

C++ Function

- The function in C language is the block of code.
- To perform any task we can create function.
- A function can be called many times.

Advantages of function in C.

- i. Code Reusability.
- ii. Code optimisation.

Types of functions.

- There are two types of function in C programming.
- i. Library function → The function which are already defined in C++ language.

- ii. User-defined functions → The function which are decided by created by the user, to use many times.
- It reduces complexity of a big problem and optimizes the code.

Declaration of function.

declaration { return type function name (data type parameter)
 {
 // code to be executed
 }
 ;

```
int main
```

```
{    function name { } ;    // function call
```

```
  }  

  initialization
```


There are two ways to pass value or data to a function

i. Call by Value

ii. Call by Reference

Key point: Original value is not modified in call by value, but it is modified in call by reference.

Call by Value

Original value is not modified.

Value being pass to the function is locally stored by the function parameter in stack memory location.

* STACK is based on LIFO.

If you change the value of function parameter, it is changed for the current function only.

Its value is not change in the main() func.

Ex: #include <iostream>

void func(int data);

int main()

{

int data = 3

func(data);

cout << data;

return 0

}

void func(int data)

{

data = 5;

}

Output = 3

Call by Reference.

* → In call by value, original value will modified because we pass reference (address).

→ Here, address of the value is passed in function. So actual & formal arguments share the same address. Hence, value changed inside the function, is reflect inside as well as outside the function.

Exo #include <iostream>

using namespace std;

```
void swap(int *x, int *y)
{
```

```
    int swap;
```

```
    swap = *x;
```

```
    *x = *y;
```

```
    *y = swap;
```

```
}
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int x = 500, y = 100;
```

```
    swap(&x, &y);
```

```
    cout << "Value of x is: " << x << endl;
```

```
    " & y.
```

```
    return 0;
```

Output:

x = 100

y = 500

Ans

Difference call by value of call by reference.

Call by Value
i. Value passed to the funcⁿ

ii. Change made inside the funcⁿ is not reflected on other function

Call by reference
i. Address is passed to the function

ii. Change made inside the function is reflected outside the funcⁿ also.

*
iii. Actual of formal arguments will be created in different memory allocation

iii. Actual of formal arguments will be created in same memory location.

C++ Recursion

When the function is called within the same function, it is known as recursion. funcⁿ which calls the same function is known as recursive function.

Tail Recursion → A function that calls itself, & doesn't perform any task after function calls, is known as tail recursion.

ex: `recursionfunction()` &
`recursionfunction();` 1'
 3.
 (calling self function)

C++ Storage Classes.

→ storage class is used to define the lifetime of visibility of a variable or function within program.

→ lifetime refers to the period during which the variable remains active. Visibility refers to the module of a program in which the variable is accessible.

There are five types of storage classes.

1. Automatic
2. Register
3. External
4. Mutable
5. Static

Automatic storage class.

The auto keyword provides type inference capabilities, which means automatic deduction of the data type of an expression in a programming language can be done.

This consumes less time having to write out things the compiler already knows.

As all the types are deduced in compiler phase only.

The time for compilation increases slightly but it does not affect the run time of program.

It is default storage for all local variables.

Register storage class.

The register variable allocates memory in ~~main~~ register than RAM.

Its size is same of register size.

It has faster access than other variables.

note: We can't get the address of register variable.

ex: `register int a = 0;`
→ keyword.

its store in register only if only if space is free, if not then in memory.

Access faster as compared to memory.

Static

- Static variables have a property to preserving their value even after they are out of their scope.
- Static variables preserve the value of their last use in their scope.
- We can say that they are initialized only once at the start until the termination of the program.
- Thus, no new memory is allocated because they are not re-declared.
- Their scope is local to the function in which they are defined.

Note: By default, they are assigned the value 0 by the compiler.

Extern

- Extern storage class simply tells us that the variable is defined elsewhere or not within the same block.
- Basically, the value is defined assigned to it in a different block and this can be overwritten/changed in a different block as well.

ex: `extern int counter = 0;`

Mutable

- Sometimes there is a requirement to modify one or more data members of class/struct through const function even though you don't want to the "const" to update other members of class/struct.

When we declare a function as const, the pointer passed to "const" becomes const. Adding mutable to a variable allows a const pointer to change member.

ex: `#include <iostream>`
`using namespace std;`

`class Test {`

`public:`

`int x;`

`mutable int y;`
 → keyword

`Test()`

`{ x = 4;`

`y = 10;`

`};`

`int main()`

`{`

`const Test t1;`

`t1.y = 20;`

`cout << t1.y;`

`return 0;`