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PROGRAMMING FOR PROBLEM SOLVING

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UNIT II – C PROGRAMMING BASICS

TOPIC – STRUCTURE OF A C PROGRAM



STRUCTURE OF A C PROGRAM



Structure of a C program

Basically the structure of a C program divides into 6 sections and they are,

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Preprocessor

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Definition

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Global declaration

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Main function

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User defined functions



Documentation Section

- ✓ It includes the statement specified at the beginning of a program, such as a program's **name**, **date**, **description**, and **title**, which is represented using commands
- ✓ Single line commands will be represented by //
- ✓ Multi – line commands will be represented as /* */

```
//program1.c
```

```
/*  
...  
Overview of code  
...  
*/
```

Preprocessor Section

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



Preprocessor Section (contd..)

- ✓ The preprocessor section contains all the header files used in a program. It informs the system to link the header files to the system libraries
- ✓ A header file in C/C++ contains:
 - i) **Function definitions** ii) **Data type definitions** iii) **Macros**
- ✓ Header files offer these features by importing them into your program with the help of a preprocessor directive called **#include**.
- ✓ These preprocessor directives are responsible for instructing the C/C++ compiler that these files need to be processed before compilation.



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- ✓ Every C program should necessarily contain the header file `<stdio.h>` which stands for standard input and output used to take input with the help of `scanf()` function and display the output using `printf()` function.
- ✓ The source file contains `#include` which is responsible for directing the C/C++ compiler that this file needs to be processed before compilation and includes all the necessary data type and function definitions



Define Section

- ✍ The define section comprises of different constants declared using the define keyword

```
#define a = 4
```

Global declaration

- ✍ The global section comprises of all the global declarations in the program.
- ✍ Anything which is declared as global can be used throughout the entire program
- ✍ It should be declared before the main function

Main function

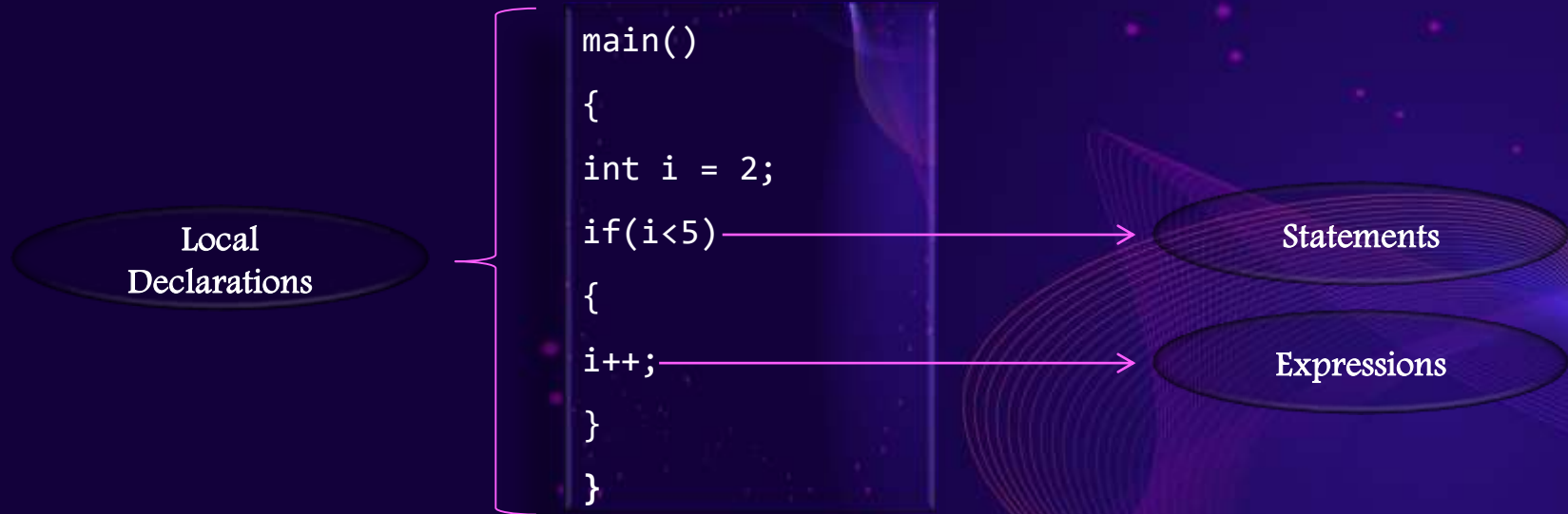
- ✍ main() is the first function to be executed by the computer.
- ✍ It is necessary for a code to include the main(). It is like any other function available in the C library.
- ✍ Parenthesis () are used for passing parameters (if any) to a function.



Declaration of main()

main() function can be declared in three ways

- ✍ main()
- ✍ void main() ~ specifies that program will not return any value
- ✍ int main() ~ specifies that program can return integer type data





User defined functions

- ✍ The user defined functions specified the functions specified as per the requirements of the user.
- ✍ For example, color(), sum(), division(), etc.

Basic Syntax

```
#include<stdio.h> //(Header Files)
main( )           //(Main function)
{
// Statements to be executed;
}
```



Editor and file creation

Editor used: Turbo C++





Example

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#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>
void main()
{
int a,b,c;
clrscr();
printf("Enter a number for a:");
scanf("%d", &a);
printf("Enter a number for b:");
scanf("%d", &b);
c=a+b;
printf("The sum of the two numbers %d and %d is: %d ", a,b,c);
getch();
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Example

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pr Change dir...
sc Print
pr DOS shell
sc
c= Quit Alt+X
pr
getch();
}
```

```
for a:");
for b:");

two numbers >d and >d is: >d ", a,b,c);
```

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NONAME01.CPP 1-[+]
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#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>
void main()
{
int a,b,c;
clrscr();
printf("Enter a
scanf("%d", &a)
printf("Enter a
scanf("%d", &b)
c=a+b;
printf("The sum
getch();
}
```

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