



# Functions in C

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# Class Quiz 1

- Write a program using function that prints square of first ten digits???
- Do it in just 5 minutes?



# Program

```
int square( int y ); /* function prototype */

/* function main begins program execution */
int main( void )
{
    int x; /* counter */

    /* loop 10 times and calculate and output square of x each time */
    for ( x = 1; x <= 10; x++ ) {
        printf( "%d ", square( x ) ); /* function call */
    } /* end for */

    printf( "\n" );
    return 0; /* indicates successful termination */
} /* end main */

/* square function definition returns square of parameter */
int square( int y ) /* y is a copy of argument to function */
{
    return y * y; /* returns square of y as an int */
} /* end function square */
```

## Class Quiz 2

- Write a program using function that finds the maximum of three given numbers?
- Do it in just 5 minutes?



# Program

```
int main( void )
{
    int number1; /* first integer */
    int number2; /* second integer */
    int number3; /* third integer */

    printf( "Enter three integers: " );
    scanf( "%d%d%d", &number1, &number2, &number3 );

    /* number1, number2 and number3 are arguments
       to the maximum function call */
    printf( "Maximum is: %d\n", maximum( number1, number2, number3 ) );
    return 0; /* indicates successful termination */
} /* end main */

/* Function maximum definition */
/* x, y and z are parameters */
int maximum( int x, int y, int z )
{
    int max = x; /* assume x is largest */

    if ( y > max ) { /* if y is larger than max, assign y to max */
        max = y;
    } /* end if */

    if ( z > max ) { /* if z is larger than max, assign z to max */
        max = z;
    } /* end if */

    return max; /* max is largest value */
} /* end function maximum */
```

# Math Library function

Function	Description	Example
<code>sqrt( x )</code>	square root of $x$	<code>sqrt( 900.0 )</code> is 30.0 <code>sqrt( 9.0 )</code> is 3.0
<code>exp( x )</code>	exponential function $e^x$	<code>exp( 1.0 )</code> is 2.718282 <code>exp( 2.0 )</code> is 7.389056
<code>log( x )</code>	natural logarithm of $x$ (base $e$ )	<code>log( 2.718282 )</code> is 1.0 <code>log( 7.389056 )</code> is 2.0
<code>log10( x )</code>	logarithm of $x$ (base 10)	<code>log10( 1.0 )</code> is 0.0 <code>log10( 10.0 )</code> is 1.0 <code>log10( 100.0 )</code> is 2.0
<code>fabs( x )</code>	absolute value of $x$	<code>fabs( 13.5 )</code> is 13.5 <code>fabs( 0.0 )</code> is 0.0 <code>fabs( -13.5 )</code> is 13.5

# Math Library function

<code>ceil( x )</code>	rounds $x$ to the smallest integer not less than $x$	<code>ceil( 9.2 )</code> is 10.0 <code>ceil( -9.8 )</code> is -9.0
<code>floor( x )</code>	rounds $x$ to the largest integer not greater than $x$	<code>floor( 9.2 )</code> is 9.0 <code>floor( -9.8 )</code> is -10.0
<code>pow( x, y )</code>	$x$ raised to power $y$ ( $x^y$ )	<code>pow( 2, 7 )</code> is 128.0 <code>pow( 9, .5 )</code> is 3.0
<code>fmod( x, y )</code>	remainder of $x/y$ as a floating-point number	<code>fmod( 13.657, 2.333 )</code> is 1.992
<code>sin( x )</code>	trigonometric sine of $x$ ( $x$ in radians)	<code>sin( 0.0 )</code> is 0.0
<code>cos( x )</code>	trigonometric cosine of $x$ ( $x$ in radians)	<code>cos( 0.0 )</code> is 1.0
<code>tan( x )</code>	trigonometric tangent of $x$ ( $x$ in radians)	<code>tan( 0.0 )</code> is 0.0

# Random number generation

- The element of chance can be introduced into computer applications by using the C Standard Library function `rand` from the `<stdlib.h>` header.
- Consider the following statement:
  - `i=rand()`
    - The `rand` function generates an integer between 0 and `RAND_MAX` (a symbolic constant)
    - Standard C states that the value of `RAND_MAX` must be at least 32767 (i.e., 16-bit) integer.



# Sixe sided dice roller

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

/* function main begins program execution */
int main( void )
{
    int i; /* counter */
    /* loop 20 times */
    for ( i = 1; i <= 20; i++ ) {

        /* pick random number from 1 to 6 and output it */
        printf( "%10d", 1 + ( rand() % 6 ) );

        /* if counter is divisible by 5, begin new line of output */
        if ( i % 5 == 0 ) {
            printf( "\n" );
        } /* end if */
    } /* end for */

    return 0; /* indicates successful termination */
} /* end main */
```

# Rolling a six sided die 6000 times

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

/* function main begins program execution */
int main( void )
{
    int frequency1 = 0; /* rolled 1 counter */
    int frequency2 = 0; /* rolled 2 counter */
    int frequency3 = 0; /* rolled 3 counter */
    int frequency4 = 0; /* rolled 4 counter */
    int frequency5 = 0; /* rolled 5 counter */
    int frequency6 = 0; /* rolled 6 counter */

    int roll; /* roll counter, value 1 to 6000 */
```

```
int face; /* represents one roll of the die, value 1 to 6 */

/* loop 6000 times and summarize results */
for ( roll = 1; roll <= 6000; roll++ ) {
    face = 1 + rand() % 6; /* random number from 1 to 6 */

    /* determine face value and increment appropriate counter */
    switch ( face ) {

        case 1: /* rolled 1 */
            ++frequency1;
            break;

        case 2: /* rolled 2 */
            ++frequency2;
            break;

        case 3: /* rolled 3 */
            ++frequency3;
            break;
```

```
case 4: /* rolled 4 */
    ++frequency4;
    break;

case 5: /* rolled 5 */
    ++frequency5;
    break;

case 6: /* rolled 6 */
    ++frequency6;
    break; /* optional */
} /* end switch */
} /* end for */

/* display results in tabular format */
printf( "%s%13s\n", "Face", "Frequency" );
printf( " 1%13d\n", frequency1 );
printf( " 2%13d\n", frequency2 );
printf( " 3%13d\n", frequency3 );
printf( " 4%13d\n", frequency4 );
printf( " 5%13d\n", frequency5 );
printf( " 6%13d\n", frequency6 );
return 0; /* indicates successful termination */
} /* end main */
```

# Output

1	987
2	984
3	1029
4	974
5	1004
6	1022

# Functions call by value

- There are two ways to invoke functions in many programming languages
  - Call-by-value and
  - Call-by-reference.
    - When arguments are passed by value, a copy of the argument's value is made and passed to the called function.
    - Changes to the copy do not affect an original variable's value in the caller.
    - Call-by-value should be used whenever the called function does not need to modify the value of the caller's original variable.
    - In C, all calls are by value.

# Program

```
main( )
{
    int a = 10, b = 20 ;

    swapv ( a, b ) ;
    printf ( "\na = %d b = %d", a, b ) ;
}

swapv ( int x, int y )
{
    int t ;

    t = x ;
    x = y ;
    y = t ;

    printf ( "\nx = %d y = %d", x, y ) ;
}
```

output

x = 20 y = 10  
a = 10 b = 20

# Call by Reference

- When an argument is passed by reference, the caller allows the called function to modify the original variable's value.
  - Call-by-reference should be used only with trusted called functions that need to modify the original variable.
  - Call-by reference is used by using address operators and indirection operators.
  - For example arrays are passed automatically by reference (see later)



