

The Main Points of C++

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1. Just one point (dot)



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- In floating-point literals

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followed by suffix
or exponent (e or **p**)

1. Just one point (dot)

- In floating-point literals
- Member access operators
 - Member of object

```
template<typename T>
struct S {
    template<typename U>
    void foo() {}
    in a;
};
```

```
template<typename T>
void bar() {
    S<T> x;
    x.a;
    s.template foo<T>();
}
```

1. Just one point (dot)

- In floating-point literals
- Member access operators
 - Member of object
 - Pointer to member of object

```
struct S {  
    int mi;  
    int f(int n) const;  
};  
  
auto pmi = &S::mi;  
auto pf = &S::f;  
S x{ 5 };  
cout << x.*pmi << endl;  
cout << (x.*pf) (6) << endl;
```

1. Just one point (dot)



- In floating-point literals
- Member access operators
 - Member of object
 - Pointer to member of object
- In module names

```
export module Main.SubM.SubSubM;
```

“Dots have no intrinsic meaning, however they are used informally to represent hierarchy.”

2. Two points -> colon

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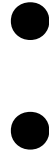
2. Two points -> colon



- Class inheritance

```
struct S : BaseClass {  
  
};
```

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- Class inheritance
- Member access specifiers

```
struct S : BaseClass {  
  
    private:  
        int x;  
};
```

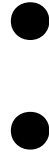
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- Class inheritance
- Member access specifiers
- Member initializer list

```
struct S : BaseClass {  
    S(int xx) : x(xx) {}  
private:  
    int x;  
};
```

2. Two points -> colon



- Class inheritance
- Member access specifiers
- Member initializer list
- Labels

```
switch (x) {  
  
    if (y == 1)  
    case 1:  
        cout << 7 << endl;  
    else  
    case 2:  
        cout << 8 << endl;  
    default:  
  
}
```

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- Class inheritance
- Member access specifiers
- Member initializer list
- Labels
 - but also **goto**

```
switch (x) {  
    label:  
        if (y == 1)  
case 1:  
        cout << 7 << endl;  
        else  
case 2:  
        cout << 8 << endl;  
default:  
        goto label;  
}
```

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- Class inheritance
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 - but also **goto**
- Ternary

```
string str = (2+2 == 4) ? "OK" : throw logic_error("2+2 != 4");
```

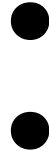
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- Class inheritance
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- Range **for**

```
for (auto it : container) {  
  
}
```


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- Class inheritance
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- Member initializer list
- Labels
 - but also **goto**
- Ternary
- Range **for**
- **enum** underlying type

```
enum Color : long long {  
    red,  
    green,  
    blue, // <- extra comma is OK  
};
```

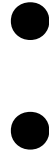
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- **enum** underlying type
- Bit-fields

```
struct S {  
    int a : 3;  
    int    : 0; // a new byte  
    int    : 2; // skips 2 bits  
    int b : 4 = 7; // can initialize  
    int c : 5 {6}; // since C++20  
};
```

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- **enum** underlying type
- Bit-fields
- Attribute specifier

```
[[using gnu : always_inline, hot]]
```

```
// same as this:
```

```
[[gnu::always_inline, gnu::hot]]
```

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- In modules (private fragment and partitions)

```
module X:A; // in one file
```

```
module X:B; // another file
```

```
export module X; // third file  
import :A;  
export import :B;
```

```
module : private;  
// starts the private part
```

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- In modules (private fragment and partitions)
- (asm declaration)

```
asm ("leal (%0,%0,4),%0" : "=r" (n) : "0" (n) );
```

3. Three points -> ellipsis

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3. Three points -> ellipsis



- Variadic functions

```
int printx(const char* fmt, ...);  
int printy(const char* fmt ...);
```

```
#include <cstdarg>  
// to access extra arguments
```

```
printx("fs", a, b, c);  
printx("fs", a);
```

```
int foo(...);  
// lowest priority in O.R.  
// useful for SFINAE  
// cannot access the arguments
```

3. Three points -> ellipsis



- Variadic functions
- Variadic templates (parameter pack)

```
template<class... Args> // template pp
void foo(Args... args) // function pp
{

}
```


3. Three points -> ellipsis



- Variadic functions
- Variadic templates (parameter pack)
- Pack expansion

```
template<class... Args> // template pp
void foo(Args... args) // function pp
{
    bar(args...);
}
```

```
// but it can happen in many different
// contexts, i.e. places, with many
// different useful properties
```

3. Three points -> ellipsis



- Variadic functions
- Variadic templates (parameter pack)
- Pack expansion
- **sizeof...**

```
template<typename... As>
auto average(As... as) {
    return sum(as...) / sizeof...(as);
}
```

3. Three points -> ellipsis



- Variadic functions
- Variadic templates (parameter pack)
- Pack expansion
- **sizeof...**
- **catch** all

```
try {  
  
} catch (...) {  
  
}
```

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- Variadic functions
- Variadic templates (parameter pack)
- Pack expansion
- **sizeof...**
- **catch** all
- Variadic macro

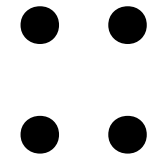
```
#define TWO(...) \
    foo(__VA_ARGS__); \
    bar(x_g __VA_OPT__(,) __VA_ARGS__)
```

```
TWO();
    foo();
    bar(x_g);
```

```
TWO(a);
    foo(a);
    bar(x_g, a);
```

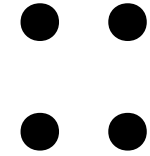
```
TWO(a, b);
    foo(a, b);
    bar(x_g, a, b);
```

4. Four points -> double colon



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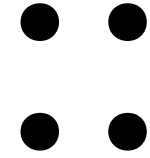
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- Scope resolution
 - Qualified names

Do I need an example?

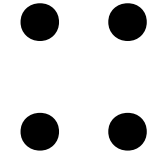
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- Scope resolution
 - Qualified names
 - Pointer to member

```
struct S {  
    int mi;  
    int f(int n) const;  
};  
  
int S::* pmi = &S::mi;  
int (S::* pf)(int) = &S::f;  
  
S x{ 5 };  
  
cout << x.*pmi << endl;  
cout << (x.*pf)(6) << endl;
```

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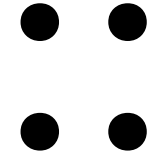


- Scope resolution
 - Qualified names
 - Pointer to member
- Nested namespace definition

```
namespace N1::N2::N3 {  
  
}
```

```
// instead of  
namespace N1 {  
    namespace N2 {  
        namespace N3 {  
  
        }  
    }  
}
```

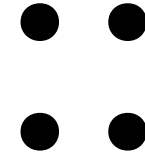

4. Four points -> double colon



- Scope resolution
 - Qualified names
 - Pointer to member
- Nested namespace definition
- Attribute namespace

`[[gnu::may_alias]]`

4. Four points -> double colon



- Scope resolution
 - Qualified names
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- Nested namespace definition
- Attribute namespace
- Reflections -> splicer (P1240R2)

```
#include <meta>
template<Enum T>
std::string to_string(T value) {
    template for (
        constexpr auto e : meta::members_of(^T)) {

        if ([:e:] == value) {
            return string(meta::name_of(e));
        }
    }
    return "<unnamed>";
}
```