Header File and Library Function Reference

This appendix provides a reference for the C++ library functions discussed in the book. The following table gives an alphabetical list of functions. Tables of functions that are organized by their header files follow it.

Alphabetical Listing of Selected Library Functions

Function	Details
abs(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts an integer argument. Returns the absolute value of the argument as an integer. Example: a = abs(m);
atof(str)	<pre>Header File: cstdlib Description: Accepts a C-string as an argument. The function converts the string to a double and returns that value. Example: num = atof("3.14159");</pre>
atoi(str)	<pre>Header File: cstdlib Description: Accepts a C-string as an argument. The function converts the string to an int and returns that value. Example: num = atoi("4569");</pre>
atol(str)	<pre>Header File: cstdlib Description: Accepts a C-string as an argument. The function converts the string to a long and returns that value. Example: num = atol("5000000");</pre>

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cos(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns the cosine of the argument. The argument should be an angle expressed in radians. The return type is double. Example: a = cos(m);
exit(status)	Header File: cstdlib Description: Accepts an int argument. Terminates the program and passes the value of the argument to the operating system. Example: exit(0);
exp(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Computes the exponential function of the argument, which is e ^x . The return type is double. Example: a = exp(m);
<pre>fmod(m, n)</pre>	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts two double arguments. Returns, as a double, the remainder of the first argument divided by the second argument. Works like the modulus operator, but the arguments are doubles. (The modulus operator only works with integers.) Take care not to pass zero as the second argument. Doing so would cause division by zero. Example: a = fmod(m, n);
isalnum(ch)	<pre>Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a letter of the alphabet or a digit. Otherwise, it returns false. Example: if (isalnum(ch))</pre>
isalpha(ch)	<pre>Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a letter of the alphabet. Otherwise, it returns false. Example: if (isalpha(ch)) cout << ch << " is a letter.\n";</pre>

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isdigit(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a digit 0–9. Otherwise, it returns false.
	<pre>Example: if (isdigit(ch)) cout << ch << " is a digit.\n";</pre>
islower(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a lowercase letter. Otherwise, it returns false.
	<pre>Example: if (islower(ch)) cout << ch << " is lowercase.\n";</pre>
isprint(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a printable character (including a space). Returns false otherwise. <i>Example:</i>
	<pre>if (isprint(ch)) cout << ch << " is printable.\n";</pre>
ispunct(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a printable character other than a digit, letter, or space. Returns false otherwise. <i>Example:</i>
	<pre>if (ispunct(ch)) cout << ch << " is punctuation.\n";</pre>
isspace(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a whitespace character. Whitespace characters are any of the following:
	space
	• vertical tab '\v' Otherwise, it returns false.
	Example: if (isspace(ch))
	cout << ch << " is whitespace.\n";

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isupper(ch)	Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is an uppercase letter. Otherwise, it returns false. Example: if (isupper(ch)) cout << ch << " is uppercase.\n";
<pre>itoa(value, str, base)</pre>	Header File: cstdlib Description: Converts an integer to a C-string. The first argument, value, is the integer. The result will be stored at the location pointed to by the second argument, str. The third argument, base, is an integer. It specifies the numbering system that the converted integer should be expressed in. (8 = octal, 10 = decimal, 16 = hexadecimal, etc.). Example: char str[10]; int value = 1024; itoa(value, str, 10);
log(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the natural logarithm of the argument. Example: a = log(m);
log10(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the base-10 logarithm of the argument. Example: a = log10(m);
pow(m, n)	<pre>Header File: cmath Description: Accepts two double arguments. Returns the value of argument 1 raised to the power of argument 2. Example: a = pow(m, n);</pre>
rand()	<pre>Header File: cstdlib Description: Generates a pseudorandom number. Example: x = rand();</pre>

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sin(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the sine of the argument. The argument should be an angle expressed in radians. Example:
	a = sin(m);
sqrt(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the square root of the argument. Example: a = sqrt(m);
<pre>srand(m)</pre>	Header File: cstdlib Description: Accepts an unsigned int argument. The argument is used as a seed value to randomize the results of the rand() function. Example: srand(m);
strcat(str1, str2)	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts two C-strings as arguments. The function appends the contents of the second string to the first string. (The first string is altered; the second string is left unchanged.) Example: strcat(string1, string2);
strcmp(str1, str2)	<pre>Header File: cstring Description: Accepts pointers to two string arguments. If string1 and string2 are the same, this function returns 0. If string2 is alphabetically greater than string1, it returns a positive number. If string2 is alphabetically less than string1, it returns a negative number. Example: if (strcmp(string1, string2) == 0) cout << "The strings are equal.\n";</pre>
strcpy(str1, str2)	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts two C-strings as arguments. The function copies the second string to the first string. The second string is left unchanged. Example: strcpy(string1, string2);

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strlen(str)	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts a C-string as an argument. Returns the length of the string (not including the null terminator). Example: len = strlen(name);
<pre>strncpy(str1, str2, n)</pre>	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts two C-strings and an integer argument. The third argument, an integer, indicates how many characters to copy from the second string to the first string. If string2 has fewer than n characters, string1 is padded with '\0' characters. Example: strncpy(string1, string2, n);
strstr(str1, str2)	<pre>Header File: cstring Description: Searches for the first occurrence of string2 in string1. If an occurrence of string2 is found, the function returns a pointer to it. Otherwise, it returns a NULL pointer (address 0). Example: cout << strstr(string1, string2);</pre>
tan(m)	<pre>Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the tangent of the argument. The argument should be an angle expressed in radians. Example: a = tan(m);</pre>
tolower(ch)	Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns the lowercase equivalent of its argument. Example: ch = tolower(ch);
toupper(ch)	Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns the uppercase equivalent of its argument. Example: ch = toupper(ch);

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sin(m)	Header File: cmath Description: Accepts a double argument. Returns, as a double, the sine of the argument. The argument should be an angle expressed in radians. Example: a = sin(m);
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strcpy(str1, str2)	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts two C-strings as arguments. The function copies the second string to the first string. The second string is left unchanged. Example: strcpy(string1, string2);
strlen(str)	<pre>Header File: cstring Description: Accepts a C-string as an argument. Returns the length of the string (not including the null terminator). Example: len = strlen(name);</pre>
<pre>strncpy(str1, str2, n)</pre>	Header File: cstring Description: Accepts two C-strings and an integer argument. The third argument, an integer, indicates how many characters to copy from the second string to the first string. If string2 has fewer than n characters, string1 is padded with '\0' characters. Example: strncpy(string1, string2, n);
strstr(str1, str2)	<pre>Header File: cstring Description: Searches for the first occurrence of string2 in string1. If an occurrence of string2 is found, the function returns a pointer to it. Otherwise, it returns a NULL pointer (address 0). Example: cout << strstr(string1, string2);</pre>

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isalnum(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a letter of the alphabet or a digit. Otherwise, it returns false. Example:
	<pre>if (isalnum(ch)) cout << ch << " is alphanumeric.\n";</pre>
isalpha(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a letter of the alphabet. Otherwise, it returns false. Example:
	<pre>if (isalpha(ch)) cout << ch << " is a letter.\n";</pre>
isdigit(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a digit 0 - 9. Otherwise, it returns false. Example:
	<pre>if (isdigit(ch)) cout << ch << " is a digit.\n";</pre>
islower(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a lowercase letter. Otherwise, it returns false. Example:
	<pre>if (islower(ch)) cout << ch << " is lowercase.\n";</pre>
isprint(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a printable character (including a space). Returns false otherwise. <i>Example:</i> if (isprint(ch))
	<pre>cout << ch << " is printable.\n";</pre>
ispunct(ch)	Header File: cctype Description:
	Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a printable character other than a digit, letter, or space. Returns false otherwise. <i>Example:</i>
	<pre>if (ispunct(ch)) cout << ch << " is punctuation.\n";</pre>

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isspace(ch)	<pre>Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is a whitespace character. Whitespace characters are any of the following: • space</pre>
isupper(ch)	<pre>Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns true if the argument is an uppercase letter. Otherwise, it returns false. Example: if (isupper(ch)) cout << ch << " is uppercase.\n";</pre>
tolower(ch)	<pre>Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns the lowercase equivalent of its argument. Example: ch = tolower(ch);</pre>
toupper(ch)	Header File: cctype Description: Accepts a char argument. Returns the uppercase equivalent of its argument. Example: ch = toupper(ch);