CSC 270 – Survey of Programming Languages

C Lecture 2 - Modular Programming I: Functions

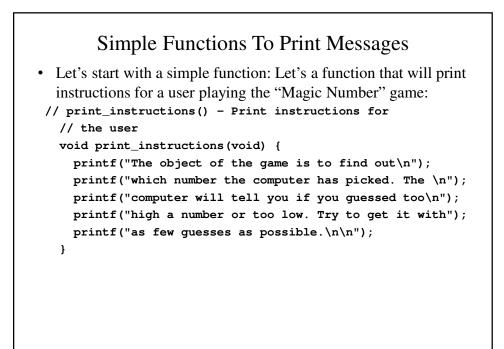
What Are Functions?

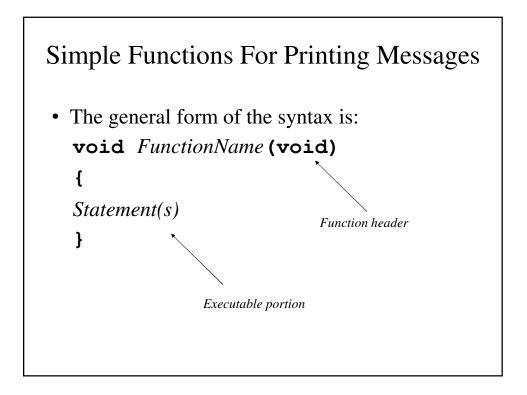
- We have seen a few examples of methods (in C, we call them *functions*):
 - printf, which we have used to display output on the screen
 - scanf, which we have used to get integer inputs from the keyboard
 - rand (), which we have used to get a random numbers
- Functions allow us to use software routines that have already been written (frequently by other people) in our programs.

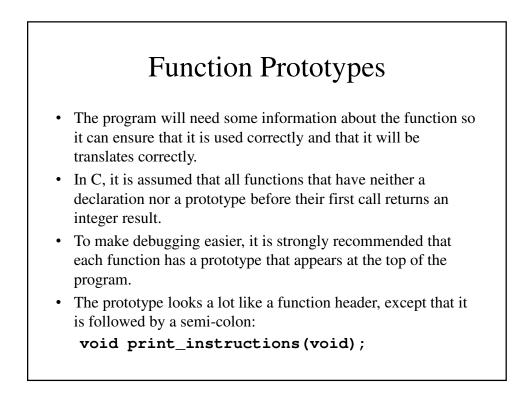
- E.g., magic = rand ();

Why Use Functions

- Methods offer several advantages when we write programs:
 - They allow us to concentrate on a higher level abstractions, without getting bogged down in details that we are not yet ready to handle.
 - They make it easier to divide the work of writing a program among several people.
 - They are re-usable; i. e., we write it once and can use it several times in a program and we can even copy it from one program to another.

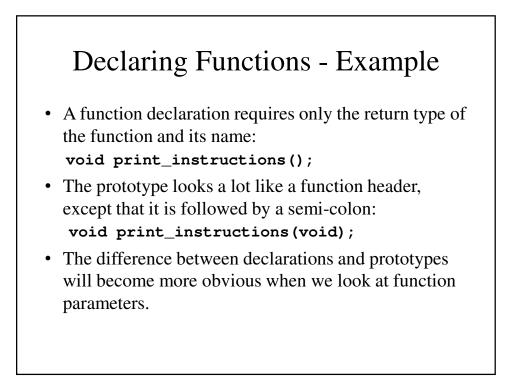






Declaring Functions

- The program will need some information about the function so it can ensure that it is used correctly and that it will be translates correctly.
- In C, it is assumed that all functions that have neither a declaration nor a prototype before their first call returns an integer result.
- To make debugging easier, it is strongly recommended that each function has a prototype that appears at the top of the program.



Putting the Pieces Together

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

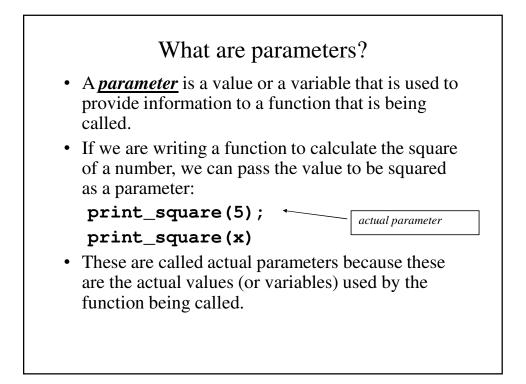
void print_instructions(void);

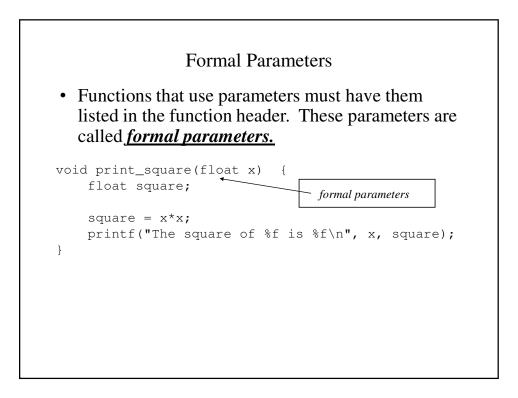
/*
 * main() - The magic number game has the user
 * trying to guess which number between 1
 * and 100 the computer has picked
 */
int main(void) {
 int magic, guess;
 int tries = 1;
```

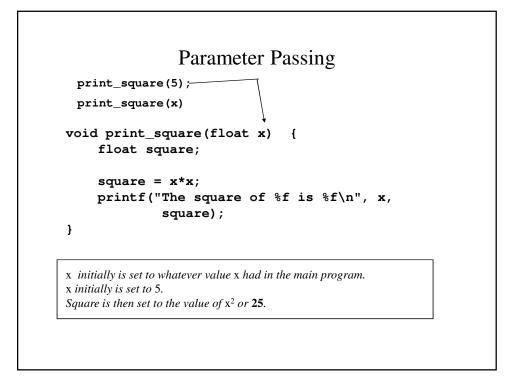
```
print_instructions();
/*
 * Use the random number function to pick a
 * number
 */
magic = rand() % 100 + 1;
/* Let the user make a guess */
printf("Guess ?");
scanf("%d", &guess);
while (guess != magic) {
   /*
    * Tell him whether it's too high
   * or too low
   */
```

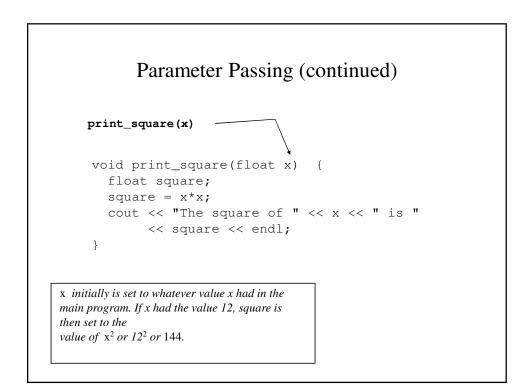
```
if (guess > magic)
    printf(".. Wrong .. Too high\n\n");
else
    printf(".. Wrong .. Too low\n\n");
/* Let the user make another guess */
printf("Guess ?");
scanf("%d", &guess);
tries++;
}
/* Tell the user that (s)he won */
if (guess == magic) {
    printf("** Right!! ** ");
    printf("%d is the magic number\n", magic);
}
```

```
/* Tell the user how many guesses it took */
    printf("You took %d guesses\n", tries);
   return(0);
}
   /*
    * print_instructions() - Print instructions for
    *
                             the user
    */
   void print_instructions(void) {
    printf("The object of the game is to find\n");
    printf(" out which number the computer has\n");
    printf("picked. The computer will tell you\n");
    printf("if you guessed too high a number or n");
    printf("too low. Try to get it with as few\n");
    printf("guesses as possible.\n\n");
   }
```









Why parameters?

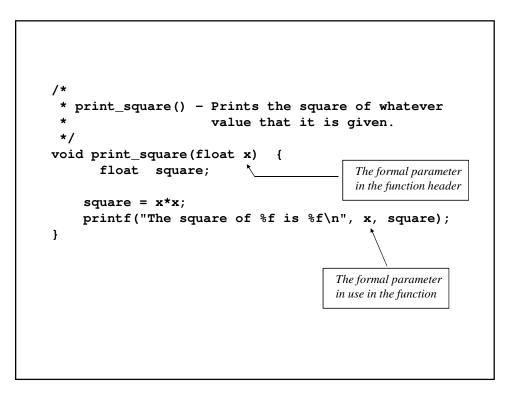
- Parameters are useful because:
 - They allow us to use the same function in different places in the program and to work with different data.
 - They allow the main program to communicate with the function and pass it whatever data it is going to use.
 - The same value can have completely different names in the main program and in the function.

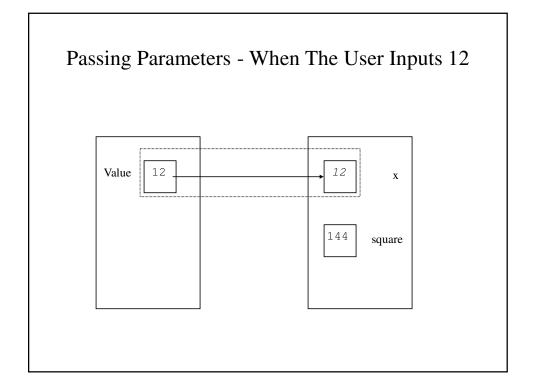
Function Declarations and Prototypes Revisited

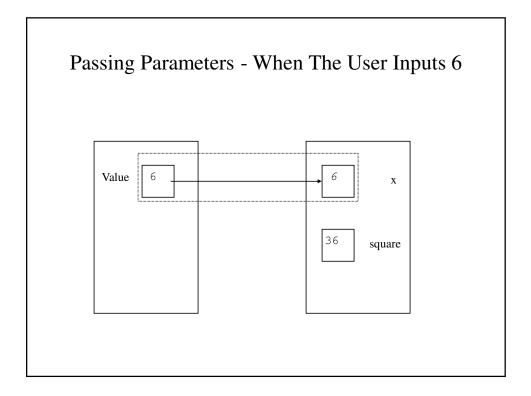
- If the function definition for print_square (i.e., its code) appears after the main function, there must be a declaration or prototype before main appears.
- Its declaration just indicates that it is a function that does not return a result:
 void print_square();
- Its prototype indicates its parameters and their respective types:

```
void print_square(float x);
```

```
squares.c
#include <stdio.h>
void print_square(float x);
/*
 * main() - A driver for the print_square function
 */
int main(void)
                {
      float value;
    /* Get a value and print its square */
    printf("Enter a value ?");
                                   the actual parameter
    scanf("%f", &value);
                                   in the function call
    print_square(value);
    return(0);
}
```

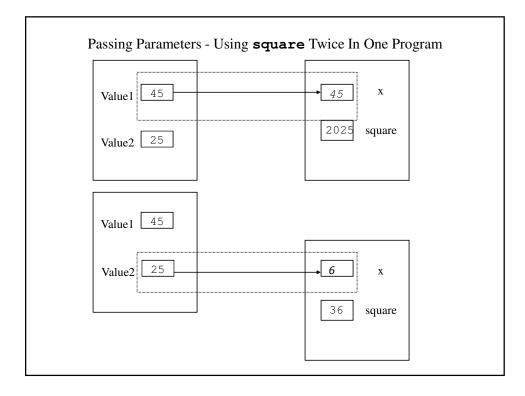




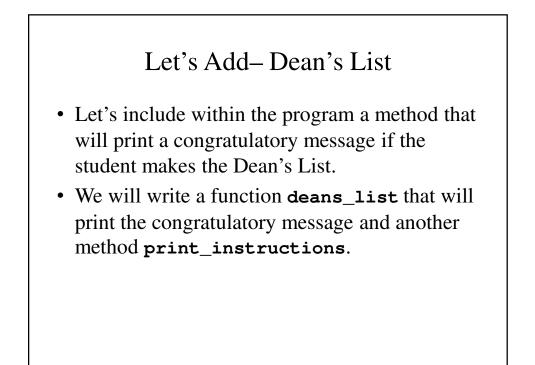


A Rewrite of main

```
int main(void) {
   float value1 = 45, value2 = 25;
   print_square(value1);
   print_square(value2);
   return(0);
}
```



A program to	calculate Grade Point
	Average
passing grades are A, B, grade) is a failing grade. weight and that the letter	ses a grading system, where the C, and D and where F (or any other Assuming that all courses have equa grades have the following numerical
value: Letter grade	Numerical value
A	<u>4</u>
В	3
С	2
D	1
F	0
write a program that will	calculate a student's grade point



A program to calculate Grade Point Average

InputThe student's gradesOutput- Grade point average and a congratulatory message (if appropriate)Other information
"A" is equivalent to 4 and so onGPA = Sum of the numerical equivalents/ Number of gradesOur first step is to write out our initial algorithm:1.Print introductory message2.Add up the numerical equivalents of all the grades3.Calculate the grade point average and print it out4.Print a congratulatory message (if appropriate)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdio.h>
/* Prints instructions for the user */
void print_instructions(void);
/* Print a message if (s)he made dean's list */
void deans_list(float gpa);
/*
 * Calculates a grade point average assuming
 * that all courses have the same point value
 * and that A, B, C and D are passing grades and
 * that all other grades are failing.
*/
```

```
int main(void) {
    int num_courses = 0, total = 0;
    char grade;
    float gpa;

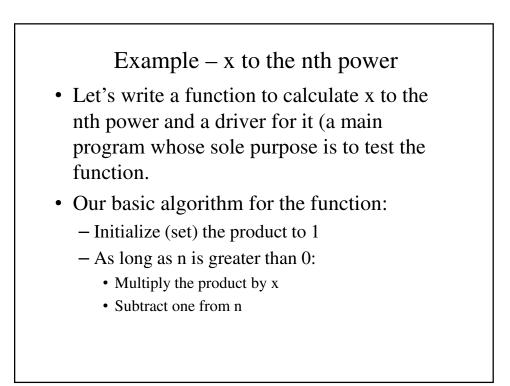
    // Print the instructions
    print_instructions();

    // Get the first course grade
    printf("What grade did you get in your "
        " first class?");
    scanf("%c", &grade);

    /*
      * Add up the numerical equivalents of
      * the grades
      */
```

```
while (grade != 'X') {
 /*
  * Convert an A to a 4, B to a 3, etc.
  * and add it to the total
  */
  if (grade == 'A')
   total = total + 4;
 else if (grade == 'B')
   total = total + 3;
 else if (grade == 'C')
   total = total + 2;
 else if (grade == 'D')
    total = total + 1;
  else if (grade != 'F')
   printf("A grade of %c is assumed to "
           "be an F\n",
                grade);
   num_courses++;
```

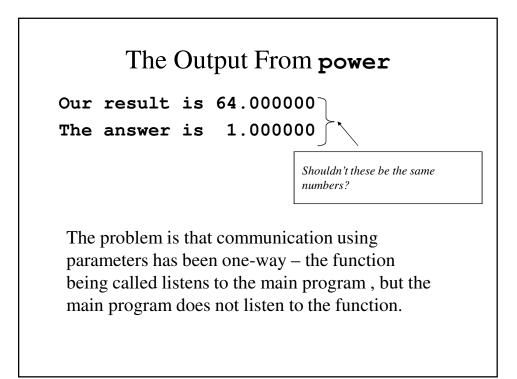
```
/*
 * print_instructions() - Prints instructions
                          for the user
 */
void print_instructions()
                          - {
  /* Print an introductory message */
 printf("This program calculates your grade "
           " point average\n");
 printf("assuming that all courses have the "
         "same point\n");
 printf("value. It also assumes that grades "
         " of A, B, C and D \in ;
 printf("are passing and that all other grades "
         " are failing.\n");
 printf("To indicate that you are finished, "
         " enter a grade of \'X\'\n\n");
}
```

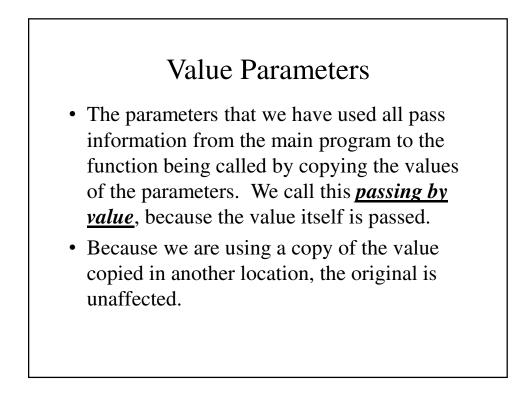


power.cpp

```
#include
            <iostream>
using namespace std;
void power(float y, float x, int n);
// A program to calculate 4-cubed using a
// function called power
int main(void) {
 float
            х, у;
  int n;
  x = 4.0;
  n = 3;
 y = 1.0;
 power(y, x, n);
 cout << "The answer is " << y << endl;</pre>
}
```

```
// power() - Calculates y = x to the nth power
void power(float y, float x, int n) {
    y = 1.0;
    while (n > 0) {
        y = y * x;
        n = n - 1;
    }
    cout << "Our result is " << y << endl;
}
```



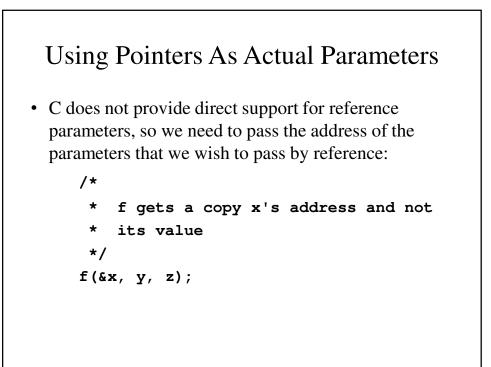


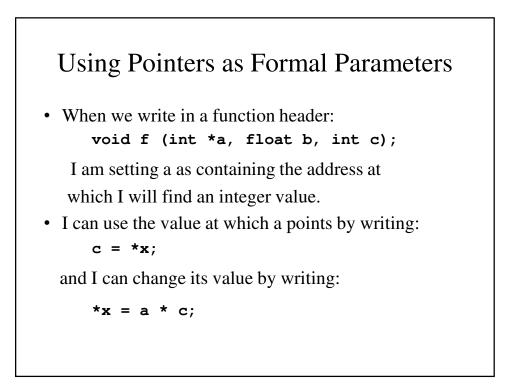
Value Parameters

- The parameters that we have used all pass information from the main program to the function being called by copying the values of the parameters. We call this *passing by value*, because the value itself is passed.
- Because we are using a copy of the value copied in another location, the original is unaffected.

What Are References Parameters?

- Reference parameters do not copy the value of the parameter.
- Instead, they give the function being called a copy of the address at which the data is stored. This way, the function works with the original data.
- We call this *passing by reference* because we are making references to the parameters.

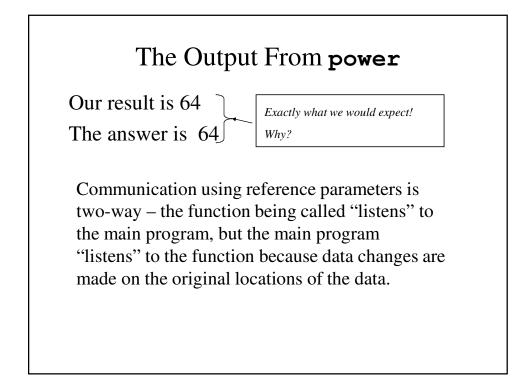


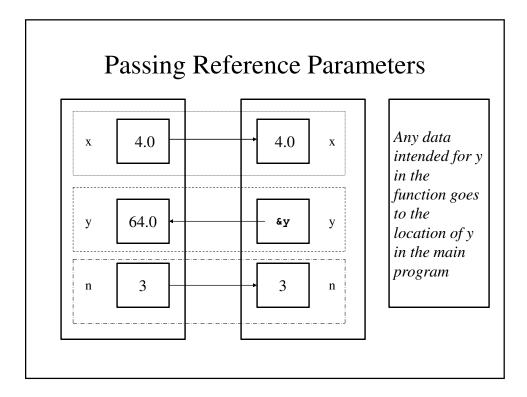


power.crewritten

```
#include
           <stdio.h>
void power(float y, float x, int n);
/*
* A program to calculate 4-cubed using a
* function called power
*/
int main(void) {
 float
          х, у;
 int n;
 x = 4.0;
 n = 3;
 y = 1.0;
 power(&y, x, n);
 printf("The answer is %f\n", y);
}
```

```
/*
 * power() - Calculates y = x to the nth power
 */
void power(float *y, float x, int n) {
 *y = 1.0;
 while (n > 0) {
 *y = *y * x;
 n = n - 1;
 }
 printf("Our result is %f\n", *y);
}
```

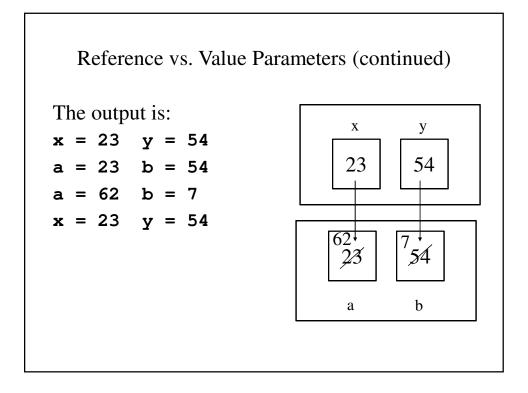


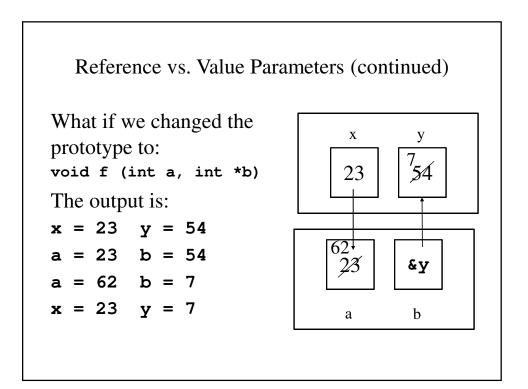


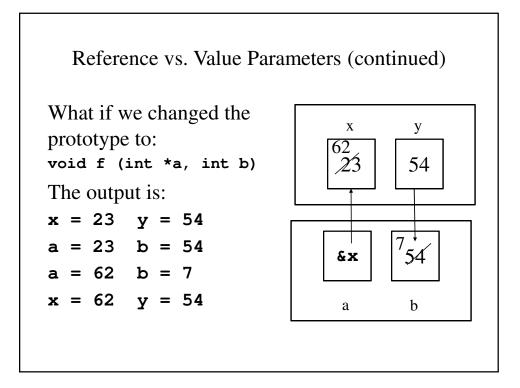
Reference vs. Value Parameters

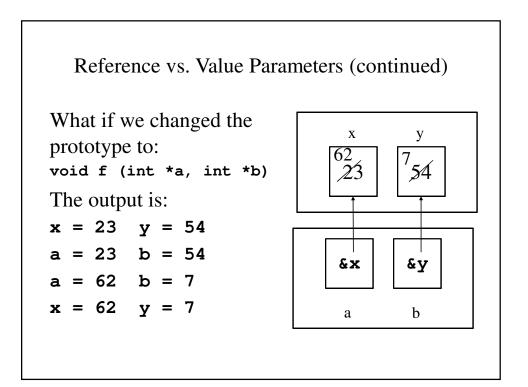
Let's look at the following program; it shows how value and reference parameters work: #include <stdio.h> void f(int a, int b); עד כאן int main(void) { int х, у; x = 23, y = 54;printf("x = d = d n", x, y); f(x, y); printf("x = d = d n", x, y); return(0); }

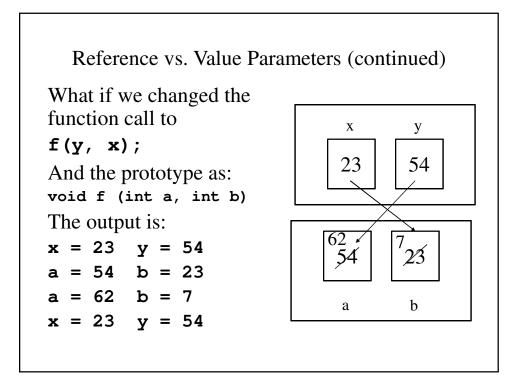
```
Reference vs. Value Parameters (continued)
void f(int a, int b)
{
    printf("s = %d\tb = %d\n", a, b);
    a = 62;
    b = 7;
    printf("s = %d\tb = %d\n", a, b);
}
```

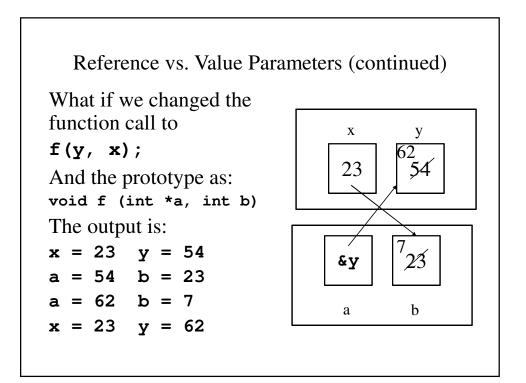


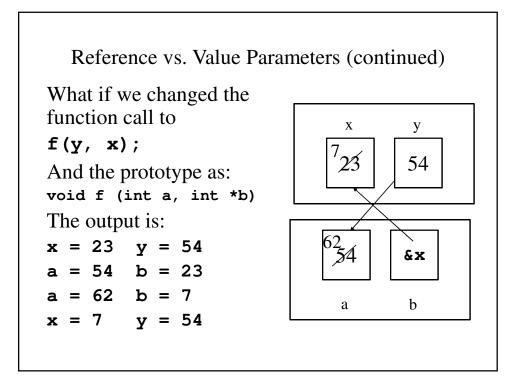


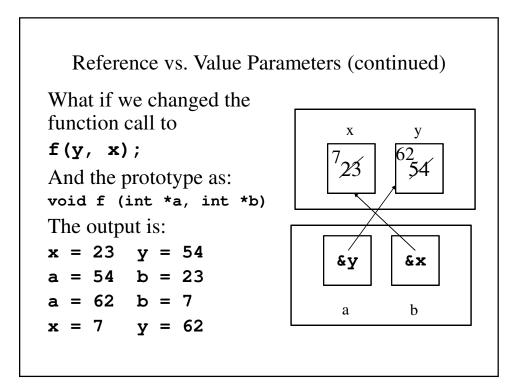








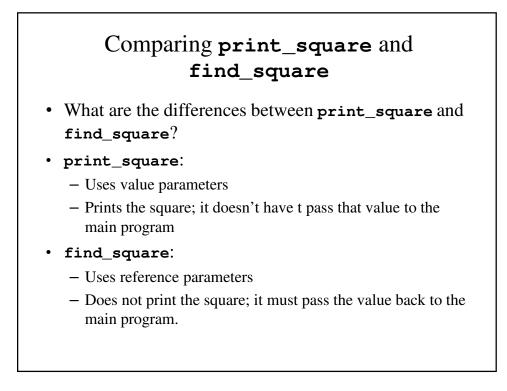




An Example – square2

• Let's rewrite the **square** program so that the function calculates the square and passes its value back to the main program, which will print the result:

```
square2.c
#include <stdio.h>
/* The prototype for find_square */
void find_square(float *square, float x);
/*
 * main() - A driver for the print_square function
 */
int main(void) {
 float value, square;
 /* Get a value and print its square */
printf("Enter a value ?");
scanf("%f", &value);
```



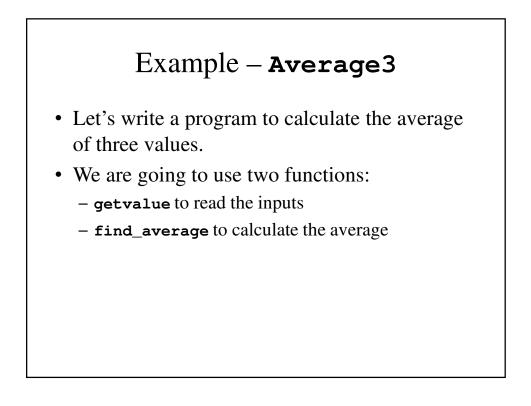
square3.c-a better square

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* The prototype for find_square */
float find_square(float x);
/*
 * main() - A driver for the print_square function
 */
int main(void) {
 float value, square;
 /* Get a value and print its square */
printf("Enter a value ?");
scanf("%f", &value);
```

```
square = find_square(value);
printf("The square of %f is %f\n", value,
        square);
return(0);
}
/*
 * find_square() - Prints the square of whatever
 * value that it is given.
 */
float find_square(float x) {
    return(x*x);
}
```

When to Use Value and Reference Parameters

- We use value parameters when:
 - We are not going to change the parameters' value
 - We may change it but the main program should not know about it
- When we are simply printing the value
 - We use reference parameters when:
 - We are going to change the parameter's value and the main program MUST know about it.
 - We are reading in a new value
 - When having the function return a value is not practical



average3.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
/* Prototypes for the functions */
int getvalue(void);
float find_average(int x, int y, int z);
/*
 * Find the average of three numbers using a
 * function
 */
int main(void) {
 int value1, value2, value3;
 float mean;
```

```
/* Get the inputs */
value1 = getvalue();
value2 = getvalue();
value3 = getvalue();
/*
 * Call the function that calculates the average
 * and then print it
 */
mean = find_average(value1, value2, value3);
printf("The average is %f\n", mean);
}
```

```
/*
 * getvalue() - Input an integer value
 */
int getvalue(void) {
    int x;
    printf("Enter a value ?");
    scanf("%d", &x);
    return(x);
}
```

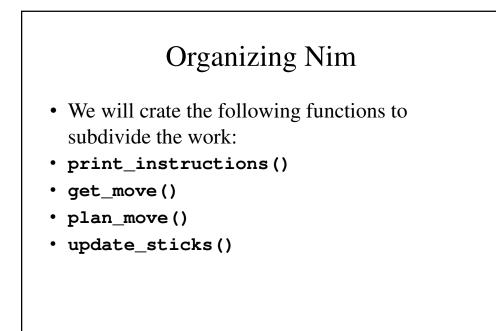
```
/*
 * find_average() - Find the average of three
 * numbers
 */
float find_average(int x, int y, int z) {
 float sum, average;
 sum = (float) (x + y + z);
 average = sum / 3;
 return average;
}
```

Nim

- The game Nim starts out with seven sticks on the table.
- Each player takes turns picking up 1, 2 or 3 sticks and cannot pass.
- Whoever picks up the last stick loses (the other player wins).

The Nim Problem

- Input
 - The number of sticks the player is picking up
- Output
 - The number of sticks on the table
 - Who won (the player or the computer)
- Other Information
 - Whoever leaves 5 sticks for the other player can always win if they make the right follow-up move:
 - If the other player takes 1, you pick up 3
 - If the other player takes 2, you pick up 2
 - If the other player takes 3, you pick up 1



```
nim.c
#include
          <stdio.h>
#include
           <stdlib.h>
#include
          <ctype.h>
/*
* Prototypes for the function used by the main
* program
*/
void print_instructions(void);
int get_move(int sticks_left);
int plan_move(int sticks_left);
void update_sticks(int *sticks_left, int * winner,
                  int reply);
```

```
/*
 * Play the game Nim against the computer
 */
int main(void) {
    int sticks_left, pickup, reply;
    int winner;
    char answer;

    /* Initialize values */
    sticks_left = 7;
    pickup = 0;
    winner = 0;
    answer = ' ';

    print_instructions();
```

```
/*
 * Find out if the use wants to go first or second
 */
printf("Do you wish to go (f)irst or "
        "(s)econd\t?");
scanf("%c", &answer);
while (tolower(answer) != 'f'
        && tolower(answer) != 's') {
    printf("Do you wish to go (f)irst or "
        "(s)econd\t?");
    scanf("\n%c", &answer);
}
```

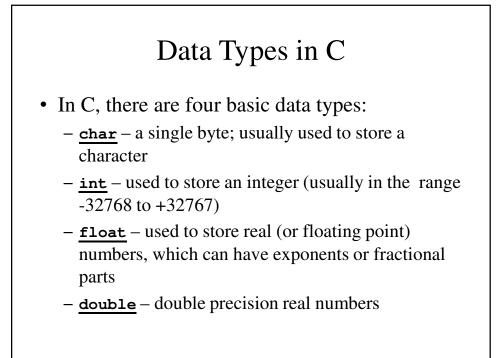
```
/*
 * As long as there is no winner, keep playing
 */
while (!winner) {
    pickup = get_move(sticks_left);
    /* Take the sticks off the table */
    sticks_left -= pickup;
    /* See if the user won */
    if (sticks_left == 1) {
        printf("Congratulations! You won!!\n");
        winner = 1;
    }
```

```
/*
 * print_instructions() - Print instructions for
 *
                          the player
 */
void print_instructions(void)
{
  /* Print the instructions */
 printf("There are seven (7) sticks on the table."
         "\n");
 printf("Each player can pick up one, two or "
         "three sticks\n");
 printf("in a given turn. A player cannot pick "
         "up more than\n");
 printf("three sticks nor can a player pass.\n\n");
}
```

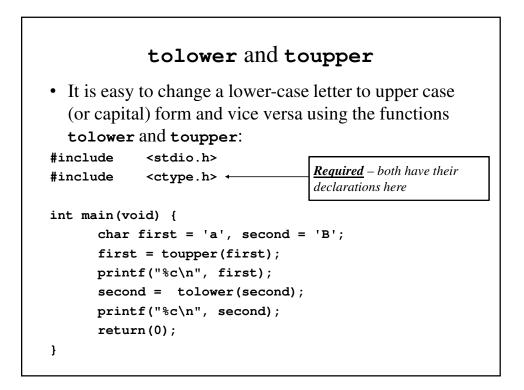
```
/*
 * get_move() - Get the player's next move, testing
 *
                to ensure that it is legal and that
                there are enough sticks left on the
 *
 *
                table.
*/
int get_move(int sticks_left)
{
 int pickup;
 int move = 0;
 /* How many sticks is the user taking? */
 while (!move) {
   printf("How many sticks do you wish to "
           "pick up\t?");
    scanf("%d", &pickup);
```

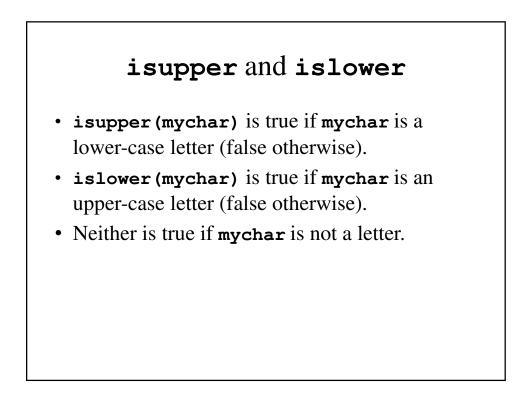
```
/*
* plan_move - Plan the computer's next move
*/
int plan_move(int sticks_left)
{
 int reply;
 /* Plan the computer's next move */
 if (sticks_left == 6 || sticks_left == 5
        || sticks_left == 2)
   reply = 1;
 else if (sticks_left == 4)
    reply = 3;
 else if (sticks_left == 3)
    reply = 2;
 return reply;
}
```

```
/*
 * update_stick() - Update the count of sticks left
                    on the table and determine f
 *
 *
                    either the player or the
 *
                    computer has won.
 */
void update_sticks(int *sticks_left, int *winner,
int reply)
{
  /*
  * If neither player won, get ready for the next
   * move
   */
  if (!*winner) {
    *sticks_left -= reply;
   printf("The computer picked up %d sticks.\n",
           reply);
```



Character Data • Characters were stored in computers using the numeric ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange).							
	Α	65	c	99			
	В	66	Х	120			
	С	67	у	121			
	Х	88	Z	122			
	Y	89	0	48			
	Z	90	9	57			
	a	97	• •	32			
	b	98	'\n'	13			

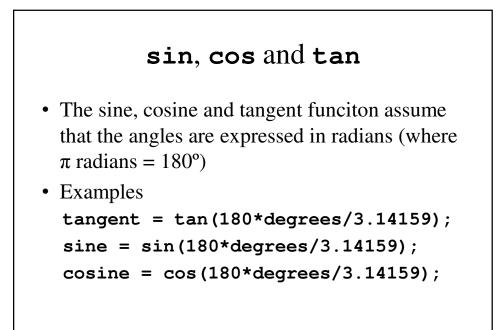


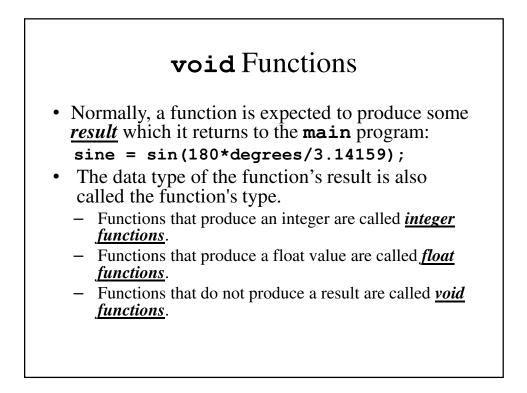


Examples of isupper and islower					
mychar	isupper	islower			
a	0	1			
A	1	0			
x	0	1			
х	1	0			
0	0	0			
3	0	0			
æ	0	0			
\$	0	0			

Math Functions C++ provides several standard mathematical functions such as: sqrt(x) - square root of x pow(x, y) - x to the y power abs (n) - absolute value of n (an integer) fabs (n) - absolute value of x (a real number) exp(x) - e to the x power (e = 2.718281828) log(x) - natural logarithm of x (log. base is e) log10 (x) - common logarithms of x (log. base is 10)

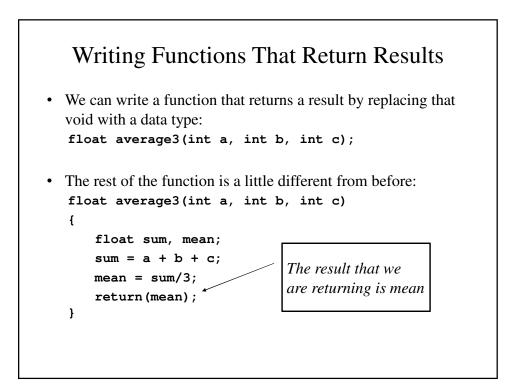
Example of Math Functions

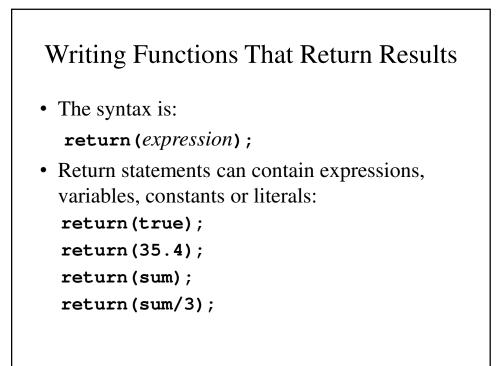




void Functions (continued)

- When we write
 void getmove(int & pickup,
 int sticks_left);
- it means that the funciton is not expected to return a result.



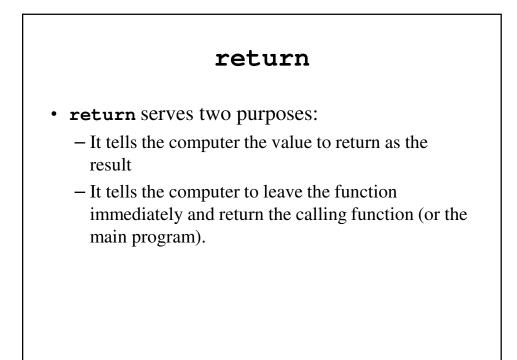


```
Rewriting the average3 Function
float average3(int a, int b, int c)
{
   float sum, mean;
   sum = a + b + c;
   return(sum / 3);
}
```

Example – The maximum Function

```
float maximum(float x, float y)
{
    if (x > y)
        return(x);
    else
        return(y);
}
```

```
Example - The minimum Function
float minimum(float x, float y)
{
    if (x < y)
        return(x);
    else
        return(y);
}</pre>
```



```
Example - calc_gross
float gross(float hours, float rate)
{
    // If hours exceed 40, pay time and a
    // half
    if (hours > 40)
        return(40*rate
            + 1.5 * rate * (hours - 40);
    else
        return(rate*hours);
}
```