

Structured
Programming-functions
Modular programming and
Functions
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Objectives:

To learn and appreciate the following concepts

- To understand scope of variables
- Modularization and importance of modularization
- Understand how to define and invoke a function
- Understand the flow of control in a program involving function call
- Understand the different categories of functions
- Write programs using functions

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Session outcome:

At the end of session one will be able to

- Understand modularization and function
- Write simple programs using functions

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Programming Scenario...

Lengthier programs

- Prone to errors
- tedious to locate and correct the errors

To overcome this

Programs broken into a number of smaller logical components, each of which serves a specific task.

Modularization

Process of splitting the lengthier and complex programs into a number of smaller units is called **Modularization**.

Programming with such an approach is called Modular programming



Advantages of modularization

Reusability

Debugging is easier

Build library

Makes programs easier to understand

Functions

A function is a set of instructions to carryout a particular task.

Using functions we can structure our programs in a more modular way.

Functions

Standard functions

(library functions or built in functions)

User-defined functions

Written by the user(programmer)

General form of function definition

```
return_type function_name(parameter_definition)
   variable declaration;
   statement1;
   statement2;
   return(value_computed);
```

Defining a Function

- ✓ Name (function name)
 - You should give functions descriptive names
 - Same rules as variable names, generally
- ✓ Return type
 - Data type of the value returned to the part of the program that activated (called) the function.
- ✓ Parameter list (parameter_definition)
 - A list of variables that hold the values being passed to the function
- √ Body
 - Statements enclosed in curly braces that perform the function's operations(tasks)

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Understanding main () function

```
Return type
                 Function
                 name
                              Parameter List
   int máin (void)
    printf("hello world\n");
    return 0;
```



Function Definition and Call

// FUNCTION DEFINITION

```
Return type Function name Parameter List
void DisplayMessage(void)
      printf("Hello from function DisplayMessage\n");
int main()
       printf("Hello from main \n");
       DisplayMessage(); // FUNCTION CALL
       printf("Back in function main again.\n");
       return 0;
```



Multiple Functions- An example

```
void First (void){
                     // FUNCTION DEFINITION
        printf("I am now inside function First\n");
void Second (void){ // FUNCTION DEFINITION
        printf( "I am now inside function Second\n");
        First();
                      // FUNCTION CALL
        printf("Back to Second\n");
int main (){
        printf("I am starting in function main\n");
        First ();
                     // FUNCTION CALL
        printf("Back to main function \n");
        Second ();
                     // FUNCTION CALL
        printf("Back to main function \n");
        return 0;
```

Arguments and Parameters

- ➤ Both arguments and parameters are variables used in a **program** & **function**.
- Variables used in the *function reference* or *function call* are called as **arguments**. These are written within the parenthesis followed by the name of the function. They are also called actual parameters.
- ➤ Variables used in *function definition* are called **parameters**, They are also referred to as formal parameters.



Functions

Formal parameters

```
void dispChar(int n, char c) {
      printf(" You have entered %d & %c",n,c);
int main(){ //calling program
   int no; char ch;
   printf("Enter a number & a character: \n");
   scanf("%d %c",&no,&ch);
   dispChar(no, ch); //Function reference
   return O;
                                 Actual parameters
```

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Function Prototypes

- Must be included for each function that will be defined, (required by Standards for C++ but optional for C) if not directly defined before main().
- In most cases it is recommended to include a function prototype in your C/C++ program to avoid ambiguity.
- Identical to the <u>function header</u>, with semicolon (;) added at the end.
- Function prototype (declaration) includes
 - Function name
 - Parameters what the function takes in and their type
 - Return type data type function returns (default int)
- Parameter names are Optional.

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Function Prototypes

- •Function prototype provides the compiler the <u>name and arguments</u> of the functions and must appear <u>before the function is used or defined</u>.
- It is a model for a function that will appear later, somewhere in the program.
- General form of the function prototype:

```
fn_return_type fn_name(type par1, type par2, ..., type parN);
```

Example:

int maximum(int, int, int);

- Takes in 3 ints
- Returns an int

Scope of Variables

• A scope is a region of the program where a defined variable can have its existence and beyond that it cannot be accessed.

- The two types of variables are
 - 1) local variables
 - 2) **global** variables

Local Variables

- Variables that are declared inside a function are called local variables.
- They can be used only by statements that are inside that function.
- In the following example all the variables a, b, and c are local to main() function.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
    /* local variable declaration */
    int a, b, c;
    a = 10; b = 20; c = a + b;
    printf ("value of a = %d, b = %d and c = %d\n", a, b, c);
    return 0;
}
```

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Global Variables

• Global variables are defined outside a function, usually on top of the program.

• Global variables hold their values throughout the lifetime of your program and they can be accessed inside any of the functions defined for

the program.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int g; /* global variable declaration */
int main () {
  int a, b; /* local variable declaration */
  a = 10; b = 20; g = a + b;
  printf ("value of a = %d, b = %d and g = %d\n", a, b, g);
  return 0;
}
```

Functions-points to note

- 1. The parameter list must be separated by commas. dispChar(int n, char c);
- 2. The parameter names do not need to be the same in the prototype declaration and the function definition.
- The types must match the types of parameters in the function definition, in number and order.

```
void dispChar(int n, char c); //proto-type
void dispChar(int num, char ch){
   printf(" You have entered %d &%c", num,ch);
}
```

4. Use of parameter names in the declaration(prototype) is optional but parameter type is a must.

void dispChar(int , char); //proto-type



- 5. If the function has no formal parameters, the list can be written as (void) or simply ()
- 6. The return type is optional, when the function returns integer type data.
- 7. The return type must be **void** if no value is returned.
- 8. When the declared types do not match with the types in the function definition, compiler will produce error.

Functions- Categories

Categorization based on the arguments and return values

- 1. Functions with no arguments and no return values.
- 2. Functions with arguments and no return values.
- 3. Functions with arguments and one return value.
- 4. Functions with no arguments but return a value.
- 5. Functions that return multiple values (will see later with parameter passing techniques).

Function with No Arguments/parameters & No return values

```
void dispPattern(void); // prototype
int main(){
      printf("fn to display a line of stars\n");
      dispPattern();
      return 0;
void dispPattern(void ){
      int i;
      for (i=1;i<=20; i++)
             printf( "*");
```

Function with No Arguments but A return value

```
int readNum(void); // prototype
```

```
int main(){
       int c;
       printf("Enter a number \n");
       c=readNum();
       printf("The number read is %d",c);
       return 0;
int readNum(){
       int z;
       scanf("%d",&z);
       return(z);
```

Fn with Arguments/parameters & No return values

void dispPattern(char ch); // prototype

```
int main(){
       printf("fn to display a line of patterns\n");
       dispPattern('#');
       dispPattern('*');
       dispPattern('@');
       return 0;
void dispPattern(char ch ){
       int i;
       for (i=1;i<=20; i++)
               printf("%c",ch);
```

Function with Arguments/parameters & One return value

```
Int main(){
       int a,b,c;
       printf("\nEnter numbers to be added\n");
       scanf("%d %d",&a,&b);
       c=fnAdd(a,b);
       printf("Sum is %d ", c);
       return 0;
int fnAdd(int x, int y ){
       int z;
       z=x+y
       return(z);
```

Problems...

Write appropriate functions to

- Find the factorial of a number 'n'.
- Reverse a number 'n'.
- Check whether the number 'n' is a palindrome.
- Generate the Fibonacci series for given limit 'n'.
- Check whether the number 'n' is prime.
- Generate the prime series using the function written for prime check, for a given limit.

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Factorial of a given number 'n'

```
long factFn(int); //prototype
int main() {
 int n, f;
  printf("Enter a number :");
  scanf("%d",&n);
  f =factFn(n);
  printf("Fact= %d",n);
  return 0;
```

```
//function definition
long factFn(int num) {
int i;
  long fact=1;
  //factorial computation
  for (i=1; i<=num; i++)
     fact=fact * i;
  // return the result
  return (fact);
```

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Reversing a given number 'n'

```
int Reverse(int); //prototype
int main()
 int n,r;
 printf("Enter a number : \n");
 scanf("%d", &n);
r= Reverse(n);
printf(" reversed no=%d",r)
return 0;
```

```
int Reverse(int num)
  int rev=0;
  int digit;
  while(num!=0)
   digit = num % 10;
   rev = (10 * rev) + digit;
   num = num/10;
  return (rev);
```

Check whether given number is prime or not

```
int IsPrime(int); //prototype
int main() {
 int n;
 printf("Enter a number : ");
 scanf("%d",&n);
 if (IsPrime(n))
   Printf("%d is a prime no",n);
 else
  Printf("%d is not a prime no",n);
 return 0;
```

```
int IsPrime(int num) //prime check
  int p=1;
  for(int j=2;j<=num/2;j++)
    if(num%j==0)
      p=0;
      break;
 return p;
```

Summary

- Modularization and importance of modularization
- Defining and invoking a function
- Flow of control of a program involving function call
- Different categories of functions
- Simple programs using functions