

261102

Computer Programming

Lecture 6: Functions

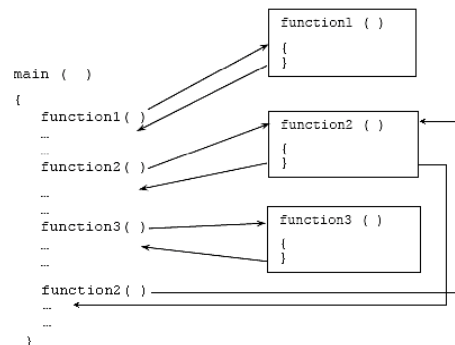
Divide and conquer

- Construct a program from smaller pieces or components (**modules**)
- Each piece more manageable than the original program
- Modules in C++: **Functions** and **Classes**
- Programs use new and “prepackaged” modules
 - New: **programmer-defined functions, classes**
 - Prepackaged: from the **standard library**

3

Functions

- Modularize a program
- Boss to worker analogy
 - A **boss** (the calling function or caller) asks a **worker** (the called function) to perform a task and **return** (i.e., report back) **the results** when the task is done.
- Functions invoked by **function call**
 - Function name and information (arguments) it needs
- Software **reusability**
 - Call **as many time as needed** (with different arguments)



4

Functions

- **Function definitions**
 - Only written once
 - Hidden from other functions
- **Local variables**
 - Known only in the function in which they are defined
 - All variables declared in function definitions are local variables
- **Parameters**
 - Local variables passed to function when called
 - Provide outside information

Function Definition

```
return-value-type function-name( parameter-list )
{
    declarations and statements
}
```

– Parameter list

- Comma separated list of arguments
 - Data type needed for each argument
- If no arguments, use **void** or leave blank

– Return-value-type

- Data type of result returned (use **void** if nothing returned)

Function Definition

- **return** keyword
 - Returns data, and control goes to function's caller
 - If no data to return, use **return;**
 - Function ends when reaches right brace
 - Control goes to caller
- Functions cannot be defined inside other functions
- Example function

```
int square( int y )
{
    return y * y;
}
```

Function Calling

```
function-name( argument-list )
```

- Pass the input arguments
- Function gets its own copy of arguments
- After finished, passes back result (**return value;**)
- Example function calling

```
square(2);
```

```
z = square(x)+square(y);
```

```
cout << square(x);
```

Example 6-A: Rock Paper Scissors

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int gameJudge(char x,char y){
5      if(x == y) return 0;
6      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'R') return 1;
7      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'S') return 2;
8      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'P') return 2;
9      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'S') return 1;
10     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'P') return 1;
11     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'R') return 2;
12     else return 0;
13 }
14
15 int main()
16 {
17     char P1,P2;
18     cout << "Input for player 1 (P,R,S):";
19     cin >> P1;
20     cout << "Input for player 2 (P,R,S):";
21     cin >> P2;
22     int winner = gameJudge(P1,P2);
23     if(winner == 0) cout << "Draw";
24     else cout << "Player " << winner << " wins";
25     return 0;
26 }
```

User-defined
Function

- Functions must be defined before used

main
Function

Function Calling

Example 6-A: Rock Paper Scissors

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int gameJudge(char x,char y){
5      if(x == y) return 0;
6      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'R') return 1;
7      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'S') return 2;
8      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'P') return 2;
9      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'S') return 1;
10     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'P') return 1;
11     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'R') return 2;
12     else return 0;
13 }
14
15 int main()
16 {
17     char P1,P2;
18     cout << "Input for player 1 (P,R,S):";
19     cin >> P1;
20     cout << "Input for player 2 (P,R,S):";
21     cin >> P2;
22     int winner = gameJudge(P1,P2);
23     if(winner == 0) cout << "Draw";
24     else cout << "Player " << winner << " wins";
25     return 0;
26 }

```

Input for player 1 (P,R,S):R
Input for player 2 (P,R,S):S
Player 1 wins

Input for player 1 (P,R,S):P
Input for player 2 (P,R,S):P
Draw

Input for player 1 (P,R,S):R
Input for player 2 (P,R,S):P
Player 2 wins

11

Argument Coercion

- Force arguments to be of **proper type**
- Conversion rules
 - Arguments usually converted automatically
 - Changing from **double** to **int** can **truncate** data
 - 3.4 to 3
- Mixed type goes to **highest type** (promotion)
 - **Int * double**

Example 6-A: Rock Paper Scissors

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int gameJudge(char x,char y){
5      if(x == y) return 0;
6      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'R') return 1;
7      else if(x == 'P' && y == 'S') return 2;
8      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'P') return 2;
9      else if(x == 'R' && y == 'S') return 1;
10     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'P') return 1;
11     else if(x == 'S' && y == 'R') return 2;
12     else return 0;
13 }
14
15 int main()
16 {
17     char P1,P2;
18     cout << "Input for player 1 (P,R,S):";
19     cin >> P1;
20     cout << "Input for player 2 (P,R,S):";
21     cin >> P2;
22     int winner = gameJudge(P1,P2);
23     if(winner == 0) cout << "Draw";
24     else cout << "Player " << winner << " wins";
25     return 0;
26 }

```

- Function name: **gameJudge**
- 2 input arguments
- Both inputs are **character** type
- This function returns **integer**
- Return-value is different depending on values of the input arguments
- **x,y** are local variables

- Call function **gameJudge**
- Transfer values of **P1** and **P2** to function variables **x** and **y** (**x,y** are copies of **P1,P2**)
- The return-value is stored in variable **winner**

12

Argument Coercion

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  double half(double x){
5      double r = x/2;
6      return r;
7  }
8
9  int main(){
10     int a = 5;
11     double b = half(a);
12     cout << b;
13     return 0;
14 }

```

2.5

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  double half(int x){
5      double r = x/2;
6      return r;
7  }
8
9  int main(){
10     double a = 5.5;
11     double b = half(a);
12     cout << b;
13     return 0;
14 }

```

2

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  double half(int x){
5      double r = x/2.0;
6      return r;
7  }
8
9  int main(){
10     double a = 5.5;
11     double b = half(a);
12     cout << b;
13     return 0;
14 }

```

2.5

Argument Coercion

| Data types | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| long double | |
| double | |
| float | |
| unsigned long int | (synonymous with unsigned long) |
| long int | (synonymous with long) |
| unsigned int | (synonymous with unsigned) |
| int | |
| unsigned short int | (synonymous with unsigned short) |
| short int | (synonymous with short) |
| unsigned char | |
| char | |
| bool | (false becomes 0, true becomes 1) |

Function that Returns No Value

Use **void** as a return-value type

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void printSOTUS(int N){
5     for(int i = 1; i<=N; i++){
6         cout << "SOTUS\n";
7     }
8 }
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     cout << "I LOVE\n";
13     printSOTUS(1);
14     cout << "YOU LOVE\n";
15     printSOTUS(1);
16     cout << "ALL WE NEED IS\n";
17     printSOTUS(4);
18     return 0;
19 }
```

```
void function-name( parameter-list )
{
    declarations and statements
}
```

Output

| |
|----------------|
| I LOVE |
| SOTUS |
| YOU LOVE |
| SOTUS |
| ALL WE NEED IS |
| SOTUS |
| SOTUS |
| SOTUS |
| SOTUS |

Function with Empty Parameter Lists

void or leave parameter list empty
indicates function takes no arguments

```
return-value-type function-name ( void )  
{  
    declarations and statements  
}
```

```
return-value-type function-name( )
{
    declarations and statements
}
```

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void printSmile(){
5     for(int i = 1; i<=69; i++){
6         cout << ":)";
7         if(i%23==0) cout << '\n';
8     }
9 }
10
11 int main()
12 {
13     printSmile();
14     return 0;
15 }
```

[illegible]

Function with Empty Parameter Lists

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <fstream>
3 #include <string>
4 #include <cstdlib>
5 using namespace std;
6
7 float findMean(){
8     int count;
9     float sum = 0;
10    ifstream source;
11    source.open("mydata.txt");
12    string textline;
13    while (getline(source,textline))
14    {
15        sum += atof(textline.c_str());
16        count++;
17    }
18    source.close();
19
20    return sum/count;
21 }
```

```
23 int main () {
24
25     cout << "Avg = "<< findMean() << '\n';
26
27     return 0;
28 }
```

Input arguments of `findMean` = ?
`findMean` returns ?

Default Arguments

- Function call with omitted parameters
 - If not enough parameters, rightmost go to their defaults
 - Default values
 - Can be constants, global variables, or function calls

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  void printSOTUS(int N = 1){
5      for(int i = 1; i<=N; i++){
6          cout << "SOTUS\n";
7      }
8  }
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     cout << "I LOVE\n";
13     printSOTUS();
14     cout << "YOU LOVE\n";
15     printSOTUS();
16     cout << "ALL WE NEED IS\n";
17     printSOTUS(4);
18     return 0;
19 }

```

Set Default Values

Use Default Values

Use N = 4

Default Arguments

Output = ?

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int myFunction(int x=1,int y=1, int z=1){
5      return x+2*y+3*z;
6  }
7
8  int main()
9  {
10     cout << myFunction() << "\n";
11     cout << myFunction(69) << "\n";
12     cout << myFunction(69,10) << "\n";
13     cout << myFunction(69,10,-1) << "\n";
14 }

```

Function Prototype

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  void printPrint(char,int,int);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      printPrint('#',2,2);
9      printPrint('-',2,9);
10     printPrint('#',2,2);
11 }
12
13 void printPrint(char x,int y,int z){
14     for(int i = 1;i<=y;i++){
15         for(int j = 1;j<=z;j++){
16             cout << x;
17         }
18         cout << '\n';
19     }
20 }

```

Function Prototype
(Declare before calling)

Function Calling

Function Definition
(Declare after calling)

Output = ?

Function Prototype

return-value-type *function-name* (*parameter-type-list*);

- Tells compiler argument type and return type of function
- Explained in more detail (function definition) later
- Only needed if function definition after function call
- Function signature = Part of prototype with name and parameters

`int myFunction(int,int,int);`

Function signature

Function Prototype

- Prototype must **match function definition**

- Function prototype

```
double maximum( double, double, double );
```

- Definition

```
double maximum( double x, double y, double z )
{
    ...
}
```

Function Prototype

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void printPrint(char,int,int); → 4 void printPrint(char x,int y,int z);
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     printPrint('#',2,2);
9     printPrint('-',2,9);
10    printPrint('#',2,2);
11 }
12
13 void printPrint(char x,int y,int z){
14     for(int i = 1;i<=y;i++){
15         for(int j = 1;j<=z;j++){
16             cout << x;
17         }
18         cout << '\n';
19     }
20 }
```

4 void printPrint(char a,int b,int c);
Parameters' name can be different from function definition

4 void printPrint(char a,int b=1,int c=1);
• Default value must be set in the prototype before function call with omitted parameters

Function Overloading

- Function overloading

- Functions with **same name** and **different parameters**
- Should perform similar tasks

- i.e., function to square **ints** and function to square **floats**

```
int square(int x) {return x * x;}
float square(float x) { return x * x; }
```

- Overloaded functions distinguished by **signature**

- Based on **name** and **parameter types** (order matters)
- Name mangling
 - Encodes function identifier with parameters
- Type-safe linkage
 - Ensures proper overloaded function called

Function Overloading

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 int square(int x){
5     cout << "int version called\n";
6     return x*x;
7 }
8
9 float square(float x){
10    cout << "float version called\n";
11    return x*x;
12 }
13
14 double square(double x){
15    cout << "double version called\n";
16    return x*x;
17 }
18
19 int main()
20 {
21     cout << "result = " << square(2) << "\n";
22     cout << "result = " << square(2.0f) << "\n";
23     cout << "result = " << square(2.0) << "\n";
24     return 0;
25 }
```

```
int version called
result = 4
float version called
result = 4
double version called
result = 4
```

Function Overloading

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int x){
5      return x*x;
6  }
7
8  float square(float x){
9      return x*x;
10 }
11
12 int main(){
13     cout << square(2.0);
14     return 0;
15 }

```

```

In function 'int main()':
13:23: error: call of overloaded 'square(double)' is ambiguous
13:23: note: candidates are:
4:5: note: int square(int)
8:7: note: float square(float)

```

Function Templates

- Compact way to make overloaded functions
 - Generate separate function for different data types
- Format
 - Begin with keyword **template**
 - Formal type parameters in brackets **<>**
 - Every type parameter preceded by **typename** or **class** (synonyms)
 - Placeholders for built-in types (i.e., **int**) or user-defined types
 - Specify arguments types, return types, declare variables
 - Function definition like normal, except formal types used

Function Templates

• Example

```

template < class T > // or template <typename T>
T square( T value1 )
{
    return value1 * value1;
}

```

- **T** is a formal type, used as parameter type
 - Above function returns variable of same type as parameter
- In function call, **T** replaced by real type
 - If **int**, all **T**'s become **ints**

```

int x;
int y = square(x);

```

Function Templates

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  template <typename currentType>
5  currentType justOneBefore(currentType x){
6      currentType y = x-1;
7      return y;
8  }
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore('Z') << "\n";
13     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(0u) << "\n";
14     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(-68) << "\n";
15     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(6.55555) << "\n";
16     return 0;
17 }

```

```

result = Y
result = 4294967295
result = -69
result = 5.55555

```

Function Templates

```

4  template <typename T>
5  T justOneBefore(T);
6
7  int main()
8  {
9      cout << "result = " << justOneBefore('Z') << "\n";
10     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(0u) << "\n";
11     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(-68) << "\n";
12     cout << "result = " << justOneBefore(6.55555) << "\n";
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 template <typename currentType>
17 currentType justOneBefore(currentType x){
18     currentType y = x-1;
19     return y;
20 }

```

} Prototype

Different typename can be used
in prototype and definition

```

result = Y
result = 4294967295
result = -69
result = 5.55555

```

Function Call by Reference

function-name (*argument-list*)

- Call by value

square (*x*)

- Copy of data passed to function
- Changes to copy do not change original
- Prevent unwanted side effects

function-name (&*argument-list*)

- Call by reference

square (&*x*)

- Function can directly access data
- Changes affect original

Function Call by Reference

- Reference parameter

- Alias for argument in function call
 - Passes parameter by reference
- Use & after data type in prototype

`void myFunction(int &data)`

- Read “data is a reference to an int”
- Function call format the same
 - However, original can now be changed

Function Call by Value

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int num = 5;
9      cout << "Input argument = " << num << "\n";
10     cout << "Return value = " << square(num) << "\n";
11     cout << "Input argument = " << num << "\n";
12 }
13
14 int square(int x){
15     return x*x;
16 }

```

```

Input argument = 5
Return value = 25
Input argument = 5

```


Function Call by Reference

```

1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void square(int &);
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     int num = 5;
9     cout << "Input argument = " << num << "\n";
10    square(num);
11    cout << "Input argument = " << num << "\n";
12 }
13
14 void square(int &x){
15     x = x*x;
16 }

```

Input argument = 5
Input argument = 25

Function Call by Reference

```

1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 int c = 2;
5 void square(int &x = c); ← Set default reference
6                               parameter to variable c
7 int main()
8 {
9     cout << "Default argument = " << c << "\n";
10    square();
11    cout << "Default argument = " << c << "\n";
12 }
13
14 void square(int &x){
15     x = x*x;
16 }

```

Default argument = 2
Default argument = 4

Recursion (Recursive Function)

- Recursive functions
 - Functions that call themselves
 - Can only solve a base case
- If **not** base case
 - Break problem into smaller problem(s)
 - Launch new copy of function to work on the smaller problem (recursive call/recursive step)
 - Slowly converges towards base case
 - Function makes call to itself inside the return statement
 - Eventually base case gets solved
 - Answer works way back up, solves entire problem

Recursion (Recursive Function)

- Example: factorial

$$n! = n * (n - 1) * (n - 2) * \dots * 1$$
 - Recursive relationship ($n! = n * (n - 1)!$)
 - $5! = 5 * 4!$
 - $4! = 4 * 3! \dots$
 - Base case ($1! = 0! = 1$)

Example 6-B: Factorial (recursive ver.)

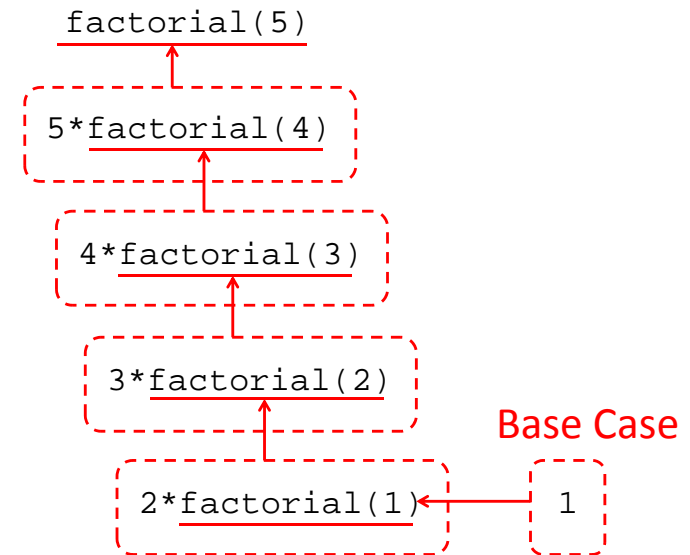
```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4
5 int factorial (int x)
6 {
7     if(x <= 1){
8         return 1;
9     }else{
10        return x*factorial(x-1);
11    }
12 }
13
14
15 int main(){
16     cout << "5! = " << factorial(5);
17 }
```

Base case for 1! or 0! = 1

This function call itself inside Factorial of x can be obtained from factorial of smaller number (x-1)

5! = 120

Example 6-B: Factorial (recursive ver.)



Example 6-B: Factorial (iteration ver.)

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4
5 int factorial(int x)
6 {
7     int y = 1;
8     for(;x>=2;x--){
9         y *= x;
10    }
11    return y;
12 }
13
14 int main(){
15     cout << "5! = " << factorial(5);
16 }
```

Use for-loop

5! = 120

Recursion vs. Iteration

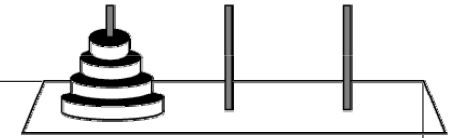
- Repetition
 - Iteration: explicit loop
 - Recursion: repeated function calls
- Termination
 - Iteration: loop condition fails
 - Recursion: base case recognized
- Both can have infinite loops
- Balance between performance (iteration) and good software engineering (recursion)

Recursion vs. Iteration

จงหา $1+2+3+\dots+N$

| สิ่งที่ Iteration เห็น | สิ่งที่ Recursion เห็น | สิ่งที่นักศึกษาบางคนเห็น |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| $f(N) = \sum_{x=1}^N x$ | $f(x) = x + f(x-1)$ $f(1) = 1$ | <pre> FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF FFF FFFFFFFFFFFF FFF FFF </pre> |

Example 6-C: Towers of Hanoi



```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  void hanoi(int N,int s=1, int d=3)
5  {
6      if(N == 1) cout << "Move from " << s << " to " << d << '\n';
7      else{
8          int buffer = 6-(s+d);
9          hanoi(N-1,s,buffer);
10         cout << "Move from " << s << " to " << d << '\n';
11         hanoi(N-1,buffer,d);
12     }
13 }
14
15 int main(){
16     hanoi(3);
17 }

```

```

Move from 1 to 3
Move from 1 to 2
Move from 3 to 2
Move from 1 to 3
Move from 2 to 1
Move from 2 to 3
Move from 1 to 3

```