

The **time.h** header defines four variable types, two macro and various functions for manipulating date and time.

Library Variables

Following are the variable types defined in the header time.h:

S.N.	Variable & Description
1	size_t This is the unsigned integral type and is the result of the sizeof keyword.
2	clock_t This is a type suitable for storing the processor time.
3	time_t This is a type suitable for storing the calendar time.
4	struct tm This is a structure used to hold the time and date.

The tm structure has the following definition:

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struct tm {
    int tm_sec;           /* seconds, range 0 to 59 */
    int tm_min;          /* minutes, range 0 to 59 */
    int tm_hour;         /* hours, range 0 to 23 */
    int tm_mday;         /* day of the month, range 1 to 31 */
    int tm_mon;          /* month, range 0 to 11 */
    int tm_year;         /* The number of years since 1900 */
    int tm_wday;         /* day of the week, range 0 to 6 */
    int tm_yday;         /* day in the year, range 0 to 365 */
    int tm_isdst;        /* daylight saving time */
};
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Library Macros

Following are the macros defined in the header time.h:

S.N.	Macro & Description
1	NULL This macro is the value of a null pointer constant.

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CLOCKS_PER_SEC

This macro represents the number of processor clocks per second.

Library Functions

Following are the functions defined in the header time.h:

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1	<p><u>char *asctime(const struct tm * timeptr)</u></p> <p>Returns a pointer to a string which represents the day and time of the structure timeptr.</p>
2	<p><u>clock_t clock(void)</u></p> <p>Returns the processor clock time used since the beginning of an implementation defined era <i>normally the beginning of the program</i>.</p>
3	<p><u>char *ctime(const time_t * timer)</u></p> <p>Returns a string representing the localtime based on the argument timer.</p>
4	<p><u>double difftime(time_t time1, time_t time2)</u></p> <p>Returns the difference of seconds between time1 and time2 $time1 - time2$.</p>
5	<p><u>struct tm *gmtime(const time_t * timer)</u></p> <p>The value of timer is broken up into the structure tm and expressed in Coordinated Universal Time <i>UTC</i> also known as Greenwich Mean Time <i>GMT</i>.</p>
6	<p><u>struct tm *localtime(const time_t * timer)</u></p> <p>The value of timer is broken up into the structure tm and expressed in the local time zone.</p>
7	<p><u>time_t mktime(struct tm * timeptr)</u></p> <p>Converts the structure pointed to by timeptr into a time_t value according to the local time zone.</p>
8	<p><u>size_t strftime(char * str, rsize_t maxsize, const char * format, const struct tm * timeptr)</u></p> <p>Formats the time represented in the structure timeptr according to the formatting rules defined in format and stored into str.</p>

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[time_t time_t * timer](#)

Calculates the current calendar time and encodes it into time_t format.

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