# EEET2482 Software Engineering Design

Module 1 – C++ Basics

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#### **Basic Program Structure – C++ File**

```
#include "pch.h" // for VS (must be first)
#include <iostream> // for cout
using namespace std;
int main()
   // Declare and initialize variables
   float side1 = 0;
   float side2 = 0;
   float area = 0;
   // request user input
   cout << "Enter the length of horizontal side: ";</pre>
   cin >> side1;
   cout << "Enter the length of vertical side: ";</pre>
   cin >> side2;
   if (side1 == 0 || side2 == 0)
       cout << "Error in entering input data: ";</pre>
       return 1;
                   // Exit program with error code
   else
       area = side1 * side2 / 2.0;
       cout << "The area is: " << area << " m^2 " << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
```

#### **Header Files**

- Precompiled header pch.h
- IO stream library <iostream>

Standard namespace

Start of main program

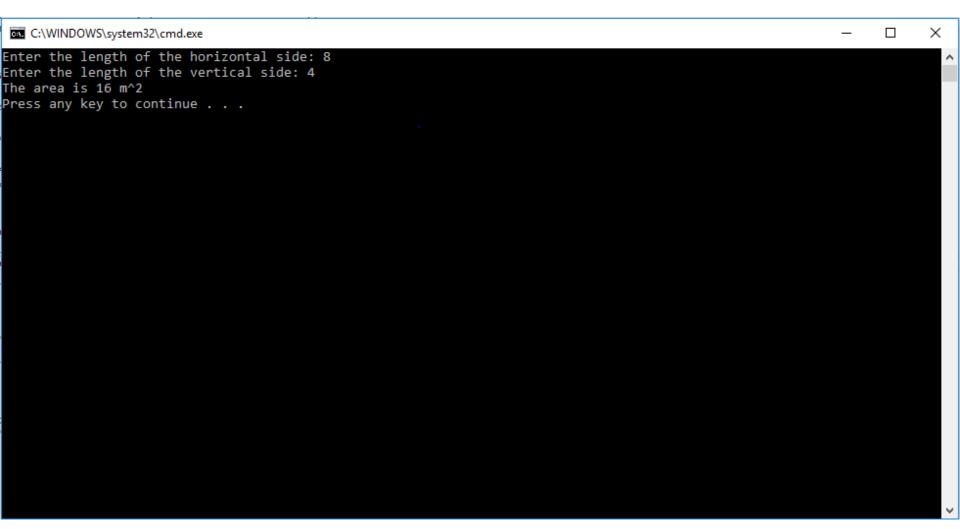
Variables

Console Input/Output

If-else statement

Return statement

### **Basic Program Structure – Console Application**



### **Literals and Types**

- A literal is a fixed value in the code which the program may not alter
  - -Numeric literal (aka constant) e.g: 123, 1.234
  - -Character literal e.g: 'a', 'B', '#'
  - -String literal e.g: "This is a string literal"
- Numeric literals have a type e.g.

Data Type	Example n	3	
int	4	456	-321
long int	40000L	-58L	
unsigned int	1010U	456U	40000U
unsigned long	34567UL	888888UL	
float	256.95F	-56.7E-3F	
double	54.54	987886.7	-0.0954

C++ also supports hexadecimal format: 0xFF or 0x00FE

## Size of Various data types in Microsoft VS C++

Type Name Bytes		Other Names	Range of Values		
int	4	signed	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647		
unsigned int	4	unsigned	0 to 4,294,967,295		
int8	1	char	-128 to 127		
unsignedint8	1	unsigned char	0 to 255		
int16	2	short, short int, signed short int	-32,768 to 32,767		
unsignedint16	2	unsigned short, unsigned short int	0 to 65,535		
int32	4	signed, signed int, int	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647		
unsignedint32	4	unsigned, unsigned int	0 to 4,294,967,295		
int64	8	long long, signed long long	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,23,807		
unsignedint64	8	unsigned long long	0 to 18,446,744,073,709,551,615		
bool	1	none	false or true		
char	1	none	-128 to 127 (by default)		
unsigned char	1 none		0 to 255		
short	2 short int, signed short int		-32,768 to 32,767		
unsigned short 2 unsigned short int		unsigned short int	0 to 65,535		
long 4 lor		long int, signed long int	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647		
unsigned long	4	unsigned long int	0 to 4,294,967,295		
long long	8	none (but equivalent toint64)	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,23,807		
unsigned long long 8		none (but equivalent to unsignedint64)	0 to 18,446,744,073,709,551,615		
enum varies		none	See Remarks.		
float 4		none	3.4E +/- 38 (7 digits)		
double 8 none		none	1.7E +/- 308 (15 digits)		
long double	long double 8 none		same as double		
wchar_t	2	wchar_t	0 to 65,535		

There's no real need to memorise these as long as you have a general idea of what the are and the limitations of each. See <a href="https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/s3f49ktz.aspx">https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/s3f49ktz.aspx</a>

### **Magic Numbers**

#### The definition of a magic number could take on any of the following

- A numerical value which has been associated with an unexplained meaning
- A constant numerical value or text which has been associated with a file format
- A unique numerical value which is not likely to be mistaken for any other Globally Unique Identifiers

#### The use of magic numbers in programming is **bad** practice

- Increases the chances of subtle errors (hard to debug)
- Decreases the program's ability to be further adapted and/or extended
- Decreases the program's readability, understanding and maintenance

## **Naming Conventions and Constants**

#### Naming Conventions

- Name consists of letters and numbers, and underscore ' 'counts as a letter
- Name must begin with a letter or '\_'
- Names are case sensitive
  - These are different variables:

```
int A_variable = 0;
int a_variable = 0;
```

Name must not be a reserved keyword in C or C++. For example: string, short, float

#### Named constants (avoid using magic numbers)

Define using #define (C/C++) e.g.

```
#define array_size 99
```

Or define using const (C++) e.g.

```
const int array size = 99;
```

Variables must be declared and have a type e.g.

```
double velocity = 0.0;
```

 The assignment operator (=) is used to assign a value 0 to the above variable. This initialises the variable to a known value.

## **Operators**

C++ also includes operators to perform mathematical

operations on data.

<b>Arithmetic Operators</b>	Symbol
Addition	+
Subtraction	-
Multiplication	*
Division	/
Modulus	%
Increment	++
decrement	

 Expressions are evaluated before result is assigned to variable using the assignment operator ( = ):

```
variable = expression; // as in a=5.0;
```

```
char ch1 = 'A', ch2 = '4';
ch1 = ch1 + ch2; // 65 + 52 = 117
cout << "ch1=" << ch1 << endl;</pre>
```

```
float a=5.0, b=6.0;
a++;
a = a + b;
```

```
int a = 5;
int b, c = 0;
b = a++;
c = ++a;
cout << b << " " << c << endl;</pre>
```

### **Assignment and Expressions**

- Compound assignments (+=, -=, \*=, /=, %=, >>=, <<=, &=, ^=, |=)</li>
  - Compound assignment operators modify the current value of a variable by performing an operation on it.

expression	equivalent to		
y += x;	y = y + x;		
x -= 5;	x = x - 5;		
x /= y;	x = x / y;		
<pre>price *= units + 1;</pre>	<pre>price = price * (units+1);</pre>		

- Expressions consist of operators, variables and literals
  - Arithmetic expressions generally follow the normal rules of algebra
  - Be careful of operator precedence use parentheses to avoid any confusion e.g.

```
int val = a * b + c;
    Vs.
int val = a * (b + c);
```

Type casting e.g.:

```
float var = 5.6;
int a = (int)var; // a will = 5
```

#### **Program Control Statements**

Conditional expressions must evaluate to true (!0) or false (0)

```
if (conditional expression)
    true statement;
else
    false statement;
if (conditional expression)
    //true statement sequence
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
else
    //false statement sequence
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
```

```
while (conditional expression)
    statement;
while (conditional expression)
{
    //statement sequence
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
do
    //statement sequence
    statement 1;
    statement 2;
} while (conditional expression);
```

#### **Program Control Statements**

Leaving a

too.

```
for (initialisation; expression; increment)
    // statements;
```

#### Code Example:

```
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
   for(int i = 0; i < argc; i++)</pre>
       // print out each argument
       cout << argv[i] << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
```

```
switch (expression)
              case constant1:
                      // statements;
                    break;
              case constant2:
                      // statements;
break out will
                  break;
allow case 3
              case constant3:
to execute
                      // statements;
                    break;
              default:
                      // statements;
```

Typically you will see control statements nested. For example a for loop can be nested into each of the switch/case statements.

#### **Relational and Comparison Operators**

Two expressions can be compared using:

- Relational operators
- Equality operators

#### Typically used in

- if statements
- for loops
- while loops

Operator	Operation		
>	Greater than		
>=	Greater than or equal to		
<	Less than		
<=	Less than or equal to		
==	Equal to		
!=	Not equal to		

Assume a=2, b=3 and c=6, then:

```
if ( a == 5) // evaluates to false, since a is not equal to 5 if (a*b >= c) // evaluates to true , since (2*3 >= 6) is true if (b+4 > a*c) // evaluates to false, since (3+4 > 2*6) is false if ((b=2) == a) // evaluates to true
```

see: http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/operators/

# **Logical Operators**

- Logical operators && and | | are used when evaluating two expressions to obtain a single relational result.
- The operator && corresponds to the Boolean logical operation AND, which yields true if both its operands are true, and false otherwise.

Operator	Operation
	OR
&&	AND
!	NOT

Assume a=2, b=2 and c=0, then:

```
void main ()
{
    short A, B, C;
    A = 10;
    B = 8;
    if ( (A!=B) && (A<=B) )
        C = B;
    else
        C = A;
}</pre>
```

The operator ! is the C++ operator for the Boolean operation NOT.

```
if(!(5 == 5)) // evaluates to false because the expression at its right (5==5) is true if(!(6 <= 4)) // evaluates to true because (6 <= 4) would be false
```

see: http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/operators/

# **Arrays**

- Arrays hold many items of the same type
- One-dimensional array
  - Also called a vector
  - General form of declaration

```
type name [size];
```

- Elements are numbered 0..size-1 e.g.

```
// example arrays
char MyStr[] = "hello World";
int xaxis[4] = {-1, 0, 1, 2};
double yval[10] = {};
```

```
int data [25]; // first element data[0], last is data[24]
```

– Initialization can be done in a number of ways:

- Two-Dimensional array
  - Also called a matrix
  - Declaration example: int matrix[5][10];

```
int cubes[5][2] = { {1, 1}, {2, 8}, {3, 27}, {4, 64}, {5,125} };

char testdata[][20] = {"car","train","bus","plane","boat"};

cout << testdata[0] << " " << testdata[2] << endl;

cout << testdata[1][0] << endl;</pre>
```

## **Arrays and C Strings**

- C Strings are typically the most efficient way to store/modify character text.
  - A 1-D array of type char can hold a string e.g.

```
char str [80] = "Test string";
cout << str << endl;</pre>
```

- A C string is a null terminated character array <u>it is not only an array of characters!</u>
- String library functions:

```
- strcpy_s() // string copy
- strcat_s() // concatenate
- strlen() // length
- strcmp() // compare
```

```
// strcpy_s() and strcat_s() example code:
char str[80] = {}; // declare and define
strcpy_s( str, "Hello world from " );
strcat_s( str, "strcpy_s and strcat_s!" );
// str = Hello world from strcpy_s and strcat_s!

// strlen() example code:
char str1[90] = "Test string";
cout << "string length = " << strlen(str1)<< endl;</pre>
```

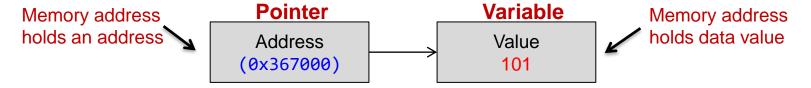
```
// strcmp() example code:
char str1[50] = "Test string";
char str2[90] = "Test string";
cout << "strcmp = " << strcmp(str1,str2) << endl;</pre>
```

See: http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/cstring/strcmp/

Value Relationship of string1 to string2					
< 0	the first character that does not match has a lower value in ptr1 than in ptr2				
0	string1 is identical to string2				
> 0	the first character that does not match has a greater value in ptr1 than in ptr2				

#### **Pointers**

A pointer is simply a variable that holds a memory address



Pointer variables are declared using the following syntax:

 The ampersand operator, &, is used to put the memory address of a standard data-type (character, integer, floating-point) into the pointer variable.

```
int total = 32000;
int * ptr;
ptr = &total;  // The memory address of the int variable is written to ptr
cout << *ptr;  // value of total will be displayed to screen</pre>
```

Assignments can all be made via pointer operations.

```
*ptr = 1000;
cout << total // 100 will be displayed to screen
```

## **Indexing a Pointer (Pointer Arithmetic)**

 While arrays can be indexed using a pointer, similarly a pointer can be indexed as though it were an array.

- Using either pointer arithmetic or the array index, identical elements in array "str" can be accessed.
  - Here we are accessing the 5<sup>th</sup> element in two different ways:

The parenthesis are required when using the pointer as the \* operator would first find the value pointed to by p and then add 4 to it.

## **Declaring Functions**

- The curly braces define the logical function block.
  - The function exits and returns to the calling routine when the last curly brace is reached.
- As an example, considering the following function call:

```
printmessage(14);  // Call printmessage()
```

- In this example, the function printmessage() is called with an input argument of 14.
- No return type has been defined so the return type is void.

```
Function prototype: void printmessage(int val);

int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    printmessage(14); // print message 14 times
    return 0;
}

Function definition: void printmessage(int val)
{
    for (int i = 1; i <= val; i++)
        {
        cout << "function message number " << i << endl;
    }
}</pre>
```

# **Passing Data to a Function**

- Normally parameters are passed to functions by value.
  - The function receives a copy of the value of the parameter.
  - Any changes to the value in the function do not affect the calling code.
- The contents of functions are separate from each other and cannot interact with each other.
  - The variable val in the main() and f1() functions is not the same.
  - Scope can be thought of as "regions of influence" where one kind of law, language and currency exist.
  - A memory address for val exists in main()
    and f1()
- By passing the value by reference (i.e. the use of pointers), function f2() has the ability to modify the content of variable val.
  - val defined in main() is directly effected by f2().

```
void f1(int val) // val passed by value
   val = 88; // change the contents of val
   cout << "val in f1()=" << val << endl;</pre>
void f2(int *val) // val passed by reference
   *val = 100; // change the contents of val
   cout << "val in f2()=" << *val << endl;</pre>
int main()
   int val = 10;
   cout << "val in main()=" << val << endl;</pre>
   f1(val); // call function f1()
   cout << "val in main()=" << val << endl;</pre>
   f2(&val);//pass the address of val to f2()
   cout << "val in main()=" << val << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
```

## **Bitwise Operators**

- Manipulate individual bits in integer or char types
  - Useful for dealing with hardware
  - E.g. one bit may turn a motor on or off
  - Or one bit may indicate if a switch is open or closed

#### **Bitwise operators**

Operator	Operation		
&	Bitwise AND		
	Bitwise OR		
٨	Exclusive OR (XOR)		
~	Unary Complement		
>>	Shift right		
<<	Shift Left		

```
void ClearLEDbit(int a)
{
   int j = 0;
   // read current PORTB
   j = ReadPortB();
   // clear bit (three operations)
   j = j & ~(1 << a);
   // write to PORTB
   WritePortB(j);
}</pre>
```

```
7654 3210
(1<<a): 0000 0100
~: 1111 1011
PortB: 0110 1101
New PortB: 0110 1001
```

#### **Precedence**

Table lists the precedence and associativity of C++ operators. Operators are listed top to bottom, in descending precedence.

Ор	erato	rs						Associativity	Туре
()								Left-to-right	Parentheses
++		+	- !	^	, 8	š	*	Right to left	Unary
!	~							Right to left	Logical and bitwise NOT
*	/	%						Left-to-right	Multiplicative
+	_							Left-to-right	Additive
<<	>>							Left-to-right	Bitwise left shift and right shift
<	<=	>	>=	•				Left-to-right	Relational
==	!=							Left-to-right	Equality
&	٨							Left-to-right	Bitwise
&&								Left-to-right	Logical AND
П								Left-to-right	Logical OR
=	+=	-=	*=	/=	%=	=		Right to left	Assignment

see: http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/operator\_precedence

#### **Command Line Arguments**

- Program to display command line arguments
  - argc holds the count of the number of arguments
  - argv[] array holds pointers to the strings for each argument
  - argv[0] is a pointer to a string holding the program name

```
// Display command line arguments
#include "stdafx.h"
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
   for(int i = 0; i < argc; i++)</pre>
      cout << argv[i] << endl; // print out each argument</pre>
   return 0;
```

#### **Good Practice Hints**

- Variable and constant names should be meaningful
  - Unless for a temporary purpose e.g. a loop control variable
- Comment your code // Makes code reading easier
- Don't use magic numbers (literals) in code
  - Use named constants for all but simple numbers or literals
  - Use named constants for any literal that may change value in a future version of the code
- Avoid using global variables at all.
- Write functions each function should have a simple task
- Use function prototypes
  - So do not have to worry about order of function definitions