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        case 'q': terminate program;
        default: print error message;
    }
}

```

It will be convenient to have separate functions perform the insert, search, update, and print operations. Since these functions will all need access to `inventory` and `num_parts`, we might want to make these variables external. As an alternative, we could declare the variables inside `main`, and then pass them to the functions as arguments. From a design standpoint, it's usually better to make variables local to a function rather than making them external (see Section 10.2 if you've forgotten why). In this program, however, putting `inventory` and `num_parts` inside `main` would merely complicate matters.

For reasons that I'll explain later, I've decided to split the program into three files: `inventory.c`, which contains the bulk of the program; `readline.h`, which contains the prototype for the `read_line` function; and `readline.c`, which contains the definition of `read_line`. We'll discuss the latter two files later in this section. For now, let's concentrate on `inventory.c`.

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inventory.c  /* Maintains a parts database (array version) */

#include <stdio.h>
#include "readline.h"

#define NAME_LEN 25
#define MAX_PARTS 100

struct part {
    int number;
    char name[NAME_LEN+1];
    int on_hand;
} inventory[MAX_PARTS];

int num_parts = 0;    /* number of parts currently stored */

int find_part(int number);
void insert(void);
void search(void);
void update(void);
void print(void);

/*****
 * main: Prompts the user to enter an operation code,
 *       then calls a function to perform the requested
 *       action. Repeats until the user enters the
 *       command 'q'. Prints an error message if the user
 *       enters an illegal code.
 *****/
int main(void)
{
    char code;

```