

8. Complex Programs

ENEE 140

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Today's Lecture


- Where we've been
 - Scalar data types (`int`, `long`, `float`, `double`, `char`)
 - Basic control flow (`while` and `if`)
 - Functions
 - Random number generation
 - Arrays and strings
- Where we're going today
 - Structuring complex programs
 - Enumerations
 - Composite data types: `struct`
 - Command line arguments
 - Truth values
- Where we're going next
 - Then: Control flow

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Review of Arrays

- Arrays are vector data types
 - They can hold multiple values of the same type
- The size of the array must be declared and not exceeded


```
int a[10];
a[0] = 0;
a[9] = 0;
 a[10] = 0;
```

logical error: index out of bounds
- Arrays can be initialized, but not assigned


```
int a[3] = {1, 2, 3}, b[3] = {0, 0, 0};
 b = a;
```

syntax error: cannot assign arrays


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Command Line Arguments

- We've seen:


```
cp file1 file2          UNIX command-line utilities
cal 2014 3
```


Command line arguments
- To retrieve the command line arguments in your program


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

argc Number of arguments provided, including the executable
argv[0] Name of the executable
argv[i] String containing the i^{th} argument

– Example:

```
cal 2014 3        argc = 3 and argv = {"cal", "2014", "3"}
```

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Structures

- You can create composite types


```
struct point {
    int x;
    int y;
};
struct point a, b;    variables of composite type
a.x = 0;             accessing members
a.y = 0;
b = a;               assignment
```
- Manipulating struct variables
 - Can assign them
 - Can access their members
 - Can provide them as parameters to a function (they behave like scalar variables)
 - Can be the return type of a function
 - Cannot compare them (e.g. `b > a`)

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Using Structures in Your Programs

- Structures and functions


```
struct point addpoint (struct point p, int x, int y)
{
    Can pass a structure as a parameter
    struct point temp;

    temp.x = p.x + x;    No conflict between temp.x and x
    temp.y = p.y + y;
    return temp;        Functions can return structures
}
```
- Arrays of structures


```
struct point point_cloud[1000];
point_cloud[0].x = 10;
point_cloud[0].y = 20;
```
- Good programming practice: when you need two parallel arrays, consider using an array of structures instead**

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typedef

- Create a new type name, for convenient access

```
struct point {
    int x;
    int y;
};
```

```
typedef struct point Point;    new composite type
typedef int Length;          new scalar type
Point p = {0, 0};            variable of type Point
Length l = 1;                variable of type Length
```

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Truth Values

- The conditions in `while (...)` or `if (...)` can be assigned to variables
 - The type of these variables is integer: **0** is **false** and **1** is **true**
 - In a condition, any integer other than 0 will be accepted as true

```
int a = (1==0);           a is 0
int b = (a>=0);           b is 1
int c = 140;
if (c)
    printf("c is true!");  the printf statement is executed
```

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enum

- Enumeration constant: list of constant enumeration values

```
enum answer {NO, YES}; variables of type answer can take 2 values: NO or YES
enum months {JAN=1, FEB, MAR, APR,
             MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG,
             SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC}; FEB is 2, MAR is 3, etc.
```

```
int current_month = FEB;
```

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Header Files

- We've seen
 - `#include <stdio.h>` Header files from the standard library
 - `#include <math.h>`
- A header file includes **function declarations** (prototypes) and **constant definitions** that are shared among multiple C files
 - `#include "myheader.h"` Include your header file in the C source files
- Must prevent multiple inclusions
 - Wrap everything inside the header in an include guard

```
#ifndef MYHEADER_H_
#define MYHEADER_H_
...
#endif /* MYHEADER_H_*/
```

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Splitting a Program Into Multiple Files

- Another form of modularity
 - Group related functions in one .c source file
- Create one .h header file and multiple .c source files
 - Put all the shared declarations in the header file
 - Put all the function implementations in the source files
 - There must be only one `main()` function
- Compiling
 - In CLion: add all the .c and .h files to the same project
 - On the command line: `gcc file1.c file2.c file3.c`
 - Provide all the source files, but not the header file

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Variables With the Same Name

- We've seen


```
void fun()
{
    int a;          variable a declared inside function fun()
    ...
}
int main()
{
    int a;          variable a declared inside function main()
    float a;       error: cannot declare another variable named a in main()
    ...
}
```
- `a` from `fun()` and `a` from `main()` are different variables
 - The same is true for function parameters with the same name

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Variable Scope

- Variable scope (where is the variable visible)
 - Inside the block where it is declared
 - A block is enclosed in { }
 - Can also declare variables at the start of `if`, `while`, `for`, etc. blocks

```
while (condition) {  
    int a = 1;      variable a visible only inside while loop  
    ...  
}
```

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Global Variables

- Variables declared outside any function

```
int a;          global variable  
int main()  
{  
    ...  
}
```

- Global variable scope
 - Globally accessible in all the files compiled and linked together

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Static Variables Declared Outside Any Function

- Declared using keyword `static`

```
static int a;    variable local to current .c file
int main()
{
  ...
}
```

- Variable scope
 - Visible only inside the .c file where they are declared
 - Can be used to hold the internal state of a library

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Static Variable Declared Inside A Function

- Initialized only the first time when the block is executed

```
void fun()
{
  static int count_invocations = 0;    static variable
  count_invocations++;
  ...
}
```

- Static variables preserve their value across function invocations
 - Same as global variables
- Variable scope
 - Visible only inside the function where they are declared

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Good Programming Practice

- Limit the scope of your variables
 - Declare variables inside functions
 - Use variables local to a .c file to store the internal state of a module
- Avoid global variables
 - They break encapsulation
- Do not include variable declarations in .h files
 - Include only function prototypes and constants defined with `#define`
- Avoid static variables inside a function
 - They cause undefined behavior when the program execution is not sequential

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Review of Lecture

- What did we learn?

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Next Steps

- Next week
 - Control flow
- Assignments for this week
 - **Project 1**—complete implementation due on Friday at 11:59 pm
 - Project review on Friday (to be announced on Piazza)
 - Homework: **lab08.pdf** (on <http://ter.ps/enee140>), due on Friday at 11:59 pm
 - Read **K&R Chapters 2.11, 2.12, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 5.10, 6.2, 6.3, 6.7**
 - Weekly challenge: **check_password_rules.c**
 - **Quiz 6** (due on Sunday at 11:59 pm)

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