

# C++ Programming I

## Functions

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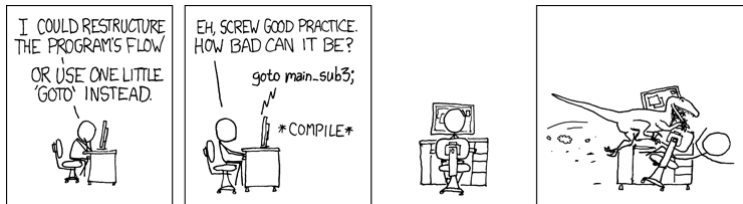
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# Need of Functions

- ▶ Functions are used to provide modularity to a program, to create logical blocks
- ▶ Creating an application using functions makes it easier to understand, edit, check errors and maintain
- ▶ Functions enable reusing code! So less work for us



- ▶ Think before you code!
- ▶ Choose meaningful names for variables and functions

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## An Example



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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  const double PI = 3.14159265;
3  using namespace std;
4  // Function Declarations (Prototypes)
5  double area(double radius);
6  double circumference(double radius);
7
8  int main()
9  {
10     double radius = 2.5;
11     // Call function "Area"
12     cout << "Area is: " << area(radius) << endl;
13     cout << "Area is: " << area(3.5) << endl;
14
15     // Call function "Circumference"
16     cout << "Circumference is: " << circumference(radius) << endl;
17     return 0;
18 }
19
20 // Function definitions (implementations)
21 double area(double radius)
22 {
23     return PI * radius * radius;
24 }
25
26 double circumference(double radius)
27 {
28     return 2 * PI * radius;
29 }
```

# Syntax of Function Declaration

## Example and General

```
double Area(double radius);
```



Return  
value  
type



Function  
name



Function parameter(s) – optional:  
Parameter list comprised of type and  
optionally name, separated by comma  
in event of multiple parameters



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# Syntax of Function Declaration

## Example and General

```
// function prototype / declaration  
returnType funcName(paramterType parameter);  
  
int myFunctionA(int valA, int valB, unsigned int valC);  
  
int myFunctionC(int, int, unsigned int);  
  
void myFunctionD(void);
```



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```

- ▶ The prototype is the interface of a function.
- ▶ Before calling a function its interface must be defined. Therefore, declare a function before calling it.
- ▶ Parameter names are optional for the prototype – *it is good practice to write them*.
- ▶ The function declaration is a statement  $\hookrightarrow$  ends by a semicolon “;”



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# Syntax of Function Declaration

## Example and General

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// function prototype / declaration
returnType funcName(paramterType parameter);

int myFunctionA(int valA, int valB, unsigned int valC);

int myFunctionC(int, int, unsigned int);

void myFunctionD(void);
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- ▶ Parameter names are optional for the prototype – *it is good practice to write them*.
- ▶ The function declaration is a statement  $\hookrightarrow$  ends by a semicolon “;”
- ▶ The declaration can be either in the **source file** or in a **header file**.  
*Putting it in a **header file** makes function available for other source files when including the header file.*



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# Syntax of Function Definition

## Example and General

```
1 double area(double radius)
2 {
3     return PI * radius * radius;
4 }
```

- ▶ This is the definition
- ▶ No semicolon!

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# Syntax of Function Definition

## Example and General

```
1 // function head
2 returnType functionName(parameterName)
3 {
4     /* function body */
5 }
6
7 // function definition (head + body)
8 int myFunctionA(int valA, int valB, unsigned int valC)
9 {
10     /* Implementation */
11     return valA + valB + valC;
12 }
```

- ▶ The function head has never a semicolon at the end. If you copy it from the prototype remove semicolon.
- ▶ In the function header are all parameters listed by their unique names.
- ▶ The function body contains the implementation. The block starts and ends by curly braces (compound statement).
- ▶ Function definition = function header + function body

# Overloading Functions

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```
1 // Prototypes
2 double area(double radius); // for circle
3 double area(double radius, double height); // overloaded cylinder
4
5
6 // Definition for circle
7 double area(double radius)
8 {
9     return Pi * radius * radius;
10 }
11
12 // Definition Overloaded for cylinder
13 double area(double radius, double height)
14 {
15     // reuse the area of circle
16     return 2 * area (radius) + 2 * Pi * radius * height;
17 }
```

- ▶ The the compiler determines the most appropriate definition to use by comparing the argument types you have used to call the function
- ▶ The process of selecting the most appropriate overloaded function is called **overload resolution or signature matching**



In C++ there are three different ways to pass data to a function.

Passing:

1. **by value:**

```
void passByValue(int value);
```

2. **by reference:**

```
void passByReference(int& valueRef);
```

3. **by pointer:**

```
void passByPointer(int* valuePtr);
```

- ▶ All have different characteristics when it comes to efficiency, storage and behaviour
- ▶ We'll focus on 1 & 2
- ▶ Passing by pointer is a legacy method used by C-style programs (or function pointers)

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# Passing by Value

## Passing a Copy

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
11          << square(x) << endl;
12
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 int square(int x)
17 {
18     return x * x;
19 }
```

- ▶ The underlying object is copied using its copy constructor
- ▶ Additional memory allocated
- ▶ Function works on the copy only!
- ▶ For large objects there will be a performance impact



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# Passing by Reference

## Reference

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int& x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << x << "^2 is " << square(x) << endl;
11
12     cout << x << "^2 is " << square(x) << endl;
13
14     return 0;
15 }
16
17 int square(int& x)
18 {
19     return x *= x;
20 }
```

- ▶ Underlying object not copied
- ▶ The function is given the memory address of the object itself
- ▶ Original object can be modified! **Possibility of bugs!**



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# Passing by Reference to Const

## Const Reference

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(const int& x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
11          << square(x) << endl;
12
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 int square(const int& x)
17 {
18     //x *= x; // compilation error! x-cant be changed
19     return x * x;
20 }
```

- ▶ No copy AND no modification
- ▶ Interface is precise about its intent
- ▶ Efficient and safe



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### Result as Reference Parameter

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  void square(const int& x, int& result);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9      int result = 0;
10
11     square(x, result);
12     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
13          << result << endl;
14
15     return 0;
16 }
17
18 void square(const int& x, int& result)
19 {
20     result = x * x;
21 }
```

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# Find the Bug

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2
3  using namespace std;
4  const double Pi = 3.1416;
5
6  void Area(double radius, double result)
7  {
8      result = Pi * radius * radius;
9  }
10
11 int main()
12 {
13     cout << "Enter radius: ";
14     double radius = 0;
15     cin >> radius;
16
17     double areaFetched = 0;
18     Area(radius, areaFetched);
19
20     cout << "The area is: " << areaFetched << endl;
21     return 0;
22 }
```

- ▶ What is wrong with the code above
- ▶ In the function header are all parameters listed by their unique names.

# Function Parameters with Default Values

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  // Function Declarations (Prototypes) with default Pi
5  double Area(double radius, double pi = 3.14);
6
7  int main()
8  {
9      double radius = 2.5;
10     double circleArea = 0;
11
12     circleArea = Area(radius); // Ignore 2nd param, use default
                                // value
13
14     double accuratePi = 3.14159265359;
15     circleArea = Area (radius, accuratePi);
16
17     // Call function "Area"
18     cout << "Area is: " << circleArea << endl;
19
20     return 0;
21 }
22
23 // Function definitions (implementations)
24 double Area(double radius, double pi)
25 {
26     return pi * radius * radius;
27 }
```

# Lambda Function

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```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4
5  void DisplayNums (vector<int>& dynArray)
6  {
7      for_each (dynArray.begin(), dynArray.end(), \
8                [](int Element) {cout << Element << " ";} );
9
10     std::cout << endl;
11 }
12
13 int main()
14 {
15     std::vector<int> myNums;
16     myNums.push_back(501);
17     myNums.push_back(-1);
18     myNums.push_back(25);
19     myNums.push_back(-35);
20
21     DisplayNums (myNums);
22
23     std::cout << "Sorting them in descending order" << std::endl;
24
25     sort (myNums.begin(), myNums.end(), \
26           [](int Num1, int Num2) {return (Num2 < Num1); } );
27
28     DisplayNums (myNums);
29     return 0;
30 }
```

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- ▶ Next time we'll look at chapter 8 of the book: **pointers and references**
- ▶ I recommend to read the book **until chapter 7** as homework!
- ▶ **Solve Exercise-02**

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# Thank You

## Questions

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