Review



Review Topics

- Structures
- Typedefs
- Pointers
- Testing
- Strings
- String Parsing
- String to Number Conversion



Structures

Structure Declaration

```
#define NAME_LEN (50)
struct PERSONNEL_REC
{
    char last[NAME_LEN + 1];
    char first[NAME_LEN + 1];
    char middle[2];
    int ident;
};
```

Structure Definition

```
struct PERSONNEL_REC new_employee;
```



Structures

Pointers to Structures



Typedefs

Definition

a synonym (K&R) or a mnemonic abbreviation (H&S) for a data type and can be used anywhere a type specifier is permitted

Syntax

- typedef as-type new-type;
- typedef as-type *new-pointer-type;
- typedef as-type new-type, new-type;
- typedef as-type new-type[num];



Typedefs

Example

```
typedef int EMP_ID_t;
typedef char INITIAL_t[2];
typedef char NAME_t[NAME_LEN + 1];
typedef struct
{
   NAME_t last;
   NAME_t first;
   INITIAL_t middle;
   EMP_ID_t ident;
} EMPLOYEE_t, *EMPLOYEE_p_t;
   -or -
typedef struct PERSONNEL_REC EMPLOYEE_t,
   *EMPLOYEE_t new_employee;
```



Definition

A pointer is the address of an object of a particular type, or a variable which may be used to represent such an address.

Declarations

Include type and "*"

Void Pointer Types (generic pointers)

```
void *generic_ptr;
```



Pointers

Valid Pointer Variable Values

NULL from stdio.h

```
#include <stdio.h>
int *ptr = NULL;
```

The address of an object of the appropriate type

```
int num = 0;
ptr = #
```

 void pointers may assume the address of any object except the address of a function

```
void *vptr = null;
vptr = #
```



- Valid Pointer Operations
 - Any pointer may be tested for equality with NULL

```
int *ptr = NULL;
ptr = foo();
if ( ptr == NULL )
    puts( "foo() failed!" );
```

 Pointers may have integers added to or subtracted from them, as long as the result is another valid pointer

```
int *first, *last;
int array[100];
first = array;
last = first + 99;
```



Pointers

- Valid Pointer Operations
 - Pointers pointing to the same array may be compared

```
if ( last > first )
   puts( "yippee" );
```

Pointers pointing to the same array may be subtracted

```
int delta;
delta = last - first; /* 99 */
```



- Valid Pointer Operations
 - Special case: an array consisting of n elements may have the address of its n + 1th element computed

```
int array[90];
int *ptr;
ptr = &array[0];
while ( ptr != &array[90] )
{
    *ptr = -1;
    ++ptr;
}
```



Pointers

Object Definition

<u>K&R (Second Edition, p. 195)</u> An object, sometimes called a variable, is a location in storage...

```
int *ptr; a pointer object
```

int arr[10];10 consecutive or contiguous objects



- Pointer Arithmetic
 - Syntax

```
ptr + 1 → points to next element

ptr + i → points to the ith element after ptr

ptr - i → points to the ith element before ptr
```

These are equivalent expressions

```
ptr = ptr + 1;
ptr += 1;
ptr++;
```



Pointers

Pointer Arithmetic

```
Given ptr = arr;
ptr → points to arr[0]

*ptr → refers to the contents of arr[0]
(ptr + 1) → points to arr[1]

*(ptr + 1) → refers to the contents of arr[1]
(ptr + i) → points to arr[i]

*(ptr + i) → refers to the contents of arr[i]
(ptr - i) → points to arr[-i]

*(ptr - i) → refers to the contents of arr[-i]
```



- Levels of testing
 - Unit -> workbench testing
 - Integration -> module-to-module, interfaces
 - System -> production simulation, performance
- Approaches
 - White Box -> code paths
 - Black Box -> requirements
 - Model Office (or Beta) -> "Let the customer test it"



Testing

- Test Plan vs Test Cases
 - Test Plan -> who, what, when
 - Test Cases -> how
- Developer Tools
 - Products -> Clarify/Purify, Test Case Mgmt Systems
 - Assert Macro
 - Conditional Preprocessing

Testing

- Conditional Preprocessing
 - #ifdef, #ifndef, #else, #endif

```
#ifdef SPECIAL_DEBUG
    printf( "fillet radius = %d \n", radius );
#endif
```

```
#ifndef NDEBUG
    void assert( int expression);
#else
    #define assert(x) ((void) 0)
#endif
```



- Review #define
 - Preprocessor Statement
 - #ifndef TRUE #define TRUE 1 #endif
 - As Compiler Directive (see reference for details)
 - cc -DTRUE=1 -DSPECIAL_DEBUG

Testing

- assert() verify program assertion
 - #include <assert.h>
 - void assert(int expression);
 - Example
 static int parse_sscanf(char * in_str, struct parse_s * parse_struct)
 {
 ...
 assert(in_str);
 assert(parse_struct);
 ...
 }
 - If assertion expression is NOT TRUE and if NDEBUG is NOT defined
 - Aborts program
 - Prints the expression, the file and line number



- In C, strings are not intrinsic
- A string is a character array ending with a null character ('\000')
- Or said another way, a string is a nullterminated character array
- The null character has the ASCII value 0
- The *null* character is logically different then NULL

String

- String Constant
 - A string constant is an array of characters and is accessed by a pointer to its first element
 - Example → "big dog"
 - Usage

```
char arr[] = "big dog";
char * ptr = "big dog";
puts( arr );
puts( ptr );
puts( "big dog" );
```



String Constant

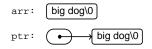
- The result of modifying the contents of a string constants is undefined (non-deterministic)
- Initializing an array with a string constant

```
char arr[] = "big dog";
    is equivalent to:
    char arr[] = {'b','i','g',' ','d','o','g','\0'};
```

 In both cases, the compiler allocates space to hold the characters and initializes the array elements.



- String Constant
 - Declaring a pointer to a string constant in not equivalent
 - char *ptr = "big dog";
 - Consider memory ...





Strings

- Compare and Assign
 - In C, strings cannot be assigned to other strings. Instead, the contents of one string are copied to other strings.
 - In C, strings cannot be compared. Instead, a character by character evaluation is performed.

Strings

```
Compare and Assign
    #include <stdio.h>

int main ( void )

{
    /* str1 is an 80 character strings */
    char str1[80+1];
    strcpy( str1, "big dog" );
    if ( strcmp( str1, "big dog" ) == 0 )
    {
        puts( "strings are equal" );
    }
}

void strcpy( char str1[], char str2[] )

{
    int inx = 0;
    while ( str1[inx] = str2[inx] )
    inx++;
}

puts( "strings are equal" );
}
```

Strings

- Safe String Copy
 - When source is large then target can accommodate ...

```
char source[] = "the quick brown fox";
char target[10];
strcpy( target, source );
```

... strcpy results in non-deterministic memory error

Strings

- Safe String Copy
 - method using use strncpy

```
1. #define TARGET_LEN (10)
  char source[] = "the quick brown fox";
2. /* + 1 for '\000' */
  char target[TARGET_LEN + 1];
3. strncpy( target, source, TARGET_LEN );
4. target[TARGET_LEN] = '\000';
```



- Safe String Copy
 - When source is smaller then target can accommodate ...

```
1. #define TARGET_LEN (10)
  char source[] = "hello";
2. /* + 1 for '\000' */
  char target[TARGET_LEN + 1];
3. strncpy( target, source, TARGET_LEN )
4. target[TARGET_LEN] = '\000';
```



String Parsing

- int sscanf(char src[], char format[], ...);
 - Reads from src string.
 - Converts according to format string (see reference for details),
 - Additional parameters (variable arguments) are pointers.
 - Converted contents are stored in objects pointed by addition parameters.
 - Returns number of successful conversions.



String Parsing

- int sscanf(char src[], char format[], ...);
 - Defined in stdio.h.
 - Example

```
#define NUM_STR_LEN (10)
char str[] = "number 3.2";
double num = 0;
char numstr[NUM_STR_LEN + 1];
int rcode =
   sscanf( str, "%s %lf", numstr, &num );
```

 Problems: objects must be big enough to hold converted contents.



String Parsing

- char *strtok(char src[], char set[]);
 - separates src in to tokens according to delimiters.
 - call strtok for each token, possibly with different delimiters.
 - first call includes src, subsequent calls pass a NULL pointer.
 - returns pointer to null-terminated token
 - returns NULL if no token found.



String Parsing

char * strtok(char src[], char set[]);

```
#define NUM_STR_LEN (10)
char *ptr = NULL;
char src[] = "number 3.2";
double number = 0;
char numstr[NUM_STR_LEN + 1];
```

```
ptr = strtok( src, " " );
if ( ptr == NULL )
    puts( "numstr not found" );
else
{
    strncpy( numstr, ptr, NUM_STR_LEN );
    numstr[NUM_STR_LEN] = '\000';
    ptr = strtok( NULL, " " );
    if ( ptr == NULL )
        puts( "number not found" );
    else
        number = strtod( ptr, NULL );
}
```



String to Number Conversion

- String to double → double strtod(const char * str, char ** ptr);
- String to long → long strtol(const char * str, char ** ptr, int base);
- String to unsigned long → unsigned long strtoul(const char * str, char ** ptr, int base);



String to Number Conversion

String to Number Conversion

```
#include <stdlib.h>
double value = 0.0;
char *errStr = NULL;
char *inputStr = "3.14";
/* on return, errStr is a pointer to the last
  * character parsed in inputStr */
value = strtod( inputString, &errStr );
/* OR pass NULL to ignore error string parameter */
value = strtod( inputString, NULL );
```

- Problems with atoi, atof, atol
 - H&S, Sec. 13.9...
 "If atoi, atof or atol are unable to convert the input string, their behavior is undefined."
 - These methods are non-deterministic !!!