



LECTURE 7

INTRODUCTION TO FUNCTIONS
CALL BY VALUE

INTRODUCTION TO FUNCTIONS

- A function is a block of code that performs a specific task.
- There are two types of function in C programming:
 - Standard library functions
 - User defined functions
- We have already known that in a C program, there must be a `main()` function

INTRODUCTION TO FUNCTIONS

- In C, we used many Standard library functions as well- `printf()`, `scanf()`, `clrscr()`, or `getch()`
- `printf()` prints on the output
- `scanf()` takes input from the user and assigns that input to a variable by going to the variable's address
- `clrscr()` clears the output buffer
- `getch()` waits for a key-stroke from the user

INTRODUCTION TO FUNCTIONS

- In C, user can define functions as well- as many functions as they wish. These functions are called user defined functions.
- There are three parts:
 - Function declaration
 - Function definition
 - Function call

FUNCTION DECLARATION

- ❑ `return_type function(parameter_list); /*function declaration*/`
- Function declaration is also known as function prototype.
- It inform the compiler about three thing, those are name of the function, number and type of argument received by the function and the type of value returned by the function.
- function prototype always terminated by the semicolon

FUNCTION DEFINITION

*return type function(type 1 arg1, type2 arg2, type3 arg3) /*function header*/*

{

Local variable declaration;

Statement 1;

Statement 2;

Return value

}

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- Function definition consists of the whole description and code of the function.
- It consists of two parts function header and function body
- The arguments of the function definition are known as formal arguments.

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❑ Function call

function(arg1, arg2, arg3)

- when the function get called by the calling function then that is called, function call.
- The compiler execute these functions when the semicolon is followed by the function name.
- The arguments of the function definition are known as formal arguments.

EXAMPLE OF FUNCTION

```
#include<stdio.h>
void message();
void main() {
    message();
    printf("This is inside main function");
}
void message() {
    printf("This is inside message function\n");
}
```

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF FUNCTION

```
#include<stdio.h>

void italy();
void brazil();
void argentina();

void main() {
    printf("I am in main function\n");
    italy();
    brazil();
    argentina();
    printf("I came back in main function");
}
```

```
void italy() {
    printf("Italy: 1934 1938 1982 2006\n");
}

void brazil() {
    printf("Brazil: 1958 1962 1970 1994 2002\n");
}

void argentina() {
    printf("Argentina: 1978 1986 2022\n");
}
```

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FORMAL ARGUMENT AND THE ACTUAL ARGUMENT

- The basic difference between the formal argument and the actual argument are:
 - 1) The formal argument are declared inside the parenthesis where as the local variable declared at the beginning of the function block.
 - 2) The formal argument are automatically initialized when the copy of actual arguments are passed while other local variable are assigned values through the statements.
- Order number and type of actual arguments in the function call should be match with the order number and type of the formal arguments.

EXAMPLE:

```
#include<stdio.h>
int sum(int, int);
int main()
{
    int a, b;
    printf("enter two no");
    scanf("%d%d",&a,&b);
    int s=sum(a,b);
    printf("summation is = %d", s);
}

int sum(int x1,int y1)
{
    int z=x1+y1;
    return z;
}
```

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNT?

- There is no limit on the number of functions that might be present in a C program.
- Each function in a program is called in the sequence specified by the function calls.
- After each function has done its job, control returns to the place of calling that function.

USER DEFINED FUNCTIONS

- Well, then, should all the function calls take place inside the main () function? No! Functions defined by the user can call other functions as well.

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF FUNCTION

```
#include<stdio.h>

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void brazil();
void argentina();

void main() {
    printf("I am in main function\n");
    italy();
    brazil();
    argentina();
    printf("I came back in main function");
}
```

```
void italy() {
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}
```



WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- C program is a collection of one or more functions.
- A function gets called when the function name is followed by a semicolon.

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- A function is defined when function name is followed by a pair of braces in which one or more statements may be present.

```
void hala_madrid()
{
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
    statement 3;
}
```

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- Any function can be called from any other function. Even **main()** can be called from other functions.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
void message();
```

```
void main() {  
    message();  
}
```

```
void message() {  
    printf("\nCan't imagine life without C");  
    main();  
}
```

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- A function can be called any number of times.

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void message();
```

```
int main() {  
    message();  
    message();  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void message() {  
    printf("\nJewel Thief!!");  
}
```

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- The order in which the functions are defined in a program and the order in which they get called need not necessarily be same

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void message1();  
void message2();
```

```
int main() {  
    message1();  
    message2();  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void message2() {  
    printf("\nBut the butter was bitter");  
}
```

```
void message1() {  
    printf("\nMary bought some butter");  
}
```

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- A function can be called from other function, but a function cannot be defined in another function. Thus, the following program code would be wrong, since **madrid()** is being defined inside another function, **main()**.

```
Int main()  
{  
printf ( "\nI am in main" );  
  
void madrid()  
{  
printf ( "\nI am in madrid" );  
}  
}
```

WE HAVE KNOWN A LOT!!

- There are basically two types of functions:
- Library functions Ex. **printf()**, **scanf()** etc.
- User-defined functions Ex. **argentina()**, **brazil()** etc.

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void sum();  
void sub();  
void mul();  
void div();  
void mod();
```

```
int main() {  
    sum();  
    sub();  
    printf("\nPress enter to exit.");  
    getchar(); // Wait for input before closing  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void sum() {  
    int a, b;  
    printf("Enter 2 integers: ");  
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);  
    printf("Summation: %d\n", a + b);  
}
```

```
void sub() {  
    int a, b;  
    printf("Enter 2 integers: ");  
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);  
    printf("Subtraction: %d\n", a - b);  
}
```

FUNCTION DEFINITION VS DECLARATION

- Function Declaration or function prototyping
- Function Definition or function body
- The basic format of function definition is-

```
return-type function-name (data_type parameter_1, data_type  
                           parameter_2,..., data_type parameter_n) {  
    declarations;  
    statements;  
}
```


CALL BY VALUE

- Sending the values of the arguments.
- The 'value' of each of the actual arguments in the calling function is copied into corresponding formal arguments of the called function.
- With this method the changes made to the formal arguments in the called function have no effect on the values of actual arguments in the calling function.

CALL BY VALUE

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int maximum(int, int, int); // function prototype
```

```
int main() {  
    int x, y, z;  
    printf("Enter three integers: ");  
    scanf("%d %d %d", &x, &y, &z);  
    printf("The maximum is %d\n", maximum(x, y, z));  
    return 0; // Properly terminate main with a return statement  
}
```

```
// function definition
```

```
int maximum(int a, int b, int c) {  
    int max = a;  
    if(b > max)  
        max = b;  
    if(c > max)  
        max = c;  
    return max;  
}
```

10,20,30

maximum(10,20,30)

maximum(10,20,30)

CALL BY VALUE

```
#include <stdio.h>

int square(int); // function prototype

int main() {
    int x, y;
    for (x = 1; x <= 10; x++) {
        y = square(x); // we called square with the current value of x
                       // the square gets it into z and returns z*z
                       // the value is assigned into y
        printf("The square of %d is %d \n", x, y);
    }
    return 0; // Properly terminate main with a return statement
}

// function definition
int square(int z) {
    return z * z;
}
```