
C++

3. string

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Introduction

- There are two types of strings in C++
 - Old C style string (array of char)
 - **char str[10] = "Hero";**
 - New C++ style string (Object of string class)
 - **string str = "Hero";**
 - Must include string - **#include<string>**
 - string class is defined within **std** namespace
 - So it should be used as **std::string** unless it included in scope with use of **using** statement
 - In next slides we will assume that string header is included and it has been added to current scope with use of using statement - so we will use **string** instead of **std::string**
- We should **prefer new C++ style string** whenever feasible
 - No need to worry about size of the string
 - Overloaded operators and string class methods make it easier to work with

Declaration, initialization and concatenation

```
string str1 = "DDU ";  
string str2 = "Nadiad";
```

```
string str = str1 + str2;  
cout << str << endl;
```

```
str1 = "DDU";  
str = str1 + " " + str2;  
cout << str << endl;
```

```
str = str1 + ' ' + str2;  
cout << str << endl;
```

OUTPUT:

```
DDU Nadiad  
DDU Nadiad  
DDU Nadiad
```

append method

```
string str1 = "DDU ";  
string str2 = "Nadiad";
```

```
string str = str1.append(str2); // This changes str1  
// string str = str1 + str2; // This does not change str1
```

```
cout << str1 << endl;  
cout << str2 << endl;  
cout << str << endl;
```

OUTPUT:

```
DDU Nadiad  
Nadiad  
DDU Nadiad
```

Numbers and strings

```
string str1 = "10";
```

```
string str2 = "20";
```

```
string str = str1 + str2;
```

```
cout << str << endl;
```

```
str = str1 + "20";
```

```
cout << str << endl;
```

```
// error: no match for 'operator+'
```

```
// str = str1 + 20;
```

```
// cout << str << endl;
```

OUTPUT:

1020

1020

Determining length of string

- Both **size()** and **length()** methods return length of the string that is the number of characters stored in the string

```
string str1 = "DDU";  
cout << "Lenght is: " << str1.length() << endl;  
cout << "Size is: " << str1.size() << endl;
```

OUTPUT:

Lenght is: 3
Size is: 3

Copy and compare

```
string str1 = "I am a string.";
string str2;
str2 = str1;
string str3 = "I am a string.";

if(str1 == str2)
    cout << "str1 and str2 are same." << endl;
if(str2 == str3)
    cout << "str2 and str3 are same." << endl;
if(str1 == str3)
    cout << "str1 and str3 are same." << endl;

str1[0] = 'i';

if(str1 == str2)
    cout << "str1 and str2 are same." << endl;
if(str2 == str3)
    cout << "str2 and str3 are same." << endl;
if(str1 == str3)
    cout << "str1 and str3 are same." << endl;
```

OUTPUT:

str1 and str2 are same.
str2 and str3 are same.
str1 and str3 are same.
str2 and str3 are same.

Input

```
string str1;
```

```
cin >> str1; // Stops scanning on whitespace
```

```
cout << str1;
```

INPUT:

Hello world

OUTPUT:

Hello

Input line

```
string str1;
```

```
getline(cin, str1);
```

```
cout << str1;
```

INPUT:

Hello world

OUTPUT:

Hello world

Input line and number - I

```
int i;  
string str1;  
  
cin >> i;    // Leaves newline in the input  
  
// Finds newline as first character  
// Ends further scanning and removes newline char  
getline(cin, str1);  
  
cout << i << str1;
```

INPUT:

10

Hello World

OUTPUT:

10

Input line and number - II

```
int i;  
string str1;
```

```
// Removes whitespaces at the beginning of input  
// before scanning into variables  
cin >> i >> str1;
```

```
cout << i << str1;
```

INPUT:

10

Hello World

OUTPUT:

10Hello

Input line and number - III

```
int i;  
string str1;
```

```
cin >> i;    // Leaves newline in the input
```

```
// cin >> ws removes all the whitespaces
```

```
// at the beginning of the input
```

```
getline(cin >> ws, str1);
```

```
cout << i << str1;
```

INPUT:

10

Hello World

OUTPUT:

10Hello World

Input line and number - IV

```
int i;  
string str1, str2;  
  
cin >> i;    // Leaves newline in the input  
  
// Finds newline as first character  
// Ends further scanning and removes newline char  
getline(cin, str1);  
  
// Scans Hello World from second line  
getline(cin, str2);  
  
cout << i << str1 << str2;
```

INPUT:

10
Hello World

OUTPUT:

10Hello world

Input line and number - V

```
int i = 1000, j = 2000;
```

```
string str1;
```

```
cin >> str1 >> i >> j;
```

```
cout << i << " " << j << " " << str1;
```

```
// cin is in failed state so this will not scan into str1
```

```
cin >> str1;
```

```
cout << endl << str1;
```

INPUT:

10

Hello World

OUTPUT:

0 2000 10

10

Input line and number - VI

```
int i;  
  
// This condition will be true until cin is not in fail state.  
// cin will go to fail state once it can not scan into int i.  
// may be because of end of file or non number in the input.  
while(cin >> i) // scans into i and condition is true if cin does not go to fail state  
    cout << i << " ";
```

// We can not continue to use cin unless we fix it. How to fix it?
cin.clear(); *//cin.clear() clears fail state of cin*

```
string temp;  
while(true) {  
    cin >> temp;  
    if(cin.fail()) // cin.fail() returns true if cin is in fail state  
        break;  
    cout << temp << " ";  
}
```

INPUT:

10
20
30
He
llo
[ctrl+d]

OUTPUT:

10 20 30 He llo

Range for - I

```
string str1;
```

```
getline(cin >> ws, str1);
```

```
for(auto c: str1) {
```

```
    if(islower(c))
```

```
        c = toupper(c); // This will not change original string str1
```

```
    cout << c;
```

```
}
```

```
cout << endl << str1;
```

INPUT:

Hello

OUTPUT:

HELLO

Hello

Range for - II

```
string str1;  
  
getline(cin >> ws, str1);  
  
for(auto &c: str1) { // c is ref now  
    if(islower(c))  
        c = toupper(c); // This will change original string str1  
    cout << c;  
}  
  
cout << endl << str1;
```

INPUT:

Hello

OUTPUT:

HELLO

HELLO