

# C Library Calls

An Advanced Introduction to  
Unix/C Programming



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# C Library Function Calls

- Library calls make it easier to write programs by providing functions you can call.
- Library calls are defined in Section 3 of the manual pages.
- To call a library function, an include file is necessary.

# /usr/include Header Files

- There are a large number of ANSI Standard Libraries defined.  
Function prototypes can be found in the following /usr/include files:

**assert.h**

**ctype.h**

**errno.h**

**float.h**

**limits.h**

**locale.h**

**math.h**

**setjmp.h**

**signal.h**

**stdarg.h**

**stddef.h**

**stdio.h**

**stdlib.h**

**string.h**

**time.h**

**(There are ~115 .h files  
in /usr/include)**

# Where's the object code for stdio.h?

`#include <stdio.h>` defines the interface/prototypes in `/usr/include/stdio.h`.

But where is the compiled object code for, say, the `fprintf` function defined in `stdio.h`?

```
#include <stdio.h>
fprintf(stdout, "%s, %s %d, %.2d:%.2d\n",
        weekday, month, day, hour, min);
```

# /usr/lib/x86\_64-linux-gnu for Ubuntu

```
john@oho:/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu$ ls *.a
```

```
libBrokenLocale.a  libc_nonshared.a  libdl.a  libl.a      libmcheck.a      libmysqlservices.a  libresolv.a  libssl.a
libanl.a           libcrypt.a        libfl.a  libm-2.31.a  libmvec.a        libnsl.a            librpcsvc.a  libutil.a
libc.a            libcrypto.a       libg.a   libm.a      libmysqlclient.a  libpthread.a       librt.a      libz.a
```

```
john@oho:/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu$ ar tvf libc.a|grep printf
```

```
rw-r--r-- 0/0    1392 Dec 31 16:00 1969 vfprintf.o
rw-r--r-- 0/0    1416 Dec 31 16:00 1969 vprintf.o
rw-r--r-- 0/0   20296 Dec 31 16:00 1969 printf_fp.o
rw-r--r-- 0/0    3104 Dec 31 16:00 1969 reg-printf.o
rw-r--r-- 0/0    1680 Dec 31 16:00 1969 fprintf.o           ← fprintf object code
rw-r--r-- 0/0    1752 Dec 31 16:00 1969 printf.o           ← printf object code
```

```
john@oho:/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu$ ar tvf libc.a|grep assert
```

```
rw-r--r-- 0/0    3984 Dec 31 16:00 1969 assert.o
```

# assert.h

## assert.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
assert	void assert(scalar expression);	If expression is false (i.e., compares equal to zero), assert prints an error message to standard error and terminates the program by calling abort().

# man assert

```
john@oho:~$ man assert | cat
```

```
ASSERT(3)
```

```
Linux Programmer's Manual
```

```
ASSERT(3)
```

## NAME

assert - abort the program if assertion is false

## SYNOPSIS

```
#include <assert.h>
```

```
void assert(scalar expression);
```

## DESCRIPTION

This macro can help programmers find bugs in their programs, or handle exceptional cases via a crash that will produce limited debugging output.

If expression is false (i.e., compares equal to zero), `assert()` prints an error message to standard error and terminates the program by calling `abort(3)`. The error message includes the name of the file and function containing the `assert()` call, the source code line number of the call, and the text of the argument.

## RETURN VALUE

No value is returned.

## SEE ALSO

`abort(3)`, `assert_perror(3)`, `exit(3)`

# assert

```
john@oho:~$ cat assert.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <assert.h>
void main()
{
    int    i = 1;
    int    j = 2;

    assert(i == 1);
    printf("i = 1\n");
    assert(i == j);
    printf("i = j\n");
    printf("End of program\n");
}
john@oho:~$ gcc assert.c; a.out
i = 1
a.out: assert.c:12: main: Assertion `i == j' failed.
Aborted (core dumped)
```



# cctype.h

## cctype.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
isalnum	int isalnum(int c);	Checks for alphanumeric character.
isalpha	int isalpha(int c);	Checks for alphabetic character.
isascii	int isascii(int c);	Checks whether c is a 7-bit unsigned character that fits into the ASCII character set.
isblank	int isblank(int c);	Checks for a space or tab character.
iscntrl	int iscntrl(int c);	Check for a control character.
isdigit	int isdigit(int c);	Check for a digit (0 through 9).
isgraph	int isgraph(int c);	Check for any printable character except space.
islower	int islower(int c);	Checks for a lowercase character.
isprint	int isprint(int c);	Checks for printable character including space.
ispunct	int ispunct(int c);	Checks for punctuation character not space.
isspace	int isspace(int c);	Checks for space, \f, \n, \r, \t, or \v characters.

# Why an int versus a char?

In ISO/IEC 9899:1999 (the old C standard), it says:

## §7.4 Character handling

**The header declares several functions useful for classifying and mapping characters. In all cases the argument is an int, the value of which shall be representable as an unsigned char or shall equal the value of the macro EOF. If the argument has any other value, the behavior is undefined.**

*(I've left out a footnote.)* Both C89 and C11 say very much the same thing.

As long as `c` is in the range of integers that an unsigned char can store (and there are 8 bits per character, EOF is -1, and the initialization is correct), then this works beautifully.

# ASCII Table

Dec	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	0	000	<b>NUL</b> (null)	32	20	040	&#32;	<b>Space</b>	64	40	100	&#64;	<b>@</b>	96	60	140	&#96;	<b>`</b>
1	1	001	<b>SOH</b> (start of heading)	33	21	041	&#33;	<b>!</b>	65	41	101	&#65;	<b>A</b>	97	61	141	&#97;	<b>a</b>
2	2	002	<b>STX</b> (start of text)	34	22	042	&#34;	<b>"</b>	66	42	102	&#66;	<b>B</b>	98	62	142	&#98;	<b>b</b>
3	3	003	<b>ETX</b> (end of text)	35	23	043	&#35;	<b>#</b>	67	43	103	&#67;	<b>C</b>	99	63	143	&#99;	<b>c</b>
4	4	004	<b>EOT</b> (end of transmission)	36	24	044	&#36;	<b>\$</b>	68	44	104	&#68;	<b>D</b>	100	64	144	&#100;	<b>d</b>
5	5	005	<b>ENQ</b> (enquiry)	37	25	045	&#37;	<b>%</b>	69	45	105	&#69;	<b>E</b>	101	65	145	&#101;	<b>e</b>
6	6	006	<b>ACK</b> (acknowledge)	38	26	046	&#38;	<b>&amp;</b>	70	46	106	&#70;	<b>F</b>	102	66	146	&#102;	<b>f</b>
7	7	007	<b>BEL</b> (bell)	39	27	047	&#39;	<b>'</b>	71	47	107	&#71;	<b>G</b>	103	67	147	&#103;	<b>g</b>
8	8	010	<b>BS</b> (backspace)	40	28	050	&#40;	<b>(</b>	72	48	110	&#72;	<b>H</b>	104	68	150	&#104;	<b>h</b>
9	9	011	<b>TAB</b> (horizontal tab)	41	29	051	&#41;	<b>)</b>	73	49	111	&#73;	<b>I</b>	105	69	151	&#105;	<b>i</b>
10	A	012	<b>LF</b> (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	&#42;	<b>*</b>	74	4A	112	&#74;	<b>J</b>	106	6A	152	&#106;	<b>j</b>
11	B	013	<b>VT</b> (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	&#43;	<b>+</b>	75	4B	113	&#75;	<b>K</b>	107	6B	153	&#107;	<b>k</b>
12	C	014	<b>FF</b> (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	&#44;	<b>,</b>	76	4C	114	&#76;	<b>L</b>	108	6C	154	&#108;	<b>l</b>
13	D	015	<b>CR</b> (carriage return)	45	2D	055	&#45;	<b>-</b>	77	4D	115	&#77;	<b>M</b>	109	6D	155	&#109;	<b>m</b>
14	E	016	<b>SO</b> (shift out)	46	2E	056	&#46;	<b>.</b>	78	4E	116	&#78;	<b>N</b>	110	6E	156	&#110;	<b>n</b>
15	F	017	<b>SI</b> (shift in)	47	2F	057	&#47;	<b>/</b>	79	4F	117	&#79;	<b>O</b>	111	6F	157	&#111;	<b>o</b>
16	10	020	<b>DLE</b> (data link escape)	48	30	060	&#48;	<b>0</b>	80	50	120	&#80;	<b>P</b>	112	70	160	&#112;	<b>p</b>
17	11	021	<b>DC1</b> (device control 1)	49	31	061	&#49;	<b>1</b>	81	51	121	&#81;	<b>Q</b>	113	71	161	&#113;	<b>q</b>
18	12	022	<b>DC2</b> (device control 2)	50	32	062	&#50;	<b>2</b>	82	52	122	&#82;	<b>R</b>	114	72	162	&#114;	<b>r</b>
19	13	023	<b>DC3</b> (device control 3)	51	33	063	&#51;	<b>3</b>	83	53	123	&#83;	<b>S</b>	115	73	163	&#115;	<b>s</b>
20	14	024	<b>DC4</b> (device control 4)	52	34	064	&#52;	<b>4</b>	84	54	124	&#84;	<b>T</b>	116	74	164	&#116;	<b>t</b>
21	15	025	<b>NAK</b> (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	&#53;	<b>5</b>	85	55	125	&#85;	<b>U</b>	117	75	165	&#117;	<b>u</b>
22	16	026	<b>SYN</b> (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	&#54;	<b>6</b>	86	56	126	&#86;	<b>V</b>	118	76	166	&#118;	<b>v</b>
23	17	027	<b>ETB</b> (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	&#55;	<b>7</b>	87	57	127	&#87;	<b>W</b>	119	77	167	&#119;	<b>w</b>
24	18	030	<b>CAN</b> (cancel)	56	38	070	&#56;	<b>8</b>	88	58	130	&#88;	<b>X</b>	120	78	170	&#120;	<b>x</b>
25	19	031	<b>EM</b> (end of medium)	57	39	071	&#57;	<b>9</b>	89	59	131	&#89;	<b>Y</b>	121	79	171	&#121;	<b>y</b>
26	1A	032	<b>SUB</b> (substitute)	58	3A	072	&#58;	<b>:</b>	90	5A	132	&#90;	<b>Z</b>	122	7A	172	&#122;	<b>z</b>
27	1B	033	<b>ESC</b> (escape)	59	3B	073	&#59;	<b>;</b>	91	5B	133	&#91;	<b>[</b>	123	7B	173	&#123;	<b>{</b>
28	1C	034	<b>FS</b> (file separator)	60	3C	074	&#60;	<b>&lt;</b>	92	5C	134	&#92;	<b>\</b>	124	7C	174	&#124;	<b> </b>
29	1D	035	<b>GS</b> (group separator)	61	3D	075	&#61;	<b>=</b>	93	5D	135	&#93;	<b>]</b>	125	7D	175	&#125;	<b>}</b>
30	1E	036	<b>RS</b> (record separator)	62	3E	076	&#62;	<b>&gt;</b>	94	5E	136	&#94;	<b>^</b>	126	7E	176	&#126;	<b>~</b>
31	1F	037	<b>US</b> (unit separator)	63	3F	077	&#63;	<b>?</b>	95	5F	137	&#95;	<b>_</b>	127	7F	177	&#127;	<b>DEL</b>

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isdigit() will check to see if the int is in the decimal range of 48 to 57.

isalpha() will check to see if the int is in the decimal range of 65 to 90 or 97 to 122.

# cctype.h

## cctype.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
isupper	int isupper(int c);	Checks for uppercase
isxdigit	int isxdigit(int c);	Checks for hexadecimal digits (0 through F).
tolower	int tolower(int c);	Returns lowercase equivalent.
toupper	int toupper(int c);	Returns uppercase equivalent.

# ctype.h

```
john@oho:~$ cat ctype.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
void main() {
    char string[20] = "Aa8# ";
    if (isalnum(string[0])) printf("%c is an alphanumeric character.\n",
        string[0]);
    if (isblank(string[4])) printf("%c is a blank.\n", string[4]);
    if (isdigit(string[2])) printf("%c is a digit.\n", string[2]);
    if (islower(string[1])) printf("%c is a lower case character.\n", string[1]);
    if (ispunct(string[3])) printf("%c is a punctuation character.\n", string[3]);
    if (isxdigit(string[0])) printf("%c is a hexadecimal digit.\n", string[0]);
    if (isupper(string[0])) printf("%c is now lower case.\n", tolower(string[0]));
    if (!islower(string[0])) printf("%c is not lower case.\n", string[0]);
    if (iscntrl(string[5])) printf("%02x is a control character.\n", string[5]);
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc ctype.c; a.out
A is an alphanumeric character.
  is a blank.
8 is a digit.
a is a lower case character.
# is a punctuation character.
A is a hexadecimal digit.
a is now lower case.
A is not lower case.
07 is a control character.
```

# math.h

## math.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
acos	<code>double acos(double x);</code>	Arc cosine function.
asin	<code>double asin(double x);</code>	Arc sine function.
atan	<code>double atan(double x);</code>	Arc tangent function.
atan2	<code>double atan2(double y, double x);</code>	Arch tangent function of two variables.
atof	<code>double atof(const char *nptr);</code>	Convert string to a double.
ceil	<code>double ceil(double x);</code>	Returns the smallest integral value not less than x.
cos	<code>double cos(double x);</code>	Cosine function.
cosh	<code>double cosh(double x);</code>	Hyperbolic cosine function.
exp	<code>double exp(double x);</code>	The value of e raised to the power of x.
fabs	<code>double fabs(double x);</code>	Absolute value of the floating point number x.
floor	<code>double floor(double x);</code>	Largest integral value not greater than x.

# math.h

## math.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
fmod	<code>double fmod(double x, double y);</code>	Compute floating-point remainder of x/y.
frexp	<code>double frexp(double x, int *exp);</code>	Splits number x into normalized fraction and exponent stored in exp.
ldexp	<code>double ldexp(double x, int exp);</code>	Multiplies floating-point number x by 2 raised to the power of exp.
log	<code>double log(double x);</code>	Returns natural logarithm of x.
log10	<code>double log10(double x);</code>	Returns the base 10 logarithm of x.
pow	<code>double pow(double x, double y);</code>	Returns the value of x raised to the power of y.
sin	<code>double sin(double x);</code>	Return sine of x, where x is given in radians.
sinh	<code>double sinh(double x);</code>	Return hyperbolic sine of x.
sqrt	<code>double sqrt(double x);</code>	Returns square root of x.
tan	<code>double tan(double x);</code>	Return tangent of x, where x is given in radians.
tanh	<code>double tanh(double x);</code>	Returns hyperbolic tangent of x.

# pwd.h

## pwd.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
getpwnam	struct passwd *getpwnam(const char *name);	Returns passwd structure contents for name.

The passwd structure is defined in <pwd.h> as follows:

```
struct passwd {
    char *pw_name;           /* username */
    char *pw_passwd;        /* user password */
    uid_t pw_uid;           /* user ID */
    gid_t pw_gid;           /* group ID */
    char *pw_gecos;         /* user information */
    char *pw_dir;           /* home directory */
    char *pw_shell;         /* shell program */
};
```



# stdarg.h

## stdarg.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
va_arg	<code>type va_arg(va_list ap, type);</code>	Expands to an expression that has the type and value of the next argument in the call.
va_end	<code>void va_end(va_list ap);</code>	Each invocation of va_start must be matched by a corresponding invocation of va_end.
va_start	<code>void va_start(va_list ap, last);</code>	Initializes ap for subsequent use by va_arg and va_end, and must be called first. last is the name of the last argument before the variable argument list.

A function may be called with a varying number of arguments of varying types. The include file `stdarg.h` declares a type `va_list` and defines three macros for stepping through a list of arguments whose number and types are not known to the called function.

The called function must declare an object of type `va_list` which is used by `va_start`, `va_arg`, and `va_end`.

# stdarg.h

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdarg.h>

void add_values(int count, ...)
{
    int    i;
    int    sum = 0;
    int    value;
    va_list vlist;

    va_start(vlist, count);
    for(i=0; i<count; ++i) {
        value = va_arg(vlist, int);
        sum = sum + value;
        if (i+1 == count)
            printf("%d", value);
        else
            printf("%d + ", value);
    }
    printf(" = %d\n", sum);
    va_end(vlist);
}
```

```
int main()
{
    add_values(3, 1, 2, 3);
    add_values(5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50);
    return 0;
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc stdarg.c; a.out
1 + 2 + 3 = 6
10 + 20 + 30 + 40 + 50 = 150
```

# stdlib.h

## stdlib.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
free	<code>void free(void *ptr);</code>	Frees memory allocated by malloc, calloc, or realloc pointed to by ptr.
freopen	<code>FILE *freopen(const char *pathname, const char *mode, FILE *stream);</code>	Opens file named by pathname and associates stream pointed to by stream. Closes existing stream.
ldiv	<code>ldiv_t ldiv(long numerator, long denominator);</code>	Computes numerator/denominator.
malloc	<code>void *malloc(size_t size);</code>	Allocates size bytes and returns pointer to memory. Memory is not initialized.
mblen	<code>int mblen(const char *s, size_t n);</code>	Inspects at most n bytes starting at s and extracts the next complete multibyte character.
mbtowc	<code>int mbtowc(wchar_t *pwc, const char *s, size_t n);</code>	Convert multibyte sequence to a wide character.
qsort	<code>void qsort(void *base, size_t nmemb, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *, const void));</code>	Sorts an array with nmemb elements of size size. base points to the start of the array.
rand	<code>int rand(void);</code>	Pseudo-random number generator.

# stdlib.h

## stdlib.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
realloc	<code>void *realloc(void *ptr, size_t size);</code>	Changes size of memory block pointed to by ptr to size bytes.
strtol	<code>long double strtol(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);</code>	Converts string in nptr to a long integer according to the given base.
strtoul	<code>unsigned long int strtoul(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);</code>	Converts string in nptr to a long integer according to the given base which must be between 2 and 36.
system	<code>int system(const char *command);</code>	Runs command by creating a child process.
wctomb	<code>int wctomb(char *s, wchar_t wc);</code>	Convert a wide character to a multibyte sequence.

# stdlib.h - system

```
john@oho:~$ cat system.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void main()
{
    system("echo ---;mount | grep C; echo ---;df -k /home; echo ---; uptime; echo ---;");
}

john@oho:~$ gcc system.c; a.out
---
C:\ on /mnt/c type drvfs (rw,noatime,uid=1000,gid=1000,case=off)
---
Filesystem      1K-blocks    Used Available Use% Mounted on
rootfs          1951597728 1251181988 700415740 65% /
---
16:22:05 up 6:55, 0 users, load average: 0.52, 0.58, 0.59
---
```

# stdlib.h – calloc, free

```
john@oho:~$ cat calloc.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define MAX_NAMES    10
void main() {
    typedef struct name {
        char  first_name[15];
        char  last_name[20];
        int   age;
    } NAME;

    NAME *base_ptr;
    NAME *ptr;

    base_ptr = calloc(MAX_NAMES, sizeof(NAME));
    ptr = base_ptr;

    strcpy(ptr->first_name, "Tom");
    strcpy(ptr->last_name, "Smith");
    ptr->age = 19;
```

```
    printf("ptr->first_name=%s, last_name=%s, age=%d\n",
           ptr->first_name, ptr->last_name, ptr->age);

    ptr = ptr + 1;
    strcpy(ptr->first_name, "Suzy");
    strcpy(ptr->last_name, "Landwer");
    ptr->age = 24;

    printf("ptr+1->first_name=%s, last_name=%s, age=%d\n",
           ptr->first_name, ptr->last_name, ptr->age);

    free(base_ptr);
}

john@oho:~$ gcc calloc.c; a.out
ptr->first_name=Tom, last_name=Smith, age=19
ptr+1->first_name=Suzy, last_name=Landwer, age=24
```

# stdlib.h – malloc, free

```
john@oho:~$ cat malloc.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define MAX_NAMES    10
void main() {
    typedef struct name {
        char  first_name[15];
        char  last_name[20];
        int   age;
    } NAME;

    NAME *base_ptr;
    NAME *ptr;

    base_ptr = malloc(sizeof(NAME)*MAX_NAMES);
    ptr = base_ptr;

    strcpy(ptr->first_name, "Tom");
    strcpy(ptr->last_name, "Smith");
    ptr->age = 19;
```

```
    printf("ptr->first_name=%s, last_name=%s, age=%d\n",
           ptr->first_name, ptr->last_name, ptr->age);

    ptr = ptr + 1;
    strcpy(ptr->first_name, "Suzy");
    strcpy(ptr->last_name, "Landwer");
    ptr->age = 24;

    printf("ptr+1->first_name=%s, last_name=%s, age=%d\n",
           ptr->first_name, ptr->last_name, ptr->age);

    free(base_ptr);
}

john@oho:~$ gcc malloc.c; a.out
ptr->first_name=Tom, last_name=Smith, age=19
ptr+1->first_name=Suzy, last_name=Landwer, age=24
```

# stdlib.h – atoi, atof, atol, rand

```
john@oho:~$ cat atoi.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void main()
{
    int    i = 0;
    float  f = 0.0;
    long   l = 0;
    int    random_number = 0;

    i = atoi("1234");
    f = atof("5.678");
    l = atol("1234567890987654321");

    printf("i = %d\n", i);
    printf("f = %f\n", f);
    printf("l = %ld\n", l);
```

```
random_number = rand();
    printf("random_number #1 = %d\n", random_number);
    random_number = rand();
    printf("random_number #2 = %d\n", random_number);
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc atoi.c; a.out
i = 1234
f = 5.678000
l = 1234567890987654321
random_number #1 = 1804289383
random_number #2 = 846930886
```



# string.h

## string.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
memchr	<code>void *memchr(const void *s, int c, size_t n);</code>	Scans initial n bytes of memory area pointed to by s for the first instance of c.
memcmp	<code>int memcmp(const void *s1, const void *s2, size_t n);</code>	Compares first n bytes of memory areas s1 and s2.
memcpy	<code>void *memcpy(void *dest, const void *src, size_t n);</code>	Copies n bytes from memory area src to memory area dest.
memmove	<code>void *memmove(void *dest, const void *src, size_t n);</code>	Copies n bytes from memory area src to memory area dest.
memset	<code>void *memset(void *s, int c, size_t n);</code>	Fills the first n bytes of memory pointed to by s with the constant byte c.
strcat	<code>char *strcat(char *dest, const char *src);</code>	Appends string src to the dest string.
strchr	<code>char *strchr(const char *s, int c);</code>	Returns a pointer to first occurrence of the character c in the string s or NULL if not found.
strcmp	<code>int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);</code>	Compares the two strings s1 and s2.

# string.h

## string.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
strcpy	<code>char *strcpy(char *dest, const char *src);</code>	Copy a string pointed to by src to dest.
strspn	<code>size_t strspn(const char *s, const char *accept);</code>	Calculates the length in bytes of the initial segment of s which consists entirely of bytes in accept.
strcspn	<code>size_t strcspn(const char *s, const char *reject);</code>	Calculates the length of the initial segment of s which consists entirely of bytes not in reject.
strdup	<code>char *strdup(const char *s);</code>	Returns pointer to a new string which is a duplicate of string s.
strerror	<code>char *strerror(int errnum);</code>	Returns a string that describes the error code passwd in the errnum argument.
strlen	<code>size_t strlen(const char *s);</code>	Calculates the length of the string pointed to by s, excluding the terminating null byte \0.
strncat	<code>char *strncat(char *dest, const char *src, size_t n);</code>	Appends at most n bytes from src to dest.
strncmp	<code>int strncmp(const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n);</code>	Compares only the first n bytes of s1 and s2.

# string.h

## string.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
strncpy	<code>char *strncpy(char *dest, const char *src, size_t n);</code>	Copies n bytes from src to dest.
strpbrk	<code>char *strpbrk(const char *s, const char *accept);</code>	Locates the first occurrence in string s of any of the bytes in string accept.
strrchr	<code>char *strrchr(const char *s, int c);</code>	Returns pointer to the last occurrence of the character c in string s.
strspn	<code>size_t strspn(const char *s, const char *accept);</code>	Calculates the length in bytes of the initial segment of s which consist so entirely of bytes in accept.
strstr	<code>char *strstr(const char *haystack, const char *needle);</code>	Finds the first occurrence of substring needle in string haystack, or NULL if not found.
strtok	<code>char *strtok(char *str, const char *delim);</code>	Divides a string into a sequence of zero or more tokens. First call str is set. NULL otherwise.

# string.h – strcpy, strlen, strcat, memcpy, strncmp, strstr

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

void main()
{
    int  length;
    char *ptr;
    char string[100];
    char string2[100];

    strcpy(string, "An apple a day");
    length = strlen(string);
    printf("string=%s, length=%d\n", string, length);

    strcat(string, " keeps the doctor away.");
    length = strlen(string);
    printf("string=%s, length=%d\n", string, length);
```

```
    memcpy(string2, string, 8);
    if (strncmp(string, string2, 6) == 0) {
        ptr = strncpy(string2, string, 6);
        printf("string2 = :%s:\n", string2);
        printf("ptr = :%s:\n", ptr);
        printf("The first 6 characters in string and string2 are the same.\n");
    }

    if ((ptr = strstr(string, "doctor")) != 0)
        printf("doctor is found in string starting here: %s\n", ptr);
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc string.c; a.out
string=:An apple a day:, length=14
string=:An apple a day keeps the doctor away.:, length=37
string2 = :An apple:
ptr = :An apple:
The first 6 characters in string and string2 are the same.
doctor is found in string starting here: doctor away.
```

# string.h - strtok

```
john@oho:~$ cat strtok.c
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <string.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
    char string[100];
```

```
    char *token;
```

```
    strcpy(string, "john:x:1000:1000:John Dempsey:/home/john:/bin/bash");
```

```
    token = strtok(string, ":");
```

```
    while (token != NULL) {
```

```
        printf("token = %s\n", token);
```

```
        token = strtok(NULL, ":");
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc strtok.c; a.out
```

```
token = john
```

```
token = x
```

```
token = 1000
```

```
token = 1000
```

```
token = John Dempsey
```

```
token = /home/john
```

```
token = /bin/bash
```

# time.h

## time.h Library Functions

Function	Function Prototype	Description
asctime	<code>char *asctime(const struct tm *tm);</code>	Initializes the tm structure found in time.h.
clock	<code>clock_t clock(void);</code>	Returns approximation of processor time used by program.
ctime	<code>char *ctime(const time_t *timep);</code>	Equivalent to <code>asctime(localtime(t))</code> .
difftime	<code>double difftime(time_t time1, time_t time0);</code>	Calculate the time difference in seconds.
gmtime	<code>struct tm *gmtime(const time_t *timep);</code>	Converts timep to Universal Time (UTC).
localtime	<code>struct tm *localtime(const time_t *timep);</code>	Converts timep to user specified timezone.
sleep	<code>unsigned int sleep(unsigned int seconds);</code>	Sleep for the number of seconds or until a signal arrives which is not ignored.
strftime	<code>size_t strftime(char *s, size_t max, const char *format, const struct tm *tm);</code>	Formats the time in tm according to format and places result into s of size max.

# time.h - struct tm

```
struct tm {  
    int tm_sec;           /* Seconds (0-60) */  
    int tm_min;          /* Minutes (0-59) */  
    int tm_hour;         /* Hours (0-23) */  
    int tm_mday;         /* Day of the month (1-31) */  
    int tm_mon;          /* Month (0-11) */  
    int tm_year;         /* Year - 1900 */  
    int tm_wday;         /* Day of the week (0-6, Sunday = 0) */  
    int tm_yday;         /* Day in the year (0-365, 1 Jan = 0) */  
    int tm_isdst;        /* Daylight saving time */  
};
```

# time.h – asctime, ctime, gmtime, localtime, time

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <time.h>

void main()
{
    struct tm *ptr;
    long    time_value;

    time(&time_value);
    printf("ctime          = %s\n", ctime(&time_value));

    ptr = localtime(&time_value);
    printf("asctime         = %s\n", asctime(ptr));

    printf("Local Date/Time = %02d/%02d/%04d %02d:%02d:%02d\n\n",
        ptr->tm_mon+1, ptr->tm_mday, ptr->tm_year+1900,
        ptr->tm_hour, ptr->tm_min, ptr->tm_sec);

    ptr = gmtime(&time_value);
    printf("GMT Date/Time = %02d/%02d/%04d %02d:%02d:%02d\n",
        ptr->tm_mon+1, ptr->tm_mday, ptr->tm_year+1900,
        ptr->tm_hour, ptr->tm_min, ptr->tm_sec);
}
```

```
john@oho:~$ gcc time.c; a.out
ctime          = Tue Feb  1 11:41:31 2022

asctime        = Tue Feb  1 11:41:31 2022

Local Date/Time = 02/01/2022 11:41:31

GMT Date/Time  = 02/01/2022 19:41:31
```