

Unit 3 Functions

Functions: we have used `main()`, `printf`, `scanf` and etc. in a program to perform some particular task.

- if a program contains a few lines of code then it is easy to understand and debug ^{& test} the program
- if a program contains a huge number of lines, it is difficult to test and debug and maintaining the program
- if a large program is sub-divided into smaller or some functions parts and may be independently coded then it is easy to maintain the program
- These independently coded parts are known as sub programmes. In 'C' language such sub programs are referred to as functions

Function:

It is a self contained block of statements used to perform a particular task

→ Types of functions: There are 2 types:

1) Library functions

These are pre defined functions and are available in 'C' library.

eg:- `printf()`, `scanf()`, `pow()`, `sqrt()`

2) User-defined functions:

These are defined by the user

eg:- `myz()`, `abc()`, `sum()`, `avg()`, `total()`

When 'C' program is executed operating system starts its execution by calling the `main()`, after that we can call any function from any other function.

Note

If a function `abc()` is calling from the function `xyz()` then `xyz()` is calling function `abc()` is called function

Advantages of functions.

- 1) The ^{length of} complex program can be reduced by dividing the smaller parts.
- 2) Testing and debugging becomes easy
- 3) easy to isolate the errors.
- 4) reusability of the existing code (we can write the code once and can use any number of times)

* Structure of 'C' function (or called function or function definition)

Syntax

Return type function name (parameter list)

{

local declaration;

Executable stmt 1;

----- stmt 2;

Executable stmt N;

Return stmt;

}

where Return type is any datatype, function name is a user defined name & parameter list is containing the variables or arguments.

eg:

```
int mul(int a, int b)
{
    int c;
    c = a * b;
    return(c);
}
```

it returns (c) i.e. the product of a and b to the calling function

Note:- the last two stmts can be combined into a single stmt i.e. `return(a*b)`

* Characteristics of functions:

- A function may have any number of arguments that depends on the requirement of the function.
- It may or may not have a return value and the default return value from a function is integer.
- If a function does not return any value then it should be declared as type of void.
- If a function returns non-integer value then mention the return type.

* In order to use user defined functions:-
we need to establish 3 elements:-

- 1) function declaration (or) prototype
- 2) function definition
- 3) function call

function calling example

1) function declaration or prototype

like any other variable, function should be declared before its usage

Syntax

Return type functionname (parameter list);

eg int sum(int, int);

 or
int sum(int a, int b);

Note: parameter name is optional in the declaration

2) * function header: first line of the called function or function definition is called ^{as} function header

3) function call:

It is an operational statement which sends the control to the called function.

Syntax:

function name (parameter list);

eg. sum(a, b);
 mul(x, y);

square(x);

* Actual parameters: parameters inside the function call are called ^{again of type} actual parameters

* formal parameters: parameters inside the called function are called ^{as} formal parameters

Q) Write a 'c' program to find out square of a given number using functions
Program:-

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

```
#include <conio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{  
    (-void square(int)); // prototype or Declaration
```

```
    int x;
```

```
    clrscr();
```

```
    printf("Enter the value of x");
```

```
    scanf("%d", &x);
```

```
    square(x); // Actual parameter
```

```
    getch();
```

```
}
```

```
void square(int
```

```
{
```

```
    int s;
```

```
    s = x * x;
```

```
    printf("s = %d", s);
```

```
}
```

calling function

formal parameter

function header

on body

$x = 5$
 $s = 5 \times 5$
 $s = 25$
 $s = 25$

* Categories of functions based on arguments and return value (or) user-defined types :-

→ These are of 4 types.

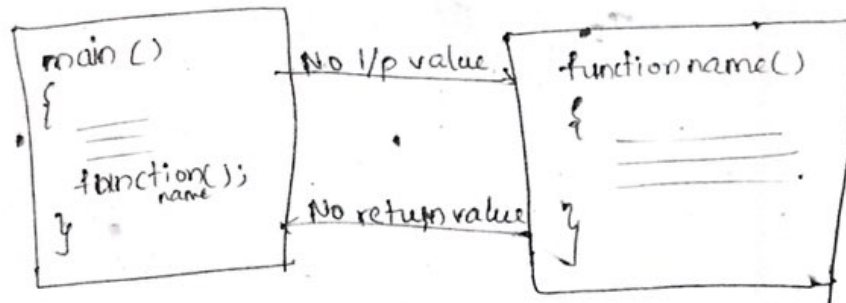
1) A function without arguments and without return value

2) A function without arguments and with return value

- (3) A function with argument and without return value
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calling function

called function



→ calling function does not pass any data to the called function in the same way called function doesn't return any value to the calling function

eg: program:

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

```
#include <conio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
void sum();
```

```
clrscr();
```

```
sum();
```

```
getch();
```

```
}
```

```
void sum()
```

```
{
```

```
int a, b, c;
```

```
printf("enter the value of a, b");
```

```
scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
```

```
c = a + b;
```

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

```
}
```

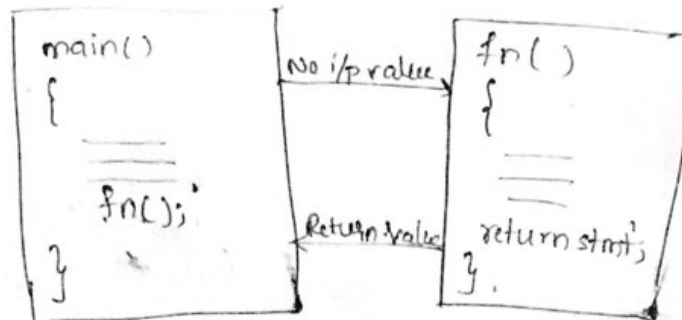
void - no function

any value

2) A function without arguments and with return value

calling function

Called function



→ the calling function does not pass any data to the called function but the called function return the value to the calling function

eg, program:

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

```
#include <conio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int sum();
```

```
    int c;
```

```
    clrscr();
```

```
    c = sum();
```

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

```
    getch();
```

```
}
```

```
int sum()
```

```
{
```

```
    int a, b, c;
```

```
    printf("enter the value of a, b");
```

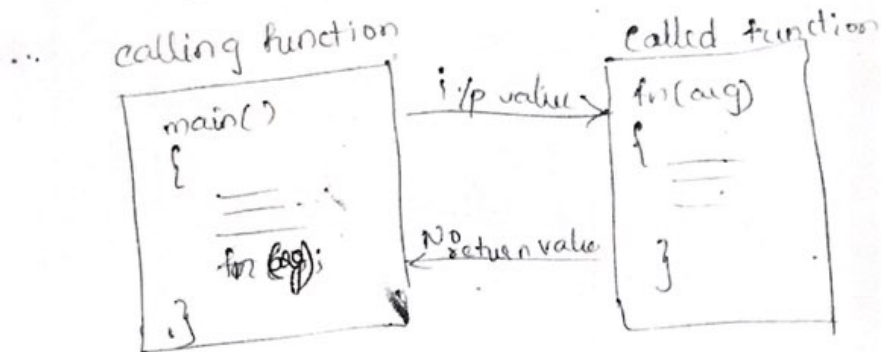
```
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
```

```
    c = a + b;
```

```
    return(c);
```

```
}
```

3) with arguments without return value. (7)



→ calling function caller pass the data to called function but called function does not return value to calling function

eg program

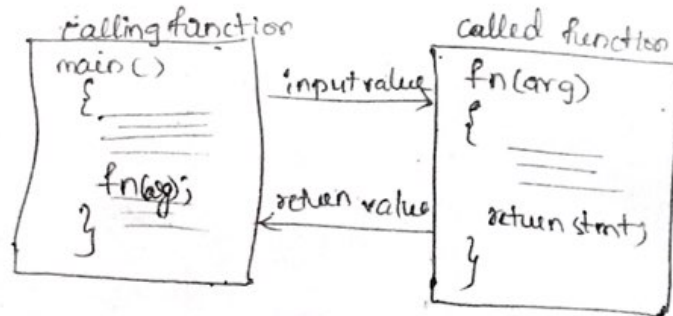
```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    void sum(int, int);
    int a, b;
    clrscr();
    printf("\nEnter a, b values");
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
```

```
    sum(a, b);
    getch();
}
```

```
void sum(int a, int b)
{
    int c;
    c = a + b;
    printf("sum = %d", c);
}
```

The code shows a C program. It starts with two include statements: '#include <stdio.h>' and '#include <conio.h>'. Then, it defines 'void main()' with a block containing: 'void sum(int, int);' (a function declaration), 'int a, b;' (variable declarations), 'clrscr();' (clear screen), 'printf("\nEnter a, b values");' (output prompt), and 'scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);' (input). After the 'main' block, there is a call to 'sum(a, b);' followed by 'getch();' and a closing brace. Then, the function definition 'void sum(int a, int b)' is shown with a block containing: 'int c;' (local variable), 'c = a + b;' (calculation), and 'printf("sum = %d", c);' (output). The function definition block is enclosed in curly braces.

4) A function with argument and with return value



the calling function pass the data to called function and ^{similarly} called function return the value to the calling function

program

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    int sum(int a, int b);
    int a, b;
    clrscr();
    printf("enter the value of a, b");
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
    c = sum(a, b);
    printf("sum = %d", c);
    getch();
}

int sum(int a, int b)
{
    int c;
    c = a + b;
    return(c);
}
  
```

b = 6

a = 5

c = 6

f = 11

(= 11

Q) Write a 'c' program to perform the operations
sum, difference, multiplication, division using functions
program

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    int sum(int, int);
    int diff(int, int);
    int mul(int, int);
    int div(int, int);
    int a, b, s, d, p, q;
    clrscr();
    printf("\n enter the value of a, b");
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);
    s = sum(a, b);
    d = diff(a, b);
    p = mul(a, b);
    q = div(a, b);
    printf("sum = %d", s);
    printf("diff = %d", d);
    printf("mul = %d", p);
    printf("div = %d", q);
    getch();
}

int sum(int a, int b)
{
    int s;
    s = a + b;
    return(s);
}
```

```

int diff (int a, int b)
{
    int d;
    d = a - b;
    return(d);
}

int mul (int a, int b)
{
    int p;
    p = a * b;
    return(p);
}

int div (int a, int b)
{
    int q;
    q = a / b;
    return(q);
}

```

* Scope of a variable:

Scope of a variable determines over what region the variable value is available for use.

→ depending on the place of declaration of a variable these are divided into 3 types.

- 1) Global variable (public/external)
- 2) Local variable (private/internal)
- 3) Block variable.

1) Global variable: — the variable which is declared outside of all the functions is called global variable. the scope of global variable is available throughout the program (in all the functions).

eg program

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```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
int a=5, b=10;
void main()
{
    clrscr();
    printf("\na = %d", a);
    printf("\nb = %d", b);
    getch();
}
```

output : a=5
b=10

eg-2

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
int a=5, b=10;
void main()
{
    void func();
    clrscr();
    printf("\na = %d", a);
    printf("\nb = %d", b);
    func();
    printf("\n %d", b);
    getch();
}

void func()
{
    printf("\na = %d", a);
}
```

output a=5
b=10
~~a=5~~
10

2) local variable: The variable which is declared inside a function is called local variable.
scope: the value of variable is available inside the function in which it is declared

eg: program

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    int a=10, b=20;
    clrscr();
    printf("\n a=%d", a);
    printf("\n b=%d", b);
    getch();
}
```

output a=10
b=20

eg-2

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    void fun();
    int a=10, b=20;
    clrscr();
    printf("\n a=%d", a);
    printf("\n b=%d", b);
    fun();
    printf("\n %d", b); ←
    getch();
}
void fun()
{
    printf("\n a=%d", a);
}
```

out put a=10
b=20
b=20

3) Block variable: The variable which is declared inside a block ({, }) is called block variable.
scope: the value^{variable} is available inside the block in which it is declared.

eg. program

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    int i = 20;
    {
        int j = 10;
        printf("j = %d", j);
    }
}
```

o/p: $j = 10$

* If one variable is declared with same name in more than one block that variable value is available to that corresponding block.

```
eg: #include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
void main()
{
    {
        int i = 10;
        printf("\n %d", i);
    }
    {
        int i = 20;
        printf("\n %d", i);
    }
    getch();
}
```

o/p: $i = 10$
 $i = 20$

~~ex~~ #include

* if the variables are declared in multiple blocks
then the ^{variable in the} innermost block is executed first.

eg: void main()

```
{ int i=4;
```

```
{ int i=5;
```

```
{ int i=6;
```

```
clrscr();  
printf("\n i=%d", i);
```

```
}
```

```
printf("\n i=%d", i+1);
```

```
}
```

```
printf("\n i=%d", i-1);
```

```
getch();
```

```
}
```

output i=6

i=6

i=3

5) write a 'C' program to find out the factorial of a
given number using function (non-recursive function
program):

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

```
#include <conio.h>
```

```
void main()
```

```
{
```

```
long fact(int), f;
```

```
int n;
```

```
clrscr();
```

```
printf("\n enter the n value: ");
```

```
scanf("%d", &n);
```

```
f = fact(n);
```

```
printf("\n factorial of %d = %ld", n, f);
```

```
getch();
```

```
}
```

```
long fact(int n)
```

```
{
    int f=1;
    for (i=1; i<=n; i++)
    {
        f=f*i;
    }
    return(f);
}
```

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$n=5$
 $1 \leq 5 \Rightarrow f = 1 \times 1 = 1$
 $2 \leq 5 \Rightarrow f = 1 \times 2 = 2$
 $3 \leq 5 \Rightarrow f = 2 \times 3 = 6$
 $4 \leq 5 \Rightarrow f = 6 \times 4 = 24$
 $5 \leq 5 \Rightarrow f = 24 \times 5 = 120$
 $6 \leq 5 \Rightarrow$ (non recursive)
 But $x=1$
 functions we mention $f=1$

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* Recursion: the process of defining something in terms of itself

Recursive function: A function which calls itself again in the body of the function

eg: main()

```
{
    printf("This is an example of recursion");
    main();
}
```

the above program causes to infinite loop to overcome this problem it is necessary to write it statement in every recursive function.

eg: #include <stdio.h>

#include <conio.h>

void main()

```
{
    long fact(int, f);
    int n;
    clrscr();
    printf("Enter value of n");
    scanf("%d", &n);
```

```

f = fact(n);
printf("\n factorial of %d = %ld", n, f);
getch();
}
long fact(int n)
{
    int f = 1;
    if (n == 1)
        return 1;
    else
        f = n * fact(n-1);
    return(f);
}

```

$n=5$
 $5 * \text{fact}(4)$
 $5 * 4 * \text{fact}(3)$
 $5 * 4 * 3 * \text{fact}(2)$
 $5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * \text{fact}(1)$
 $f = 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1$

* Storage classes

These are provided some information to the variable to the user

- 1) Where would be a variable is stored in memory or register.
- 2) What is the lifetime of the variable (how long it exist)
- 3) What is the scope of the variable.
- 4) The initial or default value of the variable

There are four types of storage classes

- 1) Automatic variable
- 2) external variable
- 3) Static variable
- 4) Register variable

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1) Automatic variables: These are represented by the keyword "auto", they are created when function is called and destroyed when function is exited automatically. The name auto

→ These are private or local to a function because of this property, these are also called as local or private or internal variables

eg program

- 1) Default value: Garbage value
- 2) Scope: inside the function in which it is declared
- 3) Lifetime: till the end of the ^{called} function
- 4) storage location: stack ↗

eg program

```
void main()
{
    int a=10;
    clrscr();
    {
        auto int a=20;
        printf("%d", a);
    }
    getch();
}
```

output: a=20

(eg)

```
void main()
{
    void func();
    int a=10;
    clrscr();
    printf("In %d", a);
    func();
    printf("In %d", a);
    getch();
}
```

→

```
void func()
{
    auto int a=20;
    printf("%d", a);
}
```

output: 10
20
10

2) External Variable
eg: 1)

```
main()
{
    void func();
    int a = 10;
    clrscr();
    printf("%d", a);
    func();
    printf("%d", a);
    getch();
}

void func()
{
    add int a = 20;
    printf("%d", a);
    a++;
}
```

output
10
20
10

2) External variables: The variables which are declared outside of all the function are external variable and represented by the keyword "extern", the value the variable is available throughout program.

eg: program

```
int a = 10;
void main()
{
    int b = 20;
    clrscr();
    {
        int c = 20;
        printf("\n %d", a);
    }
    printf("\n %d", b);
    getch();
}
```

output: a 10
20

eg - 3)

```

extern int a = 10;
main()
{
    void func();
    clrscr();
    printf("In %d", a);
    func();
    printf("In %d", a);
    getch();
}
void func()
{
    printf("In %d", a);
    a++;
}

```

output

```

10
10
11

```

Default value = zero

2) scope : inside all the functions ^(global) which are declared in the program

3) lifetime : till the end of program

4) storage location : memory

~~***~~
 5) static storage class : The variables which are ^{declared} ~~declared~~ using static storage class are called static variables. These are initialized only once in the program

Default value = zero

2) scope : inside the function (in b/w function calls) and
 ↓
 throughout the program (global)
 only global

3) lifetime: inside the function^(local) and throughout the program

4) storage location = memory

* Static variable should be initialized, if it is not initialized compiler automatically initializes with zero.

eg: program: void main()

```
{ inc();  
  clrscr();  
  inc();  
  inc();  
  inc();  
  getch();  
}
```

```
inc()  
{ static int x=10;  
  x = x + 5;  
  printf("\n %d", x);  
}
```

function declaration
Here, there is no
return type is used.

output: 15
20
25

eg-2 main()

```
{  
  void check();
```

```
  clrscr();
```

```
  check();
```

```
  check();
```

```
  check();
```

```
  getch();
```

```
}
```

```
void check()
```

```
{
```

```
  static int c=0;
```

```
  c=c+5;
```

```
  printf("\n %d", c);
```

```
}
```

Output: 5
10
15

```
eg) main()
{
    void check();
    clrscr();
    check();
    check();
    check();
    getch();
}
void check()
{
    auto int c=0;
    c=c+5;
    printf("\n%d", c);
}
```

Output: 5
5
5

4) Register variable : The variables which are declared with register storage class are called register variables and represented by keyword register

eg: register int a=10;

- 1) default value = 0
- 2) scope : inside a function
- 3) lifetime : till the end of the function
- 4) Storage location : CPU registers

→ The difference b/w register variable and other variables is storage location. CPU registers are allocated for register variables where as for all remaining variables the space is allocated in memory.

The value is stored in register is much faster than the value stored in memory.

→ By using register variables we can decrease execution time.

eg. loop variables and index.

* Arrays and functions :-

There are two ways to pass an array as argument to the function.

1) Sending an entire array as an argument to a function.

2) Sending individual elements ^{of an array} as argument to the function.

1) Sending an entire array as an argument :-

eg: void main()

{

void display(int a[]);

int a[5], i;

clrscr();

printf("Enter array elements");

for(i=0; i<5; i++)

{

scanf("%d", &a[i]);

}

display(a); // → sending entire array.

getch();

}

void display(int a[5])

{

printf("Enter array elements are");

for(i=0; i<5; i++)

{ printf("%d", a[i]);

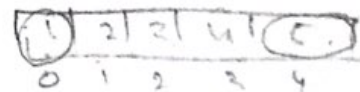
}

}

2) Sending individual elements as argument to function, ⁽¹⁵⁾
if we want to send individual elements as argument
then send the ~~array~~ elements along with its subscript
program

```
void main()
{
    void display(int, int)
    int a[5], i, a, b,
    clrscr();
    printf("Enter array elements");
    for(i=0; i<5; i++)
    {
        scanf("%d", &a[i]);
    }
    display(a[0], a[4]);
    getch();
}

void display(int a, b)
{
    printf("first element is %d", a);
    printf("last element is %d", b);
}
```



* ~~Header~~ files (or) Standard functions.

→ The files which contains pre-defined or standard
(or) inbuilt functions are called header file

eg: stdio.h
conio.h
math.h
stdlib.h
ctype.h
string.h
alloc.h
process.h