

Today's content

- Step 1 & 2: revise the Tic-Tac-Toe game (remove global variables, declare the variables in main instead and pass them to functions as needed).
- Step 3: Implement `moveIsValid()` function that checks if an intended move is valid.

Minimize the use of global variables

- Why?
Global variables can be altered by any part of the code, making it difficult to maintain the program (see *Zybooks 5.9 Scope of variable* for more details).
- Global variables are typically limited to const variables such as π (3.1415).

Questions

- How to declare a variable?
- How to define a function?

A function definition looks like this:

```
returnType functionName( parameter list ){  
    body of the function  
}
```

- How to make a function call?
A function call looks like this:

```
functionName( arguments );
```

- When/ how to use call-by-reference?

Example: use a function to calculate the area of a circle

$\text{area} = \text{pi} * \text{r} * \text{r}$, where $\text{pi} = 3.14$ and r is the radius of the circle.

Version 1:

r is a global variable

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

const float pi = 3.14;
int r;

float calculateArea(){
    return pi*r*r;
}

int main()
{
    r = 2;
    float area;

    area = calculateArea();

    cout << area;

    return 0;
}
```

Version 2:

r is a local variable of main and is passed to calculateArea()

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

const float pi = 3.14;

float calculateArea(int r){
    return pi*r*r;
}

int main()
{
    int r = 2;
    float area;

    area = calculateArea(r);

    cout << area;

    return 0;
}
```

Version 3:

area is a local variable of main and is passed to calculateArea() using call by reference

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

const float pi = 3.14;

void calculateArea(int r, float &area){
    area = pi*r*r;
}

int main()
{
    int r = 2;
    float area;

    calculateArea(r, area);

    cout << area;

    return 0;
}
```