# Streams

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How can we convert between string-represented data and the real thing?



# Announcements

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- Office hours times posted on class website!
  - Haven: Tuesday 4:30 5:30pm in 380-380F
  - Sarah: Thursday 4:30 5:30pm in 380-380F
  - Note: Sarah's OH are Friday 3 4pm on Zoom this week only
- Don't forget to do Assignment Setup!
- Assignment 1 due Sunday, Oct 23rd @ 11:59pm

# Recap

- Everything with a name in your program has a type
- Strong type systems prevent errors before your code runs!
- Structs are a way to bundle a bunch of variables of many types
- **std::pair** is a type of struct that had been defined for you and is in the STL
- So you access it through the std:: namespace (std::pair)
- auto is a keyword that tells the compiler to deduce the type of a variable, it should be used when the type is obvious or very cumbersome to write out

# A note about STL naming conventions

- **STL** = Standard Template Library
  - Contains TONS of functionality (algorithms, containers, functions, iterators) some of which we will explore in this class
- The namespace for the STL is std Wing name Space Stal;
  - std is the abbreviation for standard
  - IDK why they didn't name the namespace stl
- So to access elements from the STL use std::



# Today



- Streams!
  - Output streams 有识流
  - Input streams 轴入流
  - File streams and string streams! 文件流、字符串流

# **Definition**

stream: an abstraction for input/output. Streams convert between data and the string representation of data

```
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// and most from the STL work!
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std::cout << s.name << s.age << std::endl;</pre>
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// Any primitive type + most from the STL work!
// For other types, you will have to write the
            << operator yourself!</pre>
```

# std::cout is an output stream. It has type

std::ostream

# **Output Streams**



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any type => string => send to stream

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- std::cout is the output stream that goes to the console

```
std::cout << 5 << std::endl;
// converts int value 5 to string "5"
// sends "5" to the console output stream</pre>
```

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```
std::ofstream out("out.txt");
// out is now an ofstream that outputs to out.txt
out << 5 << std::endl; // out.txt contains 5</pre>
```

# std::cout is a global constant object that you get from

#include <iostream>

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To use any other output stream, you must first initialize it!

# Questions?

# **Code Demo: ostreams**

# **Input Streams!**

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```
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```
int x;
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// what happens if input is 5 ?

// how about 51375 ?

// how about 5 1 3 7 5?
```

### <u>Let's try it out!</u>

辅入流

std::cin is an input stream. It has type

std::istream

# **Input Streams**

- Have type std::istream
- Can only receive strings using the >> operator
  - **Receives** a string from the stream and converts it to data

# **Input Streams**

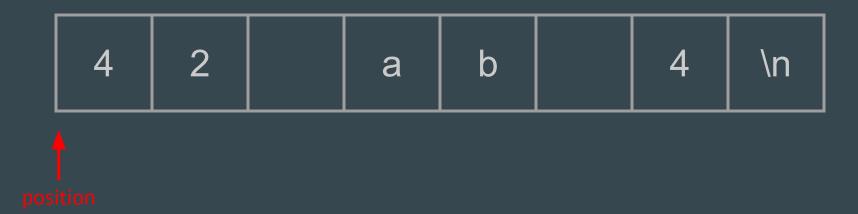
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```
int x;
string str;
std::cin >> x >> str;
//reads exactly one int then one string from console
```

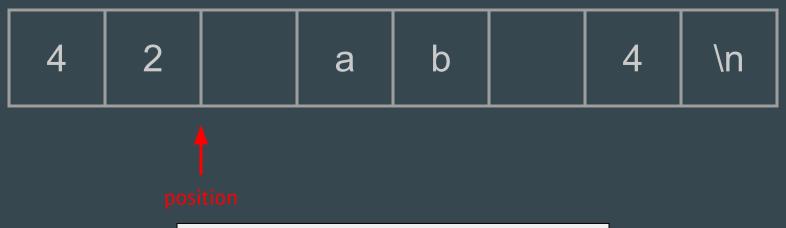
# >> read tap, spale, new line

# Nitty Gritty Details: std::cin

- 節度版 First call to std・・cin >> creates a comma
- First call to std::cin >> creates a command line prompt
  that allows the user to type until they hit enter
- Each >> ONLY reads until the next whitespace
  - Whitespace = tab, space, newline
- Everything after the first whitespace gets saved and used the next time std::cin >> is called
  - The place its saved is called a **buffer**!
- If there is nothing waiting in the buffer, std::cin >> creates a new command line prompt
- Whitespace is eaten: it won't show up in output



```
int x; string y; int z;
cin >> x;
cin >> y;
cin >> z;
```



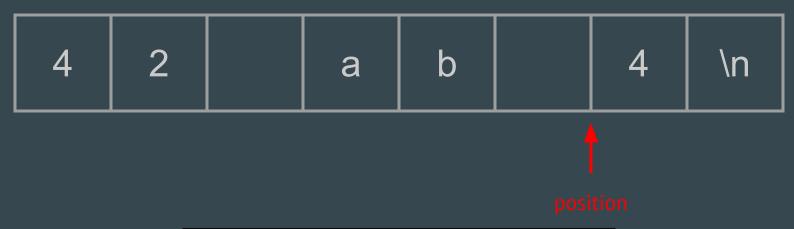
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int x; string y; int z;
cin >> x; //42 put into x
cin >> y;
cin >> z;
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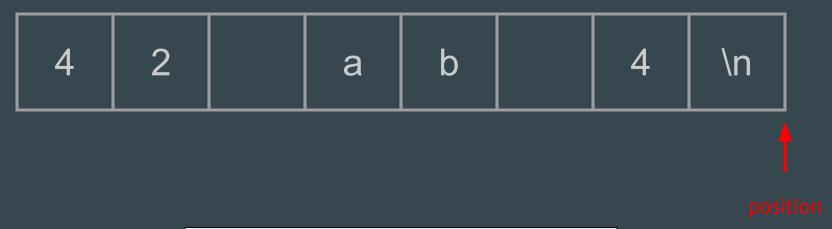
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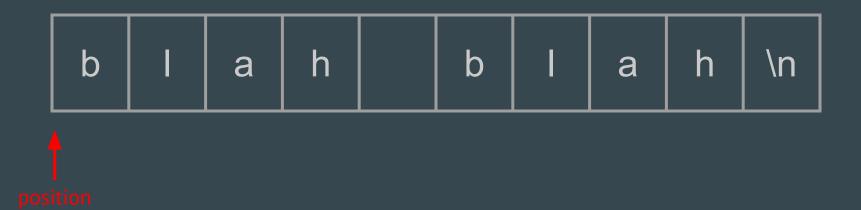
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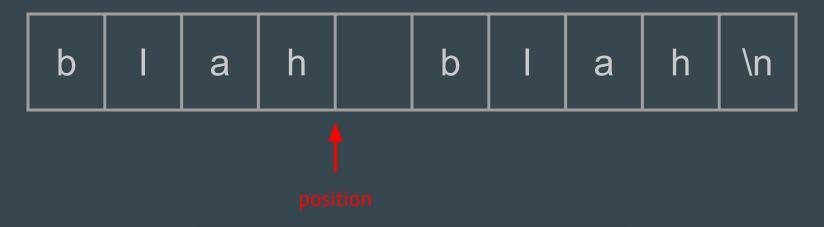
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int x; string y; int z;
cin >> x;
cin >> y;
cin >> z; //4 put into z
```

# Input Streams: When things go wrong

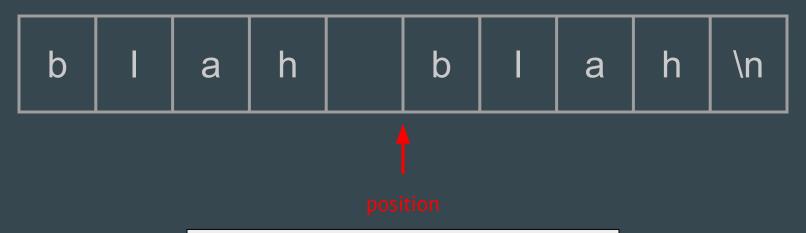
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string str;
int x;
std::cin >> str >> x;
//what happens if input is blah blah?
std::cout << str << x;</pre>
```



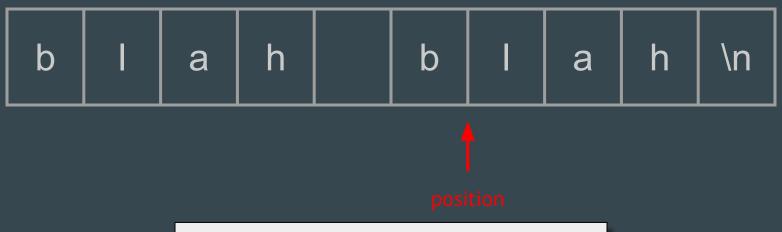
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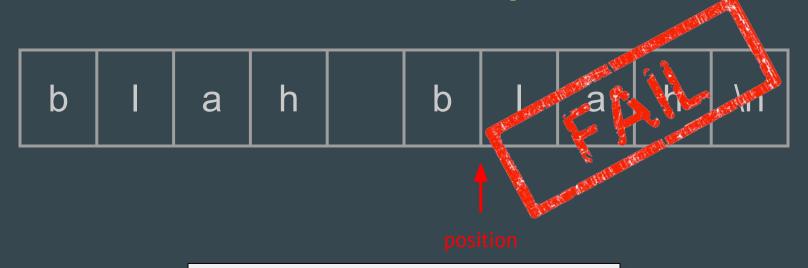
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## Input Streams: When things go wrong

Let's try it out!

```
string str;
int x;
string otherStr;
std::cin >> str >> x >> otherStr;
//what happens if input is blah blah?
std::cout << str << x << otherStr;</pre>
```

## Input Streams: When things go wrong

```
str → blah
string str;
                                 \mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}
int x;
                                 otherStr → NOTHING
string otherStr;
std::cin >> str >> x >> otherStr;
//what happens if input is blah blah?
std::cout << str << x << otherStr;</pre>
//once an error is detected, the input stream's
//fail bit is set, and it will no longer accept
//input
```

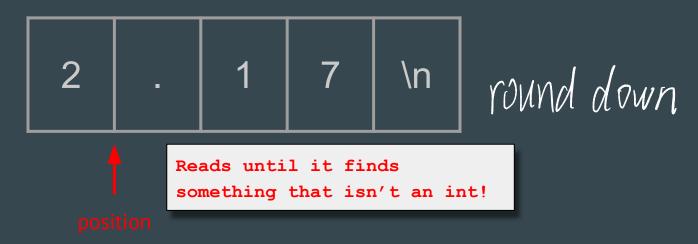
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```
int age; double hourlyWage;
cout << "Please enter your age: ";
cin >> age;
cout << "Please enter your hourly wage: ";
cin >> hourlyWage;
//what happens if first input is 2.17?
```

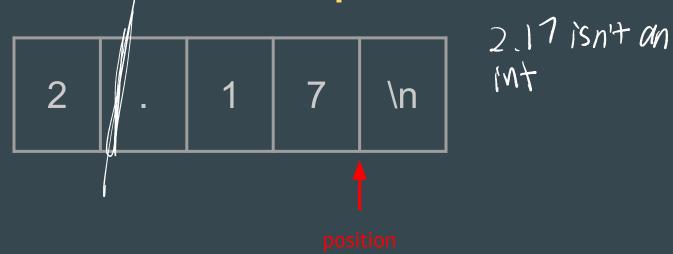
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cin >> age;
cout << "Wage: ";</pre>
cin >> hourlyWage;
```



```
cin >> age;
cout << "Wage: ";
cin >> hourlyWage;
```



```
cin >> age; // age = 2
cout << "Wage: ";
cin >> hourlyWage;
```



```
cin >> age;
cout << "Wage: ";
cin >> hourlyWage;// =.17
```

## Questions?

std::getline()

getlinel istream & is, string & str, char delim); source destination when to stop ('\n')

- **Signature:** istream& getline(istream& is, string& str, char delim);
  - is = Stream to read from, str = Place where input from stream is stored, delim = When to stop reading ('\n' if not specified)
- Used to read a string or a line from an input stream

## std::getline(istream& is, string& str, char delim)

- How it works:
  - Clears contents in str
  - Extracts chars from is and stores them in str until:
    - End of file condition on is, sets EOF bit (can be checked using is.eof())

      eliminate delim
    - Next char in is is delim, extracts but does not store delim
    - str max size is reached, sets FAIL bit (can be checked using is.fail())
  - If no chars extracted for any reason, FAIL bit set

1 = true

## >> read a single word

# Reading using >> extracts a single "word" or type including for strings

To read a whole line, use

std::getline(istream& stream, string& line);

## How to use getline

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- Notice getline (istream & stream, string & line) takes in both parameters by reference!

```
std::string line;
std::getline(cin, line); //now line has changed!
//say the user entered "Hello World 42!"
std::cout << line << std::endl;
//should print out "Hello World 42!"</pre>
```

## **Playground**

## Don't mix >> with getline!

space, fap, new line

- >> reads up to the next whitespace character and does not go past that whitespace character.
- **getline** reads up to the next delimiter (by default, '\n'), and does go past that delimiter.
- Don't mix the two or bad things will happen!

Note for 106B: Don't use >> with Stanford libraries, they use getline.

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in >> str; // first word in out.txt goes into str
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Stringstreams

## **Stringstreams**

- Input stream: std::istringstream
  - Give any data type to the istringstream, it'll store it as a string!

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- Output stream: std::ostringstream 04t
  - Make an ostringstream out of a string, read from it word/type by word/type!
- The same as the other i/ostreams you've seen!

## ostringstreams

```
string judgementCall(int age, string name,
                                    bool lovesCpp)
  std::ostringstream formatter;
  formatter << name <<", age " << age;
  if(lovesCpp) formatter << ", rocks.";</pre>
  else formatter << " could be better";
  return formatter.str();
```

## istringstreams

```
Student reverseJudgementCall(string judgement)
{ //input: "Sarah age 21, rocks"
   std::istringstream converter;
   string fluff; int age; bool lovesCpp; string name;
   converter >> name;
   converter >> fluff;
   converter >> age;
   converter >> fluff;
   string cool;
   converter >> cool;
   if(cool == "rocks") return Student{name, age, "bliss"};
   else return Student{name, age, "misery"};
}// returns:
```

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Lets write getInteger!

## Recap

- Streams convert between data of any type and the string representation of that data
- Streams have an endpoint: console for cin/cout, files for i/o fstreams, string variables for i/o streams where they read in a string from or output a string to.
- To send data (in string form) to a stream, use stream\_name << data
- To extract data from a stream, use stream\_name >> data, and the stream will try to convert a string to whatever type data is