

## STANDARD C LANGUAGE

The following notations are used:  
 [ ]-enclosed item is optional; fn-function; b-block; rtn-return; ptd-pointed;  
 ptr-pointer; expr-expression; TRUE-non-zero value; FALSE-zero value.

## BASIC DATA TYPES

<b>char</b>	Single character (may signed or unsigned)
<b>unsigned char</b>	Non-negative character
<b>short</b>	Reduced precision integer
<b>unsigned short</b>	Non-negative reduced precision integer
<b>int</b>	Integer
<b>unsigned int</b>	Non-negative integer
<b>long</b>	Extended precision integer
<b>unsigned long</b>	Non-negative extended precision integer
<b>float</b>	Floating point
<b>double</b>	Extended precision floating point
<b>long double</b>	Extended precision floating point
<b>void</b>	No type; Used for denoting: 1) no return value from fn 2) no argument of fn 3) general pointer base

## ARITHMETIC CONVERSION OF DATA TYPES

- If either operand is long double the other is converted to long double.
- If either operand is double, the other is converted to double.
- If either operand is float, the other is converted to float.
- All char and short operands are converted to int if it can represent the original value; otherwise it is converted to unsigned int.
- If either operand is unsigned long the other is converted to unsigned long.
- If the two operands are unsigned int and long and long represent all values of type unsigned int, the common type is long; otherwise it is unsigned long.
- If either operand is long the other is converted to long.
- If either operand is unsigned int the other is converted to unsigned int.
- If this step is reached, both operands must be int.

## STATEMENT SUMMARY

STATEMENT	DESCRIPTION
<b>{ local_var_decl statement ... }</b>	Block. The <i>local_var_decl</i> (local variable declarations) is optional.
<b>break;</b>	Terminates execution of <b>for</b> , <b>while</b> , <b>do</b> , or <b>switch</b> .
<b>continue;</b>	Skips statement that follow in a <b>do for</b> , or <b>while</b> ; then continues executing the loop.
<b>do statement while (expr);</b>	Executes <i>statement</i> until <i>expr</i> is FALSE; <i>statement</i> is executed at least once.
<b>expr;</b>	Evaluates <i>expr</i> ; discards result.
<b>for (e1;e2;e3) statement</b>	Evaluates <i>expr e1</i> once; then repeatedly evaluates <i>e2</i> , <i>statement</i> , and <i>e3</i> (in that order) until <i>e2</i> is FALSE; eg: <b>for (i=1; i&lt;10,/,; ++i) ...</b> ; note that <i>statement</i> will not be executed if <i>e2</i> is FALSE on first evaluation; <i>e1</i> , <i>e2</i> and <i>e3</i> are optional; <i>e2=1</i> assumed when omitted.
<b>goto label;</b>	Branches to statement preceded by <i>label</i> , which must be in same function as the <b>goto</b> . eg: <b>int fn(void) { ... goto write; ... write: print("here am I"); ... }</b>
<b>if (expr) statement</b>	If <i>expr</i> is TRUE, then executes <i>statement</i> ; otherwise skips it.
<b>if (expr) statement1 else statement2</b>	If <i>expr</i> is TRUE, then executes <i>statement1</i> ; otherwise executes <i>statement2</i> .
<b>;</b>	Null statement.No effect.eg: <b>while (t[i++]);</b>
<b>return expr;</b>	Returns from function back to caller with value of <i>expr</i> ; <i>expr</i> is omitted in <b>void</b> functions.
<b>switch (expr) { case const1: statement ... break; case const2: statement ... break; ... default: statement ... }</b>	<i>expr</i> (must be an integer expression) is evaluated and then compared against integer constant exprs <i>const1</i> , <i>const2</i> , ... If a match is found, then the statements that follow the case (up to next <b>break</b> , if supplied) will be executed. If no match is found, then the statements in the <b>default</b> case (if supplied) will be executed.
<b>while (expr) statement</b>	Executes <i>statement</i> as long as <i>expr</i> is TRUE; statement might not be executed if <i>expr</i> is FALSE the first time it's evaluated.

## TYPE DEFINITION

**typedef** is to assign a new name to a data type. To use it make believe you're declaring a variable of that particular data type. Where you'd normally write the variable name, write the new data type name instead. In front of everything, place the keyword **typedef**. For example:

```
/* define type COMPLEX */
typedef struct
{
    float real;
    float imaginary;
} COMPLEX;

/* declare variables with new type COMPLEX */
COMPLEX c1, c2, sum;
```

## CONSTANTS

char	"	'a' '\n'
char string	"hello" ""	"hello" ""
float	...f, ...F	(1) 7.2f 2.e-15f -1E9f .5F
double		(1) 7.2 2.e-15 -1E9 .5
long double	...l, ...L	(1) 7.2l 2.e-15l -1E9l .5L
enumeration		(2) red monday monday
int		17 -5 0, /
long int	...l, ...L	(3) 2511 10, /L
unsigned int	...u, ...U	17u 5U 0, /u 65535u
hex integer	0x, ...X	0, /x, /Xf 0, /x, /XAf 0, /x, /XA0, /0, /X
octal int	0, ...O	0, /777 0, /10, /0, /U 0, /573u

- NOTES:
- Decimal point and/or scientific notation.
  - Identifiers previously declared for an enumerated type; value treated as an int.
  - Or any int too large for normal int

## TYPE QUALIFIERS

<b>const</b>	Constant object, cannot be altered by the program.
<b>volatile</b>	External hardware or software can alter the variable, no optimization.

## OPERATORS

OPERATOR	DESCRIPTION	EXAMPLE	ASSOCIATION
<b>++</b>	Postincrement	<b>ptr++</b>	
<b>--</b>	Postdecrement	<b>count--</b>	
<b>[ ]</b>	Array element ref	<b>values [10, /]</b>	⇒
<b>( )</b>	Function call	<b>sqrt (x)</b>	
<b>.</b>	Struct member ref	<b>child.name</b>	
<b>-&gt;</b>	Ptr to struct member	<b>child_ptr-&gt;name</b>	
<b>sizeof</b>	Size in bytes	<b>sizeof child</b>	
<b>++</b>	Preincrement	<b>++ptr</b>	
<b>--</b>	Predecrement	<b>--count</b>	
<b>&amp;</b>	Address of	<b>&amp;x</b>	
<b>*</b>	Ptr indirection	<b>*ptr</b>	⇐
<b>+</b>	Unary plus	<b>+a</b>	
<b>-</b>	Unary minus	<b>-a</b>	
<b>~</b>	Bitwise NOT	<b>~0, /77</b>	
<b>!</b>	Logical negation	<b>! ready</b>	
<b>(type)</b>	Type conversion / casting	<b>(float) total/n</b>	
<b>*</b>	Multiplication	<b>i * j</b>	
<b>/</b>	Division	<b>i / j</b>	⇒
<b>%</b>	Modulus	<b>i % j</b>	
<b>+</b>	Addition	<b>value + i</b>	⇒
<b>-</b>	Subtraction	<b>x - 10, /0, /</b>	
<b>&lt;&lt;</b>	Left shift	<b>byte &lt;&lt; 4</b>	⇒
<b>&gt;&gt;</b>	Right shift	<b>i &gt;&gt; 2</b>	⇒
<b>&lt;</b>	Less than	<b>i &lt; 10, /0, /</b>	
<b>&lt;=</b>	Less than or equal to	<b>i &lt;= j</b>	⇒
<b>&gt;</b>	Greater than	<b>i &gt; 0, /</b>	
<b>&gt;=</b>	Greater than or eq to	<b>count &gt;= 90, /</b>	
<b>==</b>	Equal to	<b>result == 0, /</b>	⇒
<b>!=</b>	Not equal to	<b>c != EOF</b>	
<b>&amp;</b>	Bitwise AND	<b>word &amp; 0, /77</b>	⇒
<b>^</b>	Bitwise XOR	<b>word1 ^ word2</b>	⇒
<b> </b>	Bitwise OR	<b>word   bits</b>	⇒
<b>&amp;&amp;</b>	Logical AND	<b>j&gt;0, / &amp;&amp; j&lt;10, /</b>	⇒
<b>  </b>	Logical OR	<b>i&gt;80, /    ready</b>	⇒
<b>?:</b>	Conditional operator	<b>a&gt;b ? a : b</b>	
		If <i>a</i> greater than <i>b</i> then <i>expr=a</i> else <i>b</i>	⇐
<b>= *= /=</b>	Assignment operators	<b>count += 2</b>	
<b>%= += -=</b>		It is equal to <b>count=count+2</b>	⇐
<b>&amp;= ^=  =</b>			
<b>&lt;&lt;= &gt;&gt;=</b>			
<b>,</b>	Comma operator	<b>i=10, / , j=0, /</b>	⇒

NOTES:  
 Operators are listed in decreasing order of precedence.  
 Operators in the same box have the same precedence.  
 Associativity determines: ⇒ grouping → order of evaluation for operands with the same precedence.  
 (eg: **a = b = c**; is grouped right-to-left, as: **a = (b = c)**).

## PREPROCESSOR STATEMENTS

STATEMENT	DESCRIPTION
<b>#define id text</b>	<i>text</i> is substituted for <i>id</i> wherever <i>id</i> later appears in the program; (eg: <b>#define BUFFERSIZE 512</b> ) If construct <b>id(a1,a2,...)</b> is used, arguments <i>a1</i> , <i>a2</i> , ... will be replaced where they appear in text by corresponding arguments of macro call (eg: <b>#define max(A,B) ((A)&gt;(B)?(A):(B))</b> means, that <b>x=max(p+q,r+s)</b> macro will be substituted for <b>x=((p+q)&gt;(r+s)?(p+q):(r+s))</b> in the program text)
<b>#undef id</b>	Remove definition of <i>id</i> .
<b>#if expr</b>	If constant expression <i>expr</i> is TRUE, statements up to <b>#endif</b> will be processed, otherwise they will not be
<b>... #endif</b>	
<b>#if expr</b>	If constant expression <i>expr</i> is TRUE, statements up to <b>#else</b> will be processed, otherwise those between the <b>#else</b> and <b>#endif</b> will be processed
<b>... #else</b>	
<b>... #endif</b>	
<b>#ifdef id</b>	If <i>id</i> is defined (with <b>#define</b> or on the command line) statements up to <b>#endif</b> will be processed; otherwise they will not be (optional <b>#else</b> like at <b>#if</b> )
<b>... #endif</b>	
<b>#ifndef id</b>	If <i>id</i> has not been defined, statements up to <b>#endif</b> will be processed; (optional <b>#else</b> like at <b>#if</b> )
<b>... #endif</b>	
<b>#include "file"</b>	Inserts contents of <i>file</i> in program; look first in same directory as source program, then in standard places.
<b>#include &lt;file&gt;</b>	Inserts contents of <i>file</i> in program; look only in standard places.
<b>#line n "file"</b>	Identifies subsequent lines of the program as coming from <i>file</i> , beginning at line <i>n</i> ; <i>file</i> is optional.

NOTES:  
 Preprocessor statements can be continued over multiple lines provided each line to be continued ends with a backslash character (\). Statements can also be nested.

## STORAGE CLASSES

STORAGE CLASS	DECLARED	CAN BE REFERENCED	INIT WITH	NOTES
<b>static</b>	outside fn	anywhere in file	constant expr	1
	inside fn/b	inside fn/b	constant expr	1
<b>extern</b>	outside fn	anywhere in file	constant expr	2
	inside fn/b	inside fn/b	cannot be init	2
<b>auto</b>	inside fn/b	inside fn/b	any expr	3
<b>register</b>	inside fn/b	inside fn/b	any expr	3,4,6
(omitted)	outside fn	anywhere in file or other files with ext. declaration	constant expr	5
	inside fn/b	inside fn/b	any expr	3,6

- NOTES:
- Init at start of program execution: default is zero.
  - Variable must be defined in only one place w/ no **extern**.
  - Variable is init each time fn/b is entered; no default value.
  - Register assignment not guaranteed: restricted (implementation dependent) types can be assigned to registers. & (addr. of) operator cannot be applied.
  - Variable can be declared in only one place; initialized at start of program execution; default is zero.
  - Defaults to auto.

## EXPRESSIONS

An expression is one or more terms and zero or more operators. A term can be *n*-**name** (function or data object)  
 - **constant**  
 - **sizeof(type)**  
 - **(expr)**

An expression is a constant expression if each term is a constant.

## ARRAYS

A single dimension array **aname** of *n* elements of a specified type **type** and with specified initial values (optional) is declared with:

```
type aname[n] = { val1, val2, ... };
```

If complete list of initial values is specified, *n* can be omitted. Only static or global arrays can be initialized. Char arrays can be init by a string of chars in double quotes. Valid subscripts of the array range from **0**, / to **n-1**. Multi dimensional arrays are declared with:

```
type aname[n1][n2]... = { init_list };
```

Values listed in the initialization list are assigned in 'dimension order' (i.e. as if last dimension were increasing first). Nested pairs of braces can be used to change this order if desired.

EXAMPLES:  

```
/* array of char */
static char hisname[] = {"John Smith"};
/* array of char ptrs */
static char *days[7] = {"Sun", "Mon", "Tue", "Wed", "Thu", "Fri", "Sat"};
/* 3x2 array of ints */
int matrix[3][2] = { {10, /11}, {5, /0, /}, {11, /21} };
/* array of struct complex */
struct complex sensor_data[10, /0, /];
```

## POINTERS

A variable can be declared to be a pointer to a specified type by a statement of the form:

```
type *name;
```

EXAMPLES:  

```
/* numptr points to floating number */
float *numptr;
/* pointer to struct complex */
struct complex *cp;
/* if the real part of the complex struct pointed to by cp is 0, /0, /0, / */
if (cp->real == 0, /0, /0, /) {
    /* ptr to char; set equal to address of buf[25] (i.e. pointing to buf[25]) */
    char *sptr = &buf[25];
    /* store 'c' into loc ptd to by sptr */
    *sptr = 'c';
    /* set sptr pointing to next loc in buf */
    ++sptr;
    /* ptr to function returning int */
    int (*fptr) ();
```

## FUNCTIONS

Functions follow this format:  

```
ret_type name (arg1_decl, arg2_decl, ... )
{
    local_var_decl
    statement
    ...
    return value;
}
```

Functions can be declared **extern** (default) or **static**. **static** functions can be called only from the file in which they are defined. **ret\_type** is the return type for the function, and can be **void** if the function returns no value.

EXAMPLE:  

```
/* fn to find the length of a character string */
int strlen (char *s)
{
    int length = 0, /;
    while ( *s++ )
        ++length;
    return length;
}
```

## STRUCTURES

A structure **sname** of specified members is declared with a statement of the form:

```
struct sname
{
    member_declaration;
    ...
    variable_list;
}
```

Each member declaration is a type followed by one or more member names. An *n*-bit wide **mname** is declared with a statement of the form:

```
type mname;n;
```

If **mname** is omitted, *n* unnamed bits are reserved; if *n* is also zero, the next field is aligned on a word boundary. **variable\_list** (optional) declares variables of that structure type.

If **sname** is supplied, variables can also later be declared using the format:

```
struct sname variable_list;
```

EXAMPLE:  

```
/* declare complex struct */
struct complex
{
    float real;
    float imaginary;
};
/* define structures */
struct complex c1 = { 5.0, / , 0, /0, / };
struct complex c2, csun;
c2 = c1; /* assign c1 to c2 */
csun.real = c1.real + c2.real;
```

## UNIONS

A union **uname** of members occupying the same area of memory is declared with a statement of the form:

```
union uname
{
    member_declaration;
    ...
    variable_list;
}
```

Each member declaration is a type followed by one or more member names; **variable\_list** (optional) declares variables of the particular union type. If **uname** is supplied, then variables can also later be declared using the format:

```
union uname variable_list;
```

NOTE: unions cannot be initialized.

ENUM DATA TYPES

An enumerated data type **enum** with values **enum1**, **enum2**, ... is declared with a statement of the form :

```
enum enum { enum1, enum2, ... } variable_list;
```

The optional **variable\_list** declares variables of the particular enum type. Each enumerated value is an identifier optionally followed by an equals sign and a constant expression. Sequential values starting at 0, / are assigned to these values by the compiler, unless the **enum=**value construct is used.

If **enum** is supplied, then variables can also be declared later using the format:

```
enum enum variable_list;
```

EXAMPLES:

```
/* define boolean */
enum boolean { false, true };
/* declare variable and initialize value */
enum boolean done = false;
if (done==true) { /* test value */
```

FORMATTED OUTPUT

**printf** is used to write data to standard output (normally, your terminal). To write to a file, use **fprintf** to 'write' data into a character array. Use **sprintf**. The general format of a printf call is :

```
printf (format, arg1, arg2, ... )
```

where **format** is a character string describing how **arg1**, **arg2**, ... are to be printed. The general format of an item in the format string is :

```
%[flags][size][.prec]type
```

**flags:**  
- left justify value (default is right justify)  
+ precede value with a + or - sign  
*space* precede positv value with a space  
*#* precede octal value with 0, /, hex value with 0, /x; force display of decimal point for float value, and leave trailing zeros for type **g** or **G**  
0, / display leading zeros

**size:** is a number specifying the minimum size of the field; \* instead of number means next arg (must be type of int) to printf specifies the size

**prec:** is the minimum number of digits to display for **ints**; number of decimal places for **e** and **F**; max. number of significant digits for **g**; max. number of chars for **s**; \* instead of number means next arg (int) to printf specifies the precision

**type:** specifies the type of value to be displayed per the following character codes:

Table with columns for arg, dec, oct, hex, HEX, and printf format codes like %d, %i, %f, %e, %Lf, %Le.

**i** same as **d**  
**p** pointer, void \* (implementation-defined)  
**n** store how many characters have been displayed, arg is int \*, no output  
**hn** store how many characters have been displayed, arg is short \*, no output  
**ln** store how many characters have been displayed, arg is long \*, no output  
**E** same as **e** except display **E** before exponent instead of **e**  
**G** a double in **f** or **e** format, whichever takes less space w/o losing precision  
**g** a double in **f** or **E** format, whichever takes less space w/o losing precision  
**c** a char  
**s** a null-terminated char string (null not required if precision is given)  
**%** % itself

NOTES:  
characters in the format string not preceded by % are literally printed;  
floating point formats display both floats and doubles;  
integer formats can display chars, short ints or ints.

EXAMPLE:

```
printf("%0 + %0x is %0,/*d\",31,31,5,31+31);
Produce: 37 + 0,X1F is 0,/,0,/62
printf("%f %g %#0, /f
%.2g",3.14,3.14,3.14,3.14);
Produce: 3.140,/.0,/.0, / 3.14 3. 3.1
```

FORMATTED INPUT

**scanf** is used to read data from standard input. To read data from a particular file, use **fscanf**. To 'read' data from a character array, use **sscanf**. The general format of a scanf call is :

```
scanf (format, arg1, arg2, ... )
```

where **format** is a character string describing the data to be read and **arg1**, **arg2**, ... point to where the read-in data are to be stored. The format of an item in the format string is :

```
%[*][size]type
```

\*: specifies that the field is to be skipped and not assigned (i.e., no corresponding ptr is supplied in arg list)

**size:** a number giving the maximal size of the field

**type:** indicates the type of value being read :

Table with columns for arg, ptr to, dec, oct, hex, HEX, and printf format codes like %d, %i, %f, %e, %Lf, %Le, %lg, %Lg.

**i** same as **d**  
**p** pointer (same as in **printf**), arg type is void \*\*  
**n** store number of chars have been matched, arg is int \*, no input  
**hn** store number of chars have been matched, arg is short \*, no input  
**ln** store number of chars have been matched, arg is long \*, no input  
**c** single character, arg is char[]  
**s** string of chars terminated by a white-space character, arg is char[]  
**%** % itself  
[...] string of chars terminated by any char not enclosed between the [ and ]; if first char in brackets is ^, then following chars are string terminators instead.

NOTES:  
A scan function returns when:  
- It reaches the terminating null in the format string.  
- It cannot obtain additional input characters to scan.  
- A conversion fails.

Any chars in format string not preceded by % will literally match chars on input (e.g. **scanf("%value=%d",&ival)**); will match chars "value=" on input, followed by an integer which will be read and stored in **ival**.  
Whitespac in format string matches the longest possible sequence of the zero or more whitespace characters on input.

EXAMPLE:

```
scanf("12Free of charge 21",
"%c%c*%[AaB]s%2s%d",&i,&c,&text,&j);
will return 3 and i=30, /3, c='r', text="an", j remains unchanged.
```

ESCAPE CHARACTERS

Table of escape characters: \b, \f, \n, \r, \t, \v, \a, \\, \nn, \xhh, \r, \t, \v, \a, \?, \', \", \?.

LIBRARY FUNCTIONS AND MACROS

Function argument types :

Table mapping function argument types to int, unsigned int, double, FILE, time\_t, void, char, and short.

char and short are converted to int when passed to functions; float is converted to double.

```
.../ return code on error (...) return code on success
```

Character classification table with columns for classification and ctype.h.

Data conversion table with columns for conversion, function names, and stdlib.h.

File handling and input/output

Table with columns for file handling functions and stdio.h.

Main table of library functions including clearerr, fclose, feof, ferror, fflush, fgetc, fgetpos, fopen, fprintf, fputs, fread, freopen, fscanf, fseek, fsetpos, ftell, fwrite,getc, getchar, gets, perror, printf,putc, putchar, puts,remove, rename, rewind, scanf, setbuf, setvbuf, sprintf, sscanf, tmpnam, ungetc, vprintf, vsprintf.

Table of mathematical functions including ldexp, log, modf, pow, rand, sin, sinh, sqrt, srand, tan, tanh.

Memory allocation and manipulation

Table of memory management functions including calloc, free, malloc, memchr, memcpy, memmove, memset, realloc.

Program control

Table of program control functions including assert, abort, atexit, exit, getenv, jmp, system.

Searching and sorting

Table of searching and sorting functions including bsearch, qsort.

String manipulation

Main table of string manipulation functions including strcat, strchr, strcmp, strcpy, strncpy, strstr, strtok.

Time

Table of time-related functions includingasctime, clock, ctime, difftime, gmtime, localtime, mktime, strftime, time.

Variable-type and number of arguments

Table of variable-type and number of arguments functions including va\_arg, va\_end, va\_start.

COMMAND LINE ARGUMENTS

Arguments typed in on the command line when a program is executed are passed to the program through **argc** and **argv**. **argc** is a count of the number of arguments +1; **argv** is an array of character pointers that point to each argument. **argv[0]**, / points to the name of the program executed. **argv[argc]** equal NULL pointer.

Use **sscanf** to convert arguments stored in **argv** to other data types. For example:  
**check phone 35.79**  
starts execution of a program called **check**, with :

```
argc = 3
argv[0, /] = "check" argv[2] = "35.79"
argv[1] = "phone" argv[3] = NULL
```

To convert number in **argv[2]**, use **sscanf**. For example:  
**int main (int argc, char \*argv[])**  
{  
    **float amount;**  
    ... **scanf (argv[2], "%f",&amount);** ... }