struct Student
  int roll_no;
  char name[20];
  int fees;
} s1, s2, s3;
  Variables
Here, s1, s2, s3 are the structure variables.
2<sup>nd</sup> way:
struct Student
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  int roll_no;
  char name[20];
  int fees;
};
int main()
  struct Student s1,s2; //here s1 and s2 are the variables
  return 0;
}
```

Structure Initialization

- Initializing structure variables is similar to that of array i.e. all the elements will be enclosed within curly braces { } and are separated by comma (,).
- structure variables can be initialized in following ways:

```
1st way
struct student
   int roll_no;
  char name[20];
   int fees;
} s1={10,"Neha",54000},s2={12,"priya",60000};
Variable
                      Variable
          values of
                                  Values of variable s2
          variable s1
2^{nd} way
struct Student
 int roll_no;
 char name[20];
 int fees;
};
int main()
  struct Student s1={19,"seema",89000};
  return 0;
3rd way
                              Sahyog for Advanced Career
struct Student
 int roll_no;
 char name[20];
 int fees;
};
int main()
  struct Student s1;
  e1.roll_no=76;
  strcpy(e1.name,"Priyanka");
  e1.fees=34000;
  return 0;
}
```

Accessing structure members A member of a structure can be accessed using member access operator (.) dot, which in turn is followed by member name. **Syntax** variable_name . member_name; Example: Program to store student information using structure and display it. #include<stdio.h> struct student int roll_no; char name[20]; int fees; }s1={76,"Priyanka",65000}; int main() printf("Student information are\n"); printf("Name:%s",s1.name); printf("\nRoll no:%d",s1.roll_no); printf("\nFees:%d",s1.fees); return 0; } Sahyog for Advanced Career **Output:** Student information are Name:Priyanka Roll no:76 Fees:65000 **Memory Representation** fees roll_no name 4 bytes 4 bytes 20 bytes

Memory for variable s1

s1 will occupy 4+20+4=28 bytes

```
Program to display employee record and input from user for structure variable.
#include<stdio.h>
struct emp
 int eid;
 char name[20];
 char desig[20];
 int salary
};
int main()
{
  struct emp e;
  printf("Enter employee id:");
  scanf("%d",&e.eid);
  printf("Enter employee name:");
  scanf("%s",&e.name);
  printf("Enter employee designation:");
  scanf("%s",&e.desig);
 printf("Enter employee salary:");
scanf("%d",&e.salary);
printf("\nEmployee Details are\n");
printf("\nId:%d",e.eid);
                              Sahyog for Advanced Career
printf("\nName:%s",e.name);
 printf("\nDesignation:%s",e.desig);
 printf("\nsalary:%d",e.salary);
  return 0;
}
Output:
Enter employee id:1001
Enter employee name:John
Enter employee designation: Manager
Enter employee salary:45000
Employee Details are:
```

Id:1001 Name:John Designation:Manager salary:45000

typedef

typedef is a keyword used in C language to assign alternative names to existing data types. Its mostly used with user defined datatypes but can also be used for built in data types, when names of the data types become slightly complicated to use in programs. Following is the general syntax for using typedef,

Syntax:

typedef <existing_name> <alias_name>

Example:

typedef unsigned long ulong;

The above statement define a term ulong for an unsigned long datatype. Now this ulong identifier can be used to define unsigned long type variables.

```
ulong i, j;

Program for typedef

#include<stdio.h>
int main()
{
     typedef int I;
     I num;
     num=10;
     printf("%d",num);
     return 0;
}
```

Output:

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Program

```
#include<stdio.h>
typedef struct employee
{
   char name[50];
   int salary;
}emp; //emp is alias name of employee type
```

```
int main()
{
  emp e1;
  printf("\nEnter Employee record:\n");
  printf("\nEmployee name:\t");
  scanf("%s", e1.name);
  printf("\nEnter Employee salary: \t");
  scanf("%d", &e1.salary);
  printf("\nName is: %s", e1.name);
  printf("\nSalary is: %d", e1.salary);
}
Output:
Enter Employee record:
Employee name: John
Enter Employee salary: 34000
Name is: John
Salary is: 34000
Program
#include<stdio.h>
struct employee
{
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  char name[50];
  int salary;
};
int main()
  typedef struct employee emp; //another way to use typedef with structure
  emp e1;
  printf("\nEnter Employee record:\n");
  printf("\nEmployee name:\t");
  scanf("%s", e1.name);
  printf("\nEnter Employee salary: \t");
  scanf("%d", &e1.salary);
  printf("\nName is: %s", e1.name);
  printf("\nSalary is: %d", e1.salary);
}
```

Array of Structure:

- As we create array of int, float, char etc. similarly we can create array of structure too.
- Suppose we want to store information of 5 students then instead of declaring 5 different variables, we can create array of structure.

Program:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
struct student
int rollno;
char name[10];
};
int main()
int i;
struct student st[5];
printf("Enter Records of 5 students\n");
for(i=0;i<5;i++)
printf("Enter Rollno:");
scanf("%d",&st[i].rollno);
printf("Enter Name:");
scanf("%s",&st[i].name);
printf("\nStudent Information List:");
for(i=0;i<5;i++)
printf("\nRollno:%d, Name:%s",st[i].rollno,st[i].name);
                              Sahyog for Advanced Career
 return 0;
}
```

Output:

Enter Records of 5 students

Enter Rollno:10 Enter Name:Jenny Enter Rollno:11 Enter Name:Riya Enter Rollno:12 Enter Name:Sam Enter Rollno:13 Enter Name:Seema

Enter Rollno:14
Enter Name:Neha

```
Student Information List:
Rollno:10, Name:Jenny
Rollno:11, Name:Riya
Rollno:12, Name:Sam
Rollno:13, Name:Seema
Rollno:14, Name:Neha
```

Structures and functions

Various of passing structure to a function

By passing individual member of structure

By passing whole member structure

By passing structure through pointers

1. By passing individual member of structure

A function can be called by passing the member of a structure as an actual parameter.

Program

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
struct book
      int bid:
  char name[20];
  int price;
void data(char[]);
int main()
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       struct book b:
  b.bid=1001;
  strcpy(b.name,"C Programming");
  b.price=235;
  data(b.name); //passing name member as parameter
}
void data(char n[20])
  printf("Book name is %s",n);
}
```

Output:

Book name is C Programming

2. By passing whole member structure

While passing the whole structure just we need to pass the variable name.

Program

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
struct book
   int bid;
  char name[20];
  int price;
void data(struct book);
int main()
    struct book b;
  b.bid=1001;
   strcpy(b.name,"C Programming");
   b.price=235;
   data(b);
void data(struct book b1)
   printf("\nBook id is %d",b1.bid);
   printf("\nBook name is %s",b1.name);
   printf("\nBook price is %d",b1.price);
}
```

Output

Book id is 1001
Book name is C Programming
Book price is 235

Union

- A union is a user-defined type similar to structs in C except for one key difference.
- Structure allocate enough space to store all its members whereas unions allocate the space to store only the largest member.
- It is defined using union keyword.
- In union all members share the same memory.

Defining union:

```
union union_name {
    member-1;
    member-2
```

```
member-n;
};

Example:
union Car
{
   char name[20];
   int price;
};
```

Create union variables

- When a union is defined, it creates a user-defined type. However, no memory is allocated.
- To allocate memory for a given union type and work with it, we need to create variables.

```
1st way:
union car
{
    char name[50];
    int price;
} car1, car2;

2nd way:
union car
{
    char name[50];
    int price;
};
int main()
{
    union car car1, car2;
    return 0;
}
```

Here,

- car1 and car2 are variables of car type.
- members of car type are name and price, name variable will occupy 50 bytes whereas price will occupy 4 bytes, so the variable car1 and car2 will occupy 50 bytes, because the size of a union variable will always be the size of its largest member. In the above example, the size of its largest member (name[50]), is 50 bytes.

Assigning value in union variable

In union only one member can be initialized at once.

Correct way:

```
union Car {
    char name[20];
```

```
int price;
}c;
int main()
{
 strcpy(c.name," Ferrari ");
c.price=500000;
Incorrect way:
union Car
 char name[20];
 int price;
}c={"Ferrari",400000};
Incorrect way:
union Car
 char name[20];
 int price;
 }c;
int main()
 union car c={"Ferrari",500000);
 return 0;
}
Program for union
                             Sahyog for Advanced Career
#include <stdio.h>
union Job
 float salary;
 int workerNo;
} j;
int main()
 j.salary = 12.3;
 // when j.workerNo is assigned a value,
 // j.salary will no longer hold 12.3
 j.workerNo = 100;
```

```
printf("Salary = %.1f\n", j.salary);
printf("Number of workers = %d", j.workerNo);
return 0;
}
Output:
Salary = 0.0
```

Explanation:

Number of workers = 100

For variable j only one block will be allocated for both the members.so first when we assigned j.salary=12.3, then memory got the value 12.3 and when we assigned j. workerNo= 100, then 100 got stored in the same memory location and 12.3 got replaced.

Difference between structure and union:

	STRUCTURE	UNION
Keyword	The keyword struct is used to define a structure	The keyword union is used to define a union.
Size	When a variable is associated with a structure, the compiler allocates the memory for each member. The size of structure is greater than or equal to the sum of sizes of its members.	when a variable is associated with a union, the compiler allocates the memory by considering the size of the largest memory. So, size of union is equal to the size of largest member.
Memory	Each member within a structure is assigned unique storage area of location.	Memory allocated is shared by individual members of union.
Value Altering	Altering the value of a member will not affect other members of the structure.	Altering the value of any of the member will alter other member values.
Accessing members	Individual member can be accessed at a time.	Only one member can be accessed at a time.
Initialization of Members	Several members of a structure can initialize at once.	Only the first member of a union can be initialized.

Program to get size of structure and union variable.

```
#include <stdio.h>
union unionJob
{
    //defining a union
    char name[32];
    float salary;
    int workerNo;
} uJob;

struct structJob
{
```

```
char name[32];
float salary;
int workerNo;
} sJob;

int main()
{
    printf("size of union = %d bytes", sizeof(uJob));
    printf("\nsize of structure = %d bytes", sizeof(sJob));
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

size of union = 32 size of structure = 40

