Personal SE

Functions & Arrays

Functions in C

- Syntax like Java methods but w/o public, abstract, etc.
- As in Java, all arguments (well, **most** arguments) are passed by *value*.
- Example:

```
void try_swap( int x, int y ) {
    int t = x ;
    x = y ;
    y = t ;
}
```

- Doesn't work:
  - `x` and `y` are copies of the arguments in the caller.
  - Changing the copy has *no effect* in the caller.

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NOTE THE USE OF SYMBOLIC CONSTANT!

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Simple summation of array values.

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int sum = 0 ;
int i ;

for ( i = 0 ; i < MAXSAMPLES ; ++i ) {
    sum += samples[ i ] ;
}
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A matrix or a 2 dimensional array

Access by `m1[ i ][ j ]`

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Matrix multiplication to show use of double indices.

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#define DIMENSION (50) ;
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double m2[DIMENSION][DIMENSION] ;
double product[DIMENSION][DIMENSION] ;
```

```
int i, j, k ;

for ( i = 0 ; i < DIMENSION ; ++i ) {
    for ( j = 0 ; j < DIMENSION ; ++j ) {
        product[ i ][ j ] = 0.0 ;
        for ( k = 0 ; k < DIMENSION ; ++k ) {
            product[i][j] += m1[i][k] * m2[k][j] ;
        }
     }
}
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Need not, but may, give the array size.

Arrays in C - Review

- Array size fixed at definition time.
- Good practice (that is, ***OUR*** practice) is to use symbolic constants to define array sizes.
- Array indices are integers.
- Legal indices run from 0 to ***arraysize*** - 1
- C will *not* prevent you from indexing outside the bounds of the array (no subscript checks).
- Arrays are passed by reference.