

Operators and Expressions:

Operators and expression using numeric and relational operators, mixed operands, type conversion, logical operators, bit operations, assignment operator, operator precedence and associativity.

Objectives

- ♥ To be able to construct and evaluate expressions.
- ♥ To master operator precedence and associativity
- ♥ To understand implicit type conversion and explicit type conversion.

Introduction

- An operator is a symbol that tells the computer to perform certain manipulations.
- An expression is a sequence of operands and operators that reduces to a single value.
- C operators can be classified into a number of categories.
 - Arithmetic operators
 - Relational operators
 - Logical operators
 - Assignment operators
 - Increment and decrement operators
 - Conditional operators
 - Bitwise operators
 - Special operators

Arithmetic operators

- The arithmetic operators in C

Operator	meaning
+	Addition or unary plus
-	Subtraction or unary minus
*	Multiplication
/	Division
%	modulo division

Arithmetic operators

- Note:
 - Integer division truncates remainder
 - The % operator cannot be applied to a float or double.
 - The precedence of arithmetic operators
 - Unary + or -
 - * / %
 - + -

```
#include<stdio.h>
main()
{
    int months , days ;
    printf ( "Enter days \n " ) ;
    scanf ( "%d" , &days ) ;
    months = days / 30 ;
    days = days % 30 ;
    printf ( "Months =%d Days= %d \n", months, days);
}
```

Arithmetic expressions

- An arithmetic expression is a combination of variables, constants, and operators.
- For example,
- $a*b-c \rightarrow a*b-c$
- $(m+n)(x+y) \rightarrow (m+n)*(x+y)$
- $ax^2+bx+c \rightarrow a*x*x+b*x+c$

Mathematical functions

- Mathematical functions such as `cos`, `sqrt`, `log`, etc. are frequently used in analysis of real-life problems. Table 3.9 on page 72 lists some standard math functions.
- We should include the line

```
#include<math.h>
```

in the beginning of the program.

Mathematical functions

- for example
- the roots of $ax^2+bx+c = 0$ are

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

- $x_1 = (-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}) / (2 * a)$
- $x_2 = (-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}) / (2 * a)$

Relational Operators

- The relational operators in C are :

Operator	Meaning
<	less than
<=	less than or equal to
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal to
==	equal to
!=	not equal to

Relational Operators

- The relational operators $>$, $>=$, $<$ and $<=$ have the same precedence. Just below them in precedence are the equality operators: $=$ and $!=$.
- Relational operators have lower precedence than arithmetic operators, so an expression like $i < lim-1$ is taken as $i < (lim-1)$.
- $3 >= 2 = -4 < 0$

Logical operators

- C has the following three logical operators
 - && meaning logical and
 - || meaning logical or
 - ! meaning logical not (unary operator)
- Expressions connected by && or || are evaluated left to right, and evaluation stops as soon as the truth or falsehood of the result is known.

Logical operators

op-1	op2	op-1&&op-2	op-1 op-2	!op-1
Non-zero	Non-zero	1	1	0
Non-zero	0	0	1	0
0	Non-zero	0	1	1
0	0	0	0	1

Logical operators

- The precedence of `&&` is higher than that of `||`, and both are lower than relational operators, so
- `3 < 5 && -3 < -5 || 3 > 2`
- `char ch;` to decide whether `ch` is an uppercase,
`ch >= 'A' && ch <= 'Z'`
- to decide whether a year is leap year,
`year % 4 == 0 && year % 100 != 0 || year % 400 == 0`

Assignment operators

- Assignment operators are used to assign the result of an expression to a variable.
- C has a set of 'shorthand' assignment operators of the form

$$v \text{ op} = \text{exp};$$

- where v is a variable, exp is an expression and op is a C binary arithmetic operator. The operator $\text{op} =$ is known as the shorthand assignment operator.
- The assignment statement $v \text{ op} = \text{exp};$ is equivalent to $v = v \text{ op} (\text{exp});$
- For example, $x += y + 1;$ This is same as the statement $x = x + (y + 1);$

Assignment operators

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

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.

Assignment operators

- `int a=12, n=5;`
 - (1) `a += a`
 - (2) `a -= 2`
 - (3) `a *= 2 + 3`
 - (4) `a /= a + a`
 - (5) `a %= (n %= 2)`
 - (6) `a += a -= a *= a`

Increment and decrement operators

- C provides two unusual operators for incrementing and decrementing variables.
- The increment operator `++` adds 1 to its operand, while the decrement operator `--` subtracts 1.
- The unusual aspect is that `++` and `--` may be used either as prefix operators (before the variable, as in `++n`), or postfix operators (after the variable: `n++`).
- In both cases, the effect is to increment `n`. But the expression `++n` increments `n` *before* its value is used, while `n++` increments `n` *after* its value has been used.

- for example, if n is 5, then

`x = n++;`

is equivalent

`x = n; n++;`

but

`x = ++n;`

is equivalent

`n++; x = n;`

- The increment and decrement operators can only be applied to variables; an expression like `(i+j)++` is illegal.

- The increment and decrement operators can be used in complex statements. Example:

`m=n++ -j +10;`

- Consider the expression

`m = - n++ ;`

- The precedence of ++ and – operators are the same as those of unary + and -.
- The associativity of them is **right to left**.
- `m = - n++;` is equivalent to `m = - (n++)`

- suppose,
- `int a, b, c ; a = b = c = 1;`
- After execution the following statements, what are the values of the expression and variables.
- (1) `a > b && b > c++;`
- (2) `a-- || c++;`
- (3) `!a && b++;`
- (4) `++a && ++b && ++c;`
- (5) `++a && --b && ++c;`

Conditional operator

- a ternary operator pair "? : " is available in C to construct conditional expressions of the form

expr1 ? expr2 : expr3

- the expression *expr1* is evaluated first. If it is non-zero (true), then the expression *expr2* is evaluated, and that is the value of the conditional expression. Otherwise *expr3* is evaluated, and that is the value. Only one of *expr2* and *expr3* is evaluated.

Special operators

- **1. The Comma Operator**
- The comma operator can be used to link the related expressions together. A comma-linked list of expressions is evaluated left to right and the value of right-most expression is the value of the combined expression. For example, the statement
- `value = (x=10, y=5, x+y);`
- first assigns the value 10 to x, then assigns 5 to y, and finally assigns 15 to value. Since comma operator has the **lowest precedence** of all operators, the parentheses are necessary.

• **2. The sizeof Operator**

- The sizeof is a compile time operator and, when used with an operand, it returns the number of bytes the operand occupies. The operand may be variable, a constant or a data type qualifier. Examples:
- `m = sizeof (sum);`
- `n = sizeof (long int);`
- `k = sizeof (235L);`

The different kinds of operators.

```
#include<stdio.h>
main()
{
    int a, b, c, d;
    a = 15;
    b = 10;
    c = ++a - b;
    printf ("a=%d b=%d c=%d\n", a, b, c );
    d = b++ +a;
    printf("a = %d b = %d d = %d\n", a, b, d );
    printf("a/b = %d\n", a / b);
    printf("a%%b = %d\n", a%b );
    printf("a *= b = %d\n", a *= b );
    printf("%d\n", ( c>d ) ? 1 : 0 );
    printf("%d\n", ( c<d ) ? 1 : 0 );
}
```

example3.4 variables in expressions and their evaluation

```
#include<stdio.h>
main()
{
    float a, b, c, x, y, z;
    a = 9;
    b = 12;
    c = 3;
    x = a - b / 3 + c * 2 - 1;
    y = a - b / (3 + c) * (2 - 1);
    z = a - (b / (3 + c) * 2) - 1;
    printf("x = %f \n", x);
    printf("y = %f \n", y);
    printf("z = %f \n", z);
}
```

Some Computational Problems

- When expressions include real values, then it is important to take necessary precautions to guard against certain computational errors. For example, consider the following statements:
 - $a = 1.0 / 3.0;$
 - $b = a * 3.0;$
- There is no guarantee that the value of b will equal 1.
- Another problem is division by zero.
- The third problem is to avoid overflow and underflow errors.

example 3.5 round-off errors in computation of floating point numbers.

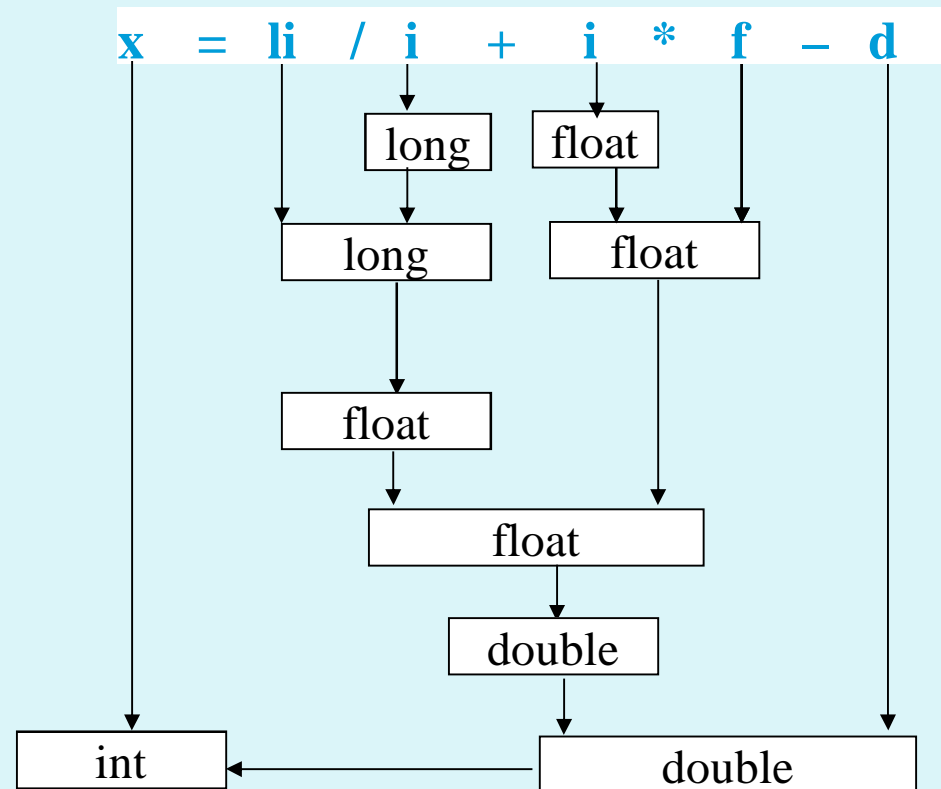
```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{
    float sum, n, term;
    int count = 1;
    sum = 0;
    printf ( "Enter value of n \n " ) ;
    scanf ( "%f", &n ) ;
    term = 1.0 / n;
    while ( count <= n )
    {
        sum = sum + term ;
        count++ ;
    }
    printf ( "Sum = %f \n", sum ) ;
}
```

Type conversions in expressions

- **1. Implicit Type Conversion**
- C permits mixing of constants and variables of different types in an expression. C automatically converts any intermediate values to the proper type so that the expression can be evaluated without losing any significance. This automatic conversion is known as **implicit type conversion**.
- The rule of type conversion: the **lower** type is automatically converted to the **higher** type.

Type conversions in expressions

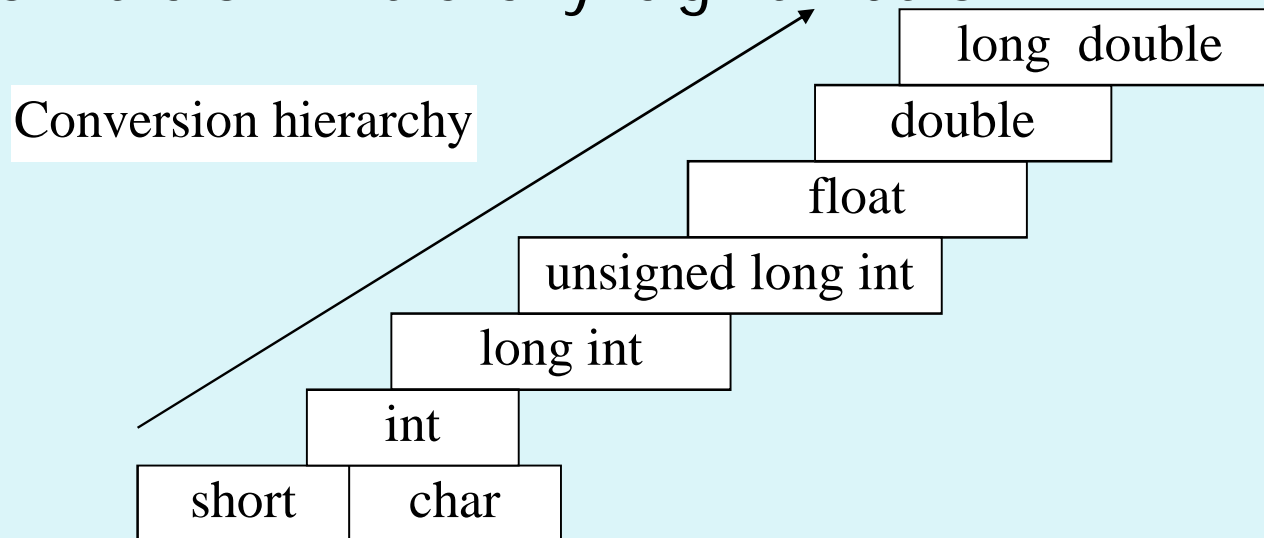
- for example,
 - int i, x;
 - float f;
 - double d;
 - long int li ;



- The final result of an expression is converted to the type of the variable on the left of the assignment.

Type conversions in expressions

- The sequence of rules is given on page 67.
- Conversion Hierarchy is given below



Type conversions in expressions

- **2. Explicit conversion**

- We can force a type conversion in a way .
- The general form of explicit conversion is

(type-name) expression

- for example

- `x = (int) 7.5 ;`
- `a = (int) 21.3 / (int) 4.5;`
- `a = (float) 3 / 2 ;`
- `a = float (3 / 2) ;`

Operator precedence and Associativity

- Rules of Precedence and Associativity
 - (1)Precedence rules decides the order in which different operators are applied.
 - (2)Associativity rule decide the order in which multiple occurrences of the same level operator are applied.
- Table3.8 on page71 shows the summary of C Operators.
- for example,
- **a = i +1== j || k and 3 != x**

Mathematical functions

- Mathematical functions such as `cos`, `sqrt`, `log`, etc. are frequently used in analysis of real-life problems.
- Table 3.9 on page 72 lists some standard math functions.
- All mathematical functions implement **double type** parameters and return **double type** values.
- To use any of mathematical functions, we should include the line:

```
#include < math. h >
```