

Function overloading is a feature of object-oriented programming where two or more functions can have the same name but different parameters. When a function name is overloaded with different jobs it is called Function Overloading. In Function Overloading “Function” name should be the same and the arguments should be different. Function overloading can be considered as an example of a **polymorphism** feature in C++.

If multiple functions having same name but parameters of the functions should be different is known as Function Overloading. If we have to perform only one operation and having same name of the functions increases the readability of the program. Suppose you have to perform addition of the given numbers but there can be any number of arguments, if you write the function such as a (int,int) for two parameters, and b (int,int,int) for three parameters then it may be difficult for you to understand the behavior of the function because its name differs.

The parameters should follow any one or more than one of the following conditions for Function overloading:

- **Parameters should have a different type**

```
add(int a, int b)  
add(double a, double b)
```

Below is the implementation of the above discussion:

```
#include <iostream.h>  
  
#include <conio.h>  
  
void add(int a, int b)  
{  
    cout << "sum = " << (a + b);  
}
```

```
void add(double a, double b)
{
    cout << endl << "sum = " << (a + b);
}

void main()
{
    add(10, 2);
    add(5.3, 6.2);
}
```

Output

sum = 12

sum = 11.5

Parameters should have a different number

```
add(int a, int b)  
add(int a, int b, int c)
```

Below is the implementation of the above discussion:

```
#include <iostream.h>  
  
#include <conio.h>  
  
void add(int a, int b)  
{  
    cout << "sum = " << (a + b);  
}  
  
void add(int a, int b, int c)  
{  
    cout << endl << "sum = " << (a + b + c);  
}  
  
void main()  
{  
    add(10, 2);  
    add(5, 6, 4);  
}
```

Output

```
sum = 12  
sum = 15
```

Parameters should have a different sequence of parameters.

```
add(int a, double b)  
add(double a, int b)
```

Below is the implementation of the above discussion:

```
#include <iostream.h>  
  
#include <conio.h>  
  
void add(int a, double b)  
{  
    cout<<"sum = "<<(a+b);  
}  
  
void add(double a, int b)  
{  
    cout<<endl<<"sum = "<<(a+b);  
}  
  
void main()  
{  
    add(10,2.5);  
    add(5.5,6);  
}
```

Output

```
sum = 12.5  
sum = 11.5
```

Following are simple C++ examples to demonstrate function overloading.

```
#include <iostream.h>

#include <conio.h>

void print(int i)

{

    cout << " Here is int " << i << endl;

}

void print(double f)

{

    cout << " Here is float " << f << endl;

}

void print(char const *c) {

    cout << " Here is char* " << c << endl;

}

void main() {

    print(10);

    print(10.10);

    print("ten");

}
```

Output

Here is int 10

Here is float 10.1

Here is char* ten

```
#include <iostream.h>
#include <conio.h>
void add(int a, int b)
{
    cout<<"sum ="<<(a+b);
}
void add(int a, int b,int c)
{
    cout<<endl<<"sum ="<<(a+b+c);
}
void main()
{
    add(10,2);
    add(5,6,4);
}
```

```
#include <iostream.h>
#include <conio.h>
void add(int a, double b)
{
    cout<<"sum ="<<(a+b);
}
void add(double a, int b)
{
    cout<<endl<<"sum ="<<(a+b);
}
void main()
{
    add(10,2.5);
    add(5.5,6);
}
```