Programming Language (630203) Fall 2010/2011 – Lecture Notes # 13

Predefined Functions

Objectives of the Lecture

- > Introduction
- > Standard (predefined) functions
- Programming Example

Introduction

- > Functions are like **building blocks**.
- > They allow complicated programs to be divided into **manageable pieces**.
- Some advantages of functions:
 - A programmer can focus on just that part of the program and construct it, debug it
 - o Different people can work on different functions simultaneously
 - Can be re-used (even in different programs)
 - Enhance program readability
- > Functions
 - Called **modules**
 - Can be put together to form a larger program

Standard (Predefined Functions)

- ➢ In algebra, a function is defined as a rule or correspondence between values, called the function's arguments, and the unique value of the function associated with the arguments
 - If f(x) = 2x + 5:
 - then f(1) = 7, f(2) = 9, and f(3) = 11
 - 1, 2, and 3 are arguments
 - 7, 9, and 11 are the corresponding values
- Some of the predefined mathematical functions are:
 - o sqrt(x)
 - \circ pow(x, y)
 - 0 floor(x)
- Predefined functions are organized into separate libraries
- > I/O functions are in **iostream** header
- Math functions are in **cmath** header
- > pow(x,y) calculates x^y
 - \circ pow(2, 3) = 8.0
 - Returns a value of type **double**
 - **x and y** are the parameters (or arguments)
 - The function has two parameters
- > sqrt(x) calculates the nonnegative square root of x, for x >= 0.0
 - o sqrt(2.25) is 1.5
 - Type **double**
- > The floor function floor(x) calculates largest whole number not greater than x
 - o floor(48.79) is 48.0
 - Type **double**
 - o Has only one parameter

TABLE 6-1	Predefined	Functions
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Function	Header File	Purpose	Parameter(s) Type	Result
abs (x)	<cstdlib></cstdlib>	Returns the absolute value of its argument: $abs(-7) = 7$	int	int
ceil(x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns the smallest whole number that is not less than x: ceil(56.34) = 57.0	double	double
cos (x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns the cosine of angle x: $cos(0.0) = 1.0$	double (radians)	double
exp(x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns e^{x} , where $e = 2.718$: exp(1.0) = 2.71828	double	double
fabs(x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns the absolute value of its argument: fabs $(-5.67) = 5.67$	double	double

TABLE 6-1 Predefined Functions (continued)

Function	Header File	Purpose	Parameter(s) Type	Result
floor(x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns the largest whole number that is not greater than x:floor (45,67) = 45,00	double	double
islower(x)	<cctype></cctype>	Returns true if x is a lowercase letter; otherwise, it returns false; islower ('h') is true	int	int
isupper(x)	<cctype></cctype>	Returns true if x is a uppercase letter; otherwise, it returns false; isupper('K') is true	int	int
pow(x, y)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns x^{y} ; if x is negative, y must be a whole number: pow(0.16, 0.5) = 0.4	double	double
sqrt(x)	<cmath></cmath>	Returns the nonnegative square root of x; x must be nonnegative: sqrt(4.0) = 2.0	double	double
tolower(x)	<cctype></cctype>	Returns the lowercase value of \mathbf{x} if \mathbf{x} is uppercase; otherwise, it returns \mathbf{x}	int	int
toupper(x)	<cctype></cctype>	Returns the uppercase value of \mathbf{x} if \mathbf{x} is lowercase; otherwise, it returns \mathbf{x}	int	int

Programming Example

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// predefined functions.
#include <iostream>
#include <cmath>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int x;
    double u, v;
    u = 4.2;
    v = 3.0;
    cout << "\t " << u << " to the power of "
         << v << " = " << pow(u, v) << endl;
    cout << " 5.0 to the power of 4 = "
         << pow(5.0, 4) << endl;
    u = u + pow(3.0, 3);
    cout << " u = " << u << endl;
    x = -15;
    cout << ": Absolute value of " << x
         << " = " << abs(x) << endl;
    return 0;
}
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