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C++ provides a rich set of operators and defines what these operators do when **applied to operands of built-in type**. It also allows us to **define the meaning** of most of the operators when **applied to operands of class types**.

Expression

- *composed*: **one or more operands**

- *simplest form*: **single literal or variable**
- *more complicated expression*: **an operator and one or more operands**

4.1 Fundamentals

4.1.1 Basic Concepts

- *unary operators*: address-of (**&**) and dereference (*****), **one operand**.
- *binary*: equality (**==**) and multiplication (*****), **two operands**.

Grouping Operators and Operands

- *precedence*: **start with what's operator**
- *associativity*: **what's the operator's operands**
- *order of evaluation*: **the order to get result**

Operand Conversion

- *define*: **operands** are often **converted from one type to another**
- *promoted*: **small integral type** operands to **larger integral type**. (short, char, bool to int)

Overloaded Operators

- *when*: **operators applied to class types**
- *define*: **define the meaning** to an existing operator
- *wrangling*: the meaning of the **operator including the type of operands and the result**

Lvalues and Rvalues

- *define*: **lvalues could stand on the left-hand** side of an assignment whereas **rvalues could not**.
- *Rvalue*: use it's **contents**
- *Lvalue*: use it's local **memory**
- *wrangling*: **different Operators require different operands**, Lvalue or Rvalue.
- *wrangling*: [decltype\(expression \)](#)
 - *the expression is Lvalue*: decltype get the **reference of result type**
 - *the expression is Rvalue*: decltype get the **result type**

4.1.2 Precedence and Associativity

- *compound expression*: **A expression with two or more operators**
- *wrangling*: **Precedence and associativity** determine **how the operands are grouped**.

Parentheses Override Precedence and Associativity

```
cout << (6+3)*(4/2 + 2) << endl;    // 36
cout << 6 + 3*4 /(2+2) << endl;    // 9
```

When Precedence and Associativity Matter

```
int ia[] = {0,2,4,6,8};
int last = *(ia + 4);
last = *ia + 4;          // *,+= :precedence
cin >> v1 >> v2;        // left associativity:associativity
```

4.1.3 Order of Evaluation

```
cout << i << i++ << endl; // undefined
```

Order of Evaluation, Precedence, and Associativity

- *warning*: **Order of evaluation** is **independent of precedence and associativity**.
- *example*: $f() + g() * h() + j()$
 - *Precedence guarantees*: **first:*, $g() * h()$**
 - *Associativity guarantees*: the result of $f()$ is added to the product of $g()$ and $h()$ and that the result of that addition is added to the value of $j()$.¹
 - There are **no guarantees** as to **the order in which these functions are called**.
 - If any of **these functions do affect the same object**, then the expression is in error and has **undefined behavior**.

4.2 Arithmetic Operators

Table 4.1. Arithmetic Operators (Left Associative)

Operator	Function	Use
+	unary plus	+ expr
-	unary minus	- expr
*	multiplication	expr * expr
/	division	expr / expr
%	remainder	expr % expr
+	addition	expr + expr
-	subtraction	expr - expr

- *warning*:
 - *evaluating*: **left to right**
 - *operands*: **Rvalue**
 - *result*: **Rvalue**
- %: The operands to % must have integral type

```
21 % -5 = 1
-21 % -8 = -5
```

4.3 Logical and Relational Operators

Table 4.2. Logical and Relational Operators

Associativity	Operator	Function	Use
Right	!	logical NOT	!expr
Left	<	less than	expr < expr
Left	<=	less than or equal	expr <= expr
Left	>	greater than	expr > expr
Left	>=	greater than or equal	expr >= expr
Left	==	equality	expr == expr
Left	!=	inequality	expr != expr
Left	&&	logical AND	expr && expr
Left		logical OR	expr expr

Logical AND and OR operators

- *short-circuit evaluation:*
 - **AND (&&):** The right side is evaluated only if the left side is [true](#)
 - **OR (||):** The right side is evaluated only if the left side is [false](#)

Equality Tests and the bool Literals

```
if(val) {//true}
if(!val){//false}
```

4.4 Assignment Operators

- *left-hand operand:* **modifiable lvalue**²
- *result:* **left-hand**

```
int i = 0;           // initializations, not assignment
const int ci = i;    // initializations, not assignment
1024 = i;            // error, left-hand operand is rvalue

ci = 0;              // error, ci is a const lvalue
```

- *right-hand*:
 - we can use initializer list: `{ }`

```
int i;
i = {3.14};           // error, narrowing conversion[窄化转换]
vector<int> vi;
vi = {0,1,2,3,4};    // ok
```

- *wraring*: when **left-hand** operand is **built-in type**, `{ }` contain one value.

Assignment Is Right Associative

```
int ival, jval;
ival = jval = 0;
```

- *associate*: **right to left**

Assignment Has Low Precedence

```
while( (i = get_value()) != 42){
    //...
}
```

Beware of Confusing Equality and Assignment Operators

```
if(a = b){/*...*/}
if(a == b){/*...*/}
```

Compound Assignment Operators

- `a = a op b`:
 - `+=`、`-=`、`*=`、`/=`、`%=`
 - `<<=`、`>>=`、`&=`、`^=`、`|=`
- *code-look*:

```
sum += 1; // sum = sum + 1;
```

4.5 Increment and Decrement Operators

```
int i = 0,j;
//case 1:j = ++i; result:j = 1,i = 1
//case 2:j = i++; result:j = 0,i = 1
//use the postfix operators(用前置++版本, 除非必须使用后置的情况下才用后置)
```

```
cout << *iter++ << endl;
// 1.cout << iter << endl;
// 2.iter += 1;
```

4.6 The Member Access Operators

- *dot operator*: .
- *arrow operator*: ->

```
string s1 = "a string",*p = &s1;
auto n = s1.size(); //1 direct
n = (*p).size();    //2 indirect
n = p->size();       //3 indirect
```

- *wraing*: allow operator **require a pointer operand,result is lvalue**.

4.7 The Conditional Operator

- cond ? expr1 : expr2

Nesting Conditional Operations

```
finalgrade = (grade > 90) ? "high pass"
              : (grade < 60) ? "fail" : "pass";
```

4.8 The Bitwise Operators

Operator	Function	Use
~	bitwise NOT	~expr
<<	left shift	expr1 << expr2
>>	right shift	expr1 >> expr2
&	bitwise AND	expr1 & expr2
^	bitwise XOR	expr1 ^ expr2
	bitwise OR	expr1 expr2

- *wraining*: we should **using unsigned type** with the bitwise operators

Bitwise Shift Operators

- right-hand operand must more than 0

<< Operator

- *wraining*: **lower than** the **arithmetic** operators but **higher than** the **relational, assignment, and conditional operators**.

4.9 The [sizeof](#) Operator

- *return type*: **size_t** , the size of the type
- two forms:
 - [sizeof](#) (type)
 - [sizeof](#) expr
- *wraining*: it does not evaluate its operand
- *use for member of class*: [sizeof](#) classname::member (C++11)

4.10 Comma Operator(,)

- *evaluate order*: **left to right**
- *result*: **return right expression**

4.11 Type Conversions

- *implicit conversion*: for example : **3.14 + 3**

- double + **int** => double + **double**

4.1.1 The Arithmetic Conversions

Integral Promotions

- *promoted int or unsigned int*: **bool**、**char**、**signed char**、**unsigned char**、**short**、**unsigned short**

4.1.2 Other Implicit Conversions

```
int ia[10];
int *p = ia;    // conver ia to a pointer to the first element: &ia[0]
```

- The IO library defines a conversion from istream to bool.

```
while(cin >> s)
{
    // ...
}
// The resulting bool value depends on the state of the stream.
```

4.11.3 Explicit Conversions

Named Casts

- **cast-name<type>(expression)**
 - *type*: **the target type to conver**
 - if type is a reference,the result is an lvalue.
 - *expression*: **the value to be cast**
 - cast-name: **static_cast**、**dynamic_cast**、**const_cast**、**reinterpret_cast**

static_cast

- cannot use const

const_cast

- use to cast away the const³

reinterpret_cast

- *use*:a low-level reinterpretation of the bit pattern of its operands.


```
int *p = reinterpret_cast<int*>(0xffffffff);
```

Old-Style Casts

- two forms:
 - `type (expr);` // function style
 - `(type) expr;` // C style

4.12 Operator Precedence Table

Table 4.4. Operator Precedence

	Associativity and Operator	Function	Use	See Page
1	L ::	global scope	::name	286
	L ::	class scope	class::name	88
	L ::	namespace scope	namespace::name	82
2	L .	member selectors	object.member	23
	L ->	member selectors	pointer->member	110
	L []	subscript	expr [expr]	116
	L ()	function call	name (expr_list)	23
	L ()	type construction	type (expr_list)	164
3	R ++	postfix increment	lvalue++	147
	R --	postfix decrement	lvalue--	147
	R typeid	type ID	typeid (type)	826
	R typeid	run-time type ID	typeid (expr)	826
	R explicit cast	type conversion	cast_name<type>(expr)	162
4	R ++	prefix increment	++lvalue	147
	R --	prefix decrement	--lvalue	147
	R ~	bitwise NOT	~expr	152
	R !	logical NOT	!expr	141
	R -	unary minus	-expr	140
	R +	unary plus	+expr	140
	R *	dereference	*expr	53
	R &	address-of	&lvalue	52
	R ()	type conversion	(type) expr	164
	R sizeof	size of object	sizeof expr	156
	R sizeof	size of type	sizeof (type)	156
	R sizeof...	size of parameter pack	sizeof...(name)	700
	R new	allocate object	new type	458
	R new[]	allocate array	new type[size]	458
	R delete	deallocate object	delete expr	460
	R delete[]	deallocate array	delete[] expr	460
	R noexcept	can expr throw	noexcept (expr)	780

5	L	->*	ptr to member select	ptr->*ptr_to_member	837
	L	.*	ptr to member select	obj.*ptr_to_member	837
6	L	*	multiply	expr * expr	139
	L	/	divide	expr / expr	139
	L	%	modulo (remainder)	expr % expr	139
7	L	+	add	expr + expr	139
	L	-	subtract	expr - expr	139
8	L	<<	bitwise shift left	expr << expr	152
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9	L	<	less than	expr < expr	141
	L	<=	less than or equal	expr <= expr	141
	L	>	greater than	expr > expr	141
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10	L	==	equality	expr == expr	141
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13	L		bitwise OR	expr expr	152
14	L	&&	logical AND	expr && expr	141
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16	R	? :	conditional	expr ? expr : expr	151
17	R	=	assignment	lvalue = expr	144
	R	*=, /=, %=,	compound assign	lvalue += expr, etc.	144
	R	+=, -=,			144
	R	<<=, >>=,			144
	R	&=, =, ^=			144
18	R	throw	throw exception	throw expr	193
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1. 三部分相加[↗](#)

2. 可修改的左值[↗](#)

3. 只用于 const 相关转换（例如去除const属性）[↗](#)