

c

ARGUMENTS TO MAIN

- So far we've run all the programs as `./executable_name` without any arguments
- Can also accept command line arguments in C
- Currently, main accepts `void`

```
int main(void) {  
    return 0;  
}
```

ARGUMENTS TO MAIN

- Need to replace void with arguments
 - `argc` = number of arguments passed
 - `argv` = array of arguments (each arg is `char *`)

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    return 0;  
}
```

ARGUMENTS

- First arg is always name of program
- Other args may need to be converted to a different type
 - Example `./average 100 110`
 - `argv[1]` is `char *` storing 100
 - need to convert to int
 - `int atoi(char *str)` in `stdlib.h`
 - other conversion functions also in `stdlib.h`

MISC C

- Variables can be preceded by `const` to be read-only
 - We used `#define` for the same purpose
 - Using `const` qualifier will have normal variable scope
- `static` in front of variable
 - variable maintains value even after block exits
 - Ex: `static int n` in function could be used to identify if it is first call to function or not

MISC C - LIBRARIES

- Compiling our own mutli-file programs
 - Compile all together with gcc
 - Compile into separate object files, then compile those together

MISC C - LIBRARIES

- Standard libraries - don't need to compile them
 - already exist in compiled form (a library)
 - are "linked to" - in default spot, no need to specify
 - have header files that are included - in default spot
- Can do this for custom libraries
 - Need to specify where and link when compiling (`-I` and `-l` options)
 - Likely need to specify where headers live (`-I` option)