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CIS 1101 – PROGRAMMING 1

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C FUNCTION: C FUNCTION ASPECTS

C Function Aspects	Syntax
Function definition: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Function HeaderFunction Body	Return_type function_name (parameters list) { Body of the function; }
Function call	Function_name (arguments list);
Function declaration (or prototype)	Return_type function_name (parameters list);

Function Definition

return type function name parameters (arguments)

```
HEADER { int heading (void) }  
BODY { //statements  
      return 0;  
}
```

no semicolon

```
int main()  
{  
    ...  
    sq = square (x);  
    ...  
    return 0;  
}
```

main invokes function square to perform calculation

function call

```
int square (int a)  
{  
    ...  
    s = a*a;  
    return s;  
}
```

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C FUNCTION: STEPS IN FUNCTION CREATION

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return type function name parameters (arguments)

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      {  
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1. Write the Function Header.

- `int calcSum(int x, int y)`

2. Write a sample Function Call.

- Declare and initialize (if needed) the variables used in the call and place them before the call.

```
int main ()  
{  
    ...  
    sq = square (x);  
    ...  
    return 0;  
}
```

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{  
    ...  
    s = x * x;  
    return s;  
}
```



C FUNCTION: FUNCTION CALL

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BODY: `//statements
return 0;`

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    ...  
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```

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Sample Function Call

```
int a, b;  
int total;  
a = 75;  
b = 86;  
  
total = calcSum(a,b);
```



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RECALL

3. Assume that the function call is in **main()**.
 - Draw the execution stack.
 - Label the variables with names, values, and addresses.



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C FUNCTION: EXECUTION STACK

Function Definition

return type function name parameters (arguments)

```
HEADER: int heading (void)
BODY:  {
        //statements
        return 0;
    }
```

```
int main()
{
    ...
    square = square();
    ...
    return 0;
}
```

main invokes function square to perform calculation

function call

```
int square (int a)
{
    ...
    s = a*a;
    return s;
}
```

RECALL

Local variable

sum

?

B700

Parameters

x

?

B500

y

?

B600

a

b

total

?

A100

?

A200

?

A300

■ Activation Record of `calcSum()`

- Pass-By-Copy (Call-By-Value)

■ Activation Record of `main()`

- `total = calcSum (a, b);`



C FUNCTION: STEPS IN FUNCTION CREATION

4. Write the code of the function.

- If the return type is **not void**,
 - declare the local variable of the return type **first**
 - then write the return statement.

Function Definition

return type function name parameters (arguments)

```
HEADER int heading (void) // no semicolon  
{  
  BODY //statements  
  return 0;  
}
```

```
int main ()  
{  
  //  
  sq = square (4);  
  //  
  return 0;  
}
```

main invokes function square to perform calculation

function call

```
int square (int a)  
{  
  //  
  s = a*a;  
  return s;  
}
```

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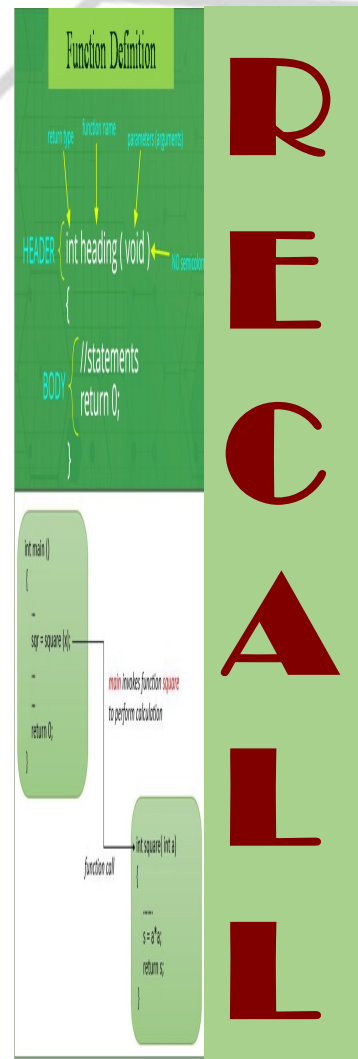
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CALLING A C FUNCTION: CALL-BY-VALUE/PASS-BY-VALUE

- The value of the variable is **passed** to the function as parameter.

- The value of the **actual parameter variable** is **passed** (or copied) into the formal parameter variable.

- It is also known as **Pass-By-Copy**.



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    ...  
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}
```

```
int square (int a)  
{  
    ...  
    s = a * a;  
    return s;  
}
```

RECALL

- The value of the actual parameter
 - **cannot be modified** by formal parameter.
- Different memory is allocated
 - for both actual and formal parameters because value of the actual parameter is copied to formal parameter.



ACTUAL PARAMETER(S) VERSUS FORMAL PARAMETER(S)

RECALL

■ Actual parameter:

- The actual value that is passed into the function by a caller, and it is often called as argument.

■ Formal parameter:

- The identifier used in a function to stand for the value that is passed into the function by a caller.



CALLING A C FUNCTION: CALL-BY-REFERENCE

Function Definition

return type function name parameters (arguments)

HEADER { int heading (void) ← NO semicolon

BODY { //statements
return 0;
}

- The address of the variable
 - is **passed to the function as parameter.**

- The value of the actual parameter
 - can be modified by formal parameter.

- Same memory is used
 - for both actual and formal parameters since only address is **used by both parameters.**

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{  
...  
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...  
return 0;  
}
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.....  
s = a*a;  
return s;  
}
```

- The *location* (reference or address)
 - of the **actual parameter variable** is *passed* (or copied) into the **formal parameter variable**.
- It is also known as Pass-By-Reference.



CALLING A FUNCTION: **SAMPLE**

Given:

A program uses two variables **d** and **e** and it assigns **d** with a value of **30** and **e** with **50**. Then it will swap those values.

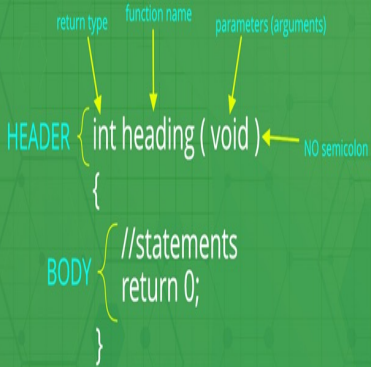
Tasks:

- a) Create a function that will swap the values assigned to the given two variables **d** and **e** using **Pass-By-Value**.
- b) Write the code of the program described above using the created function and verify its output.
- c) Create a function using pointers that will swap the values assigned to the given two variables **d** and **e** using **Pass-By-Reference**.
- d) Write the code of the program described above using the created function and verify its output.



CALLING A FUNCTION: SAMPLE

Function Definition



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    ...  
    return 0;  
}
```

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int square (int a)  
{  
    .....  
    s = a*a;  
    return s;  
}
```

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

/* function prototype, also called function declaration */

```
void swap(int, int);
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int d = 30, e = 50;
```

/* Calling swap function by value */

```
    printf("\nThe values before swapping: \nd = %d \ne = %d\n", d, e);
```

```
    swap(d,e);
```

/* Values will stay the same after calling the swap() function */

```
    printf("\nThe values after swapping: \nd= %d \ne = %d\n", d, e);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

/* Swap function definition */

```
void swap(int a, int b)
```

```
{
```

```
    int tmp;
```

```
    tmp = a;
```

```
    a = b;
```

```
    b = tmp;
```

```
}
```

C FUNCTION PROGRAM (USING PASS-BY-VALUE):

In this program, the values of the variables “d” and “e” are passed to the function “swap”.

These values are copied to formal parameters “a” and “b” in swap function and used, but the thing is, **this wont actually swap the actual parameters.** The swapping will only happen in the swap function.



CALLING A FUNCTION: SAMPLE

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BODY { //statements
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}

```
int main ()  
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...  
sq = square (x);  
...  
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}
```

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int square( int a)  
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s = a*a;  
return s;  
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```

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

```
void swap(int*, int*);
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
int d = 30, e = 50;
```

```
/* Calling swap function by reference */
```

```
printf("The values before swapping: \nd = %d \ne = %d\n", d, e);
```

```
swap(&d, &e);
```

```
printf("\nThe values after swapping: \nd = %d \ne = %d\n", d, e);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
void swap(int *a, int *b)
```

```
{
```

```
int tmp;
```

```
tmp = *a;
```

```
*a = *b;
```

```
*b = tmp;
```

```
}
```

C FUNCTION PROGRAM (USING PASS-BY-REFERENCE):

In this program, the **address of the variables "d" and "e"** are passed to the function "swap".

These **values are not copied to formal parameters "a" and "b"** in swap function because they are just holding the address of those variables.

This **address is used to access and change the values of the variables.**



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