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Week 3- Class 11: User Defined Functions II



Today's Agenda



1. Review User-defined Functions
2. Discuss Functions with Arguments/Parameters

Introducing Functions!



- All C programs execute instructions in functions.
- All the programs we've looked at only had 1 function (`main`).
- Programs can get bigger based on the problem trying to be solved.
- It would be very convoluted with all instructions executed in the main function (*this is bad practice!*).
- In this lecture, we will learn that programmers can define their own user-defined functions to perform tasks.

Benefits of Defining our Own Functions



- Improves Readability
- Improves Reusability
- Helps to organize the abstractions in your program





- One way that programmers implement top-down design is defining their own functions (user defined functions)
- User defined functions are sets of instructions that are *defined* by the programmer
- Programmers will break down a larger problem into subproblems and will solve these subproblems in user-defined functions
- In order to invoke the function, you must *call* it

Types of Functions



- There are two types of functions.
 - Functions that *return a value*.
 - Functions that *don't return a value*.
- These types of functions are defined through their prototypes.
 - Functions that don't return a value have the reserved word **void** in front of the name.
 - Functions that do return a value have the type of data (**int**, **double**, **char**) in front of the of the name.

Functions with Arguments/Parameters



- Subproblems may require additional information in order to solve.
- Arguments send information over to functions.
- Input arguments are used to pass information into a function subprogram.
- Functions can have multiple arguments.

Functions with Arguments/Parameters



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

```
int mySecretFormula (int num, int num2, int num3);
```

```
int main ()  
{
```

```
    int num1 = 3;
```

```
    int num2 = 2;
```

```
    int num3 = 1;
```

```
int x = mySecretFormula (num1, num2, num3) ;
```

```
printf ("x = %d\n", x);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
int mySecretFormula (int num1, int num2, int num3)
```

```
{
```

```
int result = num1 + num2 * num3 - num3;
```

```
return result;
```

```
}
```

Parameters

Arguments



- Whenever a function with arguments is called, they must share the values properly.
- One way of doing this is pass by value.
- Pass by value is when a value stored in memory (stack space) is *copied* and sent over to the proper parameter of the respective function (which is also stored in a different location of the stack space).
- The following set of slides shows a demonstration.

Pass By Value Example



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The values stored in num1, num2 and num3 are going to be copied respectively

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int main ()
{
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Notice the parameters of the function are also num1, num2, and num3

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The values of num1, num2, and num3 are going to be copied and stored respectively with the provided parameters

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Now we have reached the end of the user-defined function!

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Hold



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