

Chapter 10 / User-Defined Functions

Category of functions : Generally, a function contains function name, function arguments, return type and also definition of a function.

Based on these categories, a function may belong to one of the following categories.

Function with no arguments and return type:
no return values. When a function has no arguments, it does not receive any data from the calling function. Similarly, when it does not return a value, the calling function doesn't receive any data from the called function.

Example,

```
void function () {  
    .....  
}  
main ()  
{  
    .....  
    function();  
    .....  
}
```

Function with Arguments but no return value:
When a function has no return value, but there are present arguments or function parameters.

Example:

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void function(a1, a2, a3, ..., an);

as we know, if correct arguments are passed, no error occurs. But, no error occurs if we pass wrong arguments. This is a design of the programmer.

main()

function(f1, f2, f3, ..., fn);

a error of
data type
error

Function with arguments and a return value:

In this type of functions, one receives data from calling function and called function, return a value to the calling function.

Example:

return_type function(f) {

return(e);

}

variable = function(a);

Here, return_type means a data type, which data type a function need to return.

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Function with no arguments but a returns a value
This type of function is important where we need to design a function, that takes no value from the calling function but returns a value to calling function.

Example:

```
return-type function() {
```

```
    return(e);
```

```
}  
main() {
```

```
    variable = function();
```

```
}
```

Here, return types means a data type, which data type need to return the called function.

Function with that return multiple values.

When a function have to return multiple values, that time we design this function with pointer to variable. Using pointer we can be return multiple values.