

# Introduction to C++ Programming

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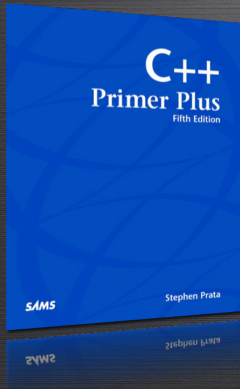


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# Today Agenda



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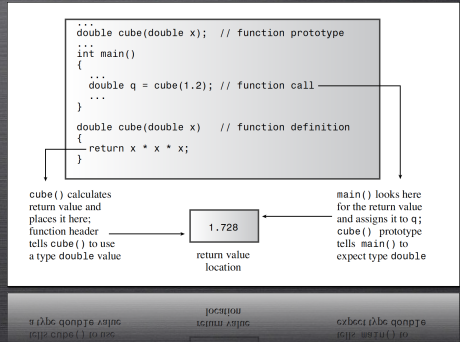
# Function

## General Form

```
type functionName(parameterList) {  
    // function body  
}
```

## Definition

1. **Function** contains the lines of code that performs a specific assignment.
2. **Prototype** defines function name, argument types, and return value.
3. **Call** causes the function to be executed.



# Define, Prototype and Call a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
3
  // Function Prototype
5 void myfunc();
7
  int main()
  {
9      cout << "main() will call the myfunc() function: ";
      cout << endl;
11
      // Calls a function
13      myfunc();
15
      return 0;
  }
17
  // Function Definition
19 void myfunc() {
      cout << "I m a simple function." << endl;
21 }
```

```
1 main() will call the myfunc() function:
  I m a simple function.
```



# Demonstrate a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void volume(int length, int width, int height); // Function prototype
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     volume(10, 9, 8); // Call function
9     volume(9, 8, 7);
10    volume(8, 7, 6);
11
12    return 0;
13 }
14
15 // Function definition - Computes the volume of a box
16 void volume(int length, int width, int height) {
17     cout << "The volume of a box is: " << length * width * height << endl;
18 }
```

```
1 The volume of a box is: 720
2 The volume of a box is: 504
3 The volume of a box is: 336
```



# return Statement

## General Form

The **return** has two different forms:

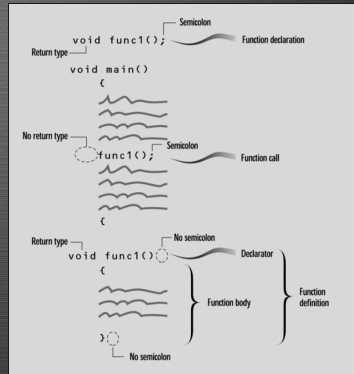
1. A **return** statement does not return a value (**void**).

```
void functionName(parameterList) {  
    statement(s)  
    return; // optional  
}
```

2. A **return** statement does return a value (**return-type**).

```
type functionName(parameterList) {  
    statement(s)  
    return value;  
}
```

*Note: The return value cannot be an array.*





## return Statement (void)

```
1 #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
3
   void power(int base, int hat); // power() prototype
5
   int main()
7 {
   power(10, 2); // Call function
9 power(10, -2);

11 return 0;
   }
13
   // power() function raises an integer to a positive integer
15 void power(int base, int hat) {
   int temp=1;

17   if(hat < 0)
19       return; // power() function cannot do a negative exponents
   else
21       for( ; hat; hat--) temp *= base;
   cout << "The answer is: " << temp << endl;
23 }
```



# return Statement (*value*)

## Definition

A return value is a way to get information out of a function.

## General Form

**return** value;

```
1 #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
3
   int volume(int length, int width, int height); // volume() prototype
5
   int main()
7 {
   int value = volume(8, 9, 10); // Calls a function
9   cout << "The volume is: " << value << endl;

11  return 0;
12 }
13
   // volume() function
15 int volume(int length, int width, int height) {
   return length * width * height;
17 }
```





# Functions in Expressions

```
1 #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
3
   double volume(double l, double w, double h); // volume() prototype
5
   int main()
7 {
   double total;
9
   total = volume(10.9, 9.8, 8.7) + volume(7.6, 6.5, 5.4) + volume(4.3, 3.2, 2.1);
11
   cout << "The sum of the volumes is: " << total << endl;
13   cout << "The average of volumes is: " << total / 3 << endl;
15
   return 0;
17 }
19
   double volume(double l, double w, double h) { // volume() definition
   return l * w * h;
   }
```

The sum of the volumes is: 1224.99

2 The average of volumes is: 408.33



# Function Prototype

## Three Aspects of a Function

1. Function's return type
2. Type of its parameters
3. Number of its parameters

## General Form

```
type myfunc(type para1, type para2, ..., type paraN);
```



# Prototype a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // cheers() prototype: does not return value
5 void cheers(int n);
6
7 // cube() prototype: returns a double
8 double cube(double x);
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     double num, volume;
13
14     cheers(5); // Calls a function
15     cout << "Give me a number: ";
16     cin >> num;
17
18     volume = cube(num); // Calls another function
19     cout << "A " << num << "-foot cube has a volume of ";
20     cout << volume << " cubic feet.\n";
21     cheers(cube(2));
22
23     return 0;
24 }
```

```
1 // cheers() definition
2 void cheers(int n) {
3     for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
4         cout << "Cheers! ";
5     cout << endl;
6 }
7
8 // cube() definition
9 double cube(double x) {
10     return x * x * x;
11 }
```



# Passing by Value

```
...  
double cube(double x);  
int main()  
{
```

```
    ...  
    double side = 5;  
    double volume = cube(side);  
    ...  
}
```

```
double cube(double x)  
{  
    return x * x * x;  
}
```

creates variable  
called side and  
assigns it  
the value 5

5

original  
value

side

passes the value 5  
to the cube( ) function

creates variable  
called x and  
assigns it  
passed value 5

5

copied  
value

x

passed value 5  
x



# Omitting Function Prototype

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // Using a function's definition as its prototype
5 // isEven() determines whether a number is even
6 bool isEven(int a) {
7     // Checks whether it is even or not
8     if (!(a % 2))
9         return true;
10    else
11        return false;
12 }
```

```
Enter a number: 4
4 is an even number.
Do another (y/n): y
Enter a number: 5
5 is an odd number.
Do another (y/n): n
```

```
int main()
{
    int num;
    char key;

    do {
        cout << "Enter a number: ";
        cin >> num;

        if(isEven(num))
            cout << num << " is an even number." << endl;
        else
            cout << num << " is an odd number." << endl;

        cout << "Do another (y/n): ";
        cin >> key;

    } while(key != 'n');

    return 0;
}
```



# C++ Scope

## Definition

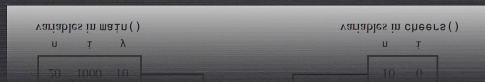
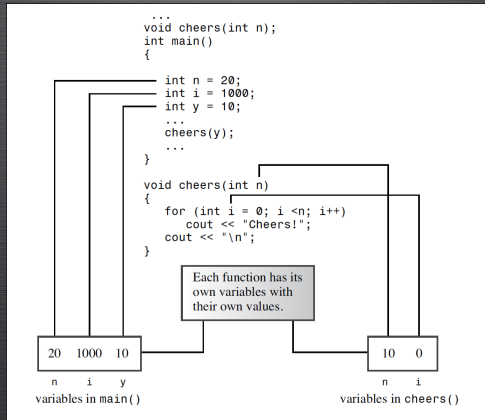
In general, the scope rules of a language govern the visibility and lifetime of an object.

1. **Local Scope:** Variables are visible only within a block.
2. **Global Scope:** Variables are visible throughout an entire program.





# Local Scope



## Local Scope (cont.)

```
1 #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
3
  void myfunc(); // myfunc() prototype
5
  int main()
7 {
    int var = 100; // a local variable in main() function
9
    cout << "var in main() function: " << var << endl;
11   myfunc();
    cout << "var in main() function: " << var << endl;
13
    return 0;
15 }

17 void myfunc() {
    int var = 99; // a local variable in myfunc() function
19   cout << "var in myfunc() function: " << var << endl;
    }
```

```
var in main() function: 100
2 var in myfunc() function: 99
var in main() function: 100
```



## Local Scope (*cont.*)

```
1 .....
2 void myfunc() {
3     int myvar1;    // local variables in myfunc()
4     float myvar2;
5
6     myvar1 = 8;    // OK
7     myvar2 = 9.0; // OK
8     yourvar = 10; // Error: not visible in myfunc()
9 }
10 .....
11
12 void yourfunc() {
13     int yourvar;   // local variable in yourfunc()
14
15     myvar1 = 18;   // Error: not visible in yourfunc()
16     myvar2 = 19;   // Error: not visible in yourfunc()
17     yourvar = 20; // OK
18 }
19 .....
```



# Name Hiding

```
1 #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
3
5 int main()
  {
7     int a=9, b=10;
9     if (b>0) {
10         int a; // local variable in the if statement
11         a = b * 2;
12         cout << "Inner a: " << a << endl;
13     }
14     cout << "Outer a: " << a << endl;
15
16     return 0;
17 }
```

```
1 Inner a: 20
  Outer a: 9
```



# Global Scope

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

4 // myfunc() prototype
5 void myfunc();

6 // otherfunc() prototype
7 void otherfunc();

8 int a; // a global variable

12 int main()
13 {
14     int i; // a local variable in main()

16     for(i=0; i<5; i++) {
17         a = i * 10;
18         myfunc();
19     }

20     return 0;
21 }
```

```
1 void myfunc() { // myfunc() definition
2     cout << "a: " << a;
3     otherfunc();
4 }

6 void otherfunc() { // otherfunc() definition
7     for(a=0; a<5; a++) cout << " ";
8     cout << endl;
9 }
```

```
1 a: 0*****
2 a: 10*****
3 a: 20*****
4 a: 30*****
5 a: 40*****
```



# Passing a Pointer to a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
3
  void myfunc(int *i); // myfunc() prototype
5
  int main()
7 {
    int a, *ptr;
9    ptr = &a; // ptr points to a

11   myfunc(ptr); // passing a pointer ptr to myfunc()
    cout << "a: " << a << endl; // a is now 10
13
    return 0;
15 }

17 // myfunc() receives an integer pointer ptr
  void myfunc(int *i) {
19     *i = 10;
    }
}
```

a: 10





# Passing an Array to a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
3
   void myfunc(int num[10]); // myfunc() prototype
5
   int main()
7 {
   int a[10], t;
9   for (t=0; t<10; t++) a[t] = t;

11  myfunc(a); // passing an array to a function
   cout << endl;

13
   return 0;
15 }

17 // myfunc() prints out the values in an array
   void myfunc(int num[10]) {
19   for (int t=0; t<10; t++) cout << num[t] << " ";
   }
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9



# Passing a String to a Function

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <cstring>
3 #include <cctype>
4 using namespace std;
5
6 void myfunc(char *ptr); // myfunc() prototype
7
8 int main()
9 {
10     char str[80];
11     strcpy(str, "I Love Programming");
12     myfunc(str);
13     cout << str << endl;
14
15     return 0;
16 }
17
18 void myfunc(char *ptr) { // myfunc() inverts the case of letters in a string
19     while(*ptr) {
20         if (isupper(*ptr)) *ptr = tolower(*ptr);
21         else *ptr = toupper(*ptr);
22
23         ptr++; // moves on to a next letter via a pointer
24     }
25 }
```

```
1 i LOVE pROGRAMMING
```



# Recursion

## Definition

**Recursion** is the process of a function calling itself. The process will run forever unless we include something to terminate the chain of calls in our code. Usually we use an **if** statement.

## General Form

```
type recursionName((parameterList) {  
    statements1;  
  
    if (test)  
        recursionName(parameterList);  
  
    statements2;  
}
```

```
1 #include <iostream>  
  using namespace std;  
  
3  
4 void countdown(int n); // countdown() prototype  
  
5  
6 int main()  
7 {  
8     countdown(4); // Calls the recursive function  
9     return 0;  
10 }  
  
11  
12 void countdown(int n) { // countdown() definition  
13     cout << "Counting down ... " << n << endl;  
14     if (n > 0)  
15         countdown(n-1); // function calls itself  
16     else  
17         return;  
18 }
```

```
Counting down ... 4  
2 Counting down ... 3  
Counting down ... 2  
4 Counting down ... 1  
Counting down ... 0
```



# Factorial Function by Recursion

## *fact()*

Write a C++ program that asks the user to enter an integer number, and then the program displays its factorial.

## Assignment

Your task is to create a function *fact()*, which calculates the factorial of an integer by using the recursion method.

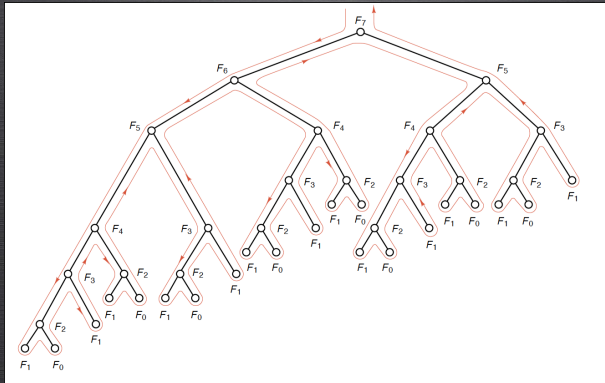
```
1 int fact(int a) { // fact() definition
2     int result;
3
4     if (a==1)
5         result = 1;
6     else
7         result = fact(a-1) * a; // recursion
8
9     return result;
10 }
```

```
Enter a number: 1
1! is 1
Do another (y/n): y
Enter a number: 5
5! is 120
Do another (y/n): n
```



# Fibonacci Function by Recursion

Figure : Fibonacci Function by Recursion



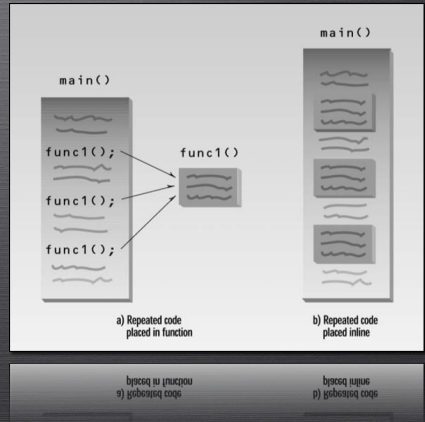
# Inline Function

## Purpose

**Inline function** is a C++ enhancement designed to speed up programs, but may require more memory than normal functions unless they are very small.

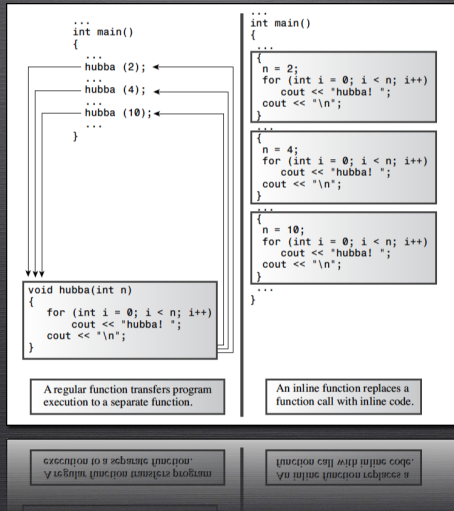
## General Form

```
inline type functionName(parameterList) {  
    // function body  
}
```





# Example of Inline Function



# Inline Function

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

4 inline double square(double); // inline function prototype

6 int main()
7 {
8     double a = square(5.0);
9     double b = square(4.5 + 7.5); // can pass expressions
10    double c = 13.0;

12    cout << "a = " << a << ", b = " << b << endl;
13    cout << "c = " << c << ", c squared = " << square(c++) << endl;
14    cout << "Now c = " << c << endl;

16    return 0;
17 }

18 inline double square(double x) { // inline function definition
19     return x * x;
20 }
```

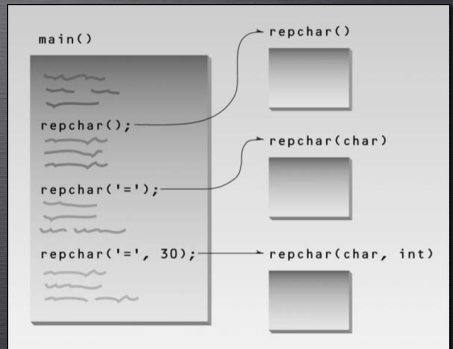
```
1 a = 25, b = 144
2 c = 13, c squared = 169
3 Now c = 14
```



# Overloaded Functions

## Definition

An **overloaded function** is a group of functions with the same name, and each function is called depends on the type and number of arguments supplied in the call.



# Example of Overloaded Functions

```
1 #include <iostream>
  using namespace std;
3
4 // Function Prototypes
5 void repchar();
  void repchar(char ch);
6 void repchar(char ch, int n);
7
8 int main()
  {
9     repchar();
10    repchar('=');
11    repchar('+', 30);
12
13    return 0;
14 }
```

```
1 // Displays 45 asterisks
2 void repchar() {
3     for (int j=0; j<45; j++) cout << '*';
4     cout << endl;
5 }
6
7 // Displays 45 copies of specified character
8 void repchar(char ch) {
9     for (int j=0; j<45; j++) cout << ch;
10    cout << endl;
11 }
12
13 // Displays specified number of copies of specified character
14 void repchar(char ch, int n) {
15     for (int j=0; j<n; j++) cout << ch;
16     cout << endl;
17 }
```

```
1 *****
2 =====
3 ++++++
```

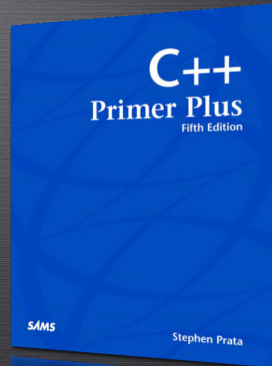


# Summary

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## Reading

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*C++ Primer Plus, 5th Edition,*  
Chapter 7  
SAMS Publishing, 2004.



# Overloaded Functions



Write a C++ program to simulate a uniform random number.  
In this program, you need to create two overloaded functions:

1. `runiform()`: generates a random uniform number in  $[0,1]$
2. `runiform(int a, int b)`: generates a random uniform number in  $[a,b]$ , where:
  - a: the beginning point of the interval
  - b: the ending point of the interval



# Area of a Circle



Write a C++ program to compute the area of a circle. In this program, you may need to create three functions:

1. *runiform()* gives us a random uniform number in the range  $[0,1]$ .
2. *simPi()* gives us the simulated  $\pi$ ; where  $n$  is the number of iterations for the simulation.
3. *circleArea()* computes the area of a circle.

*Hint:* The 2<sup>nd</sup> function needs to call the 1<sup>st</sup> function while the 3<sup>rd</sup> function needs to call the 2<sup>nd</sup> function to get the desired result.



# Pricing American Option

Write a C++ program to price an American option by using the methodology of binomial approximation. You need to create two functions:

1. `computeAC()` calculates an American Call option.
2. `computeAP()` calculates an American Put option.



For simplicity, we consider a 2-year American put option with a strike price of \$52 on a stock whose current price is \$50. We suppose that there are two time steps of one year, and in each time step, the stock price either moves up by 20% or move down by 20%. The risk-free interest rate in this case is 5%.

Given that the value of the risk-neutral probability:

$$p = \frac{e^{r\Delta t} - d}{u - d}$$
$$f = e^{-r\Delta t} (pf_u + (1 - p)f_d)$$



# Pricing American Option (*cont.*)

Figure : Stock and Option Prices in a General Two-Step Binomial Tree

Table : Example Data

Item	Value	Data Type
$S_0$	50.0	Float
$K$	52.0	Float
$T$	2	Integer
$\Delta t$	1	Integer
$u$	1.2	Float
$d$	0.8	Float
$r$	0.05	Float

