

Object-Oriented Programming

Lecture 5: Functions and Recursion in C++



Objectives

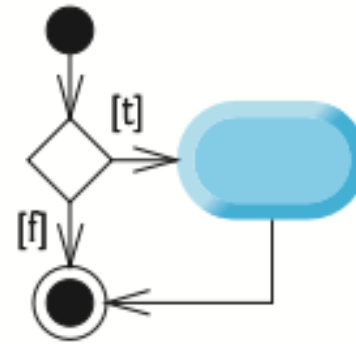
- Summaries of C++ Statement
- Understand modular programming
- Learn function prototypes, math library, and scope rules
- Explore recursion and compare it to iteration
- Lambda Function
- Apply knowledge to real-world scenarios like games and simulations

Sequence

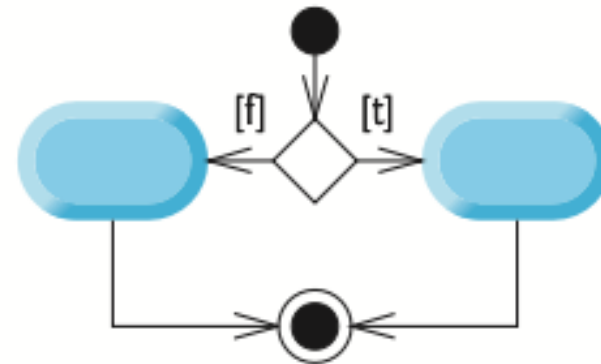


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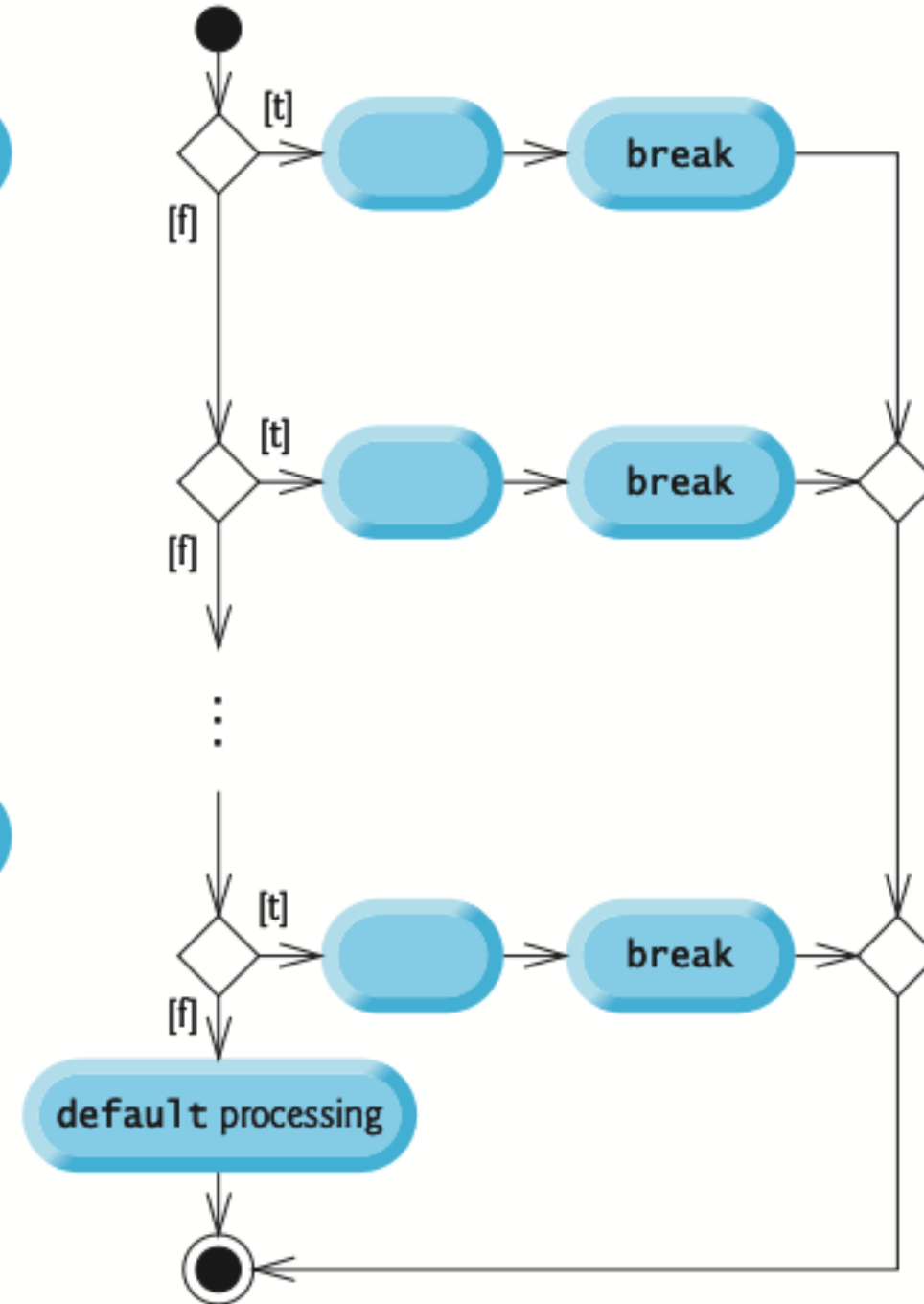
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if...else statement
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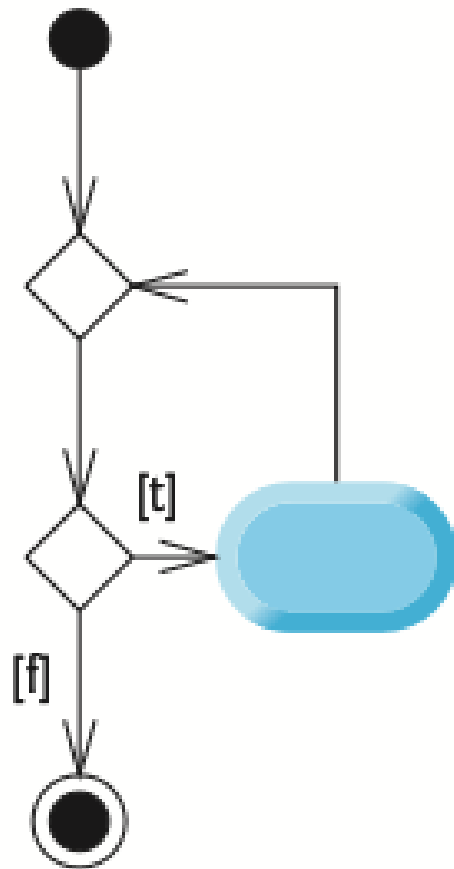


switch statement with **break**s
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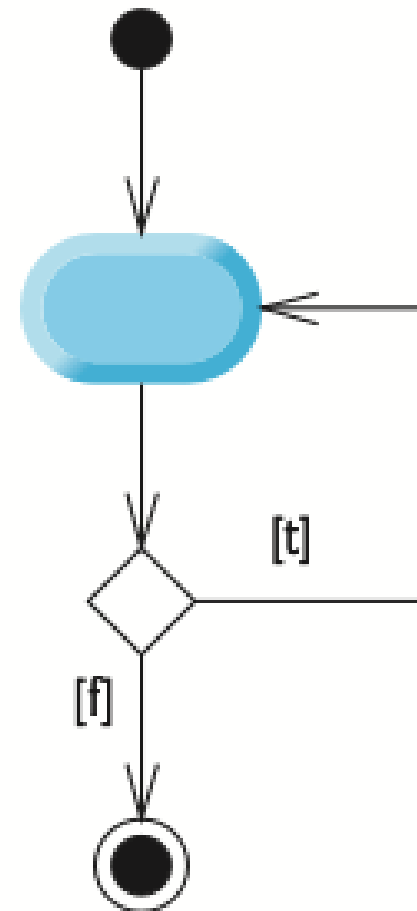


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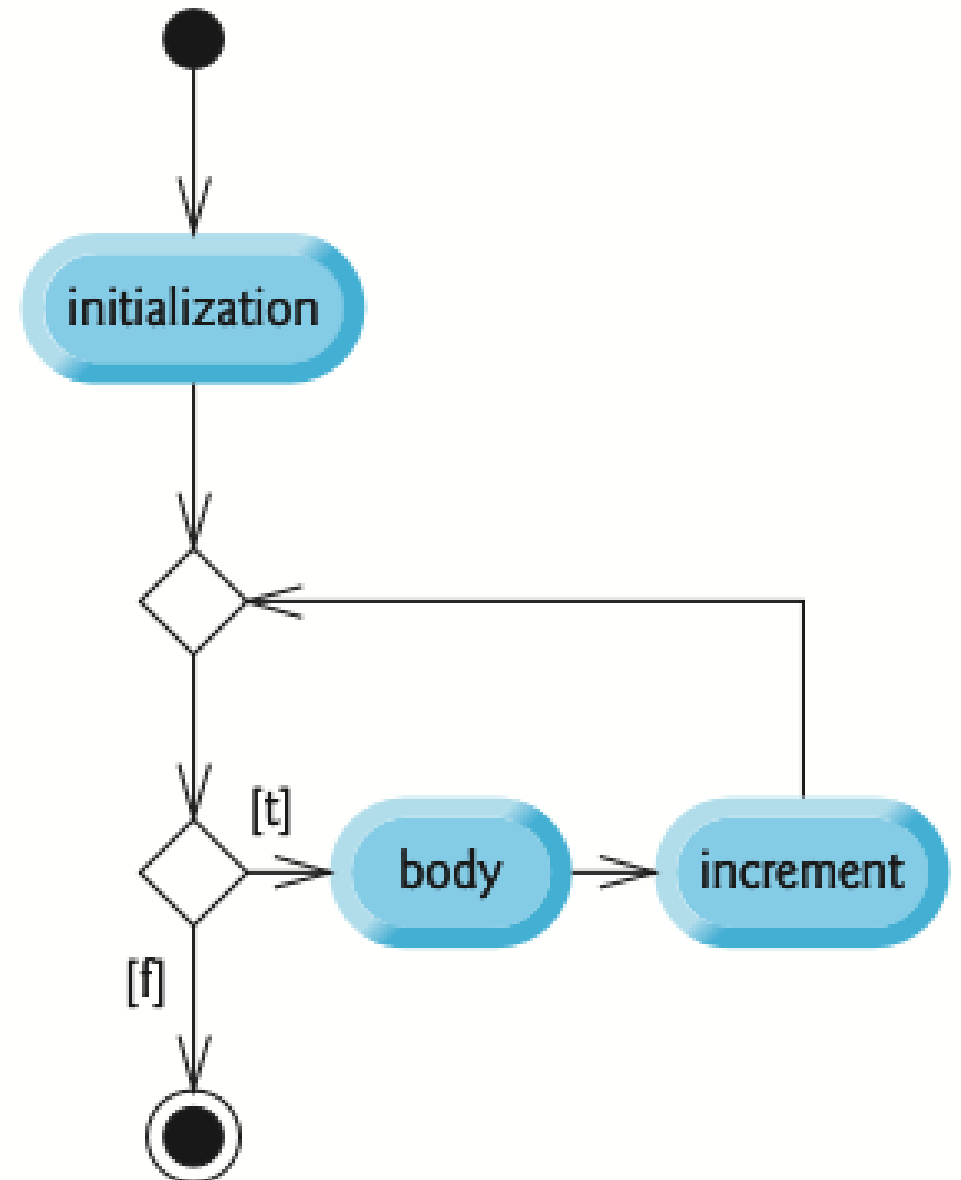
while statement



do...while statement



for statement



Switch-Case Example

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int choice;

    cout << "Menu:" << endl;
    cout << "1. Add" << endl;
    cout << "2. Subtract" << endl;
    cout << "3. Multiply" << endl;
    cout << "4. Divide" << endl;
    cout << "Enter your choice: ";
    cin >> choice;

    switch (choice) {
        case 1:
            cout << "You chose to Add." << endl;
            break;
        case 2:
            cout << "You chose to Subtract." << endl;
            break;
        case 3:
            cout << "You chose to Multiply." << endl;
            break;
        case 4:
            cout << "You chose to Divide." << endl;
            break;
        default:
            cout << "Invalid choice. Please select a number between 1 and 4." << endl;
            break;
    }

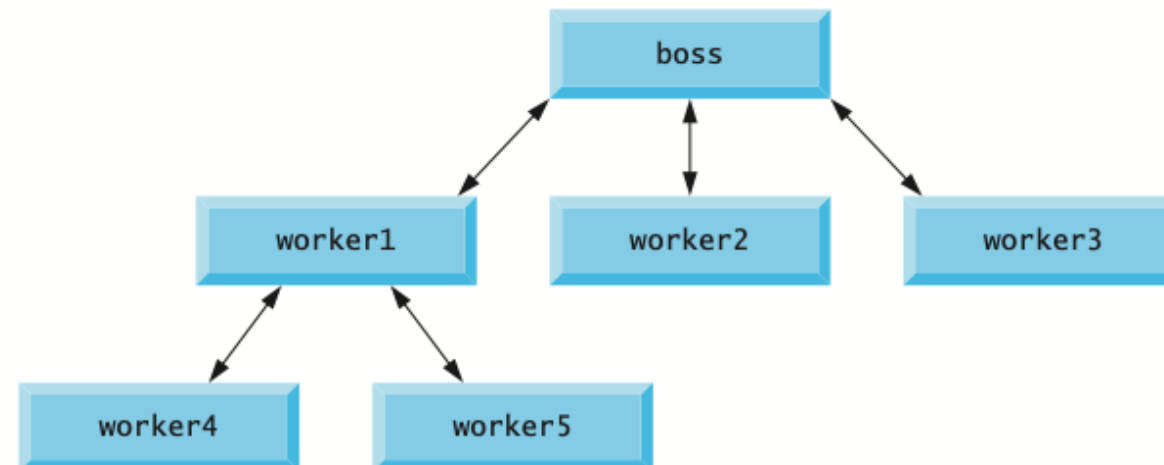
    return 0;
}
```

What are Functions?

- Definition: A block of code designed to perform a specific task.
- Key Components:
 - Function declaration
 - Function definition
 - Function call

Why Use Functions?

- Benefits:
 - Modularity: Break problems into smaller pieces.
 - Reusability: Use functions across programs.
 - Maintainability: Easier debugging and updates.



Function Prototypes

- A function prototype informs the compiler about the function's name, return type, and parameters before it is used in the code.
- Compiler's Role: The compiler processes code line by line.
 - When a function call is encountered, the compiler must know the function's details (return type, parameter types) to validate the call.
- Function Prototype:
 - Acts as a declaration of the function.
 - If the function is defined after main without a prototype, the compiler does not know about the function at the time it encounters the call. This leads to a **compilation error**.

Why Use Prototypes?

- Code Organization: You can place the main logic (main function) at the top and detailed implementations afterward, improving code readability.
- Error Checking: Prototypes ensure that function calls are valid (e.g., correct argument types and order).
- Modularity: Separate prototypes in headers (.h files) allow you to reuse function declarations across multiple files.

Why Use Prototypes?

math_function.h

```
// Function prototype (declaration)  
int add(int a, int b);
```

math_functions.cpp

```
#include "math_function.h"  
  
// Function definition (body)  
int add(int a, int b) {  
    return a + b;  
}
```

main.cpp

```
#include <iostream>  
#include "math_function.h"  
  
int main() {  
    std::cout << "2 + 3 = " << add(2, 3)  
    << std::endl;  
    return 0;  
}
```

Function Prototypes

```
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
using namespace std;
```

```
int maximum(int x, int y, int z); // function prototype
```

```
int main() {
    cout << "Enter three integer values: ";
    int int1, int2, int3;
    cin >> int1 >> int2 >> int3;

    // invoke maximum
    cout << "The maximum integer value is: "
         << maximum(int1, int2, int3) << endl;
}
```

function signature

Function overload

```
int maximum(int, int, int);
int maximum(int, int, int, int);
```

```
// returns the largest of three integers
int maximum(int x, int y, int z) {
    int maximumValue{x}; // assume x is the largest to start

    // determine whether y is greater than maximumValue
    if (y > maximumValue) {
        maximumValue = y; // make y the new maximumValue
    }

    // determine whether z is greater than maximumValue
    if (z > maximumValue) {
        maximumValue = z; // make z the new maximumValue
    }

    return maximumValue;
}
```

Argument Coercion

- Compiler automatically converts an argument in a function call to match the type of the corresponding parameter in the function prototype or definition. For example, if a function is defined to take a double, but an integer is passed, the compiler will automatically convert (coerce) the integer to a double.
- **Argument-Promotion Rules:**
 - These rules describe how smaller integer types (like char and short) are automatically promoted to larger integer types (like int) when passed as arguments to a function.
- **Implicit Conversions:**
 - The compiler can perform implicit type conversions to ensure compatibility.

Data Types Promotion Hierarchy

Data types	
long double	
double	
float	
unsigned long <u>long</u> int	(synonymous with unsigned long long)
long <u>long</u> int	(synonymous with long long)
unsigned long int	(synonymous with unsigned long)
long int	(synonymous with long)
unsigned int	(synonymous with unsigned)
int	
unsigned short int	(synonymous with unsigned short)
short int	(synonymous with short)
unsigned char	
char and signed char	
bool	

Argument Coercion

- Best practices:
 - Use Explicit Casting:
`println(static_cast<int>(num));`
- Prefer Matching Types:
 - Ensure that function arguments and parameters have matching types to avoid unintended type coercion.

Math Library Functions

Function	Description	Example
<code>ceil(x)</code>	rounds x to the smallest integer not less than x	<code>ceil(9.2)</code> is 10.0 <code>ceil(-9.8)</code> is -9.0
<code>cos(x)</code>	trigonometric cosine of x (x in radians)	<code>cos(0.0)</code> is 1.0
<code>exp(x)</code>	exponential function e^x	<code>exp(1.0)</code> is 2.718282 <code>exp(2.0)</code> is 7.389056
<code>fabs(x)</code>	absolute value of x	<code>fabs(5.1)</code> is 5.1 <code>fabs(0.0)</code> is 0.0 <code>fabs(-8.76)</code> is 8.76
<code>floor(x)</code>	rounds x to the largest integer not greater than x	<code>floor(9.2)</code> is 9.0 <code>floor(-9.8)</code> is -10.0
<code>fmod(x, y)</code>	remainder of x/y as a floating-point number	<code>fmod(2.6, 1.2)</code> is 0.2
<code>log(x)</code>	natural logarithm of x (base e)	<code>log(2.718282)</code> is 1.0 <code>log(7.389056)</code> is 2.0
<code>log10(x)</code>	logarithm of x (base 10)	<code>log10(10.0)</code> is 1.0 <code>log10(100.0)</code> is 2.0
<code>pow(x, y)</code>	x raised to power y (x^y)	<code>pow(2, 7)</code> is 128 <code>pow(9, .5)</code> is 3
<code>sin(x)</code>	trigonometric sine of x (x in radians)	<code>sin(0.0)</code> is 0
<code>sqrt(x)</code>	square root of x (where x is a nonnegative value)	<code>sqrt(9.0)</code> is 3.0
<code>tan(x)</code>	trigonometric tangent of x (x in radians)	<code>tan(0.0)</code> is 0

Random Number Generation

- In C++, random number generation involves producing pseudorandom numbers (not truly random but generated using deterministic algorithms).
- Legacy Approach:
 - Using `rand()` and `srand()` from `<cstdlib>`.
- Modern Approach:
 - Using C++11 `<random>` header, which offers better randomness and flexibility.

Random-Number Generation

Quiz 2 – 15 minutes

Write a C++ program to simulate rolling a six-sided die 60,000,000 times and calculate the frequency of each face appearing. The output should display the frequency of each face in a tabular format.



```
Face    Frequency
1      10001623
2       9996515
3       9997615
4      10002603
5      10002201
6       9999443
endl%
phairojatanachai@P
Face    Frequency
1      10001623
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```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <random> // For random number generation

int main() {
    // Random number generator seeded with current time
    std::default_random_engine generator(static_cast<unsigned
int>(time(0)));

    // Uniform distribution in the range [1, 10]
    std::uniform_int_distribution<int> distribution10(1, 10);
    std::cout << "Random number (1-10): " << distribution10(generator)
<< std::endl;

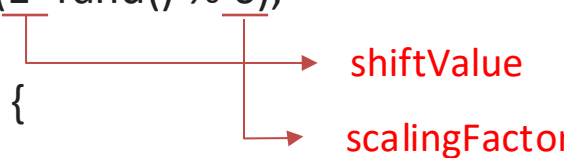
    return 0;
}
```

Random-Number Generation

```
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
#include <cstdlib>

using namespace std;

int main() {
    for (unsigned int counter{1}; counter <= 20; counter++) {
        cout << setw(10) << (1+rand() % 6);
        if (counter % 5 == 0) {
            cout << endl;
        }
    }
    cout << rand() << " , " << RAND_MAX << endl;
}
```



```
      2      2      6      3      5
      3      1      3      6      2
      1      6      1      3      4
      6      2      2      5      5
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      3      1      3      6      2
      1      6      1      3      4
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      6      2      2      5      5
896544303 , 2147483647
```

Enumeration

- An enumeration is a user-defined type consisting of a set of named constants, known as enumerators.
- Useful for representing a group of related values in a readable and organized way.
Ex. represent the days of the week, the months of the year, or the states of a game.

Traditional Enums

- Implicit Integral Values:
 - By default, enumerators are assigned integer values starting from 0.
 - You can explicitly specify values:

```
enum Color {  
    RED = 1,  
    GREEN = 5,  
    BLUE // BLUE will be 6  
};  
  
switch (myColor) {  
    case RED:  
        std::cout << "The color is RED." << std::endl;  
        break;  
    case GREEN:  
        std::cout << "The color is GREEN." << std::endl;  
        break;  
    case BLUE:  
        std::cout << "The color is BLUE." << std::endl;  
        break;  
    default:  
        std::cout << "Unknown color." << std::endl;  
}
```

Limitation of Traditional Enums

- Global Namespace Pollution

```
enum Color {  
    RED,    // RED added to the global namespace  
    GREEN,  // GREEN added to the global namespace  
    BLUE   // BLUE added to the global namespace  
};  
  
enum TrafficLight {  
    RED,    // Conflict! RED is already defined in Color  
    YELLOW,  
    GREEN   // Conflict! GREEN is already defined in Color  
};  
  
int main() {  
    // Compiler Error: RED and GREEN are ambiguous  
    std::cout << RED << std::endl;  
    return 0;  
}
```

- Implicit Integer Conversion
- Lack of Type Safety

Scoped Enumerations

- Scoped enumerations, introduced in C++11, provide a safer and more modern alternative to traditional enumerations.
- Key features:
 - Explicit scope

```
enum class Color { RED, GREEN, BLUE };  
Color myColor = Color::RED; // Access using the scope resolution operator
```
- Type safety:
 - Scoped enums do not implicitly convert to integers, unlike traditional `enums`

```
enum class Status { WON, LOST, CONTINUE };  
  
Status gameStatus = Status::WON;  
  
// ERROR: Cannot compare with an integer  
// if (gameStatus == 0) { ... }
```

Enumeration : Example

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
enum class TrafficLightState {Red, Yellow, Green };

std::string getTrafficLightStateName(TrafficLightState state) {
    switch (state) {
        case TrafficLightState::Red:
            return "Red";
        case TrafficLightState::Yellow:
            return "Yellow";
        case TrafficLightState::Green:
            return "Green";
        default:
            return "Unknown State";
    }
}

TrafficLightState changeTrafficLightState(TrafficLightState currentState) {
    switch (currentState) {
        case TrafficLightState::Red:
            return TrafficLightState::Green;
        case TrafficLightState::Yellow:
            return TrafficLightState::Red;
        case TrafficLightState::Green:
            return TrafficLightState::Yellow;
        default:
            return TrafficLightState::Red;
    }
}
```

```
int main() {
    TrafficLightState state = TrafficLightState::Red;

    std::cout << "Current Traffic Light State: " << getTrafficLightStateName(state) <<
    std::endl;

    // Change the state and print it
    state = changeTrafficLightState(state);
    std::cout << "New Traffic Light State: " << getTrafficLightStateName(state) << std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```

```
Current Traffic Light State: Red
New Traffic Light State: Green
```

Scope Rules

The scope of a variable or function determines the part of the program where that name is accessible. There are several types of scope:

1. **Block Scope (Local Scope):** Variables declared within a block {} are only accessible within that block and are destroyed once the block is exited. Functions do not have block scope.
2. **Function Scope:** Labels used in goto statements have function scope. They are only valid within the function where they are defined.
3. **File Scope (Global Scope):** Variables declared outside all functions or blocks have file or global scope. They are accessible from the point of declaration to the end of the file.
4. **Namespace Scope:** Namespaces are declarative regions that provide a way to avoid name collisions without the need for overly long variable names.
5. **Class Scope:** Names declared within a class or struct are accessible only within that class or struct, or through its instances.

```
void myFunction() {  
    // localVar has block scope within myFunction  
    int localVar = 5;  
    // ...  
}  
// localVar is not accessible here, outside myFunction
```

```
#include <iostream>  
int main() {  
    int n = 10;  
jump_here: // This label has function scope  
    std::cout << n << " ";  
    n--;  
    if (n > 0) {  
        goto jump_here; // Jumps back to the label  
    }  
    std::cout << "\nCountdown complete.";  
    return 0;  
}
```


Function-Call Stack and Activation Records

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

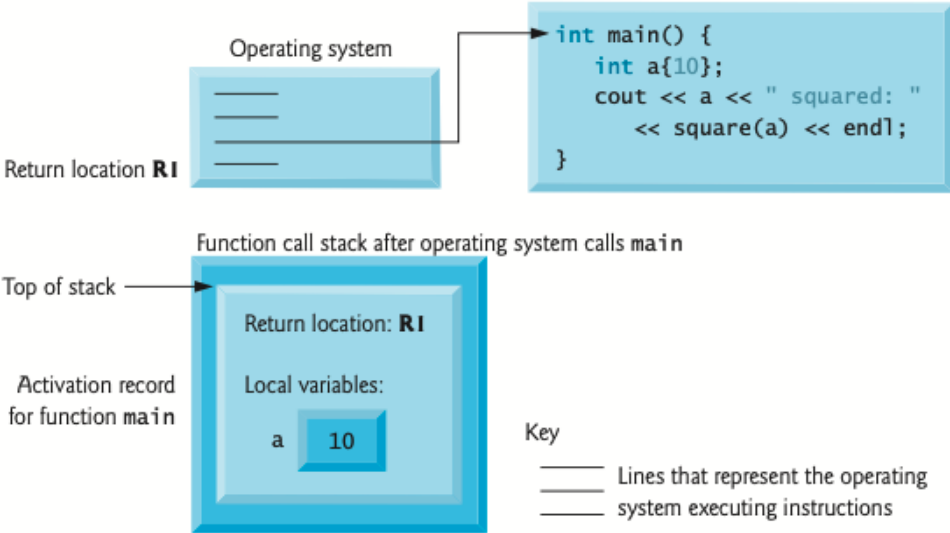
// Prototype for function square
int square(int x);

int main() {
    int a{10}; // Value to square (local variable in main)
    cout << a << " squared: " << square(a) << endl; // Display a squared
    return 0;
}

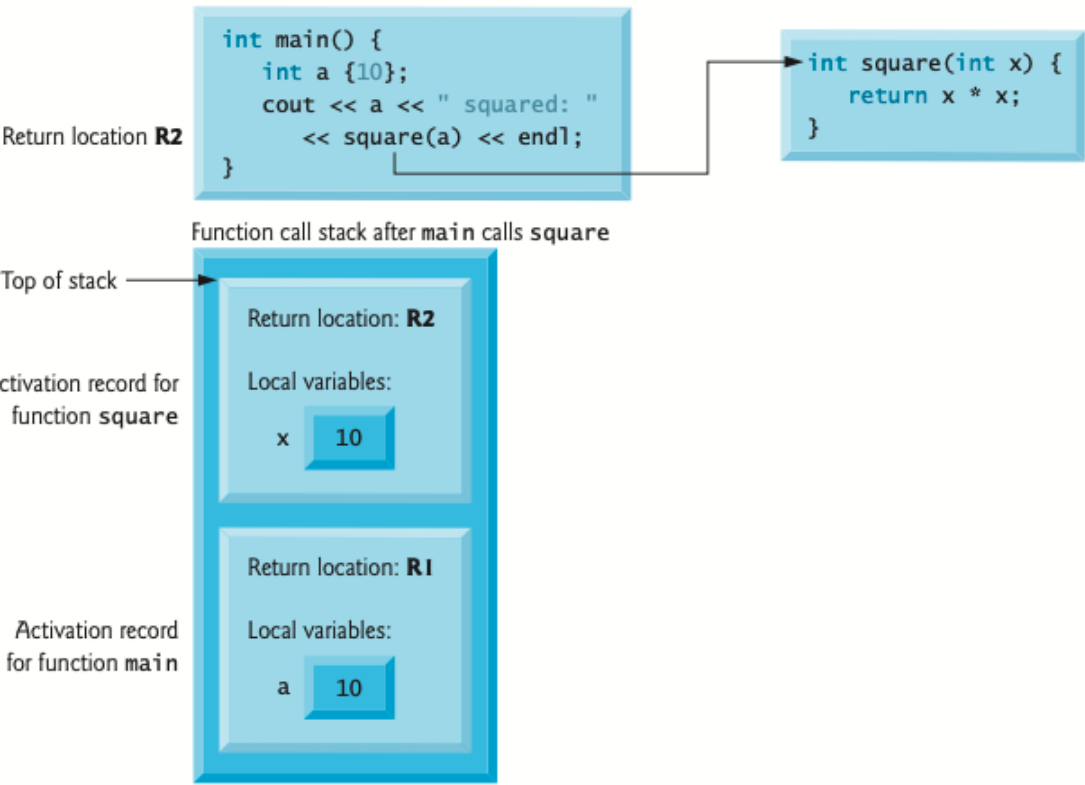
// Returns the square of an integer
int square(int x) { // x is a local variable
    return x * x; // Calculate square and return result
}
```

Function-Call Stack and Activation Records

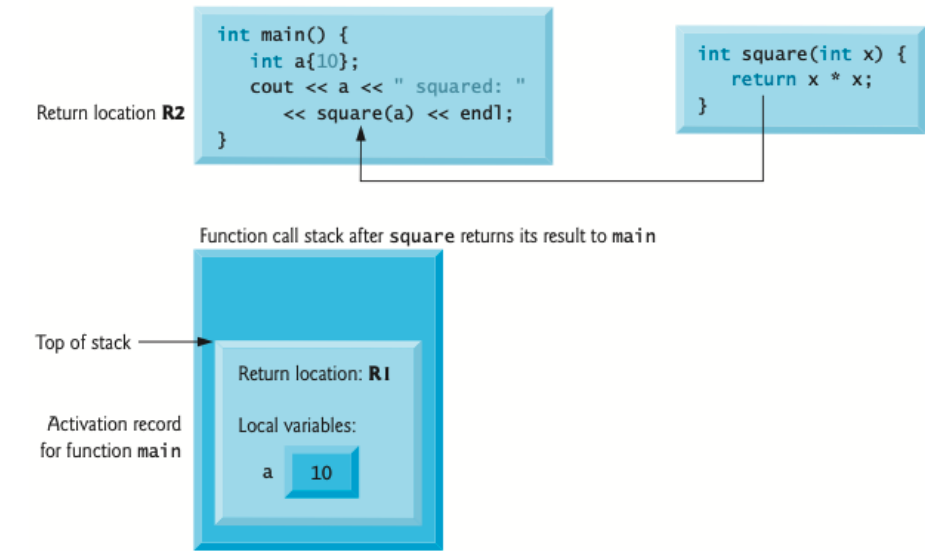
Step 1: Operating system calls main to execute application



Step 2: main calls function square to perform calculation



Step 3: square returns its result to main



Inline Function

C++ provides inline functions to help reduce function-call overhead. Placing the qualifier inline before a function's return type in the function definition advises the compiler to generate a copy of the function's body code in every place where the function is called (when appropriate) to avoid a function call. This often makes the program larger.

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

// Inline function to calculate the volume of a cube
inline double cube(const double side) {
    return side * side * side; // calculate cube
}

int main() {
    double sideValue; // stores value entered by user

    cout << "Enter the side length of your cube: ";
    cin >> sideValue; // read value from user

    // calculate cube of sideValue and display result
    cout << "Volume of cube with side " << sideValue << " is " << cube(sideValue) << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

References and Reference Parameters

Two ways to pass arguments to functions in many programming languages are pass-by-value and pass-by-reference.

- **passed-by-value**, a copy of the argument's value is made and passed (on the function-call stack) to the called function.
Changes to the copy do not affect the original variable's value in the caller.
- **pass-by-reference**, the caller gives the called function the ability to *access the caller's data directly*, and to *modify* that data.

Const References

A const reference is a reference that does not allow modification of the object it refers to.

```
void print(const int &x) {  
    std::cout << x << std::endl;  
    // x cannot be modified here  
}
```

Default Arguments

Default arguments are a feature that allows to specify default values for parameters in a function declaration.

When the function is called, these default values are used if no corresponding arguments are provided in the call.

Benefit:

- make function calls more concise
- maintaining backward compatibility with existing code when new parameters are added to a function.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// Function declaration with default arguments
void displayMessage(string message = "Hello", int number = 3) {
    for (int i = 0; i < number; ++i) {
        cout << message << endl;
    }
}

int main() {
    displayMessage();           // Uses both defaults: prints "Hello" 3 times
    displayMessage("Hi");      // Uses default for number: prints "Hi" 3 times
    displayMessage("Hey", 2);  // Uses no defaults: prints "Hey" 2 times
    return 0;
}
```

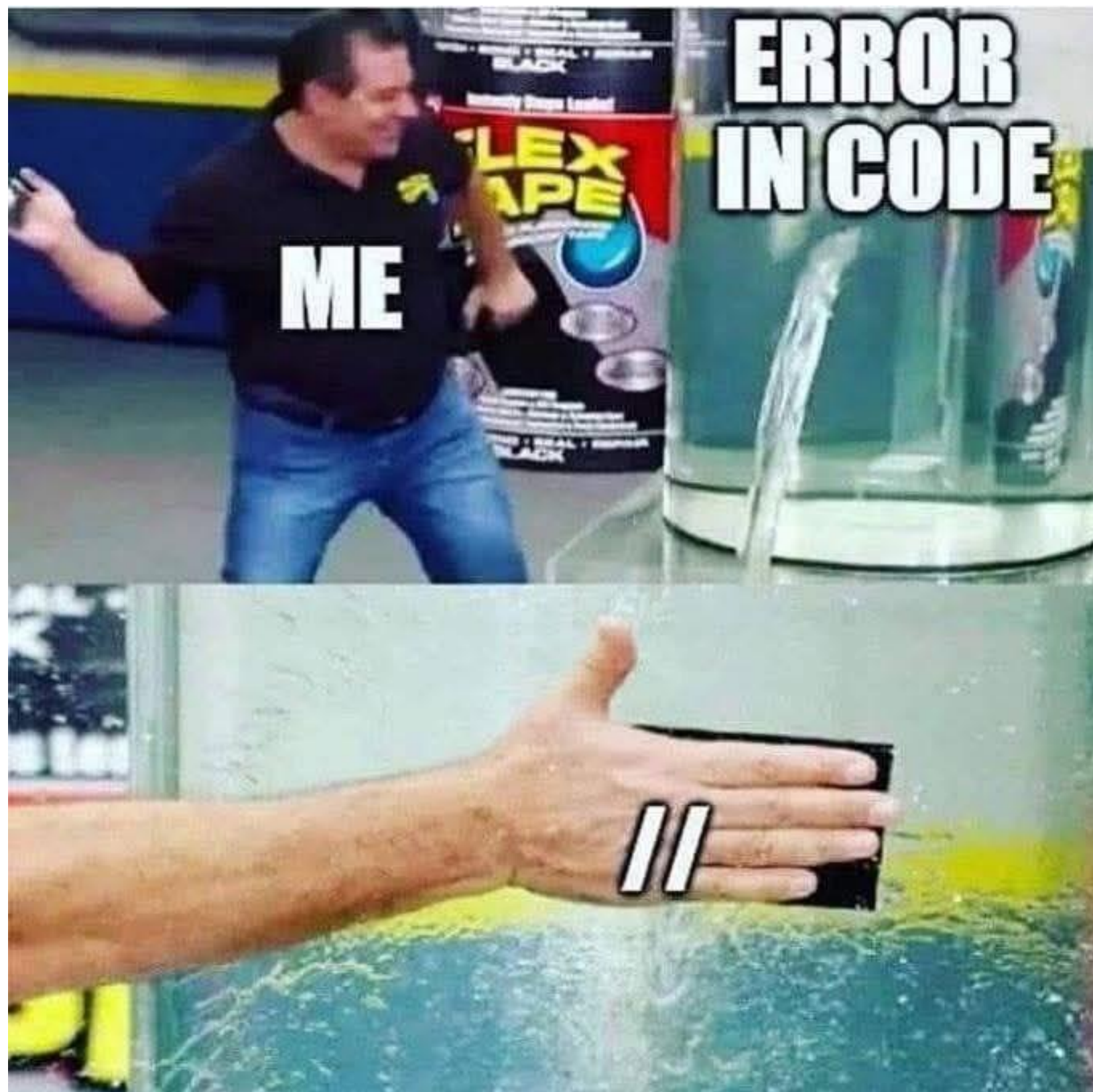
Unary Scope Resolution Operator

- unary scope resolution operator (::) to access a global variable when a local variable of the same name is in scope.
- The unary scope resolution operator cannot be used to access a local variable of the same name in an outer block.
- A global variable can be accessed directly without the unary scope resolution operator if the name of the global variable is not the same as that of a local variable in scope.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int number{7}; // global variable named number

int main() {
    double number{10.5}; // local variable named number
    // display values of local and global variables
    cout << "Local double value = " << number
        << "\nGlobal int value = " << ::number << endl;
}
```

```
Local double value of number = 10.5
Global int value of number = 7
```

Function Template

- Blueprint or formula for creating a family of functions. It allows you to write a generic function that can work with any data type.
- Usage:

```
template <typename T>
T functionName(T parameter) {
    // function body
}
```

```
// Function template to return the larger of two values
template <typename T>
T max(T x, T y) {
    return (x > y) ? x : y;
}

int main() {
    // The following calls will generate two functions automatically by the compiler:
    // max<int>(int, int) and max<double>(double, double)
    std::cout << "Max of 10 and 20 is " << max(10, 20) << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Max of 22.5 and 18.5 is " << max(22.5, 18.5) << std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```


Recursion

- Recursion is a method of solving problems where a function calls itself as a subroutine.
- A recursive function typically has two main parts:
 - Base Case: The condition under which the recursion ends. This prevents infinite loops. It's a simple case, where the answer can be provided directly without further recursion.
 - Recursive Case: The part of the function where it calls itself to work towards the base case.

```
// n! = n × (n-1) × (n-2) × ... × 3 × 2 × 1
int factorial(int n) {
    if (n <= 1) { // Base case
        return 1;
    } else { // Recursive case
        return n * factorial(n - 1);
    }
}
```

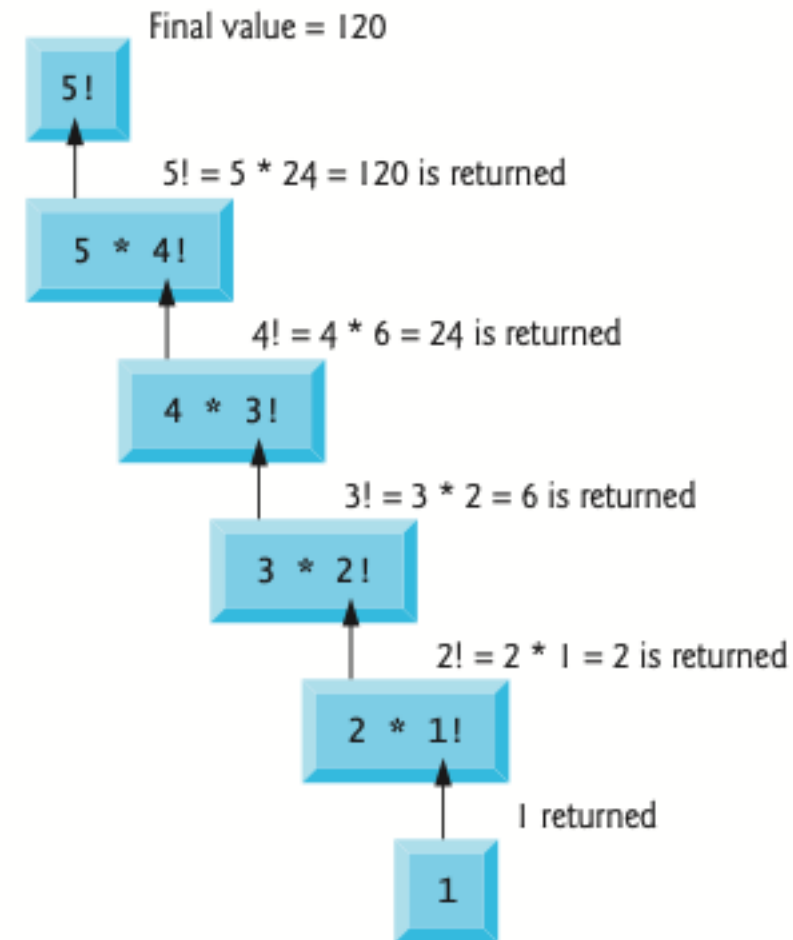
- Key Points to Remember in Recursion:
 - Always Define a Base Case: Without a base case, your recursion could go on indefinitely, leading to a stack overflow.
 - Each Recursive Call Should Progress Toward the Base Case
 - Recursion vs. Iteration: Recursion can often be replaced with iteration (loops). The choice between them depends on the specific problem and which approach is more intuitive or efficient.

Recursion

```
// n! = n × (n-1) × (n-2) × ... × 3 × 2 × 1
int factorial(int n) {
    if (n <= 1) { // Base case
        return 1;
    } else { // Recursive case
        return n * factorial(n - 1);
    }
}
```

```
int factorial(int n) {
    int result = 1;
    for (int i = 2; i <= n; ++i) {
        result *= i;
    }
    return result;
}
```

Values returned from each recursive call



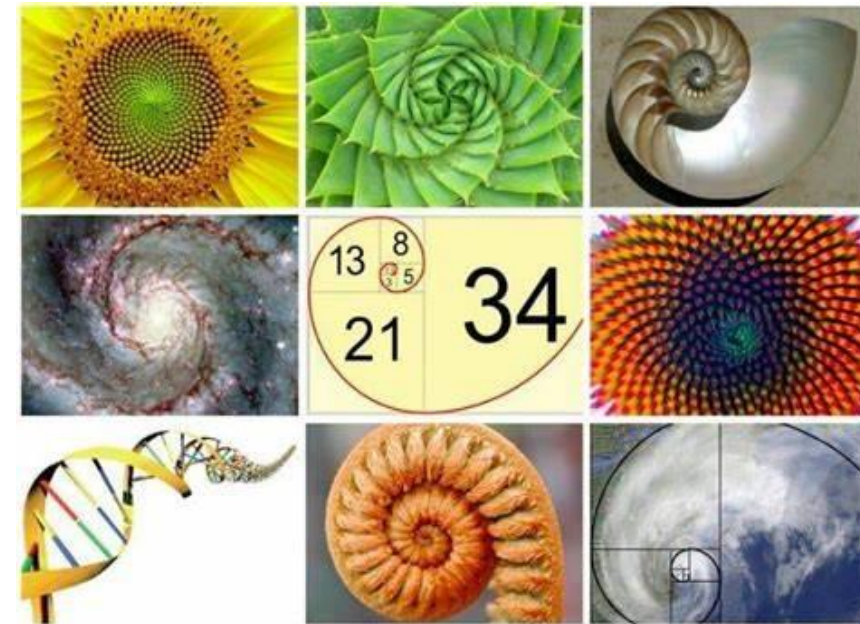
Example Using Recursion: Fibonacci Series

The Fibonacci Series is a sequence of numbers where each number is the sum of the two preceding ones, usually starting with 0 and 1. Mathematically, it is defined by the following recurrence relation:

$$F(0) = 0, F(1) = 1$$

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2) \text{ for } n > 1$$

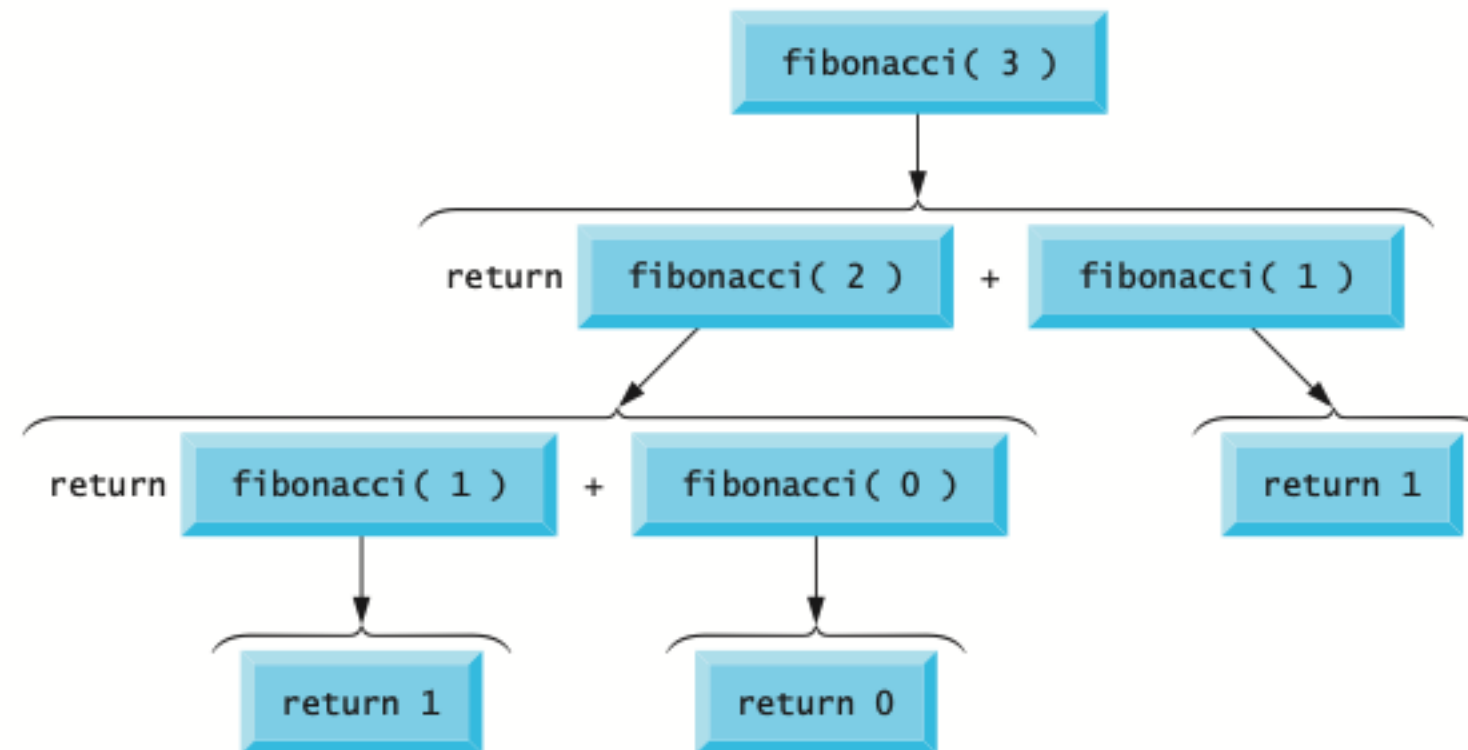
Example: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, and so on.



Why study Fibonacci

- The computational basis for algorithms, such as those that find the greatest common divisor.
- In computer science, it's used for data structure like the Fibonacci heap.
- It appears in biological settings, such as branching in trees, the arrangement of leaves on a stem, the fruitlets of a pineapple, and even the flowering of artichoke.

Example Using Recursion: Fibonacci Series



Lambda Function

- Lambda functions are anonymous functions that are used to define small, inline functions that can capture variables from their surrounding scope.

- Syntax: `[capture_clause] (parameters) -> return_type {
function_body
};`

- Example: `auto add = [](int a, int b) -> int {
return a + b;
};
std::cout << add(3, 4) << std::endl; // Output: 7

int factor = 3;
auto multiplyByFactor = [factor](int x) {
return x * factor;
};
std::cout << multiplyByFactor(4) << std::endl; // Output: 12`

Lambda Function

- Example:

```
int factor = 3;
auto multiplyByFactor = [&factor](int x) {
    return x * factor;
};
factor = 5; // Change the value of factor
std::cout << multiplyByFactor(4) << std::endl; // Output: 20
```
- When capturing by value ([factor]), the lambda captures a copy of the variable's value at the time of definition.
- Changes to the original variable (factor) do not affect the captured value inside the lambda.

Standard Library header

Explanation

<code><iostream></code>	Contains function prototypes for the C++ standard input and output functions, introduced in Chapter 2, and is covered in more detail in Chapter 13, Stream Input/Output: A Deeper Look.
<code><iomanip></code>	Contains function prototypes for stream manipulators that format streams of data. This header is first used in Section 4.10 and is discussed in more detail in Chapter 13, Stream Input/Output: A Deeper Look.
<code><cmath></code>	Contains function prototypes for math library functions (Section 6.3).
<code><cstdlib></code>	Contains function prototypes for conversions of numbers to text, text to numbers, memory allocation, random numbers and various other utility functions. Portions of the header are covered in Section 6.7; Chapter 11, Operator Overloading; Class string; Chapter 17, Exception Handling: A Deeper Look; Chapter 22, Bits, Characters, C Strings and structs; and Appendix F, C Legacy Code Topics.
<code><ctime></code>	Contains function prototypes and types for manipulating the time and date. This header is used in Section 6.7.
<code><array></code> , <code><vector></code> , <code><list></code> , <code><forward_list></code> , <code><deque></code> , <code><queue></code> , <code><stack></code> , <code><map></code> , <code><unordered_map></code> , <code><unordered_set></code> , <code><set></code> , <code><bitset></code> <code><cctype></code>	These headers contain classes that implement the C++ Standard Library containers. Containers store data during a program's execution. The <code><vector></code> header is first introduced in Chapter 7, Class Templates array and vector; Catching Exceptions. We discuss all these headers in Chapter 15, Standard Library Containers and Iterators. <code><array></code> , <code><forward_list></code> , <code><unordered_map></code> and <code><unordered_set></code> were all introduced in C++11.
<code><cstring></code>	Contains function prototypes for C-style string-processing functions. This header is used in Chapter 10, Operator Overloading; Class string.
<code><typeinfo></code>	Contains classes for runtime type identification (determining data types at execution time). This header is discussed in Section 12.9.
<code><exception></code> , <code><stdexcept></code>	These headers contain classes that are used for exception handling (discussed in Chapter 17, Exception Handling: A Deeper Look).

Standard Library header

Explanation

<code><memory></code>	Contains classes and functions used by the C++ Standard Library to allocate memory to the C++ Standard Library containers. This header is used in Chapter 17, Exception Handling: A Deeper Look.
<code><fstream></code>	Contains function prototypes for functions that perform input from and output to files on disk (discussed in Chapter 14, File Processing).
<code><string></code>	Contains the definition of class string from the C++ Standard Library (discussed in Chapter 21, Class string and String Stream Processing).
<code><sstream></code>	Contains function prototypes for functions that perform input from strings in memory and output to strings in memory (discussed in Chapter 21, Class string and String Stream Processing).
<code><functional></code>	Contains classes and functions used by C++ Standard Library algorithms. This header is used in Chapter 15.
<code><iterator></code>	Contains classes for accessing data in the C++ Standard Library containers. This header is used in Chapter 15.
<code><algorithm></code>	Contains functions for manipulating data in C++ Standard Library containers. This header is used in Chapter 15.
<code><cassert></code>	Contains macros for adding diagnostics that aid program debugging. This header is used in Appendix E, Preprocessor.
<code><cfloat></code>	Contains the floating-point size limits of the system.
<code><climits></code>	Contains the integral size limits of the system.
<code><cstdio></code>	Contains function prototypes for the C-style standard input/output library functions.
<code><locale></code>	Contains classes and functions normally used by stream processing to process data in the natural form for different languages (e.g., monetary formats, sorting strings, character presentation, etc.).
<code><limits></code>	Contains classes for defining the numerical data type limits on each computer platform—this is C++'s version of <code><climits></code> and <code><cfloat></code> .
<code><utility></code>	Contains classes and functions that are used by many C++ Standard Library headers.



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