

30 - Arrays in C++

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- cOLECTION OF ELEMENTS IN A SPECIFIC ORDER, USUALLY OF THE SAME TYPE
- Elementos of the same type grouped in one variable
- Arrays do well with loops, because it's easier to go all over everything
- Alocate memory sequentially
- It has fixed memory, can't increase even if we want to

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static const int exampleSizeOfTheArray30 = 5;
int exemple30[exampleSizeOfTheArray30]; // Definition of an array of 5 integers // Gets destroyed when getting out of the scope
int* ptr30 = exemple30; // creating a pointer to the first element of the array
// If allocated in the stack, we can get the size with the sizeof() method. But we need to convert
// It's actually the size of the array with the specific data type
// The conversion to find the number of elements is
// better way is to keep the size by our selfs
// static const int exampleSizeOfTheArray30 = 5;
int count = sizeof(exemple30) / sizeof(int);
std::cout << "Size of the array : " << count << std::endl;

// Creating array with the keyword new
// This one is created on the heap, we need to manually delete it
// Be around until we delete it... can be good... and usefull
// we holds a pointer
// If... we allocate the entire array, it'll be alive after we move out of the scope
// but if we allocate just the pointer to the array, it'll no be there ( int* )
// However, we have the current address to the current data, so we don't actually delete it
// To access we need to jump around to find the data
// It's a performance issue, don't do it
// There is no way to know the size of the array, like get_size() method for example
int* exemple30_2 = new int[5];

// c++ 11 array example ( standard array)
// Advantages on tools to use and security on accessing memory
// been super safe, use it.
std::array<int, exampleSizeOfTheArray30> exemple30_3;

// To access an array - index starts with 0
exemple30[0] = 10; // This is any other integer and we can set it
exemple30[4] = 14; // last element of the array
exemple30[3] = 3;
// we dereference the pointer to the array and increase 3 positions
// same as accessing the pointer using the index
*(ptr30 + 3) = 4;

std::cout << exemple30[0] << std::endl;
std::cout << exemple30[4] << std::endl;
std::cout << exemple30[3] << std::endl; // suppose to be 4 and not 3 because we changed using the pointer to the beginning of the array
// This is bad... can cause problems difficult to debug
// std::cout << exemple30[-1] << std::endl; // Memory access violation
// std::cout << exemple30[5] << std::endl; // Memory access violation

// loop with arrays - very usefull
for (int i=0; i<5; i++)
{
    exemple30[i] = 2;
    exemple30_2[i] = 3;
    exemple30_3[i] = 4;
}

std::cout << exemple30[0] << std::endl;
std::cout << exemple30[4] << std::endl;

std::cout << exemple30_2[0] << std::endl;
std::cout << exemple30_2[4] << std::endl;

std::cout << exemple30_3[0] << std::endl;
std::cout << exemple30_3[4] << std::endl;

delete[] exemple30_2; // delete an array created with new

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