

Functions & Variables (1A)

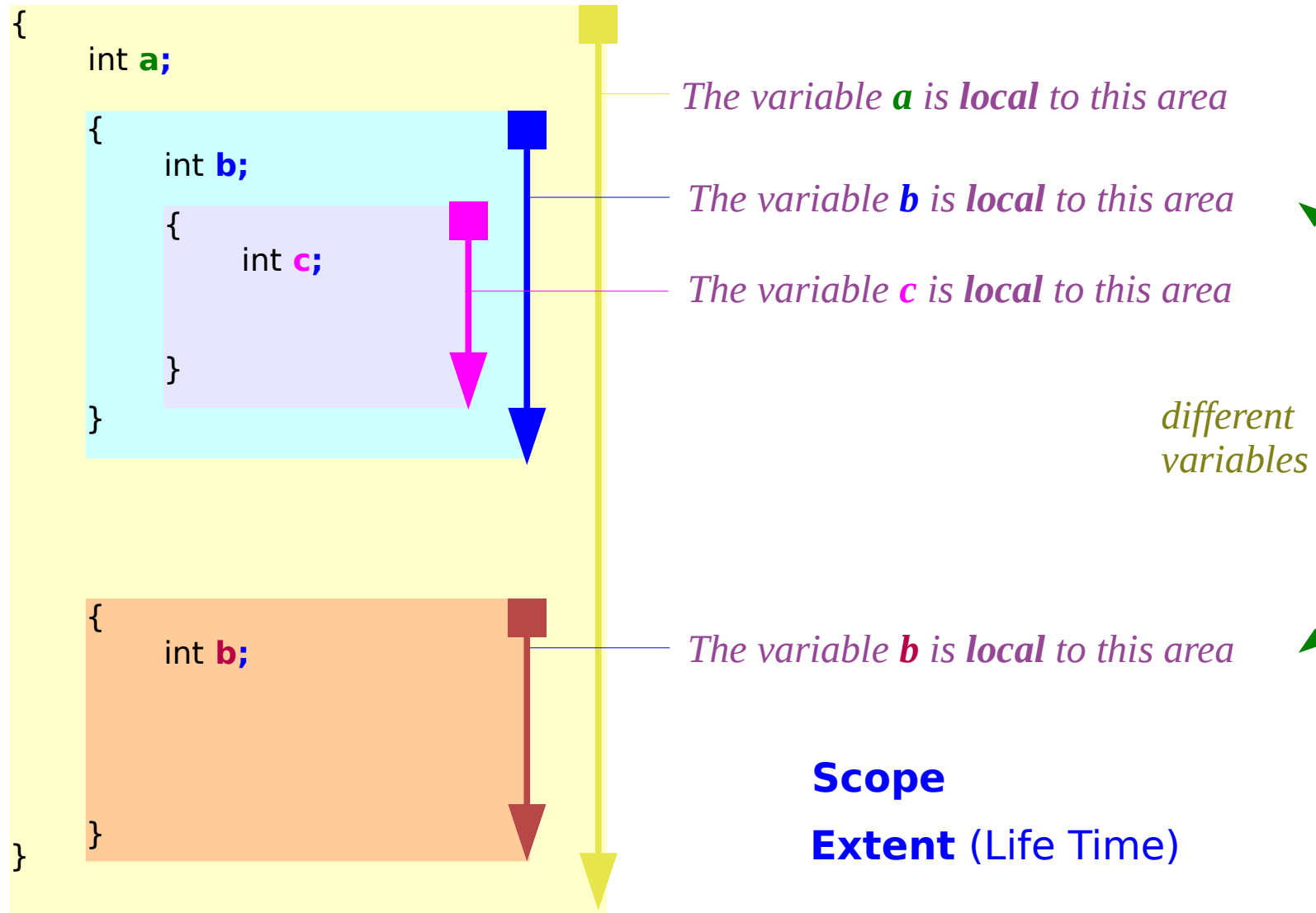
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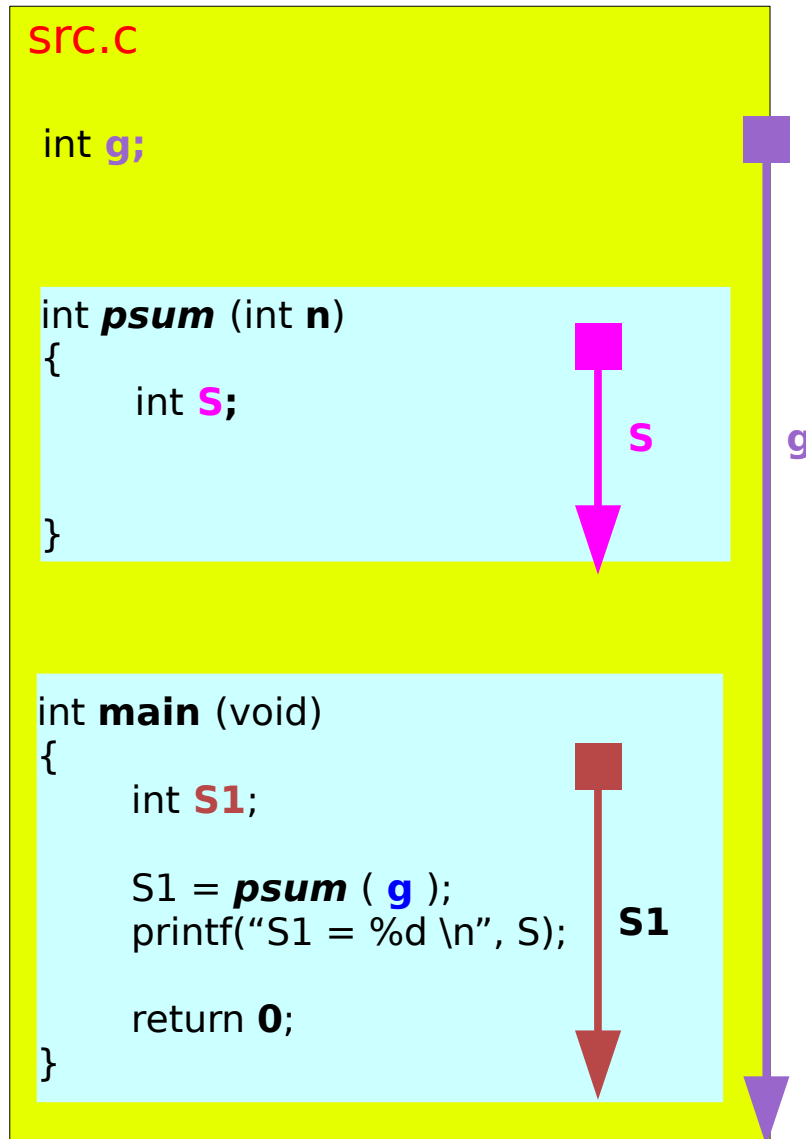
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Scope



Global vs. Local Variables



The variable **g** is not **local** to any block
It is defined outside of the main function
It is therefore **global**.

Assembly Code (Text)

src.c

```
int g = 2;
```

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

```
int main (void)
{
    int S1;
    S1 = psum ( g );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S);
    return 0;
}
```

psum.o: file format elf64-x86-64

Disassembly of section .text: start address (to be relocated later)

```
0000000000000000 <psum>:
0: 55                push %rbp
1: 48 89 e5          mov  %rsp,%rbp
4: 89 7d ec          mov  %edi,-0x14(%rbp)
7: c7 45 fc 00 00 00 00  movl $0x0,-0x4(%rbp)
e: c7 45 f8 01 00 00 00  movl $0x1,-0x8(%rbp)
15: eb 0a            jmp  21 <psum+0x21>
17: 8b 45 f8          mov  -0x8(%rbp),%eax
1a: 01 45 fc          add  %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
1d: 83 45 f8 01      addl $0x1,-0x8(%rbp)
21: 8b 45 f8          mov  -0x8(%rbp),%eax
24: 3b 45 ec          cmp  -0x14(%rbp),%eax
27: 7e ee            jle  17 <psum+0x17>
29: 8b 45 fc          mov  -0x4(%rbp),%eax
2c: 5d                pop  %rbp
2d: c3                retq
```

```
S1 = psum(1);
8: bf 01 00 00 00    mov  $0x1,%edi
d: e8 00 00 00 00    callq 12 <main+0x12>
12: 89 45 f4          mov  %eax,-0xc(%rbp)
```

go to where **psum** routine is

Local Variables in a Stack Frame

```
int main (void)
{
    int S1 = 0;

    → printf("S1 = %d \n", S);
    S1 = psum ( g );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S);

    return 0;
}
```

```
int main (void)
{
    int S1 = 0;

    printf("S1 = %d \n", S);
    → S1 = psum ( g );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S);

    return 0;
}
```

```
int main (void)
{
    int S1 = 0;

    printf("S1 = %d \n", S);
    S1 = psum ( g );
    → printf("S1 = %d \n", S);

    return 0;
}
```

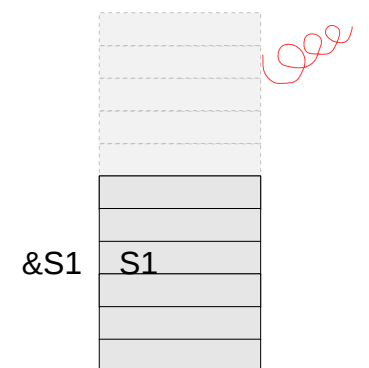
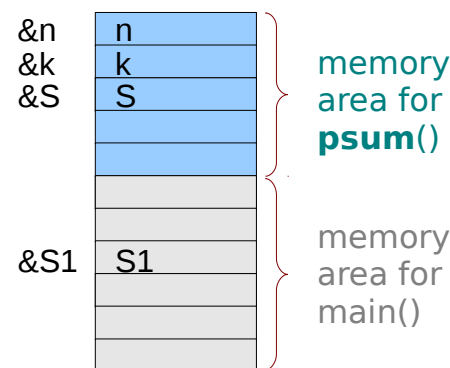
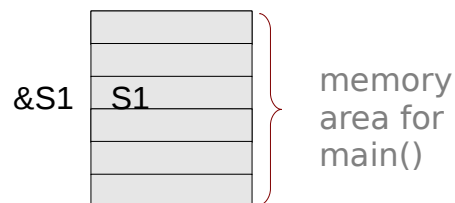
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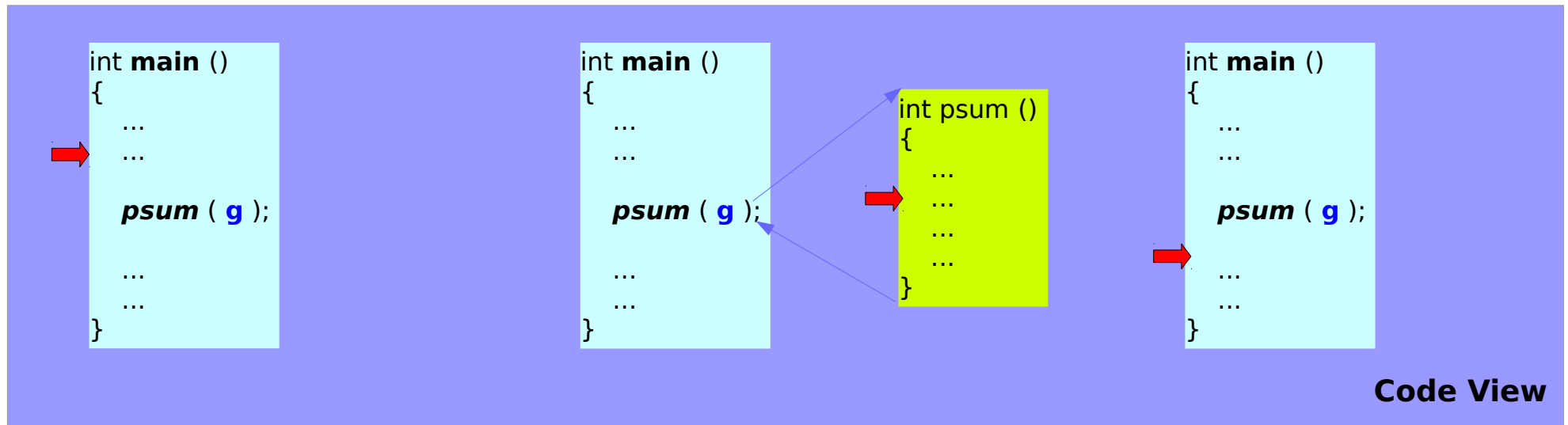
before the call to psum()

during psum() is being executed

after the call to psum()



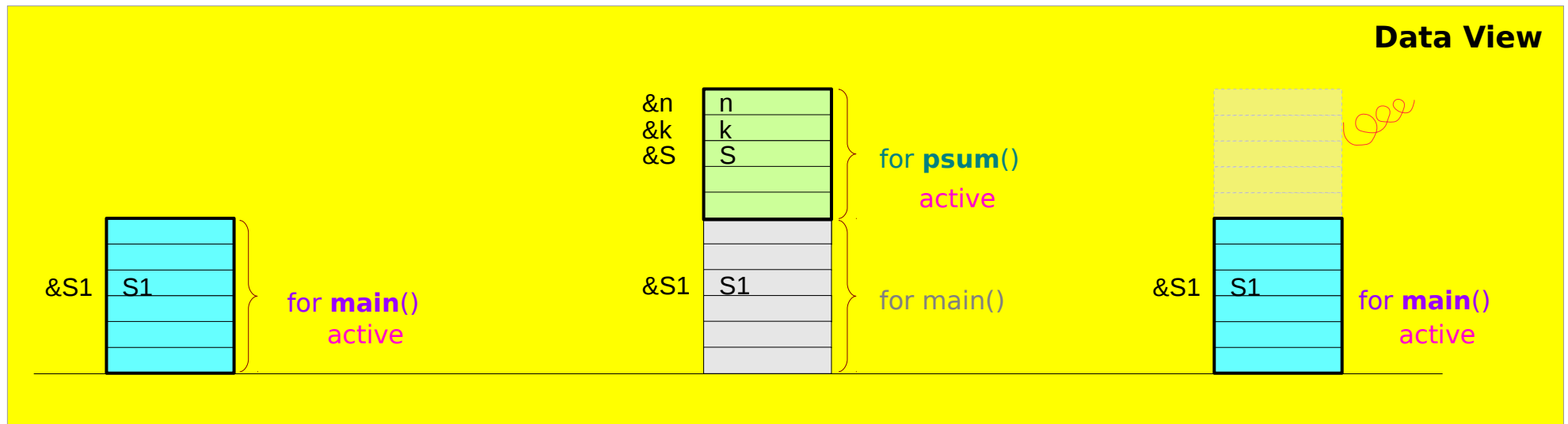
Local Variables in a Stack Frame



before the call to `psum()`

during `psum()` is being executed

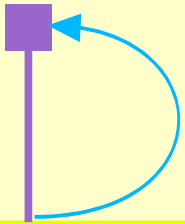
after the call to `psum()`



Static Variable

src.c

```
int psum (int n)
{
    static int S = 0;
    S += n;
    return (S);
}
```



```
int main (void)
{
    int S1;

    S1 = psum ( 1 );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S1);
    S2 = psum ( 2 );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S2);
    S3 = psum ( 3 );
    printf("S1 = %d \n", S3);

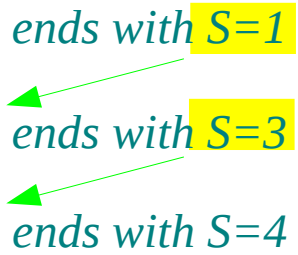
    return 0;
}
```

Static Specifier

psum starts with $S=0$, ends with $S=1$ 1

psum starts with $S=1$, ends with $S=3$ 1+2

psum starts with $S=3$, ends with $S=4$ 1+2+3



Function Prototypes

1. no parameters

```
int main (void)
```

2. a fixed number of parameters

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

```
int func ( )
```

accepts a **constant** but **unknown** number of arguments

3. a variable number of parameters

```
int printf (const char *format , )
```

one fixed parameter

variable number of parameters

```
int func (...) (not ISO C)
```

accepts a **variable** number of arguments

but must have at least **one fixed** parameter for the use in the standard library (ISO C)

```
printf ("%d %d", a, b);
```

Function Prototypes Examples

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

```
void main(void)  
{  
    int a=10, b=20, c;  
  
    c = sum(a, b);  
  
    printf("c=%d \n", c);  
}
```

```
int sum(int x, int y)  
{  
    return x + y;  
}
```

```
int sum (int, int);
```

```
int sum ();
```

```
int sum (...);
```

```
int sum (int);
```

a **constant** but **unknown**
number of arguments

Function printf() Prototype

```
extern int printf (const char * __restrict __format, ...);
```

`__restrict`: the reference is not aliased in the local context

```
int printf (const char *format, ...);
```

```
printf("Hello, world!\n");
```

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

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

```
printf("a=%c, b=%c, c=%c\n", a, b, c);
```

zero argument

one argument

two arguments

three arguments

Three Macros

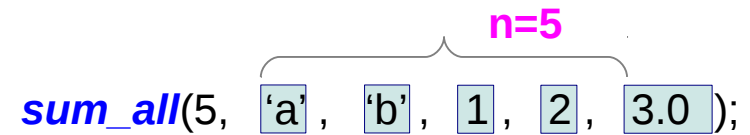
va_list vl; variable list definition

va_start (vl, n); initialization with the number of elements

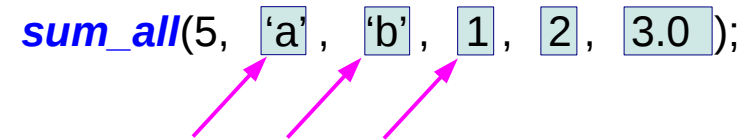
va_arg(vl, int); pop each element in the list with the specified type

va_end(vl); finalize the use of macros

sum_all(5, 'a', 'b', 1, 2, 3.0);



sum_all(5, 'a', 'b', 1, 2, 3.0);



a = va_arg(vl, int);	the 1st use
b = va_arg(vl, int);	the 2nd use
1 = va_arg(vl, int);	the 3rd use
2 = va_arg(vl, int);	the 4th use
3.0 = va_arg(vl, double);	the 5th use

Variable Number of Arguments

```
int sum_all (int n, ...)
```

```
{  
    int i, sum;
```

```
    va_list vl;
```

```
    va_start (vl, n);
```

```
    sum = 0;
```

```
    for (i=0; i<n; ++i) {
```

```
        sum += va_arg(vl, int);
```

```
    }
```

```
    va_end(vl);
```

```
    return sum;
```

```
}
```

// n elements

// take each int element

```
va_start (vl, n);
```

n=5

```
sum_all(5, a, b, 1, 2, 3);
```

```
a ← va_arg(vl, int); the 1st use
```

```
b ← va_arg(vl, int); the 2nd use
```

```
1 ← va_arg(vl, int); the 3rd use
```

```
2 ← va_arg(vl, int); the 4th use
```

```
3 ← va_arg(vl, int); the 5th use
```

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

```
void sum_all (int, ...);
```

```
void main(void)
```

```
{  
    int a=10, b=20, c;
```

```
    c = sum_all(2, a, b);
```

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

```
    c = sum_all(5, a, b, 1, 2, 3);
```

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

```
}
```

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