

Function

Lecture 7

What is Function?

- A number of statements grouped in to a single logical unit is referred to as a function.
- The function `main()` in the program is executed first.

```
main()  
{  
}
```

- All other functions are executed from main which calls them directly or indirectly

Function

- There are 2(two) types of functions as:
 - Built-in Functions
 - User Defined Functions

Built in Functions : These functions are also called as 'Library functions'. These functions are provided by system. These functions are stored in library files. e.g.

- scanf()
- printf()

User Defined Functions : The functions which are created by user for program are known as 'User defined functions'.

Function

- Advantage of function
 - Facilitates modular programming
 - The use of a function avoids the need for redundant programming of the same instructions
 - It is easy to locate and isolate a faulty function

Local variable

- A local variable is a variable that is declared inside a function.
- local variable can only be used in the function where it is declared.

Global variable

- A global variable is a variable that is declared outside all function.
- a global variable can be used in all function

Function

- Syntax:

```
return_type  function_name(parameter list)
{
    statements;
    return value;
}
```

Example:

```
int add(int x , int y)
{
    int sum=x+5;
    return sum;
}
```

Argument list

Return type

Return statement

Function

- Function name is an identifier so function name must satisfy rules for identifiers
- Argument list
 - Contain valid variable names separated with commas
 - Argument variable receive value from calling function
- Return type
 - Specifies type of value that the function returns
- Return value
 - Example : `return (expression);`

`int add(int x, int y);`  **Function declaration / function prototype**

`void main()`

`{`

`int c, a=10, b=20;`

`c= add(a, b);`

 **Function call**

`printf("Sum=%d", c);`

`}`

`int add (int x , int y)`  **Function declarator**

`{`

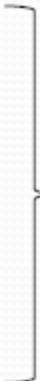
`int sum;`

`sum =x+y;`

`return sum;`

`}`

 **Function body**

 **Function definition**

Example: Addition of two number

```
#include<stdio.h>
int add(int,int);
void main()
{
    int num1,num2,res;
    printf("Enter the two numbers");
    scanf("%d%d",&num1, &num2);
    res=add(num1,num2);
```

```
printf("The sum is %d ",res);
```

```
}
```

```
int add(int x,int y)
```

```
{
```

```
    int s=x+y;
```

```
    return(s);
```

```
}
```

Program to calculate maximum of three numbers using function

```
#include <stdio.h>

int maximum( int, int, int );

/* function prototype */

int main()
{
    int a, b, c;
    printf( "Enter three integers:" );
```

```
scanf( "%d%d%d", &a, &b, &c );  
printf( "Maximum is: %d\n",maximum(a,b,c)),  
maximum( a, b, c );  
return 0;  
}  
/* Function maximum definition */  
int maximum( int x, int y, int z)  
{
```

```
int max ;
```

```
if ( y > x && y > z )
```

```
max = y;
```

```
else if ( x > z )
```

```
max=x;
```

else

max=z;

return max;

}

Function

- Depending on arguments and return value function can be classified as :-
 - Function with no argument and no return value
 - Function with argument but no return value
 - Function with no argument but return value
 - Function with both arguments and return value

No argument & No return value

```
void printMessage()  
{  
    printf("Inside printmessage function");  
  
}  
  
void main()  
{  
    printMessage();  
  
}
```

Argument & No return value

```
void add(int x, int y)
{

    printf("\nSum=%d", x+y);

}
```

```
void main()
{
    add(10,20);
    add(25,25);
}
```

No argument but return value

```
int mult()  
{  
    int x=12, y=5;  
  
    return (x*y);  
}
```

```
void main()  
{  
    int a;  
    a= mult();  
    printf("Multiply =%d", a);  
}
```

Argument & Return value

```
float divide(float x, float y)
{
    float retval;
    retval =x/y;
    return retval;

}
```

```
void main()
{
    float r;
    r= divide(12.0, 5.0 );
    printf(" Result =%f", r);
}
```

Nesting function

```
void first_func();
void second_func();
void third_func();
void main()
{
    first_func();
}
void first_func()
{
    printf("I am in first");
    second_func();
}
```

```
void second_func()
{
    printf("I am in second ");
    third_func();
}
void third_func()
{
    printf("I am in third");
}
```

Function: Pass by value

- The value of the corresponding formal argument can be changed within the function, but the value of the actual argument will not change

Function: Pass by value

```
void change(int num)
{
    num++;
    printf("Value in change function :%d",num);
}

main()
{

    int num=10;
    change(num);
    printf("Value in main function :%d", num);

}
```

Recursion

- Recursion of function means function calling itself.
- There must be some conditional statement to terminate recursion otherwise program may go into unending loop

Factorial (Iteration)

```
int rec(int x)
{
    int i, fc=1;
    for(i=1; i<=x; i++)
        fc=fc*i;
    return fc;
}
```

```
void main()
{
    int f, n;
    scanf("%d",&n);
    f=rec(n);
    printf(": %d", f);
}
```

Function (recursion)

```
int rec(int x)
{
    int f;
    if(x==1)
        return (1);
    else
        f=x*rec(x-1);
    return f;
}
```

```
main()
{
    int f, n;
    scanf("%d",&n);
    f=rec(n);
    printf("%d",f);
}
```