

CS31 Week 6 Discussion

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<https://derek.ma/cs31> for slides and other discussion materials

Reminder

- Project 5, Monday Nov 15, 11pm

Project 3 Feedback

- Comment your program logic, especially for complicated function like `obeyPlan()`
- Need to provide concrete test cases, rather than high-level design thoughts about test cases
- Need to have test cases for all functions, rather than just `obeyPlan()`
- Need to have brief reason for your test cases
- Use pseudocode to describe your program design, instead of paragraphs

Project 5 Suggestions

- Variable-length array is not allowed
 - g++ extension of variable-length arrays won't compile under g31
- All arrays must have bounds known at the compile time

Multi-dimensional array

- An array of arrays
 - Two-dimension represents a matrix (2-d tensor)
 - Three-dimension represents a cube (3-d tensor)
- All elements in a multi-dimensional array have to be the same type

Declare a 2-d array without initialization

- `int x[3][4];`
 - 3 rows, 4 columns matrix
 - 3 arrays with length 4
- `type name [#rows][#cols]`
 - Both `#rows` and `#cols` need to be specified in declaration if without initialization
 - Similar to 1-d array declaration, where we also have to specify number of elements when initialize a new array

Initialize a 2-d array

```
// Regard it as an array of arrays
```

```
int a[3][4] = { {1,2,3,4} , {5,6,7,8}, {4,3,2,1} };
```

```
// Regard it as a series of int folds to a matrix
```

```
int b[3][4] = {1,2,3,4 , 5,6,7,8, 4,3,2,1};
```

```
// # rows can be omitted if with initialization
```

```
int c[][4] = {1,2,3,4 , 5,6,7,8, 4,3,2,1};
```

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
4	3	2	1

Initialize a 2-d array

- What about we want less elements for a certain row
- `int xy[3][4] = { {1,2,3,4} , {5,6}, {4,3,2,1} };`
 - Missing elements in such rows will be all-zero

1	2	3	4
5	6	0	0
4	3	2	1

- `int xy[3][4] = { 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 4, 3, 2 };`
 - Elements in the end will be all-zero

1	2	3	6
7	8	4	3
2	0	0	0

Initialize a 2-d array: Unacceptable ways

```
int a[3][4] = { {1,2,3} , {5,6,7,8, 9}, {4,3,2,1} }; // row out-of-bound
int b[3][4] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12, 13}; // more elements than declared
int c[3][ ] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12}; // #cols not specified
int d[3][4] = {1,2,3,4, "a", 6,7,8,9,10,11,12};
// inconsistent element types
```

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✘ Array has incomplete element type 'int []'

✘ Cannot initialize an array element of type 'int' with an lvalue of type 'const char [2]'

Access elements in a 2-d array

- **Access an element**
 - `a[1][2]` takes you to the second row third column -> 7
- **Access a row**
 - `a[1]` gives you the start address of the second row -> {5, 6, 7, 8}
- **Access a column**
 - There is no direct way to access a column

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
4	3	2	1

Example

```
int a[3][4] = { {1,2,3,4} , {5,6,7,8}, {4,3,2,1} };  
cout << a[1] << endl;  
for (int i=0; i < 4; i++){  
    cout << a[1][i] << " ";  
}  
cout << endl;  
cout << a[1][3] << endl;  
cout << a[2][2] << endl;
```

0x7ff7bfeff370
5 6 7 8
8
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2-d array will not check the bound

- The program will run without error if we access out of bound values
- We need to remember the boundaries of 1-d arrays ourselves

```
int a[3] = {0};  
for (int i=0; i<3; i++){  
    cout << a[i] << " ";  
}  
cout << endl;
```

```
cout << a[3] << endl; 2 ⚠ Array index 3 is past the end of the array (which contains 3 elements)
```

```
int b[3][4] = {1};  
for (int i=0; i<3; i++){  
    for (int j=0; j<4; j++){  
        cout << b[i][j] << " ";  
    }  
    cout << endl;
```

```
cout << b[4][5] << endl; 4 ⚠ Array index 5 is past the end of the array (which contains 4 elemen...
```

```
0 0 0  
1026228329  
1 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0  
32759
```

String array

- Array of strings is similar to a two dimensional character array

```
string fruits[4] = {"lemon", "coconut", "apple", "orange"};  
cout << fruits[1] << endl;  
cout << fruits[1][2] << endl;
```

```
coconut  
c
```

Pass multidimensional arrays to functions

- Need to specify the size of all dimensions except for the first
- Must pass the size of the first dimension as a separate parameter

```
void functionOne(int a[][5][10], int l) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int main(){  
    int b[2][5][10];  
    functionOne(b, 2)  
}
```

C-String

- String in C language
- We can initialize it with a string value
- It uses a null byte ('\0') to denotes its end
- Benefit: performance, faster and uses less memory

```
char c[10] = {'a', 'b', 'c'};  
cout << c << endl;  
char d[10] = "abc";  
cout << d << endl;  
char e[10];  
cout << "Input a string: ";  
cin >> e;  
cout << e << endl;
```

```
abc  
abc  
Input a string: efg  
efg
```

Initialize a c-string

- With a string `c[n]`, we can initialize it with a string value with the maximum length of `n-1`
- You can also initialize it with a set of char ended with a `'\0'`
- `{'a', 'b', 'c'}` is not `"abc"`

```
char c[3] = {'a', 'b', 'c'};
```

```
char d[4] = "abc"; // this is actually {'a', 'b', 'c', '\0'}
```

```
char e[3] = "abc";
```



Initializer-string for char array is too long

cout a c-string

- Output characters until reaching a '\0'


```
char c[100] = {'a', 'b', 'c'};  
cout << c << endl;  
char d[4] = "abc";  
cout << d << endl;  
char e[100] = {'a', 'b', 'c', '\0'};  
cout << e << endl;
```

abc
abc
abc

Copy a c-string

- We need to copy element by element
- Deep copy

```
char c[] = "hello world!";  
char d[100];
```

```
d = c;  Array type 'char [100]' is not assignable
```

```
char c[] = "hello world!";  
char d[100];  
int i;  
for (i=0; c[i]!='\0'; i++)  
    d[i] = c[i];  
d[i] = '\0';
```

What if there are multiple null bytes

- The first '\0' always represents the end
- But characters after the first '\0' is still saved, they will not show up when you print the c-string out

```
char c[100]="abc\0def\0hg";  
cout << c << endl;  
cout << c[4] << endl;  
cout << c[5] << endl;
```


abc
d
e

Library functions for C-string

- include <cstring>
 - Includes the library functions for C-strings
- strlen(s)
 - Returns the length of s

```
int strlen_customized(char s[]){
    int len;
    for (len=0; s[len]!='\0'; ++len);
    return len;
}

int main(){
    char s[] = "Hello World";
    cout << strlen(s) << endl;
    cout << strlen_customized(s) << endl;
}
```



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strcpy(t, s)

- Copy the c-string s to c-string t, deep copy
- Need to make sure the declared space for t is enough to take elements from s

```
char s[] = "Hello World";  
char t[100];  
strcpy(t, s);  
cout << t << endl;
```

`strncpy(t, s, n)`

- Copy at most n characters from s to t
- Note: if length of $s > n$, then `'\0'` is not copied to t
 - We cannot assume t as a complete C-string
 - We have to manually assign $t[n] = '\0'$;

strcat(t, s)

- Append C-string s to the end of t
- The returned value will be t, variable t's value will be changed to the appended string
- Need to make sure t has enough space for elements in both s and t

```
int main(){
    char str[80] = "";
    strcpy(str, "these ");
    strcat(str, "strings ");
    strcat(str, "are ");
    strcat(str, "concatenated.");
    cout << str;
}
```

**these strings are concatenated. Program ended
with exit code: 0**

int strcmp(char *t, char *s)

- Compare two c-strings
 - `s==t; s < t; s > t;` won't work
- Return value is int, not boolean
 - t equals to s: return 0
 - t less than s: return something < 0
 - t greater than s: return something > 0
- Use strcmp for if condition
 - `if (strcmp(t, s) != 0)`
 - `if (strcmp(t, s) < 0)`
 - `if (strcmp(t, s) > 0)`

```
char s[] = "abc";  
char t[] = "def";  
// Use the following for comparison  
cout << strcmp(t, s) << endl;
```

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Convert a C-string to a C++ string

```
// convert c-string to c++ string
char c[20] = "Hello World!";
string d = c;
cout << d << endl;
string e(c);
cout << e << endl;
```

```
Hello World!
Hello World!
```

Convert a C++ string to a C-string

```
string c = "Hello World!";  
char e[20];  
// Wrong way
```

```
e = c;  Array type 'char [20]' is not assignable
```

- `c_str()`
- Get the “C-string body” of a C++ string

```
string c = "Hello World!";  
char e[20];  
strcpy(e, c.c_str());  
cout << e << endl;
```

Hello World!

Array of C-strings

- A C-string is an array of characters. An array of C-strings is 2D array
- `char s[10][20];`
 - We can store up to 10 C-strings, each can be at most 19 characters long

Array of C-strings

```
char s[3][6];  
strcpy(s[0], "hello");  
strcpy(s[1], "world");  
strcpy(s[2], "!");  
  
cout << s << endl;  
cout << s[0] << endl;  
cout << s[1][2] << endl;
```

```
0x7ff7bfeff380  
hello  
r
```

- We cannot directly cout an array of C-strings
- But we can cout a single C-string
- We can also cout a character in a C-string

Functionality	C++ strings	C strings	Notes
Necessary libraries	<code>#include <string></code>	None needed	
Useful libraries	<code>#include <cctype></code>	<code>#include <cstring></code>	<code><cstring></code> needed for <code>strcpy</code> , <code>strlen</code> , <code>strcat</code> , <code>strcmp</code>
Declare a string	<code>string s = "Hello";</code> <code>string t = "Hey";</code>	<code>char s[6] = "Hello";</code> <code>char t[10] = "Hey";</code>	For C strings, the declared size of the character array must be at least as big as the number of characters in the string including the zero byte.
Assigning a new value	<code>s = "Hi";</code> <code>s = t;</code>	<code>strcpy(s, "Hi");</code> <code>strcpy(s, t);</code>	For C strings, if <code>s</code> is not big enough to hold the string that is being copied into it, you get undefined behavior.
Getting length of a string	<code>s.length();</code> <code>s.size();</code>	<code>strlen(s);</code>	For C strings, the zero byte is not included in the length output by <code>strlen</code>
Appending to a string	<code>s += "bye";</code> <code>s += t;</code>	<code>strcat(s, "bye");</code> <code>strcat(s, t);</code>	For C strings, if <code>s</code> is not big enough to hold its new value, you get undefined behavior.

Functionality	C++ strings	C strings	Notes
Getting a string as input	string s; cin.getline(s, 10000);	char s[10]; cin.getline(s, 10);	For C strings, the second parameter should be no larger than the length of the character array for s.
Printing out a string	cout << s;	cout << s;	
Getting the i th character of a string	char c = s[i];	char c = s[i];	
Assigning to the i th character of a string	s[i] = 'a';	s[i] = 'a';	For C strings, make sure not to overwrite the zero byte. You can, however, move the zero byte.
Comparing two strings	if (s < t) if (s > t) if (s == t) if (s != t)	if(strcmp(s, t) < 0) if(strcmp(s, t) > 0) if(strcmp(s, t) == 0) if (strcmp(s, t) != 0)	

Functionality	C++ strings	C strings
Iterating through a string	<pre>for(int k = 0; k != s.size(); k++) { ... }</pre>	<pre>for(int k = 0; s[k] != '\0'; k++) { ... }</pre>
Passing a string to a function	<pre>void f(string s) { ... } int main() { { string t = "Hello"; f(t); }</pre>	<pre>void f(char s[]) { ... } int main() { { char t[6]= "Hello"; f(t); }</pre>

Functionality	C++ strings	C strings
Array of strings	<pre>string a[3] = {"Hello", "Hi", "Hey"};</pre>	<pre>char a[3][6] = {"Hello", "Hi", "Hey"}; // The last dimension must be big // enough to hold all strings in the // array.</pre>
Getting the i^{th} element of an array	<pre>string s = a[i];</pre>	<pre>char s[6]; strcpy(s, a[i]); // The size of the new C string must be // big enough to hold the element</pre>
Passing an array of strings to a function	<pre>void f(string a[], int n) { ... } int main() { { string a[3] = {"Hello", "Hi", "Hey"}; f(a, 3); }</pre>	<pre>void f(string a[][6], int n) { ... } int main() { { char a[3][6] = {"Hello", "Hi", "Hey"}; f(a, 3); }</pre>

Thank You
