

2.5 Arithmetic expressions (int)

Below is a simple program that includes an expression involving integers.

Figure 2.5.1: Expressions examples: Leasing cost.

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

/* Computes the total cost of leasing a car given the down payment,
   monthly rate, and number of months
*/

int main() {
    int downPayment;
    int paymentPerMonth;
    int numMonths;
    int totalCost; // Computed total cost to be output

    cout << "Enter down payment: ";
    cin >> downPayment;

    cout << "Enter monthly payment: ";
    cin >> paymentPerMonth;

    cout << "Enter number of months: ";
    cin >> numMonths;

    totalCost = downPayment + (paymentPerMonth * numMonths);

    cout << "Total cost: " << totalCost << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

```
Enter down payment: 500
Enter monthly payment: 300
Enter number of months: 60
Total cost: 18500
```

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2.5.1: Simple program with an arithmetic expression.



Consider the example above.

- 1) Would removing the parentheses as below have yielded the same result?

```
downPayment +
paymentPerMonth *
numMonths
```

Correct

The * would still be evaluated first, because * has higher precedence than +. But using parentheses makes the programmer's intent more clear to people reading the program.



☒ Yes☐ No

- 2) Would using two assignment statements as below have yielded the same result? Assume this declaration exists: `int totalMonthly`

```
totalMonthly =
paymentPerMonth *
numMonths;
totalCost = downPayment +
totalMonthly;
```

☒ Yes☐ No**Correct**

The evaluation is ultimately the same, yielding the same result. Breaking larger expressions into multiple assignments with smaller expressions can sometimes improve code readability.

[Feedback?](#)**Style: Single space around operators**

A good practice is to include a single space around operators for readability, as in `numItems + 2`, rather than `numItems+2`. An exception is minus used as negative, as in: `xCoord = -yCoord`. Minus (-) used as negative is known as **unary minus**.

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2.5.2: Single space around operators.



Retype each statement to follow the good practice of a single space around operators.

Note: If an answer is marked wrong, something differs in the spacing, spelling, capitalization, etc. This activity emphasizes the importance of such details.

- 1) `housesCity = housesBlock *10;`

Check[Show answer](#)**Correct**

The spaces ensure the operator is clearly visible. Note that a semicolon (;) is not an operator and should not be preceded by a space.



- 2) `tot = num1+num2+2;`

Check[Show answer](#)**Correct**



3) numBalls=numBalls+1;

Check

Show answer

The spaces reduce human reader confusion with num2 and 2.

Correct

The spaces around the = ensure the assignment is clearly visible.

4) numEntries = (userVal+1)*2;

Check

Show answer

Correct

The spaces may lead to more readable expressions.

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Compound operators

Special operators called **compound operators** provide a shorthand way to update a variable, such as `userAge += 1` being shorthand for `userAge = userAge + 1`. Other compound operators include `-=`, `*=`, `/=`, and `%=`.

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2.5.3: Compound operators.

1) numAtoms is initially 7. What is numAtoms after: numAtoms += 5?

Check

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Correct

Same as numAtoms = numAtoms + 5, so 7 + 5 is 12.

2) numAtoms is initially 7. What is numAtoms after: numAtoms *= 2?

Check

Show answer

Correct

Same as numAtoms = numAtoms * 2, so 7 * 2 is 14.

3) Rewrite the statement using a compound operator. If the

Correct

statement can't be rewritten using a compound operator, type: Not possible
`carCount = carCount / 2;`

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`carCount /= 2` is same as `carCount = carCount / 2.`

- 4) Rewrite the statement using a compound operator. If the statement can't be rewritten using a compound operator, type: Not possible
`numItems = boxCount + 1;`

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Correct

Not possible

A compound operator is shorthand for when a variable is being updated, not for a more general assignment. Both sides must thus have the same variable, but here the variables are different (`numItems` and `boxCount`).


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No commas allowed

Commas are not allowed in an integer literal. So 1,333,555 is written as 1333555.

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2.5.4: Expression in statements.



- 1) Is the following an error?
 Suppose an int's maximum value is 2,147,483,647.

`numYears = 1,999,999,999;`

☒ Yes

☐ No

Correct

Commas aren't allowed in an integer literal.


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2.5.1: Compute an expression.



Write a statement that assigns `finalResult` with the sum of `num1` and `num2`, divided by 3. Ex: If `num1` is 4 and `num2` is 5, `finalResult` is 3.

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 int main() {
5     int num1;
6     int num2;
7     int finalResult;
8
9     cin >> num1;
10    cin >> num2;
11
12    /* Your solution goes here */
13    finalResult = (num1 + num2)/3;
14
15    cout << "Final result: " << finalResult << endl;
16
17    return 0;
18 }
```

Run

✓ All tests passed

✓ Testing with 4, 5

Your output

Final result: 3

✓ Testing with 4, 11

Your output

Final result: 5

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2.5.2: Total cost.



A drink costs 2 dollars. A taco costs 4 dollars. Given the number of each, compute total cost and assign `totalCost` with the result. Ex: 4 drinks and 6 tacos yields `totalCost` of 32.

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 int main() {
```

```
5  int numDrinks;
6  int numTacos;
7  int totalCost;
8
9  cin >> numDrinks;
10 cin >> numTacos;
11
12 /* Your solution goes here */
13 totalCost = numDrinks* 2 + numTacos*4;
14
15 cout << "Total cost: " << totalCost << endl;
16
17 return 0;
18 }
```

Run

✓ All tests passed

✓ Testing with 4 drinks and 6 tacos

Your output

Total cost: 32

✓ Testing with 2 drinks and 8 tacos

Your output

Total cost: 36

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