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Section: Lambda Functions

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Lambda Functions: Introduction

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Declaring and using lambda functions

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```
/*
 * Call lambda function directly after definition
 * */

[](){
    std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
}();</pre>
```

```
/*
 * Lambda function that takes parameters
 * */

[](double a, double b){
    std::cout << "a + b : " << (a + b) << std::endl;
}(12.1,5.7);</pre>
```

```
/*
 * Lambda function that returns something
 * */
auto result = [](double a, double b){
   return (a + b);
}(12.1,5.7);
std::cout << "result : " << result << std::endl;</pre>
```

```
/*
 * Print result directly
 * */

std::cout << "result : " << [](double a, double b){
    return (a + b);
}(12.1,5.7) << std::endl;</pre>
```

```
/*
 * Specify return type explicitly
 * */
auto result = [](double a, double b)->double{
    return (a + b);
}(12.1,5.7);
std::cout << "result : " << result << std::endl;</pre>
```

Capture lists

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```
Lambda function signature :

[capture list] (parameters) ->return type{

// Function body
}
```

```
//Capture lists
double a{10};
double b{20};

auto func = [a,b](){
    std::cout << "a + b : " << a + b << std::endl;
};
func();</pre>
```

Capturing by value

Capturing by reference

```
//Capturing by reference : Working on the original outside value
int c{42};
auto func = [&c](){
    std::cout << "Inner value : " << c << std::endl;
};

for(size_t i{} ; i < 5 ;++i){
    std::cout << "Outer value : " << c << std::endl;
    func();
    ++c;
}</pre>
```

Capture all in context

Capture lists

Capture all by value

```
//Capturing everything by value
int c{42};
auto func = [=](){
    std::cout << "Inner value : " << c << std::endl;
};

for(size_t i{} ; i < 5 ;++i){
    std::cout << "Outer value : " << c << std::endl;
    func();
    ++c;
}</pre>
```

Capture all by reference

```
//Capturing everything by reference
 int c{42};
 double d{12.1};
 auto func = [\&](){
     std::cout << "Inner value c : " << c << std::endl;</pre>
     std::cout << "Inner value d : " << d << std::endl;</pre>
 };
 for(size_t i{} ; i < 5 ;++i){
     std::cout << "Outer value c : " << c << std::endl;</pre>
     std::cout << "Outer value d : " << d << std::endl;</pre>
     func();
     ++c;
     d+=0.5;
```

Lambda functions: Summary

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```
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// Function body
```

What you know now

- . Lambda function signature
- . Give lambda function a name and call it
- . Call lambda function directly after definition
- . Lambda function that takes parameters
- . Lambda function that returns something'
- . Print result directly
- . Specify return type explicitly
- . Capture lists
- . capture by value
- . capture by reference
- . capture all by value
- . capture all by reference