

C++ Basics and Applications in technical Systems

Lecture 2 - Flow control and user defined data-types

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Overview

- 1 Organization
- 2 Repetition
- 3 Flow control statements
 - Conditional execution
 - Case discrimination
 - Loops
- 4 User defined data-types
 - Enumeration
 - Struct
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 - Container class `std::vector`
 - String class `std::string`
- 6 Exercise

Lecture schedule

Time schedule

- HK **26. Oct.** - Introduction / Simple Program / Datatypes ...
- HK **02. Nov.** - Flow control / User-Defined Data types ...
- CF **09. Nov.** - Simple IO / Functions/ Modular Design ...
- CF **16. Nov.** - C++ Pointer
- CF **23. Nov.** - Object oriented Programming / Constructors
- AL **30. Nov.** - UML / Inheritance / Design principles
- AL **07. Dec.** - Namespace / Operators
- AL **14. Dec.** - Polymorphism / Template Classes / Exceptions
- HK **11. Jan.** - Design pattern examples

Important dates

Submission of exercises

1-3 **16. Nov.** - Deadline for submission of Exercise I, 13:00

4-6 **07. Dec.** - Deadline for submission of Exercise II, 13:00

For admission to final exam you need at least 50% of every exercise sheet.

Final project

1-9 **15. Feb.** - Deadline for submission of final project, 13:00

Final exam

1-9 **06. Feb.** - Final exam, 10:00-12:00, H3

Program structure

Statement to include function declarations

```
#include <iostream>
```

Structure of a simple program

```
int main()  
{  
    return 0;  
}
```

Declaration statements

```
int iXValue;  
unsigned int iYValue = 12;
```

Expressions

Statement with operator (expression)

```
iYValue += 10;
```

Simple data-types

```
int, unsigned, bool, float, char, ...
```

Statement block (one or more statements)

```
{  
    Statement1;  
    Statement2;  
}
```

Functions and references

Function to get type-limits and sizes

```
sizeof(int);  
numeric_limits<int>::max();
```

Type conversion by cast

```
static_cast<int>(bMyBoolean);
```

References of variables (a kind of alias)

```
int iMyInt;  
int & iReferenceToMyInt = iMyInt;
```

Constant values

```
const int iMY_CONST_VALUE = 13;
```

if, else - Statement

If-Statement

Statement is executed if
booleanExpression is true:

```
if (booleanExpression)  
    Statement;
```

If-Else-Statement

Statement1 is executed if
booleanExpression is true, otherwise
Statement2:

```
if (booleanExpression)  
    Statement1;  
else  
    Statement2;
```

If-Else-Statement with blocks

Statement1 and Statement2 are
executed if booleanExpression is true,
otherwise Statement3:

```
if (booleanExpression)  
{  
    Statement1;  
    Statement2;  
}  
else  
{  
    Statement3;  
}
```


Small exercise

Comparism of two natural numbers

Create a program that:

- asks the user to input two natural numbers
- compares both numbers
- displays which one is the bigger one

Example

Input	Output
„Please input value 1: “ 2	4 is bigger than 2
„Please input value 2: “ 4	

Case selection with switch

- expression is evaluated, the result has to be of type integer or char
- constValueX is compared to the result of expression; if equal: statements are executed
- break has to be used to finish a case; without break the execution continues
- the statements after the label default are executed if no case fits the result of the evaluated expression

Example

```
switch (expression)
{
    case constValue1:
        Statements1;
        break;

    case constValue2:
        Statements2;
        break;

    default:
        Statements;
}
```

Small exercise

A simple console menu using switch

Create a program that:

- Prompts the user to input one of the following keys: <c>, <s> or <t> (case insensitive)
- Displays the following string depending on the user input:
 - c „Start calculation...“
 - s „Start program...“
 - t „Terminate program...“
 - all other keys will produce a „Unspecified input!“

Example

Input	Output
„Please choose <c>, <s> or <t>: “ s	Start calculation...



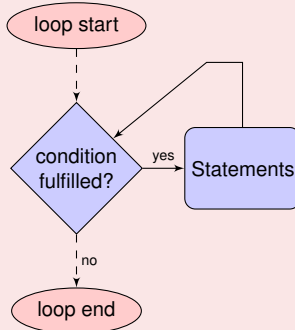
While-Do

The condition is checked before the first execution of the statements.

Example

```
while (condition)
{
    Statements;
}
```

Flow chart



Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using std::cout;
3  using std::cin;
4  using std::endl;

1  void main()
2  {

1    bool bFinish = false;
2    char cInput;

1    while (!bFinish)
2    {

1        cout << "Program termination with (T) " << endl;
2        cin >> cInput;
3        if (cInput == 'T' || cInput == 't')
4            bFinish = true;

1    }

1 }
```

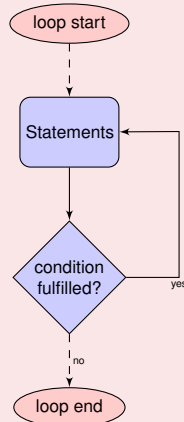
Do-While

The statements are executed once before the first condition check is performed.

Example

```
do  
{  
    Statements;  
} while (condition);
```

Flow chart



Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using std::cout;
3  using std::cin;
4  using std::endl;

1  void main()
2  {

1    char cInput;

1    do
2    {

1        cout << "Program termination with (T)" << endl;
2        cin >> cInput;

1    }
2    while (cInput != 'T' && cInput != 't');

1 }
```

Loops with for

Structure

```
for (Initialization; Condition; Modification)
{
    Statements;
}
```

Example

```
const unsigned int iLIMIT = 1000;
double dArray[iLIMIT];
for (int nI = 0; nI < iLIMIT; nI++)
{
    std::cout << "Value [" << nI << "] ?";
    std::cin >> dArray[nI];
}
```


Small exercise

A simple console menu in a loop

Enhance the menu from exercise on slide 11:

- Use a loop to call the menu again and again until the user exits the application with <t>.

Non numerical ranges

Example

- A set of predefined colour values should be offered (red, green, blue).
- Possible auxiliary construction \Rightarrow usage of int variable:

```
int iColour;    // red = 0, green = 1, blue = 2
```

Disadvantage

- The meaning of the values has to be described as comment
- Bad implicit documentation:

```
if (iColour == 1)    // which colour is meant here?  
if (iColour == 5)    // 5 is an undefined value!
```

Solution: Enumeration-types

Structure

```
enum typename {  
    enumerations  
} listOfVariables;
```

Example

```
enum Colour_T {  
    RED,  
    GREEN,  
    BLUE  
} colorValue1;  
Colour_T colorValue2 = BLUE;
```

Example

```
switch (colorValue) {  
    case RED:  
        Statements1;  
        break;  
  
    case GREEN:  
        Statements2;  
        break;  
  
    case BLUE:  
        Statements3;  
        break;  
}
```

More examples

Declaration of data-type and a variable

```
enum Colour_T {RED, GREEN, BLUE} value;
```

Definition of further variables

```
Colour_T can, bucket = BLUE;
```

Anonymous declaration

```
enum {BICYCLE, LORRY, CAR} vehicle;
```

Declaration with integrated definition

```
enum Palette_T {  
    WHITE = 0, GREY = 1, BROWN = 4, PURPLE = 8  
} mixture;
```

Operations

Operations

Only the **assignment operation** is allowed for enum data-types.
In other cases the value will be casted implicitly to `int`.

Example

```
int iI = RED;           // possible (casting to int)
vehicle = CAR;           // correct
iI = RED + BLUE;        // possible
Colour_T bucket = iI;   // error, incompatible data type
BLUE = bucket;          // error, BLUE is const value
mixture = WHITE + PURPLE; // error, re-casting from int
                        // to type Palette is impossible
mixture++;              // error, same reason
if (mixture > GREY)      // correct
    mixture = PURPLE;
```



User defined structured data-type

Created as composition of

- other user defined data-types
- standard data-types

Definition

- general declaration

```
struct [typename] {structure} [list of variables];
```

- recommended declaration

```
struct <typename> {structure};
```

Declaration, instantiation and access

Example

- general declaration

```
struct Point_T {  
    int m_iXcoord;           // Internal data elements  
    int m_iYcoord;  
    bool m_bVisible;  
    Colour_T m_Colour;  
};
```

```
Point_T newPoint;           // Instance of data-type Point_T
```

- Access on elements

```
newPoint.m_iXcoord = 270;  
newPoint.m_iYcoord = 209;  
newPoint.m_bVisible = true;  
newPoint.m_Colour = BLUE;
```

Table of elements with unique data-type

Datatype

```
vector<dataType>
```

STL Header (Standard Template Library)

```
#include <vector>
```

Declaration (Example for int)

```
vector<int> myVector1(10);
```

```
vector<int> myVector2;
```


Data Access

Posibility 1

```
vector<int> myVector(10);  
myVector[0];
```

- no check for range under- or overflow
- crash during run-time upon access to non-existing element

Posibility 2

```
vector<int> myVector(10);  
myVector.at(0);
```

- check for range under- or overflow
- error message during runtime upon access to non-existing element

Index is zero based! A `std::vector` of size n is accessed by index in the range $[0, \dots, n - 1]$.

Reducing possibility of faulty access

Use if-statement to check ranges of std::vector manually.

Example

```
std::vector<int> myVector(10);  
int iPos = ...                // An arbitrary assignment  
                               // for the position  
  
if (iPos >= 0 && iPos < myVector.size())  
{  
    myVector[iPos] = ...      // Assignment only if iPos fits  
                               // current range  
}
```

Initialization and assignment

Example

```
vector<float> costs(12);
```

Declaration and initialization of the vector size.

Example

```
vector<float> newCosts = costs;
```

Declaration of 2nd vector and initialization (size and value) with first vector.

Example

```
vector<float> sortedCosts;  
sortedCosts = costs;
```

Separate declaration and initialization.

Vectors are dynamic data-types

```

1  #include <iostream>                                // Inclusion of header files
2  #include <vector>
3  using std::cout;
4  using std::cin;
5  using std::vector;

1  int main() {

1      vector<int> data;  // declaration of a vector variable (size 0)

1      int iValue;
2      do {
3          cout << "Value (0=End): ";
4          cin >> iValue;

1          if (iValue != 0)
2              data.push_back(iValue);  // append new value to vector

1      } while(iValue != 0);

1  }
```

String class std::string

One rowed table of char elements

Datatype

```
string
```

STL Header (Standard Template Library)

```
#include <string>
```

Declaration

```
string sString1;  
string sString2("Hello World!");  
string sString3(sString2);
```

Examples for operations

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <string>
3  using std::cout;
4  using std::endl;
5  using std::string;

1  void main() {

1      string sStr1("String1");
2      for (int nI=0; nI < sStr1.size(); nI++) // characterwise output
3          cout << sStr1.at(nI);              // using checked access
4      cout << endl;
5      string sStr2(sStr1);                    // copy whole string
6      sStr1 += sStr1;                          // concatenate strings with +=
7      sStr2 = sStr1 + "Addition";              // addition and assignment
8      sStr1 = 'A';                             // assign single character
9      cout << sStr1 << sStr2 << endl;

1  }
```

Exercise

A simple sorting program using vector

Create a program that:

- prompts the user to input three float values and stores them in a `std::vector`
- print the values in the reverse order to the screen

Example

Input	Output
„Please input value 1: “ 2	6
„Please input value 2: “ 4	4
„Please input value 3: “ 6	2