

File-Oriented Input and Output

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- **Introduction**
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Introduction

- **Batch input and output**
- **Permanent exist on storage**
- **Without retype data**

Fundamentals of Data Files (1/7)

- **Data file**
 - A set of records
- **Record**
 - A set of data
 - Terminate by a new-line character
- **Data**
 - Facts
- **Text and binary files**
 - Text: store readable and printable characters (*.txt)
 - Binary: unreadable characters (*.obj)
- **End-of-file marker**

Fundamentals of Data Files (2/7)

- **Standard input stream**
 - *stdin* (standard input devices→program)
- **Standard output stream**
 - *stdout* (program→standard output devices)
- **Standard error stream**
 - *stderr* (program→standard output devices)
- **Example (#include<stdio.h>)**
 - *scanf* (“%d”, &score);
 - *fscanf* (stdin, “%d”, &score);
 - *fscanf* (**file_name**, “%d”, &score);

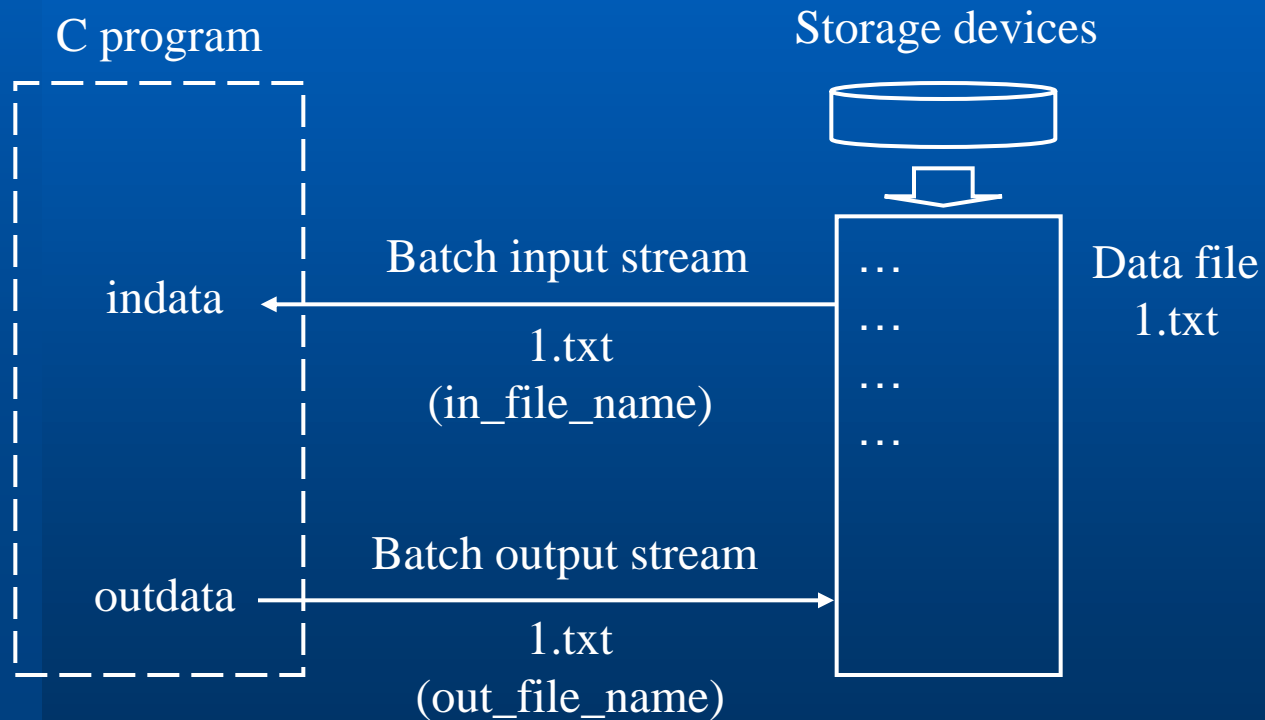
Fundamentals of Data Files (3/7)

- File declaration
 - **FILE** *file_name;
- Internal and external file names
 - Internal: file_name
 - External: D:\file_name.txt
- Open file function: *fopen*
 - IntFileName=fopen(ExtFileName, OpenMode)

Fundamentals of Data Files (4/7)

- **Open mode**
 - “r” read data
 - “w” write data
 - “a” append data to the end of file
 - “r+” update: both input and output
 - “w+” update: open a new file for
 - “a+” update: end of file
- **Example 15_c01.c**

Fundamentals of Data Files (5/7)



Fundamentals of Data Files (6/7)

- **File open verification**
 - To avoid run-time errors, infinite loop
 - *exit ()*, *#include<stdlib.h>* (standard head file)
 - **Example 15_c02.c**
- **Close file function: *fclose***
 - Close files after read/write
 - Place an end-of-file marker
 - Cut the connection

Fundamentals of Data Files (7/7)

- **Close file function: *fclose***
 - Close before reading it
 - Save resources
 - *fclose(internalFileName);*
 - **Example 15_c03.c**
- **Check for End-of-File: *feof***
 - *feof(InternalFileName);*
 - **Example 15_c04.c**

Processing Text Files (1/2)

- **Write data to text files**

- *fprintf(IntFileName, FormatControlString, WriteList);*
- **Example 15_c05.c**

- **Read data from text files**

- *fscan(IntFileName, FormatControlString, InputList);*
- **Example 15_c06.c**

Processing Text Files (2/2)

- **Skipping specific characters in input**
 - Read the character to be skipped into a variable
 - `fscanf(file_name, "%4s%c%d", id, &sep, &a);`
 - Include the character
 - `fscanf(file_name, "%4s, %d" id, &a);`
 - Assign suppression character
 - `fscanf(file_name, "%4s%*c%d" id, &a)`