Week 3

Functions & Arrays

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Function Call, Return Statement

Function call expression

identifier (expression1, . .)

- * Causes control flow to enter body of function named identifier.
- parameter1 is initialized to the value of expression1, and so on for each parameter
- * expression1 is called an **argument**.
- Return statement: return expression;
 - * inside a function, causes function to stop, return control to caller.
- The value of the return *expression* becomes the value of the function call



datatype identifier (parameter1, parameter2, ...) {
 statements . . .
}

Where a parameter is: datatype identifier

- * *datatype*: the type of data returned by the function.
- * *identifier*: the name by which it is possible to call the function.
- * *parameters*: Like a regular variable declaration, act within the function as a regular local variable. Allow passing arguments to the function when it is called.
- * statements: the function's body, executed when called.

Example: Function

- What are the parameters? arguments?
- What is the value of: addition (5,3)?
- What is the output?

Void function

• A function that returns no value:

```
void printAddition (int a, int b) {
    int result;
    result=a+b;
    cout << "the answer is: " << result << endl;
}</pre>
```

- * use void as the return type.
- the function call is now a statement (it does not have a value)

int main () {
 printAddition (5,3);
}

Arguments passed by value

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- <u>Pass by value</u>: when an argument is passed to a function, its value is *copied* into the parameter.
- It is implemented using variable initialization (in the background):

int param = argument;

- Changes to the parameter in the function body do **not** affect the value of the argument in the call
- The parameter and the argument are stored in separate variables; separate locations in memory.

Prototypes

- In a program, function definitions must occur before any calls to that function
- To override this requirement, place a prototype of the function before the call.
- The pattern for a prototype:

datatype identifier (type1, type2, ...);

 the function header without the body (parameter names are optional).

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Example: Pass by Value



Parameter passing by Reference

- <u>Pass by reference</u>: when an argument is passed to a function, the function has direct access to the original argument (no copying).
- Pass by reference in C++ is implemented using a reference parameter, which has an ampersand (&) in front of it:

void changeMe (int &myValue);

- A reference parameter acts as an alias to its argument, it is NOT a separate storage location.
- Changes to the parameter in the function DO affect the value of the argument

Example: Pass by Reference



Example: Boolean functions





Array initialization

• To specify contents of the array in the definition:

float scores[3] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};

creates an array of size 3 containing the specified values.

float scores[10] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};

- creates an array containing the specified values followed by 7 zeros (partial initialization).

float scores[] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};

 creates an array of size 3 containing the specified values (size is determined from list).

Array access

• to access the value of any of the elements of the array individually as if it was a normal variable:

scores[2] = 89.5;

- scores[2] is a variable of type float
- use it anywhere a float variable can be used.

rules about subscripts:

- always start at 0, last subscript is size-1
- must have type int but can be any expression

 watchout: square brackets are used both to declare the array and to access elements. ¹⁴

Arrays: operations

- Valid operations over entire arrays:
 - function call: myFunc(scores,x);
- Invalid operations over entire arrays:
 - assignment: array1 = array2;
 - **COMPARISON**: array1 == array2
 - Output: cout << array1;</pre>
 - input: cin >> array2;
 - Must do these element by element, probably using a for loop

Processing arrays

• Assignment: copy one array to another

```
const int SIZE = 4;
int oldValues[SIZE] = {10, 100, 200, 300};
int newValues[SIZE];
```

```
for (int count = 0; count < SIZE; count++)
    newValues[count] = oldValues[count];</pre>
```

<u>Output</u>: displaying the contents of an array

```
const int SIZE = 5;
int numbers[SIZE] = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50};
for (int count = 0; count < SIZE; count++)</pre>
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cout << numbers[count] << endl;</pre>

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Processing arrays

Summing and averaging of an array of scores:

Finding highest and lowest values in arrays

• <u>Maximum</u>: Need to track the highest value seen so far. Start with highest = first element.

const int SIZE = 5; int array[SIZE] = {10, 100, 200, 30}; int highest = array[0]; for (int count = 1; count < SIZE; count++) if (array[count] > highest) highest = array[count];

cout << "The maximum value is " << highest << endl;</pre>

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Example: Partially filled arrays int sumList (int list[], int size) {//sums elements in list array int total = 0;for (int i=0; i < size; i++) { sums from position 0 to size-1,</pre> total = total + list[i]; even if the array is bigger. return total; } const int CAPACITY = 100; int main() { int scores[CAPACITY]; //tracks number of elems in array int count = 0; cout << "How many programming assignment scores?" << endl;</pre> cin >> count; if (count <= 100) { cout << "Enter the scores, one per line: " << endl;</pre> for (int i=0; i<count; i++)</pre> cin >> scores[i]; int sum = sumList(scores,count); pass count, not CAPACITY cout << "average: "<< sum/static cast<double>(count) <<endl;</pre> } else cout << "There can be at most 100 scores." << endl; 21</pre>