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C OPERATORS & EXPRESSIONS

An **operator** is a symbol that tells the computer to perform certain mathematical or logical manipulations.

 \triangleright Operators are used in programs to manipulate data and variables.

- \succ They usually form a part of the mathematical or logical expressions.
- \blacktriangleright An expression is a sequence of 'operands' and 'operators' that reduces to a single value.
- \blacktriangleright For example, 10 + 15 is an expression whose value is 25.



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| ression | C Expression |
|------------|--|
| | a * b - c * d |
| <i>b</i>) | (m+n) * (a+b) |
| 5 | 3 * x * x + 2 * x + 5 |
| | (a+b+c)/(d+e) |
| x] | 2 * b * y / (d + 1) - x / 3 * (z + y) |

C OPERATOR CLASSIFICATION

C operators can be classified into a number of categories. They include:

- 1. Arithmetic operators
- 2. Relational operators
- 3. Logical operators
- 4. Assignment operators
- 5. Increment and decrement operators
- 6. Conditional operators
- 7. Bitwise operators
- 8. Special operators



1. ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

>> C provides all the basic arithmetic operators.

> The operators +, -, *, / all work the same way as they do in other languages.

 \succ These can operate on any built-in data type allowed in C.

| Operators | Meaning | Example | Result |
|-----------|--|-----------------|--------|
| + | Addition | 4+2 | 6 |
| - | Subtraction | 4-2 | 2 |
| * | Multiplication | 4*2 | 8 |
| / | Division | 4/2 | 2 |
| % | Modulus operator to get remainder in integer division | 5%2 | 1 |
| + + | Increment | A = 10; A+ + | 11 |
| | Decrement | A = 10; A | 9 |







INTEGER ARITHMETIC

When both the **operands** in a single arithmetic expression such as a+b are integers, the expression is called an integer expression, and the 'operation' is called **integer arithmetic**.

 \blacktriangleright Integer arithmetic always yields an integer value.

 \blacktriangleright Example, if a and b are integers, then for $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{14}$ and $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{4}$ we have the following results:

- a b = 10
- a + b = 18
- a * b = 56
- a / b = 3 (decimal part truncated)
- a % b = 2 (remainder of division)







REAL ARITHMETIC

An arithmetic operation involving **only real operands** is called real arithmetic.

- > A real operand may assume values either in **decimal or exponential** notation.
- \blacktriangleright Since floating point values are rounded to the number of significant digits permissible, the final value is an approximation of the correct result.
- \blacktriangleright Example, If x, y, and z are floats, then we will have:
 - x = 6.0/7.0 = 0.857143
 - y = 1.0/3.0 = 0.333333
 - z = -2.0/3.0 = -0.666667

 \succ The operator % cannot be used with real operands.



MIXED-MODE ARITHMETIC

When one of the operands is 'real' and the other is 'integer', the expression is called a mixedmode arithmetic expression.

 \succ If either operand is of the real type, then only the real operation is performed and the result is always a real number.

| Operation | Result |
|-----------|--------|
| Int/int | Int |
| Real/int | Real |
| Int/real | Real |
| Real/real | real |

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C PROGRAM FOR ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
                                                        Enter two integers
   int first, second, add, subtract, multiply;
                                                         Sum = 10
  float divide;
                                                         Difference = 4
                                                        Multiplication = 21
                                                        Division = 2.33
   printf("Enter two integers\n");
   scanf("%d%d", &first, &second);
   add = first + second;
   subtract = first - second;
   multiply = first * second;
   divide = first / (float)second; //typecasting, you can also write: divide = (float)first/second
   printf("Sum = %d\n", add);
   printf("Difference = %d\n", subtract);
   printf("Multiplication = %d\n", multiply);
   printf("Division = %.2f\n", divide); // "%.2lf" to print two decimal digits, by default (%lf) we get six
   return 0;
```

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2. RELATIONAL OPERATORS

- We often compare two quantities and depending on their relation, take certain decisions.
- \blacktriangleright For example, we may compare the age of two persons, or the price of two items, and so on. \succ These comparisons can be done with the help of relational operators.
- > The symbol '<', meaning 'Less Than' and '>', meaning 'Greater Than'.
- \blacktriangleright An expression such as a < b or 1 < 20 containing a relational operator is termed as a relational expression.
- > The value of a relational expression is either **one or zero**.
- \blacktriangleright Value = 1, if the specified relation is True
- \blacktriangleright Value = 0, if the specified relation is False
- \succ For example
 - 10 < 20 is true \rightarrow Value = 1
 - 20 < 10 is false \rightarrow Value = 0
- > Relational expressions are used in decision statements such as if and while to decide the course of action of a running program.





2. RELATIONAL OPERATORS

✓ ae-1 relational operator ae-2

Example, 10 < 20**>>**

Relational Operators

| Operator | Mean |
|----------|---------|
| < | is less |
| <= | is less |
| > | is grea |
| >= | is grea |
| == | is equa |
| != | is not |

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- than
- than or equal to
- ater than
- ater than or equal to
- al to
- equal to

3. LOGICAL OPERATORS

C has the following three logical operators.

| 1. | && | meaning | logical AND |
|----|----|---------|-------------|
| 2. | | meaning | logical OR |
| 3. | ! | meaning | logical NOT |

- \succ The logical operators && and || are used when we want to test more than one condition and make decisions.
- \blacktriangleright Example : a > b && x == 10
- > An expression of this kind, which combines two or more **relational expressions**, is termed as a logical
- \blacktriangleright expression or a compound relational expression.
- \succ Like the simple relational expressions, a logical expression also yields a value of **one or zero**, according to the truth table shown.
- \blacktriangleright The logical expression given above is true only if a > b is true and x == 10 is true. If either (or both) of them are false, the expression is false.

| Truth | Table |
|-------|-------|
| | |

| 1 | op-2 — | Value of the expression | |
|----------|----------|-------------------------|--------------|
| op-1 | | op-1 && op-2 | op-1 op-2 |
| Non-zero | Non-zero | 1 | 1 |
| Non-zero | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | Non-zero | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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4. ASSIGNMENT OPERATORS

Assignment operators are used to assign the result of an expression to a variable. \succ The usual assignment operator is, '='.

- > In addition, C has a set of '**shorthand** 'assignment operators of the form v op= exp;
- > Where v is a variable, exp is an expression and op is a C binary arithmetic operator.
- The operator **op**= is known as the shorthand assignment operator.
- The assignment statement v op = exp; is equivalent to v = v op (exp);
- ➢ Example: x += y+1;
- > This is same as the statement x = x + (y+1);
- > The shorthand operator += means 'add y+1 to x' or 'increment x by y+1'.
- \blacktriangleright For y = 2, the above statement becomes x += 3; and when this statement is executed, 3 is added to x.
- \succ If the old value of x is, say 5, then the new value of x is 8.



4. ASSIGNMENT OPERATORS



The use of shorthand assignment operators has three advantages:

- 1. What appears on the left-hand side need not be repeated and therefore it becomes easier to write.
- 2. The statement is more concise and easier to read.
- 3. The statement is more efficient.

Shorthand Assignment Operators

| Statement with simple assignment operator | Statement with shorthand operator |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| a = a + 1 | a += 1 |
| a = a - 1 | a -= 1 |
| a = a * (n+1) | a *= n+1 |
| a = a / (n+1) | a /= n+1 |
| a = a % b | a %= b |

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5. INCREMENT AND DECREMENT OPERATORS

C allows two very useful operators not generally found in other languages. > These are the **increment and decrement** operators:

++ and ---

- \succ The operator ++ adds 1 to the operand, while -- subtracts 1.
- \succ Both are unary operators and takes the following form: ++m; or m++;
 - —m; or m– —;
- \rightarrow ++m; is equivalent to m = m+1; (or m += 1;)
- \rightarrow ---m; is equivalent to m = m-1; (or m -= 1;)
- \blacktriangleright We use the increment and decrement statements in **for** and **while** loops extensively.





5. INCREMENT AND DECREMENT OPERATORS

While ++m and m++ mean the same thing when they form statements independently, they behave differently when they are used in expressions on the right-hand side of an assignment statement.

Consider the following:

- y = ++m;
- \succ In this case, the value of y and m would be 6.
- \succ Suppose, if we rewrite the above statements as m = 5;

- \succ then, the value of y would be 5 and m would be 6.
- \blacktriangleright A prefix operator first adds 1 to the operand and then the result is assigned to the variable on left.
- \succ On the other hand, a postfix operator first assigns the value to the variable on left and then increments the operand.

- •



M++;- Post increment, first do the operation and then increment ++m;- Pre increment, first increment and then do the operation --m; - Pre decrement, first decrement and then do the operation • M--; - Post decrement, first do the operation and then increment

6. CONDITIONAL OPERATOR

- A ternary operator pair "? :" is available in C to construct conditional expressions of the form exp1 ? exp2 : exp3
- \blacktriangleright where exp1, exp2, and exp3 are expressions.
- \succ The operator ? : works as follows: expl is evaluated first. If it is nonzero (true), then the expression exp2 is evaluated and becomes the value of the expression.

If exp1 is false, exp3 is evaluated and its value becomes the value of the expression. Note that only one of the expressions (either exp2 or exp3) is evaluated.

 \succ For example, consider the following statements:

- \succ In this example, x will be assigned the value of b.
- \succ This can be achieved using the if..else statements as follows: if (a > b)

```
x = a;
else
```

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b};$$









- C has a distinction of supporting special operators known as bitwise operators for manipulation of data at bit level.
- > These operators are used for testing the bits, or shifting them right or left. Bitwise operators may not be applied to float or double.

Bitwise Operators

| Operator | |
|----------|-------------------|
| & | bitwise AND |
| | bitwise OR |
| ^ | bitwise exclusive |
| << | shift left |
| >> | shift right |

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8. SPECIAL OPERATORS



- C supports some special operators of interest such as
- \succ Comma operator (,)
- Sizeof operator (sizeof)
- Pointer operators (& and *)
- \succ Member selection operators (. and \rightarrow).

The Comma Operator

- \succ The comma operator can be used to link the related expressions together.
- > A comma-linked list of expressions are evaluated left to right and the value of right-most expression is the value of the combined expression.
- \succ For example, the statement

value = (x = 10, y = 5, x+y);

- \succ first assigns the value 10 to x
- \succ then assigns 5 to y
- \succ and finally assigns 15 (i.e. 10 + 5) to value.
- Since comma operator has the lowest precedence of all operators, the **parentheses** are necessary.









The sizeof Operator

- \succ The size of is a compile time operator and, when used with an operand, it returns the number of bytes the operand occupies.
- \succ The operand may be a variable, a constant or a data type qualifier.
- > Examples

m = sizeof (sum);

- n = size of (long int);
- \succ The size of operator is normally used to determine the lengths of arrays and structures when their sizes are not known to the programmer.
- \succ It is also used to allocate memory space dynamically to variables during execution of a program.

```
#include<stdio.h>
                                                          OUTPUT:
#include<conio.h>
                                                          size of variable a is : 2
Void main()
      Int a;
      Printf("size of variable a is : %d",sizeof(a));
```







8. SPECIAL OPERATORS

Pointer Operator

- &
- \succ This symbol specifies the address of the variable
- *
- \succ This symbol specifies the value of the variable.
- Member Selection Operator
- \succ . and - >
- \blacktriangleright Used to access the elements from a structure.







ARITHMETIC EXPRESSIONS

An arithmetic expression is a combination of variables, constants, and operators arranged as per the syntax of the language.

Variable = Expression;

- > Whenever this statement is encountered, the expression is evaluated first and the result then replaces the previous value of the variable on the left-hand side.
- \succ All variables used in the expression must be assigned values before evaluation is attempted.



What is an Expression?

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| ession | C Expression |
|------------------|--|
| | a * b - c * d |
| 6) | (m+n) * (a+b) |
| | 3 * x * x + 2 * x + 5 |
| | (a+b+c)/(d+e) |
| $\overline{(y)}$ | 2 * b * y / (d + 1) - x / 3 * (z + y) |
| | |

PRECEDENCE OF ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

- An arithmetic expression without parentheses will be evaluated from left to right using the rules of precedence of operators.
- > There are two distinct priority levels of arithmetic operators in C: * / % High priority Low priority + -
- > The basic evaluation procedure includes 'two' left-to-right passes through the expression.
- > During the <u>first pass</u>, the **high priority operators** (if any) are applied as they are encountered.
- > During the second pass, the low priority operators (if any) are applied as they are encountered.
- \succ Consider the following evaluation.

x = a - b/3 + c * 2 - 1

 \blacktriangleright When a = 9, b = 12, and c = 3, the statement becomes

 $x = 9 - 12/3 + 3 \times 2 - 1$

 \succ and is evaluated as follows

First pass:

Step1: $x = 9 - 4 + 3 \times 2 - 1$ Step2: x = 9 - 4 + 6 - 1

Second pass

Step3: x = 5+6-1Step4: x = 11-1Step5: x = 10

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Illustration of hierarchy of operations



PRECEDENCE OF ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

The order of evaluation can be changed by introducing parentheses into an expression.

- Consider the same expression with parentheses as shown below: 9-12/(3+3)*(2-1)
- > Whenever **parentheses** are used, the expressions within parentheses assume highest priority.
- \succ If two or more sets of parentheses appear one after another as shown above, the expression contained in the left-most set is evaluated first and the right-most in the last.
- \succ Given below are the new steps.
- First pass
 - Step1: 9-12/6 * (2-1)
 - Step2: 9-12/6 * 1
- Second pass
 - Step3: 9-2 * 1
 - Step4: 9-2
- ➤ <u>Third pass</u>
 - Step5: 7
- > Parentheses may be nested, and in such cases, evaluation of the expression will proceed outward from the innermost set of parentheses.







RULES FOR EVALUATION OF EXPRESSION

- > First, parenthesized sub expression from left to right are evaluated.
- > If parentheses are **nested**, the evaluation begins with **the innermost sub-expression**
- > The precedence rule is applied in determining the order of application of operators in evaluating **sub**expressions.
- \succ The **associativity rule** is applied when two or more operators of the same precedence level appear in a sub-expression.
- \blacktriangleright Arithmetic expressions are evaluated from left to right using the rules of precedence.
- > When parentheses are used, the expressions within parentheses assume highest priority.





OPERATOR PRECEDENCE AND ASSOCIATIVITY

Each operator, in C has a precedence associated with it.

- \succ This precedence is used to determine how an expression involving more than one operator is evaluated. > There are **distinct levels of precedence** and an operator may belong to one of these levels.
- > The operators at the **higher level of precedence are evaluated first**.
- > The operators of the same precedence are evaluated either from 'left to right' or from 'right to left', depending on the level.
- \succ This is known as the associativity property of an operator.
- > Table below provides a complete list of operators, their precedence levels, and their rules of association.
- > The groups are listed in the order of **decreasing precedence**.
- Rank 1 indicates the highest precedence level and 15 the lowest.
- **Rules of Precedence and Associativity**
 - Precedence rules decide the order in which different operators are applied •
 - Associativity rule decides the order in which multiple occurrences of the same level operator are \bullet applied.





OPERATOR PRECEDENCE AND ASSOCIATIVITY

| Operator | Description | Associativity | Ra |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---------------|----|
| () | Function call | Left to right | 1 |
| [] | Aray element reference | | |
| + | Unary plus | | |
| - | Unary minus | Right to left | 2 |
| ++ | Increment | | |
| | Decrement | | |
| 1 | Logical negation | | |
| ~ | Ones complement | | |
| * | Pointer reference (indirection) | | |
| & | Address | | |
| sizeof | Size of an object | | |
| (type) | Type cast (conversion) | | |
| * | Multiplication | Left to right | 3 |
| 1 | Division | | |
| % | Modulus | | |
| + | Addition | Left to right | 4 |
| - | Subtraction | | |
| << | Left shift | Left to right | 5 |
| >> | Right shift | | |
| < | Less than | Left to right | 6 |
| <= | Less than or equal to | | |
| > | Greater than | | |
| >= | Greater than or equal to | | |
| == | Equality | Left to right | 7 |
| I= | Inequality | | |
| & | Bitwise AND | Left to right | 8 |
| ^ | Bitwise XOR | Left to right | 9 |
| 1 | Bitwise OR | Left to right | 10 |
| && | Logical AND | Left to right | 11 |
| Ш | Logical OR | Left to right | 12 |
| ?: | Conditional expression | Right to left | 13 |
| = | Assignment operators | Right to left | 14 |
| * = /= %= | | | |
| += -= &= | | | |
| ^= I= | | | |
| <<=>>= | | | |
| , | Comma operator | Left to right | 15 |

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