

RAM

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	7042	
	7041	
	7040	
	7039	
	7038	
	7037	
	7036	
min	7035	
	7033	
	7032	
	7031	
hour	7030	
	7029	
	7028	
	7027	
sec	7026	
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Thus far, when we have used the ***name*** of a variable, the compiler has known that we mean to use the ***value*** of that variable, i.e., the ***content*** of the RAM

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So, if we call a function and pass a variable to the function for its use, it's the ***value*** that's passed – i.e. `makeSeconds(min)` would result in passing **32.5** to `makeSeconds()`

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min	7035	32.5
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	7032	
	7031	4
hour	7030	
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	7028	0
	7027	
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The & operator applied to a variable means to not use the value, but rather to use the **ADDRESS** of the variable, so ***&min*** is equivalent to 7035, not 32.5

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If makeSeconds() is declared as having a ***double&*** argument, then makeSeconds(min) passes the ***address*** 7035 to the function, rather than the value 32.5

- “Call by value” is what we have thus far done, passing in the ***value*** of a variable. That value is available as a ***local*** variable within the function.
- “Call by reference” is the other method, in which we pass the ***address*** of the variable, which the function can then use in order to access/modify the ***non-local*** (original) variable storage location.

Call by value:

```
int makeSeconds(double min) {  
    cout << min;    // This writes 32.5  
    min = 40.0;     // This changes the local value  
                    // but not the global  
    cout << min;    // This writes 40.0  
}
```

```
double min = 32.5;  
main() {  
    makeSeconds(min);  
    cout << min;    // This writes 32.5  
}
```

Call by reference:

```
int makeSeconds(double& min) {  
    cout << min;    // This writes 32.5  
    min = 40.0;    // This changes the global value  
    cout << min;    // This writes 40.0  
}
```

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double min = 32.5;  
main() {  
    makeSeconds(min);  
    cout << min;    // This writes 40.0  
}
```