

Constructor with default arguments-

A default argument is a value provided in a function declaration that is automatically assigned by the compiler if the calling function doesn't provide a value for the argument. In case any value is passed, the default value is overridden.

1) The following is a simple C++ example to demonstrate the use of default arguments. Here, we don't have to write 3 sum functions; only one function works by using the default values for 3rd and 4th arguments.

// CPP Program to demonstrate Default Arguments

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

// A function with default arguments,
// it can be called with
// 2 arguments or 3 arguments or 4 arguments.
int sum(int x, int y, int z = 0, int w = 0) //assigning default values to z,w as 0
{
    return (x + y + z + w);
}

// Driver Code
int main()
{
    // Statement 1
    cout << sum(10, 15) << endl;

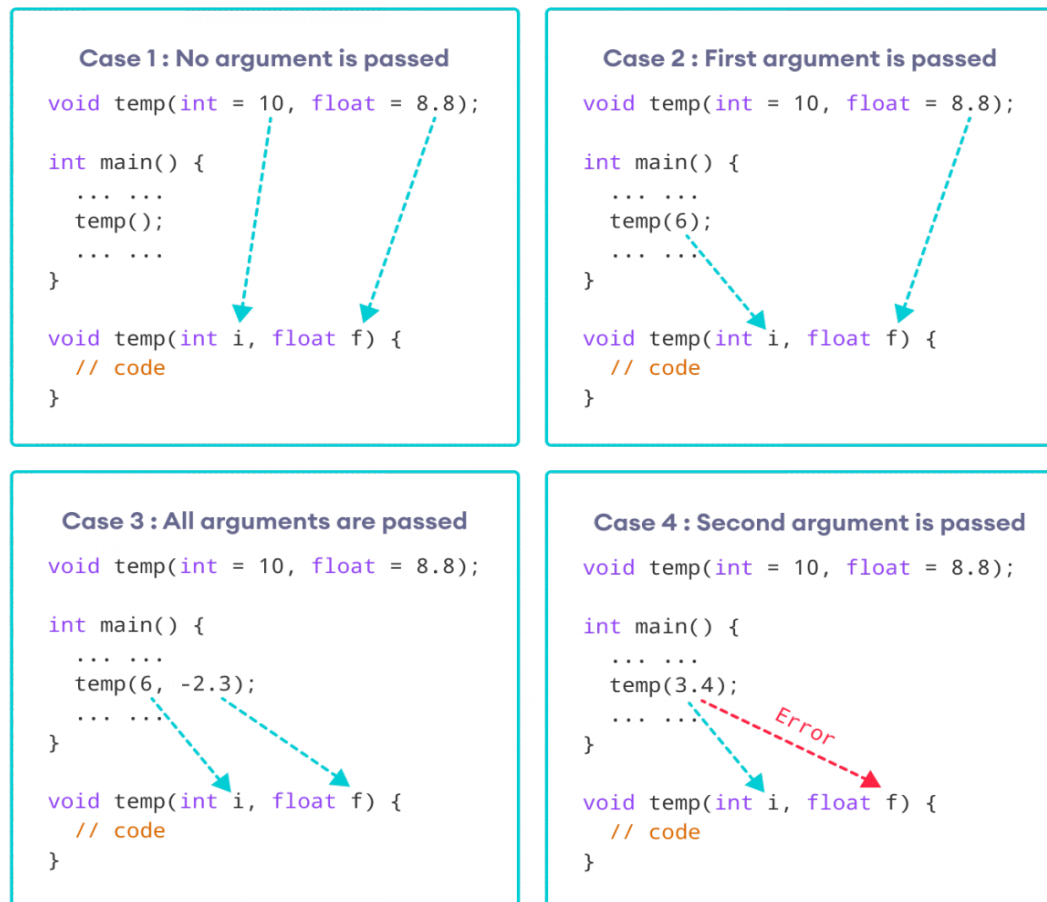
    // Statement 2
    cout << sum(10, 15, 25) << endl;

    // Statement 3
    cout << sum(10, 15, 25, 30) << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

▪ Characteristics for defining the default arguments –

- The values passed in the default arguments are not constant. These values can be overwritten if the value is passed to the function. If not, the previously declared value retains.
- During the calling of function, the values are copied from left to right.

Working of default arguments



• Destructors –

Destructor is an instance member function that is invoked automatically whenever an object is going to be destroyed. Meaning, a destructor is the last function that is going to be called before an object is destroyed.

- A destructor is also a special member function like a constructor. Destructor destroys the class objects created by the constructor.
- Destructor has the same name as their class name preceded by a tilde (~) symbol.
- It is not possible to define more than one destructor.
- The destructor is only one way to destroy the object created by the constructor. Hence destructor can-not be overloaded.
- Destructor neither requires any argument nor returns any value.
- It is automatically called when an object goes out of scope.
- Destructor release memory space occupied by the objects created by the constructor.
- In destructor, objects are destroyed in the reverse of an object creation.

The syntax for defining the destructor within the class:

```
~<class-name>() {  
    // some instructions  
}
```

The syntax for defining the destructor outside the class:

```
<class-name> :: ~<class-name>() {  
    // some instructions  
}
```

```
// C++ program to demonstrate the execution of constructor  
// and destructor
```

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

```
class Test {  
public:  
    // User-Defined Constructor  
    Test() { cout << "\n Constructor executed"; }  
  
    // User-Defined Destructor  
    ~Test() { cout << "\nDestructor executed"; }  
};  
main()  
{  
    Test t;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output

```
Constructor executed  
Destructor executed
```

Example:-

**// C++ program to demonstrate the number of times
// constructor and destructors are called**

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

```
static int Count = 0;    //It is static so that every class object has the same value
```

```
class Test {  
public:          // User-Defined Constructor  
    Test()  
    {  
  
        // Number of times constructor is called  
        Count++;  
        cout << "No. of Object created: " << Count<< endl;  
    }  
  
    // User-Defined Destructor  
    ~Test()  
    {  
  
        cout << "No. of Object destroyed: " << Count << endl;  
        //It will print count in descending order  
        Count--;          // Number of times destructor is called  
    }  
};  
  
int main()  
{  
    Test t, t1, t2, t3;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```