



# Computing The Sum of Diagonal Elements of a Matrix

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# Problem Statement

**Given a square matrix of size  $n$ , write a C program to find the sum of major and minor diagonal elements.**

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# Introduction

We are given the size of a square matrix and elements of the same, using this we have to compute the sum of the major and minor diagonals of the matrix using the C programming language.

We will be using the 2-Dimensional array to store the elements of the given matrix and nested for loops to traverse through the array.

# Procedure

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- First we have to declare an integer 'n' and take input from the user.
  - Now we declare a 2D array of size  $n \times n$ , i.e n rows and n columns.
  - The next step would be take the elements of this array as input from the user.
  - Now declare two integers for sum of major diagonal elements and sum of minor diagonal elements and initialize them to zero.
  - Now using a for loop traverse through the array and take the sum of major diagonal elements and add the sum to the respective variable.
  - Repeat the above step to update the sum of minor diagonal elements as well.
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# Algorithm

Explanation of Code

# Step 1

As you can see in the snippet, we are declaring an 'int n' and taking input using 'scanf'.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(){
    int n;
    printf("Enter the size of the Matrix: ");
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

# Step 2

Here we are declaring a 2d array of size n and taking input using nested 'for' loop.

```
int matrix[n][n];
printf("\nEnter the elements of the Matrix:\n");
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    for(int j = 0; j < n; j++){
        scanf("%d", &matrix[i][j]);
    }
}
```



# Step 3

Now we declare a variable of data type int. Using a loop we iterate through the major diagonal elements and add it to the variable.

```
int sum_of_major_diagonal_elements = 0;
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    sum_of_major_diagonal_elements += matrix[i][i]
    // arr[0][0] + arr[1][1] and so on..
}
```

# Step 4

Similarly, we declare a variable for storing the sum of minor diagonal elements. We iterate through the matrix and add the respective elements to the variable.

```
int sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements = 0;
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements += matrix[i][n - 1 - i];
    // arr[0][n-1] + arr[1][n-2] and so on..
}
```

# Step 5

Now we print the respective results using the 'printf' statements as shown in the snippet.

```
printf("The sum of the major diagonal elements is %d\n",  
sum_of_major_diagonal_elements);  
printf("The sum of the minor diagonal elements is %d",  
sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements);  
return 0;
```

```
}
```

## Code Output

The output will be displayed as shown in the following snippet.

```
Enter the size of the Matrix: 4
```

```
Enter the elements of the Matrix:
```

```
65 45 85 25
```

```
15 95 79 64
```

```
65 28 39 71
```

```
45 97 27 19
```

```
The sum of the major diagonal elements is 218
```

```
The sum of the minor diagonal elements is 177
```

```
PS C:\Users\rajur\OneDrive\Desktop\ITP> █
```

# References

- <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/multidimensional-arrays-c-cpp/>
- <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/loops-in-c-and-cpp/?ref=gcse>
- <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/nested-loops-in-c-with-examples/>
- <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/array-data-structure/>



# Final Code

```
C: > Users > rajur > OneDrive > Desktop > ITP > C Assignment_1.c > main()
1
2 //Program to find the sum of major and minor diagonal elements of a matrix
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 int main(){
6     int n;
7     printf("Enter the size of the Matrix: ");
8     scanf("%d", &n);
9     int matrix[n][n];
10    printf("\nEnter the elements of the Matrix:\n");
11    for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
12        for(int j = 0; j < n; j++){
13            scanf("%d", &matrix[i][j]);
14        }
15    }
16    int sum_of_major_diagonal_elements = 0;
17    for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
18        sum_of_major_diagonal_elements += matrix[i][i];
19        // arr[0][0] + arr[1][1] and so on..
20    }
21    int sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements = 0;
22    for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
23        sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements += matrix[i][n - 1 - i];
24        // arr[0][n-1] + arr[1][n-2] and so on..
25    }
26    printf("The sum of the major diagonal elements is %d\n", sum_of_major_diagonal_elements);
27    printf("The sum of the minor diagonal elements is %d", sum_of_minor_diagonal_elements);
28    return 0;
29 }
```



**THANK YOU !**