

Subtopics -

- **Functions**
- **Function Declaration**
- **Function Arguments**
- **Return Statements and values**

FUNCTIONS

- Functions are building blocks of the programs.
- They make the programs more modular and easy to read and manage.
- All C++ programs must contain the function `main()`.
- The execution of the program starts from the function `main()`.

Function is divided into three sections

- Function Declaration
- Function Call
- Function Definition

Form of Function

Syntax: Function Declaration

```
return_type  function_name(parameter list) ;
```

Syntax : Function Call

```
int main()  
{  
    Function_name(parameter list);  
}
```

Syntax: Function Definition

```
{  
    -----  
    -----  
}
```

Function Declaration

- A function declaration is made by declaring the return type of the function, name of the function and the data types of the parameters of the function.
- Always terminated by semicolon.
- The general form of function declaration :-
return_type function_name(parameter list);

- The `return_type` specifies the type of the data the function returns.
- The parameter list could be empty .
- The parameter list should contain both data type and name of the variable.
- For example,
`int factorial(int n, float j)`

Function Arguments

- Arguments contain the actual value which is to be passed to the function when it is called.
- The sequence of the arguments in the call of the function should be same as the sequence of the parameters in the parameter list of the declaration of the function.
- When a function call is made arguments replace the parameters of the function.

The Return Statement and Return values

- A return statement is used to exit from the function where it is.
- It returns a value to the calling code.
- The general form of the return statement is:-

`return expression;`

Example

```
#include<iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
int factorial(int n);
int main ()
{
    int n1,fact;
    cout <<"Enter the number whose factorial has to be calculated"
    << endl;
    cin >> n1;
        fact=factorial(n1);
    cout << "The factorial of " << n1 << " is : " << fact << endl;
        getch();
return(o);
```

```
}  
int factorial(int n)  
{  
    int i=0,fact=1;  
    if(n<=1)  
    {  
        return(1);  
    }  
    else  
    {  
        for(i=1;i<=n;i++)  
        {  
            fact=fact*i;  
        }  
        return(fact);  
    }  
}
```

Subtopics-

- **Parameters Pass/Call by Value**
- **Parameters Pass/Call by Reference**
- **Return by Reference**

Pass/Call by value

- Copies of the arguments are created .
- The parameters are mapped to the copies of the arguments created.
- The changes made to the parameter do not affect the arguments.

Example

```
#include<iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
int add(int n);

int main()
{
    int number,result;
    number=5;
    cout << " The initial value of number : " << number <<
    endl;
    result=add(number);
```

```
cout << " The final value of number : " << number << endl;
    cout << " The result is : " << result << endl;
    getch();
    return(o);
}
```

```
int add(int number)
{
    number=number+100;
    return(number);
}
```

Pass/Call by reference

- Pass by reference is the second way of passing parameters to the function.
- The address of the argument is copied into the parameter.
- The changes made to the parameter affect the arguments.

Example-

```
#include<iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
void swap(int &a,int &b)
{
    int t=a;
    a=b;
    b=t;
}
int main()
{
    int m=1,n=2;
```



```
cout<<"Value of m before swaping\t"<<m<<endl;
cout<<"Value of n before swaping\t"<<n<<endl;
    swap(m,n);
    cout<<"Value of m after swaping\t"<<m<<endl;
    cout<<"Value of n after swaping\t"<<n<<endl;
    getch();
}
```

Return by reference

- A function can also return a reference.
- Example:

```
#include<iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
int &max(int &x,int &y)
{
    if(x>y)
        return x;
    else
        return y;
```

```
}  
int main()  
{  
    int m=1,n=2;  
    max(m,n)=4;  
    cout<<"Value of m"<<m<<endl;  
    cout<<"value of n"<<n<<endl;  
    getch();  
    return 0;  
}
```

Subtopics-

- Inline functions
- Default arguments
- Function overloading

Inline Functions

- An inline function is a function that expanded in line when it is invoked.
- That is the compiler replaces the function call with the corresponding function code .
- **Syntax:**

inline function-header

{

Function body

}

Example:

```
#include <iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
int multiply(int);
int main( )
{
int x;
cout<< "\n Enter the Input Value: ";
cin>>x;
```

```
cout<<"\n The Output is: " << multiply(x);  
getch();  
}  
  
inline int multiply(int x1)  
{  
return 5*x1;  
}
```

Default Arguments

- Default values are specified when the function is declared.
- Compiler looks at the prototype to see how many arguments function uses.
- Default arguments are useful in situations where some arguments always have the same value.

Example

```
#include<iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
int main()
{
    float amount;
    float value(float p,int n,float r=0.15); //prototype
    void printline(char ch='*',int len=40); //prototype
    printline(); //uses default values for arguments
    amount = value(5000.00,5); //default for 3rd argument
```

```
cout<<"\n Final value = "<<amount<<"\n\n";
printline('=');    //use default value for 2nd argument
return o;
}
float value(float p, int n, float r)
{
    int year =1;
    float sum = p;
    while(year <= n)
    {
        sum = sum*(1+r);
        year = year+1;
    }
}
```

```
getch();
    return(sum);
}
void printline(char ch, int len)
{
    for(int i=1;i<=len;i++)
        printf("%ch",ch);
    printf("\n");
}
```

Function Overloading

- A function is overloaded when same name is given to different function.
- The two functions with the same name will differ at least in one of the following.
 - a) The number of parameters
 - b) The data type of parameters
 - c) The order of appearance

Example

```
#include <iostream.h>
#include<conio.h>
class arithmetic {
public:
    void calc(int num1)
    {
        cout<<"Square of a given number: " <<num1*num1 <<endl;
    }
    void calc(int num1, int num2 )
    {
```

```
cout<<"Product of two whole numbers: "  
    <<num1*num2 <<endl;  
}  
};  
int main() //begin of main function  
{  
    arithmetic a;  
    a.calc(4);  
    a.calc(6,7);  
    getch();  
}
```