Week 02

Things to Note ...

Sample solutions to problem sets on the web on Tuesday

In This Lecture ...

• Abstract data objects and types (ADTs) (Slides, [M] 6.6-6.7, [S] 4.1-4.3)

Coming Up ...

• Dynamic data structures (Slides, [M] Ch. 10, [S] Ch.3)

Nerdy Things You Should Know

Consider the following scenario ...

- you're sitting in a lab
- you're looking at some code like '/^s?[0-9]{7}\$/'
- you want to ask a question about the code
- but you're not sure how to refer to the ^ char
- and you don't want to sound clueless

Fear not! This is ... How to speak #@*%\$! Ascii

```
From blog.codinghorror.com/ascii-pronunciation-rules-for-programmers/
```

Nerdy Things You Should Know (cont)

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Abstract Data Objects and Types

Abstract Data Types

A data type is ...

- a set of values (atomic or structured values) e.g. integer stacks
- a collection of operations on those values e.g. push, pop, isEmpty?

An abstract data type is ...

- an approach to implementing data types
- separates interface from implementation
- users of the ADT see only the interface
- builders of the ADT provide an implementation

Abstract Data Types (cont)

ADT interface provides

- a user-view of the data structure
- function signatures (prototypes) for all operations
- semantics of operations (via documentation)
- ⇒ a "contract" between ADT and its clients

ADT implementation gives

- concrete definition of the data structures
- function implementations for all operations

Abstract Data Types (cont)

ADT interfaces are opaque

• clients cannot see the implementation via the interface

ADTs are important because ...

- facilitate decomposition of complex programs
- make implementation changes invisible to clients
- improve readability and structuring of software

Abstract Data Types (cont)

Typical operations with ADTs

- create a value of the type
- modify one variable of the type
- combine two values of the type

Collections

Common ADTs ...

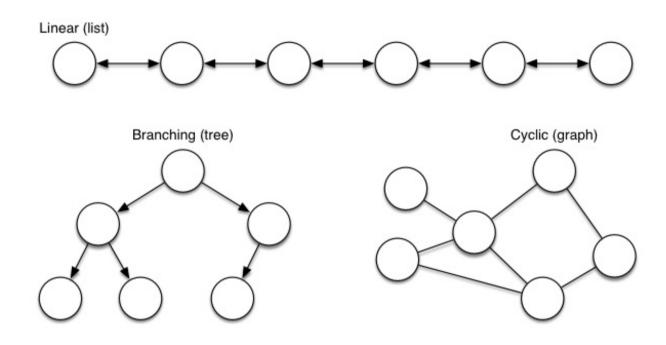
- consist of a collection of items
- where each item may be a simple type or an ADT
- and items often have a key (to identify them)

Collections may be categorised by ...

- structure: linear (array, linked list), branching (tree), cyclic (graph)
- usage: matrix, stack, queue, set, search-tree, dictionary, map, ...

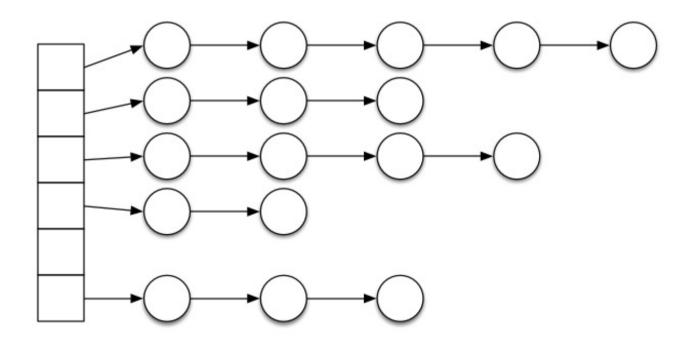
Collections (cont)

Collection structures:



Collections (cont)

Or even a hybrid structure like:



Collections (cont)

For a given collection type

many different data representations are possible

For a given operation and data representation

- several different algorithms are possible
- efficiency of algorithms may vary widely

Generally,

- there is no overall "best" representation/implementation
- cost depends on the mix of operations (e.g. proportion of inserts, searches, deletions, ...)

ADOs and ADTs

We want to distinguish ...

- ADO = abstract data object
- ADT = abstract data type

Warning: Sedgewick's first few examples are ADOs, not ADTs.

Example: Abstract Stack Data Object

Stack, aka pushdown stack or LIFO data structure

Assume (for the time being) stacks of char values

Operations:

- create an empty stack
- insert (push) an item onto stack
- remove (pop) most recently pushed item
- check whether stack is empty

Example: Abstract Stack Data Object (cont)

Example of use:

Stack	Operation	Return value
?	create	-
_	push a	_
а	push b	_
a b	push c	_
abc	pop	С
a b	isempty	false

Exercise #1: Stack vs Queue

Consider the previous example but with a queue instead of a stack.

Which element would have been taken out ("dequeued") first?

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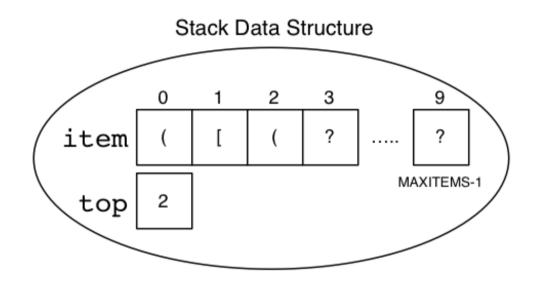
Stack as ADO

Interface (a file named Stack.h)

Note:

- no explicit reference to Stack object
- this makes it an Abstract Data Object (ADO)

Implementation may use the following data structure:



Sidetrack: Character I/O Functions in C (requires <stdio.h>)

```
int getchar(void);
```

returns character read from standard input as an int, or returns
 EOF on end of file

```
int putchar(int ch);
```

- writes the character **ch** to standard output
- returns the character written, or **EOF** on error

Both functions do automatic type conversion

putchar('A') has the same effect as putchar((int)'A')
 (explicit type conversion)

Implementation (in a file named **Stack.c**):

```
#include "Stack.h"
#include <assert.h>
                                           // insert char on top of stack
#define MAXITEMS 10
                                           void StackPush(char ch) {
static struct {
                                              assert(stackObject.top < MAXITEMS-1);</pre>
                                              stackObject.top++;
   char item[MAXITEMS];
                                              int i = stackObject.top;
   int top;
                                              stackObject.item[i] = ch;
} stackObject; // defines the Data Object
                                           }
// set up empty stack
void StackInit() {
                                           // remove char from top of stack
   stackObject.top = -1;
                                           char StackPop() {
                                              assert(stackObject.top > -1);
                                              int i = stackObject.top;
                                              char ch = stackObject.item[i];
// check whether stack is empty
int StackIsEmpty() {
                                              stackObject.top--;
   return (stackObject.top < 0);
                                              return ch;
```

assert(test) terminates program with error message if test fails.

Exercise #2: Bracket Matching

Bracket matching ... check whether all opening brackets such as '(', '[', '[', have matching closing brackets ')', ']', '}'

Which of the following expressions are balanced?

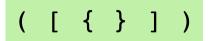
- 1. (a+b) * c
- 2. a[i]+b[j]*c[k])
- 3. (a[i]+b[j])*c[k]
- 4. a(a+b]*c
- 5. void f(char a[], int n) {int i; for(i=0;i<n;i++) {
 a[i] = (a[i]*a[i])*(i+1); }}</pre>
- 6. a(a+b * c

- 1 balanced
- 2. not balanced (case 1: an opening bracket is missing)
- 3. balanced
- 4. not balanced (case 2: closing bracket doesn't match opening bracket)
- 5. balanced
- 6. not balanced (case 3: missing closing bracket)

Bracket matching algorithm, to be implemented as a *client* for Stack ADO:

```
#include "Stack.h"
bracketMatching(s):
   Input stream s of characters
   Output TRUE if parentheses in s balanced, FALSE otherwise
   for each ch in s do
      if ch = open bracket then
         push ch onto stack
      else if ch = closing bracket then
         if stack is empty then
            return FALSE
                                              // opening bracket missing (case 1)
         else
            pop top of stack
            if brackets do not match then
               return FALSE
                                              // wrong closing bracket (case 2)
            end if
         end if
      end if
   end for
   if stack is not empty then return FALSE // some brackets unmatched (case 3)
                          else return TRUE
```

Execution trace of client on sample input:



Next char	Stack	Check
-	empty	-
((-
[[]	-
{	}])	-
}	[]	{ vs } ✓
]	([vs] ✓
)	empty	(vs) ✓
eof	empty	_

Exercise #3: Bracket Matching Algorithm

Trace the algorithm on the input

```
void f(char a[], int n) {
   int i;
   for(i=0;i<n;i++) { a[i] = a[i]*a[i])*(i+1); }
}</pre>
```

Next bracket	Stack	Check
start	empty	-
((-
[[]	-
]	(✓
)	empty	✓
{	{	-
({ (-
)	{	✓
{	{ {	-
]] } }	-
]	{ {	✓
]] } }	-
]	{ {	✓
]] } }	-
]	{ {	✓
)	{	FALSE

Compilation and Makefiles

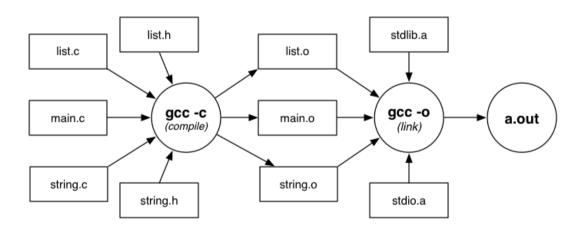
Compilers

Compilers are programs that

- convert program source code to executable form
- "executable" might be machine code or bytecode

The Gnu C compiler (gcc)

- applies source-to-source transformation (pre-processor)
- compiles source code to produce object files
- links object files and *libraries* to produce *executables*



Compilers (cont)

Compilation/linking with gcc

```
gcc -c Stack.c
produces Stack.o, from Stack.c and Stack.h
gcc -c bracket.c
produces bracket.o, from bracket.c and Stack.h
gcc -o rbt bracket.o Stack.o
links bracket.o, Stack.o and libraries
producing executable program called rbt
```

Note that **stdio**, **assert** included implicitly.

gcc is a multi-purpose tool

• compiles (-c), links, makes executables (-o)

Make/Makefiles

Compilation process is complex for large systems.

How much to compile?

- ideally, what's changed since last compile
- practically, recompile everything, to be sure

The make command assists by allowing

- programmers to document dependencies in code
- minimal re-compilation, based on dependencies

Example multi-module program ...

main.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "world.h"
#include "graphics.h"

int main(void)
{
    ...
    drawPlayer(p);
    spin(...);
}
```

world.h

```
typedef ... Ob;
typedef ... Pl;
extern addObject(Ob);
extern remObject(Ob);
extern movePlayer(Pl);
```

world.c

```
#include <stdlib.h>
addObject(...)
{ ... }

remObject(...)
{ ... }

movePlayer(...)
{ ... }
```

graphics.h

```
extern drawObject(Ob);
extern drawPlayer(Pl);
extern spin(...);
```

graphics.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "world.h"

drawObject(Ob o);
{ ... }

drawPlayer(Pl p)
{ ... }

spin(...)
{ ... }
```

make is driven by dependencies given in a Makefile

A dependency specifies

```
target : source<sub>1</sub> source<sub>2</sub> ...
commands to build target from sources
```

e.g.

```
game : main.o graphics.o world.o
gcc -o game main.o graphics.o world.o
```

Rule: *target* is rebuilt if older than any *source*_i

A Makefile for the example program:

```
game : main.o graphics.o world.o
  gcc -o game main.o graphics.o world.o

main.o : main.c graphics.h world.h
  gcc -Wall -Werror -c main.c

graphics.o : graphics.c world.h
  gcc -Wall -Werror -c graphics.c

world.o : world.c
  gcc -Wall -Werror -c world.c
```

Things to note:

- A target (game, main.o, ...) is on a newline
 - followed by a :
 - then followed by the files that the target is dependent on
- The action (gcc ...) is always on a newline
 - and must be indented with a TAB

If make arguments are targets, build just those targets:

```
prompt$ make world.o
gcc -Wall -Werror -c world.c
```

If no args, build first target in the Makefile.

```
prompt$ make
gcc -Wall -Werror -c main.c
gcc -Wall -Werror -c graphics.c
gcc -Wall -Werror -c world.c
gcc -o game main.o graphics.o world.o
```

Exercise #4: Makefile

Write a Makefile for the bracket matching program.

From ADOs to ADTs

Abstract Data Objects

• Stack.c provides a single abstract object stackObject

Abstract Data Types

- allow clients to create and manipulate arbitrarily many data objects of an abstract type
- ... without revealing the implementation to a client

In C, ADTs are implemented using pointers and dynamic memory allocation

Pointers

Sidetrack: Numeral Systems

Numeral system ... system for representing numbers using digits or other symbols.

- Most cultures have developed a decimal system (based on 10)
- For computers it is convenient to use a binary (base 2) or a hexadecimal (base 16) system

Decimal representation

- The base is 10; digits 0 9
- Example: decimal number 4705 can be interpreted as $4.10^3 + 7.10^2 + 0.10^1 + 5.10^0$
- Place values:

 1000	100	10	1
 10 ³	10 ²	10 ¹	10 ⁰

- Write number as 4705₁₀
 - Note use of subscript to denote base

Binary representation

- The base is 2; digits 0 and 1
- Example: binary number 1011 can be interpreted as $1.2^3 + 0.2^2 + 1.2^1 + 1.2^0$
- Place values:

 8	4	2	1	
 2 ³	22	21	20	

• Write number as 1011_2 (= 11_{10})

Hexadecimal representation

- The base is 16; digits 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F
- Example: hexadecimal number 3AF1 can be interpreted as $3.16^3 + 10.16^2 + 15.16^1 + 1.16^0$
- Place values:

 4096	256	16	1
 16 ³	16 ²	16 ¹	16 ⁰

• Write number as 3AF1₁₆ (= 15089₁₀)

Exercise #5: Conversion Between Different Numeral Systems

- 1. Convert **101011**₂ to base 10
- 2. Convert **74**₁₀ to base 2
- 3. Convert **2D**₁₆ to base 10
- 4. Convert **273**₁₀ to base 16

- 1. **43**₁₀
- 2. **1001010**₂
- 3. **45**₁₀
- 4. **111**₁₆

Conversion between binary and hexadecimal

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0000	0001	0010	0011	0100	0101	0110	0111
8	9	Α	В	С	D	E	F
1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111

- Binary to hexadecimal
 - Collect bits into groups of four starting from right to left
 - "pad" out left-hand side with 0's if necessary
 - Convert each group of four bits into its equivalent hexadecimal representation (given in table above)
- Hexadecimal to binary
 - Reverse the previous process
 - Convert each hex digit into equivalent 4-bit binary representation

Exercise #6: Conversion Between Binary and Hexadecimal

- 1. Convert **1011111000101001**₂ to base 16
 - Hint: 1011111000101001
- 2. Convert **10111101011100**₂ to base 16
 - Hint: 10111101011100
- 3. Convert **12p**₁₆ to base 2

- 1 **BE29**₁₆
- 2. **2F5C**₁₆
- 3. **100101101**₂

Memory

Computer memory ... large array of consecutive data cells or bytes

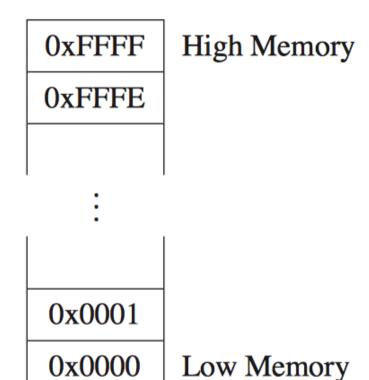
• char ... 1 byte int, float ... 4 bytes double ... 8 bytes

When a variable is declared, the operating system finds a place in memory to store the appropriate number of bytes.

If we declare a variable called k ...

- the place where k is stored is denoted by &k
- also called the address of k

It is convenient to print memory addresses in Hexadecimal notation



Memory (cont)

Example:

```
int k;
int m;

printf("address of k is %p\n", &k);
printf("address of m is %p\n", &m);
```

```
address of k is BFFFFB80 address of m is BFFFFB84
```

This means that

- k occupies the four bytes from **BFFFFB80** to **BFFFFB83**
- m occupies the four bytes from BFFFFB84 to BFFFFB87

Note the use of **p** as placeholder for an address ("pointer" value)

Memory (cont)

When an array is declared, the elements of the array are guaranteed to be stored in consecutive memory locations:

```
int array[5];
for (i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
   printf("address of array[%d] is %p\n", i, &array[i]);
}</pre>
```

```
address of array[0] is BFFFFB60
address of array[1] is BFFFFB64
address of array[2] is BFFFFB68
address of array[3] is BFFFFB6C
address of array[4] is BFFFFB70
```

Application: Input Using scanf()

Standard I/O function scanf() requires the address of a variable as argument

- scanf() uses a format string like printf()
- use %d to read an integer value

```
#include <stdio.h>
...
int answer;
printf("Enter your answer: ");
scanf("%d", &answer);
```

• use %f to read a floating point value (%lf for double)

```
float e;
printf("Enter e: ");
scanf("%f", &e);
```

- scanf() returns a value the number of items read
 - o use this value to determine if **scanf()** successfully read a number
 - **scanf()** could fail e.g. if the user enters letters

Exercise #7: Using scanf

Write a program that

- asks the user for a number
- checks that it is positive
- applies Collatz's process (Exercise 4, Problem Set 1) to the number

Pointers

A pointer ...

- is a special type of variable
- storing the address (memory location) of another variable

A pointer occupies space in memory, just like any other variable of a certain type

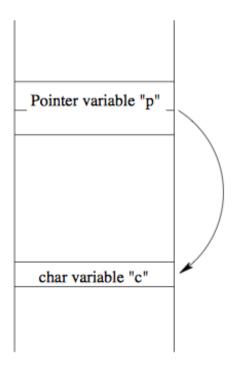
The number of memory cells needed for a pointer depends on the computer's architecture:

- Old computer, or hand-held device with only 64KB of addressable memory:
 - 2 memory cells (i.e. 16 bits) to hold any address from **0x0000** to **0xFFFF** (= 65535)
- Desktop machine with 4GB of addressable memory
 - 4 memory cells (i.e. 32 bits) to hold any address from 0x0000000 to 0xffffffff (= 4294967295)
- Modern 64-bit computer
 - 8 memory cells (can address 2⁶⁴ bytes, but in practice the amount of memory is limited by the CPU)

Pointers (cont)

Suppose we have a pointer **p** that "points to" a **char** variable **c**.

Assuming that the pointer **p** requires 2 bytes to store the address of **c**, here is what the memory map might look like:



Pointers (cont)

Now that we have assigned to p the address of variable c ...

need to be able to reference the data in that memory location

Operator * is used to access the object the pointer points to

• e.g. to change the value of **c** using the pointer **p**:

```
*p = 'T'; // sets the value of c to 'T'
```

The * operator is sometimes described as "dereferencing" the pointer, to access the underlying variable

Pointers (cont)

Things to note:

• all pointers constrained to point to a particular type of object

```
// a potential pointer to any object of type char
char *s;

// a potential pointer to any object of type int
int *p;
```

- if pointer **p** is pointing to an integer variable **x**
 - ⇒ *p can occur in any context that x could

Examples of Pointers

```
int *p; int *q; // this is how pointers are declared
int a[5];
int x = 10, y;

p = &x;
*p = 20;
y = *p;
p = &a[2];
q = p;
// this is how pointers are declared
int a[5];
// p now points to x
// p now points to x
// whatever p points to is now equal to 20
// y is now equal to whatever p points to
p = &a[2];
// p points to an element of array a[]
// q and p now point to the same thing
```

Exercise #8: Pointers

What is the output of the following program?

```
#include <stdio.h>
 23
   int main(void) {
      int *ptr1, *ptr2;
5
      int i = 10, j = 20;
6
7
8
9
   ptr1 = &i;
    ptr2 = &j;
10
   *ptr1 = *ptr1 + *ptr2;
11 ptr2 = ptr1;
12 *ptr2 = 2 * (*ptr2);
      printf("Val = %d\n", *ptr1 + *ptr2);
13
      return 0;
14
15 }
```

Val = 120

Examples of Pointers (cont)

Can we write a function to "swap" two variables?

The wrong way:

```
void swap(int a, int b) {
   int temp = a;
   a = b;
   b = temp;
}

int main(void) {
   int a = 5, b = 7;
   swap(a, b);
   printf("a = %d, b = %d\n", a, b); // a and b still have their original values return 0;
}
```

Examples of Pointers (cont)

In C, parameters are "call-by-value"

- changes made to the value of a parameter do not affect the original
- function swap() tries to swap the values of a and b, but fails because it only swaps the copies, not the "real" variables in main()

We can achieve "simulated call-by-reference" by passing pointers as parameters

this allows the function to change the "actual" value of the variables

Examples of Pointers (cont)

Can we write a function to "swap" two variables?

The right way:

Pointers and Arrays

An alternative approach to iteration through an array:

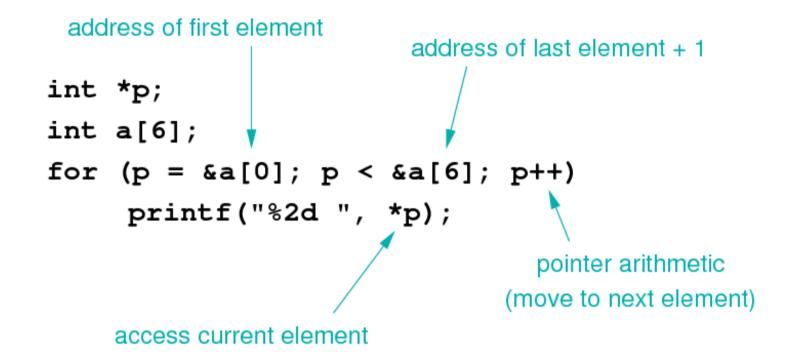
- determine the address of the first element in the array
- determine the address of the last element in the array
- set a pointer variable to refer to the first element
- use pointer arithmetic to move from element to element
- terminate loop when address exceeds that of last element

Example:

```
int a[6];
int *p = &a[0];
while (p <= &a[5]) {
    printf("%2d ", *p);
    p++;
}</pre>
```

Pointers and Arrays (cont)

Pointer-based scan written in more typical style



Note: because of pointer/array connection a[i] == *(a+i)

Sidetrack: Pointer Arithmetic

A pointer variable holds a value which is an address.

C knows what type of object is being pointed to

- it knows the **sizeof** that object
- it can compute where the next/previous object is located

Example:

```
int a[6];  // address 0x1000
int *p;
p = &a[0];  // p contains 0x1000
p = p + 1;  // p now contains 0x1004
```

Sidetrack: Pointer Arithmetic (cont)

For a pointer declared as $\mathbf{T} * \mathbf{p}$; (where \mathbf{T} is a type)

- if the pointer initially contains address A
 - \circ executing $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k}$; (where \mathbf{k} is a constant)
 - changes the value in p to A + k*sizeof(T)

The value of **k** can be positive or negative.

Example:

Arrays of Strings

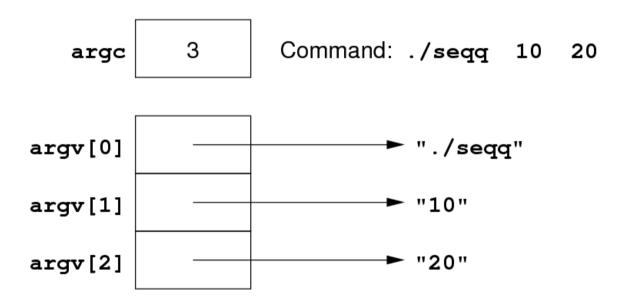
One common type of pointer/array combination are the command line arguments

- These are 0 or more strings specified when program is run
- If you run this command in a terminal:

```
prompt$ ./seqq 10 20
```

then seqq will be given 2 command-line arguments: "10", "20"

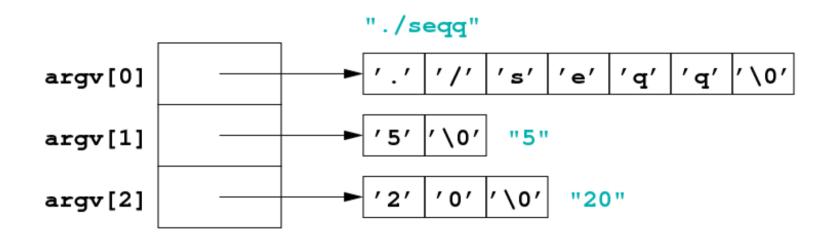
prompt\$./seqq 10 20



Each element of argv[] is

- a pointer to the start of a character array (char *)
 - containing a \o-terminated string

More detail on how **argv** is represented:



main() needs different prototype if you want to access command-line arguments:

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) { ...
```

- argc ... stores the number of command-line arguments + 1
 - **argc** == 1 if no command-line arguments
- argv[] ... stores program name + command-line arguments
 - argv[0] always contains the program name
 - o argv[1], argv[2], ... are the command-line arguments if supplied

<stdlib.h> defines useful functions to convert strings:

- atoi(char *s) converts string to int
- atof(char *s) converts string to double (can also be assigned to float variable)

Exercise #9: Command Line Arguments

Write a program that

- checks for a single command line argument
 - if not, outputs a usage message and exits with failure
- converts this argument to a number and checks that it is positive
- applies Collatz's process (Exercise 4, Problem Set 1) to the number

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
void collatz(int n) {
   printf("%d\n", n);
  while (n != 1) {
      if (n % 2 == 0)
  n = n / 2;
      else
 n = 3*n + 1;
      printf("%d\n", n);
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
   if (argc != 2) {
      printf("Usage: %s [number]\n", argv[0]);
      return 1;
   int n = atoi(argv[1]);
   if (n > 0)
     collatz(n);
   return 0;
```

argv can also be viewed as double pointer (a pointer to a pointer)

⇒ Alternative prototype for main():

```
int main(int argc, char **argv) { ...
```

Can still use argv[0], argv[1], ...

Pointers and Structures

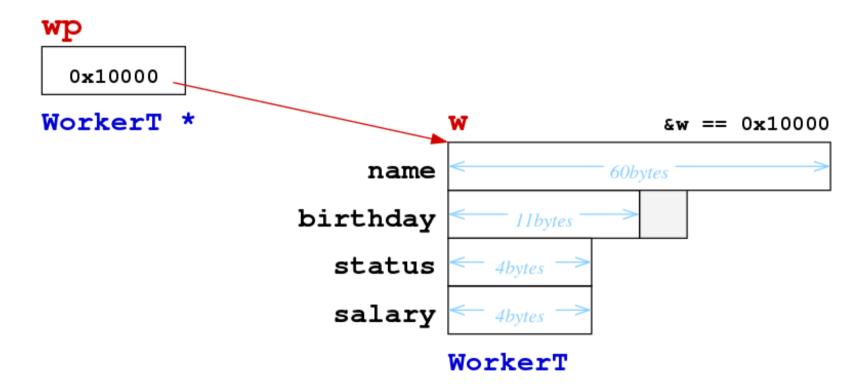
Like any object, we can get the address of a **struct** via &.

```
typedef char Date[11]; // e.g. "03-08-2017"
typedef struct {
    char name[60];
    Date birthday;
    int status; // e.g. 1 (≡ full time)
    float salary;
} WorkerT;
WorkerT w; WorkerT *wp;
; w_{s} = q_{w}
// a problem ...
*wp.salary = 125000.00;
// does not have the same effect as
w.salary = 125000.00;
// because it is interpreted as
*(wp.salary) = 125000.00;
// to achieve the correct effect, we need
(*wp).salary = 125000.00;
// a simpler alternative is normally used in C
wp->salary = 125000.00;
```

Learn this well; we will frequently use it in this course.

Pointers and Structures (cont)

Diagram of scenario from program above:

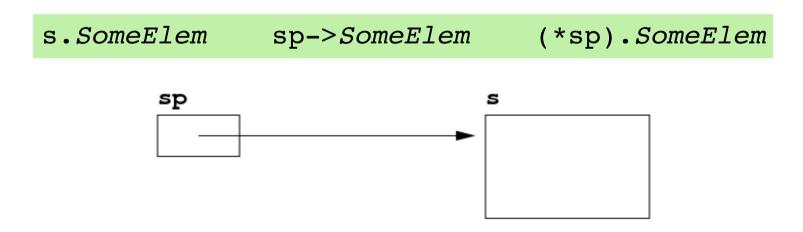


Pointers and Structures (cont)

General principle ...

If we have:

then the following are all equivalent:



Summary

- Introduction to ADOs and ADTs
- Compilation and Makefiles
- Numeral systems
- Pointers

- Suggested reading:
 - o introduction to ADTs ... Sedgewick, Ch.4.1-4.3
 - o pointers ... Moffat, Ch.6.6-6.7