

Virtual Function

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A virtual function is a member function in the base class that we expect to redefine in derived classes. It is declared using the virtual keyword.

A virtual function is used in the base class to ensure that the function is overridden. This especially applies to cases where a pointer of base class points to a derived class object.

Example:

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

class Base {
public:
    virtual void print() {
        cout << "Base Function" << endl;
    }
};

class Derived : public Base {
public:
    void print() {
        cout << "Derived Function" << endl;
    }
};

int main() {
    Derived derived1;

    // pointer of Base type that points to derived1
    Base* base1 = &derived1;

    // calls member function of Derived class
    base1->print();

    return 0;
}
```

Output:
Derived Function

C++ determines which function is invoked at the runtime based on the type of object pointed by the base class pointer when the function is made virtual.

Pure Virtual Function:

A pure virtual function is a virtual function in C++ for which we need not write any function definition and only have to declare it. It is declared by assigning 0 in the declaration.

Syntax:

```
class A {  
    public:  
        virtual void s() = 0; // Pure Virtual Function  
};
```

A pure virtual function (or abstract function) in C++ is a virtual function for which we can implement, But we must override that function in the derived class; otherwise, the derived class will also become an abstract class.