

INTRODUCTION

This card is a concise comprehensive reference for C language programmers and those learning C.

The C programming language is becoming the standard language for developing both system and application programs.

This card is organized so that you can keep your train of thought while programming in C.

The following notations are used: [ ] - enclosed item is optional; fn - function; rtn - return;

BASIC DATA TYPES

Table with columns TYPE and DESCRIPTION. Includes char, double, float, int, long int, short int, unsigned char, unsigned int, void.

CONVERSION OF DATA TYPES

Before performing an arithmetic operation, operands are made consistent with each other by converting with this procedure:

- 1. All float operands are converted to double.
2. All char or short operands are converted to int.
3. If either operand is double, the other is converted to double.

STATEMENT SUMMARY

Table with columns STATEMENT and DESCRIPTION. Includes break, continue, do, for, goto, if, return, switch, while.

NOTES:

expr is any expression; statement is any expression terminated by a semicolon, one of the statements listed above, or one or more statements enclosed by braces {...}.

OPERATORS

Table with columns OPER, DESCRIPTION, EXAMPLE, ASSOC. Includes unary minus, increment, decrement, logical negation, ones complement, ptr indirection, & address of, sizeof, multiplication, division, modulus, addition, subtraction, left shift, right shift, less than, less than or eq, greater than, greater or eq, equal, not equal to, bitwise AND, bitwise XOR, bitwise OR, logical AND, logical OR, conditional expr, assignment ops, comma operator.

NOTES: L-R means left-to-right, R-L right-to-left. Operators are listed in decreasing order of precedence.

EXPRESSIONS

An expression is a variable name, function name, array name, constant, function call, array element reference, or structure member reference.

ESC CHARS

Table with columns char and description. Includes \b, \n, \r, \t, \f, \a, \e, \c, \l, \s, \d, \w, \W, \A, \O, \G, \x, \0, \.

PREPROCESSOR STATEMENTS

Table with columns STATEMENT and DESCRIPTION. Includes #define, #if, #else, #endif, #ifdef, #ifndef, #include, #line, #undef.

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

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Examples:
#define BUFSIZE 512
#define max(a,b) (((a) > (b)) ? (a) : (b))
#include <stdio.h>
```

typedef

typedef is used to assign a new name to a data type. To use it, make believe you're declaring a variable of that particular data type.

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

COMPLEX c1, c2, sum; /* declare vars */
```

CONSTANTS

Table with columns TYPE, SYNTAX, EXAMPLES. Includes char, char string, double, enumeration, hex integer, int, long int, octal int, float constants.

VARIABLE USAGE

Table with columns STORAGE CLASS, DECLARED, CAN BE REFERENCED, INIT WITH, NOTES. Includes static, extern, auto, register, omitted.

- 1. init at start of prog execution; deflt is zero
2. var must be defined in only 1 place w/o extern
3. cannot init arrays & structures; var is init each time fn is called; no default value

ARRAYS

A single-dimensional array name of n elements of a specified 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.

```
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).

```
/* array of char */
static char hisname[] = "John Smith";
```

```
/* array of char ptrs */
static char *days[] = {"Sun", "Mon", "Tue", "Wed", "Thu", "Fri", "Sat"};

/* 3 x 2 array of ints */
int matrix [3][2] = { { 10, 17 }, { -5, 0 }, { 11, 21 } };
```

```
/* array of struct complex */
struct complex sensor_data[100];
```

POINTERS

A variable name 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 ... */
if ( cp->real == 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 fn returning int */
int (*fptr) ();
```

FUNCTIONS

Functions follow this format:

```
ret_type name (arg1, arg2, ...)
{
    arg_declarations
    local_var_declarations
    statement
    ...
    return value;
}
```

Functions can be declared extern (default) or static. Static fns can be called only from the file in which they are defined.

Example: /\* fn to find the length of a character string \*/

```
int strlen (s)
char *s;
{
    int length = 0;
    while ( *s++ )
        ++length;
    return (length);
}
```

To declare the type of value returned by a function you're calling, use a declaration of the form: ret\_type name ();

STRUCTURES

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

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

Each member\_declaration is a type followed by one or more member names. An n-bit wide field name is declared with a statement of the form ... type mname:n; ...

```
struct aname variable_list;
```

Example:

```
/* define complex struct */
struct complex
{
    float real;
    float imaginary;
};
```

```
static struct complex c1 = { 5.0, 0.0 };
struct complex c2, csum;
```

```
c2 = c1; /* assign c1 to c2 */
csum.real = c1.real + c2.real;
```

UNIONS

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

```
union unname
{
    member_declaration;
    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.

```
union unname variable_list;
```

Note: unions cannot be initialized.

ENUM DATA TYPES

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

```
enum ename { 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.

```
enum ename variable_list;
```

```
Examples:
/* define boolean */
enum boolean {true, false};
/* declare var & assign value */
enum boolean done = false;
/* test value */
if ( done == true )
```

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printf

printf is used to write data to stdout (normally, your terminal). To write data 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][l]type
```

flags: left justify value (default is right justify) precede pos value with a + or - sign precede oct value with 0, hex value with 0x (or 0X for type X); force display of decimal point for float value, and leave trailing zeroes for type g and G

size: is a number specifying the minimum size of the field; \* instead of number means next arg 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 to printf specifies the precision

l: indicates a long int is being displayed; must be followed by d, o, u, x or X

type: specifies the type of value to be displayed; the following single character codes:

- d an int
u an unsigned int
a an int in oct format
x an int in hex format, using a-f
X an int in hex format, using A-F
f a float (to 6 dec places by default)
e a float in exponential format (to 6 decimal places by default)
E same as e except display E before exponent instead of e
g a float in f or e format, whichever takes less space w/o losing precision
G a float in f or E format, whichever takes less space
c a char
s a null-terminated char string (null not required if precision is given)
% an actual percent sign

NOTES: characters in the format string not preceded by % are literally printed; floating pt formats display both floats and doubles; integer formats can display chars, short ints or ints (or long ints if type is preceded by l). Example:

```
il = 10; i2 = 20;
printf ("%d + %d is %d\n",
        il, i2, il + i2);
```

Produces: 10 + 20 is 30

UNIX CC COMMAND

Format: cc [options] files

Table with 2 columns: OPTION, DESCRIPTION. Includes options like -c, -D, -E, -f, -g, -I, -l, -o, -O, -p, -S.

Note: Some of the above are actually preprocessor (cpp) and linker (ld) options. The standard C library lib is automatically linked with a program.

Examples: cc test.c Compiles test.c and places executable object into a.out. cc -o test main.c proc.c Compiles main.c and proc.c and places executable object into test. cc -o stats.c -lm Compiles stats.c, optimizes it, and links it with the math library (-lm must be placed after stats.c).

THE lint COMMAND

lint can help you find bugs in your program due to nonportable use of the language, inconsistent use of variables, uninitialized variables, passing wrong argument types to functions, and so on. Format: lint [options] files

Table with 2 columns: OPT, USE TO PREVENT FLAGGING OF. Includes options like -b, -h, -u, -v, -x, -n, -p, -D, -l.

scanf

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][lh]type
```

\* specifies that the field is to be skipped and not assigned (i.e., no corresponding ptr is supplied in the arg list) size: a number giving the max size of the field lh: 'l' if value read is to be stored in a long int or double, or 'h' to store in short int type: indicates the type of value being read:

Table with 3 columns: USE, TO READ A, CORRESPONDING ARG IS PTR TO. Includes types like d, u, o, x, e, f, g, s, c, [...], %.

Notes: Any chars in format string not preceded by % are literally match chars in the input. Example: scanf ("%s %f %ld", text, &fval, &lval); will read a string of chars, storing it into character array ptr to by text; a floating value, storing it into fval; and a long int, storing it into lval.

COMMONLY USED FUNCTIONS

Table with 3 columns: FUNCTION, INCLUDE FILE, DESCRIPTION /ERROR RETURN/. Includes functions like abs, acos, asin, atan, atan2, atof, ceil, clearerr, clock, cos, ctime, exit, exp, fabs, fclose, feof, ferror, fflush, fgetc, fgets, fileno, floor, fmod, fopen, fprintf, fputs, fread, free, freopen, fscanf, fseek, fteell, fwrite, getc, getch, getenv, getopt, gets.

Table with 3 columns: FUNCTION, DESCRIPTION, RETURN VALUE. Includes functions like getw, localtime, malloc, memchr, memcpy, memmove, mktime, perror, popen, pow, printf, puts, rand, realloc, rewind, scanf, setjmp, sin, sleep, sprintf, sqrt, sscanf, strcat, strchr, strcmp, strcpy, strlen, strncat, strncmp, strncpy, strrchr, strtan, tan, time, tmpfile, tmpnam, toascii, tolower, toupper, ungetc, unlink.

NOTES: Functions are arranged alphabetically by name. Function argument types: c--char, n--int, u--unsigned int, l--long int, d--double, f--ptr to FILE, s--ptr to char

char and short int are automatically converted to int when passed as args to functions; float is automatically converted to double

Include files are abbreviated as follows: c--ctype.h, j--setjmp.h, m--math.h, n--memory.h, r--string.h, s--stdio.h, t--time.h

Value between slashes is returned if function detects an error; global int errno also gets set to specific error number.

Function descriptions based on UNIX System V

CMD LINE ARGS

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, and is at least 1; argv is an array of character pointers that point to each argument. argv[0] points to the name of the program executed. Use scanf to convert arguments stored in argv to other data types. For example:

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

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

UNIX TOOLS

Table with 2 columns: TOOL, DESCRIPTION. Includes tools like adb, cb, cflow, ctrace, cxxref, lint, make, prof, SCCS, adb.

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