The original value of number is 5 The new value of number is 125

Fig. 8.7 | Pass-by-reference with a pointer argument used to cube a variable's value. (Part 2 of 2.)

8.4 Pass-by-Reference with Pointers (cont.)

Insight: All Arguments Are Passed By Value

- In C++, *all* arguments are *always* passed by value.
- Passing a variable by reference with a pointer *does not actually pass anything by reference*—a pointer to that variable is *passed by value* and is *copied* into the function's corresponding pointer parameter.
- The called function can then access that variable in the caller simply by dereferencing the pointer, thus accomplishing *pass-by-reference*.

8.4 Pass-by-Reference with Pointers (cont.)

Graphical Analysis of Pass-By-Value and Pass-By-Reference

- Figures 8.8–8.9 analyze graphically the execution of the programs in Fig. 8.6 and Fig. 8.7, respectively.
- In the diagrams, the values in blue rectangles above a given expression or variable represent the value of that expression or variable.
- Each diagram's right column shows functions cubeByValue (Fig. 8.6) and cubeByReference (Fig. 8.7) *only* when they're executing.

Step I: Before main calls cubeByValue:



Step 2: After cubeByValue receives the call:



Fig. 8.8 | Pass-by-value analysis of the program of Fig. 8.6. (Part 1 of 3.)

Step 3: After cubeByValue cubes parameter n and before cubeByValue returns to main:



Step 4: After cubeByValue returns to main and before assigning the result to number:



Fig. 8.8 | Pass-by-value analysis of the program of Fig. 8.6. (Part 2 of 3.)

Step 5: After main completes the assignment to number:



Fig. 8.8 | Pass-by-value analysis of the program of Fig. 8.6. (Part 3 of 3.)

Step 1: Before main calls cubeByReference:

int main()		number
Ĺ	<pre>int number = 5;</pre>	5
}	<pre>cubeByReference(&number);</pre>	

Step 2: After cubeByReference receives the call and before *nPtr is cubed:



Fig. 8.9 | Pass-by-reference analysis (with a pointer argument) of the program of Fig. 8.7. (Part 1 of 3.)

Step 3: Before*nPtr is assigned the result of the calculation 5 * 5 * 5:



Step 4: After *nPtr is assigned 125 and before program control returns to main:



Fig. 8.9 | Pass-by-reference analysis (with a pointer argument) of the program of Fig. 8.7. (Part 2 of 3.)

Step 5: After cubeByReference returns to main:



Fig. 8.9 | Pass-by-reference analysis (with a pointer argument) of the program of Fig. 8.7. (Part 3 of 3.)

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8.5 Built-In Arrays

• Here we present *built-in arrays*, which are also *fixed-size* data structures.

Declaring a Built-In Array

• To specify the type of the elements and the number of elements required by a built-in array, use a declaration of the form:

type arrayName[arraySize];

- The compiler reserves the appropriate amount of memory.
- The *arraySize* must be an integer constant greater than zero.
- For example, to tell the compiler to reserve 12 elements for built-in array of ints named C, use the declaration

// c is a built-in array of 12 integers int c[12];

Accessing a Built-In Array's Elements

• As with array objects, you use the subscript ([]) operator to access the individual elements of a built-in array.

Initializing Built-In Arrays

• You can initialize the elements of a built-in array using an initializer list. For example,

int n[5] = { 50, 20, 30, 10, 40 };

- creates a built-in array of five ints and initializes them to the values in the initializer list.
- If you provide fewer initializers
 - the number of elements, the remaining elements are value initialized fundamental numeric types are set to 0, bools are set to false, pointers are set to nullptr and class objects are initialized by their default constructors.
- If you provide too many initializers a compilation error occurs.

- If a built-in array's size is *omitted* from a declaration with an initializer list, the compiler sizes the built-in array to the number of elements in the initializer list.
- For example, int n[] = { 50, 20, 30, 10, 40 };
- creates a five-element array.



Error-Prevention Tip 8.3

Always specify a built-in array's size, even when providing an initializer list. This enables the compiler to ensure that you do not provide too many initializers.

Passing Built-In Arrays to Functions

• The value of a built-in array's name is implicitly convertible to the address of the built-in array's first element.

- So arrayName is implicitly convertible to &arrayName[0].

- You don't need to take the address (&) of a built-in array to pass it to a function—you simply pass the built-in array's name.
- For built-in arrays, the called function can modify *all* the elements of a built-in array in the caller—unless the function precedes the corresponding built-in array parameter with **const** to indicate that the elements should *not* be modified.