

#define (cont)

- used well, makes programs more readable
 - good usage: `#define MAX_STR 100`
 - poor usage: `#define ONE 1`
- if *Name* used multiple times in program
 - changing it only needs change in one place

Functions

A **function** packages a small computation

- provides ways to pass data in (**parameters**)
- provides ways to get data out (**return value**)
- contains code and *local* data objects

Examples (that you've already seen):

- `scanf()`, `printf()`, `sin()`, `cos()`

Functions provide **abstraction** (a VIP concept)

Functions (cont)

Functions are defined by giving

- return **type**, function **name**, **parameter** names/types
- and, of course, code to compute and return result

Example: function to return sum of two **ints**

```
int add(int x, int y) {  
    return x+y;  
}
```

Functions (cont)

Function **signatures** are defined by giving

- return **type**, function **name**, parameter **types**

Example: function to return sum of two **ints**

```
int add(int, int);
```

Users of the function need to know at least the signature, before they can use it.

Functions (cont)

Most functions return a result (of **type**)

- each function contains a **return** statement
- usage: **return** *Expression*;
- the result returned by the function is the value of the *Expression*

Functions (cont)

Functions are typically used like `x = fun(y);`

- this assigns the function result to variable **x**
- **x**'s type must match function's return type

If a function does not return any result

- declare return type as **void**
- e.g. `void vfun(int a) {...}` // returns no result
- the function call is a statement: `vfun(y);`