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Tutorial 3 Functional Abstraction

1. In tutorial 1, we performed a trace of a program containing only the main function. Extend your mental model to include traces of program execution involving more than one function using the program below.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int f(int x, int y);
int main(void) {
   int x = 3, y = 4;

       x = f(x,y);
       y = f(x, f(y,x));
       printf("x = %d; y = %d\n", x, y);
       return 0;
}
int f(int x, int y) {
       return x*10 + y;
}
```

Keep in mind the following notions while you trace.

- function call with evaluated arguments
- function activation with parameter declaration
- pass-by-value
- · lexical scoping
- function termination upon return
- 2. The basis representation theorem states the following:

Every $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ can be uniquely expressed as a sum of terms (a_i) such that

$$n = \sum_{i=0}^{k} a_i b^i, a_k \neq 0$$

where b is the base of the number.

For example, 130₁₀ in base 10 can be expressed as 1010₅ in base 5 since

$$1 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 0 \times 10^0 = 1 \times 5^3 + 0 \times 5^2 + 1 \times 5^1 + 0 \times 5^0$$

- (a) Implement a function **void** print_10_to_b(**int** n, **int** b) which takes in a number n in decimal (base 10) and prints the equivalent number in base b, for $2 \le b \le 10$.
- (b) Implement a function **void** print_b1_to_b2(**int** n, **int** b1, **int** b2) that takes in a number n in base b_1 and prints the equivalent number in base b_2 , with $2 \le b1, b2 \le 10$.
- 3. A function can be viewed as a black box. All you need to know are the arguments it takes as input and what its output is.
 - (a) One way of calculating the area of a triangle is using the formula $area = \frac{1}{2} \times base \times height$.

Implement a function areal that calculates and returns the area of any given triangle using this formula.

Decide what arguments the function requires as input.

```
double areal(<your arguments>) {
    // Return area of the triangle using the formula
    // area = 1/2 * base * height.
}
```

(b) Another way of calculating the area of a triangle with sides A, B, C is using the trigonometric ratio sine to get $area = \frac{1}{2} \times A \times B \times sin(AB)$, where AB is the included angle between sides A and B.

The sin function is provided by the math.h library. You can call it by using sin after including the line **#include** <math.h> at the top of your source file.

Implement a function area2 that calculates and returns the area of any given triangle using this formula.

Decide what arguments the function requires as input.

```
double area2(<your arguments>) {
    // Return area of the triangle using the formula:
    // area = 1/2 * A * B * sin(AB).
}
```

(c) We can also calculate the area of triangle using Heron's Formula,

$$area = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$
 where $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$

Implement a function area3 that calculates and returns the area of any given triangle using Heron's Formula.

Decide what arguments the function requires as input.

```
double area3(<your arguments>) {
    // Return area of the triangle using Heron's formula
}
```

(d) All three functions calculate the same result. Can they be directly substituted for each other? Why?

4. Implement a function that takes in three integers, and rearranges them in ascending order. For example, after the following code snippet is executed:

```
int a = 5, b = 7, c = 2;
sort(&a, &b, &c);
printf("%d, %d, %d", a, b, c);
the output will be 2, 5, 7.
```

Assume that an in-place swap function that takes in two variables via pointers and swap their values is available (e.g. as shown in lecture). Try implementing your sort function without declaring any new variables.

- 5. For this question, we will use an integer to represent the amount of money in a bank account. Implement the following functions:
 - **void** deposit(**int** *account, **int** amount) that takes in the bank account and an amount of money, and increments the account by the amount.
 - **bool** withdrawl(**int** *account, **int** amount) that takes in the bank account and an amount of money, and decrements the account by the amount if there is sufficient money in the account. It returns true if the account was successfully decremented and false if not.
 - bool transfer(int *from, int *to, int amount) that takes in two bank accounts and an amount of money, and transfers the amount from the first account to the second, if there is sufficient money in the first account. It returns true if the account was successfully decremented and false if not.

The above functions use pass-by-pointer. You can also use pass-by-reference in C++ to achieve the same result. How will your code differ between these two methods?

As a practice on functional abstraction, you should reuse functions as much as possible.