CSC 211: Object Oriented Programming Basic C++ Concepts and Syntax

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Basics

- Everything in C++ is case sensitive
- · Curly braces are used to denote code blocks

```
int main() {
    // body ...
}
```

 All statements end with a semicolon (can use multiple lines)

```
int a;

a = 100;

a = a + 111;

int a;

a = 100;

a = a + 111;

+ 111;
```

The main function

```
int main () {
    // body
    return 0;
}

int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
    // body
    return 0;
}
```

The main function

- · Automatically called at program startup
 - designated entry point to a program that is executed in a hosted environment (operating system)
- Prototype cannot be modified
- · Cannot be used anywhere in the program
 - √ cannot be overloaded
 - ✓ cannot be called recursively
- · Its address cannot be taken

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/main_function

The main function

- Does not need to contain the **return** statement
 - if control reaches the end of main without encountering a return statement, the effect is that of executing return 0;
- Execution of the **return** (or the implicit **return**) is equivalent to:
 - √ leaving the function normally (which destroys local objects)
 - calling std::exit with the same argument as the
 argument of the return
 - std::exit destroys static objects and terminates the program

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Comments

Comments can be single-line or multi-line

✓ comments are ignored by the compiler

```
int a;
// ignore the following line
// a = 100;
a = 200;

int a;
// ignore this block
a = 100;
/*
a = a
+
111;
*/
```

C++ keywords

This is a list of reserved keywords in C++. Since they are used by the language, these keywords are not available for re-definition or overloading.

```
alignas (since C++11)
                       default(1)
                        delete(1)
alignof (since C++11)
                                             reinterpret cast
                                             requires (since C++20)
                       double
and_eq
                                             return
                        dynamic_cast
                                             short
atomic cancel (TM TS)
                       else
atomic commit (TM TS)
                        enum
                                             sizeof(1)
atomic_noexcept (TM TS) explicit
                                             static
                        export(1)(3)
auto(1)
                                             static assert (since C++11)
                        extern(1)
hitand
                                             static_cast
                        false
bitor
                                             struct(1)
                        float
                                             switch
synchronized (TM TS)
break
                        friend
case
                                             template
                       goto
                                             thread_local (since C++11)
                        inline(1)
char8 t (since C++20)
                                             throw
char16 t (since C++11)
                                             true
char32 t (since C++11)
                                             try
class(1)
                                             typedef
                        namespace
                                             typeid
concept (since C++20)
                                             typename
                        noexcept (since C++11)
const
consteval (since C++20)
                                             unsigned
constexpr (since C++11)
                                             using(1)
                       nullptr (since C++11)
constinit (since C++20)
                        operator
const cast
continue
                                             volatile
co await (since C++20)
                                             wchar t
                       private
co return (since C++20)
                       protected
co yield (since C++20)
                                             xor eq
decltype (since C++11)
                       reflexpr (reflection TS)
```

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/keyword

Identifiers

- Names given to entities such as data types, objects, references, variables, functions, macros, class members, data types, etc.
- ' Identifiers cannot be the same as any of the reserved words
- A valid **identifier** is a sequence of one or more letters, digits, and underscore characters
 - ✓ cannot begin with a digit
 - \checkmark some compilers may impose limits on length (e.g. 2048 characters Microsoft C++)
- ' Examples:

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Basic Data Types

· Void void

· Boolean bool

· Integer int

Floating Point float, double

· Character char

Variables

- A variable is a named location in memory
 - √ store values during program execution
 - memory location irrelevant (we use names for access)
- C++ type system keeps track of the size of the memory block and how to interpret its contents
- · Declaration:

' curly braces will initialize the values (optional)

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Examples

Literals

- Tokens that represent constant values explicitly embedded in the source code
 - ✓ integers, characters, floating point, strings, boolean, user-defined
- Examples:

 $\underline{https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/expressions\#\underline{Literals}}$

Escape Sequences

Escape sequence	Description	Representation
\'	single quote	byte 0x27 in ASCII encoding
\"	double quote	byte 0x22 in ASCII encoding
\?	question mark	byte 0x3f in ASCII encoding
\\	backslash	byte 0x5c in ASCII encoding
\a	audible bell	byte 0x07 in ASCII encoding
\b	backspace	byte 0x08 in ASCII encoding
\f	form feed - new page	byte 0x0c in ASCII encoding
\n	line feed - new line	byte 0x0a in ASCII encoding
\r	carriage return	byte 0x0d in ASCII encoding
\t	horizontal tab	byte 0x09 in ASCII encoding
\v	vertical tab	byte 0x0b in ASCII encoding
\nnn	arbitrary octal value	byte nnn
\Xnn	arbitrary hexadecimal value	byte nn
\Unnnn (since C++11)	universal character name (arbitrary Unicode & value); may result in several characters	code point U+nnnn
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Statements

- Fragments of code that are executed in sequence
- Types of statements:
 - √ expression statements
 - √ compound statements
 - brace-enclosed sequences of statements
 - √ selection statements
 - √ iteration statements
 - √ jump statements
 - √ declaration statements
 - ✓ try blocks

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Examples

Expressions

- An **expression** is a sequence of operators and their operands
 - √ it can also be a literal or a variable name, etc.
- Expression evaluation may produce a result (has a type)
 - ✓ e.g., evaluation of **2+2** produces the result **4**
- Expression evaluation may generate side-effects
 - ✓ e.g., output of a **std::cout** expression

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Arithmetic Expressions

Mathematical Formula	C++ Expression
$b^2 - 4ac$	b*b - 4*a*c
x(y+z)	x*(y + z)
$\frac{1}{x^2 + x + 3}$	$1/(x^*x + x + 3)$
$\frac{a+b}{c-d}$	(a + b)/(c - d)

from: Problem Solving with C++, 10th Edition, Walter Savitch

		Comn	non operato	rs		
assignment	increment decrement	arithmetic	logical	comparison	member access	other
a = b a += b a -= b a *= b a *= b a /= b a &= b a &= b a &= b a &= b a /= b a <= b a <= b a >>= b	++a a a++ a	+a -a a + b a - b a * b a % b ~a & b a & b a & b a < b a < < b a <> b	!a a && b a b	a == b a != b a < b a > b a <= b a >= b a <=> b	a[b] *a &a &a a->b a.b a->*b a.*b	a() a, b ?:
		Spec	ial operator	S		
new creates obje	onverts within in s or removes cv st converts type verts one type to cts with dynamic objects previou he size of a type es the size of a p he type informat if an expression	heritance hiera qualifiers e to unrelated to another by a nestorage duration of the control of t	rchies ype nix of static on the new expre (since C++11) exception (since			. –

Operator Precedence / Associativity

Precedence	Operator	Description	Associativity	
1	::	Scope resolution	Left-to-right	
2	a++ a	Suffix/postfix increment and decrement		
	type() type{}	Functional cast		
	a()	Function call		
	a[]	Subscript		
	>	Member access		
	++aa	Prefix increment and decrement	Right-to-left	
	+a -a	Unary plus and minus		
	! ~	Logical NOT and bitwise NOT		
	(type)	C-style cast		
3	*a	Indirection (dereference)		
3	&a	Address-of		
	sizeof	Size-of ^[note 1]		
	co_await	await-expression (C++20)		
	new new[]	Dynamic memory allocation		
	delete delete[]	Dynamic memory deallocation		
4	.* ->*	Pointer-to-member	Left-to-right	
5	a*b a/b a%b	Multiplication, division, and remainder		
6	a+b a-b	Addition and subtraction		
7	<< >>	Bitwise left shift and right shift		
8	<=>	Three-way comparison operator (since C++20)		
	< <=	For relational operators < and ≤ respectively		
9	> >=	For relational operators > and ≥ respectively		
10	!-	For relational operators = and ≠ respectively		
11	&	Bitwise AND		
12	^	Bitwise XOR (exclusive or)		
13	1	Bitwise OR (inclusive or)		
14	&&	Logical AND		
15	П	Logical OR		

Operator Precedence / Associativity

a?b:c throw co_yield	a?b:c	Ternary conditional ^[note 2]	Right-to-left
	throw	throw operator	
	co_yield	yield-expression (C++20)	
16	Direct assi	Direct assignment (provided by default for C++ classes)	
10	+= -=	Compound assignment by sum and difference	
<	*= /= %=	Compound assignment by product, quotient, and remainder	
	<<= >>=	Compound assignment by bitwise left shift and right shift	
	&= ^= =	Compound assignment by bitwise AND, XOR, and OR	
17	,	Comma	Left-to-right

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Basic Input/Output

- Data streams are just sequences of data
- Input Stream
 - √ data passed to programs
 - √ typically originates from keyboard or files
- Output Stream
 - ✓ output from programs
 - √ typically goes to the terminal/monitor or files

Basic Input/Output

Text terminal

#0 stdin

Process

#1 stdout
#2 stderr

Display

std::cout

the output stream



std::cin

the input stream



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Include directives

- Required to add **library** files to programs
- For standard **input** and **output** use:

#include <iostream>

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