## **In-Class 9** —Reference Parameter Functions

In this exercise, you get practice writing functions that focus on returning information to the calling function. Please note that we are <u>not</u> talking about "returning" information to the user or person executing the program. The perspective here is that one function, like main(), can call another function, like swap() or calculateSingle(). Your program passes information <u>into</u> the function using parameters; information is passed <u>back</u> "<u>out</u>" to the calling function using a single return value or multiple reference parameters. A function can only pass back 1 piece of information using the return statement. Your program must use reference parameters to pass back multiple pieces of information.

There is a sort of hierarchy of functions, and this assignment uses each of these:

- 1. nothing returned by a function void functions
- 2. 1 value returned by a function using a return value
- 3. 2 or more values returned by a function
  - a. a function uses 2 or more reference parameters (void return value)
  - b. a function uses a return value and reference parameters

The main() function is provided below. You must implement the following functions and produce the output below:

- 1. double MaxNumbers(double num1, double num2);
  - o Prompt and read 2 double in main()
  - o num1 and num2 not changed
  - o Return the larger one between num1 and num2
  - o If num1 equals num2, return either one of them
- 2. Int calcCubeSizes(double edgeLen, double&surfaceArea, double& volume);
  - o pass by value incoming value edgeLen
  - o outgoing reference parameters surfaceArea and volume are set in the function
  - o return 0 for calculations performed properly
  - o you return -1 for failure, like edgeLen is negative or 0
- 3. int splitNumber(double number, int& integral, double& digital);
  - o pass by value incoming number as a double
  - split the absolute value of incoming number in two parts, the integral part and digital (fraction) part
  - o outgoing reference parameters integral and digital are set in the function
  - o retrun 0 for calculation performed properly
- 4. int openAndReadNums(string filename, ifstream&fn, double&num1, double &num2);
  - o pass by value incoming file name as a string
  - o outgoing reference parameter ifstreamfn, which you open in the function using the filename
  - o read 2 numbers from the file you open, and set outgoingreference parameters num1 and num2 with the numbers
  - o the return value must be 0 when both the file opens OK and the numbers are read OK (OK means the fn variable is not 0). Inside the function

- Check (!fn) after you "try" to open the file, and print "Error!" if it doesn't open;
- check (!fn) after you "try" to read the 2 values, and print "Error Reading!" if either of the reads fail.
- Return positive numbers if either error occurs. You can use 1, or 1 and 2.

## Sample Input & Output

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Enter 2 numbers to find the max one: 8, 2
The max one is: 8
Enter anedgeLen: 2.4
Surface Area: 34.56
Volume: 13.82
Enter a number: 1.6
The integral part: 1
The decimal part: 0.60
Enter a filename to read from: sample1.txt
first=2.10 second=3.50 third=3.70
Enter 2 numbers to find the max one:7.1 3.45
The max one is: 7.10
Enter a edgeLen: 3
Surface Area: 54.00
Volume: 27.00
Enter a number: 1618
The integral part: 1618
The decimal part: 0.00
Enter a filename to read from: sample2.txt
first=1.10 second=3.00 third=4.10
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## **Submit Your Work to Web-CAT**

The assignment will not be available on Web-CAT until Tuesday.

## **Starter for main():**

Don't forget to add #include and using namespace statements.

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int main()
    int ret2;
    double ret1, num1, num2, number, area, volume, edgeLen;
    double f, s, third;
    int integ;
    double decimal;
    string filename;
    ifstream file;
    cout<< "Enter 2 numbers to find the max one: ";</pre>
    cin>> num1 >> num2;
    //function call #1 You add the call.
    cout<< fixed <<setprecision(2) << "The max one is: " << ret1 << endl;</pre>
    cout<< "\nEnter a edgeLen: ";</pre>
    cin >> edgeLen;
    // function #2 You add the call, using surface and area as some of the parameters.
    ret2 =
    cout << "Surface Area: " << area <<endl;</pre>
    cout << "Volume: " <<volume<<endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nEnter a number: ";</pre>
    cin >> number;
    // function #3 You add the call, using number,
        num1 as the integral and num2 as the decimal parameters.
    ret2 =
    cout << "The integral part: " << integ <<endl;</pre>
    cout << "The decimal part: " << decimal <<endl;</pre>
    cout<< "Enter a filename to read from: ";</pre>
    cin>> filename;
    // function #4 You add the call, using file, num1, and num2 as some of the parameters.
    ret2 =
    if (! ret2)
        // This variable file ifstream is the param returned by openAndReadNums().
           This statement reads and then print a third number.
               You can read from file inside the function AND here because you
                are passing it as a reference parameter.
        file >> third;
        cout << "first=" << f << " second=" << s << " third=" << third <<endl;
    else
        cout<< "File did not open or Read failed\n\n";</pre>
    return 0;
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