

# Imperative programming

## Scope

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# Hierarchical program structure

- Nesting program structures
- Function in function: block structured language
- Reducing scope: it can only be used where I want to use it





# Nesting functions, local function definition?

Not valid C code!

```
void quicksort(int array[], int length)
{
    int partition(int array[], int lo, int hi) { ... }

    void quicksort_rec(int array[], int lo, int hi) {
        if (lo < hi) {
            int pivot_pos = partition(array, lo, hi);
            quicksort_rec(array, lo, pivot_pos - 1);
            quicksort_rec(array, pivot_pos + 1, hi);
        }
    }

    quicksort_rec(array, 0, length-1);
}
```

# Nesting functions to any depth?

Not valid C code!

```
void quicksort(int array[], int length)
{
    void quicksort_rec(int array[], int lo, int hi)
    {
        int partition(int array[], int lo, int hi) { ... }

        if (lo < hi) {
            int pivot_pos = partition(array, lo, hi);
            quicksort_rec(array, lo, pivot_pos - 1);
            quicksort_rec(array, pivot_pos + 1, hi);
        }
    }

    quicksort_rec(array, 0, length - 1);
}
```

# Declaration and definition

Often together, but can be one without the other!

- Declaration: name (and type) is given to something
  - Variable declaration
  - Function declaration
- Definition: it's defined what it is
  - Variable creation (allocation)
  - Function body implementation

```
unsigned long int factorial(int n);  
int main() { printf("%ld\n", factorial(20)); return 0; }  
unsigned long int factorial(int n) {  
    return n < 2 ? 1 : n * factorial(n - 1);  
}
```



# Static/lexical scoping

## Scope of declarations

The scope of the declaration is the part of the program where the object referred to by the declaration can be accessed by name.

- The basis of (static) scope rules is the block
  - Sub-program
  - Block statement
- From the declaration to the end of the block directly containing the declaration

```
int factorial(int n) {  
    int result = n, i = result - 1; /* cannot be replaced */  
    while (i > 1) {  
        result *= i;  
        --i;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```



# Global – local declaration

- Global: if the declaration is not contained by a block
- Local: if the declaration is inside of a block
- Local to a block: it's inside of that block
- Non-local to a block
  - The declaration is in an enclosing (outer) block
  - But the current block is in the scope of the declaration
- Global: Not local to any block

```
int counter = 0;                                /* global */
void fun()
{
    int x = 10;                                /* local to fun */
    while (x > 0)
    {
        int y = x / 2;                        /* y is local to block statement */
        printf("%d\n", 2 * y == x ? y : y + 1);
        --x;                                  /* non-local variable referred */
        ++counter;                            /* non-local (global) variable referred */
    }
}
```

## Shadowing/hiding

- Same name declared for multiple things
- With an overlapping (inclusive) scope
- The “inner” declaration wins

```
void hiding()
{
    int n = 0;

    {
        printf("%d", n);    /* 0 */
        int n = 1;
        printf("%d", n);    /* 1 */
    }

    printf("%d",n);        /* 0 */
}
```



# Local variable declaration

## ANSI C

- At the beginning of a block, before other statements

## From C99

- Mixed with other statements

```
{  
    printf("Hello\n");  
    int i = 42;  
    printf("World\n");  
}
```

- As a local variable of a forloop

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; ++i) printf("%d\n", i);
```



# Order of declarations

## Bad

```
void g() {  
    printf("%c", f());  
}  
char f() { return 'G'; }
```

## Good

```
char f();    /* forward declaration */  
void g() {  
    printf("%c", f());  
}  
char f() { return 'G'; }
```



# Definition without declaration

```
double x = x + x  
six = double 3  
zoo = double 10.0
```

```
six = (\x -> x+x) 3
```

```
double = \x -> x+x  
six = double 3
```



# Higher order functions

## Functional programming paradigm

```
filter predicate (x:xs)
  | predicate x = x : filter predicate xs
  | otherwise   = filter predicate xs
filter _ [] = []
```

```
filter even [1..10]
filter (\x -> x > 4) [1..10]
filter ( > 4 ) [1..10]
```



# Dynapic scoping rules

## Bash

```
#!/bin/bash
x=1
function g() {
    echo $x;
    x=2;
}
function f() {
    local x=3;
    g;
}

f
echo $x
```

## C

```
#include <stdio.h>
int x = 1;
void g() {
    printf("%d\n", x);
    x = 2;
}
void f() {
    int x = 3;
    g();
}
int main() {
    f();
    printf("%d\n", x);
}
```