

## Parameter Passing Methods

### Pass by value :

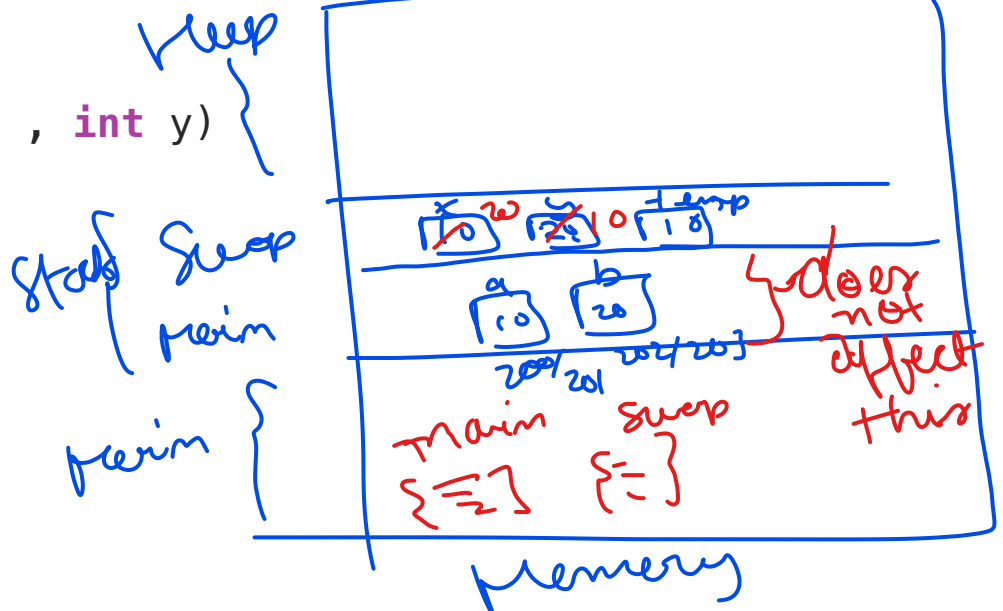
*Return*

- In pass by value **actual parameters will not be modified** if any changes are done to the formal parameters

Example :

```
void swap(int x , int y)
{
    int temp;
    temp = x;
    x = y;
    y = temp;
}
```

```
int main()
{
    int a , b;
    a = 10;
    b = 20;
    swap(a,b);
    printf("%d %d", a , b);
}
```

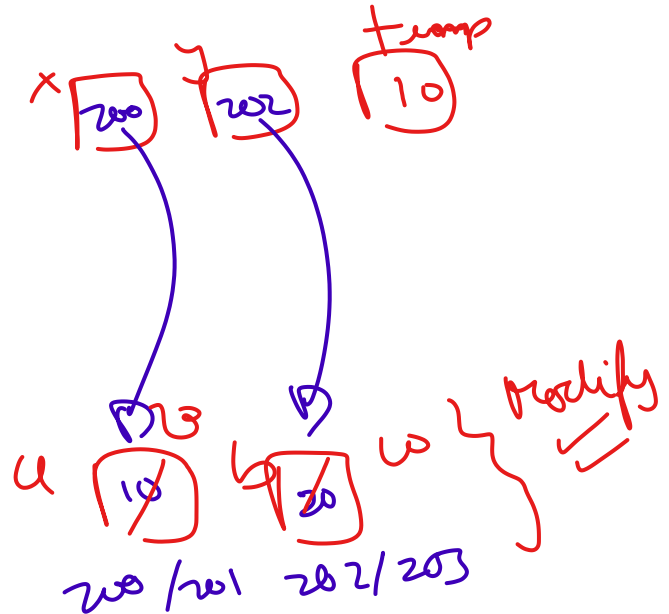


## Call by address :

- Here the address of actual parameters are passed to formal parameter and formal parameters must be pointers
- Any changes done inside function will modify the actual parameters

```
void swap(int *x , int *y)
{
    int temp;
    temp = *x;
    *x = *y;
    *y = temp;
}

int main()
{
    int a,b;
    a =10;
    b=20;
    swap(&a,&b);
    printf("%d %d", a,b);
}
```



- One function cannot access value of another function directly but it can access it indirectly through pointers
- Thus call by address is a suitable mechanism for modifying actual parameters

**Call by reference :** *not addressable :? but memory*

func code is copied to the main function during function call.  
 dont use it at heavy functions  
 here source code is procedural, but machine code is monolithic.

- References are part of c++ programming, its one of the useful and powerful mechanism of this language
- To make a function as call by reference we just need to add & in the parameters, these are the references

```
void swap(int &x , &int y) {
```

*Just here only :)*

```
    int temp;
    temp = x;
    x = y;
    y = temp;
}
```

here ,swap is became part of the ,main function, thats why it can access its variables directly...

swap is not seperate fuction

```
int main()
{
    int a ,b;
    a =10;
    b=20;
    swap(a ,b);
    printf("%d %d", a ,b);
}
```

*no change*

temp 10 x 10 y 20  
 200/201 202/203

*Swap is inside main*

