

Functions

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Functions

- “A collection of statements that perform a specific task”, p 303
 - And can be accessed at any point in the code through a *function call* and optionally produce a value

```
#include <cmath>

x = pow(2.0, 3);
x = pow(4.0, 0.32);
```

Functions

- Functions are a way of building *modules* in your program
- Encapsulate some calculation
- Less repetitive code
- Example:

```
x = pow(4.0, 2.2);
cout << x << endl;
```

Functions

```
Function Name  
Return Type  
double max (double v1, double v2)  
{  
    double maxValue;  
    if (v1 > v2)  
    {  
        maxValue = v1;  
    }  
    else  
    {  
        maxValue = v2;  
    }  
    return maxValue;  
}
```

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Calling a function

```
int main()  
{  
    double value1, value2;  
  
    // must match data types & parameters  
    value1 = max(4.2, 2.4);  
    value2 = max(value1, 2.4);  
  
    cout << value1 << " " << value2;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

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void Functions

- Not all functions need to produce a value

```
void printDayOfWeek (int day)  
{  
    if ( SUNDAY == day )  
    {  
        cout << " Sunday ";  
    }  
    else if (MONDAY == day )  
    {  
        cout << " Monday ";  
    }  
    . . .  
    return; // no return value!  
}
```

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// place the function at the top of the file
void printSquares (int value, int value2)
{
    cout << value * value << " ";
    cout << value2 * value2 << endl;
    return;
}

int main()
{
    int x = 3, y = 2;
    printSquares(x, y);
    printSquares(y, x);
    return 0;
}
```

Practice

- Write a function that will calculate the average of three integers and print the result to the screen.
- What parameters do you need?
- What should the return type be?
- Write some C++ statements to call this function to determine the average of three integers given by the user.

Practice

- Write a function to calculate the factorial of a given integer.
- Remember: $N! = n * (n-1) \dots 2 * 1$
- Write some C++ statements to use the function to print $4!$ to the screen

Commenting a function declaration

```
*****  
Function: max  
Description: finds the maximum value of two doubles  
Parameters: value1 - a double, first of the pair  
            value2 - a double, second of the pair  
Returned: the maximum of two values given  
*****  
double max (double value1, double value2)
```

Compiling Functions

- The function declaration *must* be placed above the function's first use in the file

```
double max (double v1, double v2) // declaration  
{  
    . . .  
    return maxValue;  
}  
  
int main()  
{  
  
    double value1 = 4.2;  
    cout << max(value1, 2.4); // use  
    return 0;  
}
```

The compiler needs to check to ensure that the function is being called with the correct data types.

Compiling Functions, part 2

- Or, the a **function prototype** must be given before the function is used

```
double max (double v1, double v2);  
  
int main()  
{  
  
    double value1 = 4.2;  
    cout << max(value1, 2.4);  
    return 0;  
}  
  
double max (double v1, double v2)  
{  
    . . .  
    return maxValue;  
}
```

Practice

- Write a function that flips the case of a letter. When an upper case letter is given, return the lower case version. When a lower case letter is given, return the upper case version.
- If a punctuation or numeric character is given, just return that character.
- What parameters do you need?
- What should the return type be?

Passing Arguments

- Arguments are passed into functions
- Parameters are evaluated in the order given
- A **copy** of the argument is made in the parameter
- If a parameter is changed in the function, is that reflected in main?

What will happen?

```
void swap (int value, int value2)
{
    int tmp = value;           parameters
    value = value2;
    value2 = tmp;
    cout << value << " " << value2 << endl;
    return;
}

int main()
{
    int x = 9, y = 10;        arguments
    swap(x, y);
    cout << x << " --- " << y << endl;
    return 0;
}
```
