



Chapter 9

Scope, Lifetime, and More on Functions

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Chapter 8 Topics

- Local Scope vs. Global Scope of an Identifier
- Detailed Scope Rules to Determine which Variables are Accessible in a Block
- Determining the Lifetime of a Variable
- Writing a Value-Returning Function for a Task
- Some Value-Returning Functions with
 Prototypes in Header Files cctype and cmath
- Creating and Using a Module Structure Chart
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Scope of Identifier

The scope of an identifier (or named constant) is the region of program code in which it is legal to use that identifier for any purpose

Local Scope vs. Global Scope

The scope of an identifier that is declared inside a block (this includes function parameters) extends from the point of declaration to the end of the block

The scope of an identifier that is declared outside of all namespaces, functions, and classes extends from point of declaration to the end of the entire file containing the program code

```
const float
               TAX RATE = 0.05; // Global constant
float tipRate;
                           // Global variable
void handle (int, float); // Function prototype
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    int age; // age and bill local to this block
    float bill;
                     // a, b, and tax cannot be used
here
                     // TAX RATE and tipRate can be used
    handle (age, bill);
    return 0;
void handle (int a, float b)
     float tax; // a, b, and tax local to this
block
                     // age and bill cannot be used here
                     // TAX RATE by long & Birtlett Learning Clan an Ascend Learning Company www.iblearning.com
}
```

Detailed Scope Rules

- 1 Function names have global scope
- 2 A function parameter's scope is identical to the scope of a local variable declared in the outermost block of the function body
- 3 A global variable's (or constant's) scope extends from its declaration to the end of the file, except as noted in rule 5
- 4 A local variable's (or constant's) scope extends from its declaration to the end of the block in which it is declared, including any nested blocks, except as noted in rule 5
- 5 An identifier's scope does not include any nested block that contains a locally declared identifier with the same name (local identifiers have name precedence)

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Name Precedence Implemented by Compiler Determines Scope

- When an expression refers to an identifier,
 - The compiler first checks the local declarations
 - If the identifier isn't local, the compiler works outward through each level of nesting until it finds an identifier with same name where it stops
- Any identifier with the same name declared at a level further out is never reached
- If compiler reaches global declarations and still can't find the identifier, an error message results

Namespace Scope

 The scope of an identifier declared in a namespace definition extends from the point of declaration to the end of the namespace body, and its scope includes the scope of a using directive specifying that namespace

3 Ways to Use Namespace Identifiers

■ Use a qualified name consisting of the namespace, the scope resolution operator :: and the desired the identifier

```
alpha = std::abs(beta);
```

■ Write a using declaration

```
using std::abs;
alpha = abs(beta);
```

■ Write a using directive locally or globally

```
using namespace std;
alpha = abs(beta);
```

Name Precedence (or Name Hiding)

 When a function declares a local identifier with the same name as a global identifier, the local identifier takes precedence within that function

Memory Allocation

```
int someInt;  // For the global variable
int Square (int n) // For instructions in body
{
  int result;  // For the local variable
  result = n * n;
  return result;
}
```

No Memory Allocation

```
int Square (int n);
// Function prototype

extern int someInt;
// someInt is defined in another file
// and is thus global to everything in
// this file
```

Lifetime of a Variable

 The lifetime of a variable is the time during program execution in which an identifier actually has memory allocated to it

Lifetime of Local Automatic Variables

- Their storage is created (allocated) when control enters the function
- Local variables are "alive" while function is executing
- Their storage is destroyed (deallocated) when function exits

Lifetime of Global Variables

- Their lifetime is the lifetime of the entire program
- Their memory is allocated when program begins execution
- Their memory is deallocated when the entire program terminates

Automatic vs. Static Variable

- Storage for automatic variable is allocated at block entry and deallocated at block exit
- Storage for static variable remains allocated throughout execution of the entire program

Default Allocation

- Local variables are automatic
- To obtain a static local variable, you must use the reserved word static in its declaration

Static and Automatic Local Variables

```
int popularSquare(int
{
    static int timesCalled = 0;
    // Initialized only once
    int result = n * n;
    // Initialized each time
    timesCalled = timesCalled + 1;
    cout << "Call # " << timesCalled << endl;</pre>
    return result;
```

Data Flow Determines Passing-Mechanism

Parameter Data Flow	Passing-Mechanism
Incoming /* in */	Pass-by-value
Outgoing /* out */	Pass-by-reference
Incoming/outgoing	Pass-by-reference
/* inout */	

Prototype for float Function

AmountDue() is a function with 2 parameters The first is type char, the other is type int

float AmountDue (char, int);

This function calculates and returns the amount due for local phone calls

The char parameter contains either a 'U' or an 'L' indicating Unlimited or Limited service; the int variable contains the number of calls made

Assume Unlimited service is \$40.50 per month and limited service is \$19.38 for up to 30 calls, and \$.09 per additional call

```
float AmountDue (char kind, int calls)
// Two parameters
{
   float result; // One local variable
   const float UNLIM RATE = 40.50,
                  LIM_RATE = 19.38,
                  EXTRA = .09;
    if (kind == 'U')
        result = UNLIM RATE;
   else if ((kind == 'L') && (calls <= 30))
        result = LIM RATE;
   else
        result = LIM RATE + (calls - 30) * EXTRA;
   return result;
```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
float AmountDue (char, int); // Prototype
using namespace std;
void main ()
    ifstream myInfile;
    ofstream myOutfile;
              areaCode, phoneNumber, calls;
    int
    int
              count = 0;
    float
           bill;
    char
              service;
                                 // Open files
    while (count < 100)
       myInfile >> service >> phoneNumber >> calls;
       bill = AmountDue (service, calls); // Function call
       myOutfile << phoneNumber << bill << endl;</pre>
       count++;
                                 // Close files
```

To handle the call AmountDue (service, calls)

MAIN PROGRAM MEMORY 4000 4002 4006

200 ? 'U'

calls bill service

TEMPORARY MEMORY for function to use

7000 7002 7006

7000 7002 7000

Locations:

Locations: calls result kind

Handling Function Call

```
bill = AmountDue(service, calls);
```

- Begins by evaluating each argument
- A copy of the value of each is sent to temporary memory which is created and waiting for it
- The function body determines result
- Result is returned and assigned to bill

```
int Power (/* in */ int x, // Base number
          /* in */ int n) // Power
// This function computes x to the n power
// Precondition:
// x is assigned && n \ge 0 && (x to the n) <= INT MAX
// Postcondition:
// Return value == x to the n power
   int result;  // Holds intermediate powers of x
   result = 1;
   while (n > 0)
       result = result * x;
       n--;
   return result;
```

Syntax Template for Function Definition

```
DataType FunctionName ( Parameter List )
{
    Statement
    .
    .
    .
}
```

Using bool Type with a Loop

```
bool dataOK; // Declare Boolean variable
float temperature;
dataOK = true; // Initialize the Boolean variable
while (dataOK)
    if (temperature > 5000)
        dataOK = false;
```

A Boolean Function

```
bool IsTriangle ( /* in */ float angle1,
                  /* in */ float angle2,
                  /* in */ float angle3)
// Function checks if 3 incoming values add up to
       180 degrees, forming a valid triangle
// Precondition:
   angle1, angle2, angle3 are assigned
// Postcondition:
      Return == true, f sum is within 0.000001 of
//
//
                  180.0 degrees
//
             == false, otherwise
    return (fabs(angle1 + angle2 + angle3 - 180.0)
      < 0.000001);
```

Some Prototypes in Header File < cctype >

```
isalpha (char ch);
int
   If ch is an alphabet character,
//
        Return value == nonzero
                      == zero, otherwise
int
      isdigit (char ch);
    If ch is a digit ('0' - '9'),
//
        Return value == nonzero
//
                     == zero, otherwise
int islower (char ch);
    If ch is a lowercase letter ('a' - 'z'),
        Return value == nonzero
//
                     == zero, otherwise
int
     isupper (char ch);
    If ch is an uppercase letter ('A' - 'Z'),
//
        Return value == nonzero
//
                      == zero, otherwise
```

Some Prototypes in Header File < cmath >

```
double cos (double x);
// Return value == trigonometric cosine of angle x
       in radians
double exp (double x);
// Return value == the value e (2.718 . . .) raised to
      the power x
//
double
         log (double x);
// Return value == natural (base e) logarithm of x
double
         log10 (double x);
// Return value == common (base 10) logarithm of x
double pow (double x, double y);
// Return value == x raised to the power y
```

What will the function do with your argument(s)?

The answer to this question determines whether your function parameter should be value or reference as follows . . .

Value vs Reference

If the function	Function parameter should be
only uses its value	/* in */ value parameter
assigns it a value	/* out */ reference parameter using &
changes its value	/* inout */ reference parameter using &

NOTE: I/O stream variables and arrays are exceptions

Use Void or Value-Returning Functions?

- 1 If it must return more than one value or modify any of the caller's arguments, do not use a value-returning function
- 2 If it must perform I/O, do not use a value-returning function
- 3 If there is only one value returned, and it is Boolean, a value-returning function is appropriate
- 4 If there is only one value returned, and that value will be used immediately in an expression, a value-returning function is appropriate
- 5 When in doubt, use a void function; you can recode any value-returning function as a void function by adding an extra outgoing parameter
- 6 If both void and value-returning are acceptable, use the one you prefer

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Use Stubs in Testing a Program

A stub is a dummy function with a very simple body, often just an output statement that this function was reached, and a return value (if any is required) of the correct type

Its name and parameter list is the same as the function that will actually be called by the program being tested