

# Structures

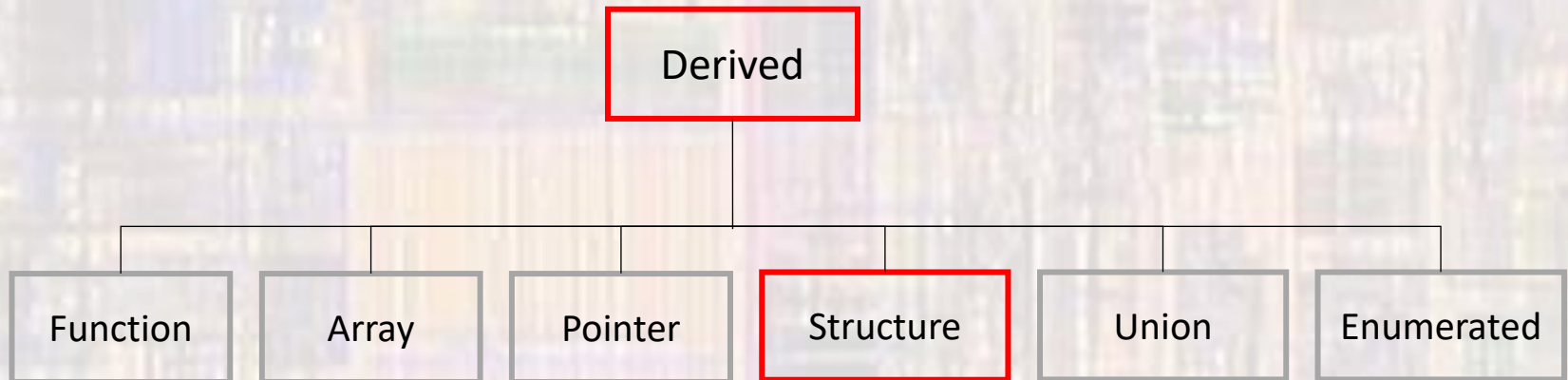
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# Structures

- These slides introduce the c type structure
- Upon completion: You should be able interpret and code using structures

# Type Definition

- C Types



# Structures

- Concept
  - Collection of related elements
  - Not necessarily the same type
  - Sharing a single name

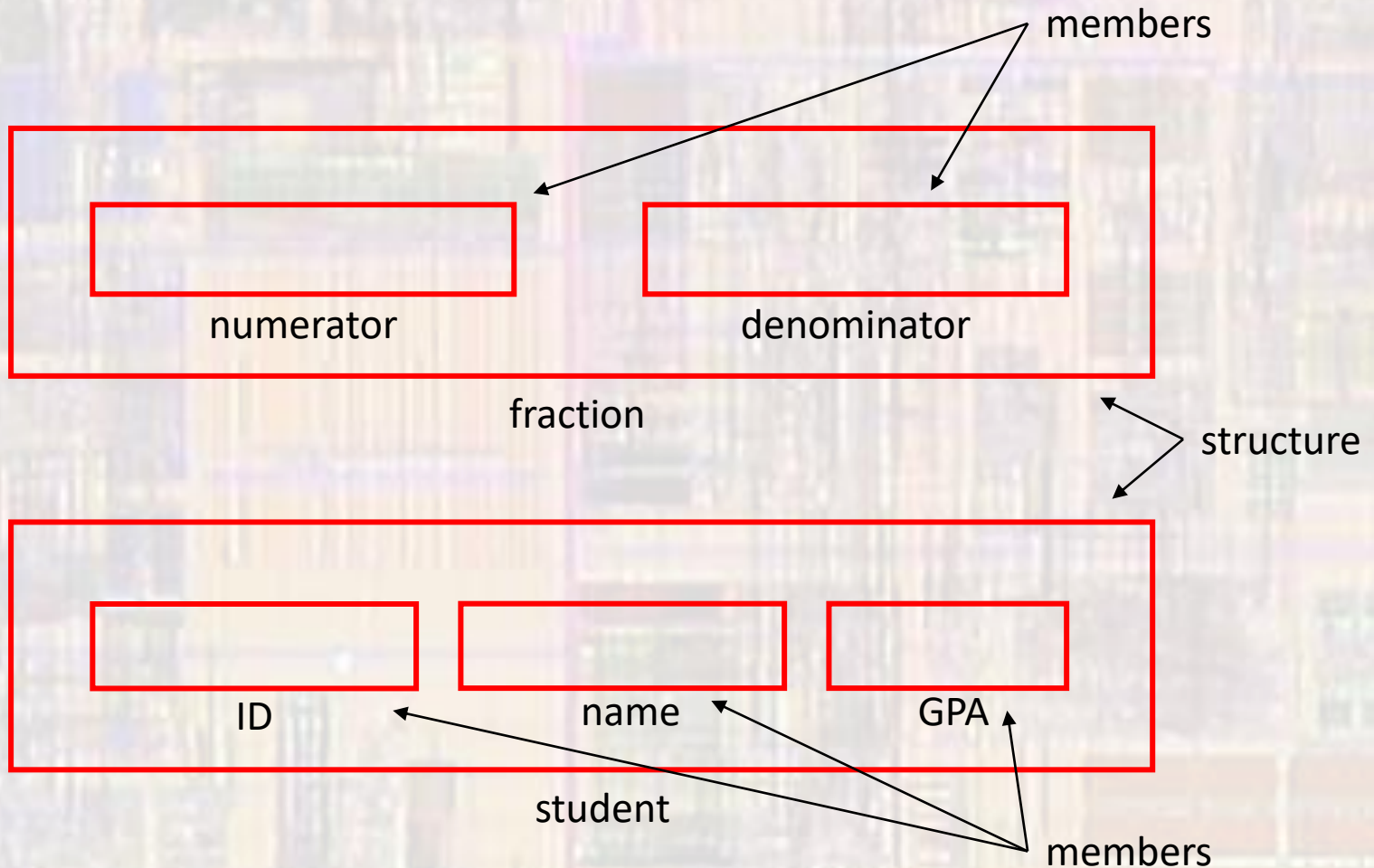
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- Members
  - Elemental unit is called a Member (Field)
  - Members look just like a variable
    - have a type
    - takes up memory space
    - can be assigned values
    - can be read
  - Only difference is that a Member is part of a Structure



# Structures

- Members



# Structures

- 3 ways to create structures

- Individual

format  
`struct {  
 list of members  
} variable name(s);`

declaration  
`struct {  
 int id;  
 char name[26];  
 float gpa;  
} stu1, stu2;`

Structure variables  
stu1, stu2

All members are unknown values

declaration/initialization  
`struct {  
 int id;  
 char name[26];  
 float gpa;  
} stu1 = {.id=245, .name="john", .gpa=3.5},  
 stu2 = {246, "sally", 3.6};`

Order doesn't matter

If not fully specified, int and float members default to 0, 0.0  
char members default to null - \0

Order matters

# Structures

- 3 ways to create structures
  - Tag

format  
`struct tag{  
list of members  
};`

definition  
`struct student{  
int id;  
char name[26];  
float gpa;  
};`

declaration  
`struct student stu0;`

All members are unknown values

Structure variables  
stu0, stu1, stu2

declaration/initialization  
`struct student stu1 = {.id=245,  
.name="john",  
.gpa=3.5};`

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If not fully specified, int and float members default to 0, 0.0  
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declaration/ initialization  
`struct student stu1 = {245,  
"john",  
3.5};`

Order matters



# Structures

- 3 ways to create structures
  - Typedef – create a new type

```
format
typedef struct {
    list of members
} type_name ;
```

```
definition
typedef struct {
    int id;
    char name[26];
    float gpa;
} student ;
```

```
declaration
student stu0;
```

All members are unknown values

Structure variables  
stu0, stu1, stu2

Order doesn't matter

```
declaration/initialization
student stu1 = {.id=245,
                .name="john",
                .gpa=3.5};
```

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```
declaration/ initialization
student stu1 = {245,
                "john",
                3.5};
```

Order matters

# Structures

- Member Access
  - You can access the member variables using the structure access operator
  - structure access operator .

Precedence	Operator	Description	Associativity
	++ --	Suffix/postfix increment and decrement	Left-to-right
	()	Function call	
	[]	Array subscripting	
1	.	Structure and union member access	
	->	Structure and union member access through pointer	
	(type){list}	Compound literal(C99)	

`structure_variable.member`

Given a `structure variable` named `stu1`

`stu1.id`

`stu1.name`

`stu1.gpa`

# Structures

- Member Access

```
stu2.gpa = 2.5;           // set the member variable gpa to 2.5
```

```
if(stu1.gpa >= 3.5){  
    ...  
}
```

```
printf("student GPA: %.2f", stu2.gpa);
```

```
scanf("%f", &stu1.gpa);
```

Note: access operator `.` has higher priority than address-of operator `&` so no parenthesis required

# Structures

- Structure
  - Manipulation
    - Only one operation – assignment

```
stu2 = stu1;           // copy all member values from stu1 to stu2  
                       // must be the same structure (or type)
```



# Structures

- Pointers and structures
  - Given a structure variable created using one of the 3 processes
  - Can create and use structure pointers

Given structure variable `stu1` of structure type `student`

```
student* student_ptr;           // define a pointer of student type  
  
student_ptr = &stu1;           // student_ptr now points to stu1
```

- All normal pointer operations can be applied  
(Note: pointer arithmetic operates on the entire structure, not on the elements)

# Structures

- Pointers and structures
  - 2 ways to access a member value from a pointer

Given structure variable stu1 of structure type student

```
student* student_ptr;           // define a pointer of student type
student_ptr = &stu1;           // student_ptr now points to stu1
```

```
(*student_ptr).GPA = 3.66;    // dereference
```

Note () required to ensure the structure is dereferenced before accessing the member

```
student_ptr->GPA = 3.66;      // indirect selection
```

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- Scope considerations
  - Structures are treated like any other variable with respect to scope
  - Structure members are considered to be in the structure scope
    - No conflict in having structure member names the same as other variables since their scope is limited to the structure
  - Typedef and Tag definitions typically belong in the global section of a file – so everything recognizes them
  - Variable declarations are treated like any other variable
    - Place them in whatever scope is appropriate
- We will use either Typedef or Tag definitions to avoid issues with Individual definitions and scope

# Structures

- Structure definitions and member access

```

////////////////////////////////////
/*  structs.c
    structure examples for class notes
    Created by tj
    Rev 0, 11/15/16
*/

#include <stdio.h>

// structure definitions
// typedef version
typedef struct{
    int id;
    char name[26];
    float gpa;
} student;

int main(void){
    setbuf(stdout, NULL); // disable buffering

    int foo;

    // create some student variables and pointers
    student stu1 = {234,
                   "Joe Smith",
                   3.45
    };
    student stu2 = {.gpa=3.2, .name="Sara Jones", .id=222};
    student stu3;
    student* stu3_ptr;
    stu3_ptr = &stu3;

    // print values
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu1.id, stu1.name, stu1.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu2.id, stu2.name, stu2.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu3.id, stu3.name, stu3.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu3_ptr->id, (*stu3_ptr).name, stu3_ptr->gpa);

    // modify member values
    stu3.id = 345;
    stu3_ptr->gpa = 4.0;
    foo = stu2.id;

    // print values
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu1.id, stu1.name, stu1.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu2.id, stu2.name, stu2.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu3.id, stu3.name, stu3.gpa);
    printf("%i, %s, %f\n", stu3_ptr->id, (*stu3_ptr).name, stu3_ptr->gpa);
    printf("foo = %i\n", foo);

    return 0;
} // end main
////////////////////////////////////

```

typedef

tag



pointer access

dereference

Name	Type	Value	Location
foo	int	2908160	0x61ff18
stu1	student	{...}	0x61fe4
id	int	234	0x61fe4
name	char [26]	0x61fe8	0x61fe8
name[0]	char	74 'J'	0x61fe8
name[1]	char	111 'o'	0x61fe9
name[2]	char	101 'e'	0x61fea
name[3]	char	32 ''	0x61feb
name[4]	char	83 'S'	0x61fec
name[5]	char	109 'm'	0x61fed
name[6]	char	105 'i'	0x61fee
name[7]	char	116 't'	0x61fef
name[8]	char	104 'h'	0x61ff0
name[9]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff01
name[10]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff02
name[11]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff03
name[12]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff04
name[13]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff05
name[14]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff06
name[15]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff07
name[16]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff08
name[17]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff09
name[18]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0a
name[19]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0b
name[20]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0c
name[21]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0d
name[22]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0e
name[23]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff0f
name[24]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff10
name[25]	char	0 '\0'	0x61ff11
gpa	float	3.4500005	0x61ff14
stu2	student	{...}	0x61fed0
id	int	222	0x61fed0
name	char [26]	0x61fed4	0x61fed4
gpa	float	3.2000005	0x61fed0

```

<terminated> (exit value: 0) Class_Cons_Project.exe [C/C++ Applic
234, Joe Smith, 3.450000
222, Sara Jones, 3.200000
13306988, %pa, 8236339266913422800000000000000000.000000
13306988, %pa, 8236339266913422800000000000000000.000000
234, Joe Smith, 3.450000
222, Sara Jones, 3.200000
345, %pa, 4.000000
345, %pa, 4.000000
foo = 222

```



# Structures

- Structures and functions

```
////////////////////////////////////
/** structs.c
// structure examples for class notes
// Created by tj
// Rev 0, 11/15/16
// */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

// Type definitions
typedef struct{ // define a type: CLOCK
    int hr;
    int min;
    int sec;
} clock;

// Function prototypes
void increment (clock* the_clk);
void display (const clock the_clk);

int main(void){
    setbuf(stdout, NULL); // disable buffering

    // Local variables
    clock clk1 = {11, 59, 57};

    // Operation
    for(;; ){
        increment(&clk1);
        display(clk1);
        sleep(1);
    } // end for
    return 0;
} // end main
```

```
void increment(clock* the_clk){
    (the_clk->sec)++; // increment seconds
    if (the_clk->sec == 60){
        the_clk->sec = 0;
        (the_clk->min)++; // increment minutes
        if(the_clk->min == 60){
            the_clk->min = 0;
            (the_clk->hr)++;
            if(the_clk->hr == 12){
                the_clk->hr = 0;
            } // end if hr
        } // end if min
    } // end if sec
    return;
} // end increment

void display(const clock the_clk){
    printf("%02d:%02d:%02d\n", the_clk.hr, the_clk.min, the_clk.sec);
    return;
} // end display
```

Annotations:

- pointer to structure (points to `clock* the_clk`)
- pointer notation for fields (points to `the_clk->sec` and `the_clk->min`)
- structure notation for fields (points to `the_clk.hr`, `the_clk.min`, and `the_clk.sec`)
- structure passed (points to `const clock the_clk`)

```
<terminated> (exit value:
11:59:58
11:59:59
00:00:00
00:00:01
00:00:02
00:00:03
00:00:04
```

# Structures

- Register Access – revisited
  - MSP registers are defined as structures

## Port register structure

```
typedef struct {  
    __I uint8_t IN; /*!< Port Input */  
    uint8_t RESERVED0;  
    __IO uint8_t OUT; /*!< Port Output */  
    uint8_t RESERVED1;  
    __IO uint8_t DIR; /*!< Port Direction */  
    uint8_t RESERVED2;  
    __IO uint8_t REN; /*!< Port Resistor Enable */  
    uint8_t RESERVED3;  
    __IO uint8_t DS; /*!< Port Drive Strength */  
    uint8_t RESERVED4;  
    __IO uint8_t SEL0; /*!< Port Select 0 */  
    uint8_t RESERVED5;  
    __IO uint8_t SEL1; /*!< Port Select 1 */  
    uint8_t RESERVED6;  
    __I uint16_t IV; /*!< Port Interrupt Vector Value */  
    uint8_t RESERVED7[6]; /*!< Port Complement Select */  
    __IO uint8_t SELC;  
    uint8_t RESERVED8;  
    __IO uint8_t IES; /*!< Port Interrupt Edge Select */  
    uint8_t RESERVED9;  
    __IO uint8_t IE; /*!< Port Interrupt Enable */  
    uint8_t RESERVED10;  
    __IO uint8_t IFG; /*!< Port Interrupt Flag */  
    uint8_t RESERVED11;  
} DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type;
```

member names

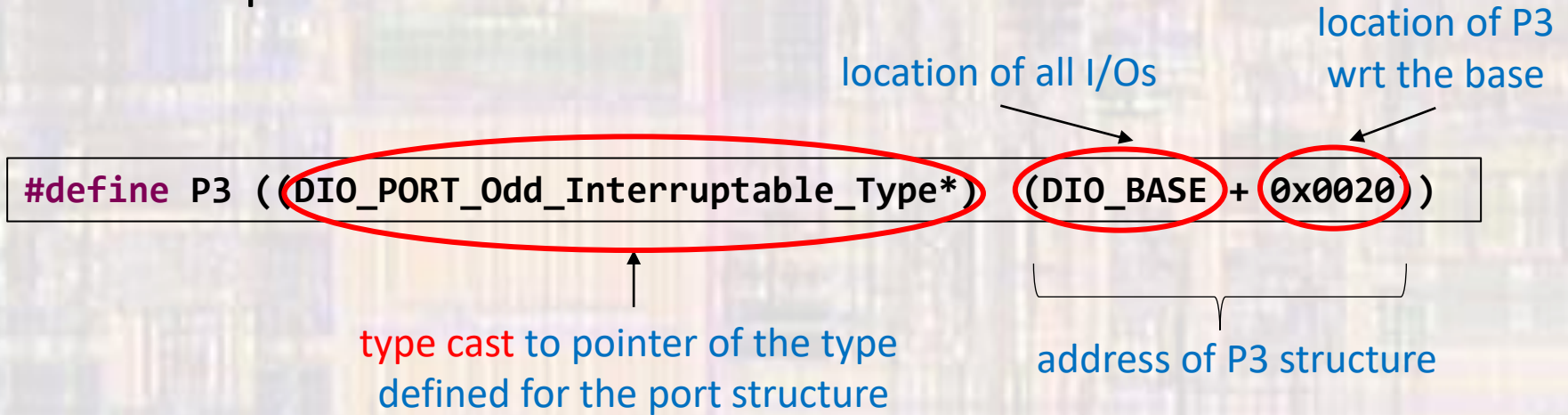
special qualifiers for the member variables  
“volatile”

type name

# Structures

```
#define P1 ((DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0000))
#define P2 ((DIO_PORT_Even_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0000))
#define P3 ((DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0020))
#define P4 ((DIO_PORT_Even_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0020))
#define P5 ((DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0040))
#define P6 ((DIO_PORT_Even_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0040))
#define P7 ((DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0060))
#define P8 ((DIO_PORT_Even_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0060))
#define P9 ((DIO_PORT_Odd_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0080))
#define P10 ((DIO_PORT_Even_Interruptable_Type*) (DIO_BASE + 0x0080))
```

- Register Access – revisited
  - MSP registers are defined as structures
  - “msp.h” includes a series of #define statements



P3 is now defined as the address (pointer of the port structure type) pointing to the beginning of the Port 3 structure

# Structures

- Register Access – revisited
  - MSP registers are defined as structures
  - “msp.h” includes a series of #define statements
  - Port structure members are accessed using the structure pointer access operator ->

```
P3->DIR = P3->DIR | 0x04;
```

Dereferences the P3 pointer to access the DIR member

We could also write

```
(*P3).DIR = (*P3).DIR | 0x04;
```