

Basic C++

Chapters 1-5

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Variables, Data Types

- **Variable:** portion of memory that stores a value
- **Identifier:** name of a program element
- Fundamental data types

short float bool
int double char
long long double

- **Variable Declaration statement:**

`datatype identifier;` `float hours;`

- **Variable Initialization statement:**

`datatype identifier = constant;` `int count = 0;`

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Structure of a C++ Program

- Hello world:

```
//This program outputs a message to the screen
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    cout << "Hello world!" << endl;
}
```

- In general:

```
//This is a comment
#include <includefile> ...
using namespace std;

int main() {
    statements ...
}
```

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Constants

- **Literals** (specific value of a given type)

1	12.45	true	'A'
75	-3.8	false	'2'
-2	6.25e-5		

- **Named Constants:**
variable whose value cannot be changed

`const datatype identifier = constant;`

`const double TAX_RATE = 0.0675;`

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Assignment statement, expressions

- To change the value of a variable:

```
variable = expression;    count = 10;
```

- * The lefthand side must be a variable
- * The righthand side is an expression of the right type

- What is an expression?

- * an expression has a type and evaluates to a value
 - ♦ literal
 - ♦ named constant
 - ♦ variable
 - ♦ arithmetic expression
 - ♦ etc.

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Logical Operations, precedence

- logical operators (values and results are bool):

! not
&& and
|| or

```
x < 10 && x > 0  
y == 10 || y == 20  
!(a == b)
```

- operator precedence (which happens first?):

!
+ - (unary)
* / %
+ - (binary)
< > <= >=
== !=
&&
||

```
!(y == 10) || y == 20 && x > 3 * z
```

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Arithmetic and Relational Operations

- arithmetic operators:

+ addition
- subtraction
* multiplication
/ division
% modulo

```
x + 10  
7 % 2  
8 + 5 * 10
```

Watchout: Integer division!!

- relational operators (result is bool):

== Equal to
!= Not equal to
> Greater than
< Less than
>= Greater than or equal to
<= Less than or equal to

```
7 < 25  
89 == x  
x % 2 != 0  
8 + 5 * 10 <= 100 * n
```

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More assignment statements

- Compound assignment

operator	usage	equivalent syntax:
+=	x += e;	x = x + e;
-=	x -= e;	x = x - e;
*=	x *= e;	x = x * e;
/=	x /= e;	x = x / e;

- increment, decrement

operator	usage	equivalent syntax:
++	x++; ++x;	x = x + 1;
--	x--; --x;	x = x - 1;

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Type conversions

- Implicit

- assignment:

```
int x;
double d = 3.1415;
x = d;
cout << x << endl;
```

the type of expression on the right will be converted to type of variable on left, possibly losing information.

- binary operations:

```
int x = 10;
double d = 2.3;
cout << x + d << endl;
```

the operand with the lower ranking type is converted to the type of the other.

- Explicit

```
int x, y;
...
float avg = static_cast<float>(x)/y;
```

or

```
float avg = x/(float)y; //c-style notation
```

Order of types:
double
float
long
int
char

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Control structures: if else

- if and else

```
if (expression)
    statement1
else
    statement2
```

statement may be a compound statement (a block: {statements})

- if expression is true, statement1 is executed
- if expression is false, statement2 is executed

- the else is optional:

```
if (expression)
    statement
```

- nested if else

```
if (expression1)
    statement1
else if (expression2)
    statement2
else if (expression3)
    statement3
else
    statement4
```

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Basic Input/Output

- Output (cout and <<)

```
cout << expression;
cout << expr1 << expr2;
```

```
cout << "hello";
cout << "Count is: " << count << endl;
```

- Input (cin and >>)

```
cin >> variable;
cin >> var1 >> var2;
```

right hand side must be a variable!

```
cin >> x;
cout << "Enter the height and width: ";
cin >> height >> width;
```

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Control structures: loops

- while

```
while (expression)
    statement
```

statement may be a compound statement (a block: {statements})

- if expression is true, statement is executed, repeat

- for:

```
for (expr1; expr2; expr3)
    statement
```

- equivalent to:

```
expr1;
while (expr2) {
    statement
    expr3;
}
```

- do while:

```
do
    statement
while (expression);
```

statement is executed.
if expression is true, then repeat

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Control structures: switch

- **switch stmt:**

```
switch (expression) {  
    case constant: statements  
    ...  
    case constant: statements  
    default: statements  
}
```

- execution *starts* at the case labeled with the value of the expression.
- if no match, *start* at default
- use break to exit switch (usually at end of *statements*)

- **example:**

```
switch (ch) {  
    case 'a':  
    case 'A': cout << "Option A";  
                break;  
    case 'b':  
    case 'B': cout << "Option B";  
                break;  
    default: cout << "Invalid choice";  
}
```

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The string class

- string literals: represent sequences of chars:

```
cout << "Hello";
```

- To define string variables:

```
string firstName, lastName;
```

- Operations include:

- = for assignment
- .size() member function for length
- ==, <, ... relational operators (alphabetical order)
- [n] to access one character

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File Input/Output

- #include <iostream>
- Output (ofstream)

```
ofstream fout;  
fout.open("filename.txt");  
fout << "hello";  
fout << "Count is: " << count << endl;  
fout.close();
```

- Input (ifstream)

```
ifstream fin;  
fin.open("data.txt");  
if (!fin) {  
    cout << "error opening file" << endl;  
    return (0);  
}  
int x;  
fin >> x;      right hand side must be a variable!  
cout << "x is " << x << endl;  
fin.close();
```

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