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Lecture 20

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    return 0;
}

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    int c=a+b;
    return c;
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## Example : implementing fact

```
#include<stdio.h>
int fact(int);

int main() {
    int x, y;
    printf("Enter a number:");
    scanf("%d", &x);
    y = fact(x);
    printf("%d\n",y);
}

int fact(int n) {
    int i = 1;
    while(n>0) {
        i = i * n;
        n--;
    }
    return i;
}
```



## Example : Checking co-primeness

```
#include "stdio.h"
int GCD (int m, int n) {
    int rem;
    do {
        rem = m % n;
        m = n;
        n = rem;
    } while (rem != 0);
    return m; }
int main () {
    int x, y, gcd;
    printf ("input two nonzero positive integers:");
    scanf ("%d %d", &x, &y);
    gcd = GCD (x, y);
    if (gcd == 1)
        printf ("%d and %d are coprime\n", x, y);
    else
        printf ("%d and %d are not coprime\n", x, y); }
```

## Example : Matrix Multiplication by Repeated Addition

```
#include "stdio.h"
int mult(int a, int b) {
    int i;
    int sum = 0;
    for (i = 1; i <= a; i++)
        sum = sum + b;
    return sum;
}
int main () {
    int x, y;
    printf ("input two integers (positive)");
    scanf ("%d %d", &x, &y);
    printf ("Product of %d and %d is %d\n",x, y,  mult(x,y));
    return 0;
}
```

## Example : Finding Prime Numbers in an Interval

```
#include <stdio.h>
int checkPrimeNumber(int n);
int main() {
    int n1, n2, i, flag;
    printf("Enter two positive integers: ");
    scanf("%d %d", &n1, &n2);
    printf("Prime numbers between %d and %d are: ", n1, n2);
    for (i = n1 + 1; i < n2; ++i) {
        flag = checkPrimeNumber(i);
        if (flag == 1)    printf("%d ", i);    }
    return 0; }
int checkPrimeNumber(int n) {
    int j, flag = 1;
    for (j = 2; j <= n / 2; ++j) {
        if (n % j == 0) {
            flag = 0;
            break;
        } }
    return flag; }
```

## Example : Swapping Two Numbers

```
#include<stdio.h>
void swap(int *a, int *b);

int main()
{
    int m = 22, n = 44;
    // calling swap function by reference
    printf("values before swap m = %d \n and n = %d",m,n);
    swap(&m, &n);
}

void swap(int *a, int *b)
{
    int tmp;
    tmp = *a;
    *a = *b;
    *b = tmp;
    printf("\n values after swap a = %d \nand b = %d", *a, *b);
}
```

## Example : Binary to Decimal Conversion

```
#include <math.h>
#include <stdio.h>
int convert(long long n);
int main() {
    long long n;
    printf("Enter a binary number: ");
    scanf("%lld", &n);
    printf("%lld in binary = %d in decimal", n, convert(n));
    return 0;
}
int convert(long long n) {
    int dec = 0, i = 0, rem;
    while (n != 0) {
        rem = n % 10;
        n /= 10;
        dec += rem * pow(2, i);
        ++i; }
    return dec; }
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    int j;
    for(j=0;j<pattern_length;j++)
    {
        if(string[from+j]=='\0') return 0;;
        if(pattern[j]!=string[from+j]) return 0;
    }
    return 1;
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char string[1024],pattern[1024];
int string_length, pattern_length,from;

int search_pattern(void);
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int search_pattern()
{
    int i,yesno;

    i = 0;
    for (i=0; i<string_length; i++)
    {
        from = i;
        yesno = search_pattern_from();
        if (yesno != 0) return (from+1);
    }
    return(-1);
}
```

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int global;           // a global variable
int main()
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    int local;       // a local variable

    global = 1;     // global can be used here
    local = 2;     // so can local

    {               // beginning a new block
        int very_local // this is local to the block

        very_local = global+local;

    }

    // We just closed the block
    // very_local can not be used
}
```

The diagram illustrates the scope of variables in the provided code. Three nested curly brackets on the left side indicate the following scopes:

- Scope of global:** Encompasses the entire program, from the first line to the final closing brace.
- Scope of local:** Encompasses the `main()` function, from its opening brace to its closing brace.
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**Local** vs **Global** variables : var1 is global but var2 is local for main function.

## Use of static

```
#include "stdio.h"
void DoSomething() {
    static int x=5;
    {
        static int y=6;
        x++;
        y++;
        printf ("x = %d y = %d\n", x, y);
    }
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int main () {
    int i;
    for (i = 1; i < 10; i++)
        DoSomething();
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- `putsymbol(i,j,c)` : Assuming we checked the legality of the move by the player, put down the symbol `c` (which is either 'X' or 'O') at the entry `board[i][j]`.