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Introduction

C++ is an object-oriented programming language developed by Bjarne Stroustrup as an extension of C. It supports OOP paradigms, making it suitable for large-scale software development while retaining the efficiency of C.

Features of C++

- Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)
 - Strongly typed and compiled
 - Operator and function overloading
 - Inheritance and polymorphism
 - Standard Template Library (STL)
 - Compatibility with C
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Structure of a C++ Program

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

int main() {
    cout << "Hello, C++!" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

- `#include <iostream>`: Header for I/O
- `using namespace std`: Avoids prefixing `std::`
- `cout`: Output stream

Data Types and Variables

Type	Example
int	int a = 10;
float	float f = 2.5;
double	double d = 2.718
char	char ch = 'A';
bool	bool flag = true;

OOP Concepts

- **Encapsulation**: Binding data & methods
- **Abstraction**: Hide internal details
- **Inheritance**: Derive from base class
- **Polymorphism**: Many forms – overloading/overriding

Classes & Objects

```
class Student {
public:
    string name;
    int age;

    void display() {
        cout << name << " is " << age << " years old.";
    }
}
```

```
}  
};
```

- Create object: `Student s1;`



Constructors & Destructors

- Constructor initializes object.
- Destructor cleans up.

```
class Demo {  
public:  
    Demo() { cout << "Constructed"; }  
    ~Demo() { cout << "Destructed"; }  
};
```



Inheritance

```
class Animal {  
public:  
    void speak() { cout << "Animal sound"; }  
};  
  
class Dog : public Animal {  
public:  
    void bark() { cout << "Woof"; }  
};
```

- Types: Single, Multiple, Multilevel, Hierarchical, Hybrid



Polymorphism

Compile-time:

- Function Overloading
- Operator Overloading

Runtime:

- Virtual functions
- Method Overriding using base class pointers

Encapsulation and Abstraction

```
class Account {  
private:  
    int balance;  
public:  
    void deposit(int amt) { balance += amt; }  
    int getBalance() { return balance; }  
};
```

Friend Functions & Static Members

```
class A {  
    friend void show(A);  
    static int count;  
};
```

- `friend`: Allows access to private members
- `static`: Shared by all objects

Operator Overloading

```
class Complex {  
public:  
    int real, imag;  
    Complex operator+(Complex c) {  
        Complex temp;  
        temp.real = real + c.real;  
        temp.imag = imag + c.imag;  
        return temp;  
    }  
};
```

Function Overloading & Templates

```
int add(int a, int b);  
float add(float a, float b);  
  
// Templates  
template <class T>  
T maximum(T a, T b) {
```

```
    return (a > b) ? a : b;
}
```

File Handling

```
ofstream fout("file.txt");
fout << "AetherCode!";
fout.close();
```

• Streams: `ifstream`, `ofstream`, `fstream`

Exception Handling

```
try {
    throw 404;
} catch (int e) {
    cout << "Error: " << e;
}
```

• Use `try-catch-finally`

STL – Standard Template Library

Component	Description
Vector	Dynamic array
List	Doubly linked list
Map	Key-value dictionary
Set	Unique collection
Stack	LIFO structure
Queue	FIFO structure

```
#include <vector>
vector<int> v = {1, 2, 3};
v.push_back(4);
```

Summary

C++ blends procedural and OOP techniques for scalable, efficient, and reusable code. It is ideal for competitive programming, game development, simulations, and large system software.

Next: Dive into Java to explore platform independence and strong OOP.

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