

Exercise 14: Structures

Equipment

For this exercise you will need:

- 1 x Arduino Uno

You can use `strcpy(out,"Hello")` to easily set the value of char-arrays.

Reading

Chapter 10

Questions & Exercises

14a: What is a member?

14b: Describe the difference between the four statements below

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
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| <code>struct.member</code> | <code>*(struct).member</code> | <code>*struct.member</code> | <code>and struct->member</code> |

When should `struct` be a pointer? When should `member` be a pointer? **14c:** Make a structure called `Animal`, include at least 5 members with 3 different data types. (Family, weight, alive, place of capture etc.)

14d: Declare two different animals of your choosing. Set all members of the two animals.

```
struct Animal hummingbird; //Declare new Animal struct
hummingbird.weight = 50;   //Set member weight of Animal struct
```

14e: Write a function that prints the information on an `Animal`.

```
void printAnimal (struct Animal a) {
    . . .
}
```

14f: Write a function that swaps one member of two `Animals` (`ID`, `weight` etc.). Remember that you must use pointers if you want to change a member of a structure passed as an argument to a function. When dealing with pointers to structure we use `a->ID` instead of `a.ID`. This is simply a syntax trick, you could also write `(*a).ID`

```
void swapWeight (struct Animal *a, struct Animal *b) {
    printf("Animal_%d_is_a_%s", a->ID, a->species);
    . . .
}
```

Hint

You can define and initialise a struct like this

```
struct ABC {
    int a;
    double b;
    boolean c;
};
struct ABC myStruct;
```