

C Language

Chapter # 10

Input and Output

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Today's Lecture

- ▶ **scanf Function**

Input

- ▶ The process of giving something to the computer is known as input.
- ▶ The input is mostly given by the keyboard.
- ▶ The term “standard input” refers to the input using keyboard.
- ▶ C language provides many functions to get input from the user.

Some input functions are:

- `scanf()`
- `gets()`
- `getch()`
- `getche()`

scanf Function

- ▶ Scanf function is used to get input from the user.
- ▶ The input stored in a variable in a specified form.

Syntax:

```
scanf("Format string", &variable1, &variable2, &variable3);
```

Getting Single Input

```
scanf("%d", &n);
```

Getting Multiple Inputs

```
scanf("%d %d", &n, &m);
```

It is also possible to get different types of inputs in the same function.

```
scanf("%d %f", &n, &avg);
```

The `scanf` function is normally used in combination with `printf` function. The purpose of using `printf` function before `scanf` function is to tell the user that computer is waiting for input.

```
printf("Enter your marks");  
scanf("%d", &marks);
```

Example

Write a program that input two numbers from the user and display the sum of these numbers.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>
main()
{
    int a, b, c;
    printf("Enter the first value: ");
    scanf("%d", &a);
    printf("Enter the second value: ");
    scanf("%d", &b);
    c = a + b;
    printf("The result = %d", c);
}
```



The End

Read this topic from your books and ask question if any confusion.

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