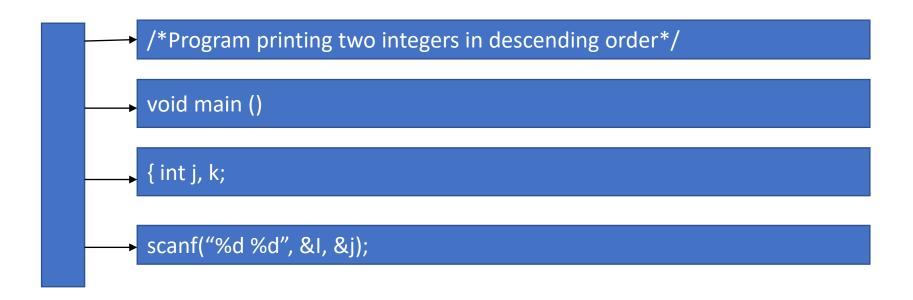
Storing of Strings

1. Fixed Length Structures

• Strings are stored by using fixed length records say 80 character

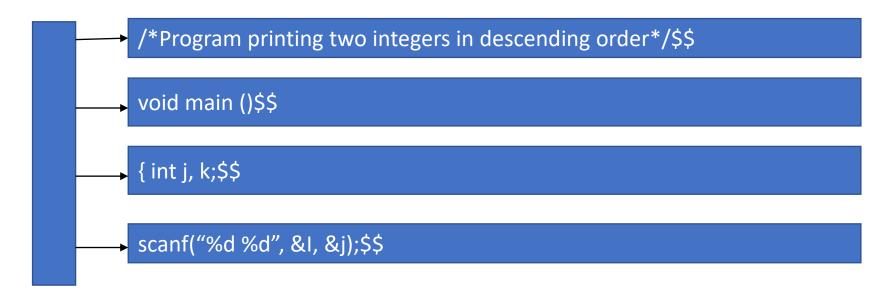


• <u>Disadvantage</u>:

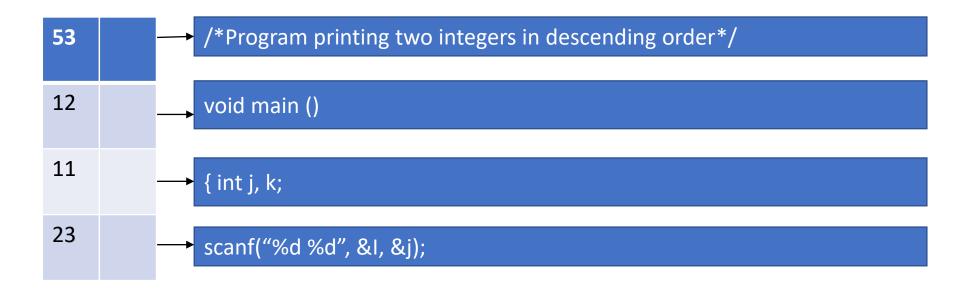
- 1. Time is wasted reading the entire record if most of the storage consists of inessential blank spaces.
- 2. Certain records may require more space than available.
- 3. When a correction consists of one or fewer characters require entire record to be changed
- Suppose we want to insert a new record, this would require that all succeeding records be moved to new memory locations.
- This can be corrected by taking a linear array of pointers, each pointer in consecutive location points to successive records.
- So the records need not be physically adjacent to each other.
- Here inserting a record will require only an updating of the pointers.

2. Variavle Length Storage with fixed maximum

• The end of record is indicated by a group of special symbol such as \$\$.



• The number of characters in the record to be read is indicated at the pointer.



3. Linked Allocation

One Character per node or



• Four character per node

