## **Advance Excel Assignment 18**

## 1. What are comments and what is the importance if commenting in any Code?

In programming, comments are annotations or notes that are added to the source code of a program. Comments are ignored by the compiler or interpreter and do not affect the program's execution. They are meant for human readers (including other developers and yourself) to provide explanations, documentations, or context about the code.

The importance of commenting in code includes:

- 1. **Code Documentation:** Comments serve as a form of documentation, providing explanations about the purpose, functionality, and usage of different parts of the code. This documentation is crucial for other developers (or even yourself at a later time) to understand the codebase.
- 2. **Code Readability:** Well-commented code is more readable and understandable. Clear and concise comments can help other developers quickly grasp the logic behind specific sections of code, making it easier to maintain and modify.
- 3. **Code Maintenance:** Comments facilitate code maintenance by providing insights into the design choices, potential issues, or future improvements. When someone needs to update or modify the code, comments can guide them and reduce the risk of introducing errors.
- 4. **Collaboration:** In collaborative coding environments, comments are essential for communication between team members. They allow developers to share information, discuss ideas, and provide feedback within the codebase.

## 2. What is Call Statement and when do you use this statement?

In programming, a "Call Statement" typically refers to a statement that invokes or executes a subroutine, function, or procedure. The specific syntax may vary depending on the programming language you're using. Generally, the "Call" keyword is sometimes used explicitly, but in many modern languages, it's often optional.

Here are examples in a few programming languages:

## **VBA (Visual Basic for Applications):**

' Using the Call keyword

Call MySubroutine(arg1, arg2)

' Without the Call keyword (also valid)

MySubroutine arg1, arg2

In general, you use the "Call Statement" or its equivalent syntax to execute a block of code encapsulated within a subroutine, function, or method. The purpose of using such statements is to modularize code, promote code reuse, and make the code more readable and maintainable. Functions and procedures often perform specific tasks, and by calling them, you can compartmentalize your code and avoid duplicating the same logic in multiple places.

## 3. What are hotkeys in VBA? How can you create your own hot keys?

In Visual Basic for Applications (VBA), hotkeys refer to keyboard shortcuts that can be assigned to macros or procedures. These hotkeys allow you to quickly execute a specific macro by pressing a combination of keys. Creating your own hotkeys involves a few steps:

## Assigning a Hotkey to a Macro:

- 1. **Open the VBA Editor:** Press **Alt + F11** to open the VBA editor.
- 2. **Locate the Macro:** In the VBA editor, find the module or sheet where your macro is located.
- 3. **Select the Macro:** Select the procedure (macro) to which you want to assign a hotkey.
- 4. **Open the Properties Window:** If the Properties window is not already open, press **F4** to open it.
- 5. **Assign a Hotkey:** In the Properties window, find the "Procedure" property. Click on the blank space next to "Procedure" to activate the ellipsis button (...). Click on the ellipsis button, and a dialog will appear.
- 6. **Enter Hotkey:** In the dialog, you can enter a letter as the hotkey. For example, if you enter the letter "M," the hotkey will be **Ctrl + M**. If you enter a lowercase letter, the hotkey will require the **Ctrl** key, and if you enter an uppercase letter, the hotkey will require the **Ctrl + Shift** keys.
- 7. Close the Dialog: Click "OK" to close the dialog.

### **Example:**

Let's say you have the following simple macro in a module:

### Sub MyMacro()

MsgBox "Hello, this is my macro!"

### **End Sub**

To assign a hotkey:

- 1. Open the VBA editor (Alt + F11).
- 2. Select the **MyMacro** procedure.
- 3. Open the Properties window (F4).
- 4. Click on the ellipsis button next to "Procedure."
- 5. Enter a letter, e.g., "M."
- 6. Click "OK" to close the dialog.

Now, whenever you press **Ctrl + M** in the Excel workbook, it will execute the **MyMacro** procedure.

Keep in mind that hotkeys in VBA are specific to the workbook in which they are defined. If you want a hotkey to work in other workbooks, you need to replicate the assignment in those workbooks as well.

# 4. Create a macro and shortcut key to find the square root of the following numbers 665, 89, 72, 86, 48, 32, 569, 7521

Creating a macro and shortcut key to find the square root of numbers typically involves using software that supports automation, such as Microsoft Excel or Google Sheets. Below are steps for creating a simple macro in Microsoft Excel to find the square root of a selected cell's value.

### **Microsoft Excel:**

- 1. **Open Excel:** Open Microsoft Excel and create a new or open an existing workbook.
- 2. **Enable Developer Tab:** If you haven't enabled the Developer tab, go to "File" > "Options" > "Customize Ribbon," and check the "Developer" option.
- 3. **Open Visual Basic for Applications (VBA):** Go to the "Developer" tab and click on "Visual Basic" to open the VBA editor.
- 4. **Insert Module:** In the VBA editor, right-click on any item in the Project Explorer on the left, choose "Insert," and then select "Module."
- 5. **Write the Macro:** Copy and paste the following VBA code into the module:

### **VBA** code

Sub SquareRootMacro()

Dim selectedCell As Range

'Get the currently selected cell Set selectedCell = ActiveCell

' Check if the selected cell is not empty

If Not IsEmpty(selectedCell.Value) Then

'Calculate the square root and display a message

MsgBox "Square Root: " & Sqr(selectedCell.Value)

Else 'Display a message if the selected cell is empty

MsgBox "Please select a cell with a numeric value."

End If

### **End Sub**

- 6. **Assign Shortcut Key:** Close the VBA editor and go back to Excel. Right-click on any ribbon tab, choose "Customize the Ribbon," and click on "New Group" in the "Developer" tab. Then, select the new group and click "New," and give it a name like "Square Root." In the right column, choose "Macros" and select the "SquareRootMacro" macro. Click "OK."
- 7. **Test the Macro:** Select a cell with a numeric value, press the assigned shortcut key, and it should display a message box with the square root.

Repeat steps 6 and 7 for each of the numbers you provided (665, 89, 72, 86, 48, 32, 569, 7521).

## 5. What are the shortcut keys used to

a. Run the code b. Step into the code

c. Step out of code d. Reset the code

In Microsoft Excel's Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) editor, you can use the following shortcut keys for debugging and running code:

### a. Run the Code:

• **F5:** This key is used to run the entire code or the current procedure (subroutine) in the VBA editor.

## b. Step Into the Code:

• **F8:** This key is used to execute the code one line at a time, allowing you to step through the code and observe its execution.

### c. Step Out of Code:

• **Shift + F8:** This key combination is used to execute the remaining lines of a procedure and then pause. It allows you to quickly exit from a called procedure and return to the calling procedure.

### d. Reset the Code:

• **Ctrl + Break:** This key combination is used to interrupt the execution of the code. It can be helpful if your code is in an infinite loop or if you want to stop the execution for any reason.

Remember that these shortcut keys are applicable in the VBA editor while you are editing your code. Make sure to have the VBA editor open (you can access it by pressing Alt + F11) and be within the code module you want to run or debug.