



L#6

# Basics of Programming.

## Procedures and functions

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# Procedures: definitions

- Procedure is a sequence of program instructions that performs a specific task.
- Procedure is a subroutine of a main program.
- Procedure consists of **header** (name and parameters) and **body**. Header can be named a signature.
- Procedure must be defined once and can be called many times.

# Parameterless procedure. Example

- **Problem.** Print 60 asterisks (star \*), each on a new line. Use parameterless procedure
- **Rule.** Subroutine must be defined before the **begin** keyword of a main program

```
1  procedure printStars; {procedure header}
2  begin {procedure body}
3      loop 60 do
4          begin
5              println('*');
6          end;
7  end; {end of the procedure}
8  begin
9      printStars; {procedure call}
10 end.
```

# Procedure with parameters. Example

- **Problem.** Let's solve almost the same task , but we're going to print 60 entered character, each on a new line.

```
1  procedure pr(a: char);
2  begin
3      loop 60 do
4          begin
5              println(a);
6          end;
7  end;
8
9  begin
10     writeln('enter character:');
11     var s := readchar;
12     pr(s);
13 end.
```

**a** - formal parameter

**s** - actual parameter or argument

# Tasks

- To do: Lesson # 10, Tasks procedures 1, 2, 3, 4

# Input and output parameters. Example

- **Problem.** Let's write a subroutine for calculating the arithmetic mean (average) of two entered integer values.

```
1  procedure CalcAMean(a, b: integer; var Mean: real);
2  begin
3    Mean := (a + b) / 2;
4  end;
5
6  begin
7    var (x, y) := (3, 5);
8    var Mean: real;
9    CalcAMean(x, y, Mean);
10   Print (Mean);
11   CalcAMean(2 * 2, 8, Mean);
12   Print (Mean);
13 end.
```

a,b - input parameters

Mean - output parameter  
(with var keyword)

first call of subroutine

second call of subroutine

# Formal & actual parameters. Example

- **Problem.** Let's write a subroutine for calculating the arithmetic mean of two entered integer values.
- An actual parameter can be constant or expression.

```
1  procedure CalcAMean(a, b: integer; var Mean: real);  
2  begin  
3    Mean := (a + b) / 2;  
4  end;  
5  
6  begin  
7    var (x, y) := (3, 5);  
8    var Mean: real;  
9    CalcAMean(x, y, Mean);  
10   Print(Mean);  
11   CalcAMean(2 * 2, 8, Mean);  
12   Print(Mean);  
13 end.
```

a,b - formal parameters

actual parameters or arguments

# Passing Arguments by Value and by Reference

- In PascalABC.NET, you can pass an argument to a procedure by value or by reference.
- **Passing by value:** A value of an actual parameter is copied into corresponding formal parameter. Changing the formal parameter doesn't change an actual parameter

```
1  procedure p(a: integer);  
2  begin  
3      a := 666; // only formal parameter changes!  
4  end;  
5  
6  begin  
7      var x := 555;  
8      p(x);  
9      Print(x); // output: 555  
10 end.
```



# Passing Arguments by Value and by Reference

- In PascalABC.NET, you can pass an argument to a procedure by value or by reference.
- **Passing by reference:** Both the actual and formal parameters refer to the same location, so any changes made inside the procedure body are reflected in the actual parameters of procedure call.
- Changing the formal parameter changes the actual parameter too:

```
1  procedure p(var a: integer);  
2  begin  
3      a := 666;  
4  end;  
5  
6  begin  
7      var x := 555;  
8      p(x);  
9      Print(x); // 666 - actual parameter changes too!  
10 end.
```

# Passing Arguments by Value and by Reference

- **Problem.** Create a procedure to swap the values of two variables:

a = 10

b = 12

Result: a=12, b=10

## Solution 1:

```
1  procedure Swap(var a, b: integer);
2  begin
3      var t := a;
4      a := b;
5      b := t;
6  end;
7
8  begin
9      var (x, y) := (3, 5);
10     Swap(x, y);
11     println(x, y);
12 end.
```

## Solution 2:

```
1  procedure Swap(var a, b: integer);
2  begin
3      (a, b) := (b, a);
4  end;
5
6  begin
7      var (x, y) := (3, 5);
8      Swap(x, y);
9      println(x, y);
10 end.
```

# Short procedure definition

- If the body of the procedure consists of only one statement, we can use a short procedure definition

```
1  procedure p := Print(1);  
2  
3  begin  
4    p; p; p;  
5  end.
```

# Tasks

- To do: Lesson # 10, Tasks procedures 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 Extra task 10



# Functions

# Functions

- A function is a kind of procedure that returns a value for use in an expression.
- The function definition differs from the procedure definition in two points:
  1. We have to write the **Type** of the value that function returns.
  2. The **Result** variable stores the result of the function

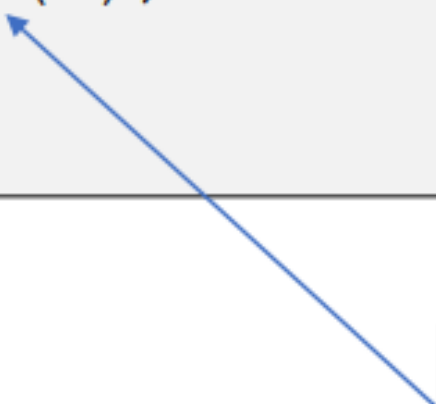
```
function f(x: real): real;  
begin  
  Result := x * x + 1;  
end;
```

The type of result

The Result variable

# Functions

```
function f(x: real): real;  
begin  
  Result := x * x + 1;  
end;  
begin  
  var x := 5;  
  var r := Sqrt(x) + f(x);  
end.
```



We use function call  
in an expression

# Different ways to define a function

- declaration of **formal** parameters (those which values are passed from the main program to the function):

```
function ff( a, b: integer; x: real ): real;
```

- **output** parameters **whose** values become available in the main program (returned to the program)

```
function Max ( var a, b: integer): integer;
```

- The type of the function's return value is appended at the end of the function header, separated by a colon:

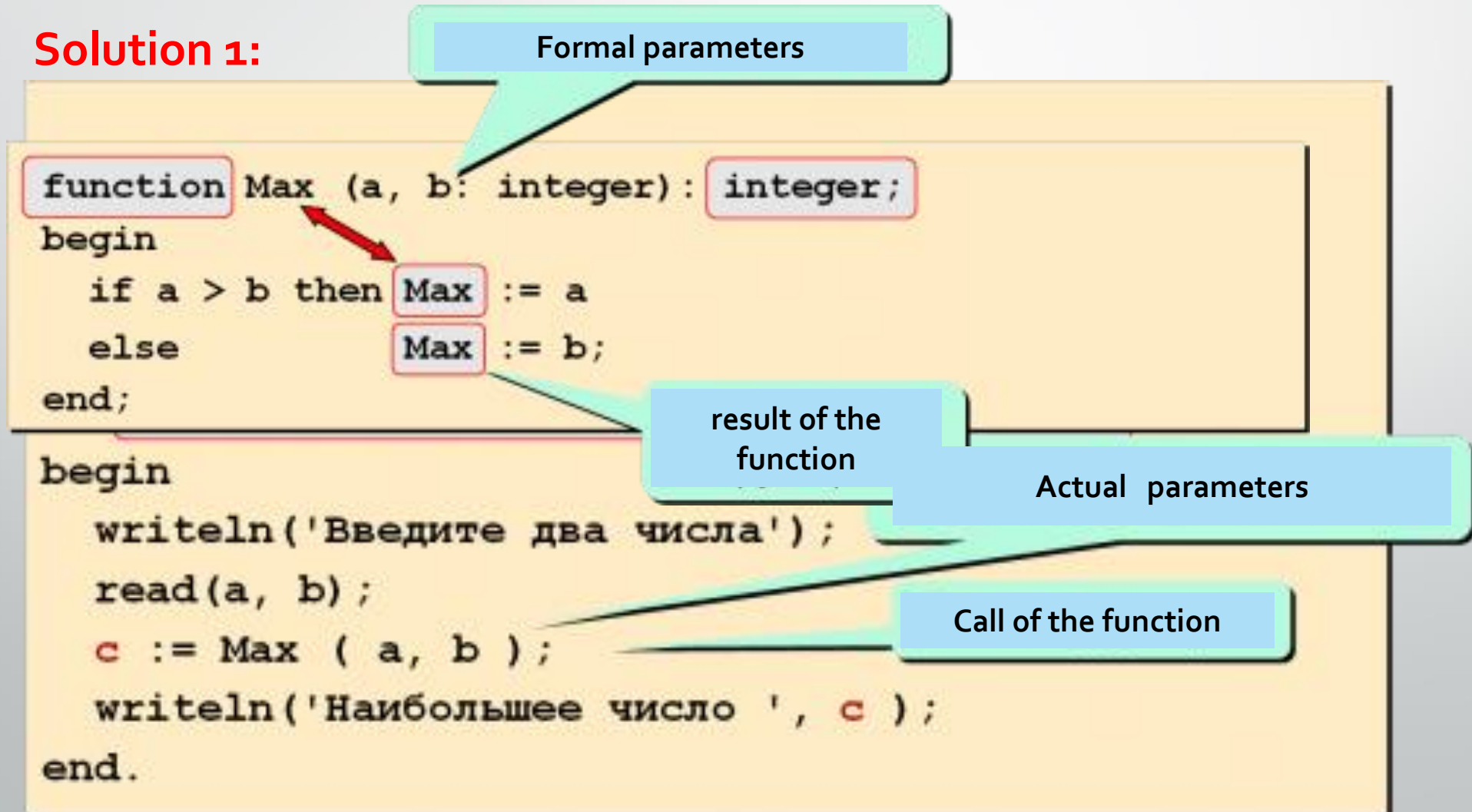
```
function Max (a, b: integer): integer;
```



# Find the maximum among two numbers using the function

- To return a result to the main program the **Result** variable can be used, or the name of the function:

## Solution 1:



Find the maximum among two numbers using the function

**Solution 2:**

```
function max (a,b: integer) :integer;  
begin  
  if a > b then Result:=a  
  else Result:=b;  
end;  
begin  
var x:=readinteger;  
var y:=readinteger;  
println( 'maximum =', max(x,y) )  
end.
```

type of the function



the variable to store result



# Examples

- Body of function can have loops:

```
function Fact(n: integer): integer;  
begin  
    Result := 1;  
    for var i:=1 to n do  
        Result *= i  
end;
```

```
begin  
    println ('5! = ', Fact(5)) // 5! = 120  
end.
```

# Short function definition

- If result of the function is the only expression, we can use the short function definition

```
function Sq(x: real) := x * x + 1;
```

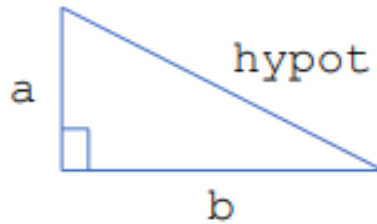
Without Result variable  
Without begin-end in a body  
Without a type of a result value

```
begin  
  var x := 10;  
  var r := Sq(x) + Sq(2)  
end.
```

# Examples

- The hypotenuse function.

```
function Hypot(a,b: real) := Sqrt(a*a + b*b);
```

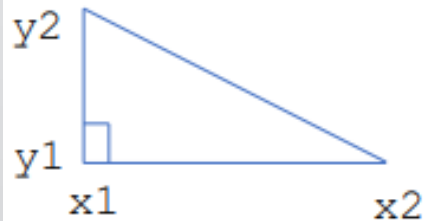


```
begin  
  loop 5 do  
  begin  
    var (a,b) := ReadlnReal('Enter a,b:');  
    Println(Hypot(a,b))  
  end;  
end.
```

# Examples

- Function can be called inside another function:

```
function Hypot (a,b: real) := Sqrt (a*a + b*b);
```



```
function Hypot1 (x1,y1,x2,y2: real) := Hypot (x2-x1,y2-y1);
```

```
begin  
  loop 5 do  
    begin  
      var (x1,y1,x2,y2) := ReadlnReal4;  
      Println (Hypot1 (x1,y1,x2,y2));  
    end;  
end.
```

# Tasks

- To do: Lesson # 10, Tasks functions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7



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