# Functions in C

- Divide and conquer
  - Construct a program from smaller pieces or components
    - These smaller pieces are called modules
  - Each piece more manageable than the original program

## Program Modules in C

- Functions
  - Modules in C
  - Programs combine user-defined functions with library functions
    - C standard library has a wide variety of functions
- Function calls
  - Invoking functions
    - Provide function name and arguments (data)
    - Function performs operations or manipulations
    - Function returns results
  - Function call analogy:
    - Boss asks worker to complete task
      - Worker gets information, does task, returns result
      - Information hiding: boss does not know details

## Math Library Functions

- Math library functions
  - perform common mathematical calculations
  - `#include <math.h>`
- Format for calling functions
  - `FunctionName(` *argument* `);`
    - If multiple arguments, use comma-separated list
  - `printf( "%.2f", sqrt( 900.0 ) );`
    - Calls function `sqrt`, which returns the square root of its argument
    - All math functions return data type `double`
  - Arguments may be constants, variables, or expressions

## Math Library Functions

In the following table, `x` and `y` are of type `double`, `n` is an `int`, and all functions return `double`. Angles for trigonometric functions are expressed in radians.

| | |
|---|---|
| `sin(x)` | sine of $x$ |
| `cos(x)` | cosine of $x$ |
| `tan(x)` | tangent of $x$ |
| `asin(x)` | $\sin^{-1}(x)$ in range [-pi/2,pi/2], x in [-1,1]. |
| `acos(x)` | $\cos^{-1}(x)$ in range [0,pi], x in [-1,1]. |
| `atan(x)` | $\tan^{-1}(x)$ in range [-pi/2,pi/2]. |
| `atan2(y,x)` | $\tan^{-1}(y/x)$ in range [-pi,pi]. |
| `sinh(x)` | hyperbolic sine of $x$ |
| `cosh(x)` | hyperbolic cosine of $x$ |
| `tanh(x)` | hyperbolic tangent of $x$ |
| `exp(x)` | exponential function $e^x$ |
| `log(x)` | natural logarithm ln(x), $x>0$. |
| `log10(x)` | base 10 logarithm $\log_{10}(x)$, $x>0$. |

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| `pow(x,y)` | $x^y$. A domain error occurs if $x=0$ and $y<=0$, or if $x<0$ and $y$ is not an integer. |
| `sqrt(x)` | sqare root of x, x>=0. |
| `ceil(x)` | smallest integer not less than `x`, as a `double`. |
| `floor(x)` | largest integer not greater than `x`, as a `double`. |
| `fabs(x)` | absolute value \|x\| |
| `ldexp(x,n)` | $x*2^n$ |
| `frexp(x, int *ip)` | splits $x$ into a normalized fraction in the interval [1/2,1) which is returned, and a power of 2, which is stored in `*exp`. If $x$ is zero, both parts of the result are zero. |
| `modf(x, double *ip)` | splits $x$ into integral and fractional parts, each with the same sign as $x$. It stores the integral part in `*ip`, and returns the fractional part. |
| `fmod(x,y)` | floating-point remainder of $x/y$, with the same sign as $x$. If $y$ is zero, the result is implementation-defined. |

## Functions

- Functions
  - Modularize a program
  - All variables declared inside functions are local variables
    - Known only in function defined
  - Parameters
    - Communicate information between functions
    - Local variables
- Benefits of functions
  - Divide and conquer
    - Manageable program development
  - Software reusability
    - Use existing functions as building blocks for new programs
    - Abstraction - hide internal details (library functions)
  - Avoid code repetition

## Function Definitions

- Function definition format

*return-value-type function-name( parameter-list )*
{
  *declarations and statements*
}

  - Function-name: any valid identifier
  - Return-value-type: data type of the result (default **`int`**)
    - **`void`** – indicates that the function returns nothing
  - Parameter-list: comma separated list, declares parameters
    - A type must be listed explicitly for each parameter unless, the parameter is of type **`int`**

## Function Definitions

- Function definition format (continued)

*return-value-type function-name( parameter-list )*
{
  *declarations and statements*
}

  - Declarations and statements: function body (block)
    - Variables can be declared inside blocks (can be nested)
    - Functions can not be defined inside other functions
  - Returning control
    - If nothing returned
      - **`return;`**
      - or, until reaches right brace
    - If something returned
      - **`return`** *expression*`;`

```
/* Finding the maximum of three integers */
#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 ) );
return 0;
 }

/* Function maximum definition */
Int maximum( int x, int y, int z )
 { int max = x;
   if( y > max )
     max = y;
    if( z > max )
      max = z;
   return max;
}
```

**OUTPUT:**

```
Enter three integers: 22 85 17
Maximum is: 85
```

## Function Prototypes

- Function prototype
  - Function name
  - Parameters – what the function takes in
  - Return type – data type function returns (default `int`)
  - Used to validate functions
  - Prototype only needed if function definition comes after use in program
  - The function with the prototype

    ```
    int maximum( int, int, int );
    ```

    - Takes in 3 `int`s
    - Returns an `int`
- Promotion rules and conversions
  - Converting to lower types can lead to errors

# Header Files

- Header files
  - Contain function prototypes for library functions
  - `<stdlib.h>` , `<math.h>` , etc
  - Load with `#include <filename>`

    `#include <math.h>`
- Custom header files
  - Create file with functions
  - Save as `filename.h`
  - Load in other files with `#include "filename.h"`
  - Reuse functions

# Calling Functions: Call by Value and Call by Reference

- Used when invoking functions
- Call by value
  - Copy of argument passed to function
  - Changes in function do not effect original
  - Use when function does not need to modify argument
    - Avoids accidental changes
- Call by reference
  - Passes original argument
  - Changes in function effect original
  - Only used with trusted functions
- For now, we focus on call by value

```
// C program to illustrate call by value
#include<stdio.h>
// Function Prototype
void swapx(int x, int y);
// Main function
int main()
{ int a = 10, b = 20;
// Pass by Values
swapx(a, b);
printf("a=%d b=%d\n", a, b);
return 0;
}
// Swap functions that swaps  two values
void swapx(int x, int y)
{ int t;
t = x;
x = y;
y = t;
printf("x=%d y=%d\n", x, y);
}
```

**Output:**

```
x=20 y=10
a=10 b=20
```

```
// C program to illustrate Call by Reference
#include<stdio.h>
// Function Prototype
void swapx(int*, int*);
// Main function
int main()
{ int a = 10, b = 20;
// Pass reference
swapx(&a, &b);
printf("a=%d b=%d\n", a, b);
return 0;
}
// Function to swap two variables by references
void swapx(int* x, int* y)
{ int t;
t = *x;
*x = *y;
*y = t;
printf("x=%d y=%d\n", *x, *y);
}
```

**Output:**

```
x=20 y=10
a=20 b=10
```