

M30299 – Programming

Lecture 09 – Defining functions – an example

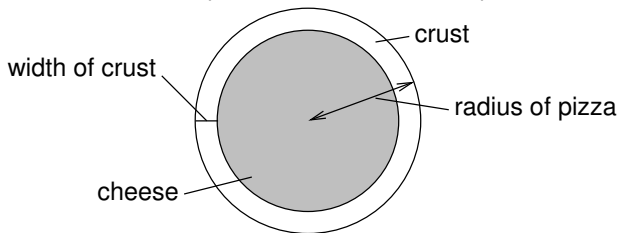
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Writing function definitions – an example

- The cost of a cheese pizza is made up of:
 - the cost of the dough base (which is 1p per cm^2); plus
 - the cost of the cheese topping (which is 2.5p per cm^2).



- Let's write a program that asks the user for:
 - the radius of the complete pizza; and
 - the width of the crust

and displays the total cost of the pizza in pounds.

Writing function definitions – an example

- We'll start by splitting the task into two separate functions:
 - `main` - this will ask the user for the two inputs, and display the final result (i.e. it forms a **user interface**.)
 - `costOfPizza` - this function will actually calculate the cost.
- Clearly, the `main` function will need to call `costOfPizza`; i.e. `main` will take the form:

```
get radius of pizza from user
get width of crust from user
call costOfPizza to calculate cost of pizza
    based on the radius and crust width
display cost
```

Writing a function definition

- The `costOfPizza` function needs the pizza **radius** and crust **width** in order to calculate the cost: these will be its **parameters**.
- To give the cost the function can follow the steps:
 - cost of base = $0.01 \times \text{area of base}$
 - cost of topping = $0.025 \times \text{area of topping}$
 - return cost of base + cost of topping
- We could therefore write:

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- However, there is repetition here (in the calculation of areas).
- A better solution would be to use a further function that will find areas of circles for us:

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- Could this code be improved further?

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- The main function is relatively simple to write

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