

# Current Assignments

- Homework 5 will be available tomorrow and is due on Sunday.

## Arrays and Pointers

- Project 2 due tonight by midnight.
- Exam 2 on Monday. Review on Thursday.
  - Functions (overloading, pass-by-value, pass-by-reference)
  - Recursion
  - Arrays
  - Pointers
  - Sorting (insertion sort, selection sort, and bubble sort)

# Today

- Recursion from Homework 4
  - Recursive Adder
- Basic String Processing
- Recursion and Arrays
  - Palindrome
  - Recursive Insertion Sort

# Basic String Processing

- Strings (arrays of chars) are very common
- They are usually referred to as `char*`s (remember a pointer is really the same as an array)
- ...but be careful. Declaring an array allocates memory to store the data in, declaring a pointer just allocates memory for one address.

# Fundamentals of Characters and Strings

- Character constant
  - Integer value represented as character in single quotes
  - `'z'` is integer value of `z`
    - 122 in ASCII

# Fundamentals of Characters and Strings

- String - series of characters treated as single unit
  - Can include letters, digits, +, -, \*, etc.
- String literal (string constants)
  - Enclosed in double quotes, for example: **"I like C++"**
- Array of characters, ends with null character **'\0'**
- String constant is a **const** pointer that points to string's first character
  - Like arrays

# Fundamentals of Characters and Strings

- String assignment
  - Character array
    - `char color[] = "blue";`
      - Creates 5 element `char` array `color` last element is `'\0'`
  - Variable of type `char *`
    - `char *colorPtr = "blue";`
      - Creates pointer `colorPtr` to letter `b` in string `"blue"`
        - » `"blue"` somewhere in memory
  - Alternative for character array
    - `char color[] = { 'b', 'l', 'u', 'e', '\0' };`

# Fundamentals of Characters and Strings

- Reading strings

- Assign input to character array **word[20]**

- ```
cin >> word
```

- Reads characters until whitespace or EOF

- String could exceed array size

- ```
cin >> setw( 20 ) >> word;
```

- Reads 19 characters (space reserved for ' \0 ')

# String Manipulation Functions of the String-handling Library

- String handling library **<cstring>** provides functions to
  - Manipulate string data
  - Compare strings
  - Search strings for characters and other strings
  - Tokenize strings (separate strings into logical pieces)

<pre>char *strcpy( char *s1, const char *s2 );</pre>	<p>Copies the string <b>s2</b> into the character array <b>s1</b>. The value of <b>s1</b> is returned.</p>
<pre>char *strncpy( char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n );</pre>	<p>Copies at most <b>n</b> characters of the string <b>s2</b> into the character array <b>s1</b>. The value of <b>s1</b> is returned.</p>
<pre>char *strcat( char *s1, const char *s2 );</pre>	<p>Appends the string <b>s2</b> to the string <b>s1</b>. The first character of <b>s2</b> overwrites the terminating null character of <b>s1</b>. The value of <b>s1</b> is returned.</p>
<pre>char *strncat( char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n );</pre>	<p>Appends at most <b>n</b> characters of string <b>s2</b> to string <b>s1</b>. The first character of <b>s2</b> overwrites the terminating null character of <b>s1</b>. The value of <b>s1</b> is returned.</p>
<pre>int strcmp( const char *s1, const char *s2 );</pre>	<p>Compares the string <b>s1</b> with the string <b>s2</b>. The function returns a value of zero, less than zero or greater than zero if <b>s1</b> is equal to, less than or greater than <b>s2</b>, respectively.</p>

<pre>int <b>strncmp</b>( const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n );</pre>	<p>Compares up to <b>n</b> characters of the string <b>s1</b> with the string <b>s2</b>. The function returns zero, less than zero or greater than zero if <b>s1</b> is equal to, less than or greater than <b>s2</b>, respectively.</p>
<pre>char *<b>strtok</b>( char *s1, const char *s2 );</pre>	<p>A sequence of calls to <b>strtok</b> breaks string <b>s1</b> into “tokens”—logical pieces such as words in a line of text—delimited by characters contained in string <b>s2</b>. The first call contains <b>s1</b> as the first argument, and subsequent calls to continue tokenizing the same string contain <b>NULL</b> as the first argument. A pointer to the current to-ken is returned by each call. If there are no more tokens when the function is called, <b>NULL</b> is returned.</p>
<pre>int <b>strlen</b>( const char *s );</pre>	<p>Determines the length of string <b>s</b>. The number of characters preceding the terminating null character is returned.</p>

# String Manipulation Functions of the String-handling Library

- Copying strings
  - `char *strcpy( char *s1, const char *s2 )`
    - Copies second argument into first argument
      - First argument must be large enough to store string and terminating null character
  - `char *strncpy( char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n )`
    - Specifies number of characters to be copied from string into array
    - Does not necessarily copy terminating null character

# String Manipulation Functions

- Concatenating strings
  - **char \*strcat( char \*s1, const char \*s2 )**
    - Appends second argument to first argument
    - First character of second argument replaces null character terminating first argument
    - Ensure first argument large enough to store concatenated result and null character
  - **char \*strncat( char \*s1, const char \*s2, int n )**
    - Appends specified number of characters from second argument to first argument
    - Appends terminating null character to result

# String Manipulation Functions

- Comparing strings
  - Characters represented as numeric codes
  - Strings compared using numeric codes
  - Character codes / character sets
    - ASCII
      - “American Standard Code for Information Interchange”

# String Manipulation Functions

- Comparing strings

- **int strcmp( const char \*s1, const char \*s2 )**

- Compares character by character

- Returns

- Zero if strings equal

- Negative value if first string less than second string

- Positive value if first string greater than second string

- **int strncmp( const char \*s1, const char \*s2, int n )**

- Compares up to specified number of characters

- Stops comparing if reaches null character in one of arguments

# String Manipulation Functions

- Tokenizing
  - Breaking strings into tokens, separated by delimiting characters
  - Tokens usually logical units, such as words (separated by spaces)
  - **"This is my string"** has 4 word tokens (separated by spaces)

# String Manipulation Functions

- **char \*strtok( char \*s1, const char \*s2 )**
  - Multiple calls required
    - First call contains two arguments, string to be tokenized and string containing delimiting characters
      - » Finds next delimiting character and replaces with null character
    - Subsequent calls continue tokenizing
      - » Call with first argument **NULL**
  - **Returns NULL if no characters matching the delimiter could be found**

# String Manipulation Functions

```
/* strtok example */
#include <iostream>
#include <cstring>
int main ()
{
    char str[] = "This is a sample string, just testing.";
    char * pch;
    cout << "Splitting string " << str << " into tokens: ";
    pch = strtok (str, " ");
    while (pch != NULL)
    {
        cout << pch;
        pch = strtok (NULL, " ,.");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

# String Manipulation Functions

Splitting string "This is a sample string, just testing."

in tokens:

This

is

a

sample

string

just

testing

# String Manipulation Functions

- Determining string lengths

- `int strlen( const char *s )`

- Returns number of characters in string
      - Terminating null character not included in length

# String Manipulation Functions

- Write iterative palindrome
- Write recursive palindrome
- Write recursive insertion sort