



Principles of Computer Science II

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Lecture Slides 12 - Character Processing

The char Data Type

- Used to represent variables
- Stored in one byte on the machine
 - Commonly, 1 byte = 8 bits = 256 values
 - Usual range is from -128 to 127
- The integer code stored in a `char` variable is interpreted according to a character encoding
 - ASCII
 - EBCDIC

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Character Literals, etc.

```
printf("%c\n", 'a');      /* a is printed */  
printf("%c%c%c\n", 'A', 'B', 'C'); /* ABC is printed */  
printf("%d\n", 'a');      /* 97 is printed (ASCII) */  
printf("%c\n", 97);       /* a is printed */  
printf("\'ABC\'\n");      /* "ABC" is printed */  
printf("%c%c\n", "", ""); /* ... */  
  
/* see control characters on page 176 */
```

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getchar() - putchar() Macros

```
Contains line:  
#define EOF (-1)           #include <stdio.h>  
int main(void) {  
    int c;  
    while ((c = getchar()) != EOF) {  
        putchar(c);  
        putchar(c);  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

An int holds all possible character values as well as special values like EOF

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Recursive dbl_out

```
#include <stdio.h>  
  
void dbl_out() {  
    int c;  
    if ((c = getchar()) != EOF) {  
        putchar(c);  
        putchar(c);  
        dbl_out();  
    }  
}  
  
int main(void) {  
    dbl_out();  
    return 0;  
}
```

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Character Macros/Functions in ctype.h

- `isalpha(c)` `isdigit(c)`
 - `isupper(c)` `islower(c)`
 - `isalnum(c)` `isxdigit(c)`
 - `isspace(c)` `ispunct(c)`
 - `isprint(c)` `isgraph(c)`
 - `iscntrl(c)` `isascii(c)`
 - `toupper(c)` `tolower(c)` `toascii(c)`
- (pg. 185)

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