

COMSw 1003-1

Introduction to Computer
Programming in 

Lecture 6

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Announcements

Homework 1 is due next Monday

Exercise 2 is out

Today

- Strings
- Control Flow
- Loops (if time permits)

Review - arrays

- Multidimensional arrays

```
int X[4][3]; // a matrix containing 4x3 = 12 integers
```

X[0][0]	X[0][1]	X[0][2]
X[1][0]	X[1][1]	X[1][2]
X[2][0]	X[2][1]	X[2][2]
X[3][0]	X[3][1]	X[3][2]

- Indexing starts at 0 !

```
X[0][0] = 1;  
X[3][1] = 7;
```

- Initialize says

```
int arr[4] = { 3, 6, 7, 89 };
```

```
int arr2[2][4] = { {19, 2, 6, 99}, {55, 5, 555, 0} };
```

```
int arr[] = { 3, 6, 77 };
```

This automatically allocates memory
for an array of 3 integers

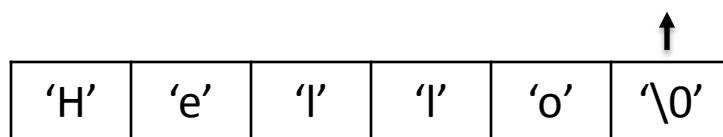
Strings

- Strings are arrays of char
- '\0' is a special character that indicates the end of a string

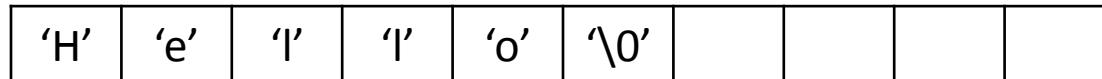
```
char s[6] = { 'H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0' };
```



We need 6 characters because there is '\0'



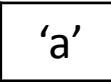
```
char s[10] = "Hello";
```



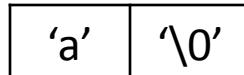
```
char s[6];  
s[0] = 'H';  
s[1] = 'e';  
s[2] = 'l';  
s[3] = 'l';  
s[4] = 'o';  
s[5] = '\0';
```

- Difference between string and char

```
char c = 'a';
```



```
char s[2] = "a";
```



Strings functions

String specific functions are included in the library `string.h`

```
#include <string.h>
```

```
char s[6];
```

```
s = "Hello";
```

Illegal ! String assignment can be
done only at declaration!

- `strcpy()` : copy a string to another

```
strcpy( string1 , string2 );
```

Copy *string2* to *string1*

```
char s[6];
```

```
strcpy(s, "Hello");
```

String functions

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- `strcmp()` : compare two strings

```
strcmp( string1 , string2 );
```

Returns :

0 if *string1* and *string2* are the same
value != 0 otherwise

```
char s1[] = "Hi";
char s2[] = "Him";
char s3[3];
strcpy( s3, s1 );
int x = strcmp( s1, s2 );      // x != 0
int y = strcmp( s1, s3 );      // y = 0
```

Strings functions

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- `strcat()` : concatenate two strings

```
strcat( string1 , string2 );
```

Concatenate *string2* at the end of *string1*

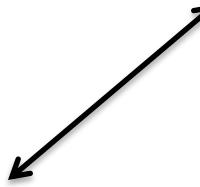
```
char s1[] = "Hello ";
char s2[] = "World!";
strcat(s1, s2);
```

'H'	'e'	'l'	'l'	'o'	' '	'W'	'o'	'r'	'l'	'd'	'\0'
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- `strlen()` : returns the length of a string (does not count '\0')

```
strlen( string );
```

```
char s1[] = "Hello";
int x = strlen(s1); // x = 5
```



Reading Strings

Use functions from library `stdio.h`

- `fgets()` : get string from standard input (command line)

```
fgets( name , sizeof(name) , stdin );
```

```
char s1[100];
fgets( s1 , sizeof(s1) , stdin );
```

Reads a maximum of `sizeof(name)` characters of a string from `stdin` and saves them into string *name*

NOTE: `fgets()` reads the newline character '`\n`', so we should substitute it with '`\0`';

```
s1[strlen(s1) - 1] = '\0';
```

'H'	'e'	'l'	'l'	'o'	'\n'
'H'	'e'	'l'	'l'	'o'	'\0'

- `sizeof()` : returns the size (number of bytes occupied in memory) of a variable (for strings it counts the number of elements, including '`\0`')

Reading numbers – Option 1

- First, read a string
- Then, convert string to number
- `sscanf()` : get string from standard input (command line)

```
sscanf( string, “format”, &var1, ..., &varN) ;
```

```
char s1[100];
int x, y;
printf("Please enter two numbers separated by a space\n");
fgets( s1, sizeof(s1), stdin);
```

User enters: 3 18

```
sscanf( s1, “%d %d”, &x, &y ) ;  

// x = 3; y = 18;
```

Reading numbers – Option 2

- Read directly the number
- `scanf()` : get string from standard input (command line) and automatically convert into a number

```
scanf( "format", &var1, ... , &varN );
```

```
int x, y;  
printf("Please enter two numbers separated by a space\n")
```

User enters: 3 18

```
scanf( "%d %d", &x, &y );  
  
// x = 3; y = 18;
```

Strings functions - recap

```
char s1[] = "Hello";    char s2[] = "He";    int x;    char c;
```



Example – sumNums.c

Control Flow

- So far we have seen **linear programs**, statements are executed in the order in which they are written
- What if we want to skip some instructions, or execute them only under certain conditions?
- Solution: **control flow**

Control flow – General syntax

```
keyword ( condition ) {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement n;  
}
```



The body is executed
only if the *condition*
is true!

If the body of the control flow has only one statement, we can **optionally** not use the { }

```
keyword ( condition )  
    body statement 1;
```

Control flow – if

- To execute a particular body of statements only **if** a particular *condition* is satisfied

```
if ( condition ) {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement n;  
}
```

Example

```
int x = 3, y;  
  
if ( x > 2 ) {  
    x++;  
    y = x;  
  
}  
  
printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

Control flow - else

- To execute a particular body of statements only **if** a particular *condition* is **not** satisfied

```
if ( condition ) {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement n;  
  
}  
else {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement m;  
}
```

Example

```
int x = 3, y;  
  
if ( x > 2 ) {  
    x++;  
    y = x;  
}  
else {  
    y = 2 * x;  
}  
  
printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

Control Flow – if/else example

```
int x = 3, y = 1;

if( x > 2 )
    if( x == 4 )
        y = x;
else
    y = 2 * x;

printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

Control Flow – if/else example

```
int x = 3, y = 1;  
  
if( x > 2 )  
    if( x == 4 )  
        y = x;  
else  
    y = 2 * x;  
  
printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

`else` refers always to the last `if` that was not already closed by another `else`

Control Flow – if/else example

```
int x = 3, y = 1;  
  
if( x > 2 ) {  
  
    if( x == 4 ) {  
        y = x;  
    }  
    else {  
        y = 2 * x;  
    }  
}  
  
printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

This is why we need
brackets and indentation!

Control Flow – if/else example

```
int x = 3, y = 1;  
  
if( x > 2 ) {  
  
    if( x == 4 ) {  
        y = x;  
    }  
}  
else {  
    y = 2 * x;  
}  
  
printf("y = %d\n", y);
```

Using brackets we can
change the `if` to which the
`else` refers

Control flow - Switch

Equivalent to a series of if/else statements

```
switch ( variable ) {  
    case val1:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        break;  
  
    case val2:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        /* fall through */  
        :  
        :  
  
    default:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        break;  
}
```

```
int i,j;  
  
switch( i ) {  
  
    case 1:  
        j = i + 1;  
        break;  
  
    case 10:  
        j = i - 1;  
  
    default:  
        j = 1;  
}
```

Control flow - Switch

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These
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CONSTANT

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switch ( variable ) {  
    case val1:  
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        :  
        break;  
    case val2:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        /* fall through */  
        :  
    default:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        break;  
}
```

C

If variable has value different
from all other cases

```
int i,j;  
  
switch( i ) {  
  
    case 1:  
        j = i + 1;  
        break;  
  
    case 10:  
        j = i - 1;  
  
    default:  
        j = 1;  
}
```

i	j
1	2
10	1
Any other number	1

Control flow - Switch

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        :  
        break;  
    case val2:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        /* fall through */  
        :  
    default:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        break;  
}
```

C

If variable has value different
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```
int i,j;  
  
switch( i ) {  
  
    case 1:  
        j = i + 1;  
        break;  
  
    case 10:  
        j = i - 1;  
  
    default:  
        j = 1;  
}
```

After last `case` I can
avoid using `break`

Switch

Equivalent to a series of if/else statements

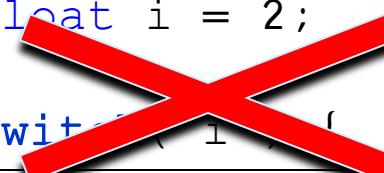
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switch ( variable ) {  
  
    case val1:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        break;  
  
    case val2:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        /* fall through */  
        :  
        :  
    default:  
        statement 1;  
        :  
        :  
        break;  
}
```

C

variable can only be **char** or **int** !

```
int i,j;  
  
switch( i ) {  
  
    case 1:  
        j = i + 1;  
        break;  
  
    case 10:  
        j = i - 1;  
  
    default:  
        j = 1;  
}
```

float i = 2;
switch(1) {



Control Flow - Loops

- What if we want to perform the same operation multiple times?
- Example: we want to initialize all elements in a 100 dimensional array of integers to the value 7

```
int arr[100];  
  
arr[0] = 7;  
arr[1] = 7;  
arr[2] = 7;  
arr[3] = 7;  
.  
.  
.  
arr[99] = 7;
```

This is crazy!

Loops - while

- To execute a particular body of statements only **until** a particular *condition* is satisfied

```
while ( condition ) {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement n;  
}
```

Example

```
int i = 0;  
int arr[100];  
  
while( i < 100 ) {  
    arr[i] = 7;  
    i++;  
}
```

Loops – do/while

- First execute body statements, then check if *condition* is satisfied

```
do {  
    body statement 1;  
    .  
    .  
    .  
    body statement n;  
} while ( condition );
```

Example

```
int i = 10,  
int j = 0;  
  
while( i < 10 )  
{  
    j++;  
    i++;  
}
```

Example

```
int i = 10;  
int j = 0;  
  
do  
{  
    j++;  
    i++;  
}  
while( i < 10 );
```

j = ?

Loops – do/while

- First execute body of statements, then check if *condition* is satisfied

```
do {  
    body statement 1;  
    .  
    .  
    .  
    body statement n;  
}  
    while ( condition );
```

Example

```
int i = 10,  
int j = 0;  
  
while( i < 10 )  
{  
    j++;  
    i++;  
}
```

j = 0

Example

```
int i = 10;  
int j = 0;  
  
do  
{  
    j++;  
    i++;  
}  
    while( i < 10 );
```

j = 1

Loops - break

- To interrupt a loop once a certain condition different from the one in the loop declaration

```
while( condition1 ) {  
    body statement 1;  
    :  
    :  
    if( condition2 )  
        break;  
    :  
    :  
    body statement n;  
}
```

When **break** is reached, the statements after it are ignored and the program exits the loop

Example

```
int i = 0;  
char s[10] = "hi";  
  
while( i < 10 )  
{  
    if(s[i]=='\0')  
        break;  
  
    printf("%c",s[i]);  
  
    i++;  
}
```

Loops - continue

- To ignore the following instructions in a loop

```
while( condition1 ){  
    body statement 1;  
    .  
    .  
    if( condition2 )  
        continue;  
    .  
    .  
    body statement n;  
}
```

When **continue** is reached, the statements after it are ignored, and the loop continues

Example

```
int i = 0, sum = 0;  
int s[3] = { 7, 5, 9 };  
  
while( i < 3 )  
{  
    if(s[i] < 6)  
        continue;  
    sum += s[i];  
}
```

break vs. continue

```
int x = 0, y = 0;  
  
while( x < 10) {  
  
    x++;  
  
    if(x == 3) {  
  
        continue;  
    }  
  
    y++;  
}
```

```
int x = 0, y = 0;  
  
while( x < 10) {  
  
    x++;  
  
    if(x == 3) {  
  
        break;  
    }  
  
    y++;  
}
```

y = ?

break vs. continue

```
int x = 0, y = 0;  
  
while( x < 10) {  
  
    x++;  
  
    if(x == 3) {  
  
        continue;  
    }  
  
    y++;  
}
```

y = 9

```
int x = 0, y = 0;  
  
while( x < 10) {  
  
    x++;  
  
    if(x == 3) {  
  
        break;  
    }  
  
    y++;  
}
```

y = 2

Loops - for

```
for (initial state ; condition ; state change ) {  
  
    body statement 1;  
    .  
    .  
    .  
    body statement n;  
  
}
```

Example

```
int i;  
int arr[100];  
  
for( i = 0; i < 100 ; i++ ) {  
  
    arr[i] = 7;  
}
```

```
int i = 0;  
int arr[100];  
  
while( i < 100 ) {  
  
    arr[i] = 7;  
    i++;  
}
```

Homework 1 review

HOW TO COMPRESS/UNCOMPRESS folders in UNIX

- Compress folder ~COMS1003/HW1 to HW1.tar.gz

```
tar -zcvf HW1.tar.gz ~COMS1003/HW1
```

- Uncompress HW1.tar.gz to folder ~COMS1003/HW1new

```
tar -zxvf HW1.tar.gz -C ~COMS1003/HW1new
```

(note: ~COMS1003/HW1new must exist already)