# C++ Cheatsheet

### **Basics**

Basic syntax and functions from the C++ programming language.

### **Boilerplate**

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

int main() {
cout << "Welcome To CodeWithHarry";
return 0;
}</pre>
```

#### cout <<

It prints output on the screen

```
cout << "This is C++ Programming";
```

#### cin >>

It takes input from the user

```
cin >> variable_name
```

# Data types

The data type is the type of data

# Character type

Typically a single octet(one byte). It is an integer type

```
char variable_name;
```

# Integer type

The most natural size of integer for the machine

```
int variable_name;
```

# Float type

A single-precision floating-point value

float variable\_name;

# Double type

A double-precision floating-point value

double variable\_name;

# Void type

Represents the absence of the type

void

# **Boolean type**

bool

# **Escape Sequences**

It is a sequence of characters starting with a backslash, and it doesn't represent itself when used inside string literal.

# Alarm or Beep

It produces a beep sound

∖a

# **Backspace**

It adds a backspace

\b

#### Form feed

\f

### Newline

**Newline Character** 

\n

# Carriage return

\r

#### Tab

It gives a tab space

\t

### **Backslash**

It adds a backslash

\\

# Single quote

It adds a single quotation mark

\'

# **Question mark**

It adds a question mark

/?

### Octal No.

It represents the value of an octal number

\nnn

### Hexadecimal No.

It represents the value of a hexadecimal number

\xhh

### Null

The null character is usually used to terminate a string

\0

### **Comments**

A comment is a code that is not executed by the compiler, and the programmer uses it to keep track of the code.

### Single line comment

```
// It's a single line comment
```

#### Multi-line comment

```
/* It's a
multi-line
comment
*/
```

# **Strings**

It is a collection of characters surrounded by double quotes

### **Declaring String**

```
// Include the string library
#include <string>

// String variable
string variable1 = "Hello World";
```

# append function

It is used to concatenate two strings

```
string firstName = "Harry ";
string lastName = "Bhai";
string fullName = firstName.append(lastName);
cout << fullName;</pre>
```

# length function

It returns the length of the string

```
string variable1 = "CodeWithHarry";
cout << "The length of the string is: " << variable1.length();</pre>
```

# Accessing and changing string characters

```
string variable1 = "Hello World";
variable1[1] = 'i';
cout << variable1;</pre>
```

### **Maths**

C++ provides some built-in math functions that help the programmer to perform mathematical operations efficiently.

#### max function

It returns the larger value among the two

```
cout << max(25, 140);
```

#### min function

It returns the smaller value among the two

```
cout << min(55, 50);
```

# sqrt function

It returns the square root of a supplied number

```
#include <cmath>
cout << sqrt(144);</pre>
```

#### ceil function

It returns the value of x rounded up to its nearest integer

```
ceil(x)
```

### floor function

It returns the value of x rounded down to its nearest integer

```
floor(x)
```

# pow function

It returns the value of x to the power of y

```
pow(x, y)
```

# **Decision Making Instructions**

Conditional statements are used to perform operations based on some condition.

#### If Statement

```
if (condition) {
  // This block of code will get executed, if the condition is True
}
```

#### **If-else Statement**

```
if (condition) {
  // If condition is True then this block will get executed
  } else {
  // If condition is False then this block will get executed
  }
```

#### if else-if Statement

```
if (condition) {
// Statements;
}
else if (condition){
// Statements;
}
else{
// Statements
}
```

# **Ternary Operator**

It is shorthand of an if-else statement.

```
variable = (condition) ? expressionTrue : expressionFalse;
```

#### **Switch Case Statement**

It allows a variable to be tested for equality against a list of values (cases).

```
switch (expression)
{
  case constant-expression:
  statement1;
  statement2;
  break;
  case constant-expression:
  statement;
  break;
  ...
  default:
  statement;
}
```

### **Iterative Statements**

Iterative statements facilitate programmers to execute any block of code lines repeatedly and can be controlled as per conditions added by the programmer.

### while Loop

It iterates the block of code as long as a specified condition is True

```
while (/* condition */)
{
  /* code block to be executed */
}
```

# do-while loop

It is an exit controlled loop. It is very similar to the while loop with one difference, i.e., the body of the dowhile loop is executed at least once even if the condition is False

```
do
{
/* code */
} while (/* condition */);
```

### for loop

It is used to iterate the statements or a part of the program several times. It is frequently used to traverse the data structures like the array and linked list.

```
for (int i = 0; i < count; i++)
{
   /* code */
}</pre>
```

#### **Break Statement**

break keyword inside the loop is used to terminate the loop

```
break;
```

#### **Continue Statement**

continue keyword skips the rest of the current iteration of the loop and returns to the starting point of the loop

```
continue;
```

### References

Reference is an alias for an already existing variable. Once it is initialized to a variable, it cannot be changed to refer to another variable. So, it's a const pointer.

#### **Creating References**

```
string var1 = "Value1"; // var1 variable
string &var2 = var1; // reference to var1
```

### **Pointers**

Pointer is a variable that holds the memory address of another variable

#### **Declaration**

```
datatype *var_name;
var_name = &variable2;
```

#### **Functions & Recursion**

Functions are used to divide an extensive program into smaller pieces. It can be called multiple times to provide reusability and modularity to the C program.

#### **Function Definition**

```
return_type function_name(data_type parameter...){
//code to be executed
}
```

#### **Function Call**

```
function_name(arguments);
```

### Recursion

Recursion is when a function calls a copy of itself to work on a minor problem. And the function that calls itself is known as the Recursive function.

```
void recurse()
{
    ... ...
recurse();
    ... ...
}
```

# **Object-Oriented Programming**

It is a programming approach that primarily focuses on using objects and classes. The objects can be any real-world entities.

#### class

```
class Class_name {
public: // Access specifier
// fields
// functions
// blocks
};
```

# object

```
Class_name ObjectName;
```

#### **Constructors**

It is a special method that is called automatically as soon as the object is created.

```
class className { // The class
public: // Access specifier
className() { // Constructor
cout << "Code With Harry";
}
};
int main() {
className obj_name;
return 0;
}</pre>
```

# Encapsulation

Data encapsulation is a mechanism of bundling the data, and the functions that use them and data abstraction is a mechanism of exposing only the interfaces and hiding the implementation details from the user.

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
class ExampleEncap{
private:
/* Since we have marked these data members private,
* any entity outside this class cannot access these
* data members directly, they have to use getter and
* setter functions.
int num;
char ch;
public:
/* Getter functions to get the value of data members.
* Since these functions are public, they can be accessed
* outside the class, thus provide the access to data members
* through them
int getNum() const {
return num;
char getCh() const {
return ch;
}
/* Setter functions, they are called for assigning the values
* to the private data members.
void setNum(int num) {
this->num = num;
}
void setCh(char ch) {
this->ch = ch;
}
};
int main(){
ExampleEncap obj;
obj.setNum(100);
obj.setCh('A');
cout<<obj.getNum()<<endl;</pre>
cout<<obj.getCh()<<endl;</pre>
return 0;
```

# File Handling

File handling refers to reading or writing data from files. C provides some functions that allow us to manipulate data in the files.

### Creating and writing to a text file

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

int main() {
   // Create and open a text file
   ofstream MyFile("filename.txt");

   // Write to the file
   MyFile << "File Handling in C++";

   // Close the file
   MyFile.close();
}</pre>
```

# Reading the file

It allows us to read the file line by line

```
getline()
```

# Opening a File

It opens a file in the C++ program

```
void open(const char* file_name,ios::openmode mode);
```

#### **OPEN MODES**

#### in

Opens the file to read(default for ifstream)

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::in)
```

#### out

Opens the file to write(default for ofstream)

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::out)
```

# binary

Opens the file in binary mode

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::binary)
```

#### app

Opens the file and appends all the outputs at the end

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::app)
```

#### ate

Opens the file and moves the control to the end of the file

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::ate)
```

#### trunc

Removes the data in the existing file

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::trunc)
```

#### nocreate

Opens the file only if it already exists

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::nocreate)
```

# noreplace

Opens the file only if it does not already exist

```
fs.open ("test.txt", std::fstream::noreplace)
```

# Closing a file

It closes the file

```
myfile.close()
```

# **Exception Handling**

An exception is an unusual condition that results in an interruption in the flow of the program.

### try and catch block

A basic try-catch block in python. When the try block throws an error, the control goes to the except block

```
try {
  // code to try
  throw exception; // If a problem arises, then throw an exception
  }
  catch () {
    // Block of code to handle errors
  }
```

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