

C Examples

1 Multiplication Table

```
// multable.c
// Print an nxn multiplication table
int main () {
    int n = 10;
    int i, j;
    // Print row labels
    for (i=1; i<=n; i++) {
        for (j=1; j<=n; j++) {
            printf("\t%d", i*j);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
}
```

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o multable multable.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./multable
```

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

2 Swapping via Integer Pointers

```
// intptr.c
// Illustrate integer pointers
void printab (int x, int y) {
    printf("a=%d; b=%d\n", x, y);
}

void swap (int* x, int* y) {
    int temp;
    printf("x=%u; *x=%d; y=%u; *y=%d\n", x, *x, y, *y); // %u for unsigned int
    temp = *x;
    *x = *y;
    *y = temp;
    printf("x=%u; *x=%d; y=%u; *y=%d\n", x, *x, y, *y);
}

int main () {
    int a = 1;
    int b = 2;
    printab(a,b);
    swap(&a,&b);
    // Can also swap array slots: e.g. swap(&c[i], &d[j])
    printab(a,b);
}
```

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o intptr intptr.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./intptr
a=1; b=2
x=3221223268; *x=1; y=3221223264; *y=2
x=3221223268; *x=2; y=3221223264; *y=1
a=2; b=1

Here are some examples of **swap** in other languages:

- Pascal supports both call-by-value and call-by-reference parameters:

```
program TestSwap;
procedure swap (var x : int, var y : int);
begin
    var temp:integer := x;
    x := y;
    y := temp;
end;
begin
    var a:integer := 1;
    var b:integer := 2;
    swap(a,b); {a now contains 2 and b contains 1}
    {Can also call swap on array slots: e.g. swap(c[i],d[j]).}
end;
end.
```

- C++ supports call-by-reference parameters:

```
void swap (int &x, int &y) {  
    int temp = x;  
    x = y;  
    y = temp;  
}  
  
int main () {  
    int a = 1;  
    int b = 2;  
    swap(a,b); // a now contains 2 and b contains 1  
    // Can also swap array slots: e.g. swap(c[i], d[j])  
}
```

3 Parameter Passing

Consider the following Pascal program:

```
program ParamTest (input,output);
var a, b: integer;
procedure p (x:integer, var y:integer);
begin
  x = x + y;
  y = x * y;
end;
begin
  a := 3;
  b := 4;
  p(a,b);
  writeln('a=', a); {a is still 3}
  writeln('b=', b); {b is now 28}
end;
end.
```

How can we encode this in C?

```
void p (int x, int* y) {
    x = x + *y;
    *y = x * *y;
}

int main () {
    int a = 3;
    int b = 4;
    p(a,&b);
    printf("a=%d\nb=%d\n", a, b);
}
```

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o paramtest paramtest.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] paramtest
a=3
b=28
```

4 Reading Standard Input

```
// plus.c
// Read two numbers from user and add them
int main () {
    int a; // storage for first input
    int b; // storage for second input
    printf("a=");
    scanf("%d", &a); // read integer into a
    printf("b=");
    scanf("%d", &b); // read integer into b
    printf("%d+%d=%d\n", a,b,a + b);
}
```

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o plus plus.c
```

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./plus
```

```
a=3
```

```
b=4
```

```
3+4=7
```

5 Command Line Arguments

```
// mainargs.c
// Illustrates command line arguments
int main (int argc, char** argv) {
    int i;
    printf("%d\n", argc);
    for (i=0; i<argc; i++) {
        printf("%s\n", argv[i]);
    }
}

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o mainargs mainargs.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./mainargs foo bar baz
4
./mainargs
foo
bar
baz

// plusargs.c
// Adds up all the numbers in the command line arguments
int main (int argc, char** argv) {
    int i;
    int sum = 0;
    for (i=1; i<argc; i++) {
        sum += atoi(argv[i]); // atoi converts integer to string
    }
    printf("sum=%d\n", sum);
}

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o plusargs plusargs.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./plusargs 3 42 17
sum=62
```

6 Reading From a File

```
// readlines.c
// reads and displays lines from a file
#include <stdio.h>

int main (int argc, char** argv) {
    int i = 0;
    int line = 1;
    char c;
    char buff [128];
    FILE* f = fopen(argv[1],"r"); // open file named in argv[1] for reading
    while ((c = fgetc(f)) != EOF) { // EOF is "end of file" marker
        if (i >= 128) {
            printf("buffer overflow!\n");
            exit(0); // abort program if buffer overflow;
            // there are security problems if this not done!
        } else if (c == '\n') {
            buff[i] = 0;
            printf("%d:\t%s\n", line, buff);
            i = 0;
            line++;
        } else {
            buff[i++] = c;
        }
    }
}
```

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o readlines readlines.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./readlines tiny-sorted.txt
1:      aback
2:      babe
3:      cab
4:      dad
5:      each
6:      fable
7:      gab
8:      ha
9:      ibex
10:     jab
11:     kanji
12:     lab
13:     mace
14:     nab
15:     oaf
16:     pace
```

7 Dangling Pointers

```
// dangling-pointer.c
// Illustrates problems with dangling pointers
void printarray(char* s, int* a, int n) {
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        printf("%s[%d] = %d\t", s, i, a[i]);
    }
    printf("\n");
}

int* elts (int c, int n) {
    int a[n]; // Stack allocated array
    // Heap allocated array:
    // int* a = (int *) malloc(n*sizeof(int));
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        a[i] = c*i;
    }
    printarray("a",a,n);
    return a;
}

int main () {
    int* b;
    int* c;
    b = elts(1,5);
    printarray("b",b,5);
    c = elts(2,5);
    printarray("b",b,5);
    printarray("c",c,5);
}
```

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o dangling-pointer dangling-pointer.c
dangling-pointer.c: In function ‘elts’:
dangling-pointer.c:17: warning: function returns address of local variable
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./dangling-pointer
a[0] = 0 a[1] = 1 a[2] = 2 a[3] = 3 a[4] = 4
b[0] = 0 b[1] = 134514120 b[2] = -1073744224 b[3] = 3 b[4] = 4
a[0] = 0 a[1] = 2 a[2] = 4 a[3] = 6 a[4] = 8
b[0] = 0 b[1] = 134514120 b[2] = -1073744224 b[3] = 6 b[4] = 8
c[0] = 1108531968 c[1] = 134514120 c[2] = -1073744224 c[3] = 6 c[4] = 8

We can fix the problem by heap allocated the array a within elts using `malloc`. After this change, we get:

```
[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o dangling-pointer dangling-pointer.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] ./dangling-pointer
a[0] = 0 a[1] = 1 a[2] = 2 a[3] = 3 a[4] = 4
b[0] = 0 b[1] = 1 b[2] = 2 b[3] = 3 b[4] = 4
a[0] = 0 a[1] = 2 a[2] = 4 a[3] = 6 a[4] = 8
b[0] = 0 b[1] = 1 b[2] = 2 b[3] = 3 b[4] = 4
c[0] = 0 c[1] = 2 c[2] = 4 c[3] = 6 c[4] = 8
[fturbak@jaguar c]
```

8 Points as Structures

```
// points-struct.c
typedef struct P {int x; int y;} point;

point scaledCopy (int s, point p) {
    point q;
    q.x = s * p.x;
    q.y = s * p.y;
    return q;
}

void scale1 (int s, point p) {
    p.x = s * p.x;
    p.y = s * p.y;
}

void scale2 (int s, point* p) {
    (*p).x = s * (*p).x;
    (*p).y = s * (*p).y;
}

void printPoint (point p) {
    printf("x=%d;y=%d\n", p.x, p.y);
}

int main () {
    point a,b; a.x = 1; a.y = 2;
    b = scaledCopy(3,a);
    printPoint(a); printPoint(b);
    scale1(4,a); scale2(5,&b);
    printPoint(a); printPoint(b);
}
```

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o points-struct points-struct.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] points-struct
x=1;y=2
x=3;y=6
x=1;y=2
x=15;y=30

9 Points as Arrays

```
// points-array.c
/* Represent a point as a 2-slot integer array,
   with x in slot 0 and y in slot 1. */

typedef int point[2];

/* Not possible with arrays b/c attempts to return array.
point scaledCopy (int s, point p) {
    point q;
    q[0] = s * p[0];
    q[1] = s * p[1];
    return q;
}
*/

void scaledCopy (int s, point p, point q) {
    q[0] = s * p[0];
    q[1] = s * p[1];
}

void scale1 (int s, point p) {
    p[0] = s * p[0];
    p[1] = s * p[1];
}

void scale2 (int s, point* p) {
    (*p)[0] = s * (*p)[0];
    (*p)[1] = s * (*p)[1];
}

void printPoint (point p) {
    printf("x=%d;y=%d\n", p[0], p[1]);
}

int main () {
    point a,b; a[0] = 1; a[1] = 2;
    scaledCopy(3,a,b);
    printPoint(a); printPoint(b);
    scale1(4,a);
    scale2(5,&b);
    printPoint(a); printPoint(b);
}
```

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o points-array points-array.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] points-array
x=1;y=2
x=3;y=6
x=4;y=8
x=15;y=30

10 Integer Lists

```
// sumlist.c
#include <stddef.h>

typedef struct IL {int head; struct IL *tail;} intlist;

int sumlist (intlist* lst) {
    if (lst == NULL)
        return 0;
    else
        return (*lst).head + sumlist((*lst).tail);
}

intlist* fromTo (int lo, int hi) {
    intlist* result;
    if (lo > hi)
        return NULL;
    else {
        result = (intlist*) malloc(sizeof(intlist));
        (*result).head = lo;
        (*result).tail = fromTo(lo + 1, hi);
        return result;
    }
}

int main () {
    printf("sumlist(fromTo(1,10))=%d\n", sumlist(fromTo(1,10)));
}

[fturbak@jaguar c] gcc -o sumlist sumlist.c
[fturbak@jaguar c] sumlist
sumlist(fromTo(1,10))=55
[fturbak@jaguar c]
```