C++ Programming Pass by reference

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Parameter Vs Argument

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5⊖ // A parameter is the variable which is part of declaration 6 // a, b are parameters. 10 is default argument for b

7⊖ void print(int a, int b = 10) {

8    cout << a << " " << b << "\n";

9 }

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11⊖ int main() {

12    // argument is an expression used when calling the method.

13    int x = 2;

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15    // x, 5, 3*2+1 are arguments PASSED to print function

16    print(x, 5);

17    print(3*2+1, x);
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Pass arguments: value vs reference

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40 void change(int a, int &b) {
         a++;
         b++;
  9⊖ void read(int x, int &y, string &str) {
         cin >> x >> y >> str;
 11 }
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 13⊖ int main() {
         int a = 1, b = 1;
         change(a, b);
         cout << a << " " << b << "\n";
         string name;
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         read(a, b, name);
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         cout << a << " " << b << " " << name << "\n":
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         return 0:
 23 }
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- If you want the function change memory content of your variable, use
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- Otherwise it is copied

Pass array by reference [default]

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4⊖ int sum array(int arr[], int len) {
         int sum = \theta;
         for (int i = 0; i < len; ++i)
             sum += arr[i];
         return sum;
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 110 int main() {
         int arr[6] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6};
         cout << sum array(arr, 3) << "\n";
         cout << sum array(arr, 6) << "\n";
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         return Θ;
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Function: Is lower string?

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4⊖ bool is_lower(string str) {
        for (int i = 0; i < (int)str.size(); ++i) {</pre>
            bool lower = 'a' <= str[i] && str[i] <= 'z';
            if (!lower)
                return false;
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        return true;
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14⊖ int main() {
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        cout << is lower("abc") << "\n";
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        cout << is lower("aBC") << "\n";
        return Θ;
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- We can also send strings!
- But copying a big string just takes a lot of time?
 - More wise use &
 - string &str

"Acquire knowledge and impart it to the people."

"Seek knowledge from the Cradle to the Grave."