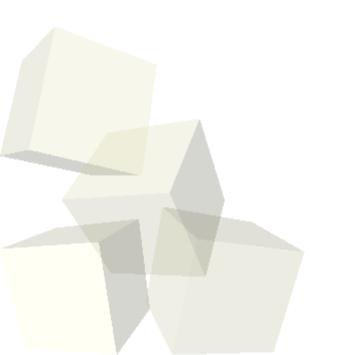


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Opening Discussion

- Let's look at solutions to the interclass problem.
 Denim Group presentation in HAS 340 at 5pm.
- Answers to the minute essay
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 - *b − int
 - *(b+2) int
 - &(*b) int*
 - *(&a) int

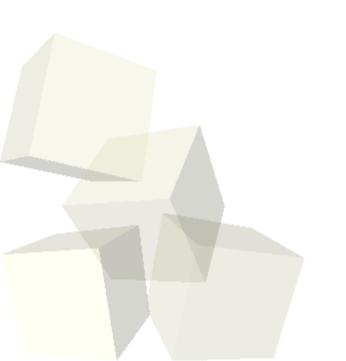
Do you have any questions about the assignment?

Strings

- I'm deviating from the order of the book for this because I want us to be able to use strings. We'll go into more detail later.
- A string in C is a null terminated array of characters. That is to say it is an array of characters with the value zero stored after the last character.
- Note this is the value zero, not the character zero. Since zero is not a valid character in ASCII this can be used to end the string.



- When you declare an array of chars you can set it equal to a string literal.
- You don't have to provide the length of the array unless you want extra space in the string.

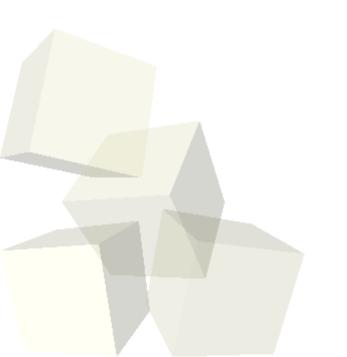


Strings as Pointers

- Many functions will treat strings as a char* or a const char* instead of a char[]. As we'll see later, this makes sense because arrays and pointers are extremely similar in many ways.
- When you write a function that deals with a string you can have it take either a char* or a char[]. I will probably use char* out of habit.

Writing some String Functions

Let's write one or two functions that deal with strings.



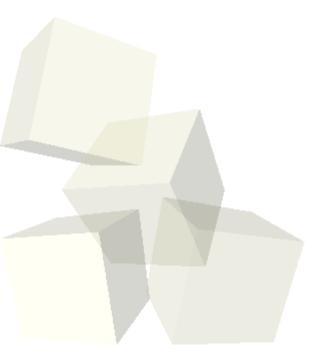
String Library

- Obviously, many people need these functions. As you would expect, they exist in a library for exactly this reason.
- You can include string.h and look in the man pages to see all the different things that the C libraries allow you to do with strings.
- While it is good to know how to manipulate strings, you will probably use the libraries for most basic manipulations.



String I/O

- In printf and scanf you use %s to signify a string.
 For scanf it only reads one word and you don't need to put the & in front of the variable because an array is like a pointer.
- The fgets function can be used to read in a full line.



Minute Essay

- Write a function that takes a string as input and returns the number of lower case letters in the string.
- Denim Group presentation in HAS 340 at 5pm.
- Interclass Problem Play with strings some and write a program that has the user input a string, then does some manipulations and prints out an altered string. You can pick the details.