

# 403-2:Functions

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# Introduction

- Divide and conquer
  - Construct a program from smaller pieces or components
  - Each piece more manageable than the original program

## 3.2 Program Components in C++

- Programs written by
  - combining new functions with “prepackaged” functions in the C++ standard library.
  - new classes with “prepackaged” classes.
- The standard library provides a rich collection of functions.
- Functions are invoked by a function call
  - A function call specifies the function name and provides information (as arguments) that the called function needs
  - Boss to worker analogy:  
*A boss (the calling function or caller) asks a worker (the called function) to perform a task and return (i.e., report back) the results when the task is done.*

# Program Components in C++

- Function definitions
  - Only written once
  - These statements are hidden from other functions.
  - Boss to worker analogy:  
*The boss does not know how the worker gets the job done; he just wants it done*

## 3.3 Math Library Functions

- Math library functions
  - Allow the programmer to perform common mathematical calculations
  - Are used by including the header file **<cmath>**
- Functions called by writing  
*functionName (argument)*
- Example

```
cout << sqrt( 900.0 );
```

  - Calls the **sqrt** (square root) function. The preceding statement would print **30**
  - The **sqrt** function takes an argument of type **double** and returns a result of type **double**, as do all functions in the math library

## 3.3 Math Library Functions

- Function arguments can be

- Constants

```
sqrt( 4 );
```

- Variables

```
sqrt( x );
```

- Expressions

```
sqrt( sqrt( x ) );
```

```
sqrt( 3 - 6x );
```

## 3.4 Functions

- Functions
  - Allow the programmer to modularize a program
- Local variables
  - Known only in the function in which they are defined
  - All variables declared in function definitions are local variables
- Parameters
  - Local variables passed when the function is called that provide the function with outside information

# Functions

- Why write functions?
  - modularity
  - re-use
  - maintenance / testing



## 3.5 Function Definitions

- Create customized functions to
  - Take in data
  - Perform operations
  - Return the result

- Format for function definition:


```
return-value-type function-name( parameter-list )  
{  
    declarations and statements  
}
```

- Example:

```
int square( int y)  
{  
    return y * y;  
}
```

```
1 // Fig. 3.3: fig03_03.cpp
2 // Creating and using a programmer-defined function
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 int square( int );    // function prototype
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     for ( int x = 1; x <= 10; x++ )
13         cout << square( x ) << " ";
14
15     cout << endl;
16     return 0;
17 }
18
19 // Function definition
20 int square( int y )
21 {
22     return y * y;
23 }
```

Notice how parameters and return value are declared.



1	4	9	16	25	36	49	64	81	100
---	---	---	----	----	----	----	----	----	-----

```
1 // Fig. 3.4: fig03_04.cpp
2 // Finding the maximum of three integers
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::cin;
7 using std::endl;
8
9 int maximum( int, int, int );    // function prototype
10
11 int main()
12 {
13     int a, b, c;
14
15     cout << "Enter three integers: ";
16     cin >> a >> b >> c;
17
18     // a, b and c below are arguments to
19     // the maximum function call
20     cout << "Maximum is: " << maximum( a, b, c ) << endl;
```

```
21
22     return 0;
23 }
24
25 // Function maximum definition
26 // x, y and z below are parameters to
27 // the maximum function definition
28 int maximum( int x, int y, int z )
29 {
30     int max = x;
31
32     if ( y > max )
33         max = y;
34
35     if ( z > max )
36         max = z;
37
38     return max;
39 }
```

```
Enter three integers: 22 85 17
Maximum is: 85
```

```
Enter three integers: 92 35 14
Maximum is: 92
```

```
Enter three integers: 45 19 98
Maximum is: 98
```

## 3.6 Function Prototypes

- Function prototype
  - Function name
  - Parameters
    - Information the function takes in
    - C++ is “strongly typed” – error to pass a parameter of the wrong type
  - Return type
    - Type of information the function passes back to caller (default **int**)
    - **void** signifies the function returns nothing
  - Only needed if function definition comes after the function call in the program
- Example:

```
int maximum( int, int, int );
```

  - Takes in 3 **ints**
  - Returns an **int**

## 3.7 Header Files

- Header files
  - Contain function prototypes for library functions
  - `<cstdlib>` , `<cmath>`, etc.
  - Load with `#include <filename>`
    - Example:  
`#include <cmath>`
- Custom header files
  - Defined by the programmer
  - Save as `filename.h`
  - Loaded into program using  
`#include "filename.h"`

## 3.8 Random Number Generation

- **rand** function

```
i = rand();
```

- Load **<cstdlib>**
- Generates a pseudorandom number between 0 and **RAND\_MAX** (usually 32767)
  - A pseudorandom number is a preset sequence of "random" numbers
  - The same sequence is generated upon every program execution

- **srand** function

- Jumps to a seeded location in a "random" sequence

```
srand( seed );
```

```
srand( time( 0 ) );    //must include <ctime>
```

- **time( 0 )**
  - The time at which the program was compiled
- Changes the seed every time the program is compiled, thereby allowing **rand** to generate random numbers

## 3.8 Random Number Generation

- Scaling
  - Reduces random number to a certain range
  - Modulus ( % ) operator
    - Reduces number between 0 and **RAND\_MAX** to a number between 0 and the scaling factor
  - Example
    - $$i = \text{rand}() \% 6 + 1;$$
    - Generates a number between **1** and **6**



```

1 // Fig. 3.7: fig03_07.cpp
2 // Shifted, scaled integers produced by 1 + rand() % 6
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 #include <iomanip>
9
10 using std::setw;
11
12 #include <cstdlib>
13
14 int main()
15 {
16     for ( int i = 1; i <= 20; i++ ) {
17         cout << setw( 10 ) << ( 1 + rand() % 6 );
18
19         if ( i % 5 == 0 )
20             cout << endl;
21     }
22
23     return 0;
24 }

```

Notice **rand() % 6**. This returns a number between 0 and 5 (scaling). Add 1 to get a number between 1 and 6.

Executing the program again gives the same "random" dice rolls.

5	5	3	5	5
2	4	2	5	5
5	3	2	2	1
5	1	4	6	4

```
1 // Fig. 3.9: fig03_09.cpp
2 // Randomizing die-rolling program
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::cin;
7 using std::endl;
8
9 #include <iomanip>
10
11 using std::setw;
12
13 #include <cstdlib>
14
15 int main()
16 {
17     unsigned seed;
18
19     cout << "Enter seed: ";
20     cin >> seed;
21     srand( seed );
22
23     for ( int i = 1; i <= 10; i++ ) {
24         cout << setw( 10 ) << 1 + rand() % 6;
25
26         if ( i % 5 == 0 )
27             cout << endl;
28     }
29
30     return 0;
31 }
```

Enter seed: 67				
1	6	5	1	4
5	6	3	1	2
Enter seed: 432				
4	2	6	4	3
2	5	1	4	4
Enter seed: 67				
1	6	5	1	4
5	6	3	1	2

Notice how the die rolls  
change with the seed.

# Program Output

## 3.9 Storage Classes

- Storage class specifiers
  - Storage class
    - Where object exists in memory
  - Scope
    - Where object is referenced in program
  - Linkage
    - Where an identifier is known
- Automatic storage
  - Object created and destroyed within its block
  - **auto**
    - Default for local variables.
    - Example:  

```
auto float x, y;
```
  - **register**
    - Tries to put variables into high-speed registers
  - Can only be used with local variables and parameters

# Storage Classes

- Static storage
  - Variables exist for entire program execution
  - **static**
    - Local variables defined in functions
    - Keep value after function ends
    - Only known in their own function
  - **Extern**
    - Default for global variables and functions.
    - Known in any function

# Scope Rules

- File scope
  - Defined outside a function, known in all functions
  - Examples include, global variables, function definitions and functions prototypes
- Function scope
  - Can only be referenced inside a function body
  - Only labels (**start:**, **case:**, etc.)
- Block scope
  - Declared inside a block. Begins at declaration, ends at }
  - Variables, function parameters (local variables of function)
  - Outer blocks “hidden” from inner blocks if same variable name
- Function prototype scope
  - Identifiers in parameter list
  - Names in function prototype optional, and can be used anywhere

```

1 // Fig. 3.12: fig03_12.cpp
2 // A scoping example
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 void a( void ); // function prototype
9 void b( void ); // function prototype
10 void c( void ); // function prototype
11
12 int x = 1; // global variable
13
14 int main()
15 {
16     int x = 5; // local variable to main
17
18     cout << "local x in outer scope of main is " << x << endl;
19
20     { // start new scope
21         int x = 7;
22
23         cout << "local x in inner scope of main is " << x << endl;
24     } // end new scope
25
26     cout << "local x in outer scope of main is " << x << endl;
27
28     a(); // a has automatic local x
29     b(); // b has static local x
30     c(); // c uses global x
31     a(); // a reinitializes a local x
32     b(); // static local x retains its previous value
33     c(); // global x also retains its value
34

```

**x** is different inside and outside the block.

local x in outer scope of main is 5  
 local x in inner scope of main is 7  
 local x in outer scope of main is 5

9

```

35 cout << "local x in main is " << x << endl;
36
37 return 0;
38 }

```

Local automatic variables are created and destroyed each time **a** is called.

```

40 void a( void )
41 {
42     int x = 25; // initialized each time a is called
43
44     cout << endl << "local x in a is " << x
45           << " after entering a" << endl;
46     ++x;
47     cout << "local x in a is " << x
48           << " before exiting a" << endl;
49 }

```

local x in a is 25 after entering a  
local x in a is 26 before exiting a

```

50
51 void b( void )
52 {
53     static int x = 50; // Static initialization on
54                       // first time b is called.
55     cout << endl << "local static x is " << x
56           << " on entering b" << endl;
57     ++x;
58     cout << "local static x is " << x
59           << " on exiting b" << endl;
60 }

```

Local static variables are not destroyed when the function ends.

local static x is 50 on entering b  
local static x is 51 on exiting b

```

61
62 void c( void )
63 {
64     cout << endl << "global x is " << x
65           << " on entering c" << endl;
66     x *= 10;
67     cout << "global x is " << x << " on exiting c" << endl;
68 }

```

Global variables are always accessible. Function **c** references the global **x**.

global x is 1 on entering c  
global x is 10 on exiting c



local x in outer scope of main is 5  
local x in inner scope of main is 7  
local x in outer scope of main is 5

local x in a is 25 after entering a  
local x in a is 26 before exiting a

local static x is 50 on entering b  
local static x is 51 on exiting b

global x is 1 on entering c  
global x is 10 on exiting c

local x in a is 25 after entering a  
local x in a is 26 before exiting a

local static x is 51 on entering b  
local static x is 52 on exiting b

global x is 10 on entering c  
global x is 100 on exiting c  
local x in main is 5

# References and Reference Parameters

- Call by value
  - Copy of data passed to function
  - Changes to copy do not change original
  - Used to prevent unwanted side effects
- Call by reference
  - Function can directly access data
  - Changes affect original
- Reference parameter alias for argument
  - **&** is used to signify a reference

```
void change( int &variable )  
    { variable += 3; }
```
  - Adds 3 to the variable inputted

```
int y = &x.
```
  - A change to **y** will now affect **x** as well

```
1 // Fig. 3.20: fig03_20.cpp
2 // Comparing call-by-value and call-by-reference
3 // with references.
4 #include <iostream>
5
6 using std::cout;
7 using std::endl;
8
9 int squareByValue( int );
10 void squareByReference( int & );
11
12 int main()
13 {
14     int x = 2, z = 4;
15
16     cout << "x = " << x << " before squareByValue\n"
17          << "Value returned by squareByValue: "
18          << squareByValue( x ) << endl
19          << "x = " << x << " after squareByValue\n" << endl;
20
21     cout << "z = " << z << " before squareByReference" << endl;
22     squareByReference( z );
23     cout << "z = " << z << " after squareByReference" << endl;
24
25     return 0;
26 }
27
28 int squareByValue( int a )
29 {
30     return a *= a;    // caller's argument not modified
31 }
```

```
32
33 void squareByReference( int &cRef )
34 {
35     cRef *= cRef;    // caller's argument modified
36 }
```

```
x = 2 before squareByValue
Value returned by squareByValue: 4
x = 2 after squareByValue

z = 4 before squareByReference
z = 16 after squareByReference
```

# Functions with Empty Parameter Lists

- Empty parameter lists
  - Either writing **void** or leaving a parameter list empty indicates that the function takes no arguments

```
void print();
```

or

```
void print( void );
```
  - Function **print** takes no arguments and returns no value

```
1 // Fig. 3.18: fig03_18.cpp
2 // Functions that take no arguments
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 void function1();
9 void function2( void );
10
11 int main()
12 {
13     function1();
14     function2();
15
16     return 0;
17 }
18
19 void function1()
20 {
21     cout << "function1 takes no arguments" << endl;
22 }
23
24 void function2( void )
25 {
26     cout << "function2 also takes no arguments" << endl;
27 }
```

```
function1 takes no arguments
function2 also takes no arguments
```

## 3.10 Default Arguments

- If function parameter omitted, gets default value
  - Can be constants, global variables, or function calls
  - If not enough parameters specified, rightmost go to their defaults
- Set defaults in function prototype

```
int defaultFunction( int x = 1,  
                    int y = 2, int z = 3 );
```

```
1 // Fig. 3.23: fig03_23.cpp
2 // Using default arguments
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 int boxVolume( int length = 1, int width = 1, int height = 1 );
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     cout << "The default box volume is: " << boxVolume()
13         << "\n\nThe volume of a box with length 10,\n"
14         << "width 1 and height 1 is: " << boxVolume( 10 )
15         << "\n\nThe volume of a box with length 10,\n"
16         << "width 5 and height 1 is: " << boxVolume( 10, 5 )
17         << "\n\nThe volume of a box with length 10,\n"
18         << "width 5 and height 2 is: " << boxVolume( 10, 5, 2 )
19         << endl;
20
21     return 0;
22 }
23
24 // Calculate the volume of a box
25 int boxVolume( int length, int width, int height )
26 {
27     return length * width * height;
28 }
```



```
The default box volume is: 1
```

```
The volume of a box with length 10,  
width 1 and height 1 is: 10
```

```
The volume of a box with length 10,  
width 5 and height 1 is: 50
```

```
The volume of a box with length 10,  
width 5 and height 2 is: 100
```

# Program Output

## 3.11 Function Overloading

- Function overloading
  - Having functions with same name and different parameters
  - Should perform similar tasks ( i.e., a function to square **ints**, and function to square **floats**).

```
int square( int x) {return x * x;}  
float square(float x) { return x * x; }
```
  - Program chooses function by signature
    - signature determined by function name and parameter types
  - Can have the same return types

```

1 // Fig. 3.25: fig03_25.cpp
2 // Using overloaded functions
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 int square( int x ) { return x * x; }
9
10 double square( double y ) { return y * y; }
11
12 int main()
13 {
14     cout << "The square of integer 7 is " << square( 7 )
15         << "\nThe square of double 7.5 is " << square( 7.5 )
16         << endl;
17
18     return 0;
19 }

```

```

The square of integer 7 is 49
The square of double 7.5 is 56.25

```

End.