

# Function Overview (1A)

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# 3 Return Types of Functions

```
int func1( int a ) {  
    a *= 999;  
    return a;  
}
```

```
int func2( int a ) {  
    if (a < 0) return -a;  
    else      return a ;  
}
```

```
void func3( int a ) {  
    printf(“%d \n”, a) ;  
    // return;  
}
```

```
S = func1(100);  
  
S = func1(100);
```

```
S = func2(100);  
  
S = func2(100);
```

```
func3( 100 );
```

# 3 Return Types of Functions – Errors and Warnings

```
int func1( int a ) {  
    a *= 999;  
}
```

**return** val missing

```
int func2( int a ) {  
    if (a < 0) -a;  
    else return a ;  
}
```

**return** val missing

```
void func3( int a ) {  
    printf("%d \n", a) ;  
    return a ;  
}
```

**void** : no return value  
**return;** can be used

```
S = func1(100);
```

```
S = func1(100);
```

```
S = func2(100);
```

```
S = func2(100);
```

```
func3( 100 );
```

```
S = func3(100);
```

**void** returns no value  
cannot assign a variable

## 2 Passing Types of Functions

```
void val_func( int a ) {  
    X = a; // input  
    a = Y; // meaningless  
}
```

```
int m;  
val_func( m );
```

```
int *n;  
val_func( *n );
```

```
void ref_func( int *p ) {  
    X = *p; // input  
    *p = Y; // output  
}
```

```
int m;  
ref_func( &m );
```

```
int *n;  
ref_func( n );
```

# In-bound, Out-bound, and Bi-directional Parameters

in-bound only

```
void valf( int a ) {  
    X = a; // input  
    a = Y; // meaningless  
}
```

bi-directional

```
void reff( int *p ) {  
    X = *p; // input  
    *p = Y; // output  
}
```

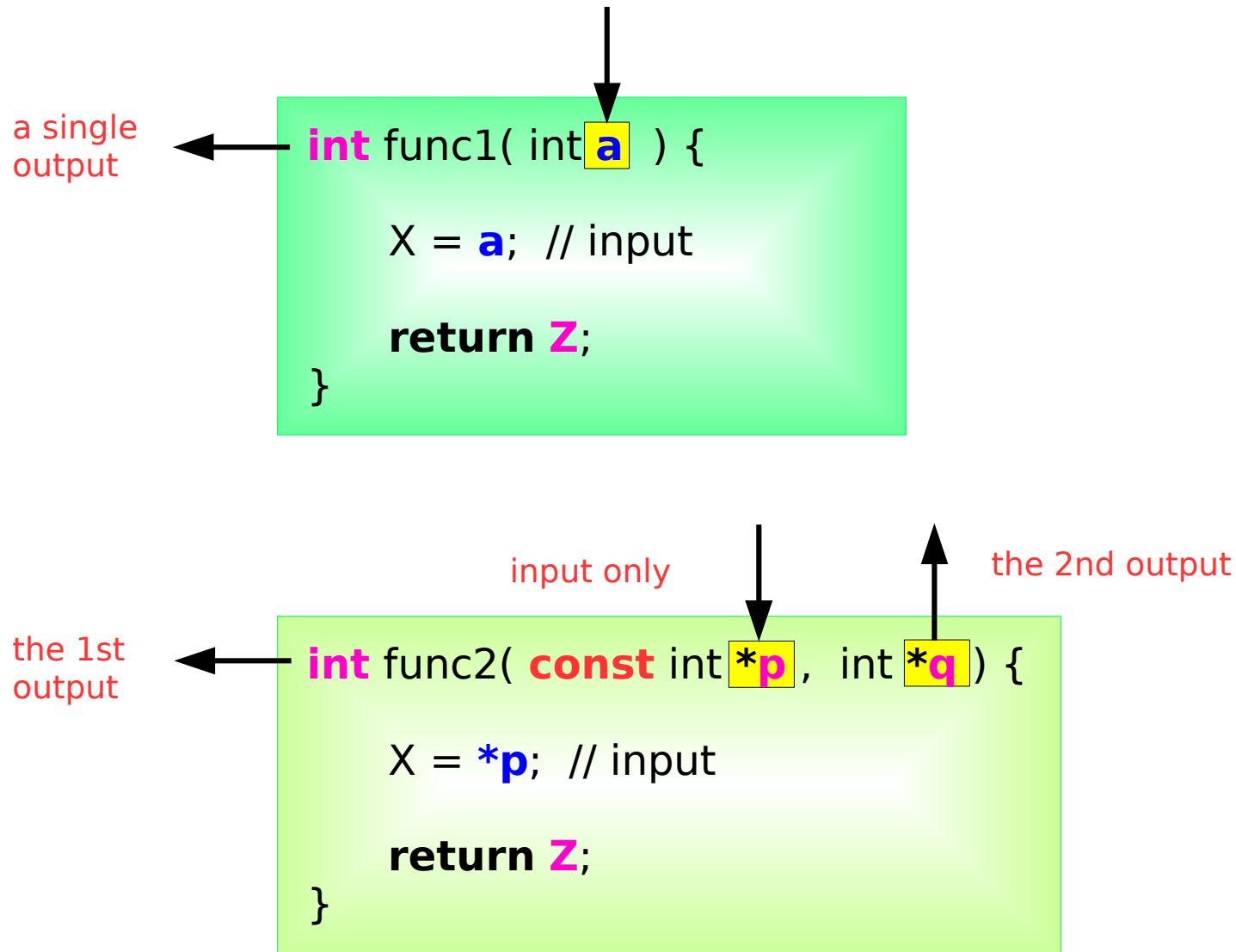
in-bound only

```
void reff( const int *p ) {  
    X = *p; // input  
    *p = Y; // prohibited  
}
```

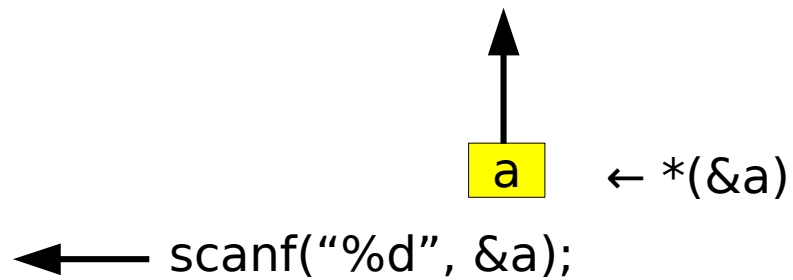
out-bound

```
void reff( int *p ) {  
    *p = Y; // output  
}
```

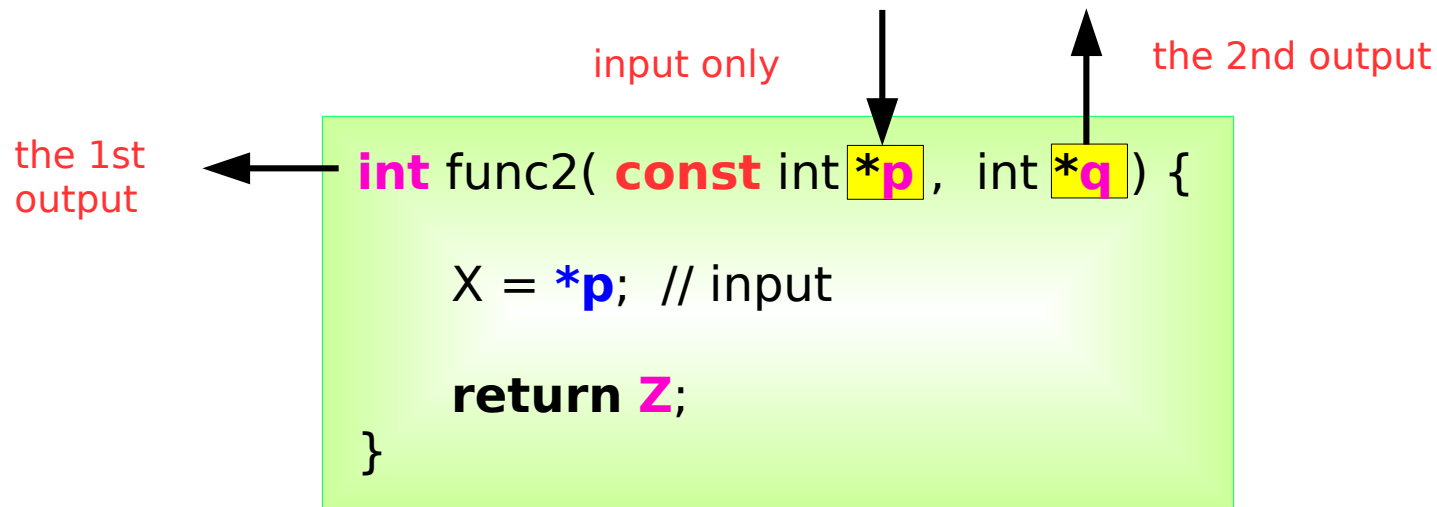
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# Extra Outputs (2)

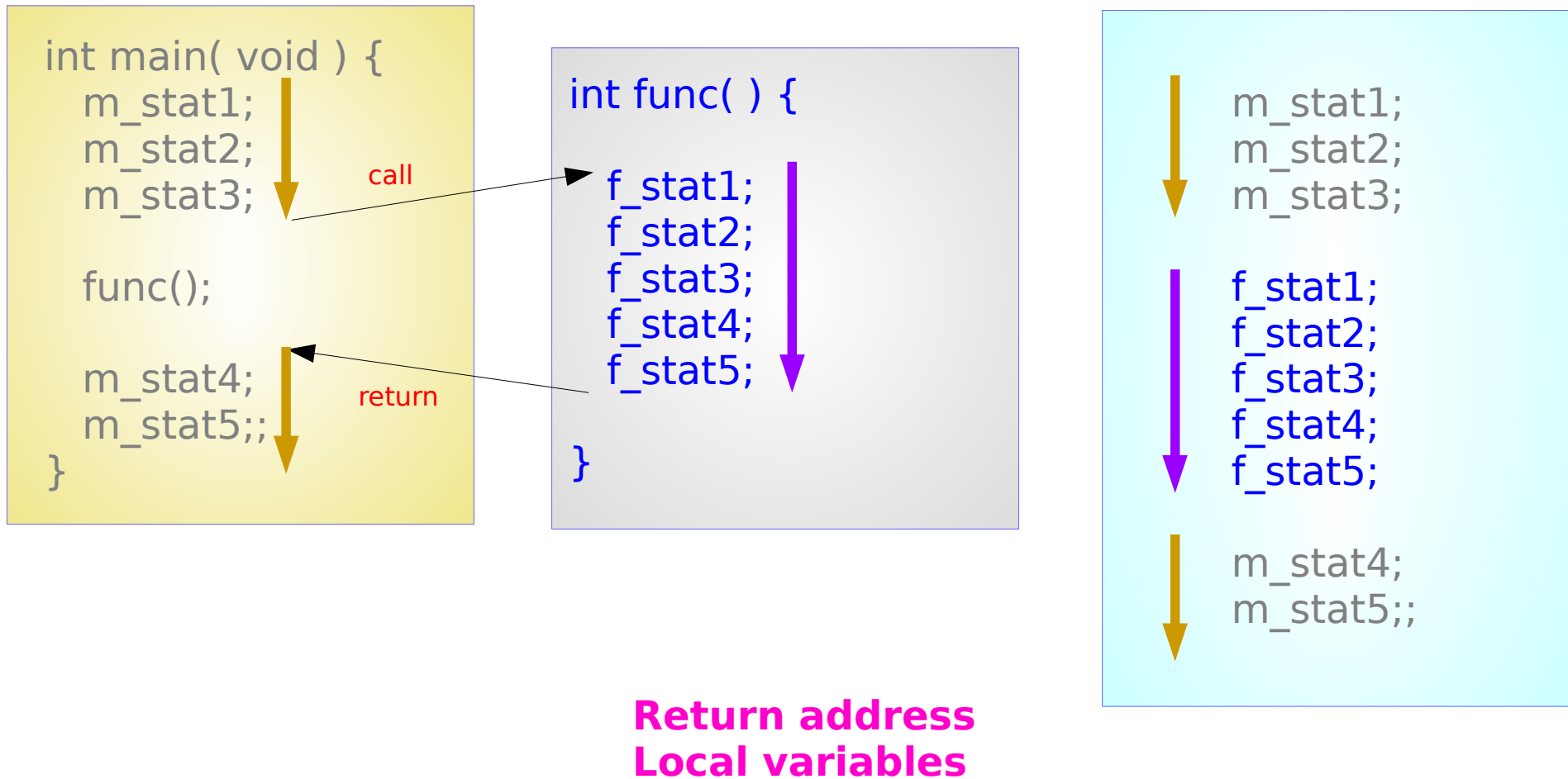


On success, `scanf()` return the number of input items successfully matched and assigned;

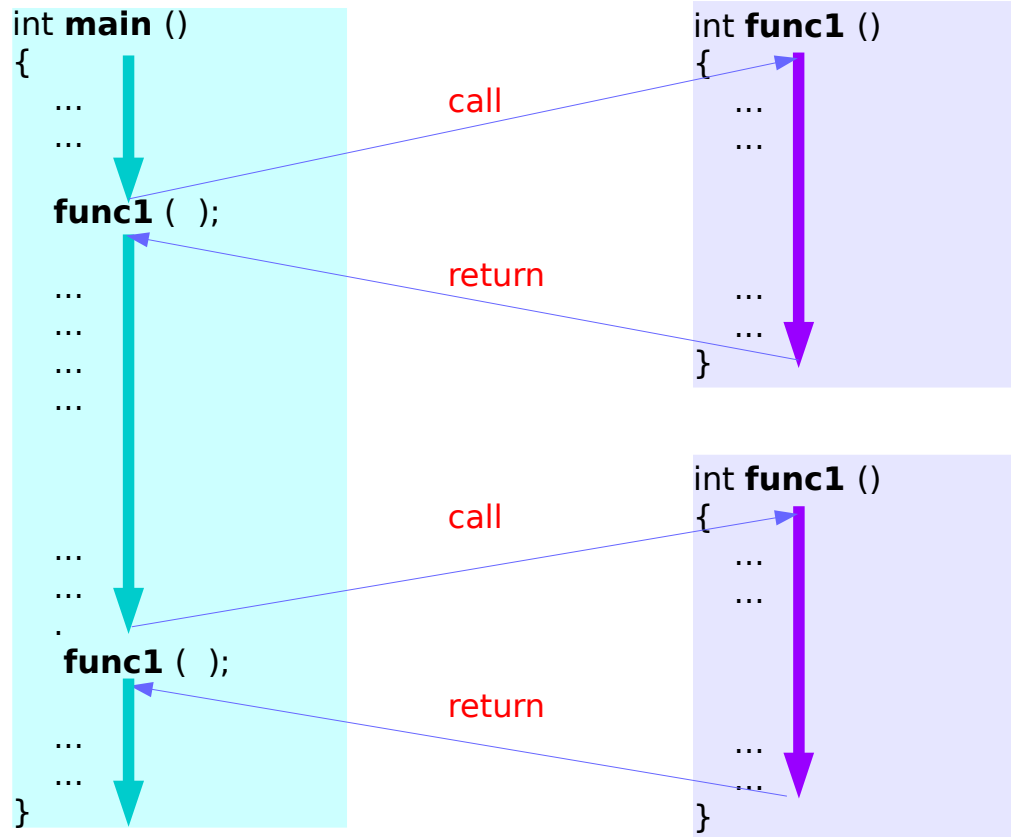




# Function Calls and Control Transfers



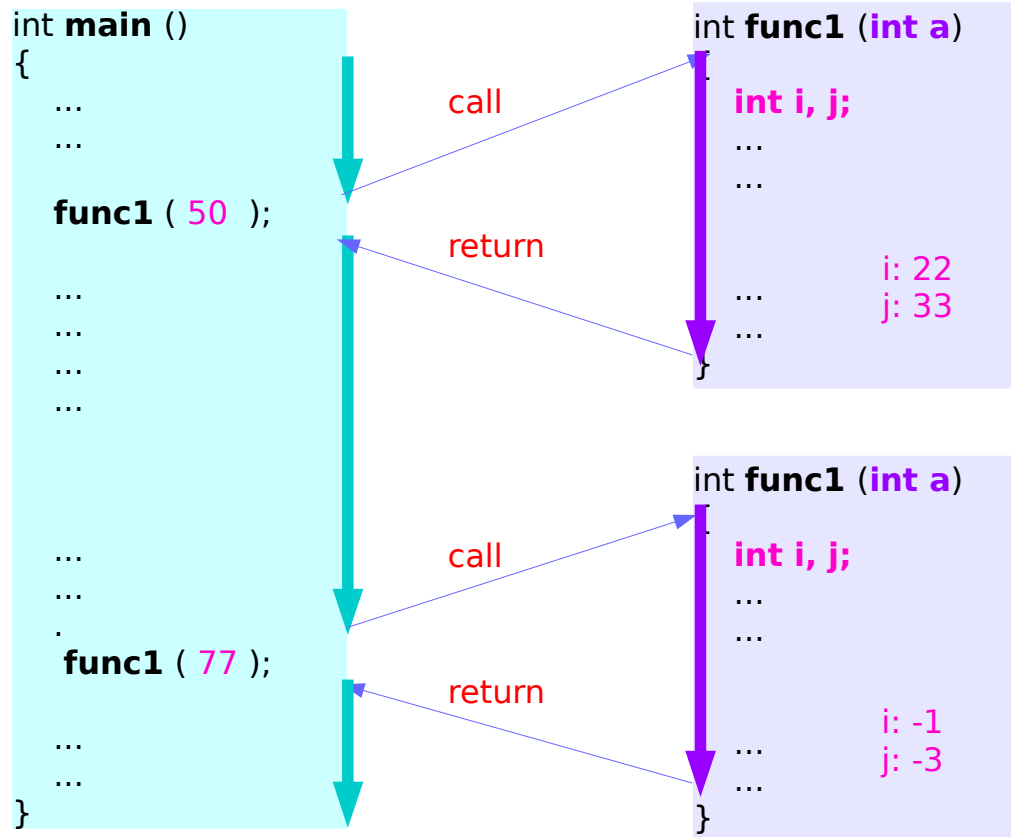
# Return Address



each invocation of the same function  
can have different return addresses

each invocation, its own return address

# Local Variables

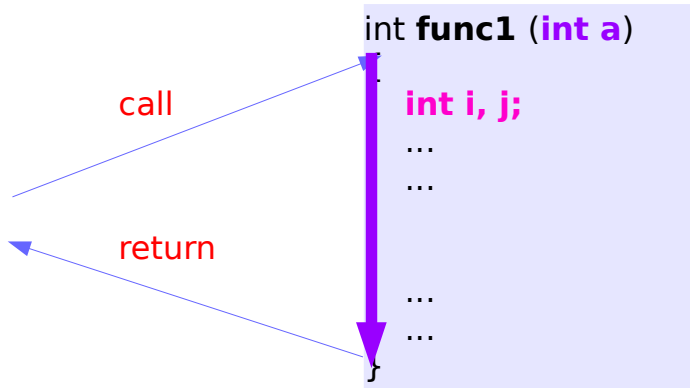


in each invocation of the same function  
the local variables usually have  
different values

each invocation, its own local variables

these local variables are must be  
preserved until the function returns  
(while the function is active)

# Local Variables



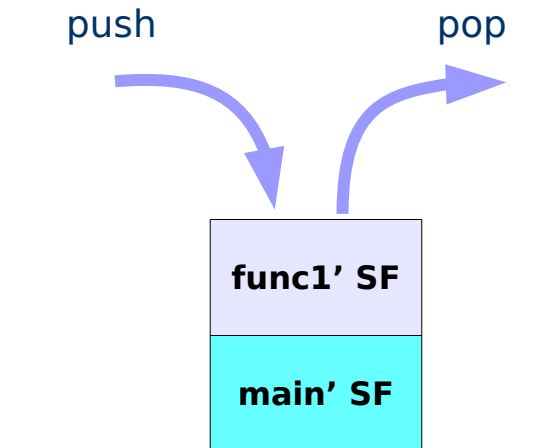
from the beginning and to the end of a function call (while the function is active)

- its return address
- its local variables

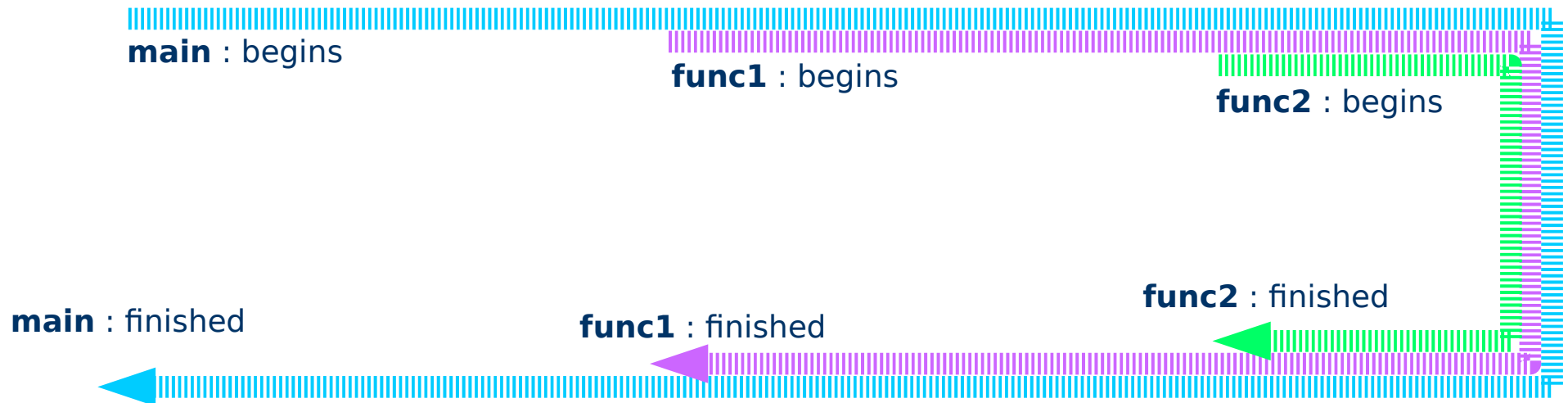
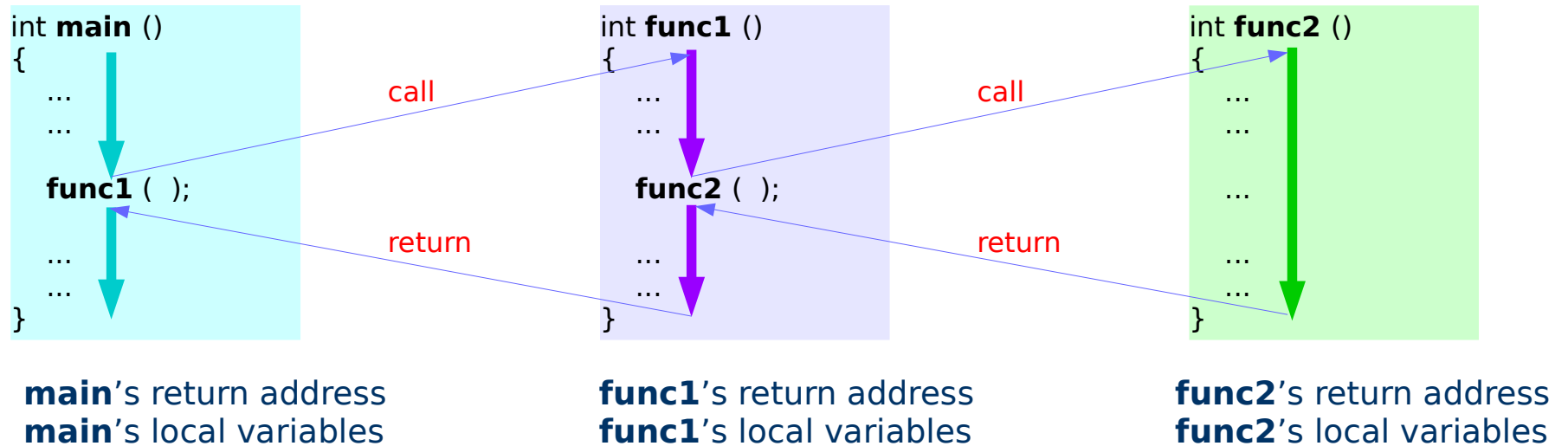
must be preserved

each function has its own Stack Frame where each function store its own return address and local variables

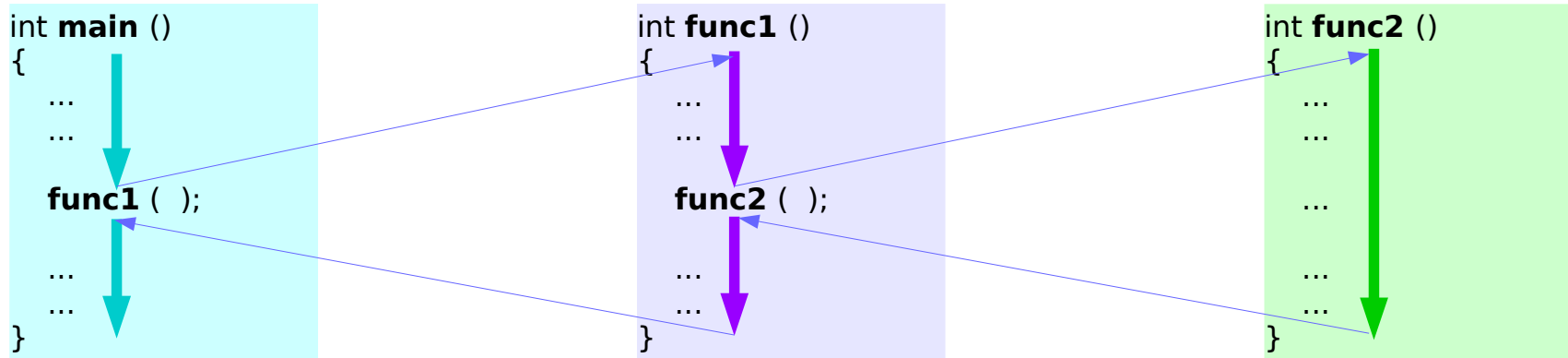
Stack Data Structure (Last In First Out)



# Nested function calls



# Nested function calls and stack frames

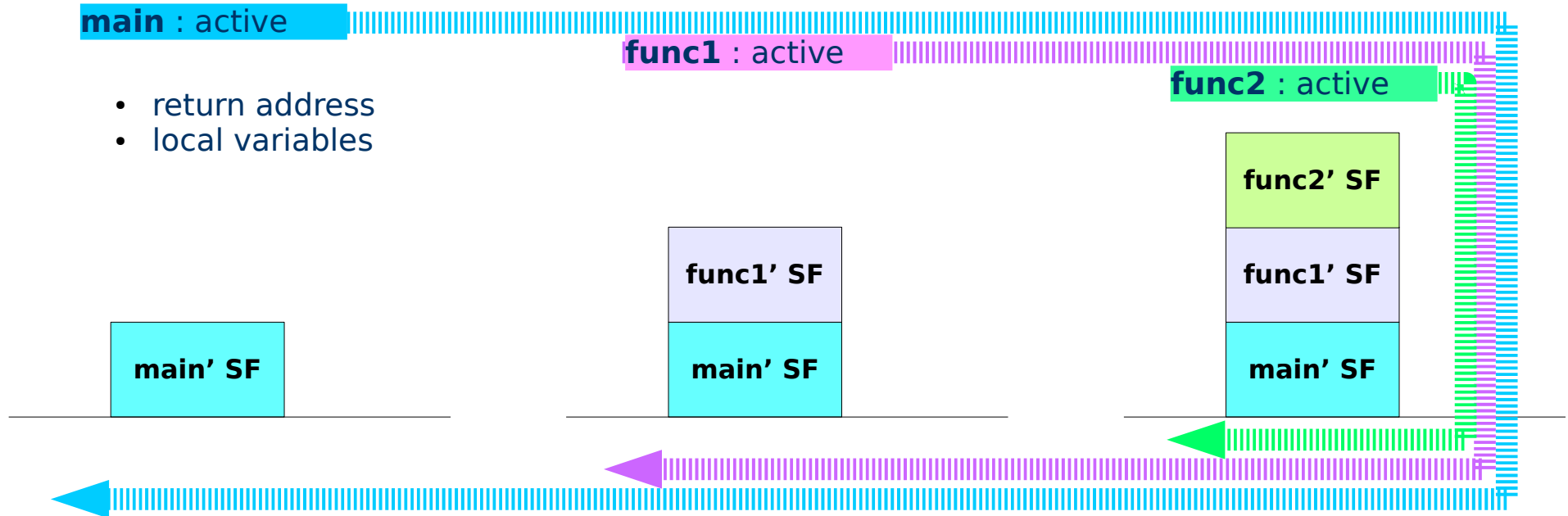


**main : active**

- return address
- local variables

**func1 : active**

**func2 : active**



# Task: Finding 3 Partial Sums

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n k$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \sum_{k=1}^1 k \\ S_2 &= \sum_{k=1}^2 k \\ S_3 &= \sum_{k=1}^3 k \end{aligned}$$

$$S_1 = 1$$

```
printf("S1 = %d\n", S1);
```

$$S_2 = 1 + 2$$

```
printf("S2 = %d\n", S2);
```

$$S_3 = 1 + 2 + 3$$

```
printf("S3 = %d\n", S3);
```

# Finding 3 Partial Sums – 3 for loops

$$S_1 = \sum_{k=1}^1 k = 1$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{k=1}^2 k = 1 + 2$$

$$S_3 = \sum_{k=1}^3 k = 1 + 2 + 3$$

```
S1 = 0;  
for (k=1; k<=1; ++k) S1 += k;
```

```
printf("S1 = %d\n", S1);
```

```
S2 = 0;  
for (k=1; k<=2; ++k) S2 += k;
```

```
printf("S2 = %d\n", S2);
```

```
S3 = 0;  
for (k=1; k<=3; ++k) S3 += k;
```

```
printf("S3 = %d\n", S3);
```



# 3 blocks with local variables

```
1 ⇒ n;  
{ // block 1  
  int n ⇐;  
  int k, S = 0;  
  for (k=1; k≤n; ++k) S += k;  
}  
S1 ⇐ S;
```

```
printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);
```

```
2 ⇒ n;  
{ // block 2  
  int n ⇐;  
  int k, S = 0;  
  for (k=1; k≤n; ++k) S += k;  
}  
S2 ⇐ S;
```

```
printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);
```

```
3 ⇒ n;  
{ // block 3  
  int n ⇐;  
  int k, S = 0;  
  for (k=1; k≤n; ++k) S += k;  
}  
S3 ⇐ S;
```

```
printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);
```

## Local Variables

```
int n ;  
int k, S = 0; X 3
```

the same named variables  
with different values

# Arguments and Parameters

S1 = *psum* ( 1 );

S2 = *psum* ( 2 );

S2 = *psum* ( 3 );

Argument  
Values

1



**n**

Statements

2



**n**

Statements

3

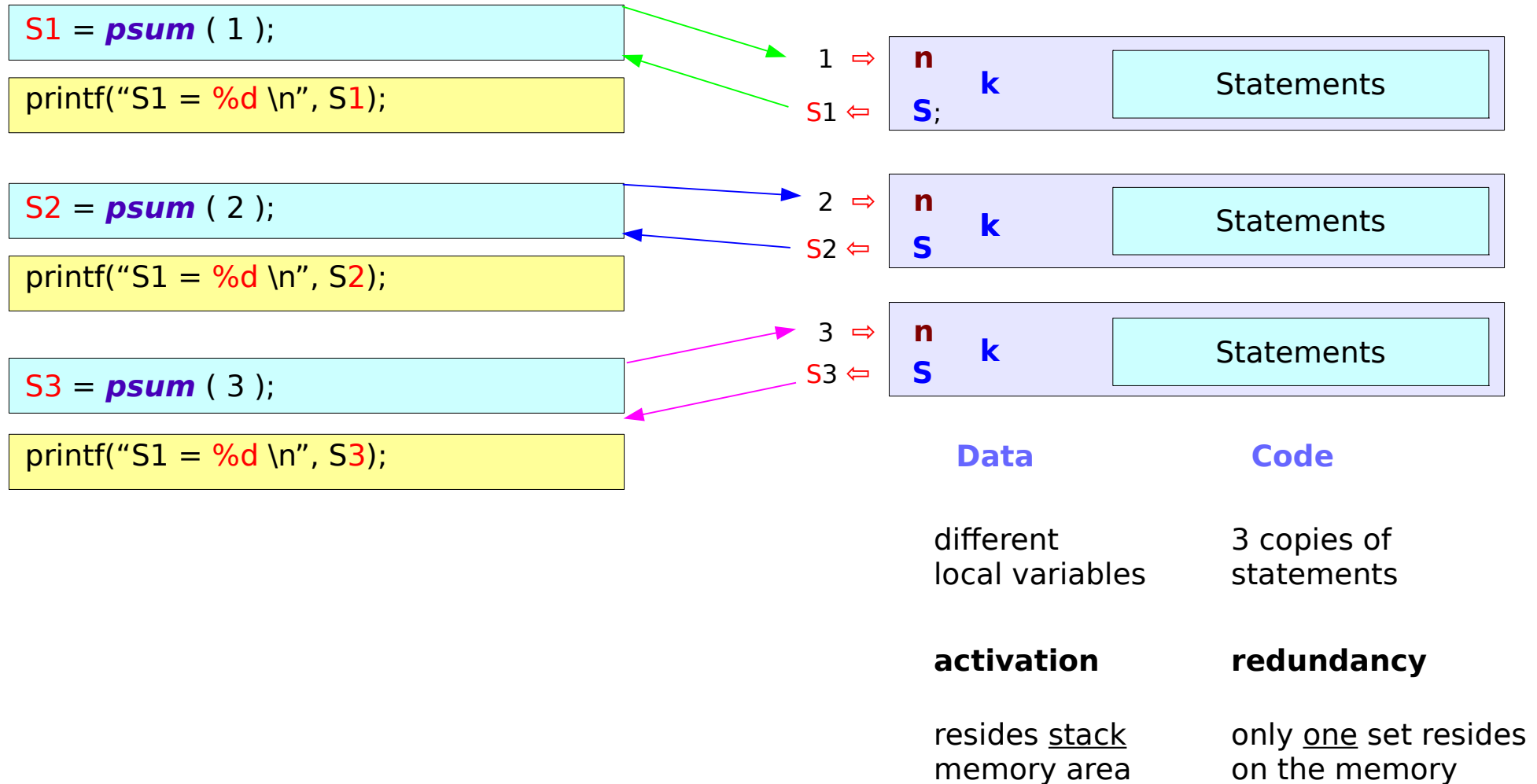


**n**

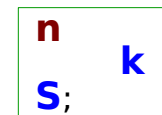
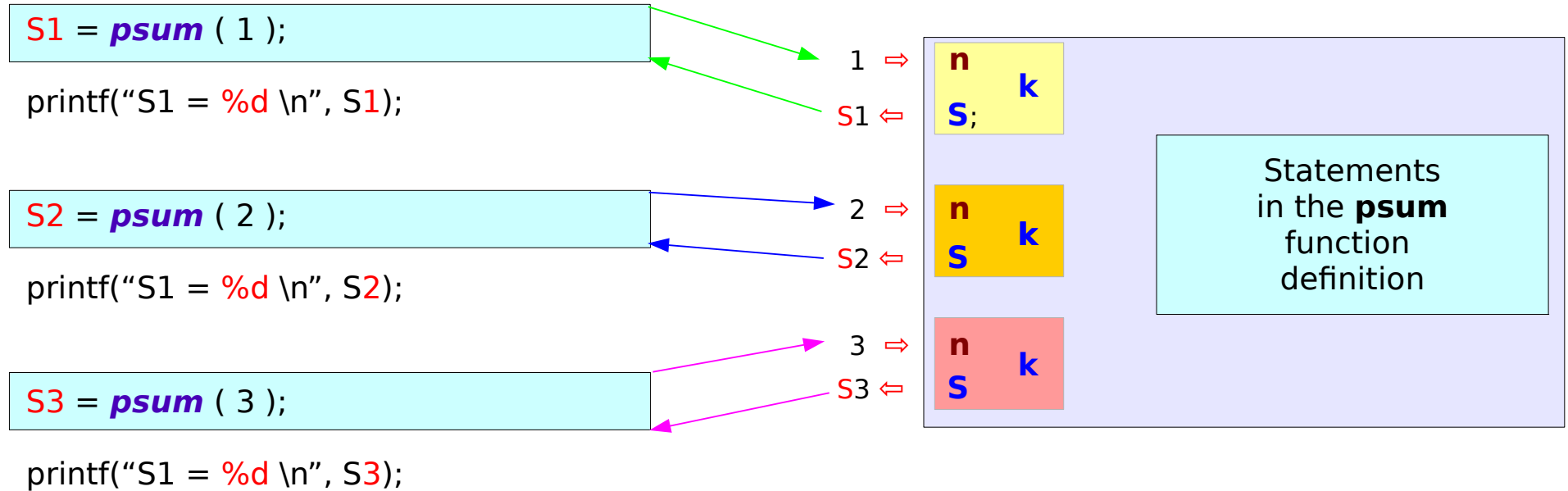
Statements

(formal)  
**Parameter  
Variable n**

# Data and Code



# Local Variables



**Active** only when **psum()** is called

# Function Prototype and Definition

```

    ⇒ ;
{
    int n = input_n;
    int k, S = 0;
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;
}
⇐ S;
```

## Function Prototype

⇐ int *psum* (int n) ;

## Function Definition

```

int psum (int n)
{
    int k, S = 0;
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;
    return S;
}
```

# Function Prototype & Definition in a File

src1.c

```
int psum (int n) ;
```

```
int main (void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int S1, S2, S3;
```

```
    S1 = psum ( 1 );
```

```
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);
```

```
    S2 = psum ( 2 );
```

```
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);
```

```
    S3 = psum ( 3 );
```

```
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
int psum (int n)
```

```
{
```

```
    int k, S = 0;
```

```
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;
```

```
    return S;
```

```
}
```

To inform the compiler  
that **psum** is the **name of a function**  
which has one integer type input  
and whose output type is integer

Since **psum** identifier is declared,  
**psum** can be **used** here.

What the function **psum** actually does  
is defined here.

```
gcc -o run src1.c
```

```
./run
```

# Only Function Definition in a File

src2.c

```
int psum (int n)  
{  
    int k, S = 0;  
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;  
    return S;  
}
```

```
int main (void)  
{  
    int S1, S2, S3;  
  
    S1 = psum ( 1 );  
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);  
    S2 = psum ( 2 );  
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);  
    S3 = psum ( 3 );  
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

The function **psum** is defined here.

Since **psum** identifier is declared  
(actually the function is defined),  
**psum** can be used here.

gcc -o run src2.c

./run

# One File Examples

src1.c

```
int psum (int n) ;
```

```
int main (void)
```

```
{  
    int S1, S2, S3;  
  
    S1 = psum ( 1 );  
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);  
    S2 = psum ( 2 );  
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);  
    S3 = psum ( 3 );  
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
int psum (int n)
```

```
{  
    int k, S = 0;  
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;  
    return S;  
}
```

src2.c

```
int psum (int n)
```

```
{  
    int k, S = 0;  
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;  
    return S;  
}
```

```
int main (void)
```

```
{  
    int S1, S2, S3;  
  
    S1 = psum ( 1 );  
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);  
    S2 = psum ( 2 );  
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);  
    S3 = psum ( 3 );  
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```



# Two File Examples

src3.c

```
int psum (int n) ;
```

```
int main (void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int S1, S2, S3;
```

```
    S1 = psum ( 1 );
```

```
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);
```

```
    S2 = psum ( 2 );
```

```
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);
```

```
    S3 = psum ( 3 );
```

```
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

src4.c

```
int psum (int n)
```

```
{
```

```
    int k, S = 0;
```

```
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;
```

```
    return S;
```

```
}
```

gcc -c src3.c → src3.o

gcc -c src4.c → src4.o

gcc -o run src3.o src4.o

./run

# Header File Examples

src5.h

```
int psum (int n) ;
```

src5.c

```
#include "src4.h"
```

```
int main (void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int S1, S2, S3;
```

```
    S1 = psum ( 1 );
```

```
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);
```

```
    S2 = psum ( 2 );
```

```
    printf("S2 = %d \n", S2);
```

```
    S3 = psum ( 3 );
```

```
    printf("S3 = %d \n", S3);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

src6.c

```
int psum (int n)
```

```
{
```

```
    int k, S = 0;
```

```
    for (k=1; k<=n; ++k) S += k;
```

```
    return S;
```

```
}
```

gcc -c src5.c → src5.o

gcc -c src6.c → src6.o

gcc -o run src5.o src6.o

./run

# Function Definitions (1)

```
int func1 (void)
{

}
```

```
int func2 (void)
{

}
```

```
int main (void)
{

}
```

functions are defined  
outside the main function

# Function Definitions (2)

```
int func1 (void)
{
```

```
    int func3 (void)
    {
    }
}
```

Nested function definitions  
are not allowed

```
int main (void)
{
```

```
    int func2 (void)
    {
    }
}
```

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