



CS 24000 Lab Section L04 Week 5

Structs, Complex Numbers, and the Mandelbrot Set



Structs

- Some of you have been using them in your homeworks
- Like arrays, but more versatile
- Contain ***ordered*** information

Example:

```
struct animal {  
  
    char *name;  
  
    int num_legs;  
  
    char **species;  
  
};
```

Struct Usage

```
struct animal Cat = {"cat", 4, {"felicius domestic", NULL}};
```

```
// Access basic information
```

```
printf("Name: %s, Legs: %d\n", Cat.name, Cat.num_legs);
```

```
// Access an array inside a struct
```

```
for (int i = 0; Cat.species[i] != NULL; i++) {
```

```
    printf("%s\n", Cat.species[i]);
```

```
}
```

```
struct animal {  
  
    char *name;  
  
    int num_legs;  
  
    char **species;  
  
};
```

Struct Pointer Usage

// Similar to a normal struct, but with -> instead of .

```
struct animal *Cat = malloc(sizeof(struct animal));
*Cat = (struct animal) {"cat", 4, {"felicius domestic", NULL}};
```

```
// Access basic information
printf("Name: %s, Legs: %d\n", Cat->name, Cat->num_legs);
```

```
// Access an array inside a struct
for (int i = 0; Cat->species[i] != NULL; i++) {
    printf("%s\n", Cat->species[i]);
}
```

```
struct animal {
    char *name;

    int num_legs;

    char **species;

};
```

Complex Numbers

- Consist of two components: real (x) and imaginary (y)
 - Perfect for turning into a struct
- In HW4, create a struct with two ints, x and y
- You may find typedef useful for working with struct pointers

Mandelbrot

- You've probably seen it before
- Perfect use of complex numbers
- Formula is weird if you've never seen it before

$$Z = Z^2 + C$$

- You'll need several formulas to make it work:
 - 1) Add
 - 2) Negate
 - 3) Subtract (add + negate)
 - 4) Dot
 - 5) Inverse
 - 6) Multiply
 - 7) Divide
 - 8) Exp

