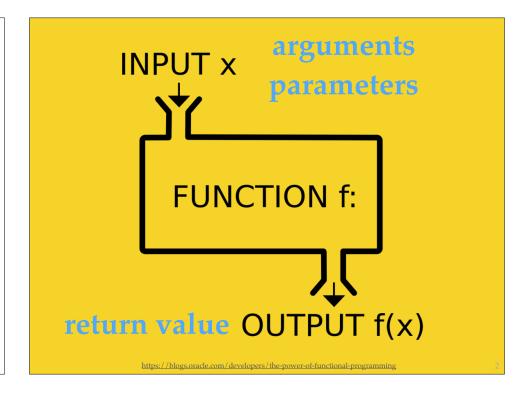
CSC 211: Computer Programming Functions

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INPUT x=3FUNCTION f: x^2 OUTPUT FUNCTION g: x+1OUTPUT g(f(x))=10https://blogs.oracle.com/developers/the-power-of-functional-programming

Functions

- A function is a group of statements that together perform a task (packaged as a unit)
- Top-down design
 - √ break the algorithm into specific subtasks
 - √ break each subtask into smaller subtasks
- Smaller subtasks are generally trivial to implement in the programming language

Functions

- Two major parts needed a function
 - ✓ Function Definition
 - √ Function Call

Why functions?

- Improves code readability
- Improves code maintainability
- · Allows easy code reuse

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Predefined functions

- · Predefined functions are found in libraries
 - ✓ the library must be included in a program
 - ✓ e.g. #include <cmath>
- Predefined functions can be invoked after including the proper library headers

Some <cmath> functions

Name	Description	Type of Arguments	Type of Value Returned	Example	Value	Library Header
sqrt	square root	doub1e	doub1e	sqrt(4.0)	2.0	cmath
pow	powers	doub1e	doub1e	pow(2.0,3.0)	8.0	cmath
abs	absolute value for int	int	int	abs(-7) abs(7)	7 7	cstdlib
labs	absolute value for <i>1 ong</i>	long	long	labs(-70000) labs(70000)	70000 70000	cstdlib
fabs	absolute value for <i>doub1e</i>	double	doub1e	fabs(-7.5) fabs(7.5)	7.5 7.5	cmath
ceil	ceiling (round up)	double	doub1e	ceil(3.2) ceil(3.9)	4.0 4.0	cmath
floor	floor (round down)	doub1e	doub1e	floor(3.2) floor(3.9)	3.0 3.0	cmath

Programmer defined functions (syntax)

```
// comment describing what function does
return_type function_name(parameters);

declaration

// ...
// statements
// ...

definition

return_type function_name(parameters) {
    // body of the function
}
```

Function declaration

- Tells compiler the **function signature**
 - ✓ name, parameters, return type
- Declarations are required to appear prior to a function call
 - √ unless a definition has already appeared
- Declarations are normally placed before the main function

```
// comment describing what function does
return_type function_name(parameters);
```

Function definition

- Provides the all details of a function
 - includes the actual body of the function (block of statements)
- Can only return one value using the return statement
 - ✓ Trick to return multiple values

```
return_type function_name(parameters) {
    // body of the function
}
```

Example |

```
int function(int param);
int main() {
    // ...
    a = function(val);
    // ...
}
int function(int param) {
    // body of the function
    // must return an integer
}
```

A different style ... int function(int param) { // body of the function // must return an integer } int main() { // ... a = function(val); // ... }

Parameter list

- Refers to the **type**, order, and number of parameters of a function
- · Parameters are optional
 - ✓ can be empty
- When a function is invoked, arguments are passed accordingly (with respect to the parameter list)

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Parameter list (example)

Refers to the **type**, order, and number of parameters of a function

```
int sum(int a, int b){
return a + b;
}

int main(){
std::cout << sum(10, 20);
}
</pre>
```

return statement

• Ends the function call

√ returns a value

return expression;

return statement

return expression;

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```
int sum(int a, int b){
return a + b;
}

int main(){
int mySum = sum(10, 20);
}
```

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Functions are black boxes

DISPLAY 4.7 Definitions That Are Black-Box Equivalent

from: Problem Solving with C++, 10th Edition, Walter Savitch

updatedBalance = balancePar * (1 + interestFraction)

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void functions

- · A function might produce no returning value
 - ✓ e.g. sends IP packets to other machine, or sends data to the standard output, modifies elements in an array
- Void functions allow programmers to define functions (and some semantic behavior) with no returning values

```
void f_name(/* parameters */) {
    // statements
    return;
}
```

DISPLAY 5.3 Use of return in a void Function

double interestFraction, updatedBalance:

interestFraction = ratePar/100:

return updatedBalance;

Function Declaration

```
1  void iceCreamDivision(int number, double totalWeight);
2  //Outputs instructions for dividing totalWeight ounces of
3  //ice cream among number customers.
4  //If number is 0, nothing is done.
```

Function Definition

```
//Definition uses iostream:
      void iceCreamDivision(int number, double totalWeight)
          using namespace std;
          double portion;
                                                If number is O, then the
                                                function execution ends here.
          if (number == 0)
            return: 🗻
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          portion = totalWeight/Number;
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          cout.setf(ios::fixed);
          cout.setf(ios::showpoint);
          cout.precision(2);
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          cout << "Each one receives "
14
                << portion << " ounces of ice cream." << endl:</pre>
```

from: Problem Solving with C++, 10th Edition, Walter Savitch

```
#include <iostream>

void foo(int a, int b) {
    std::cout << a + b;
    return;
}

int main() {
    std::cout << foo(10, 20);
}</pre>
```

```
a.cc:9:15: error: invalid operands to binary expression ('std:: 1::ostream' (aka 'basic ostream<char>') and 'void')
/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/include/c++/v1/
ostream:194:20: note: candidate function not viable: cannot convert argument of incomplete type 'void' to 'std::_1::ba
ic ostream<char> &(*)(std:: 1::basic ostream<char> &)' for 1st argument
   basic_ostream& operator<<(basic_ostream& (*__pf)(basic_ostream&))</pre>
/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/include/c++/v1/
<char> >::traits_type> &(*)
1::char_traits<char> >::traits_type> &)' (aka 'basic_ios<char, std::__1::char_traits<char> > &(*)
   basic_ostream& operator<<(basic_ios<char_type, traits_type>&
/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/include/c++/v1/
ostream:203:20: note: candidate function not viable: cannot convert argument of incomplete type 'void' to 'std::_1::ios
base &(*)(std:: 1::ios base &)' for 1st argument
   basic_ostream& operator<<(ios_base& (*__pf)(ios_base&))</pre>
.... 87 lines ommitted
/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/include/c++/v1/
ostream:1081:1: note: candidate template ignored: could not match 'unique_ptr<type-parameter-0-2, type-
operator<<(basic_ostream<_CharT, _Traits>& __os, unique_ptr<_Yp, _Dp> const& __p)
/Library/Developer/CommandLineTools/usr/include/c++/v1/
ostream:1088:1: note: candidate template ignored: could not match 'bitset< Size>' against 'void'
operator<<(basic_ostream<_CharT, _Traits>& __os, const bitset<_Size>& __x)
```

```
Tracing a function call
```

```
DISPLAY 4.3 A Function Definition
                                                              function declaration/function
      #include <iostream>
      using namespace std;
      double totalCost(int numberPar, double pricePar);
      //Computes the total cost, including 5% sales tax.
      //on numberPar items at a cost of pricePar each.
          double price, bill;
          int number:
          cout << "Enter the number of items purchased: ";</pre>
          cin >> number:
          cout << "Enter the price per item $";
          cin >> price:
                                                   function call
          bill = totalCost(number, price); -
          cout.setf(ios::fixed);
          cout.setf(ios::showpoint);
          cout.precision(2);
cout << number << " items at "</pre>
               << "$" << price << " each.\n"
               << "Final bill, including tax, is $" << bill
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               << end1:
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                                                            function heading
      double totalCost(int numberPar, double pricePar)
          const double TAX_RATE = 0.05; //5% sales tax
          double subtotal;
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          subtotal = pricePar * numberPar:
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          return (subtotal + subtotal * TAX RATE):
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              from: Problem Solving with C++, 10th Edition, Walter Savitch
```

```
DISPLAY 4.4 Details of a Function Call
int main()
    double price, bill;
    int number;
                                                               1. Before the function is called, values of
    cout << "Enter the number of items purchased: ";\
                                                               the variables number and price are set
    cin >> number:
                                                               to 2 and 10.10, by cin statements (as
    cout << "Enter the price per item $";
                                                               you can see the Sample Dialogue in
    cin >> price;
                                                             2. The function call executes and the value
    bill = totalCost (number, price);
                                                             of number (which is 2) plugged in for
    cout.setf (ios::fixed);
                                                             numberPar and value of price (which
    cout.setf (ios::showpoint);
                                                             is 10.10) plugged in for pricePar.
     cout.precision(2);
    cout << number << " items at "
          << "$" << price << " each.\n"
          << "Final bill, including tax, is $" << bill
          << end1;
    return 0:
double totalCost (int numberPar, double pricePar)
                                                              3. The body of the function executes
                                                               with numberPar set to 2 and
    const double TAX_RATE = 0.05; //5% sales tax
                                                               pricePar set to10.10, producing the
    double subtotal;
                                                               value 20.20 in subtotal.
    subtotal = pricePar * numberPar:
                                                          4. When the return statement is executed,
    return (subtotal + subtotal * TAX_RATE);
                                                          the value of the expression after return is
                                                          evaluated and returned by the function. In
                                                          this case, (subtotal + subtotal *
                                                          TAX_RATE) is (20.20 + 20.20*0.05)
                  5. The value 21.21 is returned to where the function was invoked. The result is
                  that totalCost (number, price) is replaced by the return value of 21.21.
                  The value of bill (on the left-hand side of the equal sign) is set equal to 21.21
                  when the statement bill = totalCost (number, price); finally ends.
                 from: Problem Solving with C++, 10th Edition, Walter Savitch
```

Question?

 Write a program that takes an integer n > 1 from stdin and outputs the largest prime number less than or equal than n to the stdout

√ use an is_prime function to help find highest_prime