

# COMP20005 Workshop Week 6

## Plan & Notes:

- 1 Scopes, exercise 6.2
- 2 Pointers, Pointers as Function Arguments,  
quiz  
exercise 6.5 or equivalent  
discuss exercise 6.9
- 3 Recursive Functions (*time permitted*)
- 4 Pre-Notes on Assignment 1:
  - released: Wed evening this week – **W6**
  - due: 6pm **Fri** 29 April – **W8** (the week after Easter)
  - action: start early, finish major job before workshop week 7 because
    - you probably want a good holiday season,
    - questions in W8 might be too late, and
    - you might not have chance to ask questions in workshop **W8** due to Anzac Day holiday (**Monday** in **W8**).
- 5 **Lab:** 6.9, `triangle.c`, other ex from C05 and C06

# Scopes, local & global variables

```
#include <stdio.h>
int fact(int n);
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
    int n= 3, val;
    val= fact(n);
    printf("%d! = %d\n", n, val);
    return 0;
}
```

argc, argv,  
n, and val  
available  
here

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

n, i, and f  
available  
here

function  
fact  
available  
here

# Scopes, local & global variables

```
#include <stdio.h>
int ga, gb;
int fact(int n);
```

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int main(int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
    int n= 3, val;
    val= fact(n);
    printf("%d! = %d\n", n, val);
    return 0;
}
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int fact(int n) {
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    }
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```

scope of  
*local*  
variables  
argc, argv,  
n, and val

scope of  
*local*  
variables n,  
i, and f

scope of function fact

scope of global variables ga and gb

# A Rule: Never use global variables

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#include <stdio.h>  
int ga, gb;  
int fact(int n);
```

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    val= fact(n);  
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}
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        f *= i;  
    }  
    return f;  
}
```

scope of  
*local*  
variables  
argc, argv,  
n, and val

scope of  
*local*  
variables n,  
i, and f

scope of function fact

## Discuss: exercise 6.02

*6.2: For each of the 3 marked points, write down a list of all of the program-declared variables and functions that are in scope at that point, and for each identifier, its type. Don't forget main, argc, argv. Where there are more than one choice of a given name, be sure to indicate which one you are referring to.*

```
1 int bill(int jack, int jane);
2 double jane(double dick, int fred, double dave);
3
4 int trev;
5
6 int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
7     double beth;
8     int pete, bill;      /* -- point #1 -- */
9     return 0;
10 }
11 int bill (int jack, int jane) {
12     int mary;
13     double zack;        /* -- point #2 -- */
14     return 0;
15 }
16 double jane(double dick, int fred, double dave) {
17     double trev;        /* -- point #3 -- */
18     return 0.0;
19 }
```

# Quiz 1

In executing the program:

```
int a=100, b=200;
void f(int a) {
    a++;
    print("1: a= %d b= %d\n", a, b) ;
}
int main(int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
    int a=5, b= 10;
    f(a);
    print("2: a= %d b= %d\n", a, b) ;
    return 0;
}
```

what will be printed out?:

A      1: a= 6      b= 200 2: a= 5      b= 10	B      1: a= 6      b= 200 2: a= 6      b= 10
C      1: a= 6      b= 10 2: a= 5      b= 10	D      1: a= 6      b= 10 2: a= 6      b= 10

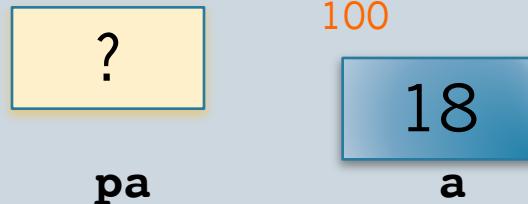
# Pointers: check your understanding

```
int a= 18;
```



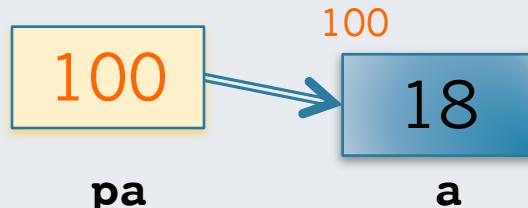
**a** is a name, refers to a cell in the memory, capable for holding an **int**, now that cell contains the value of 18. Suppose that the cell is at address **100**

```
int *pa;
```



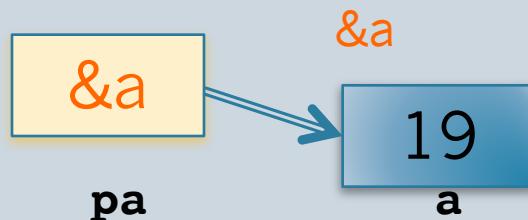
**pa** is an **int pointer**, it can hold the address of an **int**

```
pa= &a;
```



**pa** now holds the address of **a**, or, it "points" to **a**.  
**\*pa** is another method to access **a**

```
*pa= *pa + 1;
```



These statements are equivalent to:  
**\*pa** = **\*pa** + 1;  
and  
**a** = **a** + 1;

Note: we, programmers, don't need to know the actual value of **&a**.

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# unary operators & and \* : referencing and dereferencing

```
int n=10;
```

```
int *pn;
```

```
pn= &n;
```

Check your understanding:

- a) The datatype of `pn` is \_\_\_\_\_
- b) If `n` is at the address 4444, then `pn` has the value of \_\_\_\_\_
- c) The value of `*pn` is \_\_\_\_\_
- d) After  
`*pn= 100;`  
the value of `pn` is \_\_\_\_\_, of `n` is \_\_\_\_\_

e) What's `&(n+5)`

f) What's `*n`

g) What's `*(n+5)`

# Pointers – application in function parameters

```
1 int n=10;  
2 printf("%d", n);  
3 scanf("%d", &n);  
4 swap(&n, &m);  
5 void int_swap(int *a, int *b){  
    ???  
}
```

What sent to `printf` ?

What sent to `scanf`?  
What `scanf` do to `&n`, to `n`?

What passed to `swap`?  
Can this call make change  
to `&n` or `&m`?  
Can this call make change  
to `m` or `n`?

# example: pointers as function parameters

Pointers can be used to change the value of variables *indirectly*. Example: Function call in line 4 leads to the change of value of sum and product.

```
1 int main(...) {  
2     int a=2, b=4, sum, product;  
3     ...  
4     sAndP(a, b, &sum, &product);  
5     printf("sum=%d", sum);  
6     printf("prod=%d", product);  
7     ...  
8 }  
9  
11 void sAndP(int m, int n, int *ps, int *pp) {  
12     *ps = m + n;  
13     *pp = m * n;  
14 }
```

**&sum** and **&product** are kept unchanged, the changes happen to **sum** and **product**

## Quiz 3

With the fragment:

```
int x= 10;  
f(&x);
```

which function below will set **x** to zero?

**A:**

```
int f(int n) {  
    return 0;  
}
```

**C:**

```
void f( int *n) {  
    n= 0;  
}
```

**B:**

```
void f( int *n) {  
    &n= 0;  
}
```

**D:**

```
void f( int *n) {  
    *n= 0;  
}
```

# Quiz 4

Given function:

```
void f(int a, int *b) {  
    a= 1;  
    *b = 2;  
}
```

Assuming the following fragment is in a valid main(). What will be printed out?

```
int m= 5;  
int n= 10;  
f(m, &n);  
printf("m= %d, n= %d\n", m, n);
```

A) m= 5, n= 10

B) m= 1, n= 2

C) m= 5, n= 2

D) m=1, n= 10

# Quiz: Check your answers

- Q1: A
- Q2: A
- Q3: D
- Q4: C

## Class Exercise (a variant of 6.05)

Suppose we have the following main() program with some missing parts ?:

```
#include <stdio.h>
?1
int main(int argc, char *argv[ ]) {
    int a=2, b=3, c= 1;
    printf("Original : a, b, c= %d, %d, %d\n");
?2 sort2(?3);
printf("After sort2 for a and b: a, b, c= %d, %d, %d\n");
?4 sort2(?5);
printf("After sort2 for b and c: a, b, c= %d, %d, %d\n");
    return 0;
}

// function to sort 2 integers in increasing order
?6 sort2 ( ?7 x, ?8 y) {
    ?9
}
```

Fill in all the missing parts ??? so that the output will be:

```
Original : a, b, c= 2, 3, 1
After sort2 for a and b: a, b, c= 2, 3, 1
After sort2 for b and c: a, b, c= 2, 1, 3
```

# Recursive functions

Recursive function: function that calls itself

```
int factorial( int n ) {  
    if (n) {  
        return 1;  
    }  
    return n*factotial(n-1);  
}
```

# Recursive functions: How

- reduce the task of size  $n$  to the same tasks of smaller sizes (sometimes, to the same tasks of larger sizes)
- clearly describe **the base cases** where the solutions are trivial
- when writing code, start with solving **the base cases** first

Examples:

- factorial ( $n$ ):
  - base case: when  $n==0$  the solution is 1
  - general case:  $\text{factorial}(n)$  can be computed from  $\text{factorial}(n-1)$

```
int factorial( int n ) {  
    if (n==0) { // base case  
        ???;  
    }  
    // general case [note: else is not needed]  
    ???  
}
```

# Examples

Write recursive function to compute

- $S = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2$
- $x^n$  where  $x$  is a real number,  $n \geq 0$  is an integer

# **exercise 6.09**

## **(a revision of exercise 3.06)**

### **ALSO: using VS and gcc**

# (the coming) Assignment 1: dates & notes

Time	Likely Works
W6: Wed 06 to before the Workshop W7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Read spec! Watch the movie!</b> try to understand requirements &amp; resources</li><li>• Examine the supplied solution for previous year, focus on the <code>main()</code> function and imagine the structure of your program for assignment 1</li><li>• start your program (as advised in specs &amp; video) right away</li><li>• finish stage 1 and try “pre-submission testing”</li><li>• do stage 2 and other stages</li><li>• regularly check FAQ, the marking rubric, and the Discussion Forum</li></ul>
W7 workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ask questions, make sure that you fully understand the requirements and the marking rubric</li><li>• make sure that you know how to, and understand the value of pre-submission testing</li><li>• try &amp; make sure that you can submit</li><li>• finish your implementation of at least stage1 and 2</li></ul>
W7, W8 and the Easter Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• regularly check FAQ, the marking rubric, and the Discussion Forum</li><li>• re-check your program against all the points in the marking rubric</li><li>• do the pre-submission testing, carefully read the verify report, make sure that the report is clean (from any kind of warnings/errors)</li><li>• do official submission after major changes</li></ul>
6:00PM Fri 29 APR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• enjoy your Friday drink with the friends who, like you, already submit.</li></ul>

# Lab

- Re-implement 6.5 if still in doubt
- Implement 6.9 if not done
- *Do the exercise with triangle.c as described in LMS Week 6 Workshop Content*
- *Design and implement a solution to Exercise 5.5:* A number is perfect if its equal to the sum of its factors (including 1, but excluding itself), for example 6 ( $6=1+2+3$ ). Write a function int isperfect(int n) that return true if n is perfect and false otherwise. Write a function int nextperfect(int n) that return the first perfect number greater than n. Write a main() that prints all perfect numbers in the range 1.. 36,000,000.
- implement not-yet-done Exercises in grok C05 and C06

# More on Recursive Functions

# Recursive functions: yet another Example

- Example: write a recursive function to return the n-th Fibonacci number.

The Fibonacci numbers are

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ...

where the 0-th and 1-st numbers are 1, and each subsequent number is the sum of its 2 immediate predecessors.

Base cases:

General case:

# Fibonacci cnt.

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And so:

General case:  $f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$  when  $n > 1$

Base cases:  $f(0) = f(1) = 1$  when  $n = 0, 1$

# Fibonacci, the function.

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```
// note: this function is very inefficient!
int fib(int n) {
}
```