

CS1100 – Introduction to Programming

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Lecture 20

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int GCD (int m, int n) {
    int rem;
    do {
        rem = m % n;
        m = n;
        n = rem;
    } while (rem != 0);
    return m; }
int main () {
    int x, y, gcd;
    printf ("input two nonzero positive integers:");
    scanf ("%d %d", &x, &y);
    gcd = GCD (x, y);
    if (gcd == 1)
        printf ("%d and %d are coprime\n", x, y);
    else
        printf ("%d and %d are not coprime\n", x, y); }
```


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#include <stdio.h>
int checkPrimeNumber(int n);
int main() {
    int n1, n2, i, flag;
    printf("Enter two positive integers: ");
    scanf("%d %d", &n1, &n2);
    printf("Prime numbers between %d and %d are: ", n1, n2);
    for (i = n1 + 1; i < n2; ++i) {
        flag = checkPrimeNumber(i);
        if (flag == 1)    printf("%d ", i);    }
    return 0; }
int checkPrimeNumber(int n) {
    int j, flag = 1;
    for (j = 2; j <= n / 2; ++j) {
        if (n % j == 0) {
            flag = 0;
            break;
        } }
    return flag; }
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void print(int arr[], int n)
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    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        printf("%d ", arr[i]);
    }
}
void reverse(int arr[], int n)
{
    int aux[n];

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        aux[n - 1 - i] = arr[i];
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        arr[i] = aux[i];
    }
}

int main(void)
{
    int arr[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);

    reverse(arr, n);
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    {
        int temp = arr[low];
        arr[low] = arr[high];
        arr[high] = temp;
    }
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Example : Binary to Decimal Conversion

```
#include <math.h>
#include <stdio.h>
int convert(long long n);
int main() {
    long long n;
    printf("Enter a binary number: ");
    scanf("%lld", &n);
    printf("%lld in binary = %d in decimal", n, convert(n));
    return 0;
}
int convert(long long n) {
    int dec = 0, i = 0, rem;
    while (n != 0) {
        rem = n % 10;
        n /= 10;
        dec += rem * pow(2, i);
        ++i; }
    return dec; }
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Use of static

```
#include "stdio.h"
void DoSomething() {
    static int x=5;
    {
        static int y=6;
        x++;
        y++;
        printf ("x = %d y = %d\n", x, y);
    }
}
int main () {
    int i;
    for (i = 1; i < 10; i++)
        DoSomething();
}
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Pseudo-code of the main program

Now the main program is compact and intuitive.

```
// Assume 1 and 2 are used for X and O.
p = 0
while (checkwin() returns false)
{
    showconfig();
    read the next move (i,j) of player no:(p+1)
    // note that p+1 is either 1 or 2.

    if (checklegal(i,j) == false) continue;
    putsymbol(i,j,(p+1));
    p = (p+1) % 2.
}
Print "Game Over"
```

The prototype declarations

```
#include <stdio.h>

char board[1000][1000]; int N=3;
char player[2] = {'X','O'};

void init();
void showconfig(void);
int checkwin(void);
int checklegal(int, int);
int putsymbol(int,int,char);

int main()
{
    init();
    ....
}
```


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    printf("\n-----\n");
    for (int i=0; i<N; i++)
    {
        for (int j=0; j<N; j++)
            printf("| %c ",board[i][j]);
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- Let the `board[2][2]` be the character grid.
- Do the character search with `s = XXX` to determine if X-player wins.
- Do the character search with `s = 000` to determine if O-player wins.

So we can reuse that code.

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Pseudocode for `checkwindir(dir,player)`

- for $i=1$ to N
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 - If $dir = 1$ all checks should be `board[i][j] != 'X'`.
 - If $dir = 2$ all checks should be `board[j][i] != 'X'`.
 - If $dir = 3$ all checks should be `board[j][j] != 'X'`.
 - If $dir = 4$ all checks should be `board[j][N-j-1] != 'X'`.
- If any check fails, then try next i . If all succeeds for the full run of the j -loop, then declare `WINNING`.

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