

Functions

MMJ12503 – Computer programming

`function()`

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Function 02*

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int square(int m);

void main(void)
{
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    int y;
    y=square(x);
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}
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{
    *n=*n+10;
    printf("\n The value of num in the
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}
```

- The **syntax** of **call a function declaration** and **function definition**.

```
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- The **syntax** of **call by reference**.

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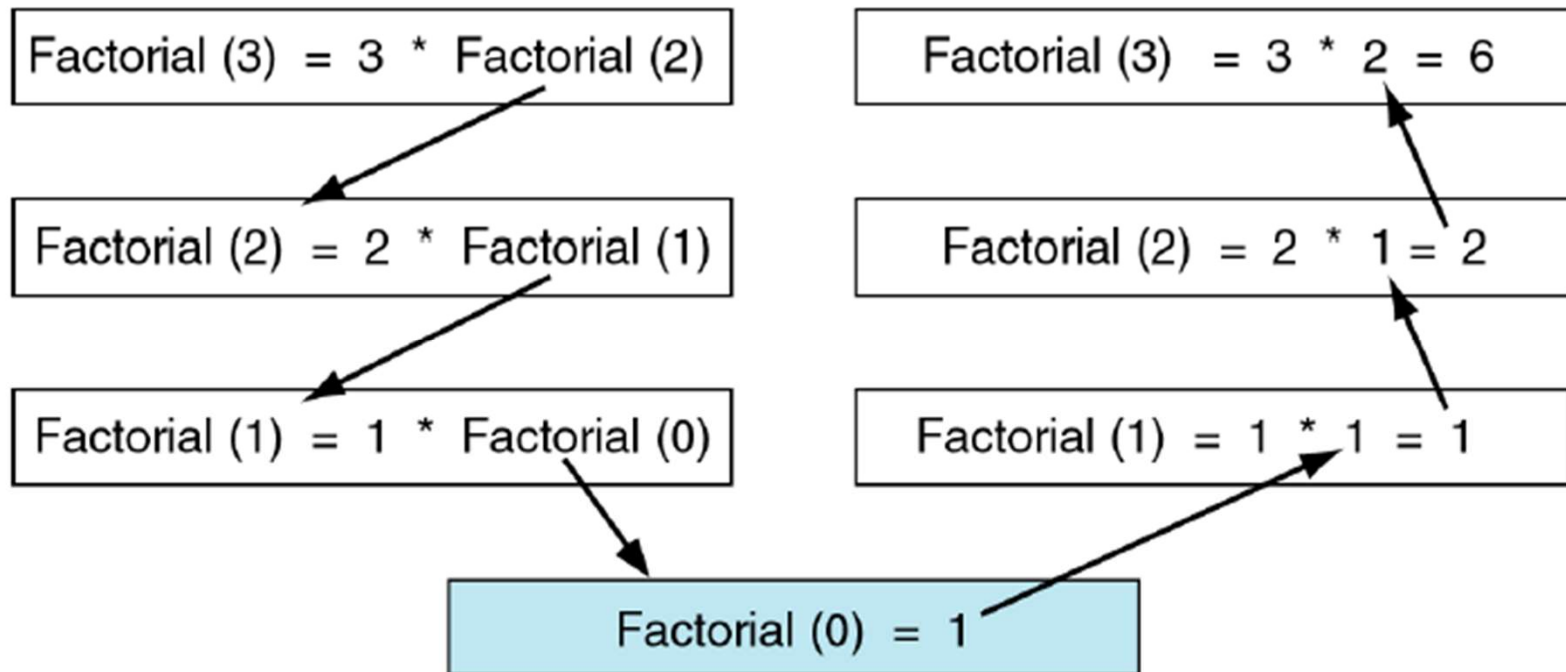
Recursive Functions

- Recursion is **a term describing functions** which are **called by themselves** (A function that calls itself).
- Recursive function has **two elements**:
 - Each call either **solves one part of the problem** or it **reduces the size of the problem**.
 - The **statement that solves the problem** is known as a **base case**. Every **recursive function** must have a **base case**. The **rest of the function** is known as the **general case**.
- Recursion is **very useful in mathematical calculations and in sorting of lists**.

- To understand recursive functions, let take an example of calculating factorial of a number.
- Factorial:
 - $n! = n \times (n - 1) \times (n - 2) \times \dots \times 2 \times 1$
 - $n! = n \times (n - 1)!$
- Base case $1! = 1$.

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$$n! = n \times (n - 1)!$$



```

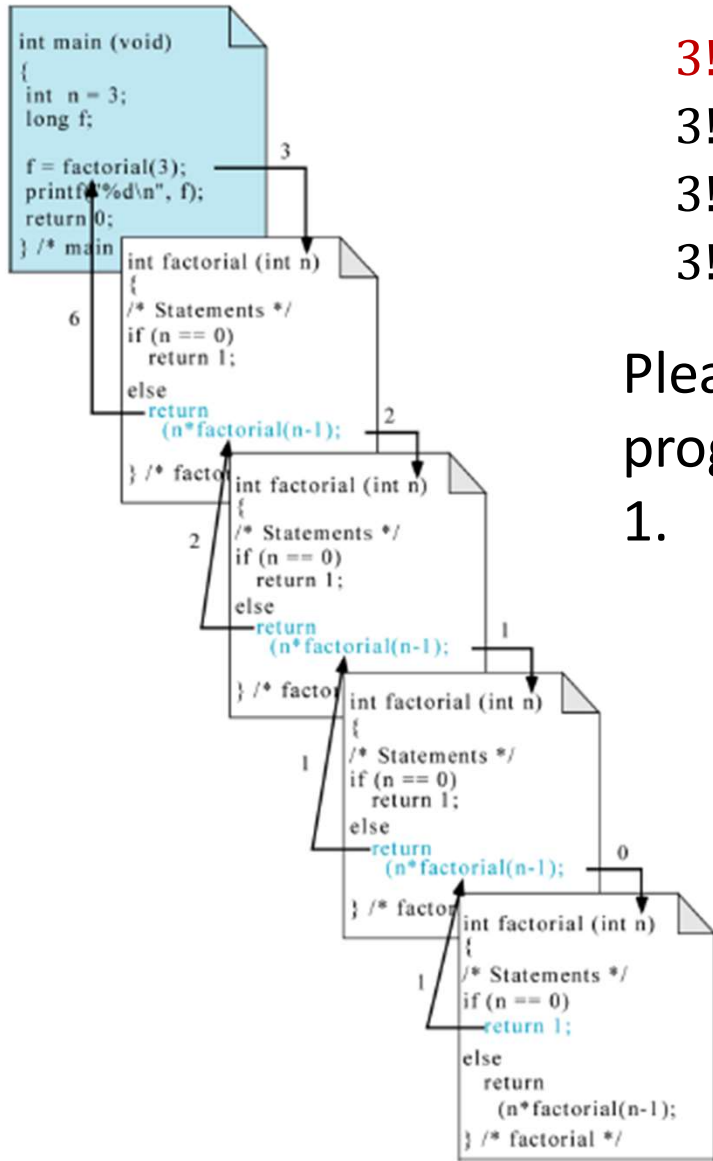
/* Recursive functions */
#include <stdio.h>
int factorial(int num);

int main(void)
{
    int n=3;
    long f;
    f=factorial(n);
    printf ("%d\n",f);
    return 0;
}

int factorial(int n)
{
    /* statement */
    if (n==0)
        return 1;
    else
        return(n*factorial(n-1));
}

```

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$$3! = 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

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Please try the given programs:
1. Finding exponents


```

/* Finding exponents x^y */
#include <stdio.h>
int exp_rec(int, int);

main()
{
    int num1, num2, res;
    printf("\n Enter the value for x and y
        for x^y : ");
    scanf("%d %d", &num1, &num2);
    res=exp_rec(num1, num2);
    printf("\n x^y is : %d",res);
    return 0;
}

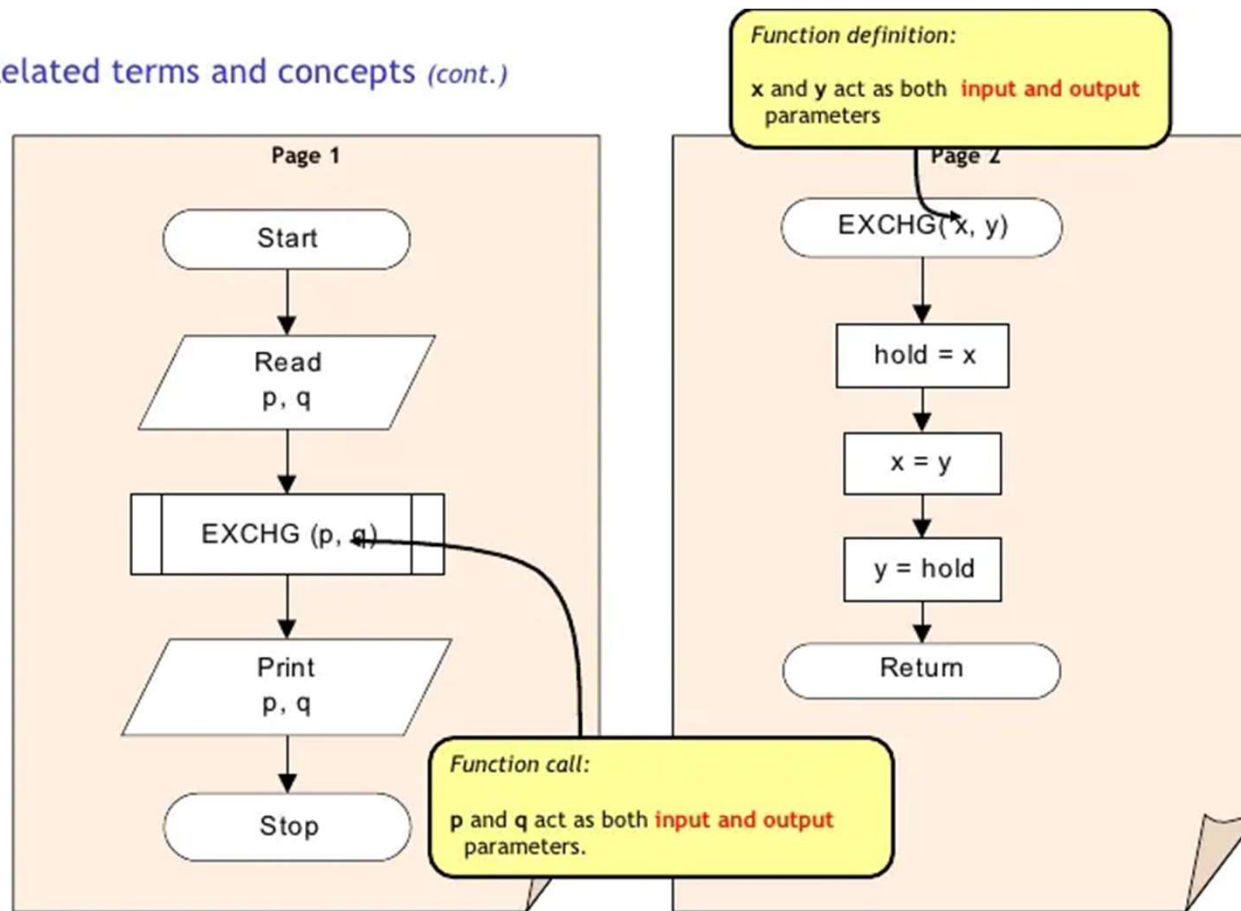
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```

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Functions in flowchart

Related terms and concepts (cont.)



This flowchart exchanges or swaps the value of x and y each other

Re-cap

1. Function with no return value
2. Function with return value
3. Functions return more than one value

```
main()
{
    .....
    .....
    func1(&var1,&var2);
    .....
    .....
    return 0;
}
```

```
func1(*var1,*var2)
{
    .....
    .....
    *var1
    *var2
    .....
    return;
}
```

```
main()
{
    .....
    .....
    func1();
    .....
    .....
    return 0;
}
```

```
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    .....
    .....
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    .....
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```
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{
    .....
    .....
    .....
    return var;
}
```

ARE
YOU
OKAY?

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Return_data_type function_name(data_type variable1, data_type variable2,...);

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```
{  
.....  
statements  
.....  
return(variable);  
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