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Unit-1 User-Defined Functions

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Introduction for UDF(User Defined Functions)

- User-defined functions are a powerful feature of C Programming
- A *User-defined functions* is a block of code that performs a specific task.
- In Side of Functions Developer can set of statements that are combined to perform a specific task.
- C Programming allows you to define functions according to your need. These functions are known as userdefined functions.
- These functions can be called anywhere in the program, making the code more modular and easier to read.

Introduction for UDF(User Defined Functions)

• User-defined functions Syntax



• Types of Functions



Need for User-defined functions

- Reduction in Program Size This avoids writing of same code again and again reducing program size.
- Reducing Complexity of Program: Complex program can be decomposed into small sub-programs or user defined functions.
- Easy to Debug and Maintain : During debugging it is very easy to locate and isolate faulty functions. It is also easy to maintain program that uses user defined functions.
- Readability of Program: Since while using user defined function, a complex problem is divided in to different sub-programs with clear objective and interface which makes easy to understand the logic behind the program.
- Code Reusability: Once user defined function is implemented it can be called or used as many times as required which reduces code repeatability and increases code reusability.

- Function Declaration
- Function Definition
- Function Call



- Function Declaration
- **Syntax** void sum(); int ar(); float ar(); etc...
- A function declaration is also known as a function prototype. If the function definition is mentioned before the main function, then the function prototype is not necessary to mention.we can eliminate the function declaration statement.
- The function declaration statement must always match the function name and the number of arguments passed with the function definition.
- From the given example, function name, sum, and the return type void must match both the statements, function declaration, and function definition. A function declaration statement contains the return type, function name (list of arguments if required), and semicolon at the end of the statement.

- Function Definition
- Syntax –

```
void sum() //function definition
{
    int a=5, b=10,c;
    c=a+b;
    printf("addition ans is: %d",c);
}
```

- The body of function definition consists of a set of statements to perform a specific operation or task. The compiler will return to the function definition whenever a function is called and execute those statements.
- According to the given example, the function's body consists of statements to perform the addition operation. Variables a and b hold the values 5 and 10, respectively, and variable c will have the result value of 5+10 =15.

• Function Call

- Syntax sum();
- Once defining a function definition, there must be a function call in the program. Suppose a compiler encounters a function call anywhere in the program. It will transfer its control to the function definition and execute a set of statements inside the body of a function. A function can be called n number of times in a program.
- Considering the given example, sum(); is the function call. Since no arguments are passed in the function declaration and function definition, we don't provide them in the function call.

Simple Example of UDF



Category of User-Defined Functions in C

- ✓ Function with no argument and no returning value
- \checkmark Function with argument and no returning value
- ✓ Function with no argument with returning value
- ✓ Function with argument with returning value

Reference Link for Learning

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- https://www.simplilearn.com/tutorials/c-tutorial/learn-user-defined-function-inc#:~:text=From%20the%20given%20example%2C%20function,the%20end%20of%20the %20statement.
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No Argument and No Returning Value in C

 In this method, we don't pass any arguments and mention void as a function return type, so a function will not return any value. We declare a few variables in the function definition and perform certain operations on them.



With Argument and No Returning Value in C

- In this function call method, with an argument and no returning value, we pass arguments to the function, but the function doesn't return a value.
- ✓ In this program's arguments passed to the function are a and b of type integer. And it is also necessary to give the arguments in the function call.



No Argument and With Returning Value in C

 In this function call method, we don't pass any arguments in the function but mention a return type. A return type can be any data type; by default, the return type is int, and the value returned by a function is an integer value.



With Argument and With Returning Value in C

This method passes arguments to the function, which will also return a value.



Nested Functions in C

- Nested Functions are nothing but a function defined inside another function.
- ✓ A function calling another function within its function definition is known as a nested function.
- ✓ The scope of a nested function lies within the function in which it is declared and defined (enclosing function).
- Any local function, variable, constant, type, class, etc., that is in the same scope or any enclosing scope can be accessed by a nested function.
- ✓ This is the basic difference between nested functions and any other function, i.e., they have access to, and control over variables set out in their parent functions.
- Nested function definitions cannot access local variables of surrounding blocks. They can access only global variables. In C there are two nested scopes the local and the global. So nested function has some limited use.

```
main()
  clrscr();
  func1();
  getch();
void func1()
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  for(i = 1; i<= 10; i++)
    func2();
}
void func2()
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  printf("%d\n",i);
```

Simple Nested Functions in C



Simple Nested Functions in C



Recursion in C

- ✓ A function that calls itself is known as a recursive function. And, this technique is known as recursion.
- Recursion cannot be applied to all the problem, but it is more useful for the tasks that can be defined in terms of similar subtasks. For Example, recursion may be applied to sorting, searching, and traversal problems.
- Recursive functions are very useful to solve many mathematical problems, such as calculating the factorial of a number, generating Fibonacci series, etc.



Simple Recursion Example in C



Types of Recursion in C

✓ Direct Recursion

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• Direct recursion in C occurs when a function calls itself directly from inside. Such functions are also called direct recursive functions.



- ✓ Indirect Recursion
 - Indirect recursion in C occurs when a function calls another function and if this function calls the first function again. Such functions are also called indirect recursive functions.



Direct Recursion Example in C



Indirect Recursion Example in C

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