

CSE101-Lec#4

- Constant
- Variable
- Expression



Outline

- In this lecture we will study
 - Constant
 - Variable
 - Expression



Tokens

- We have seen that Tokens are broadly classified as:
 - Identifiers
 - Keywords
 - Constants
 - Variables
 - Strings
 - Operators
 - Special character



Constants







Constants

- The entity which do not change throughout the execution are called constants.
- Types of constants:
 - Integer constant
 - Character constant
 - Floating point constants
 - String constants



Name of person remains same through out the life, example: Amit, Shubnam, etc.



Integer Constants

When the constant contains only digits without any decimal part

Example : 5; -987;

Floating Constant

Constants that contains number with decimal points

Example : 3.14; 309.89



Character constants

- Constants enclosed in single quotes('').
- It can be any letter from character set.



Example: '\n', '\t' or 'a'

String Constants

- Set of zero or more characters enclosed in double quotes (eg: "")
- It is represented as sequence of characters within double quotes.

Example: "This is C programming"



My-Car

In My-Car problem the constant value is 3.14 which is the value of pi and always same.

• pi = 3.14

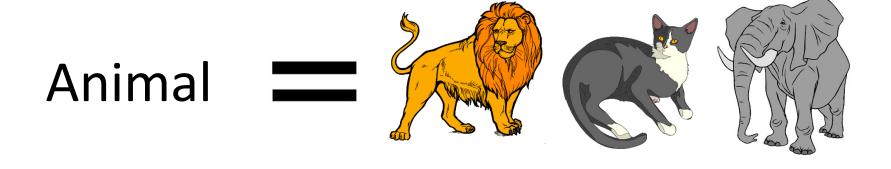
Therefore:

dist_travelled = 2 * pi * radius.

If the radius of car wheel is 15inch then what will the distance traveled after one rotation of that wheel?
Sol: Givenradius = 15 inch
dist_travelled = ?
So, Circumference of circle = 2 * pi * radius
dist_travelled = 2 * 3.14 * radius
dist_travelled = 6.28 * 15
dist_travelled = 94.2 inch Ans.
94.2 Real (float in C)

pi is a floating point constant.









- Variable is an entity which may change.
- Variable is used to hold result and reserve memory for the data.

datatype variable_name;

The naming of variable is done by following the same rules of identifier naming.



Eg. What is your **hobby**?

The answer could be **reading**, **dancing**, **drawing**, etc. So the answer to such questions may change during the life time of the person



Rules for naming a Variable

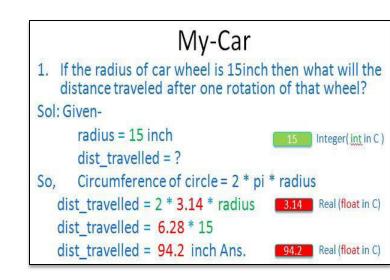
- 1. An variable name is any combination of 1 to 31 alphabets, digits or underscores.
- 2. The first character in the variable name must be an alphabet or underscore.
- 3. No blanks or special symbol other than an underscore can be used in an variable name.

4. Keywords are not allowed to be used as variables.



In My-Car problem the variable was

- radius and dist_travelled
 It can also be named as
- radius_wheel or r1 or car_wheel_radius
- Distance or d1 or dist_by_1rotation





Let us build some variables:

For speed of car we need to know

- Distance traveled
- Time taken to travel the distance

Variables to be declared as

- Speed, s1, speed_of_car
- Distance, d1, dist
- Time, t1, time_of_travel



$$s1 = d1 \div t1$$

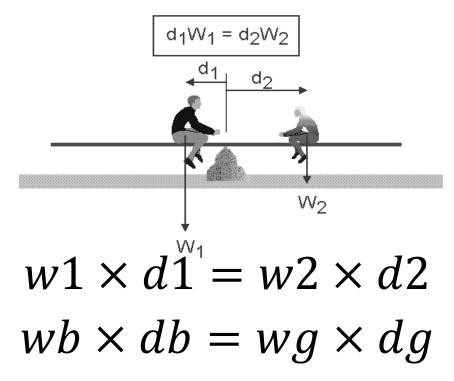


See-Saw

A bit more complex situation see-saw

Variables to be declared as

- Weight_boy, w1, wb
- Distance_boy, d1, db
- Weight_girl, w2, wg
- Distance_girl, d2, dg



 It is to be assessed that at what distance 50Kg girl should sit in order to balance a boy of 70Kg sitting 2m away from the center 'o'



Variable Initialization

 Assigning some value to the variable at time of creation of variable is known as variable initialization.

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datatype variable_name = value;
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Example: int radius= 15;
float pi = 3.14;
char grade = 'A';
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Expressions

- Expressions are the statements or the instruction given to computer to perform some operation.
- Every expression results in some value that can be stored in a variable.
- Following are few example of expressions in program:
 - Expression to calculate speed of a car.
 - Speed=distance/time
 - Expression to find similarity of two things.
 - c=value1>value2

- Expressions in C are basically operators acting on operands.
- An **operand** is an entity on which operation is to be performed.

Example: addition of two numbers, 5+8, these numbers will be operands.

An operator specifies the operation to be applied on operands.

Example: The addition, subtraction, etc will be operators

- Expressions are made of one or more operands.
- Statements like :

$$a = b + c,$$

++z
 $300 > (8 * k)$



Types of Expressions

- The type of expression depend upon the type of operator used in the expression.
- It can be:
 - Arithmetic operators.

$$3 + 6 = 9$$

$$4 * 2 = 8$$

Relational or logical operators.

Increment and decrement operator.