

- **enumeration type** : a user defined data type whose domain is an ordered set of literal values expressed as identifiers

- enhance program readability
- identifiers have to be unique, values do not have to be unique

syntax:

```
enum enumerative-type {enumerator list};
```

Example:

```
enum    day {SUN, MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT};

// default value of the first identifier is 0, and every subsequent identifier have a value that is 1
// greater than its previous identifier
// Naming enumerators follows the same rules for naming identifiers
// enum day {'S', 'M', 'T', 'W', ...}; is incorrect

// Enumerators are like named constants. It is equivalent to:
const int SUN = 0;
const int MON = 1;
...
const int SAT = 6;
```

- **Create variable of enum type:** `day birthday;`
- **Assignment** `birthday = TUE;`
`// wrong: birthday = 2;`
- **Comparison**

```
cout << "Your birthday is on ";
switch (birthday) {
    case SUN:    cout << "Sunday." << endl;    break;
    case MON:    cout << "Monday." << endl;    break;
    case TUE:    cout << "Tuesday." << endl;    break;
    ...
}
```

Example: `enum coin {PENNY, NICKEL, DIME, QUARTER, DOLLAR};`

```
coin money;
money = DIME;           // assignment
cout << money;          // output
```

```
cout << PENNY << '\t' << NICKEL << endl;
```

```
if (money == QUARTER)    // comparison
    cout << "Got a quarter";
else
    cout << "not a quarter";
```

- **incrementation**

```
// incorrect           // correct
money = money + 1;      money = coin(money+1);
money ++;
```

- **use enum type as array index**

```
const int SIZE = 6;
int count [SIZE];

coin money;
for (money=PENNY; money<=DOLLAR; money = coin(money+1))
    count[money] = 0;
```

- **change enumerator value**

// the internal value of the enumerators can be changed:

```
enum day {SUN=4, MON=10, TUE=8, ...};
```

- **input**

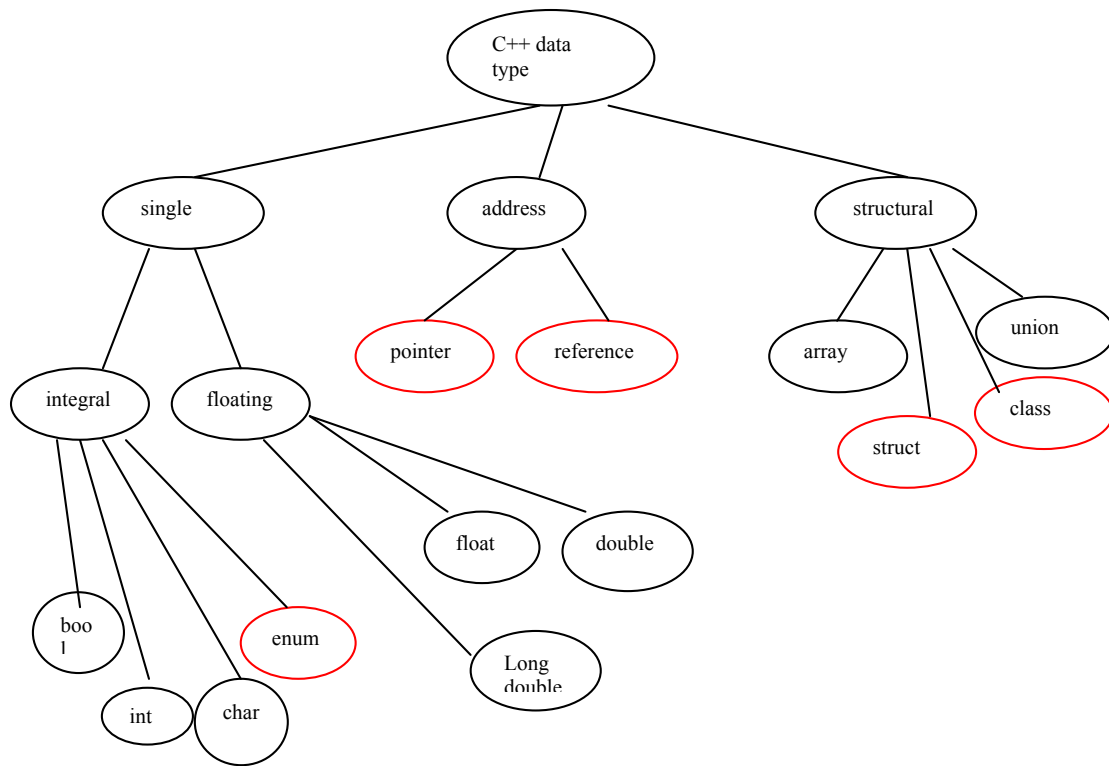
- Not allowed:
cin >> money; // extraction operator does not work with enum type

- **Correct example**

```
#include <cctype>

enum Animals {RODENT, CAT, DOG, BIRD, REPTILE, HORSE, SHEEP};
Animal inPatient;
char animalName[25];

cin >> animalName;
switch (toupper(animalName[0]))
{
    case 'R' : if (toupper(animalName[1]) == 'O')
                inPatient = RODENT;
              else
                inPatient = REPTILE;
              break;
    case 'C' : inPatient = CAT;          break;
    case 'D' : inPatient = DOG;          break;
    case 'B' : inpatient = BIRD;         break;
    case 'H' : inpatient = HORSE;        break;
    default:  inpatient = SHEEP;
}
}
```



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C++ data type