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Unit- IV: Structure and Union

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Objective

Describe the Structure and its Uses

Describe the Union and its Uses

Difference between Structure and Union

Structure

What is Structure?

- It is a derived data type that is a collection of different data type.
- It contain various information of various types of data.

A structure makes a data type that can be used to group items of possibly different types into a single type.

Structures are used to represent a record in C language.

“**struct**” keyword is used to create a structure.

The diagram shows a C structure declaration with annotations. The code is: `struct structure_name { data_type struct_member1; data_type struct_member1; . data_type struct_memberN; };`. Annotations include: an arrow from 'Keyword' to 'struct'; an arrow from 'User define structure name' to 'structure_name'; a bracket on the right grouping the members from 'data_type struct_member1;' to 'data_type struct_memberN;' and labeled 'Structure members'; and a light blue highlight under the closing brace and semicolon '};'.

```
Keyword → struct structure_name ← User define structure name
{
    data_type struct_member1;
    data_type struct_member1;
    .
    data_type struct_memberN;
};
```

Structure members

Declaring Structure Variable

A structure variable can be declared with structure declaration.

```
struct structure_name
{
    data_type struct_member1;
    data_type struct_member1;
    .
    .
    data_type struct_memberN;
}var1, var2;
```

OR

```
main()
{
    struct structure_name var1, var2;
}
```

Structure Variable

- A structure variable can also be declare like primary types.

Structure : Example

```
struct employee
{
    int eid;
    char ename[20];
    float salary;
}e1,e2;
```

```
struct student
{
    char stud_name[15];
    char class[10];
    int rollno;
}s1,s2;
```

Initializing Structure members

Structure members **cannot be** initialized with declaration. For example the following C program fails in compilation.

```
struct Student
```

```
{  
    int rollno = 10; // COMPILER ERROR: cannot initialize members here  
};
```

It can be initialized only with the help of structure variable.

The following C program will initialize the structure members in main function using structure variable.

Accessing Structure members

Structure members can be accessed using dot (.) operator.

```
struct person

int pid;
char pname[15];

int main()

struct person p1 = {11, 'ramesh'};
// Accessing members of person
printf ("\n pid = %d \n person name = %d", p1.pid, p1.pname);
```

Output:

C:\Users\HP\Documents\structure1.exe

```
pid = 11
person name = 6487604
-----
Process exited after 0.1285 seconds with return value 34
Press any key to continue . . .
```


Initializing and Accessing Structure members: Example

```
#include<stdio.h>
struct student
{
    int rn;
    char nam[15];
    char cls[20];
};

int main()
{
    struct student s1;
    printf("\n enter roll no of student :");
    scanf("%d",&s1.rn);
    printf("\n enter name of student :");
    scanf("%s",&s1.nam);
    printf("\n enter class name of student :");
    scanf("%s",&s1.cls);
    printf("\n\n student details:\n");
    printf("\n roll no: %d",s1.rn);
    printf("\n name : %s",s1.nam);
    printf("\n class : %s",s1.cls);
}
```

Output:

```
enter roll no of student :98726
enter name of student :rohan
enter class name of student :pgdca

student details:

roll no: 98726
name : rohan
class : pgdca
-----
Process exited after 20.82 seconds with return value 15
Press any key to continue . . .
```

Array of Structure

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