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COMP2115 – Information Structures

**Assignment and Lab Exercise #1**

1. (a) Briefly describe the purpose and benefits of functions in developing software.  
(b) Write a coded example of each of the 5 categories of functions in C++ with the appropriate formal function documentation
2. Create a header file called “**project.h**” which contains the following functions, with their proper formal documentation:
  - (a) A recursion function called “**calcPower**”, which accepts two integers as parameters and returns the result of raising the first integer to the power of the second.
  - (b) A set of **overloaded functions** called “**getMin**” which takes three (3) parameters of the same data type and returns the smallest value which has been passed to it.
  - (c) A **template function** called “**printIt**” which prints the content of the single parameter which has been passed to it.
  - (d) A **default function** called “**twoValRatio**” which accepts three (3) integers and returns the result of multiplying the first integer to the second and dividing the product by the sum of the second and third integers.
  - (e) Two **overloaded inline functions** called “**calcArea**” which return the area of a circle when the value of the radius has been passed as a parameter, as either an integer or real value.
3. Write a program called “**project1.cpp**” which implements calls to the functions in “project.h”. Run the programme in OpenSUSE.

**NOTE:** You may compile your code with the command:

**g++ project1.cpp -o project1 -Wall**

and run the compiled program with the command:

**./project1**