

### 1 What is user defined function? Explain with example. Define the syntax of function in C.

- A **function** is a block of code that performs a specific task.
- The functions which are created by programmer are called **user-defined functions**.
- The functions which are in-built in compiler are known as **system functions**.
- The functions which are implemented in header libraries are known as **library functions**.
- It has a unique name and it is **reusable** i.e. it can be called from any part of a program.
- **Parameter** or argument passing to function is **optional**.
- It is optional to return a value to the calling program. Function which is not returning any value from function, their return type is **void**.
- While using function, three things are important

#### 1) Function Declaration:

- Like variables, all the functions must be declared before they are used.
- The function declaration is also known as function prototype or function signature. It consists of four parts,
  - a) Function type (return type).
  - b) Function name.
  - c) Parameter list.
  - d) Terminating semicolon

**Syntax:** <return type> FunctionName (Argument1, Argument2, Argument3.....) ;

**Example:** int sum (int , int) ;

- In this example, function return type is **int**, name of function is sum, 2 parameters are passed to function and both are integer.

#### 2) Function Definition:

- Function Definition is also called function implementation.
- It has mainly two parts.
  - a) **Function header:** It is same as function declaration but with argument name.
  - b) **Function body:** It is actual logic or coding of the function

#### 3) Function call:

- Function is invoked from main function or other function that is known as **function call**.
- Function can be called by simply using a function name followed by a list of **actual** argument enclosed in parentheses.

- **Syntax or general structure of a Function:**

```
<return type> FunctionName (Argument1, Argument2, Argument3.....)
{
    Statement-1;
    Statement-2;
    Statement-3;
}
```

- An example of function:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
int sum(int, int);           \\ Function Declaration or Signature
void main()
{
    int a, b, ans;
    scanf("%d%d", &a, &b);
    ans = sum(a, b);         \\ Function Calling
    printf("Answer = %d", ans);
}
int sum (int x, int y)       \\ Function Definition
{
    int result;
    result = x + y;
    return (result);
}
```

## 2 Explain different categories of functions.

- Functions can be classified in one of the following category based on whether arguments are present or not, whether a value is returned or not.

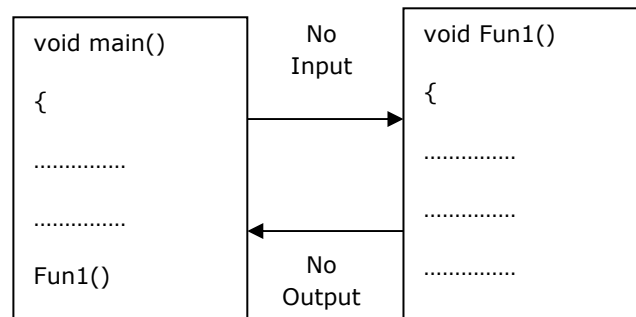
- 1) Functions with no arguments and no return value    \\ void printline(void)
- 2) Functions with no arguments and return a value    \\ int printline(void)
- 3) Functions with arguments and no return value    \\ void printline(int a)
- 4) Functions with arguments and one return value    \\ int printline(int a)
- 5) Functions that return multiple values using pointer    \\ void printline(int a)

### 1. Function with no argument and no return value:

- When a function has no argument, it does not receive any data from calling function.
- When it does not return a value, the calling function does not receive any data from the called function.
- In fact there is no data transfer between the calling function and called function.

**Example:**

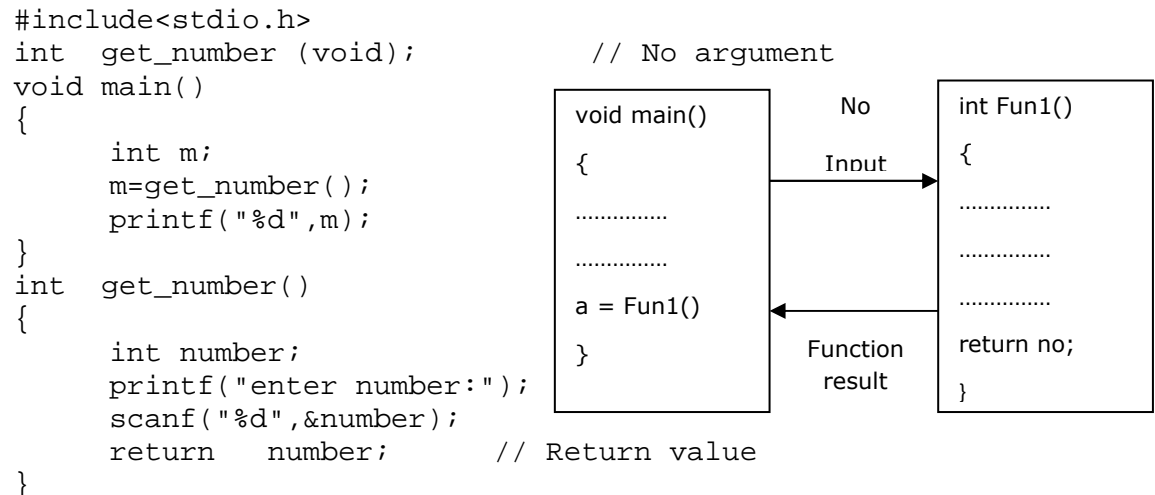
```
#include<stdio.h>
void printline (void); // No argument - No return value
void main()
{
    clrscr();
    printline();
    printf("\n GTU \n");
}
void printline (void)
{
    printf("Hello");
}
```



## 2. Function with no arguments and return a value:

- When a function has no argument, it does not receive data from calling function.
- When a function has return value, the calling function receives one data from the called function.

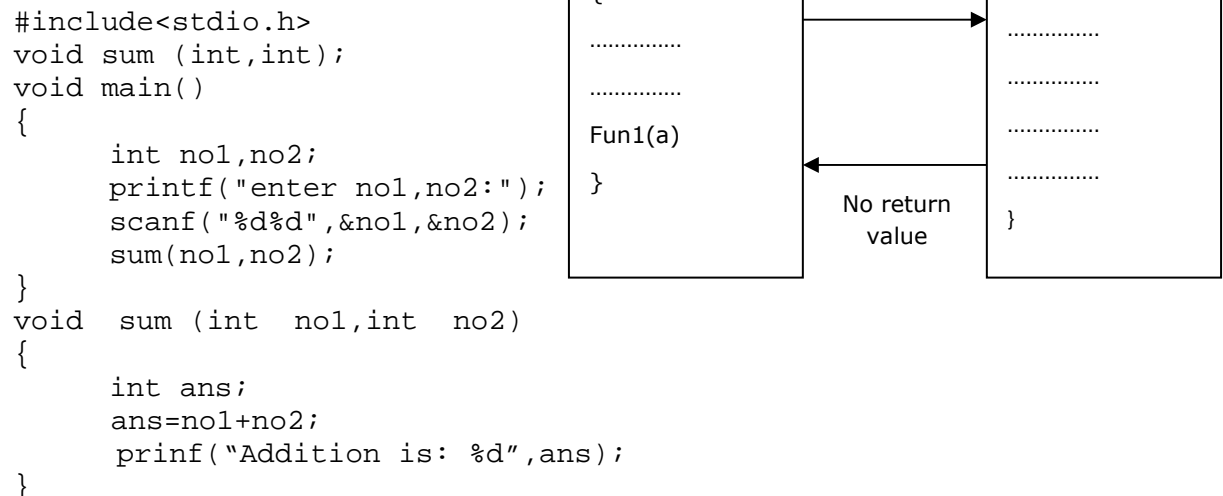
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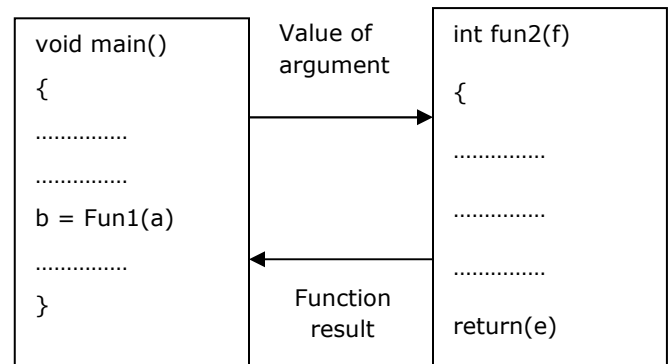
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- When a function has argument, it receives data from calling function.
- When a function has return value, the calling function receives any data from the called function.

**Example:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
int sum(int, int);
void main()
{
    int a, b, ans;
    scanf("%d%d", &a, &b);
    ans = sum(a, b);
    printf("Answer = %d", ans);
}

int sum (int x, int y)
{
    int result;
    result = x + y;
    return result;
}
```



### 5. Function that returns a multiple value:

- Function can return either one value or zero value. It cannot return more than one value.
- To receive more than one value from function, we have to use pointer.
- So function should be called with reference not with value.

**Example:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
void mathoperation (int x, int y, int *s, int *d);
void main()
{
    int x=20,y=10,s,d;
    mathoperation(x,y,&s,&d);
    printf("s=%d \nd=%d", s,d);
}

void mathoperation(int a, int b, int *sum, int *diff)
{
    *sum = a + b;
    *diff = a - b;
}
```

### 3 Explain actual argument and formal argument with example.

- Arguments passed to the function during function calling are called actual arguments or parameters.
- Arguments received in the definition of a function are called formal arguments or parameters.

**Example:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
int max(int , int ) // Function Declaration.
void main()
{
    int a=5,b=3, ans;
    ans = max(a, b); //a and b are actual arguments.
    printf("max=%d", ans);
}
int max (int x, int y) // x and y are formal arguments.
{
    if(x>y)
        return x;
    else
        return y;
}
```

### 4 Explain call by value (pass by value) and call by reference (pass by reference) with example.

- The parameters can be passed in two ways during function calling,
  - Call by value
  - Call by reference

**Call by value**

- In call by value, the values of actual parameters are copied to their corresponding formal parameters.
- So the original values of the variables of calling function remain unchanged.
- Even if a function tries to change the value of passed parameter, those changes will occur in formal parameter, not in actual parameter.

**Example:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
void swap(int, int);
void main()
{
    int x, y;
    printf("Enter the value of X & Y:");
    scanf("%d%d", &x, &y);
    swap(x, y);
    printf("\n Values inside the main function");
    printf("\n x=%d, y=%d", x, y);
}
```

```
        getch();
    }
    void swap(int x,int y)
    {
        int temp;
        temp=x;
        x=y;
        y=temp;
        printf("\n Values inside the swap function");
        printf("\n x=%d y=%d", x, y);
    }
```

**Output:**

```
Enter the value of X & Y: 3 5
Values inside the swap function
X=5 y=3
Values inside the main function
X=3 y=5
```

**Call by Reference**

- In call by reference, the address of the actual parameters is passed as an argument to the called function.
- So the original content of the calling function can be changed.
- Call by reference is used whenever we want to change the value of local variables through function.

**Example:**

```
#include<stdio.h>
void swap(int *, int *);
void main()
{
    int x,y;
    printf("Enter the value of X & Y:");
    scanf("%d%d", &x, &y);
    swap(&x, &y);
    printf("\n Value inside the main function");
    printf("\n x=%d y=%d", x, y);
}
void swap(int *x, int *y)
{
    int temp;
    temp=*x;
    *x=*y;
    *y=temp;
    printf("\n Value inside the swap function");
    printf("\n x=%d y=%d", x, y);
}
```

**Output:**

```
Enter the value of X & Y: 3 5
```

Value inside the swap function

x=5 y=3

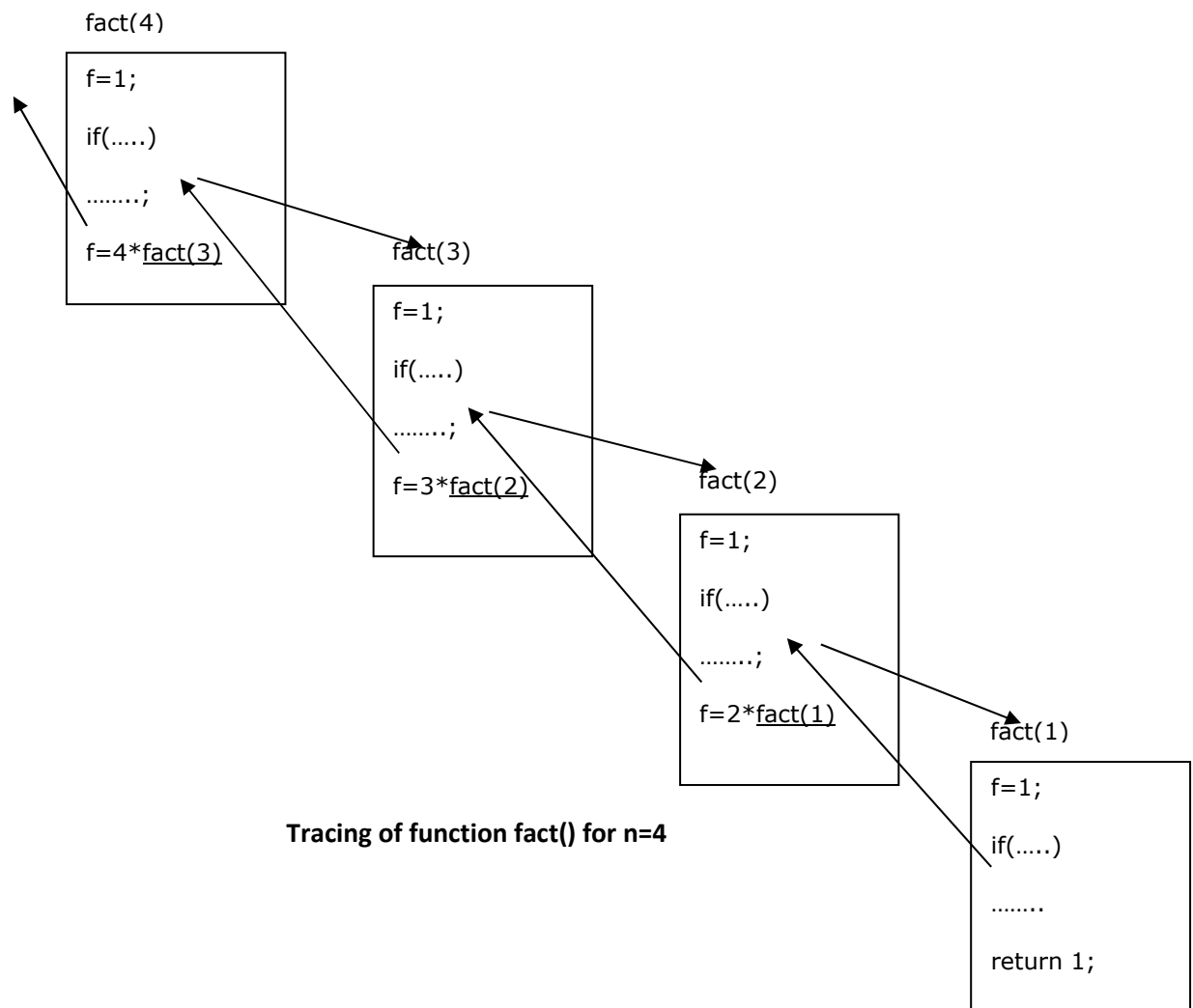
Value inside the main function

x=5 y=3

- Difference between two program is marked as **bold** in call by reference program

#### 4 What do you mean by recursive function? Explain with example.

- Recursive function is a function that **calls itself**.
- **Pictorial presentation of recursion :**



- If a function calls itself then it is known as recursion.
- Recursion is thus the process of defining something in terms of itself.
- Suppose we want to calculate the factorial of a given number then in terms of recursion we can write it as  $n! = n * (n-1)!$ . First we have to find  $(n-1)!$  and then multiply it by n. the  $(n-1)!$  is computed as  $(n-1)! = (n-1) * (n-2)!$ . This process end when finally we need to calculate

1!.which is 1.

**Ex:**  $4! = 4 \times 3!$   
 $= 4 \times 3 \times 2!$   
 $= 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1!$   
 $= 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$

- Terminating condition must be there which can terminate the chain of process, otherwise it will lead to infinite number of process.

**Example:** Find factorial of a given number using recursion.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int fact (int);
void main()
{
    int f,n;
    printf("enter number:");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    f=fact(n);
    printf("\n factorial=%d",f);
}
int fact (int n)
{
    int f=1;
    if(n==1)
    {
        return 1;
    }
    else
    {
        f=n*fact(n-1);
        return f;
    }
}
```

### Advantages:

- Easy solution for recursively defined solution.
- Complex programs can be easily written with less code.

### Disadvantages:

- Recursive code is difficult to **understand** and **debug**.
- Terminating condition is must; otherwise it will go in an **infinite** loop.
- Execution speed decreases because of function call and return activity many times.



### 5 What is scope, lifetime and visibility of variable?

#### Scope

- The scope of variable can be defined as that a part of a program where the particular variable is accessible
- In what part of the program the variable is accessible is depends on where the variable is declared.
- Local variables which are declared inside the body of function cannot be accessed outside the body of function.
- Global variables which are declared outside any function definition can be accessible by all the function in a program.

#### Lifetime

- Lifetime is a time limit during the program execution until which a variable exist in a memory.
- It is also referred to the longevity of variable.

#### Visibility

- Visibility is the ability of the program to access a variable from the memory.
- If variable is redeclared within its scope of variable, the variable losses the visibility in the scope of variable which is redeclared.