Beginning C++ Programming - From Beginner to Beyond

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Introduction

1.1 Why learn C++?

- Popular:
 - Lots of code is still written in C++.
 - Programming language popularity indexes ranks C++ high.
 - Active community, GitHub, Stack overflow.
- Relevant:
 - Windows, Linux, MaxOSX, Photoshop, Illustrator, MySQL, MongoDB.
 - Amazon, Apple, Microsoft, PayPal, Google, Facebook, MySQL, Oracle, HP, IBM, more...
 - VR, Unreal Engine, Machine learning, networking & telecom, more...
- Powerful:
 - Super-fast, scalable, portable.
 - Supports both procedural and object-oriented programming.
- Good career opportunities:
 - C++ skills always in demand.
 - C++ = Salary++.

1.2 Modern C++ and the C++ standard

- Early 1970s: C programming language; Dennis Ritchie.
- 1979: Bjarne Stroustrup; 'C with classes'.
- 1983: Name changed to C++.
- 1989:First commercial release.

- 1998: C++98 Standard.
- 2003: C++03 Standard.
- 2011: C++11 Standard.
- 2014: C++14 Standard.
- 2017: C++17 Standard.

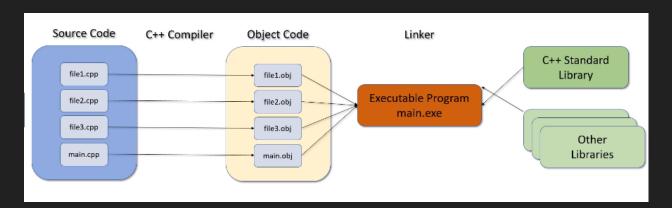
1.2.1 Modern C++ and C++ Standard

- Classical C++: Pre C++11 Standard.
- Modern C++:
 - C++11: Lots of new features.
 - C++14: Smaller changes.
 - C++17: Simplification.

1.3 How does it all work?

- Use non-ambiguous instructions.
- Programming language: source code, high level, for humans.
- \bullet Editor: text editor. .cpp and .h files.
- Binary or other low level representation: object code for computers.
- Compiler: Translates from high-level to low-level.
- Linker: links together our code with other libraries, creates .exe.
- Testing and debugging: finding and fixing program errors.

1.3.1 The C++ build process



1.3.2 Integrated Development Environments (IDEs)

• Editor.

• Debugger.

- Compiler.
- Linker.

 $\bullet\,$ Keep everything in sync.

IDEs

• CodeLite.

• Eclipse.

• KDevelop.

• Code::Blocks.

• CLion.

 $\bullet\,$ Visual Studio.

• NetBeans.

• Dev-C++.

• Xcode.

Installation and setup

2.1 Installing C++ Compiler for windows

- Go to: http://mingw-w64.org/doku.php/download/mingw-builds
- Go to: Downloads, find the build, download and run executable.
- Set the environment variable:
 - Control panel \rightarrow Edit system environment variables.
 - Environment variables \rightarrow System \rightarrow Path \rightarrow Edit.
 - New \rightarrow Browse \rightarrow < go to your instaltion dir $> \rightarrow$ OK.
- Go to CMD: type c++ --version \rightarrow Should print version.

2.2 VSCode Project Setting Up

Inside the .vscode directory add:

```
"cppStandard": "gnu++14"
     ],
 }
• launch.json:
 {
      "version": "0.2.0",
      "configurations": [
              "name": "g++.exe - Compilar y depurar el archivo activo",
              "type": "cppdbg",
              "request": "launch",
              "program": "${fileDirname}\\${fileBasenameNoExtension}.exe",
              "args": [],
              "stopAtEntry": false,
              "cwd": "${workspaceFolder}",
              "environment": [],
"externalConsole": false,
              "MIMode": "gdb",
              "miDebuggerPath": "C:\\Program Files\\mingw-w64\\mingw64\\bin\\gdb.exe",
              "setupCommands": [
                       "description": "Habilitar la impresión con sangría para gdb",
                       "text": "-enable-pretty-printing",
                       "ignoreFailures": true
               "preLaunchTask": "C/C++: g++.exe build active file"
          }
 }
• In order to establish the formatting style put the following in settings.json:
      "C_Cpp.clang_format_fallbackStyle": "{ BasedOnStyle: LLVM, UseTab: Never, IndentWidth: 4, TabWi
          "*.rmd": "markdown",
          "iostream": "cpp"
      }
 }
• task.json:
 {
      "version": "2.0.0",
      "tasks": [
              "label": "C/C++: g++.exe build active file",
              "type": "shell",
              "command": "C:\\Program Files\\mingw-w64\\mingw64\\bin\\g++.exe",
              "args": [
```

Curriculum Overview

3.1 Curriculum overview

Get started quickly programming in C++.

- Getting started.
- Structure of a C++ program.
- Variables and constants.
- Arrays and vectors.
- Strings in C++.
- Expressions, Statements and Operators.
- Statements and operators.
- Determining control flow.
- Functions.

- Pointers and references.
- OPP: Classes and objects.
- Operator overloading.
- Inheritance.
- Polymorphism.
- Smart pointers.
- The Standard Template Library (STL).
- I/O Stream.
- Exception Handling.

Getting Started

4.1 Writting our first program

- Create a project.
- Create a file and type the following code.
- This program is going to take in a number and then display "Wow that is my favorite number".

```
int main() {
   int favorite_number; // stores what the user will enter.
   std::cout << "Enter your favorite number between 1 and 100"; // prints.
   std::cin >> favorite_number;
   std::cout << "Amazing!! That's my favorite number too!" << std::endl; // prints that line. endl add
}</pre>
```

4.2 Building our first program

- Building involves compiling and linking.
- In vscode you can run the compile task by pressing ctrl+b.
- Linking means grabbing all the dependencies the main function needs, making .o or object files and adding them to the executable or the .exe.
- Tipically modern compilers have the option to not produce the object files and go ahead and just produce a single executable. IDEs tipically also hide the object files if they are produced.
- By cleaning a project what we mean is the object files are deleted and an executable will be produced.

4.3 What are compiler errors?

- Programming languages have rules.
- Syntax errors: something wrong with the structure.

```
std::cout << "Errors << std::endl; // the string is never terminated.</pre>
```

• Semantic errors: something wrong with the meaning:

```
a + b; // to sum a and b when it doesn't make sense to add them, maybe they are not numbers for example the contract of the co
```

4.3.1 Examples of errors

```
Not enclosing a string with the "characters.
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello world << std::endl; // string is not terminated with the other ".
    return 0;
}
Typos in your program:
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello world" << std::endll; // endll doesn't exist, this is syntaxis errors.</pre>
    return 0;
Missing semi-colons:
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello world" << std::endl // missing semicolon.</pre>
    return 0;
}
Function doesn't return the type specified, in this case the function doesn't return an integer.
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello" << std::endl;</pre>
    return; // main needs to return an integer and it is returning a void.
Not returning the specified type.
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello World" << std::endl;</pre>
    return "Hello"; // "Hello" is not an integer. Error.
Missing Curly brace:
int main() // opening curly brace missing.
    std::cout << "Hello World" << std::endl;</pre>
}
Semantic error (example: adding something when it doesn't make sense).
int main() {
    std::cout << ("Hello world" / 125) << std::endl; // dividing a string by a number, this doesn't mak
    return 0;
}
```

4.4 What are compiler warnings?

- It is good practice to never ignore compiler warnings.
- The compiler will recognize a potential issue but is still able to produce object code from the source code, things such as uninitialized variables.
- It's only a warning because the compiler is still able to generate correct machine code.
- Example:

```
int miles_driven; // never initialized, this value could be anything.
std::cout << miles_driven << std::endl;
/* Warning: 'miles_driven' is used uninitialized in this function. */</pre>
```

• Another example is when you declare variables and never use them.

```
int miles_driven = 100;
std::cout << "Hello world" << std::endl;
/* Warning: unused variable 'miles driven'. */</pre>
```

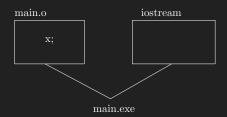
• As a rule you want to produce warning free source code.

4.5 Linked errors

- The linker is having trouble linking all the object files together to create an executable.
- Usually there is a library or object file that is missing.

4.5.1 Example

```
#include <iostream>
extern int x; // this means the variable is defined outside this file.
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello world" << std::endl;
    std::cout << x;
    return 0;
}
/* This program will compile, but in runtime you will get a linker error. */</pre>
```



According to the linker x is undefined, thus an error is produced.

4.6 Runtime Errors

- Errors that occur when the program is executing.
- Some typical runtime errors include:
 - Divide by zero.
 - File not found.
 - Out of memory.
- Can cause your program to crash.
- Exception handling can help deal with runtime errors.

4.7 What are logic errors?

- Errors or bugs in your code that cause your program to run incorrectly.
- Logic errors are mistakes made by the programmer.

Suppose we have a program that determines if a person can vote in an election and you must be 18 years or older to vote.

```
if (age > 18) { // This means that age cannot be 18 thus 18 yearolds would not be able to vote. 18 is n
    std::cout << "Yes you can vote" << endl;
}</pre>
```

4.8 Section challenge solution

```
#include <iostream>
int main() {
    int favorite_number;
    std::cout << "Enter your favorite number between 1 and 100: ";
    std::cin >> favorite_number;
    std::cout << "Amazing!! Thats my favorite number too!" << std::endl;
    std::cout << "No really!!, " << favorite_number << " is my favorite number!" << std::endl;
}
/* Output:
Enter your favorite number between 1 and 100: 67
Amazing!! Thats my favorite number too!
No really!!, 67 is my favorite number!
*/</pre>
```

Structure of a C++ program

5.1 Overview of structure of a C++ program

- C++ has lots of keywords.
- Compared to other languages:
 - Java has about 50.
 - C has 32.
 - Python has 33.
 - C++ has 90.
- You can view these words in the following link: c++ reference.
- Keywords cannot be redefined nor used in a way they are not intentionally made for. This is why variables have naming conventions for example.
- Difference between keywords and identifiers, a keyword is something that is built in the programming language, a keyword has specific purpose and meaning that cannot be changed; identifiers are defined and user for the programmers purposes, a variable name is an example of an identifier, another example are function names, there are rules for identifiers, also conventions.
- C++ also has punctiation, and you must adhere to the punctuation rules, things such as "", <<, >>, ;, etcetera, are examples of punctuation.
- When you assemble rules of punctuation, keywords, identifiers, rules, you end up with *syntax* this refers to rules and conventions that you must follow.

5.2 #include Preprocessor directive

- What is a preprocessor?
 - A preprocessor is a program that processes your source code before your compiler sees it. C++ preprocessor strips all the comments from the source code and then sends it to the compiler, it replaces each comment with a single space.
- Directives in C++ start with a # sign. Examples include:

```
#include <iostream>
#include "myfile.h"
#if
#olif
```

```
#else
#endif
#ifdef
#ifndef
#define
#undef
#line
#error
#pragma
```

- In simple terms the compiler replaces the include directive with the file that its referring to, then it recursively processes that file as well.
- By the time the compiler sees the source code it has been stripped of all comments and all preprocessor directives have been processed and removed.
- Preprocessor directives are routinely used to conditionally compile code, for example say I want to execute some piece of code only if the program is running in the windows operating system and execute some other if the program is being run by MacOS, preprocessor directives can check to see if you are on windows and run your code, if you're not on windows then the preprocesor directive will run the MacOS code.
- The C++ preprocessor does not understand C++. It simply processes the preprocessor directives and gets the code ready for the compiler, the compiler is the program that does understand C++.

5.3 Comments in C++

- Comments are programmer readable explanations in the source code; explanations, notes, annotations, or anything that adds meaning to what the program is doing.
- The comments never makes it to the compiler, the preprocessor strips them, the comments are just to enhance the readibility of your source code, it's intended for humans and the compiler never sees it.
- There are basically two ways of writing comments, single line comments and multiline comments.
- Single line comments start with //, the remaining characters in that line are considered a comment by the preprocessor.

```
int var = 100; // This is a comment.
```

• Multiline comments start with /* anything after these characters up until */ are considered a comment by the preprocessor. Everything between the /* */ will be ignored.

```
/* This is a line.
This is another commented line.
This is yet another.
...
*/ int var = 100;
```

• The idea behind comments are to make self documenting code. Self documenting code is the practice of wrinting down what your code does and how it does it so that other people may understand it.

```
int var = 100; // I'm initializing a variable to 100 in order to use <where I will use it> for <sta
```

- Keep in mind not every single line needs commenting, comments must be used only when they are needed, sometimes code can be very hard to read and that's were you want to use comments. You don't want to write a comment for every line of code saying what you do because what you are doing is easily and clearly dedusable, other code however can become very unreadable and complicated and that's were you might want to use comments so that other people know what you are doing. Don't comment the obvious.

- As a rule: don't comment the obvious, good commenting doesn't justify bad code, and if you made changes to code make sure you also change the comments to save time and confusion, keep comments in sync.

5.4 The main() function

- Every C++ program must have exactly one main() function.
- main() is the starting point of program execution.
- the return 0; statement in the main() function indicates successful program execution.
- When a C++ program executes the operating system calls the main() and the code between the curly braces executes. When execution hits the return statement, the program returns the integer 0 to the operating system, if the return value is 0 then the program terminated successfully, if the value returned is not 0 then the operating system can check the value returned and determine what when wrong.
- There are two possible ways of writing the main function. They work almost the same and the differences are suttle. All the program actions are contained in the main function.

```
// First way:
int main(/* No parameters. */) {
    // <code>
    return 0;
}
// Second way:
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    // <code>
    return 0;
}
```

- The first version expects no information to be passed in from the operating system in order to run. This is the most common version.
- The second version allows for parameters to be passed in to the main function when its called, so for example you can pass in an integer or a string that you can then use in your program when it's called from the command line. You would call your program like this in the command line: program.exe n arg1 arg2 argn the first argument or int argc must be the number of arguments that you will pass in, the next arguments are delimited by spaces and collected and stored inside your program in the char *argv[] array which you can use in your program respectively.
- It's important to see the distinction in order not to get confused when you are looking at code out on the internet.

5.5 Namespaces

- As C++ programs become more complex the combination of our own code, the C++ standard library, and other third party libraries, sooner or later C++ encounters two names repeated, and at that point C++ doesn't know which one to use. This is called a naming conflict and its described when company X named something the same as company Y.
- This is where namespaces come in, you can specify which library you are referring to by using the name of the library and the scope resolution operation (::)
- C++ allows developers to use namespaces as container to group their code entities in to a namespace scope.

- An example is the std::cout statement, tecnically it is saying to the C++ compiler to search in "std" or the standard library the function "cout" and use that one.
- Namespaces are introduced to reduce the posibility of a naming conflict.
- However, it can get tedious to write the library name, then the scope resolution operator and finally the function name; thus you can use the using namespace <insert library name>; statement to specify that any function from there on will come from the library spefied, now C++ knows which namespace you are using.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    // <code>.
    return 0;
}
```

- C++ in the code above knows the moment we said using namespace std; that any function referenced from that point will be referring to the std library function.
- However there is still a problem, using namespace std; doesn't just state to use cout and cin, it brings a lot of other functions we might not know about, for this we can explicitly say we just want to use a certain function of a certain library.

```
#include <iostream>
using std::cout;
using std::cin;
int main() {
    // <code>.
    return 0;
}
```

You can still use cout and cin without having to write std::cout and std::cin and we are not getting any other names from the standard library of which we won't need. In larger programs its best practice to declare the functions you will use manually and not the namespace.

5.6 Basic input and output

- cout, cin, cerr, clog are objects representing streams. They are defined in the iostream library.
- cout:
 - It is a standard output stream.
 - Defaults to the console.
- cin:
 - It is a standard input stream.
 - Defaults to the keyboard.
- cerr:
 - It is a standard error stream.
 - Defaults to the console with the error stream.
- clog:

- It is a standard log stream.
- Defaults to the console with the log stream.
- << is the insertion operator:
 - Used on output streams.
- >> is the extraction operator:
 - Used on input streams.

$5.6.1 \ll \text{with cout}$

• The insertion operator (<<) inserts data into the cout stream. It inserts the value of the operad(s) to its right, this operand can chain various variables or objects.

```
cout << data;</pre>
```

• Chaining multiple insertion in the same statement:

```
cout << "data 1 is " << data1 << endl;
cout << "data 1 is " << data1 << "\n";</pre>
```

• It is important to understand that the insertion operator does not automatically add line breaks to what is printed, that can be added by end1 or by explicitly adding it using the newline escape character "\n". The end1 manipulator it will also flush the stream, this is important because if the stream is buffered the program might not print anything until its flushed.

$5.6.2 \gg \text{with cin}$

• Used to extract data from the cin (which defaults to the keyboard) stream based on the data's type and then stores the information into the variable to the right of the extraction operator.

```
cin >> data;
```

• It can be chained.

```
cin >> data1 >> data2;
```

- Can fail if the entered data cannot be interpreted. For example if the variable being read is expecting an integer and what is read is a string of characters the cin will fail and nothing will be assigned to the variable. The cin function will ignore white space and tabs.
- The cin function will only be executed when the enter key is pressed.
- We can use the extraction and insertion operator to work with data from different streams, for example file streams.

Variables and constants

6.1 What is a variable?

- A variable allows us to use a name for a memory location in RAM in which our variable is stored.
- A variable is an abstraction for a memory location.
- Variables allow programmers to use meaninful names and not memory addresses.
- Variables have:
 - Type: their category (integer, real number, string, objects).
 - Value: the content (10, 3.14, "String").
- Variables must be declared before they are used.
- A variable value may change.
- Example:

```
age = 21; // Compiler error.
```

In the above code we never declared age so the compiler does not know how much memory to allocate for the variable, thus a compiler error is produced, age was never declared. This is called static typing because all the rules are enforced when the program is compiled rather than when the program is running.

```
int age;
age = 21;
```

The above code is correct.

6.2 Declaring and initializing variables

- The syntax is: <variable_type> <variable_name>;.
- Variable types can be anything, such as: int, double, float, string you can also declare user defined types (this is object oriented programming) such as Account, Person with the same syntax you would use with any other type.

6.2.1 Naming rules and conventions

- Naming variables:
 - Can contain letters, numbers and underscores.
 - Must begin with a letter to underscore.
 - * Cannot begin with a number digit.
 - Cannot use C++ reserved keywords.
 - Cannot redeclare a name in the same scope.
 - * Remember that C++ is case sensative.
 - Example:

Legal	Illegal
Age	$_{ m int}$
age	\$age
_age	2014 _age
My_age	My age
your_age_in_2014	Age+1
INT	cout
Int	return

- The best thing to do is to be consistent with your naming conventions.
 - Stick to the convention you chose from the beggining.
 - Avoid beginning names with underscores.
- Use meaningful names:
 - Not too long and not too short.
- Never use variables before initializing them.
 - Using variables before initializing can cause undefined behaviour.
- Declare variables close to when you need them in your code.

6.2.2 Declaring and initializing

• There are many ways of initializing variables. And all reflect the way C++ has advanced as the years have passed.

```
int age; // uninitialized.
int age = 21; // C-Like initialization.
int age (21); // Constructor initialization.
int age {21}; // C++11 list initialization syntax.
```

• Using the {} list intialization will also check if the assigned values cause an overflow in the program.

6.2.3 Example

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

int main() {
   int room_width {0};
   cout << "Enter the width of the room: ";
   cin >> room_width;
```

```
cout << "Enter the lenght of the room: ";
int room_lenght {0};
cin >> room_lenght;

cout << "The area is " << room_width*room_lenght << endl;
return 0;
}</pre>
```

6.3 Global variables

- Variables declared outside of any function are called global variables and they can be accessed in any point of your program.
- Since they can be accessed by any part of the program this also means they can be changed by any part of the program which could mean the likelyhood for bugs is higher.
- Local variables are declared and used within a part of the code, as your code progresses out of scope these variables are automatically destoyed.
- Local variables have higher precedence than global variables, if you call a local and global variable the same and decide to use one of both the local is going to be prioritized and the global variable will no be used.

6.4 C++ Built-in Primitive Types

- These are sometimes called fundamental data types because they are implemented directly by the C++ language.
- They include:
 - Character type.
 - Integer type.
 - * signed and unsigned.
 - Floating-point types.
 - Boolean types.
- Size and precision is often compiler dependent, this means you must be aware how much storage is allocated for each type. The C++ library #include <climits> conatins information about your specific compiler.

6.4.1 Type sizes

- A computer works by storing bits on memory, data types are stored in bits.
- The more bits the more values that can be represented.
- The more bits the more storage requiered.
- The computer however is not conserned with bits but with bytes, a byte is 8 bits stored continuously in memory. To find out how many values you can store with n number of bits the formula is 2^n , below are some examples:

Size (in bits)	Representable values	
8	256	2^{8}
16	65,536	2^{16}
32	4,294,927,296	2^{32}
64	18,446,744,073,551,615	2^{64}

6.4.2 Character types

- Used to represent single characters: 'A', 'X', '@'.
- Wider types are used to represent wide character sets.

Type name	Size / Precision
char	Exactly one byte. At least 8 bits.
char16_t	At least 16 bits.
char32_t	At least 32 bits.
wchar_t	Can represent the largest available character set.

• Example:

```
char m {'j'};
cout << m << endl;</pre>
```

6.4.3 Integer data types

- Used to represent whole numbers.
- Signed and unsigned versions.

Type	Size / Precision	Type	Size / Precision
signed short int	At least 16 bits.	unsigned short int	At least 16 bits.
signed int	At least 16 bits.	unsigned int	At least 16 bits.
signed long int	At least 32 bits.	unsigned long int	At least 32 bits.
signed long long int	At least 64 bits.	unsigned long long int	At least 64 bits.

⁻ Ints can be overflowed, when an overflow happens you can have undefined behaviour.

• Example:

```
unsigned short int exam_score {55};
cout << exam_score << endl;
int countries_represented {65};
cout << countries_represented << endl;
long people_in_florida {2061100000};
cout << people_in_florida << endl;
long long people_on_earth {7\[^1600\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000\[^1000
```

6.4.4 Floating point type

- Used to represent non-integer numbers.
- Represented by mantissa and exponent (scientific notation).
- Precision is the number of digits in the mantissa.

• Precission and size are compiler dependent.

Type name	Size / Typical Precision	Typical Range
float	/7 decimal digits	$1.2 \times 10^{-38} \text{ to } 3.4 \times 10^{38}$
double	No less than float / 15 decimal digits	$2.2 \times 10^{-308} \text{ to } 1.8 \times 10^{308}$
float	No less than double / 19 decimal digits	3.3×10^{-4932} to 1.2×10^{4932}

- Remember there is no such thing yet as storing an infinitely precise decimal such as π computers store approximations using scientific notation.
- Example:

```
float car_payment {401.23};
cout << car_payment << endl;
double pi {3.14159};
cout << pi << endl;
long double large_amount {2.7e120};
cout << large_amount << endl;</pre>
```

6.4.5 Boolean type

- Used to represent true and false.
- Zero is false.
- Non-zero is true.

Type name	Size / Precision	
bool	Usually 8 bits true or false (C++ Keywords)	

• Example:

```
bool game_over {false};
cout << game_over << endl;</pre>
```

6.4.6 Buffer overflows

```
short val1 {30 000};
short val2 {1 000};
short product {va1 * val2}; // overflow, maximum is about 32,000.
```

6.5 What is the size of a variable?

- The size of operator determines the size in bytes of a type or variable.
- Examples:

```
sizeof(int);
sizeof(double);
sizeof(some_variable);
sizeof some_variable; // parenthesis are optional for variables.
```

• The size of operator gets its information from two C++ include files. <climits> <cfloat>, the climits and cfloat influde files contain size and precision information about your implementation of C++. These libraries also provide information constants such as INT_MAX, INT_MIN, LONG_MAX, LONG_MIN, FLT_MIN, FLT_MAX,

6.5.1 Examples

*Take into account that the values returned by the size of operator will be different depending on your machine.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    cout << "sizeof: " << endl;</pre>
    cout << "char: " << sizeof(char) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "int: " << sizeof(int) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "unsigned int: " << sizeof(unsigned int) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "short: " << sizeof(short) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long: " << sizeof(long) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long long: " << sizeof(long long) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "float: " << sizeof(float) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "double: " << sizeof(double) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long double: " << sizeof(long double) << endl;</pre>
    cout << "========<climits>======== << endl;
    cout << "climits minimum vals" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "char: " << CHAR_MIN << endl;</pre>
    cout << "int: " << INT_MIN << endl;</pre>
    cout << "short: " << SHRT_MIN << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long: " << LONG_MIN << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long long: " << LLONG_MIN << endl;</pre>
    cout << "climits maximum vals" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "char: " << CHAR_MAX << endl;</pre>
    cout << "int: " << INT_MAX << endl;</pre>
    cout << "short: " << SHRT_MAX << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long: " << LONG_MAX << endl;</pre>
    cout << "long long: " << LLONG_MAX << endl;</pre>
    int age {21};
    cout << "age is " << sizeof(age) << endl;</pre>
    double wage {22.24};
    cout << "wage is " << sizeof(wage) << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
/* OUTPUT:
```

6.6 What is a constant?

- Constants are very much like variables in C++.
- The follow the same naming convensions of variables.
- They occupy storage.
- And they are usually typed.
- However, their value cannot change once declared.

6.6.1 Literal constants

- The most obvious kind of constant.
- Integer literal constants:
 - 12 an integer.
 - 12U an unsigned integer.
 - 12L a long integer.
 - 12LL a long long integer.
- Floating-point literal constants:
 - 12.1 a double.
 - 12.1F a float.
 - $-\,$ 12.1L a long double.
- \bullet Character literal constants (escape codes).
 - \n newline.
 - \r return.
 - **\t** tab.
 - **\b** backspace.
 - ' single quote.
 - \" double quote.
 - $\$ backslash.

6.6.2 Defined constants

• Constants that are declared using the const keyword.

```
const double pi {3.1415926};
const int months_in_year {12};
pi = 2.5; // compiler error.
```

Defined constants

• Constants defined as preprocessor directive.

```
#define pi 3.1415926
```

• Notice you don't declare a type, this is sort of a blind find and replace done before compilation of the program, whenever the program encounters pi it will replace it with the value of the define constant, since the preprocessor does not know C++ it can't type check and this can make it difficult to find errors. The best is to never define constants and to always use the const keyword in your code.

Arrays and vectors

7.1 Arrays and vectors

• Arrays and vectors are compound data types. Which means they are data types made out of other data types.

7.2 What is an array?

- An array is a compound data type or a data structure.
 - Which means they are data types composed of other data types. They allow us to have collections
 of elements.
- All elements are of the same type.
- Each element can be accessed directly.
- Why do we need arrays?
 - Suppose we would need to store the scores of a test.
 - We could declare n variables for n students:

```
int test_score_1 {0};
int test_score_2 {0};
int test_score_3 {0};
int test_score_4 {0};
// ...
int test_score_100 {0};
```

- This becomes tedious and error prone, now you would need to keep track of 100 variables with their own name. And even worse if I have 1,000,000 test scores this would get out of hand very easily.
- In this case it's better to use an array.

7.2.1 Characteristics

- Fixed size.
- Elements are all the same type.
- Stored contigously in memory.
- Individual elements can be accessed by their position or index.

- First element is at index 0.
- Last element is at index size 1.
- No checking to see if you are out of bounds. It is the responsability of the programmer to check if the program is writing data out of bounds, this can cause undefined behaviour.
- Always initialize arrays.
- Very efficient.
- Iteration (looping) is often used to process the elements stored.

test_scores		
100	[0]	
95	[1]	
87	[2]	
80	[3]	
100	[4]	
83	[5]	
89	[6]	
92	[7]	
100	[8]	
95	[9]	

7.3 Declaring and initializing arrays

7.3.1 Declaring arrays

• element_type array_name [constant number of elements];

- The constant number of elements can be an expression that evaluates to a constant, a constant, a number or anything that results in a number before compiling.

```
int test_scores[5];
int high_score_per_level[10];
const double days_in_year {365};
double hi_temperature[days_in_year];
```

7.3.2 Initializing arrays

• element_type array_name [number of elements] {init elements};
int test_scores[5] {100,95,99,87,88};
int high_score_per_level[10] {3,5}; // init to 3,5 and remaining to 0.
const double days_in_year {365};
double hi_temperatures[days_in_year] {0}; // init all to zero.

double hi_temperature[days_in_year] {1,2,3,4,5}; // size automatically calculated.

7.4 Accessing and modifying array elements

• Accessing array elements: array_name [element_index];.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int test_scores[5] {100,95,99,87,88};
    cout << "index 0: " << test_scores[0] << endl;
    cout << "index 1: " << test_scores[1] << endl;
    cout << "index 2: " << test_scores[2] << endl;
    cout << "index 3: " << test_scores[3] << endl;
    cout << "index 4: " << test_scores[4] << endl;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
index 0: 100
index 1: 95
index 2: 99
index 3: 87
index 4: 88
*/</pre>
```

• Changing contents of array elements:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int test_scores[5] {0};
    cin >> test_scores[0];
    cin >> test_scores[1];
    cin >> test_scores[2];
    cin >> test_scores[3];
    cin >> test_scores[4];
    test_scores[0] = 90;
    return 0;
}
```

7.4.1 How do arrays work?

- The nane of the array represents the location of the first element in the array (index 0).
- The [index] represents the offset from the beggining of the array.
- C++ simply performs a calculation to find the correct element.
- There is no bounds checking.

7.4.2 Examples

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    char vowels[] {'a','e','i','o','u'};
    cout << vowels[0] << endl;</pre>
    cout << vowels[4] << endl;</pre>
    cin >> vowels[5]; // out of bounds.
    return 0;
using namespace std;
int main() {
    double hi_temps[] {90.1, 89.8, 77.5, 81.6};
    cout << "\nThe fist high temperature is: " << hi_temps[0] << endl;</pre>
    hi_temps[0] = 100.7; // sets the first element of hi_temps to 100.7.
    cout << "\nThe fist is now: " << hi_temps[0] << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
/* OUTPUT:
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int test_scores[5] {100};
    cout << "\nFirst score at index 0: " << test_scores[0] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nSecond score at index 1: " << test_scores[1] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nThird score at index 2: " << test_scores[2] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nFourth score at index 3: " << test_scores[3] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nFifth score at index 4: " << test_scores[4] << endl;</pre>
    cin >> test_scores[0];
    cin >> test_scores[1];
    cin >> test_scores[2];
```

```
cin >> test_scores[3];
    cin >> test_scores[4];
    cout << "\nFirst score at index 0: " << test_scores[0] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nSecond score at index 1: " << test_scores[1] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nThird score at index 2: " << test_scores[2] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nFourth score at index 3: " << test_scores[3] << endl;</pre>
    cout << "\nFifth score at index 4: " << test_scores[4] << endl;</pre>
/* OUTPUT:
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int test_scores[5] {100};
    cout << "Name of array: " << test_scores << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
/* OUTPUT:
```

7.5 Multidimentional arrays

- Declaring multidimentional arrays: element_type array_name [dimension 1 size][dimension 2 size]...; int movie_rating [3][4];
- Some compilers do place limits on the number of dimensions you have depending on what machine they are running and the compiler being used.
- Multi-dimentional arrays are a spreadsheet concept, think of the first dimension as the rows and the second as the columns.

```
int spread_sheet[][] {
     {1,2,3},
     {4,5,6},
     {7,8,9}
};
```

7.6 Declaring and initializing vectors

- Suppose we want to store test scores for my school.
- I have no way of knowing how many students will register next year.
- Options:
 - Pick a size that you are not likely to exceed and use static arrays.
 - Use a dynamic array sich as a vector.

7.6.1 Vectors

- A C++ vector is a container in the C++ standard template library.
- An array that can grom and shrink in size at excecution time.
- Provides similar semantics and syntax as arrays.
- Very efficient.
- Can provide bounds checking.
- Can use lots of cool functions like sort, reverse, find and more.
- When we create a C++ vector we are creating a C++ object and this means it can perform operations for us

7.6.2 Declaring vectors

- We must include the vector library and the standard library, both allow us to create C++ vectors.
- Syntax: vector<datatype> vector_name;.

```
#include <vector>
using namespace std;
vector<char> vowels;
vector<int> test_scores;
```

7.6.3 Initializing vectors

• For vectors, since they are objects, we can provide initialization with the constructor intialization style:

```
vector<char> vowels (5);
vector<int> test_scores (10);
```

- The above code creates a vector of size 5 if chars, then a vector of size 10 of ints, also all the elements of the array are intialized automatically to zero, you no longer need to do that explicitly.
- We can also use the curly brace initialization style to specify the value of the elements we want:

```
vector<char> vowels {'a','e','i','o','u'};
// Initializes vowels to the specified values in a vector of size 5.
vector<int> test_scores {100,98,89,85,93};
// Initializes test_scores to the 5 specified values.
vector<double> hi_temperatures (365, 80.0);
// The first parameter is the initial size of the vector which os 365, the second is to which values.
```

7.6.4 Vector caracteristics

- Dynamic size.
- Elements are all the same type.
- Stored contiguosly in memory.
- Individual elements can be accessed by their position or index.
- First element is at index 0.
- Last element is at index size 1.
- If you use the subscript operator ([index]) then vectors will provide no bounds checking, however the vector object allows you to get information at an index using methods that do provide bounds checking.
- Provides many useful functions that do bounds checking.
- Elements are automatically initialized to zero unless you specify otherwise.
- Very efficient.
- Iteration (looping) is ften used to process the elements.

7.7 Accessing and modifying vector elements

• The first way to access vector elements is to use array syntax (with the subscript operator): vector_name[element_index with this way no bounds checking will be done.

```
vector<int> test_scores {100,95,99,87,88};
cout << test_scores[0] << endl;
cout << test_scores[1] << endl;
cout << test_scores[2] << endl;
cout << test_scores[3] << endl;
cout << test_scores[4] << endl;</pre>
```

• We can also access vector elements with the .at method, the syntax is: vector_name.at(element_index);

```
vector<int> test_scores {100,95,99,87,88};
cout << test_scores.at(0) << endl;
cout << test_scores.at(1) << endl;
cout << test_scores.at(2) << endl;
cout << test_scores.at(3) << endl;
cout << test_scores.at(4) << endl;</pre>
```

7.7.1 Vectors changing in size dynamically

- The vector has a method called push_back that adds a new element (of the same type) to the back of the vector.
- This vector method will automatically allocate the required space.

7.7.2 Out of bounds errors

- What if you are out of bounds?
- Arrays never do bounds checking.
- Many vector methods provide bounds checking.
- An exception and error message is generated.

Statements and operators

8.1 Expressions and statements

- An expression is:
 - The most basic building block of a program.
 - "A sequence of operatiors and operands that specifies a computation." C++ STD.
 - Computes a value from a number of operands.
 - There is much, much more to expressions Not necessary at this level.
- Examples of expressions:

```
34 // literal.
favorite_number // variable.
1.5 + 2.8 // addition.
2 * 5 // multiplication.
a > b // relational.
a = b // assignment.
```

- Difference between a statement and expression:
 - A statement is:
 - * A complete line of code that performs some action.
 - * Usually terminated with a semi-colon.
 - * Usually contain expressions.
 - * C++ has many types of statements:
 - · Expression, null, compound, selection, iteration, declaration, jump, try blocks, and others.
 - * Expressions are used to make up the statement.

```
// Example of statements:
int x; // declaration.
favorite_number = 12; // assignment.
1.5 + 2.8; // expression.
x = 2 * 5; // assignment.
if (a > b) cout << "a is greater than b"; // if statement.</pre>
```

A null statement is a statement that doesn't perform any computation, it would be the equivalent
of the following example:

```
int a;
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i ++ ) {
    ; // null statement.
}</pre>
```

8.2 Using operators

- C++ has a rich set of operators, most of them are binary operators which means they operate on two operands, for example the multiplication operator operates on two operands (numbers). However C++'s operators aren't just binary.
- C++ has a rich set of operators.
 - Unary (operates on one operand), binary (operates on two operands), ternary (operates on three operands).
- Common operators can be grouped as follows:
 - Assignment: used for modifying the value of some object by assigning a new value to it.
 - Arithmetic: used to perform mathematical operations on operands.
 - Increment/Decrement: these operators work as an assignment and arithmetic, they increment or decrement the operand by one.
 - Relational/Comparison: allow you to compare the value of objects, examples include: $=, \neq, \geq, \leq$, etcetera.
 - Logical: used to test for logical or boolean conditions, for example: if you want to execute certain
 part of your code only when the temperature is less than freezing. These include the logical not,
 and, or operators.
 - Member access: used to allow access to a specific member. An example is the array subscript operator ([]). others that work with objects and pointers which will be introduced later.
 - Other: other operators.

8.3 The assignment operator

- Nearly all programming languages have the ability to change the value of a variable.
- In C++ we can change the value stored in a variable using the assignment operator (=).

```
lhs = rhs;
```

- This does not represent equality, this represents that the value of rhs will be the value of lhs.
- We are not asserting that the left-hand side is equal to the right-hand side, nor are we comparing the left-hand side to the right-hand side. We are evaluating the value of the expression on the right-hand side and storing the value to the left-hand sign.
- rhs is an expression that is evaluated to a value.
- The value of the rhs is stored to the lhs.
- The value of the rsh must be type compatible with the lhs, meaning they must be of the same type.
- C++ is statcally typed which means that the compiler will be checking if it makes sense to assign the right-hand side to the left-hand side, if it doesn't make sense you'll get a compiler error.
- In order to store the right-hand side to the left-hand side, the left-hand side must be assignable, it can't be a literal, it can't be a constant.
- An assignment expression is evaluated to what was just assigned, this makes it possible to chain more than one variable in a single assignment, such as:

```
a = b = c = d = e = 10;
```

• It is important to understand that assignment is not initialization, initialization happens only when the variable is declared and the variable gets that value for the very first time, assignment is when you change a value that already exists in the variable after initializing it.

8.3.1 Example

- Example:
 - In C++ there is a concept in assignment know as r-value and l-value, whenever we say the r-value we are denoting the content of some variable or an expression that evaluates to a value, the l-value is the a location, the statement: lhs=rhs means "store whatever value is in rhs to location lhs". The rhs could be very complex, the program will evaluate and compute that value and store it in location lhs.
 - In C++ all this checking is done at compile time, thus when something compiles without errors or warnings you are guaranteed to have done it correctly. This is also because C++ is statically typed.

```
#Include <lostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num1 {10}; // initialization.
    int num2 {20}; // initialization.
    num1 = 100; // assignment. lhs = rhs;
    cout << "num1 is " << num1 << endl;
    cout << "num2 is " << num2 << endl;
    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
num1 is 100
num2 is 20</pre>
```

- Chain assignment:
 - In assignment operators they are done from right to left, the left-hand side of the expression is done last, while the further right part of the expression is done first.
 - So something like this:

$$num1 = num2 = num3 = 1'000;$$

 $num1 = num2 = \underbrace{num3 = 1'000;}_{\text{Evaluates to 1'000}};$
 $num1 = \underbrace{num2 = num3 = 1'000;}_{\text{Evaluates to 1'000}};$

* Finally the last part of the assignment is assigning the value of num2 to num1.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num1 {10}; // initialization.
    int num2 {20}; // initialization.
    num1 = num2 = 1 000; // chained assignment.
    cout << "num1 is " << num1 << endl;
    cout << "num2 is " << num2 << endl;
    cout << endl;
    return 0;</pre>
```

```
}
/* OUTPUT:
num1 is 1000
num2 is 1000
```

• The compiler will constantly be checking if it makes sense to assign something to a variable. For example the following code produces a compiler error because an **int** variable can only hold integers not strings.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num1 {10}; // initialization.
    int num2 {20}; // initialization.
    num1 = "String"; // assignment to a string of an integer variable is illegal.
    cout << "num1 is " << num1 << end1;
    cout << "num2 is " << num2 << end1;
    cout << end1;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT: Compiler error.
./Code/main.cpp:6:12: error: invalid conversion from 'const char*' to 'int' [-fpermissive]
    num1 = "String"; // assignment.
*/</pre>
```

• The following code will produce an error, though we are assigning an int to the variable which makes sense, we are declaring it as a constant, thus we cannot change the value of that constant after initialization.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int const num1 {10}; // initialization.
    int num2 {20}; // initialization.
    num1 = 100; // assignment to a constant is illegal.
    cout << "num1 is " << num1 << endl;
    cout << "num2 is " << num2 << endl;
    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT: Compiler error.
./Code/main.cpp:6:12: error: assignment of read-only variable 'num1'
    num1 = 100; // assignment to a constant is illegal.
*/</pre>
```

• The following code will produce a compiler error because we are assigning a variable to a literal:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int num1 {10};
   100 = num1; // assignment
   return 0;
}
```

```
/* OUTPUT: Compiler error.
./Code/main.cpp:5:11: error: lvalue required as left operand of assignment
    100 = num1; // 100 is a literal and does not have a location in memory.
*/
```

8.4 Arithmetic operators

• The arithmetic operators are:

```
Addition: +
Subtraction: -
Multiplication: *
Division: /
Modulo or remainder (works only with integers): %
```

• These operators can be overloaded, what 'overloaded' means is that they work with different types, for example you can use the addition operator to add floats, integers, doubles, etcetera.

8.4.1 Examples

• Adding variables and assigning the result to another.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num1 {100};
    int num2 {200};
    int result {num1 + num2};
    cout << num1 << " + " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
100 + 200 = 300
*/</pre>
```

- Arithmetic:
 - It is important to notice that multiplication is not like algebra where you can omit adding the multiplication symbol, in C++ we need to add the multiplication symbol explicitly. There are no such thing as: (3)(4) rather write it as: (3)*(4);.
 - Another thing to watch out for is when dividing integers you don't get a decimal part, you will only get the whole number part, dividing 100/200 = 0.5 however we just store the whole part, which is to say as far as C++ is concerned when you divide the integers 100/200 the result is floor division and you are left with the result being 0.
 - The modulus operator is the remainder of division, for example if we divide 10 by 3 we get that we can divide 10 by 3 a total of 3 times, however we are left with a remainder, that remainder is $1 (3 \times 3 + 1 = 10)$.
 - There is operator precedence in C++, it goes in the order of PEMDAS, P(Parenthesis), E(Exponents), M(multiplication), D(division), A(addition), and S(subtraction). So for example in the expression (8 * 10 + 1) 10 the parenthesis are evaluated first, inside the parenthesis the multiplication of 8 and 10 are evaluated and the one is added resulting in 81, then the subtraction of 10 is done and the result is 71.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num1 {100};
    int num2 {200};
    int result {0};
    result = num1 + num2;
    cout << num1 << " + " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;</pre>
    result = num1 - num2;
    cout << num1 << " - " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;</pre>
    result = num1 * num2;
    cout << num1 << " * " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;</pre>
    result = num1 / num2; // floor division
    cout << num1 << " / " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;</pre>
    result = num1 % num2;
    cout << num1 << " % " << num2 << " = " << result << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
```

8.5 Increment and decrement operators

- The increment and decrement operators are unary operators, ++, -- the ++.
- The increment and decrement operators are simply just saying: ++ increment its operand by one, -- decrement the operand by one.
- This operator can also be overloaded, which is to say that they will increment or decrement different types, such as incrementing or decrementing floats, doubles, integers, and even pointers.
- There are two variants to this operator, postfix and suffix.
 - Postfix notation: ++num this means to increment num by one before using it.
 - Prefix notation: num++ this means to increment num by one after using it.
- Don't overuse this operator, never use it twice for the same variable in the same statement because that will cause undefined behavior. Things such as the following are not allowed:

```
num = num1++ + ++num1; // or
cout << i++ << ++i << i << endl; // will cause undefined bahaviour.</pre>
```

• The post fix and prefix notation work exactly the same if they are alone on one line, such as: num++;. However, if they are accompanied such as: arr[num++] = 10; will work differently.

8.5.1 Example

• Incrementing:

```
using namespace std;
 int main() {
      int counter {10};
      int result {0};
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      counter = counter + 1; // 11
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      counter++;
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      ++counter;
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      return 0:
 }
• Pre-increment example:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
     int counter {10};
      int result {0};
      result = ++counter; // Counter will be incremented before its used.
      cout << "Result: " << result << endl;</pre>
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
• Post-increment example:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      int counter {10};
      int result {0};
      result = counter++; // Counter will be incremented after its used.
      cout << "Result: " << result << endl;</pre>
      cout << "Counter: " << counter << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
 /* OUTPUT:
```

• Saying i = ++num + 10; is the same as saying:

```
Considering num = 10.
i = \underbrace{+ + num}_{num = num + 1 \rightarrow num = 11} + 10;
i = \underbrace{num}_{\text{has been incremented by one}} + 10;
i = \underbrace{11 + 10 = 21};
```

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num {10};
    int i {0};
    i = ++num + 10;
    cout << "i: " << i << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
i: 21
*/</pre>
```

• The same example with the post-increment:

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num {10};
    int i {0};
    i = num++ + 10; // for this addition it will use the value of num as is and then increment so\a
    cout << "i: " << i << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
i: 20</pre>
```

8.6 Mixed expressions and conversions

- C++ operations occur on the same type operands. For example a + b where a is an integer and b is a double
- If operands are of different types, C++ will convert one. In many cases this happens automatically.
- This is important since it could affect calculation results.
- C++ will attempt to automatically convert types (coercion). If automatic conversion or coercion is not possible a compiler error will occur.

8.6.1 Conversions

 In order to understand how these automatic conversions happen we need to understand higher vs lower types.

- Higher type is a type that can hold higher or more values.
- Lower type is a type that can hold lower or less values than the higher type.
- Higher vs Lower types are based on the size of the values the type can hold.
 - long double, double, float, unsigned long, long, unsigned int, int, short int, char are always converted to an int.
- Coercion always happens by converting the lower type to the higher type, because the lower type will always fit in to the higher type whereas the higher type will almost never fit in to the lower type.
- Type coercion: happens when we convert a lower type operand to a higher type operand in order to operate them. For example, adding an integer and a double, automatic conversion will occur, first the integer will get converted to a double, then added.
- Promotion: conversion to a higher type:
 - Used in mathematical expressions.
- Demotion: conversion to a lower type:
 - Used with assignment to lower types.
 - For example when performing integer division the result is operated on a double and then the decimal part is truncated until we are left with just the whole number part.

8.6.2 Example type coercion

• Lower operand to higher operand, the lower is promoted to a higher.

```
2 * 2.5: // 2 is promoted to 2.0. integer -> double.
```

• lower = higher; the higher is demoted to a lower: (this risks potentially loosing information)

```
int num {0};
num = 100.2; // float demoted to a int.
```

8.6.3 Examples explicit type casting

• We can explicitly cast or coerce to a certain type.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int total_amount {100};
   int total_number {8};
   double average {0.0};
   average = total_amount / total_number;
   cout << "Without explicit coercion: " << average << endl; // Here we are doing integer division average = static_cast<double>(total_amount) / total_number; // now one of the operands is a dout cout << "With explicit coersion: " << average << endl;
   return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Without explicit coercion: 12
With explicit coersion: 12.5</pre>
```

• There are two major ways of casting, the first is the syntax we already have seen: static_cast<double>(var1); the second is the c-style cast which is (double)var1;. It is better to use the C++ style cast since it is more robust as it also checks for congruence and if it makes sense to cast the variable, rather than the C-style cast just does it and it doesn't check for congruence nor if it makes sense.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int total {};
    int num1 {}, num2 {}, num3 {};
    const int count {3};
    cout << "Enter 3 integers separated by spaces: ";
    cin >> num1 >> num2 >> num3;
    cout << end1;
    total = num1 + num2 + num3;
    double average {0.0};
    average = static_cast < double > (total) / count; // C++ style cast.
    // average = (double)(total) / count; // older C-style cast
    cout << average << end1;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
Enter 3 integers separated by spaces: 15 13 12

13.3333
*/</pre>
```

8.7 Testing for equality

- These operators compare the values of two expressions and evaluate to a boolean.
- These operators are the == which is the equality operator and the != which is the not equals operator.

```
expr1 == expr2; // evaluates to true if both values are the same, else false.
expr1 != expr2; // evaluates to false if both values are the same, else true.
100 == 200; // evaluates to false.
num1 != num2; // evaluates to true if they are different, else false.
```

- Remember to use two equals signs not just one.
- Another example:

```
bool result {false};
result = (100 == 50+50); // store the boolean in result.
```

• In C++ there is a standard library string manipulator called std::boolalpha once you use it all boolean output printed to console will result in the words "true" or "false" being printed instead of 0 or 1. std::noboolalpha will deactivate this feature and allows you to print the default of 0 and 1.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int num1 {10}, num2 {10};
   cout << "num1: " << num1 << ", num2:" << num2 << endl;
   cout << "(num1 == num2) -> " << (num1 == num2) << endl; // 0 or 1</pre>
```

```
cout << "(num1 != num2) -> " << (num1 != num2) << endl;
cout << std::boolalpha;
cout << "(num1 == num2) -> " << (num1 == num2) << endl; // true or false
cout << "(num1 != num2) -> " << (num1 != num2) << endl;
cout << std::noboolalpha;
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
num1: 10, num2:10
(num1 == num2) -> 1
(num1 != num2) -> 0
(num1 == num2) -> true
(num1 != num2) -> false
*/
```

8.7.1 Example

• Example with integers: keep in mind you can do this with any primitive type and with the correct overloading with any user defined type.

```
using namespace std;
 int main() {
      cout << boolalpha;</pre>
      int num1 {0}, num2 {0};
     bool equal_result {false};
     bool not_equal_result;
      cout << "Enter 2 integers: " << endl;</pre>
      cin >> num1 >> num2;
      equal_result = (num1 == num2);
      not_equal_result = (num1 != num2);
      cout << "Comparison result (equals): " << equal_result << endl;</pre>
      cout << "Comparison result (not equals): " << not_equal_result << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
 }
• Example with characters:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      cout << boolalpha;</pre>
      bool equal_result {false}, not_equal_result {false};
      char char1{}, char2{};
      cout << "Enter two characters separated by a space: ";</pre>
      cin >> char1 >> char2;
      equal_result = (char1 == char2);
```

```
not_equal_result = (char1 != char2);
cout << "Comparision result (equals) : " << equal_result << endl;
cout << "Comparision result (not equals) : " << not_equal_result << endl;
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Enter two characters separated by a space: a a
Comparision result (equals) : true
Comparision result (not equals) : false
*/</pre>
```

• Example with doubles:

- Example with integer and a double:
 - In the below example we see another example of coercion, the 10 will get promoted to 10.0 then compared with the other with is 10.0, the expression evaluates to true.

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

int main() {
    cout << boolalpha;
    bool equal_result {false}, not_equal_result {false};
    int num1 {};
    double double1 {};
    cout << "Enter an integer and a double separated by a space: ";
    cin >> num1 >> double1;
    equal_result = (num1 == double1);
    not_equal_result = (num1 != double1);
    cout << "Comparision result (equals) : " << equal_result << end1;
    cout << "Comparision result (not equals) : " << not_equal_result << end1;</pre>
```

```
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Enter an integer and a double separated by a space: 10 10.0
Comparision result (equals) : true
Comparision result (not equals) : false
*/
```

8.8 Relational operators

• In addition to the equality operators C++ also provides another set of operators to compare objects.

Operator	Meaning	
>	greater than.	
>=	greater than or equal to.	
<	less than.	
<=	less than or equal to.	
<=>	three-way comparison $(C++20)$.	

- The three-way comparison operator compares two expressions and evaluates to 0 if they are equal, less than 0 if the left-hand side is greater than the right-hand side, and greater than 0 if the right-hand side is greater than the left-hand side.

8.8.1 Example

• Example:

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

int main() {
    cout << boolalpha;
    int num1 {}, num2 {};
    cout << "Enter 2 integers separated by a space: ";
    cin >> num1 >> num2;
    cout << num1 << " > " << num2 << " : " << (num1 > num2) << endl;
    cout << num1 << " > = " << num2 << " : " << (num1 >= num2) << endl;
    cout << num1 << " > = " << num2 << " : " << (num1 >= num2) << endl;
    cout << num1 << " < " << num2 << " : " << (num1 <= num2) << endl;
    cout << num1 << " <= " << num2 << " : " << (num1 <= num2) << endl;
    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
Enter 2 integers separated by a space: 10 20

10 > 20 : false

10 < 20 : true

10 <= 20 : true

*/</pre>
```

• Checking user obedience:

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

```
int main() {
    cout << boolalpha;
    int num1 {}, num2 {};
    const int lower {10};
    const int upper {20};
    cout << "Enter an integer that is greater than " << lower << " : " ;
    cin >> num1;
    cout << num1 << " > " << lower << " is " << (num1 > lower) << end1;
    cout << "Enter an integer that is less than or equal to " << upper << " : " ;
    cin >> num1;
    cout << "Enter an integer that is less than or equal to " << upper << " : " ;
    cin >> num1;
    cout << num1 << " <= " << upper << " is " << (num1 <= upper) << end1;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
Enter an integer that is greater than 10 : 12
12 > 10 is true
Enter an integer that is less than or equal to 20 : 16
16 <= 20 is true</pre>
```

8.9 Logical operators

• C++ has three logical operators:

Operator	Meaning
!	negation, logical not.
&&	logical and.
- 11	logical or.

- These operators work on boolean expressions and evaluate to boolean values themselves.
- There are two ways to write the logical operators, you can write the keywords: not, and, or or the symbols!, &&, ||.
- The ! operator is a unary operator and it simply negates the value.

expression a	$\cot a / !a$
true	false
false	true

• The ****** operator is a binary operator and it performs a logical and.

Expression a	Expression b	$a \text{ and } b \ / \ a \ \&\& b$
true	true	${ m true}$
true	false	false
false	${ m true}$	false
false	false	false

• The || operator is a binary operator and it performs the logical or.

Expression a	Expression b	$a \text{ or } b / a \mid \mid b$
true	${ m true}$	true
true	false	true
false	${ m true}$	true
false	false	false

8.9.1 Precedence

- Logical operators have precedence.
- The ! or logical not has higher precedence than the logical and.
- The logical and has higher precedence than the logical or.
- The logical *not* is a unary operator.
- The logical and and logical or are binary operators.

8.9.2 Examples

- In the below code we write the statements 10 <= 20 && 20 <= 30, we cannot write chained logical operators such as for example: $10 \le 20 \le 30$ we would need to write $10 \le 20$ and $20 \le 30$.
- Other examples:

```
num1 >= 10 && num1 < 20; // return true if num1 is greater or equal to 10 and num1 is less than 20 num1 <= 10 || num1 >= 20; // return true if num1 is less than or equal to 10 or num1 greater or equivalent equivalent equivalent equivalent equivalent equivalent equivalent equivalent equal to 10 or num1 greater or equivalent equiv
```

8.9.3 Short-Circuit evaluation

• When evaluating a logical expression in C++ stops as soon as the result is known, for example:

```
expr1 && expr2; // if expr1 is false there is no way the statement is true, so it simply sexpr1 || expr2 || expr3; // if expr1 is true it already knows the statement is true because only or
```

8.9.4 Example

• Example of user entering numbers within bounds:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int num {0};
    const int lower {10}, upper {20};
    cout << boolalpha;
    cout << "Enter an integer - the bounds are " << lower << " and " << upper << ": ";
    cin >> num;
    bool within_bounds {false};
    within_bounds = (num > lower && num < upper);
    cout << num << " is between " << lower << " and " << upper << " : " << within_bounds << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Enter an integer - the bounds are 10 and 20: 15 13</pre>
```

```
15 is between 10 and 20 : truest
```

• Example outside the lower and upper bounds:

```
wsing namespace std;
int main() {
    int num {0};
    const int lower {10}, upper {20};
    cout << boolalpha;
    cout << "Enter an integer out of bounds - the bounds are " << lower << " and " << upper << ": '
    cin >> num;
    bool within_bounds {false};
    within_bounds = (num < lower || num > upper);
    cout << num << " is outside " << lower << " and " << upper << " : " << within_bounds << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Enter an integer out of bounds - the bounds are 10 and 20: 3 45
3 is outside 10 and 20 : true</pre>
```

8.10 Compound assignment operators

• Compound assignment operators:

Operator	Example	Meaning
+=	lhs += rhs;	lhs = lhs + (rhs);
-=	lhs -= rhs;	lhs = lhs - (rhs);
*=	lhs *= rhs;	lhs = lhs * (rhs);
/=	lhs /= rhs;	lhs = lhs / (rhs);
%=	lhs %= rhs;	lhs = lhs % (rhs);
>>=	lhs >>= rhs;	lhs = lhs >> (rhs);
<<=	lhs <<= rhs;	lhs = lhs << (rhs);
& =	lhs &= rhs;	lhs = lhs & (rhs);
^=	lhs ^= rhs;	lhs = lhs ^ (rhs);
=	lhs = rhs;	lhs = lhs (rhs);

• Example:

```
a += 1; // a = a + 1
a /= 5; // a = a / 5
a *= b + c; // a = a * (b + c)
```

8.11 Operator Precedence

You can find a table of the complete precedence and associativity here.

- What is associativity?
 - Use precedence rules when adjacent operators are different.

```
\exp 1 \text{ op1} \exp 2 \text{ op2} \exp 3 // \operatorname{precedence}.
```

• Use associativity rules when adjacent operators have the same precedence.

```
expr1 op1 expr2 op1 expr3 // associativity.
```

• Use parenthesis to absolutely remove any doubt.

8.11.1 Example

• Precedence viewed with parenthesis:

```
\begin{split} result &= num1 + num2*num3;\\ result &= (num1 + (num2*num3)); \end{split}
```

• Use associativity from left to right since additiona and subtraction have the same precedence.

```
result = num1 + num2 - num3;

result = ((num1 + num2) - num3);
```

Chapter 9

Controlling program flow

9.1 Section overview

- Sequence: So far what we've learned has been sequential programming, a series of statements running sequentially, our code can't make decisions.
- Selection structures: allow us to make decisions based on certain conditions being true or false.
- Iteration: looping or repeating.

With sequence, selection and iteration we can implement any algorithm.

9.1.1 Selection: Decision

- if statement.
- if else statement.
- Nested if statements.
- switch statement.
- Conditional operator ?:;

9.1.2 Iteration: Looping

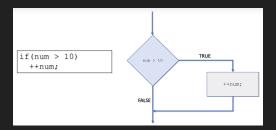
- for loop.
- Range-Based for loop.
- while loop.
- continue and break.
- Infinite loops.
- Nested loops.

9.2 If statement

- Syntax is: if (expr) { statement; }.
- The control expression must evaluate to a boolean true or false value.
- If the expression is true then execute the statement.
- If the expression is false then skip the statement.
- As a recommendation we always indent the code inside the if statement.

9.2.1 Examples of single if statements

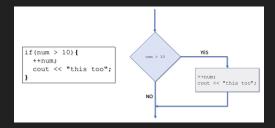
For single if statements you do not need to enclose the statements in curly braces.



```
if (selection == 'A')
    cout << "You selected A";
if (num > 10)
    cout << "num is grater than 10";
if (health < 100 && player_healed)
    health = 100;</pre>
```

9.2.2 Block if statements

- A block of code we have already seen in the main function.
- Create a block of code by including more than one statement in code block and adding {}.
- Blocks can also contain variable declarations.
- These variables are visible only within the block (local scope).



9.2.3 Example of block ifs

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int num {0};
```

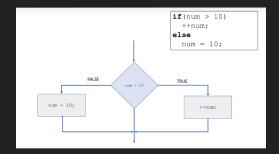
```
const int min {10}, max {100};
   cout << "Enter a number between " << min << " and " << max << ": ";</pre>
   cin >> num;
   if (num >= min) {
      cout << num << " is grater than " << min << endl;</pre>
      int diff {num - min};
      cout << num << " is " << diff << " greater than " << min << endl;</pre>
   if (num <= max) {</pre>
      cout << num << " is less than or equal to " << max << endl;</pre>
      int diff {max - num};
      cout << num << " is " << diff << " less than " << max << endl;</pre>
   if (num >= min && num <= max) {
      cout << num << " is in range " << endl;</pre>
      cout << "This means statement 1 and 2 must also display!" << endl;</pre>
   if (num == min || num == max) {
      cout << num << " is in boundaries " << endl;</pre>
      cout << "This means statement 1, 2 and 3 must also display!" << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
}
```

9.3 If else statement

• Syntax:

```
if (expr)
    statement;
else
    statement2;
```

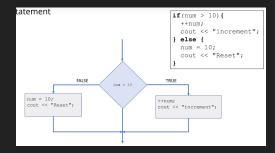
- If the expression is true then execute statement1.
- If the expression is false then execute statement 2.
- Never forget the indentation.



9.3.1 Example of single if else statements

```
if (num > 10)
    cout << "num is greater than 10";
else
    cout << "num is NOT greater than 10";
if (health < 100 && heal_player)
    health = 100;
else
    ++health;</pre>
```

9.3.2 If else block



9.3.3 If else if construct

• Sometimes we need to check multiple conditions not just weather the expression is true but other characteristics, for this we use an if else if construct.

```
if (score > 90)
    cout << "A";
else if (score > 80)
    cout << "B";</pre>
```

```
else if (score > 70)
   cout << "C";
else if (score > 60)
   cout << "D";
else
   cout << "F";
cout << "Done";</pre>
9.3.4
       Example
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int num{};
   const int target {10};
   cout << "Enter a number and I'll compare it to " << target << ": ";</pre>
   cin >> num;
   if (num >= target) {
        cout << num << " is greater than or equal to " << target << endl;</pre>
        int diff {num - target};
        cout << num << " is " << diff << " greater than " << target << endl;</pre>
        cout << "\n========" << endl;</pre>
        cout << num << " is less than " << target << endl;</pre>
        int diff {target - num};
       cout << num << " is " << diff << " less than " << target << endl;</pre>
   cout << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
}
```

9.4 Nested if statement

• You can nest if statements within other if statements.

```
if (expr1)
    if (expr2)
        statement1;
    else
        statement2;
```

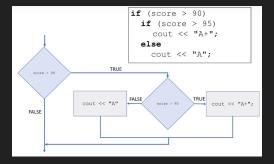
- If the expression is true then execute statement1.
- If the expression is false then execute statement 2.

- Many times we need more logic to the if statement.
- In the above example the if statement expects one statement without the curly braces, however the if statement is a one compound statement and that is why the above code doesn't need curly braces.
- Notice, how does the computer know if the else statement belongs to the closest or farthest if? In C++ each else belongs to the closest if, so in the above example it belongs to the if holding the expr2.
- Remember to indent.

9.4.1 Example

• Example of scores:

```
if (score > 90)
    if (score > 95)
        cout << "A+";
    else
        cout << "A";
cout << "Sorry, No A";</pre>
```



• Example:

```
if (score_frank != score_bill) {
    if (score_frank > score_bill) {
        cout << "Frank wins" << endl;
    } else {
        cout << "Bill wins" << endl;
    }
} else {
    cout << "Looks like a tie!" << endl;
}</pre>
```

• Example of nested latter:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int score {};
   cout << "Enter your score in the exam (0-100): ";
   cin >> score;
   char letter_grade {};

if (score >= 0 && score <= 100) {
   if (score >= 90)
```

```
letter_grade = 'A';
    else if (score >= 80)
        letter_grade = 'B';
    else if (score >= 70)
        letter_grade = 'C';
    else if (score >= 60)
        letter_grade = 'D';
    else
        letter_grade = 'F';
    cout << "Your grade is: " << letter_grade << endl;</pre>
    if (letter_grade == 'F')
        cout << "Bad grade." << endl;</pre>
    else
        cout << "Congrats." << endl;</pre>
} else {
    cout << "Sorry, " << score << "is not in range." << endl;</pre>
return 0:
```

9.5 Switch-case statement

• There are some applications where you need to execute certain blocks of code depending on the value of a constant, for this you can use the switch statement.

```
switch (integer_control_expr) {
   case expression_1: statement_1; break;
   case expression_2: statement_2; break;
   case expression_3: statement_3; break;
   case expression_4: statement_4; break;
   ...;
   default: statement_default; break;
}
```

- Syntax: The switch keyword is followed by the control expression in parentheses. This control expression must evaluate to an integer type or an enumeration type. Then you have a series of case statements, the value of the control expression will be compared to the values contained in each case, these also need to be constants or literals pertaining to an enumeration or integral type. If no values match the switch will execute the default, this is like the else. The break statement in C++ are optional but best practice is to include them unless you have a very good reason not to. A break statement is not needed in the default case.
- If one case is followed by another such as: the switch will act as a logical or.

```
case '3':
case '4': cout << "3 or 4 selected";</pre>
```

It is the same as saying:

```
if ('3' || '4')
   cout << "3 or 4 selected";</pre>
```

• Once the switch has hit a match, no further cases will be checked.

9.5.1 Example

• Suppose selection is an character initialized to the character 2.

```
switch (selection) {
      case '1': cout << "1 selected"; // compare selection to 1, not true.
      case '2': cout << "2 selected"; // compare selection to 2, is true, execute the code from the
               break:
      case '3': cout << "3 selected";</pre>
               break;
      case '4': cout << "4 selected";</pre>
               break;
      default: cout << "1,2,3,4 NOT selected";</pre>
• Example of fall-through:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      char selection {'2'};
      switch (selection) {
          case '1': cout << "1 selected\n";</pre>
                   break;
          case '2': cout << "2 selected\n"; // this case evaluates 2 or 3 or 4 or 5.</pre>
          case '3': cout << "3 selected\n";</pre>
          case '4': cout << "4 selected\n";</pre>
          case '5': cout << "5 selected\n";</pre>
                   break;
          case '6': cout << "4 selected\n";</pre>
                   break;
          default: cout << "1,2,3,4 NOT selected\n";</pre>
      return 0;
```

• The switch statement is commonly used with enumeration, meaning the enum, for example:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    enum Color {
    red, green, blue
```

```
};
Color screen_color {green};
switch (screen_color) {
    case red: cout << "red"; break;
    case green: cout << "green"; break;
    case blue: cout << "blue"; break;
    default: cout << "should never execute";
}
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
green
*/</pre>
```

9.5.2 Review

- The control expression must evaluate to an integer type.
- The case expressions must be constant expressions that evaluate to integer or integers literals. They must be constants or literals, no variables.
- Once a match occurs all the code in the case statement is executed until a break is reached, then the switch terminates.
- Best practice is to provide break statement for each case.
- Best practice is also to provide default case, this is optional but should be handled in case it does get
 executed.

9.5.3 Example

• Switch with characters:

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    char letter_grade{};
    cout << "Enter the letter grade you expect on the exam: ";</pre>
    cin >> letter_grade;
    switch (letter_grade) {
    case 'a':
    case 'A':
        cout << "90 or above." << endl;</pre>
        break;
    case 'b':
    case 'B':
        cout << "80-89" << endl;</pre>
        break;
    case 'c':
    case 'C':
        cout << "70-79" << endl:
        break;
    case 'd':
    case 'D':
        cout << "60-69" << endl;</pre>
        break;
```

```
case 'f':
      case 'F': {
          char confirm{};
          cout << "Are you sure (Y/N)?";</pre>
          cin >> confirm;
          if (confirm == 'y' || confirm == 'Y') {
               cout << "0-60" << endl;
          } else {
               cout << "Illegal choice." << endl;</pre>
          break;
      default:
          cout << "Invalid input." << endl;</pre>
          break;
      }
      return 0;
  /* OUTPUT:
• Switch with enumeration (enum):
  using namespace std;
  int main() {
      enum Direction {
          left, right, up, down
      };
      Direction heading {left};
      switch (heading) {
          case left:
               cout << "Going left" << endl;</pre>
               break;
          case right:
               cout << "Going right" << endl;</pre>
               break;
           case up:
               cout << "Going up" << endl;</pre>
               break;
          case down:
               cout << "Going down" << endl;</pre>
               break;
          default:
               cout << "OK" << endl;</pre>
      }
      return 0;
  /* OUTPUT:
```

```
Going left
*/
```

9.6 Conditional operator

- Syntax is: (cond_expr) ? expr1 : expr2;
- This is frequently called the ternary operator.
- cond_expr evaluates to a boolean expression.
 - If cond_expr is true the value of expr1 is returned.
 - If cond_expr is false the value of expr2 is returned.
- Similar to an if-else construct in a single expression.
- Ternary operator.
- Very useful when used inline.
- Very easy to abuse! Best practice is to never nest a conditional operator within another one, this causes the code to become unreadable and difficult to manage.

9.6.1 Example

• Example:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int a {10}, b {20};
    int score {92};
    int result {};
    result = (a > b) ? a : b; // false.
    cout << result << endl;
    result = (a < b) ? (a - b) : (a-b); // true.
    cout << result << endl;
    result = (b!= 0) ? (a / b) : 0; // false.
    cout << result << endl;
    cout << ((score > 90)? "Excelent":"Good"); // true.
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
20
-10
0
Excelent
*/
```

• You can use conditional operators to write ifs in one single line:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int num {};
   cout << "Enter an int: ";
   cin >> num;
```

```
if (num \% 2 == 0)
          cout << num << " is even." << endl;</pre>
      else
          cout << num << " is odd." << endl,</pre>
      cout << endl;</pre>
      cout << num << " is" << ((num % 2 == 0) ? " even." : " odd.") << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
• Another example:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      int num1 {}, num2 {};
      cout << "Enter two integers separated by a space: ";</pre>
      cin >> num1 >> num2;
      if (num1 != num2) {
          cout << "Largest: " << ((num1 > num2)?num1:num2) << endl;</pre>
           cout << "The numbers are the same." << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
 }
```

9.7 Looping

- Looping is also called iteration and is the third basic building block of programming.
 - Sequence, selection, iteration. Remember with these building blocks you can implement any algorithm.
- Iteration or repetition.
- Allows the execution of a statement or block of statements repeatedly.
- Loops are made up of a loop condition and the body which contains the statements to repeat.

9.7.1 Use cases of looping

Execute a loop:

- A specific number of times, such as the user enters the number of times.
- For each element in a collection of elements.
- While specific condition(s) remains true.
- Until a specific condition becomes false.
- Until we reach the end of some input stream.
- Forever (infinite loops) (for example operating systems).
- Many, many more use cases.

9.7.2 C++ looping constructs

- for loop:
 - Iterate specific number of times.
- Range-based for loop:
 - One iteration for each element in a range or collection.
 - Used with arrays and vectors for example.
- while loop:
 - Iterate while condition remains true.
 - Stop when the condition becomes false.
 - Check the condition at the beginning of every iteration.
- do while loop:
 - Iterate while a condition remains true.
 - Stop when the condition is false.
 - Check the condition at the end of every iteration.
 - The same as the while loop only difference is that the do while checks the condition after each iteration, the while loop checks conditions before each iteration.

9.8 for loop

• You can omit the curly braces if only one statement will be executed, if two or more are executed that will need to be enclosed in a block of code.

```
for (initalization; condition; increment)
    statement;
for (initalization; condition; increment) {
    statement1;
    statement2;
    statementn;
}
```

• The initialization is executed exactly once. Then the condition is checked, if its true it will execute the block of code and then the increment will take place, when the condition evaluates to false the loop terminates.

9.8.1 Examples

• Count from one to five:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int i {0};
    for (i = 1; i <= 5; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
1
2
3
4
5
*/</pre>
```

• You can declare the conter variable (if you must use one) and initialize all inside the for loop, the advantage to this is that you don't need to declare it outside (like the previous example), however that variable will remain only within the score of the for loop, you cannot use it else where.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    for (int i {1}; i <= 5; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;</pre>
    for (int i = 1; i <= 5; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;</pre>
    }
    \verb|cout| << i << endl; // compiler error, i was not declared in this scope.
}
Correction:
using namespace std;
int main() {
    for (int i {1}; i <= 5; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;</pre>
    for (int i = 1; i <= 5; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
/* OUTPUT:
```

```
4
5
1
2
3
4
5
*/
```

• Display even numbers from one to ten:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    for (int i {1}; i <= 10; ++i) {
        if (i % 2 == 0) {
            cout << i << endl;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
2
4
6
8
10
*/</pre>
```

• Use for loops to iterate an array:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int scores[] {100,90,87};
    for (int i {0}; i < 3; ++i) {
        cout << scores[i] << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
100
90
87
*/</pre>
```

- Very careful with array out of bounds errors.
- You can initialize many variables using the comma operator:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   for (int i {1}, j {5}; i <= 5; ++i, ++j) {
      cout << i << " * " << j << " : " << (i * j) << endl;
   }</pre>
```

```
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
1 * 5 : 5
2 * 6 : 12
3 * 7 : 21
4 * 8 : 32
5 * 9 : 45
*/
```

- Note that the associativity is right to left, and the result of the comma operator is the left most expression.
- In this case we just use them to initialize two variables and then to increment those two variables.

9.8.2 Other details

- The basic for loop is very clear and concise.
- Since the for loop's expressions are all optional, it is possible to have:
 - No initialization, No condition, and No increment.
 - This creates an infinite loop, and as we will see later on is the same as using the while loop with the condition being just true always.
 - You can also use doubles and other types as counters.
 - Best practice is to never include any expressions too complicated to document, if the expressions
 are too complicated consider using another looping construct.

```
for (;;) {
    cout << "Endless loop" << endl;
}</pre>
```

9.8.3 Examples

• Count from one to ten:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    for (int i {1}; i <= 10; ++i) {
        cout << i << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10</pre>
```

• Count from one to ten every two:

```
using namespace std;
  int main() {
      for (int i {1}; i <= 10; i += 2) {
          cout << i << endl;</pre>
      }
      return 0;
• For decrementing:
 using namespace std;
  int main() {
      for (int i \{10\}; i > 0; --i) {
          cout << i << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
 /* OUTPUT:
• Iterating a vector:
 using namespace std;
  int main() {
      vector<int> nums {10,20,30,40,50};
      for (unsigned i{0}; i < nums.size(); ++i) {</pre>
          cout << nums[i] << endl;</pre>
      }
```

/* OUTPUT:

```
10
20
30
40
50
```

9.9 Range based for loop

- The idea with the range based for loop is to loop through a collection of elements and be able to easily access each element, without having to worry about the length of the collection or incrementing or decrementing looping variables or subscripting indexes.
- The syntax is:

```
for (var_type var_name : collection_name)
   statement1; // can use var_name.
   for (var_type var_name : collection_name) {
       statements; // can use var_name.
   }
```

- var_type will be bound to each element of the collection so it should be of the same type the collection of elements.
- Now when we access each variable name in the loop it will have a specific element in the collection.
- For example:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int scores[] {100,90,97};
    for (int score : scores) {
       cout << score << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
100
90
97</pre>
```

• Instead of providing the var_type you can use the auto keyword, this allows the C++ compiler to deduce the type itself.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int scores[] {100,90,97};
   for (auto score : scores) {
      cout << score << endl;
   }</pre>
```

```
return 0;
/* OUTPUT:
```

9.9.1

```
Examples
• Vector example:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
     vector<double> temps {87.2, 77.1, 80.0, 72.5};
     double average_temp {};
     double running_sum {};
      for (auto temp : temps) {
          running_sum += temp;
      average_temp = running_sum / temps.size();
      cout << average_temp << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
• Intializer list:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
     double average_temp {};
     double running_sum {};
     int size {};
      for (auto temp: {60.2, 80.1, 90.0, 78.2}) {
          running_sum += temp; size++;
      }
      average_temp = running_sum / size;
      cout << average_temp << endl;</pre>
     return 0;
• Looping a string:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
```

```
for (auto c: "C++") {
```

```
cout << c << endl;
}
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
C
+
+</pre>
```

9.10 While

- The while loop is an example of a pre-test loop because the expression is evaluated before executing the code.
- If the expression evaluates to true the code is executed, else it is not executed.
- Syntax is:

```
while (expression)
    statement;
while (expression) {
    statement (s);
}
```

• The expression has to evaluate to a boolean value. Followed by the statement or the block of statements.

9.10.1 Example

• Counting from 1-5.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int i {1};
   while (i <= 5) {
      cout << i << endl;
      ++i; // increment
   }
   return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
1
2
3
4
5</pre>
```

• Even numbers between 1 and 10.

```
using namespace std;
  int main() {
      <u>int</u> i {1};
      while (i <= 10) {
   if (i % 2 == 0)
               cout << i << endl;</pre>
      }
      return 0;
• Array example:
 using namespace std;
  int main() {
      int scores[] {100,90,87};
      int i {0};
      while (i < 3) {
           cout << scores[i] << endl;</pre>
      }
      return 0;
• Input validation:
 using namespace std;
  int main() {
      int number {};
      cout << "Enter an integer less than 100: ";</pre>
      cin >> number;
      while (number < 100) {</pre>
           cout << "Enter an integer less than 100: ";</pre>
           cin >> number;
      cout << "Thanks" << endl;</pre>
  /* OUTPUT:
```

```
Enter an integer less than 100: 100
Enter an integer less than 100: 99
Thanks
*/
```

9.11 do-while loop

• Syntax is:

```
do {
    statements;
} while (expression);
```

- The do-while loop is a post-test loop, because the expression is tested at the end of each iteration.
- This means that the loop body is garanteed to be executed at least once.

9.11.1 Examples

- Input validation:
 - In the below code, notice that variable declarations cannot be done inside the do-while code body,
 if you do this you will get a compiler error.
 - You cannot declare variables that are involved in the expression inside the code body.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    int number {};
    do {
        cout << "Enter an integer between 1 and 5: ";
        cin >> number;
    } while (number <= 1 || number >= 5);
    cout << "Thanks" << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Enter an integer between 1 and 5: 0
Enter an integer between 1 and 5: 9
Enter an integer between 1 and 5: 3
Thanks</pre>
```

- Input validation:
 - Remember to declare the variable used in the expression outside the do-while loop. You can declare any variable you want inside the du-while loop as long as you don't use it in the expression.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    char selection {};
```

```
do {
    double width {}, heigth {};
    cout << "Enter width and heigth: ";
    cin >> width >> heigth;
    double area {width * heigth};
    cout << "The area is " << area << endl;
    cout << "Calculate another? (Y/N): ";
    cin >> selection;
  } while (selection == 'Y' || selection == 'y');
    cout << "Thanks" << endl;
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
Enter width and heigth: 1 2
The area is 2
Calculate another? (Y/N): y
Enter width and heigth: 2 3
The area is 6
Calculate another? (Y/N): n
Thanks
*/</pre>
```

9.12 continue and break

• The continue and break statements can be used within all C++ loop constructs, they add more explicit control over the looping behaviour.

• continue:

- When a continue statement is executed inside a loop, no further statements in the body of the loop are executed.
- Control immediately goes directly to the beggining of the loop for the next iteration.
- "Skip this iteration and continue with the next one."

• break

- When a break statement is executed in a loop no further statements in the body of the loop are executed.
- Loop is immediatly terminated.
- Control immediately goes to the statement following the loop construct.
- Don't overuse the break and continue statement.

9.12.1 Example

• We have data and if a piece of data is -1 we don't want to process it. We want to stop if we find -99 in the vector.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    vector<int> values {1,2,-1,-99,7,8,10};
    for (auto val : values) {
```

9.13 Infinite loops

- An infinite loop is a loop whose condition expression always evaluates to true.
- Usually this is unintended and a programmer error.
- Sometimes programmers use infinite loops and include and break statements in the body to control them.
- Sometimes infinite loops are exactly what we need, such as in:
 - Even loop in an event-driven program: common in embedded systems or mobile devices where the program listens and reacts to movement detected by the mouse or other such sensors, and this continues as long as the program is running.
 - Operating system: an infinite loop executes and breaks until you shut down your computer.

9.13.1 Example

• Infinite for loop:

```
for (;;) {
    do_something;
}
```

• Infinite while loop:

```
while (true) {
    do_something;
}
// or
while (10 < 12) { // 10 is always les than 12.
    do_something;
}</pre>
```

• Infinite do-while loop:

```
do {
    do_something;
} while (true);
```

• Breaking the infinite while loop:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    while (true) {
        char again {};
        cout << "Do you want to loop again? (Y/N): ";
        cin >> again;
        if (again == 'N' || again == 'n') {
            break;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
Do you want to loop again? (Y/N): y
Do you want to loop again? (Y/N): y
Do you want to loop again? (Y/N): y
Do you want to loop again? (Y/N): n
```

9.14 Nested loops

- Loops can be nested one inside another.
- We can nest loops as deep as we need.
- Nested loops can be as many levels deep as the program needs.
- Very useful with multi-dimensional data structures. Such as 2D arrays, 2D vectors, etcetera.
- Outer loop vs. Inner loop.

9.14.1 Examples

• 2D Looping:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {

    for (int outer_val {1}; outer_val <= 2; ++outer_val) {
        for (int inner_val {1}; inner_val <= 3; ++inner_val) {
            cout << outer_val << ", " << inner_val << endl;
        }
    }
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:
1, 1
1, 2
1, 3
2, 1
2, 2
2, 3</pre>
```

\bullet Multiplication table:

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    for (int num1 {1}; num1 <= 10; ++num1) {</pre>
         for (int num2 {1}; num2 <= 10; ++num2) {</pre>
             cout << num1 << " * " << num2 << " = " << num1 * num2 << endl;</pre>
        }
    return 0;
}
```

- 4 * 10 = 40
- 5 * 1 = 5
- 5 * 2 = 10
- 5 * 3 = 15
- 5 * 4 = 20
- 5 * 5 = 25
- 5 * 6 = 30
- 5 * 7 = 35
- 5 * 8 = 40
- 5 * 9 = 45
- 5 * 10 = 50
- 6 * 1 = 6
- 6 * 2 = 12
- 6 * 3 = 18
- 6 * 4 = 24
- 6 * 5 = 30
- 6 * 6 = 36
- 6 + 7 10
- 6 * 8 18
- C + 0 E4
- 0 + 3 0=
- 7 . 4 . 7
- 1 + 1 1
- / * 2 = 14
- 7 + 0 21
- / * 4 = 28
- 7 * 5 = 35
- 7 * 6 = 42
- 7 * 7 = 49
- 7 * 8 = 56
- 7 * 9 = 63
- 7 * 10 = 70
- 8 * 1 = 8
- 8 * 2 = 16
- 8 * 3 = 24
- 8 * 4 = 32
- 8 * 5 = 40
- 8 * 6 = 48
- 0 ± 7 = E6
- 0 + 0 61
- 8 * 9 79
- 2 * 10 = 2
- 8 * 10 = 80
- 9 * 1 = 9
- 9 * 2 = 18
- 9 * 3 = 27
- 9 * 4 30
- 9 * 5 = 45
- 9 * 6 = 54
- 00
- 9 * 8 = 72
- 9 * 9 = 81
- 9 * 10 = 90
- 10 + 0 20
- 10 + 2 20

```
• 2D arrays - set all elements to 1000:
  using namespace std;
  int main() {
      int grid[5][3] {};
      for (int row {0}; row < 5; ++row) {</pre>
           for (int col {0}; col < 3; ++col) {</pre>
               grid[row] [col] = 1 000;
           }
      }
      for (int row {0}; row < 5; ++row) {</pre>
           for (int col {0}; col < 3; ++col) {</pre>
               cout << grid[row][col] << ", ";</pre>
           cout << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
  }
• 2D vector - display elements:
  using namespace std;
  int main() {
      vector<vector<int>> vector_2d {
           {1,2,3},
           {10,20,30,40},
           {100,200,300,400,500}
      };
      for (auto vec: vector_2d) {
           for (auto val: vec) {
               cout << val << " ";
           cout << endl;</pre>
```

```
}
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
1 2 3
10 20 30 40
100 200 300 400 500
```

Chapter 10

Characters and strings

10.1 Character functions

- The cctype library includes very useful functions that allow us to work with characters, such as the following:
 - Functions for testing characters.
 - Functions for converting character case.
- In order to use those functions you must include the library.

#include <cctype>

- The testing functions accept a single character and all evaluate to a boolean value, the conversion functions return the converted character.
- Some of the testing functions are:
 - To use them you must pass the character to evaluate.

isalpha(c)	True if c is a letter.
isalnum(c)	True if c is a letter or digit.
isdigit(c)	True if c is a digit.
islower(c)	True if c is lowercase letter.
isprint(c)	True if c is a printable character.
ispunct(c)	True if c is a punctuation character.
isupper(c)	True if c is an uppercase letter.
isspace(c)	True if c is whitespace.

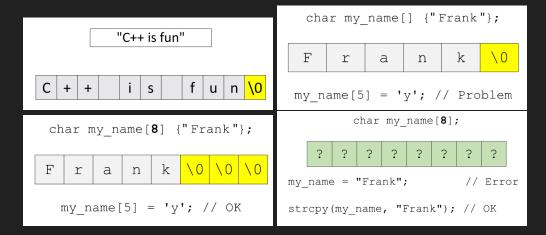
• Character conversion functions:

tolower(c)	returns lowercase of c, if the function can't convert, it will return to the character that was passed in.
toupper(c)	returns uppercase of c, if the function can't convert, it will return to the character that was passed in

10.2 C-Style strings

- A C-Style string is a sequence of characters:
 - Stored contiguous in memory.
 - Implemented as an array of characters. You can access each character using the array subscript syntax.

- Terminated by a null character (null).
 - * Null character with a value of zero.
- Refered to as zero or null terminated strings.
- String literal:
 - Sequence of characters in double quotes.
 - Constant.
 - Terminated with a null character.
- How C++ stores strings in memory:



- The cstring library contains functions that work with C-style strings, these serve for: (include the library #include <cstring>)
 - Copying.
 - Concatenation.
 - Comparison.
 - Searching.
 - And others.
- C++ has a library called cstdlib, containing functions that convert C-Style strings to other types, such as:
 - Integer.
 - Float.
 - Long.
 - Etc.

10.2.1 Examples

• Example of string functions:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cstring>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    char str[80];
```

```
strcpy(str, "Hello "); // copy.
strcat(str, "there "); // concatenate.
cout << strlen(str); // 10
strcmp(str, "Another"); // -1
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
12
*/</pre>
```

10.3 Working with C-Style strings examples

• Example:

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    char first_name[20] {};
    char last_name[20] {};
    char full_name[20] {};
    char temp[50] {};
    cout << "Please enter your first and last name: ";</pre>
    cin >> first_name >> last_name;
    cout << "----" << endl;
    cout << "Hello, " << first_name << " your first name has " << strlen(first_name) << " character</pre>
    strcpy(full_name, first_name);
    strcat(full_name, " ");
    strcat(full_name, last_name);
    cout << full_name << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
}
```

• In the last example we read in the firs name and the last name separately, the program delimited the space entered by the user. In this example we will read in the full name with the space.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cstring>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   char full_name[50] {};
   cout << "Please enter your first and last name: ";
   cin.getline(full_name, 50); // it will stop at 50 chars or when it finds the return character.
   cout << full_name << endl;
   return 0;</pre>
```

```
/* OUTPUT:
• Comparing strings:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      char str1[] {"Hello world\n"};
      char str2[] {"Hello world\n"};
      if (strcmp(str1, str2) == 0) {
          cout << "The strings are the same." << endl;</pre>
      }
      return 0;
 }
• Iterating and changing strings:
 using namespace std;
 int main() {
      char str1[] {"Hello world."};
      for (size_t i {0}; i < strlen(str1); ++i) {</pre>
          if (isalpha(str1[i])) {
              str1[i] = toupper(str1[i]);
          }
      }
      cout << str1 << endl;</pre>
      return 0;
 }
```

10.4 C++ strings

- std::string is a class in the C++ Standard template library.
 - You must include the library #include <string>.
 - You must include the std namespace.
 - Stored contiguous in memory.
 - Dynamic size.
 - Work with input and output streams.

- There are lots of useful member functions.
- Our familiar operators can be used (+,=,<,<=,>,>=,+=,==,!=,[],...). They also work with the insertion and extraction operator. This is another example of operator overloading.
- Can be converted to C-Style strings if needed.
- Safer to use.
- Declaring and initializing:
 - You can initialize a C++ string using any initialization style.
 - C++ strings are always initialized, unlike C-style strings that were never initialized.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1; // Empty.
    string s2 {"Frank"}; // Frank
    string s3 {s2}; // Frank
    string s4 {"Frank", 3}; // Fra
    string s5 {s3,0,2}; // Fr
    string s6 (3, 'X'); // XXX
    return 0;
}
```

• With C++ strings you can use the assignment operator.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1;
    s1 = "C++";
    string s2;
    s2 = s1;
    return 0;
}
```

- Concatenation can be done with the + operator.
 - In the below example if we would have tried to do something as:

```
sentence = "C++" + " is powerful";
```

- We would have had a compiler error, because as far as C++ is concerned these are two C-Style literals, not std∷string objects, thus addition is not concatenation.
- A combination of C-style strings and C++ strings is ok, the code below does this, however you cannot add two C-Style strings.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   string part1 {"C++"};
   string part2 {"is powerful"};
   string sentence;
   sentence = part1 + " " + part2 + " language";
   cout << sentence << endl;</pre>
```

```
return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
C++ is powerful language
*/
```

- Accessing characters [] and at() method:
 - The difference between the [] and the .at() method is that the .at() method in the std::string performs bounds checking and the [] does not. As a best practice, always use the .at() method.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1;
    string s2 {"Frank"};
    cout << s2[0] << endl; // F</pre>
    cout << s2.at(0) << endl; // F</pre>
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1 {"Frank"};
    for (char c : s1) {
         cout << c << endl;</pre>
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- Comparing std::string objects can be done with the ==, !=, >, >=, <, <= operators. We can perform comparisons in the following cases:
 - When we have two std::string objects.
 - When we have one std::string object and C-style string literal.
 - When we have std::string object and C-style string variable.
 - We cannot perform this comparison if both are string literals.
 - Greater than, less than, or equal are done by comparing the values in the ASCII table.

```
using namespace std;
int main() {
    cout << boolalpha;</pre>
    string s1 {"Apple"};
    string s2 {"Banana"};
    string s3 {"Kiwi"};
    string s4 {"apple"};
    string s5 {s1};
    cout << (s1 == s5) << endl; // true</pre>
    cout \ll (s1 == s2) \ll endl; // false
    cout << (s1 != s2) << endl; // true</pre>
    cout << (s2 > s1) << endl; // true</pre>
    cout << (s4 < s5) << endl; // false
    cout << (s1 == "Apple") << endl; // true</pre>
    return 0;
}
```

- You can extract substrings from a string using the substr() method.
 - This method extracts a substring from a std::string.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1 {"This is a test"};
    cout << s1.substr(0,4) << endl; // This
    cout << s1.substr(5,2) << endl; // is
    cout << s1.substr(10,4) << endl; // test
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
This
is
test</pre>
```

object.substr(start_index, lenght);

- To find a substring in a std::string you can use the find() method.
 - This method returns the index of a substring in a std::string.object.find(search_string);

```
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1 {"This is a test"};
    cout << s1.find("This") << endl;
    cout << s1.find("is") << endl;
    cout << s1.find("test") << endl;
    cout << s1.find("is") << endl;
    cout << s1.find("is") << endl;
    cout << s1.find("is", 4) << endl;
    cout << s1.find("is", 4) << endl; // The 4 represents from what index forward you want to start
    cout << s1.find("XX") << endl; // its not found so the value returned is string::npos
    return 0;
}

/* OUTPUT:

0

11

15

18446744073709551615

*/</pre>
```

- There is also an .rfind method that starts searching from the end of the string.
- You can also remove characters using the erase() and clear() methods.
 - This methods removes a substring of characters from a std::string.
 object.erase(start_index, lenght);

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1 {"This is a test"};
    cout << s1.erase(0,5) << endl;
    cout << s1.erase(5,4) << endl;
    s1.clear(); // clears the string.
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
is a test
is a
*/</pre>
```

• To obtain the length of the string use:

```
object.length();
```

• To cocatenate you can use the += operator:

```
s1 += " James"; // concatenates s1 and " James".
```

• Input with C++ strings:

- The cin reads until it finds a space, sometimes we want to read up until the user enters the return character. For this we can use getline(cin, s1);.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    string s1;

    getline(cin, s1); // reads entire line.
    cout << s1 << endl;

    getline(cin, s1, 'x'); // you can add a delimeter.
    cout << s1 << endl;
    return 0;
}
/* OUTPUT:
Hello world
Hello world
Hello world
Hello world
*/</pre>
```