

Introduction to Computer and Programming

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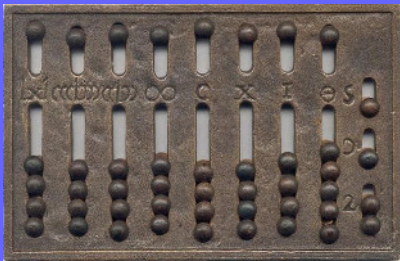
Chapter 1

Computers and Programming Languages

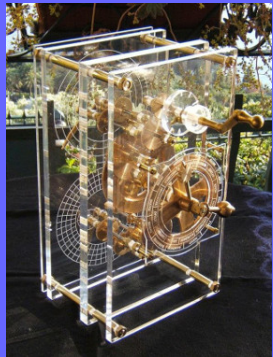
Outline

- ① A brief history of computing
- ② Understanding Computers
- ③ Understanding Programming

Ancient Era

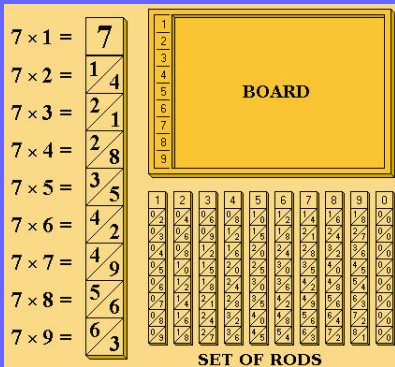


Abacus (-2700)



Antikythera mechanism (-100)

Calculating Tools



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Note: first pocket calculator around 1970 in Japan.

Mechanical Calculators

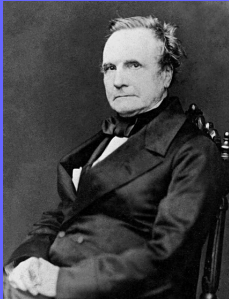


Pascaline (1642)



Arithmomètre (1820)

The 19th Century



Charles Babbage (1791–1871)

- Difference Engine (Built in the 1990es)
- Analytical Engine (Never built)

Ada Byron (1815–1852)

- Extensive notes on Babbage work
- Algorithm to calculate a sequence of Bernoulli numbers using the Analytical Engine



Birth of Modern Computing

- **1936:** First freely programmable computer
- **1946:** First electronic general-purpose computer
- **1948:** Invention of the transistor
- **1951:** First commercial computer
- **1958:** Integrated circuit



UNIVAC I (1951)

Toward Modern Computing



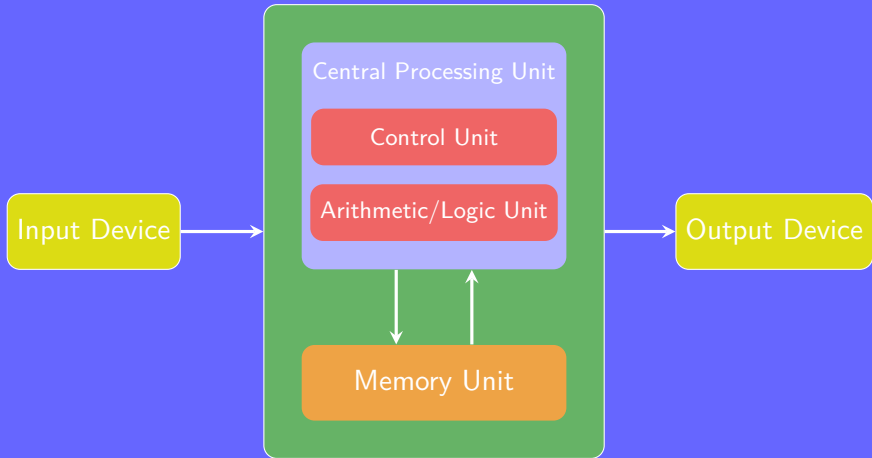
Apple I (1976)

- **1962:** First computer game
- **1969:** ARPAnet
- **1971:** First microprocessor
- **1975:** First consumer computers
- **1981:** First PC, MS-DOS
- **1983:** First home computer with a GUI
- **1985:** Microsoft Windows
- **1991:** Linux

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Von Neumann architecture



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e.g. $(FD)_{16}$

Number base conversion

- From base b into decimal: evaluate the polynomial
 $(11111101)_2 = 1 \cdot 2^7 + 1 \cdot 2^6 + 1 \cdot 2^5 + 1 \cdot 2^4 + 1 \cdot 2^3 + 1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^0 = 253$
 $(FD)_{16} = F \cdot 16^1 + D \cdot 16^0 = 15 \cdot 16^1 + 13 \cdot 16^0 = 253$
- From decimal into base b : repeatedly divide n by b until the quotient is 0. The remainders are the numbers from right to left
 $\text{rem}(253,2)=1, \text{rem}(126,2)=0, \text{rem}(63,2)=1, \text{rem}(31,2)=1, \text{rem}(15,2)=1,$
 $\text{rem}(7,2)=1, \text{rem}(3,2)=1, \text{rem}(1,2)=1$
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- From base b into base b^a : group numbers into chunks of a elements
 $(11111101)_2 = 1111\ 1101 = (FD)_{16}$

Quick examples

Exercise.

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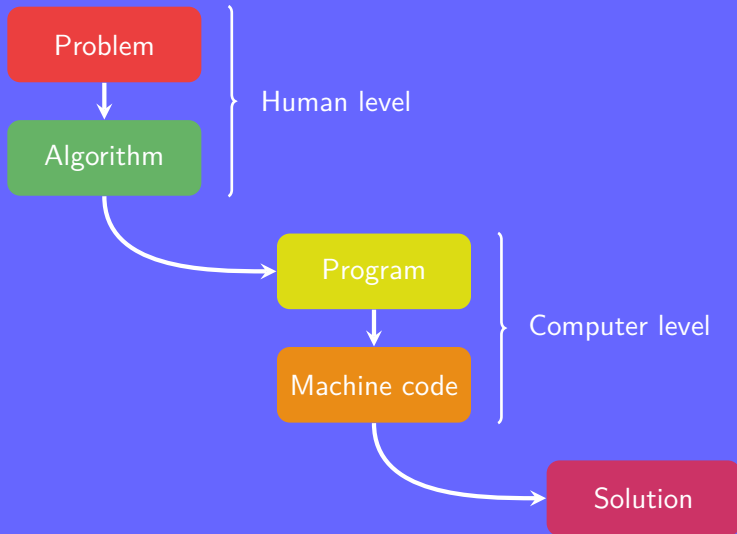
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Solution.

$1675 = 68B$, $321 = (141)_{16}$, $(100011)_2 = (23)_{16}$,
 $654 = (1010001110)_2$, $2049 = (10000000001)_2$,
 $ACE = 101011001110$, $5F3EC6 = (10111110011111011000110)_2$
 $(111110)_2 = 62$, $(10101)_2 = 21$, $(12345)_{16} = 74565$,
 $12C3C = 76860$

How to use a computer?



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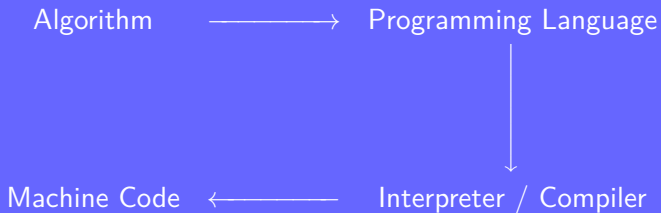
Input : 1 bread, 1 jamjar, 1 knife

Output: 1 jam sandwich

- 1 take the knife and cut 2 slices of bread;
 - 2 dip the knife into the jamjar;
 - 3 spread the jam on the bread, **using the knife**;
 - 4 assemble the 2 slices together, **jam on the inside**;
-

Program

Algorithm vs Machine code



Example

Problem: given a square and the length of one side, what is its area?

Algorithm.

Input : side (the length of one side of a square)

Output : the area of the square

1 **return** side * side

area.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main() {
3      int side;
4      printf("Side: ");
5      scanf("%d",&side);
6      printf("Area: %d",\
7          side*side);
8  }
```

area.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  int main() {
4      int side;
5      cout << "Side: ";
6      cin >> side;
7      cout << "Area: "\
8          << side*side;
9      return 0;
10 }
```

area.m

```
1  a=input("Side: ");
2  printf ("Area: %d",..
3      a*a)
```

Running the program

- C or C++
 - ① Write the source code
 - ② Compile the program
 - ③ Run the program
- MATLAB
 - ① Type the code
 - ② Press Return

Key points

- What is a programming language?
- What are the two main types of programming languages?
- What is an algorithm?
- How easy is it to write machine code?

Chapter 2

Introduction to MATLAB

Outline

- ① Programming in sciences
- ② Running MATLAB
- ③ Arrays and matrices

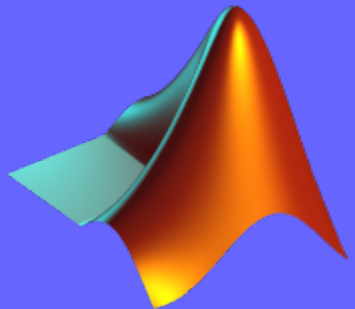
Mathematical softwares

- Axiom
- GAP
- gp
- Magma
- Maple
- Mathematica
- MATLAB
- Maxima
- Octave
- R
- Scilab

MATLAB

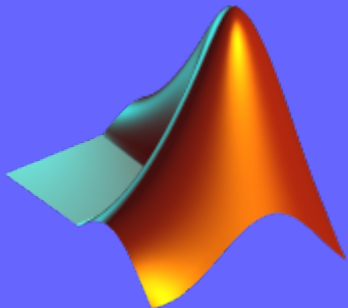
MATLAB=MATrix LABoratory

- **Matrix manipulations**
- **Implement algorithms**
- **Plotting functions/data**
- Create user interfaces
- Interfaced with other programming languages

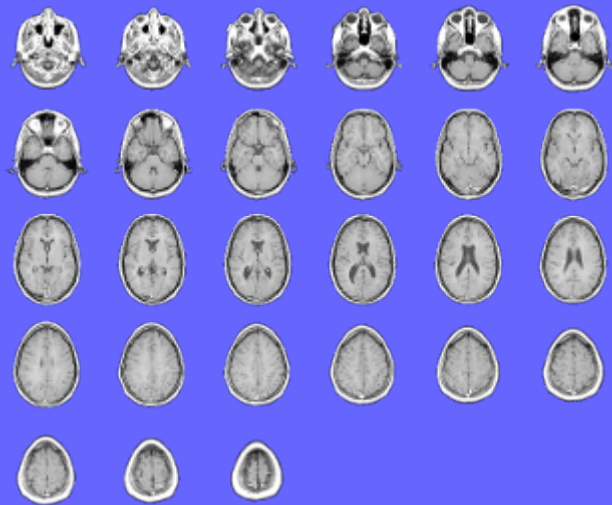


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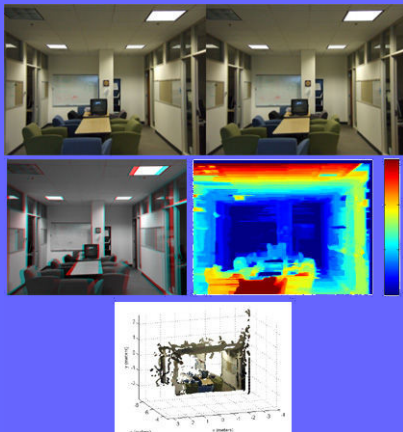
- Easy to use
- Versatile
- Built-in programming languages
- Many toolboxes
- Widely used in academia and industry



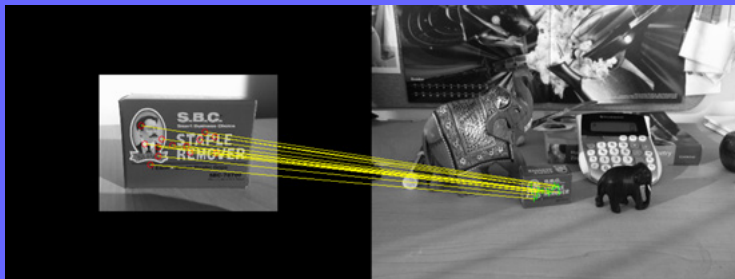
MRI slices



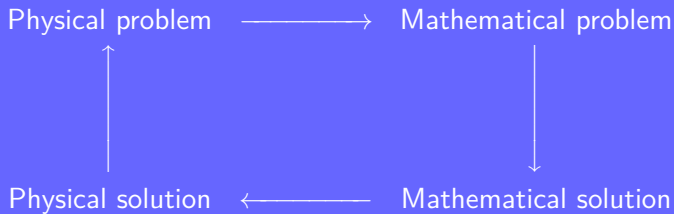
Stereo Vision



Object detection



Mathematics and Physics



What to do?

- Clearly state/translate the problem
- What is known \longrightarrow INPUT
- What is to be found \longrightarrow OUTPUT
- Find a systematic way to solve the problem \longrightarrow Algorithm
- Check the solution
- Start implementing

Example

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 - ④ $M = \frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GT^2}$

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Run the algorithm: 338110866080

WRONG!

UNITS!

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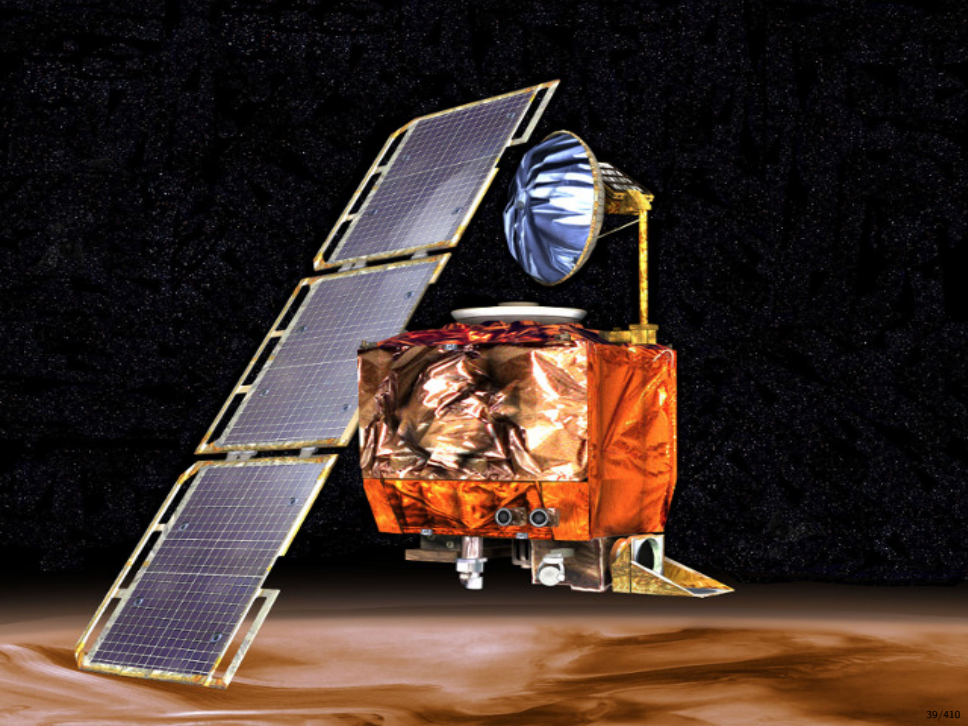
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Input : $r = 1.496 \cdot 10^{11}$ m, $c = 4.379 \cdot 10^9$ m,
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Run the algorithm: 1404 kg/m³



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Starting MATLAB

Two modes: desktop vs no desktop

In desktop mode:

- Command history
- Workspace
- Command window
- Files to run must be in *current directory* or in a *directory listed* in the path
- Help

Basic use

- `1+2` vs. `1+2;`
- Variables: start with a letter, case sensitive.
e.g. `a=1+2`; `A=3+2`; `a123_=4+5`;
- `%` to add comments
- `,` to separate commands
- `...` to split a statement over 2 lines
- `namelengthmax`, `iskeyword`

Simple operations

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- Subtraction: $-$
- Multiplication: $*$
- Power: $^$
- (Right) division: $/$
- Left division: \backslash
- Order of evaluation: $()$

More advanced operations

Large number of functions to solve mathematical problems:

- Elementary function: `help elfun`
- Special functions: `help specfun`
- Matrix functions: `help elmat`

Density of the Sun

MATLAB code to input in the workspace window:

```
1 r=1.496*10^11; c=4.379*10^9; G=6.674*10^-11;  
2 T=365*24*3600;  
3 V=4*pi/3*(c/(2*pi))^3;  
4 M=4*pi^2*r^3/(G*T^2);  
5 M/V
```

M-File

- MATLAB code can be written in a file and then loaded
- All variables are added to the workspace
- To avoid variable conflicts make use of the functions:
`clear`, `clear all`, `clc`
- Add *cell breaks* to debug the code

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2 number1=input('Input a number: ');  
3 number2=input('Input a number: ');  
4 numbers=number1+number2;  
5 disp(numbers);
```

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Arrays and MATLAB

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- Generate a list between a and b, with n elements:
`linspace(a, b, n)`
- `zeros(a,b)`
- `ones(a,b)`

Dealing with matrices

```
1 clear all
2 a=magic(5)
3 a=[a;a+2], pause
4 a(:,3)=[]
5 a(:,3)=5
6 a(7,3), pause
7 whos a
8 a=reshape(a,5,8)
9 a', pause
10 sum(a)
11 sum(a(:,1))
12 sum(a(1,:))
```

Array vs Matrix

Arrays

- Element by element
- `.*`
- `./`
- `.\`
- `^`

Matrices

- Complex conjugate transpose: `'`
- Nonconjugate transpose: `*`
- `det`
- `inv`
- `eig`

Basic operations

Given the array $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 7 & 9 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 6 \\ 8 & 1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$, explain the results of the following commands:

```
1  A.', pause
2  A(:, [1 4]), pause
3  A([2 3], [3 1]), pause
4  reshape(A, 2, 6), pause
5  A(:), pause
6  flipud(A), pause
7  fliplr(A), pause
8  [A A(:, end)], pause
9  A(1:3, :), pause
10 [A ; A(1:2, :)], pause
11 sum(A), pause
12 sum(A'), pause
13 sum(A, 2), pause
14 [ [ A ; sum(A) ] [ sum(A, 2) ; sum(A(:)) ] ]
```

Accessing elements in a matrix

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2 A(3,2)
3 A(6)
4 numel(A)
```

Key points

- What does MATLAB mean?
- How to process a problem before implementing it?
- What can be said about units?
- How to write simple scripts in MATLAB?
- What is the difference between an array and a matrix?

Chapter 3

Control statements

Outline

① Conditional expressions

② Loops

③ Advanced usage

The if statement

If it rains, then I take an umbrella.

Structure in MATLAB:

```
1  if expression1
2      statements1
3  elseif expression2
4      statements2
5  else
6      statements
7  end
```

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Returns True or False

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A	B	$A \wedge B$	$A \vee B$	$A \oplus B$
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0	1	0	1	1
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Idea: run instructions depending on the truth value of a given expression

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Example.

```
1 A=[0 1 1 0 1]; B=[1 1 0 1 0];  
2 A & B, A | B, ~A, xor(A,B)
```

Short-circuit operators

- `A && B` evaluates expression `B` only if `A` is `True`
- `A || B` evaluates expression `B` only if `A` is `False`

Example.

```
1 exist('file') & load('file')  
2 exist('file') && load('file')
```

Example

Press a key and return whether it is a digit or not

```
1 k=input('Press a key: ','s');  
2 if k>='0' && k<='9'  
3     disp('Digit')  
4 else  
5     disp('Not a digit')  
6 end
```

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The variable is expected to be a scalar or a string

```
1 switch variable
2   case value1
3     statements1
4   case value2
5     statements2
6   otherwise
7     statements
8 end
```

Example

Prompt the user for a digit, then display 0 if it is 0, < 5 if it is between 1 and 4 or ≥ 5 if it is larger or equal to 5.

```
1 i=input('Input a digit: ');
2 switch i
3     case 0
4         disp('0')
5     case {1,2,3,4}
6         disp('<5')
7     otherwise
8         disp('≥5')
9 end
```

Outline

① Conditional expressions

② Loops

③ Advanced usage

What is a loop?

Group of statements repeatedly executed as long as the conditional expression is True

Three main types of loops in MATLAB:

- `while`
- `for`
- Vectorizing loops

The while loop

Instructions are executed until the expression becomes False

```
1 while expression
2     statements
3 end
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Example.

Endless loop

```
1 i=0
2 while true
3     i=i+1
4 end
```

Example

```
1 o=input('Input a basic arithmetic operation: ','s');
2 i=1;
3 while (o(i) >= '0' && o(i) <= '9')
4     i = i+1;
5 end
6 n1=str2num(o(1:i-1));
7 n=o(i);
8 n2=str2num(o(i+1:end));
9 switch n
10     case '+'
11         n1+n2
12     case '-'
13         n1-n2
14     case '*'
15         n1*n2
16     case '/'
17         n1/n2
18     otherwise
19         disp('Not a basic arithmetic operation')
20 end
```

The for loop

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```
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3  end
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Example.

Display all the even numbers between 0 and 100

```
1  a=[]
2  for i=0:2:100
3      a=[a i]
4  end
```

Vectorizing loop

MATLAB: array/matrix language



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Example.

while vs. for vs. vectorization

```
1  a=zeros(1,100000000); i=1;
2  tic; while i<=100000000;
3      a(i)=2*(i-1); i=i+1;
4  end; toc;
5  a=zeros(1,100000000);
6  tic; for i=1:100000000;
7      a(i)=2*(i-1);
8  end; toc;
9  tic; [0:2:199999999]; toc;
```

Outline

1 Conditional expressions

2 Loops

3 Advanced usage

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Example.

Count the number of letters in a “word”

```
1 d={'1','2','3','4','5','6','7','8','9','0'}; cnt=0;
2 w=input('Input a word: ','s');
3 for i=1:length(w);
4     switch w(i);
5         case d;
6             continue;
7         case ' ';
8             break;
9         otherwise
10             cnt=cnt+1;
11 end, end, cnt
```

Efficiency

- Internal structure of matrices: linear memory

e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$

- Row or column first: 1 2 3 4 5 6 or 1 4 2 5 3 6
- MATLAB uses the “column-major order”
- Column should be in the outer loop

Example

Use a double loop to set all the element of the zero matrix to 1

```
1 N = 10000; a = zeros(N);  
2 tic;  
3 for j = 1:N  
4     for i=1:N  
5         a(j,i) = 1;  
6     end  
7 end  
8 toc;
```

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2 a=input('Vector: ')
3 b=(mod(a,2)==0);
4 c=a.^2;
5 c(~b)=a(~b).^3
```

Key points

- Why are conditional statements useful?
- How the check some conditions?
- How to loop in MATLAB?
- How to exit a loop?
- How to choose which type of loop to use?

Chapter 4

Functions and recursion

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- 1 Basics on functions
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Functions in MATLAB

- Function saved in a .m file
- The .m file must be in the “path”
- The function name must be the same as the filename
- `function [output1, output2,...] = Functionname(input1,input2,...)`
- The function can be called from another .m file or from the workspace

Example

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2  T=365*24*3600;  
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The function can be applied to any orbital system; e.g. Jupiter – Europa:
radius: 671034000 m, period: 306720 s, circumference: 439260000 m

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stat.m

```
1 function [mean,stdev] = stat(x)
2     n = length(x);
3     mean = avg(x,n);
4     stdev = sqrt(sum((x-mean).^2)/n);
5
6 function mean = avg(x,n)
7     mean = sum(x)/n;
```

Functions and sub-functions

In the previous example:

- How to save both the variable `mean` and `stdev`?
- How many Input have the `avg` and `stat` functions?
- Is the function `avg` accessible from the workspace, why?
- If `mean` is changed into `m` in the first function does it need to be changed in the second function, why?

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Mathematical functions

- Defining a function: `f=@(x) x^2-1`
- Integral: `syms z; int(z^2+1), int(z^2+1,0,1)`
- Differentiation: `syms t; diff(sin(t^2))`
- Limit: `limit(sin(t)/t,0)`
- Finding a root of a continuous function: `fzero(f,0.5)`
- Square root: `sqrt(9)`
- Nth root: `nthroot(4, 3)`

The save and load functions

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Partial solution: pseudo random number generator

Generating pseudorandom numbers

- `rand(n,m)`: $n \times m$ matrix of random numbers, following the uniform distribution
- `randn(n,m)`: $n \times m$ matrix of random numbers, following the standard normal distribution
- `random('name',parameters)`: generate random numbers following the distribution *name*, parameters may vary depending on the distribution
- `rand('state',datenum(clock))`: use a specific seed
- `randperm(n)`: random permutation

The sprintf function

Purpose: write formatted data into a string

Command: `sprintf(format,variable1, variable2...)`

- Format: string with special flag, replaced by value of the variables
- Special characters: carriage return/tab/backspace

Example.

```
1 sprintf('%g',pi)
2 sprintf('%d',round(pi))
3 sprintf('%s','pi')
4 a=[1 2 3;2 5 6;3 7 8];
5 sprintf('size: %d by %d', size(a))
```

File input/output

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fd=fopen('file.txt', 'permission')  
fclose(fd)
```

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Reading from a file: `fscanf(fd, format, size)`

- Reads a file
- Converts into the specified format
- Only reads size elements if size is specified
- Returns a matrix containing the read elements
- Returns an optional parameter: number of elements successfully read

`fgetl(fd)`: returns one line

Example

Given a text file where each line is composed of three fields, namely firstname, name and email, write a MATLAB function generating a text file where (i) the order of the lines is random and (ii) each line is composed of the same fields in the following order: name, firstname and email

Example

sortnames.m

```
1 function sortnames(fininput, foutput)
2     fd1=fopen(fininput,'r');
3     i=1;
4     line=fgetl(fd1);
5     while line ~= -1
6         a=find(isspace(line),2);
7         info{i}=sprintf('%s %s %s\n', line(a(1)+1:a(2)-1), ...
8             line(1:a(1)-1), line(a(2)+1:end));
9         i=i+1; line=fgetl(fd1);
10    end
11    fclose(fd1);
12
13    fd2=fopen(foutput,'w');
14    for j=randperm(i-1)
15        fprintf(fd2,info{j});
16    end
17    fclose(fd2);
```


Example

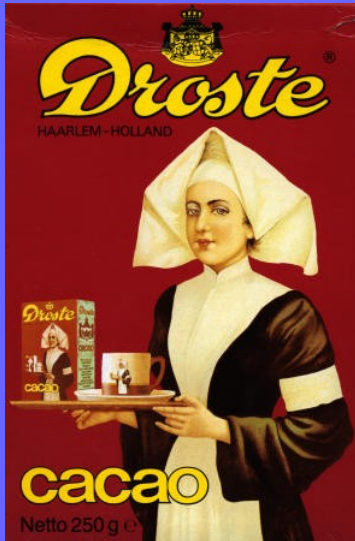
In this simple example:

- How to check the last line was reached, why?
- How to access the different fields?
- How to perform a random permutation?
- Each time a file is opened it **must** be _____

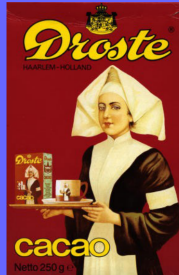
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Recursive acronyms

- GNU: GNU's Not Unix
- LAME: LAME Ain't an MP3 Encoder
- WINE: WINE Is Not an Emulator
- PHP: PHP Hypertext Preprocessor



A short recursive story

A child couldn't sleep, so her mother told her a story about a little frog, who couldn't sleep, so the frog's mother told her a story about a little bear, who couldn't sleep, so the bear's mother told her a story about a little weasel. . . who fell asleep. . . and the little bear fell asleep; . . and the little frog fell asleep; . . and the child fell asleep.

Recursion in computer science

Recursion: repeating items in a self-similar way

Given a process and some data, apply the same process using more simple data in order to describe this initial process and data

Strategy: a function calling itself

Numbers in words

For an automated information service a telephone company needs the digits of phone numbers to be read digit by digit. Therefore you are asked to rewrite a sequence of digits into words, with a space between each word; no space at the beginning and at the end.

Number in words

Input : A large integer n

Output : n , digit by digit, using words

```
1 Function PrintDigit( $n$ ):
2   case  $n$  do
3     0: print('zero'); 1: print('one'); 2: print('two');
4     3: print('three'); 4: print('four'); 5: print('five');
5     6: print('six'); 7: print('seven'); 8: print('eight');
6     9: print('nine'); else: error('not a digit');
7   end case
8 end
9 Function PrintDigits( $n$ ):
10  if  $n < 10$  then
11    | PrintDigit ( $n$ )
12  else
13    | PrintDigits ( $n \div 10$ );
14    | print(' '); PrintDigit ( $n \bmod 10$ )
15  end if
16 end
```

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Danger: memory usage

Key points

- Why should function be preferred over scripts?
- How to perform mathematical calculations in MATLAB?
- How to save the state of the workspace?
- What is recursion?
- When to use recursion?

Chapter 5

Plotting in MATLAB

Outline

① 2D plotting

② 3D plotting

③ Curve fitting

General plotting process

- ① Use plotting tools or functions to create a graph
- ② Extract data info/perform data fitting
- ③ Edit components (axes, labels. . .)
- ④ Add labels, arrow
- ⑤ Export, save, print. . .

Main plotting functions

- Plot the columns of x , versus their index: `plot(x)`
- Plot the vector x , versus the vector y : `plot(x,y)`
- Plot function between limits `fplot(f,lim)`
- More than one graph on the figure: `hold`

Plotting properties

Changing the aspect of the figure:

- Axis properties `axis`
- Line properties: `linespec`
- Marker properties

Simple example

```
1 y=exp(0:0.1:20);plot(y);
2 x=[0:0.1:20];y=exp(x);plot(x,y);
3 x=[-4:0.1:4];y=exp(-x.^2);plot(x,y,'-or');
4 hold on;
5 fplot('2*exp(-x^2)',[-4 4]);
6 hold off;
7 f=@(x) sin(1./x)
8 fplot(f,[0 .5])
9 hold;
10 fplot(f,[0 0.5],10000,'--r')
```

More plotting

- Polar graph: `polar(t,r)`
- Bar graph: `bar(x,y)`
- Horizontal bar graph: `barh(x,y)`
- Pie chart: `pie(x)`
- More than one plot: `subplot(mnp)`

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When?

Study data in more than one dimension
e.g. parametric equations:

```
1 t=0:.01:2*pi;  
2 x=sin(2.*t)+1;  
3 y=cos(t.^2);  
4 plot3(x,y,t);
```

- Visualise functions of two variables
- Create a surface plot of a function
- Display the contour of a function

Process

- ① Define the function
- ② Set up a mesh
- ③ “Study” the function:
 - Contour: `contour(x,y,z)`
 - Color map: `pcolor(x,y,z)`
 - 3D view: `surf(x,y,z)`

Example

```
1 [x,y]=meshgrid(-4:0.1:4);  
2 z=(x.^2-y.^2).*exp(-(x^2+y.^2));  
3 pcolor(x,y,z);  
4 contour(x,y,z);  
5 surf(x,y,z);  
6 shading interp;  
7 colormap gray;
```

More 3D plotting

- 3D bar graph: `bar3(x,y)`
- 3D horizontal bar graph: `bar3h(x,y)`
- 3D pie chart: `pie3(x)`

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Problem: find the best values to match what is observed

- Parametric fitting
- Non-parametric fitting

Parametric fitting

- ① Collect data
- ② Import data into MATLAB
- ③ Open curve fitting tool
- ④ Determine the best fit
- ⑤ Extrapolate the data

Getting started

- ① Collect data → done: US population from 1790 to 1990
- ② Import data into MATLAB → `load census`
- ③ Open curve fitting tool → `cftool`

Applying a fit

- 1 Provide a name for the fit
- 2 Select *cdate* for “*X* data”
- 3 Select *pop* for “*Y* data”
- 4 Test various types with different fit names

Finding a better fit

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On error/strange results, try to normalize the data

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Example.

```
1 X=[0:3:20]; Y=[12 15 14 16 19 23 24];  
2 interp1(X,Y,4.1)  
3 plot(X,Y,'*')  
4 hold;  
5 xi=[4.1 5.3 8.2 12.6];  
6 yi=interp1(X,Y,xi);  
7 plot(xi,yi,'o');
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`interp2(X,Y,Z,xi,yi,m)`: find the value of a 2-dimensional function at an intermediate point

Key points

- How to perform 2D plotting?
- How to keep or erase the previous graph?
- What is the use of `plot3`, `contour`, `pcolor`, and `surf`?
- How to measure the quality of a fit?

Chapter 6

Data types and structures

Outline

- 1 Data types
- 2 Example of application
- 3 More data types

Main problematic

Previous chapters:

- Focused on high level problems
- Did not address the internal mechanisms of the program

Not all the data is the same:

- How information is represented in the computer
- Determine the amount of storage allocated to a type of data
- Methods to encode the data
- Available operations of that data

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- ② **Two's complement:** Invert all the bits and add 1 to negate a number

e.g. $00101010 \rightarrow 11010101 + 1 = 11010110$

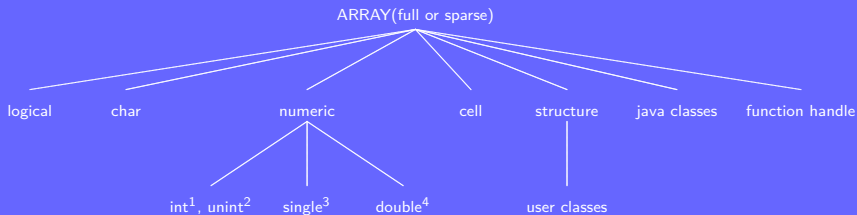
$$00101010 = -0 \cdot 2^7 + 2^5 + 2^3 + 2 = 42$$

$$11010110 = -1 \cdot 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^4 + 2^2 + 2 = 86 - 128 = -42$$

Why data types?

- Different numbers (integer, real, complex. . .)
- Different range (short, long. . .)
- Different precision (single, double. . .)
- Different types \Rightarrow different memory usage, performance

Data types in MATLAB



1. int: int8, int16, int32 and int64
2. uint: uint8, uint16, uint32 and uint64
3. 64 bits; realmax, realmin
4. 32bits; realmax('single'), realmin('single')

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Two methods for numeric conversions:

e.g. `cast(a, 'uint8')` or `uint8(a)`

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Useful string functions:

- `isletter`
- `isspace`
- `strcmp(s1,s2)`
- `strncmp(s1,s2,n)`
- `strncmpi(s1,s2,n)`
- `strcmpi(s1,s2)`
- `strrep(s1,s2,s3)`
- `strfind(s1,s2)`
- `findstr(s1,s2)`
- `num2str(a,FORMAT)`
- `str2num(s)`

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Solution.

```
1 clear all, clc;  
2 numbers=input('Input two numbers: ', 's');  
3 space=strfind(numbers, ' ');  
4 number1=str2num(numbers(1:space-1));  
5 number2=str2num(numbers(space+1:end));  
6 number1+number2
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Important to know what precision is (how many bytes the type is)

Lost in a file?

`ftell(fd)`: offset in bytes of the file position indicator

`fseek(fd,offset,origin)`: go to position offset starting at origin, where origin can be 'bof', 'cof' or 'eof' (i.e. beginning, current, end)

```
1 A=3:10;
2 fd=fopen('test','w'); fwrite(fd,A,'int32');
3 fclose(fd);
4 fd=fopen('test','r'); fseek(fd,4*4,'bof');
5 fread(fd,4,'int32'), ftell(fd)
6 fseek(fd,-8,'cof');fread(fd,4,'int32')
7 fclose(fd);
```

Lost in a file?

Alter the previous sample code by:

- Changing *A*
- Reading the numbers as `int64`
- Writing the numbers as `double` and reading them as `int8`
- Navigating in the file such as displaying consecutively: the first and fourth elements

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Student

	Name	_____	John Doe
	Gender	_____	Male
	Marks	_____	A, A+, B-

Structures in MATLAB

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```
1 student(1)= struct('name','iris num', 'gender',...  
2   'female', 'marks', [30 65 42]);  
3 student(2)= struct('name','jessica wen',...  
4   'gender', 'female', 'marks', [98 87 73]);  
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1 [m,i]=max([student(1:3).marks]);  
2 student(ceil(i/3)).name
```

Key points

- What is a data type?
- Cite the most common data types
- What is a data structure?
- Why are data structure of a major importance?

Chapter 7

Introduction to C

Outline

- 1 Basics on C
- 2 From C to machine code
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The birth of C

- Unix OS implemented in assembly
- New hardware → new possibilities
- New possibilities → new code
- AT&T Bell Labs 1969–1973
- Ken Thompson + Dennis Ritchie
- C as derived from B a strip-dwon version of BCPL



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Advantages of C:

- Performance
- Interface directly with hardware
- Higher level than assembly
- Low level enough
- Zero overhead principle

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- icc (Intel C Compiler)

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Program structure:

- The main function is compulsory, and must be unique
- Generic function prototype:
OutputType FunctionName(InputType InputName,...){
 function's body
}

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gm-def.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #define COURSE "VG101"
3  int main () {
4      printf("good morning %s!\n", COURSE);
5  }
```

Result of #define: gcc -E gm-def.c

Taking advantage of #define

The #ifdef and #ifndef instructions:

- Test if some “#define variable” is (un)set
- Compile different versions of a same program

gm-ifdef.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #define POLITE
3  int main () {
4  #ifdef POLITE
5      printf("good morning!\n");
6  #endif
7  }
```

gm-ifndef.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main () {
3  #ifndef RUDE
4      printf("good morning!\n");
5  #endif
6  }
```

Result of #if(n)def: gcc -E gm-if(n)def.c

More on #define

Writing simple macros:

- Define type-less functions
- Perform fast and simple actions
- To be used only on specific circumstances (e.g. min/max)
- Do not use for regular functions

gm-macro.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #define SPEAK(x) printf("good morning %s!\n",x)
3  int main () {
4      SPEAK("VG101");
5      SPEAK("VE475");
6  }
```

Result of macros: gcc -E gm-macro.c

Common compilation errors

Often the compilation process fails because of:

- Syntax errors
- Incompatible function declarations
- Wrong Input and Output types
- Operations unavailable for a specific data types
- Missing function declarations
- Missing machine codes for some functions

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More complex programs

The main function:

- Never write a whole program in the main function
- Use the main function to dispatch the work to other functions
- Most of the coding must be done outside of the main function

Reminders:

- Always add comments to the code
 - A single line: start with `//`
 - Multiple lines: anything between `/*` and `*/`
- As much as possible use a function per task or group of tasks
- If the program becomes large split it over several files

A long program

ans-orig.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  double answer(double d);
3  int main () {
4      double a;
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6      printf("%g\n", answer(a));
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Functions and operators used:

- Display the integer contained in *a*: `printf("%d",a)`
- Read and store an integer in *a*: `scanf("%d",&a)`
- Both functions can take a variable number of parameters
- Arithmetic operators: `+`, `-`, `/`, `%`

Organising a long program

ans-main.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include "ans.h"
3  int main () {
4      double a; scanf("%lf",&a); printf("%lf\n", answer(a));
5  }
```

ans.c

```
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```

ans.h

```
1  double answer(double d);
```

Compilation: gcc ans-main.c ans.c -o ans

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math.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <math.h>
3  int main() {
4      printf("%g\n", gamma(sqrt(cosh(M_PI/2))));
5  }
```

Key points

- Why is C one of the most widely used programming language?
- Is C a compiled or interpreted language?
- How to transform a C program into machine code?
- Why are data types of a major importance?

Chapter 8

Data types in C

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Types of variables

Three main categories of variables:

- Constant variables: `#define PI 3.14159`
- Global variables: defined for all functions
- Local variables: defined only in the function

Initialising variables

Common use:

- Variables for `#define` are UPPERCASE
- Other variables are lowercase
- Variables name not supposed to be longer than 31 characters
- Variable name start with `_` or a character

Basic data types

C data types:

- Integer: `int`
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- Character: `char`
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Amount of storage and range of values for each type not defined (except `char`)

Optional specifiers

Different variations available:

- `char:` `signed char`, `unsigned char`
- `int:` `short int`, `signed short int`, `unsigned short int`, `signed int`, `unsigned int`, `long int`, `signed long int`, `unsigned long int`, `long long int`, `signed long long int`, `unsigned long long int`
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Extra variations: `static`, `register`, `extern`, `volatile`

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The type must be defined before using a variable

Example.

```
1 float a=1.0; int b=3; double c;
```

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American Standard Codes for Information Interchange (ASCII)

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types1.c

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4  }
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```



types2.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main() {
3      printf("%d %f\n", 7/3, 7.0/3);
4      int a=42; char b=(char) a;
5      printf("%c\n", b);
6  }
```



Wrong data types

Understanding the code:

- What do %f, %d and %c mean?
- What is the type of 7/3 for the compiler?
- What is displayed for b?
- What is this character corresponding to?
- Why is this character displayed?

Type casting

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Danger!

Think of the size...

Try double to char, int to float

Example

types3.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main() {
3      float c=4.8; printf("%d\n", (int)c);
4      int f=42; printf("%c\n", (char)f);
5      double a=487511234.7103;
6      char b=(char) a;
7      printf("%c, %c\n",b,a);
8      int d=311;
9      float e=(float) d;
10     printf("%d %f\n",d,e);
11     printf("%c\n",d);
12 }
```



Example

Understanding the code:

- Which type casting work well?
- What is the length of a `char`?
- What is the length of an `int`?
- What is printed for `d`?
- What is the issue when displaying `d` as a `char`?

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What, why data types?

More data types in C:

- Bits $\in \{0, 1\}$, 1 byte = 8 bits
- Operating data at low level, e.g. shift «, »
- `char` does not necessarily contains a character
- Logical operation of a major importance
- Focus on efficiency, data representation
- Structures, enumerate, union

Structures

st.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  typedef struct _person {
3      char* name;
4      int age;
5  } person;
6  int main () {
7      person al={"albert",32};
8      person gil;
9      gil.name="gilbert";
10     gil.age=23;
11     struct _person so={"sophie",56};
12     printf("%s %d\n",al.name, al.age);
13     printf("%s %d\n",gil.name, gil.age);
14     printf("%s %d\n",so.name, so.age);
15 }
```

Structures

Understanding the code:

- How is a structure defined?
- How to define a new type?
- What are two ways to set the value of a field in a structure?
- How to access the values of the different fields in a structure?

Functions and structures

st-fct.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  typedef struct person {
3      char* name; int age;
4  } person_t;
5  person_t older(person_t p);
6  int main () {
7      person_t al={"albert",32};
8      al=older(al);
9      printf("%s %d\n",al.name,al.age);
10 }
11 person_t older(person_t p) {
12     printf("%s %d\n",p.name, p.age);
13     p.age++;
14     return p;
15 }
```

Functions and structures

Understanding the code:

- How is the age increased?
- How are the person's information sent to a function?
- How to return the person's information after the function?
- How many output can a C function have?

Key points

- What are the main data types in C?
- How to perform type casting?
- Can a `char` contain something else than a character?
- How to define and use structures on C?

Chapter 9

Syntax and control statements

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- 1 General syntax
- 2 Conditional statements
- 3 Loops

Program structure

Reminder:

- First lines
- Function name
- Brackets
- Input
- Output
- End of line

Blocks

blocks.c

```
1  #include <stdlib.h>
2  #include <stdio.h>
3  int main () {
4      {
5          int a=0;
6          printf("%d ",a);
7      }
8      {
9          double a=1.124;
10         printf("%f ",a);
11     }
12     {
13         char a='a';
14         printf("%c ",a);
15     }
16     // printf("%d",a);
17 }
```

Shorthand operators

Common shortcuts:

- Increment: `++`, e.g. `a++` \Leftrightarrow `a=a+1`
- Decrement: `--`, e.g. `a--` \Leftrightarrow `a=a-1`
- Add: `x+=y` \Leftrightarrow `x=x+y`
- Subtract: `x-=y` \Leftrightarrow `x=x-y`
- Multiply: `x*=y` \Leftrightarrow `x=x*y`
- Divide: `x/=y` \Leftrightarrow `x=x/y`

Jumping!

jump.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main() {
3      int i=0;
4      printf("I am at position %d\n",i);
5      i++;
6      goto end;
7      printf("I am at position %d\n",i);
8      end:
9          i++;
10         printf("It all ends here, at position %d\n",i);
11     return 0;
12     i++;
13     printf("Unless it's here at position %d\n",i);
14 }
```

Jumping!

Questions

Understanding the code:

- What positions are displayed?
- Why are some positions skipped?
- How to use the goto statement?
- Why should the goto statement (almost) never be used?

Example

Write a short C program where the main function calls a function “apbp1” which takes two floats a and b as input and returns the nearest integer to $a + b + 1$.

Hint: how to round a real number to the nearest integer?

Solution

apbp1.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int apbp1 (float a, float b);
3  int main () {
4      float a, b;
5      scanf("%f %f", &a,&b);
6      printf("%d\n", apbp1(a,b));
7  }
8  int apbp1 (float a, float b) {
9      a++; a+=b;
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Questions: how are shorthand operators and casting used here?

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Important operators

Basics on conditional statements:

- No boolean type
- $0 \Leftrightarrow \text{False}$, $\neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{True}$
- $<$, \leq , $>$, \geq , $==$, $!=$: return 1 if True, 0 otherwise
- Not: $!$, and: $\&\&$, or: $||$
- Operations on bits: and: $\&$, or: $|$, xor: \wedge

Note: $\&\&$ and $||$ are short-circuit operators; second operand only evaluated if result not fully determined by first one

A new operator

Conditional ternary operator: `?:`

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```
1 #define MAX(a,b) a>=b ? a : b
```

The if and switch statements

```
1  if (condition) {  
2      statements;  
3  }  
4  else {  
5      statements;  
6  }
```

```
1  switch(variable) {  
2      case value1:  
3          statements;  
4          break;  
5      case value2:  
6          statements;  
7          break;  
8      default:  
9          statements;  
10         break;  
11 }
```

Example

cards.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <time.h>
4  #define ACE 14
5  #define KING 13
6  #define QUEEN 12
7  #define JACK 11
8  int main () {
9      int c;
10     srand(time(NULL)); c=rand()%13+2;
11     switch (c) {
12         case ACE: printf("Ace\n"); break;
13         case KING: printf("King\n"); break;
14         case QUEEN: printf("Queen\n"); break;
15         case JACK: printf("Jack\n"); break;
16         default: printf("%d\n",c); break;
17     }
18 }
```

Example

Understanding the code:

- Write this code using the `if` statement
- Adapt the code such as to display the complete card name (e.g. “Ace of spades”)
- What happens if a `break` is removed?
- Explain why and compare to the behavior in MATLAB

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The while and do...while statements

```
1 while (conditions) {  
2     statements;  
3 }
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```
1 int i=0;  
2 while(i++<3) {  
3     printf("%d",i);  
4 }
```

```
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2 do {  
3     printf("%d",i);  
4 } while(i++<3);
```

The for statement

```
1 for(init;test;step) { statements; }
```

- `init`: executed at the beginning of the loop
- `test`: executed at the beginning of each iteration to determine whether to stop or continue
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```
1  for(i=0; i<n; i++)
2      printf("%d ", i);
3  i=0; for(;i<n;i++)
4      printf("%d ", i);
5  for(i=0; i<n;)
6      {printf("%d\n",i); i++;}
7  for(i=0;i<n;)
8      printf("%d ",i++);
```

```
1  fct=1;
2  for(i=1;i<=n;i++) fct*=i;
3  printf("%d ", fct);
4  for(i=1,fct=1;i<=n;fct*=i,i++);
5  printf("%d ", fct);
6  for(i=1,fct=1;i<=n;fct*=i++);
7  printf("%d\n", fct);
```

The `break` and `continue` statements

Acting from within a loop:

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```
1  for(i=0;i<10;i++) {  
2      scanf("%d",&n);  
3      if(n==0) break;  
4      else if(n>=10) continue;  
5      printf("%d\n", n);  
6  }
```

Key points

- How are blocks defined?
- What are the shorthand operators?
- How to perform condition statements in C?
- How to write loops in C?

Chapter 10

Arrays and pointers

Outline

① Arrays

② Pointers

③ Pointers and arrays

What is an array?

Array: indexed collection of values of a same type (e.g. array of integers, floats...), first index being 0

Array declared through three parameters:

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What are the sizes in bits of the two previous arrays?

Example

```
1 int a[4]={1,2,3,4};
```

How to:

- Set the first element of the array to 0
- Add 1 to the second element of the array
- Set the third element to the sum of the third and fourth
- Display all the elements in the array

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```
1  a[0]=0;  
2  a[1]++;  
3  a[2]+=a[3];  
4  for (i=0; i<4;i++) printf("%d\n",a[i]);
```

Arrays and functions

array-fct.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  double average(int arr[], size_t size);
3  int main () {
4      int elem[5]={1000, 2, 3, 17, 50};
5      printf("%lf\n",average(elem,5));
6  }
7  double average(int arr[], size_t size) {
8      int i;
9      double avg, sum=0;
10     for (i = 0; i < size; ++i) {
11         sum += arr[i];
12     }
13     avg = sum / size;
14     return avg;
15 }
```

Arrays and functions

Understanding the code:

- Why is the prototype of the function `average` mentioned before the `main` function?
- How to pass an array to a function?
- Is the size of an array automatically passed to a function?
- When passing an array to a function how to ensure the function knows its size?

Problem

The following C program simulates multiple die rolls and print how many times each side appears. Adapt it to handle two dice.

die.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <time.h>
3  #define SIDES 6
4  #define ROLLS 1000
5  int main () {
6      int i, tab[SIDES];
7      srand(time(NULL));
8      for (i=0; i < SIDES; i++) tab[i]=0;
9      for (i=0; i < ROLLS; i++) tab[rand()%SIDES]++;
10     for (i=0;i<SIDES;i++) printf("%d (%d)\t",i+1,tab[i]);
11     printf("\n");
12 }
```

Question: how is the array initialized?

Solution

dice.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #define DICE 4
3  #define SIDES 10
4  #define ROLLS 100000
5  int main () {
6      int i, j, t, res[DICE*SIDES-DICE+1]={0};
7      srand(time(NULL));
8      for (i=0; i < ROLLS; i++) {
9          t=0;
10         for(j=0;j<DICE;j++) t+=rand()%SIDES;
11         res[t]++;
12     }
13     for (i=0;i<DICE*SIDES-DICE+1;i++) {
14         printf("%d (%d)  ",i+DICE,res[i]);
15     }
16     printf("\n");
17 }
```

Solution

Understanding the code:

- How is the array initialized?
- What is $DICE * SIDES - DICE + 1$?
- Why are all the elements of the table `res` initialized to 0?
- What is the variable `t` storing?

Multidimensional arrays

dice-m.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <string.h>
4  #include <time.h>
5  #define DICE 10
6  #define SIDES 6
7  #define ROLLS 100000
8  int main () {
9      int i, j, t, table[DICE][ROLLS], res[DICE*SIDES-DICE+1];
10     srand(time(NULL));
11     memset(table, 0, DICE*ROLLS*sizeof(int));
12     for(i=0;i<DICE;i++)
13         for (j=0; j < ROLLS; j++) table[i][j]=(rand()%SIDES)+1;
14     for (i=0;i<ROLLS;i++) {
15         t=0;
16         for(j=0;j<DICE;j++) t+=table[j][i];
17         res[t-DICE]++;
18     }
19     for (i=0;i<DICE*SIDES-DICE+1;i++) printf("%d (%d) ",i+DICE,res[i]);
20     printf("\n");
21 }
```

Summary questions

In the previous three short programs:

- What three ways were used to initialize the arrays?
- Why is $i + 1$ in the first program and then $i + DICE$ in the two others printed, instead of i ?
- In the multidimensional array program, is the order of the loops important? That is loop over DICE and then ROLLS vs. loop over ROLLS and then DICE.
- Rewrite the previous code (10.210) using a function taking dice, sides, and rolls as input
- Explain how multi-dimensional arrays are stored in the memory

Outline

1 Arrays

2 Pointers

3 Pointers and arrays

What is a pointer?

Pointer:

- Something that directs, indicates, or points
- Low level but powerful facility available in C

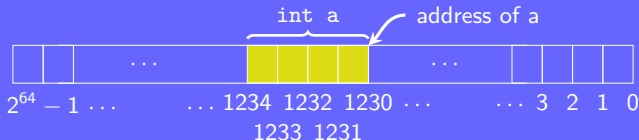
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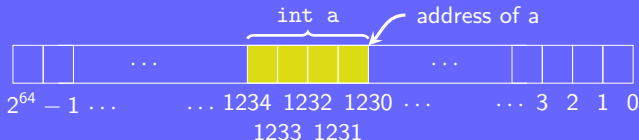
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A pointer points to a variable, it is the address of the variable

How to use pointers

Handling pointers:

- If a variable x is defined, then its address is $\&x$
- If the address of a variable is x , then the value stored at this address is $*x$;
- The operator “*” is called *dereferencing* operator

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Type of a pointer:

- A pointer is an address represented as a `long long int`
- It is easy to define a pointer of pointer
- The type of the variable stored at an address must be provided
- Defining a pointer: `type* variable;`

Why using pointers?

swap.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  void swap(int a,int b);
3  int main() {
4      int a=2, b=5;
5      swap(a,b);
6      printf("a = %d, ",a);
7      printf("b = %d\n",b);
8      return 0;
9  }
10 void swap(int a,int b) {
11     int temp=a;
12     a=b;
13     b=temp;
14 }
```

swap-p.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  void swap(int *a,int *b);
3  int main() {
4      int a=2, b=5;
5      swap(&a,&b);
6      printf("a = %d, ",a);
7      printf("b = %d\n",b);
8      return 0;
9  }
10 void swap(int* a,int* b) {
11     int temp=*a;
12     *a=*b;
13     *b=temp;
14 }
```

Why using pointers?

Understanding the code:

- What is the difference between the two programs?
- Which one returns the proper result?
- Why is one of the programs not working?
- Why is the other program working?
- Why were pointers used in the second program?

Example

ptr.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  void pointers();
3  int main() {pointers();}
4  void pointers() {
5      float x=0.5; float *xp1;
6      float **xp2 = &xp1; xp1 = &x;
7      printf("%lld %p\n%p\n%f ",xp1,&x,*xp2,**xp2);
8      x=**xp2+*xp1; printf("%f\n",x);
9  }
```

Questions:

- Without running the program guess the final value of x
- Alter the program to display *xp2
- Explain the result

Dynamic memory

Possible to allocate memory as a block of a certain type (e.g. a block of n integers or floats)

- `malloc(n)`: allocates n bytes of memory, and returns a pointer on the first chunk (address of the first chunk)
- `calloc(n, s)`: allocates n chunks of memory, each one of size s bytes, and returns a pointer on the first chunk (address of the first chunk); memory is set to 0
- `realloc(ptr, s)`: changes the size of the memory block pointed to by ptr to s bytes
- `free(ptr)`: frees the memory space pointed to by ptr

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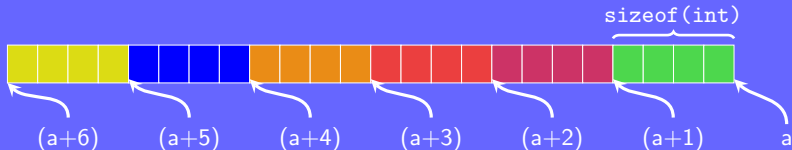
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```



Question: what is `(a+6)`?

Pointers and structures

str-p.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  typedef struct person {
4      char* name; int age;
5  } person_t;
6  int main () {
7      person_t al={"albert",32};
8      person_t* group1=malloc(3*sizeof(person_t));
9      group1->name="gilbert";
10     group1->age=34;
11     *(group1+1)=(person_t){ "joseph",28};
12     (*(group1+2)).name="emily";
13     (group1+2)->age=42;
14     printf("%s %d %d\n",al.name, al.age, sizeof(person_t));
15     printf("%s %d\n", (group1+1)->name, (group1+2)->age);
16     free(group1);
17     return 0;
18 }
```

Pointers and structures

Understanding the code:

- How to use `malloc`?
- What are the different ways to access elements of a structure when the variable is not a pointer?
- What are the different ways to access elements of a structure when the variable is a pointer?
- Why should the pointer be freed at the end of the program?

General notes

Remarks on pointers:

- Not possible to choose the address (e.g. `int *p; p=12345;`)
- The `NULL` pointer “points nowhere”
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A good practice consists in checking the memory allocation:

```
1 char* p = malloc(100);  
2 if (p == NULL) {  
3     fprintf(stderr, "Error: out of memory");  
4     exit(1);  
5 }
```

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Pointer vs. array

arr-ptr.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  void ptr_vs_arr();
3  int main () {
4      ptr_vs_arr();
5  }
6  void ptr_vs_arr(){
7      char a[]="good morning!";
8      char* p="Good morning!";
9      printf("%c %c\n",a[0], *p);
10     a[0]='t'; /*p='t';
11     p=a; //a=p;
12     p++; //a++;
13     printf("%c %c %d %d\n",a[0], *p,sizeof(a), sizeof(p));
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An array *contains* the elements, a pointer *points* to them.

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arr-ptr2.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  void arr_as_ptr(){
3      int i; int a[4]={1, 2, 3, 4};
4      for(i=0;i<4;i++) {
5          printf("&a[%d]=%p (a+%d)=%p\n"\  
6              "a[%d]=%d *(a+%d)=%d\n",\  
7              i,&a[i],i,(a+1),i,a[i],i,*(a+i));
8      }
9  }
10 int main () {arr_as_ptr();}
```

Revisiting the dice

dice-mp.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <time.h>
4  void roll_dice(int dice, int sides, int rolls){
5      int i, j, t;
6      int *res=calloc((dice*sides-dice+1),sizeof(int));
7      int *table=malloc(dice*rolls*sizeof(int));
8      for(i=0;i<rolls;i++) {
9          for (j=0; j < dice; j++) table[i*dice+j]=(rand()%sides)+1;
10     }
11     for (i=0;i<rolls;i++) {
12         t=0; for(j=0;j<dice;j++) t+=table[i*dice+j]; res[t-dice]++;
13     }
14     for (i=0;i<dice*sides-dice+1;i++) printf("%d (%d) ",i+dice,res[i]);
15     printf("\n"); free(table); free(res);
16 }
17 int main () {
18     int dice=4, sides=6, rolls=1000000;
19     srand(time(NULL)); roll_dice(dice,sides,rolls);
20 }
```

Revisiting the dice

Understanding the code:

- How is the array `table` handled?
- What happened in the previous version with 1000000 rolls?
- Is the same happening now, why?
- How is the program organised?
- How are `malloc` and `calloc` used?

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Back to the swap function (10.215)

Key points

- What are the three information necessary to define an array?
- What are `&a` and `*a`?
- Given a pointer on a structure how to access a specific field?
- Are pointers and array the same?
- When memory has been allocated and is not needed anymore, what must be done?
- How to have more than one output in a function?

Chapter 11

Algorithm and efficiency

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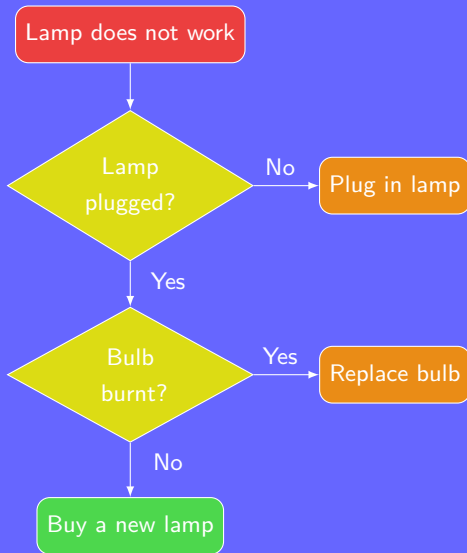
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What is already known

Reminders:

- Algorithm \Leftrightarrow recipe
- 3 main components:
 - Input
 - Output
 - Instructions
- Clear algorithm often easy to implement
- Adjust algorithm to fit the language

Flowchart



Design paradigms

Most common types of algorithms:

- Brute force → often most obvious, rarely best
- Divide and conquer → often recursive
- Search and enumeration → model problem using a graph
- Randomized algorithms → feature random choices
 - Monte Carlo algorithms → correct answer with high probability
 - Las Vegas algorithms → always correct answer but random running time
- Complexity reduction → rewrite a problem into an easier one

Efficiency

When writing a program:

- How efficient does the program need to be?
- What language to choose?
- Is it possible to optimize the code?
- What size are the Input?
- Is it worth implementing a more complex algorithm?

Computational complexity

Complexity: measures how hard it is to solve a problem

Common complexity types:

- Best-case complexity
- Average-case complexity
- Worst case-complexity
- Time vs. space complexity

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<stdio.h>

Traveling in a file:

- Open a file: `FILE *fopen(const char *path, const char *mode);` where mode is one of `r`, `r+`, `w`, `w+`, `a`, `a+`; `NULL` returned on error
- Close a file: `int fclose(FILE *fp);` return 0 upon successful completion
- Seek in a file: `int fseek(FILE *stream, long offset, int whence);` where whence can be set to `SEEK_SET`, `SEEK_CUR`, or `SEEK_END`
- Current position: `long ftell(FILE *stream);`
- Back to the beginning: `void rewind(FILE *stream);`

<stdio.h>

Reading and writing:

- Write in stream:
`int fprintf(FILE *stream, const char *format, ...);`
- Write in string:
`int sprintf(char *str, const char *format, ...);`
- Flush a stream: `int fflush(FILE *stream);`
- Read *size* – 1 characters from a stream:
`char *fgets(char *s, int size, FILE *stream);`
- Read next character from stream and cast it to an int:
`int getc(FILE *stream);`

<string.h>

Strings:

- Length of a string: `size_t strlen(const char *s);`
- Copy a string:
`char *strcpy(char *dest, const char *src);`
- Copy at most *n* bytes of *src*:
`char *strncpy(char *dest, const char *src, size_t n);`
- Compare two strings:
`int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);`
returned int is < 0 , 0 , > 0 if $s1 < s2$, $s1 = s2$, $s1 > s2$
- Compare the first *n* bytes of two strings:
`int strncmp(const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n);`
- Locate a character in a string:
`char *strchr(const char *s, int c);`

<string.h>

Accessing memory:

- Fill memory with a constant byte:

```
void *memset(void *s, int c, size_t n);
```

- Copy memory area, overlap allowed:

```
void *memmove(void *dest, const void *src, size_t n);
```

- Copy memory area, overlap not allowed:

```
void *memcpy(void *dest, const void *src, size_t n);
```

<ctype.h>

Classifying elements (returns 0 if FALSE and nonzero if TRUE):

- `int isalnum(int c);`
- `int isalpha(int c);`
- `int isspace(int c);`
- `int isdigit(int c);`
- `int islower(int c);`
- `int isupper(int c);`

Converting uppercase or lowercase

- `int toupper(int c);`
- `int tolower(int c);`

`<math.h>`

A few mathematical functions (input and output are doubles):

- Trigonometry: `sin(x)`, `cos(x)`, `tan(x)`
- Exponential and logarithm:
`exp(x)`, `log(x)`, `log2(x)`, `log10(x)`
- Power and square root: `pow(x,y)`, `sqrt(x)`
- Rounding: `ceil(x)`, `floor(x)`

Mathematics:

- Absolute value: `int abs(int j);`
- Quotient and remainder:
`div_t div(int num, int denom);`
`div_t`: structure containing two `int`, `quot` and `rem`

Pointers:

- `void *malloc(size_t size);`
- `void *calloc(size_t nobj, size_t size);`
- `void *realloc(void *p, size_t size);`
- `void free(void *ptr);`

<stdlib.h>

Strings:

- String to integer: `int atoi(const char *s);`
e.g. `atoi("512.035");` returns 512
- String to long:
`long int strtol(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);`

Misc:

- Execute a system command: `int system(const char *cmd);`
- Sorting:
`void qsort(void *base, size_t nmemb, size_t size,
int (*compar)(const void *, const void *));`
- Searching:
`void *bsearch(const void *key, const void *base,
size_t nmemb, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *,
const void *));`

`<time.h>`

Useful functions for simple benchmarking:

- Getting time: `time_t time(time_t *t);`
- Calculate time difference:
`double difftime(time_t time1, time_t time0);`

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Linear search

linear-search.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <time.h>
4  #define SIZE 200
5  #define MAX 1000
6  int main () {
7      int i, n, k=0;
8      int data[SIZE];
9      srand(time(NULL));
10     for(i=0; i<SIZE; i++) data[i]=rand()%MAX;
11     n=rand()%MAX;
12     for(i=0; i<SIZE; i++) {
13         if(data[i]==n) {
14             printf("%d found at position %d\n",n,i);
15             k++;
16         }
17     }
18     if(k==0) printf("%d not found\n",n);
19 }
```

Linear search

Adapt the previous code to:

- Read the data from a text file
- Read the value n for the standard input
- Exit the program when the first match is found
- Use pointers and dynamic memory allocation instead of arrays

Binary search

binary-search.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <time.h>
4  #define SIZE 200
5  int main () {
6      int i, n, k=0, low=0, high=SIZE-1, mid;
7      int *data=malloc(SIZE*sizeof(int));
8      srand(time(NULL));
9      for(i=0;i<SIZE;i++) *(data+i)=2*i;
10     n=rand()%(data+i-1);
11     while(high >= low) {
12         mid=(low + high)/2;
13         if(n < *(data+mid)) high = mid - 1;
14         else if(n> *(data+mid)) low = mid + 1;
15         else {printf("%d found at position %d\n",n,mid);
16             free(data); exit(0);}
17     }
18     printf("%d not found\n",n);
19     free(data);
20 }
```

Binary search

Using the previous code:

- Write a clear algorithm for the binary search
- For a binary search to return a correct result what extra condition should be added on the data?
- Compare the efficiency of a binary search to a linear search; that is on the same data set compare the execution time of the two programs
- Adapt the previous code to use arrays instead of pointers

Selection sort

selection-sort.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <time.h>
4  #define SIZE 200
5  #define MAX 1000
6  int main () {
7      int data[SIZE];
8      srand(time(NULL));
9      for(int i=0; i<SIZE; i++) data[i]=rand()%MAX;
10     for(int i=0; i<SIZE; i++) {
11         int t, min = i;
12         for(int j=i; j<SIZE; j++) if(data[min]>data[j]) min = j;
13         t = data[i];
14         data[i] = data[min];
15         data[min] = t;
16     }
17     printf("Sorted array: ");
18     for(int i=0; i<SIZE; i++) printf("%d ",data[i]);
19     printf("\n");
20 }
```

Selection sort

- From the previous code write a clear algorithm describing selection sorting
- How efficient is the selection sort algorithm?
- In the previous program what is the scope of the variables?
- Rewrite the previous code into an independent function
- Generate some unsorted random data and write it in a file; then read the file, sort the data and use a binary search to find a value input by the user

Key points

- Is the most important, the algorithm or the code?
- Cite two types of algorithms
- How is efficiency measured?
- Where to find C functions?

Chapter 12

Introduction to C++

Outline

① Before starting with C++

② C and C++

③ C++ syntax

A bit of history

- Bjarne Stroustrup
- BCPL too low level
- Simula too slow
- 1979: C with classes
- 1983: C++
- 1985: first commercial implementation of C++
- 1989: updated version, C++2.0
- 2011: new version, C++11, enlarged standard library
- 2014: C++14, bug fixes, minor improvements



Describing C++

C++ in a few words:

- Programming language
- Compiled language
- General-purpose programming language
- Intermediate language
- Object-oriented programming language

Reasons for using C++?

Highlights of C++:

- Performance
- Higher level than C
- Code often shorter/cleaner
- Safer (more errors caught at compile time)
- No runtime overhead

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1 Before starting with C++

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3 C++ syntax

C vs. C++

What C++ brings:

- All aspects of C preserved
- Add new features
- Easier to write sophisticated programs

C++ is almost a superset of C

C or C++?

prg.cpp

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2
3  int main () {
4
5      int a=5;
6      printf("%d\n",a);
7
8  }
```

Why easier?

A new approach:

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- Object oriented programming
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Programmer focuses more on his problem and less on how to explain it to the machine

A difference

C

Implicit assignment from `*void`:

```
1 int *x = \  
2     malloc(sizeof(int)*10);
```

C++

No implicit assignment from `*void`:

```
1 int *x = \  
2     (int *) malloc(sizeof(int)*10);
```

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Most of the syntax similar to C:

- Function declaration
- Blocks
- For loop
- While loop
- If statement
- Switch statement
- Shorthand operators
- Logical operators
- Short-circuit operators
- Conditional ternary operator

Novelties

- New type:

```
1 bool a=true, b=false;
```

- New headers format:

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

Namespace

A wider perspective:

- C: function names conflicts among different libraries
- C++: introduction of *namespace*
- Each library/program has its own namespace
- Standard library: `std`

Input/Output

Handling I/O without printf, scanf

- Output:

```
1 cout << "Enter a number (-1 = quit): ";
```

- Input:

```
1 cin >> x;
```

Input

input-pb.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  void TestInput(){
4      int x = 0;
5      do {
6          cout << "Enter a number (-1 to quit): ";
7          cin >> x;
8          if(x != -1) cout << x << " was entered" << endl;
9      } while(x != -1);
10     cout << "Exit" << endl;
11 }
12 int main() {TestInput(); return 0;}
```

Challenge: input a letter... and exit

Input

input-ok1.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  void TestInput(){
4      int x = 0;
5      do {
6          cout << "Enter a number (-1 to quit): ";
7          if(!(cin >> x)) {
8              cout << "The input stream broke!" << endl;
9              x = -1;
10         }
11         if(x != -1) cout << x << " was entered" << endl;
12     } while(x != -1);
13     cout << "Exit" << endl;
14 }
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Input

input-ok2.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  void TestInput(){
4      int x=0;
5      do {
6          cout << "Enter a number (-1 to quit): ";
7          cin >> x;
8          cin.clear();
9          cin.ignore(10000, '\n');
10         if(x != -1) cout << x << " was entered" << endl;
11     } while(x != -1);
12     cout << "Exit" << endl;
13 }
14 int main() {TestInput(); return 0;}
```

Formating output

Nicer display requires `#include <iomanip>`

- Field width: `setw(width)`
- Justification: `setiosflags(ios::left)`
- Precision: `setprecision(2)`
- Leading character: `setfill('z')`

Example

date.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <iomanip>
3  using namespace std;
4  void showDate(int m, int d, int y) {
5      cout.fill('0');
6      cout << setw(2) << m << '/' << setw(2) << d << '/'
7          << setw(4) << y << endl;
8  }
9  int main(){
10     showDate(6,10,2014);
11     cout << setprecision(3) << 1.2244 << endl;
12 }
```


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Similar concept: function overloading

fo.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  double f(double a);
4  int f(int a);
5  int main () {cout << f(2) << endl; cout << f(2.3) << endl;}
6  double f(double a) {return a;}
7  int f(int a) {return a;}
```

Pointers

No more `malloc`, `calloc` and `free`:

- Memory for a variable: `int *p = new int;`
- Memory for an array: `int *p = new int[10];`
- Array size can be a variable (not recommended in C)
- Return `NULL` on failure
- Release the memory: `delete p` or `delete[] p`

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```

More possibilities: search and learn how to use strings in C++

File I/O

Requires header: `#include <fstream>`

- Open file for reading: `ifstream in("file.txt")`
- Read from a file: `in` used in the same way as `cin`
- Open a file for writing: `ofstream out("file.txt")`
- Write in a file: `out` used in the same way as `cout`
- Read from a file, line by line: `getline(in,s)`

Example

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fio.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  using namespace std;
5  void FileIO() {
6      string s;
7      ifstream a("1.txt"); ofstream b("2.txt");
8      while(getline(a,s)) {b << s << endl;  cout << s;}
9  }
10 int main () {FileIO();return 0;}
```

Example

fio-c.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  using namespace std;
5  void FileIO(){
6      string s;
7      ifstream a("1.txt"); ofstream b("2.txt",ios::app);
8      if (a.is_open() && b.is_open()) {
9          while(getline(a,s)) {b << s << endl; cout << s;}
10         b.close(); a.close();
11     }
12     else cerr << "Unable to open the file(s)\n";
13 }
14 int main () {FileIO();return 0;}
```

Defining constants

C

- `#define PI 3.14`
- Handled early in compilation
- No record of PI at compile time

C++

- `static const float PI=3.14;`
- PI is a constant, value cannot be changed
- PI is known by the compiler, present in the symbol table
- Type safe

Inline functions

C

- Macros
- Macros expanded early in the compilation
- Hard to debug
- Side effect with complex macros

C++

- Inline functions
- Treated by the compiler
- Similar as a regular function
- Does not call the function but write a copy of it instead
- Increase size of the program

```
1 inline int sq(int x) { return x*x; }
```

Key points

- What is the difference between C and C++?
- Cite a few novelties
- How to handle input/output?
- How to handle pointers?
- What are operator and function overloading?

Chapter 13

Object and class

Outline

- 1 Basic concepts
- 2 Writing and implementing a class
- 3 Dealing with objects

Procedural programming

Programming approach used so far:

- Program written as a sequence of procedures
- Each procedure fulfills a specific task
- All tasks together compose a whole project
- Further from human thinking
- Requires higher abstraction

Object oriented programming

A new approach:

- Everything is an object
- Objects communicate between them by sending messages
- Each object has its own type
- Object of a same type can receive the same message

Object

An object has two main components:

- The data it contains, what is known to the object, its attributes or data members
- The behavior it has, what can be done by the object, its methods or function members

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Example.

Given a simple TV:

- Methods: high level actions (e.g. on/off, channel, volume) and low level actions (e.g. on internal electronics components)
- Attributes: buttons and internal electronics components

Class and instance

Class:

- Defines the family, type or nature of an object
- Equivalent of the type in “traditional programming”

Instance:

- Realisation of an object from a given class
- Equivalent of a variable in “traditional programming”

Example.

Two same TVs (same model/manufacturer) are two instances from a same class

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Example.

Create an object `circle`:

- ① What is requested (methods):
 - `move`
 - `zoom`
 - `area`
- ② How to achieve it (attributes):
 - Position of the center (x, y)
 - Radius of the circle

Class interface

The interface of a class:

- Is equivalent to `header.h` file in C
- Contains the description of the object
- Splits into two main parts
 - Public definition of the class: user methods
 - Private attributes/methods: not accessible to the user but necessary to the “good functioning”

Example.

In the case of a TV:

- Public methods: on/off, change channel, change volume
- Public attributes: remote control and buttons
- Private methods: actions on the internal components
- Private attributes: internal electronics

A note on visibility

Private or public:

- Private members can only be accessed by member functions within the class
- Users can only access public members

Benefits:

- Internal implementation can be easily adjusted without affecting the user code
- Accessing private attributes is forbidden: more secure

Default behavior: private

Good practice: render public only if necessary

Example

circle-v0.h

```
1  class Circle {  
2      /* user methods (and attributes)*/  
3      public:  
4          void move(float dx, float dy);  
5          void zoom(float scale);  
6          float area();  
7      /* implementation attributes (and methods) */  
8      private:  
9          float x, y;  
10         float r;  
11 };
```

Instantiation

Using the created objects:

- Include the class using the header file
- Declare one or more instances
- Classes similar to structures in C:
 - Structure only contains attributes
 - Class also contains methods
- Calling a method on an object: `instance.method`

Example

main-v0.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include "circle_v0.h"
3  using namespace std;
4  int main () {
5      float s1, s2;
6      Circle circ1, circ2;
7      circ1.move(12,0);
8      s1=circ1.area(); s2=circ2.area();
9      cout << "area: " << s1 << endl;
10     cout << "area: " << s2 << endl;
11     circ1.zoom(2.5);
12     s1=circ1.area();
13     cout << "area: " << s1 << endl;
14 }
```

Implementation

Getting things ready:

- Class interface is ready
- Instantiation is possible
- Does not compile: no implementation of the class yet
- Syntax: `classname::methodname`

Example

circle-v0.cpp

```
1  #include "circle_v0.h"
2  static const float PI=3.1415926535;
3  void Circle::move(float dx, float dy) {
4      x += dx;
5      y += dy;
6  }
7  void Circle::zoom(float scale) {
8      r *= scale;
9  }
10 float Circle::area() {
11     return PI * r * r;
12 }
```

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Constructor and destructor

Automatic construction and destruction of objects:

- Object not initialised by default (same as `int i`)
- Constructor: method that initialises an instance of an object
- Used for a proper default initialisation
- Definition: no type, name must be `classname`
- Important note: can have more than one constructor
- Destructor: called just before the object is destroyed
- Used for clean up (e.g. release memory, close a file etc. . .)
- Definition: no type, name must be `~classname`

Example

circle-v1.h

```
1  class Circle {
2  /* user methods (and attributes)*/
3      public:
4          Circle();
5          Circle(float r);
6          ~Circle();
7          void move(float dx, float dy);
8          void zoom(float scale);
9          float area();
10 /* implementation attributes (and methods) */
11     private:
12         float x, y;
13         float r;
14 };
```

Example

circle-v1.cpp

```
1  #include "circle_v1.h"
2  static const float PI=3.1415926535;
3  Circle::Circle() {
4      x=y=0.0; r=1.0;
5  }
6  Circle::Circle(float radius) {
7      x=y=0.0; r=radius;
8  }
9  Circle::~Circle() {}
10 void Circle::move(float dx, float dy) {
11     x += dx; y += dy;
12 }
13 void Circle::zoom(float scale) {
14     r *= scale;
15 }
16 float Circle::area() {
17     return PI * r * r;
18 }
```

Example

main-v1.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include "circle_v1.h"
3  using namespace std;
4  int main () {
5      float s1, s2;
6      Circle circ1, circ2((float)3.1);
7      circ1.move(12,0);
8      s1=circ1.area(); s2=circ2.area();
9      cout << "area: " << s1 << endl;
10     cout << "area: " << s2 << endl;
11     circ1.zoom(2.5);
12     // cout << circ1.r << endl;
13     s1=circ1.area();
14     cout << "area: " << s1 << endl;
15 }
```

Life span

Three kinds of objects:

- Static or global: same life span as the program
- Automatic or local: within a block
- Dynamic: created and deleted manually

Overloading

Better definitions:

- Two constructor defined: `circle()` and `circle(float)`
- Proper one automatically selected

Another strategy is to set a default value in the specification.

```
1 Circle(float radius=1.0);
```

Example.

A 2D geometry library is updated to support 3D. As a result the function `move` now takes three arguments: `dx`, `dy`, `dz`. For the old instantiations to remain valid adjust the interface (header file).

```
1 move(float dx, float dy, float dz=0.0);
```

Problem

Rewrite the `main.cpp` file using two pointers: one for the two circles and one for their areas. The pointers should be initialised in the `main` function while all the rest of the work is performed in another function.

Solution

main-ptr.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include "circle_v1.h"
3  using namespace std;
4  void FctCirc(Circle *circ, float *s) {
5      *(circ+1)=Circle(3.1);
6      *s=circ->area(); s[1]=circ[1].area();
7      cout << "area: " << s[0] << endl;
8      cout << "area: " << *(s+1) << endl;
9      circ[0].zoom(2.5); *s=circ->area();
10     cout << "area: " << s[0] << endl;
11 }
12 int main () {
13     float *s=new float[2]; Circle *circ; circ=new Circle[2];
14     FctCirc(circ,s);
15     delete[] s, circ; return 0;
16 }
```

Key points

- How to describe an object?
- In what order should the attributes and methods be defined?
- What are private and public?
- How to use the constructor and destructor?

Chapter 14

Inheritance and polymorphism

Outline

① Inheritance

② Polymorphism

③ Multiple inheritance

Why using classes?

Benefits of classes:

- Object are not too abstract
- Closer from the human point of view
- Methods only applied to object which can accept them
- Things are organised in a simple and clear way

Managing a cow

cows-0.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Cow {
4      public:
5          void Speak () { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
6          void Eat() {
7              if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
8              else cout << "I'm hungry\n";}
9          Cow(int f=0){grass=f;}
10     private: int grass;
11 };
12 int main () {
13     Cow c1(1);
14     c1.Speak(); c1.Eat(); c1.Eat();
15 }
```

Managing a sick cow

What a sick cow does:

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Two obvious possible strategies:

- Add a `TakeMediaction()` method to the cow
- Recopy the cow class, rename it and add `TakeMedication()`

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Example.

A sick cow inherits all the characteristics from a cow:

- Attributes and methods from a cow
- More attributes and methods can be added

Managing a sick cow

cows-1.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Cow {
4      public: Cow(int f=0){grass=f;}
5          void Speak () { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
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7              if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
8              else cout << "I'm hungry\n";}
9      private: int grass;
10 };
11 class SickCow : public Cow {
12     public: SickCow(int f=0,int m=0){grass=f; med=m;}
13     void TakeMed() {
14         if(med > 0) { med--; cout << "I feel better\n";}
15         else cout << "I'm dying\n";}
16     private: int med;
17 };
18 int main () {
19     Cow c1(1); SickCow c2(1,1);
20     c1.Speak(); c1.Eat(); c1.Eat(); c2.Eat(); c2.TakeMed(); c2.TakeMed();
21 }
```

Private

Reminder on private members:

- Everything private is only available to the current class
- Derived classes cannot access or use them

Private inheritance:

- Default type of class inheritance
- Any public member from the base class becomes private
- Allows to hide “low level” details to other classes

Public

Reminder on `public` members:

- They are available to the current class
- They are available to any other class

Public inheritance:

- Anything public in the base class remains public
- Nothing private in the base class can be accessed

Public

Reminder on `public` members:

- They are available to the current class
- They are available to any other class

Public inheritance:

- Anything public in the base class remains public
- Nothing private in the base class can be accessed

Problem:

- Private is too restrictive while public is too open
- Need a way to only allow derived classes and not others

Protected

Protected members:

- Compromise between public and private
- They are available to any derived class
- No other class can access them

Possible to bypass all this security using keyword `friend`:

- Valid for both functions and classes
- A class or function declares who are its friends
- Friends can access protected and private members
- As much as possible do not use `friend`

Summary on visibility

Attributes and methods:

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Inheritance:

Base class	Derived class		
	Public	Private	Protected
Private	-	-	-
Protected	Protected	Private	Protected
Public	Public	Private	Protected

In practice mainly public inheritance is used.

Properly managing a sick cow

cows-2.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Cow {
4      public: Cow(int f=0){grass=f;}
5          void Speak () { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
6          void Eat() {
7              if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
8              else cout << "I'm hungry\n";}
9      protected: int grass;
10 };
11 class SickCow : public Cow {
12     public: SickCow(int f=0,int m=0){grass=f; med=m;}
13     void TakeMed() {
14         if(med > 0) { med--; cout << "I feel better\n";}
15         else cout << "I'm dying\n";}
16     private: int med;
17 };
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21 }
```


Inheritance or not inheritance?

A cow *is* a mammal, while a zoo *has* mammals and reptiles

```
1 class Cow : public Mammal {  
2     ...  
3 }
```

```
1 class Zoo {  
2     public:  
3         Mammal *m; Reptile *r;  
4         ...  
5 };
```

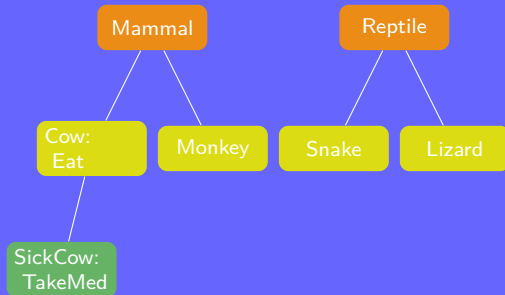
Remark.

On a drawing:

- A cow *is* a figure, a cage *is* a figure, a zoo *is* a figure...
- A cow is composed of (*has*) figures (e.g. ellipsis for the body, circle for the head, rectangles for the legs and tail)
- What to choose, *is a* or *has a*?

Diagram

Representing the relationships using diagrams:



Zoo:
Reptile
Mammal
...

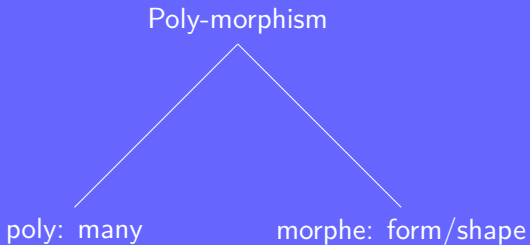
Outline

1 Inheritance

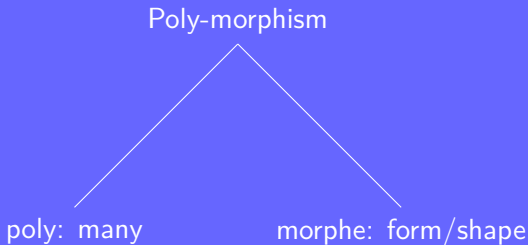
2 Polymorphism

3 Multiple inheritance

Polywhat????



Polywhat????



Simple idea:

- Arrays cannot contain different data types
- A sick cow is *almost like* a cow
- Goal: handle sick cows as cows while preserving their specifics

Function overloading

cows-3.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Cow {
4      public: Cow(int f=0){grass=f;}
5          void Speak () { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
6          void Eat() { if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
7                      else cout << "I'm hungry\n";}
8      protected: int grass;
9  };
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14                         else cout << "I'm dying\n";}
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16 };
17 int main () {
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19     c1.Speak();c1.Eat();c2.Speak();c2.TakeMed();c3->Speak();//c3->TakeMed;
20 }
```

Overcoming the limitations

New keyword: `virtual`

- Virtual function in the base class
- Function can be redefined in derived class
- Preserves calling properties

Drawbacks:

- Binding: connecting function call to function body
- Early binding: compilation time
- Late binding: runtime, depending on the type, more expensive
- `virtual` implies late binding

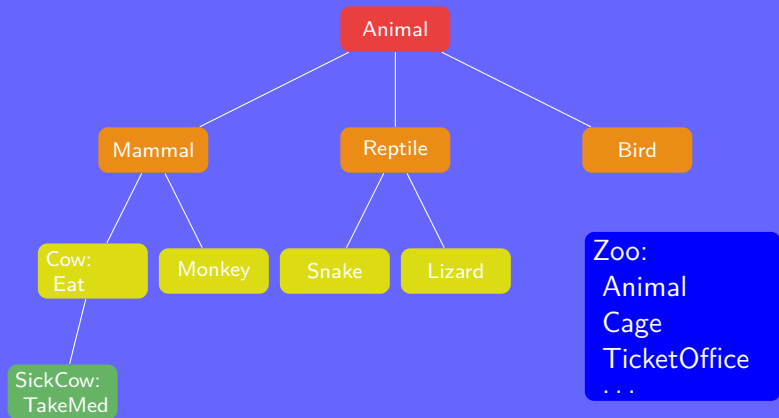
Fixing the cows

cows-4.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Cow {
4      public: Cow(int f=0){grass=f;}
5          virtual void Speak () { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
6          void Eat() { if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
7                      else cout << "I'm hungry\n";}
8      protected: int grass;
9  };
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11     public: SickCow(int f=0,int m=0){grass=f; med=m;}
12         void Speak () { cout << "Ahem... Moo.\n"; }
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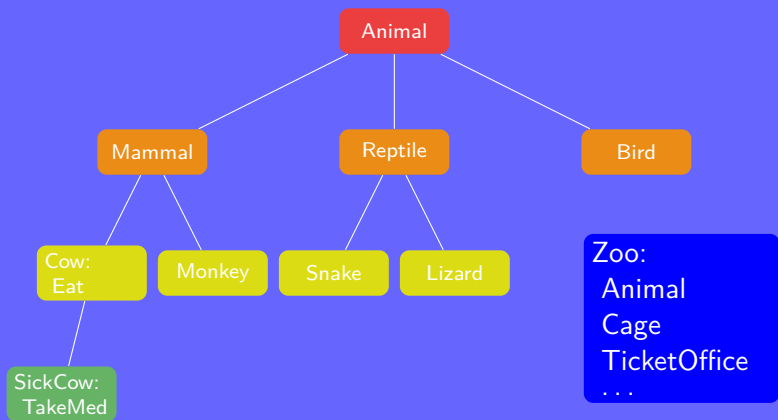

Extending the idea

Applying the same idea to generalize the diagram:



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Benefits:

- Feed all the animals at once
- Animals speak their own language when asked to speak

Pure virtual methods

Pushing it further:

- Write a totally abstract class “at the top”
- This class has virtual member functions without any definition
- The method definition is replaced by =0

Example.

```
1 class Animal {  
2     public:  
3         virtual void Speak() = 0;  
4 }
```

Animals

animals.h

```
1 class Animal {
2     public:
3         virtual void Speak() = 0;
4         virtual void Eat() = 0;
5 };
6 class Cow : public Animal {
7     public:
8         Cow(int f=0); virtual void Speak(); void Eat();
9     protected: int grass;
10 };
11 class SickCow : public Cow {
12     public:
13         SickCow(int f=0,int m=0); void Speak(); void TakeMed();
14     private: int med;
15 };
16 class Monkey : public Animal {
17     public:
18         Monkey(int f=0); void Speak(); void Eat();
19     protected: int banana;
20 };
```

Animals

animals.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include "animals.h"
3  using namespace std;
4  Cow::Cow(int f) {grass=f;}
5  void Cow::Speak() { cout << "Moo.\n"; }
6  void Cow::Eat(){
7      if(grass > 0) { grass-- ; cout << "Thanks I'm full\n";}
8      else cout << "I'm hungry\n";
9  }
10 SickCow::SickCow(int f,int m) {grass=f; med=m;}
11 void SickCow::Speak() { cout << "Ahem... Moo.\n"; }
12 void SickCow::TakeMed() {
13     if(med > 0) { med--; cout << "I feel better\n";}
14     else cout << "I'm dying\n";
15 }
16 Monkey::Monkey(int f) {banana=f;}
17 void Monkey::Speak() { cout << "Hoo hoo hoo hoo\n";}
18 void Monkey::Eat() {
19     if(banana > 0) {banana--; cout << "Give me another banana!\n";}
20     else cout << "Who took my banana?\n";
21 }
```

Benefits of polymorphism

animals-main.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include "animals.h"
3  using namespace std;
4  void FeedAnimals(Animal **a, int ZooSize) {
5      for(int i=0; i<ZooSize; i++) {
6          cout << endl; a[i]->Speak(); a[i]->Eat(); //a[i]->TakeMed();
7          delete a[i];
8      }
9  };
10 void ZooInit(Animal **a, int ZooSize) {
11     for(int i=0; i<ZooSize; i++) {
12         switch(i%4) {
13             case 0: a[i]=new Cow; break; case 1: a[i]=new SickCow; break;
14             case 2: a[i]=new Monkey; break; case 3: a[i]=new Monkey(1); break;
15         }
16     }
17 }
18 int main () {
19     int ZooSize=10; Animal *a[ZooSize];
20     ZooInit(a,ZooSize); FeedAnimals(a,ZooSize);
21 }
```

Outline

1 Inheritance

2 Polymorphism

3 Multiple inheritance

Multiple inheritance

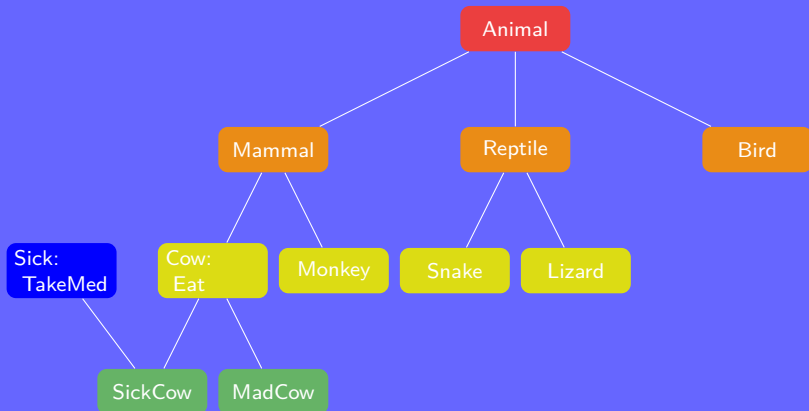
Simple idea: a class can inherit from multiple classes

Example.

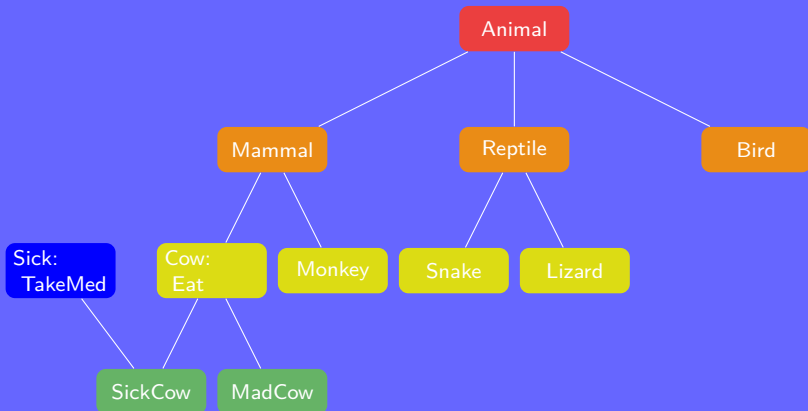
Any sick animal should be put under medication:

- Not only cows can be sick
- Create a generic “sick class” that can be used by any animal
- A sick cow *is* a cow and *is* sick
- A sick cow inherits from sick and from cow

Multiple inheritance



Multiple inheritance



```
1 class SickCow : public Cow, public Sick {  
2     ...  
3 }
```

More cows

animals-m.h

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14     public: SickCow(int f=0,int m=0); void Speak();
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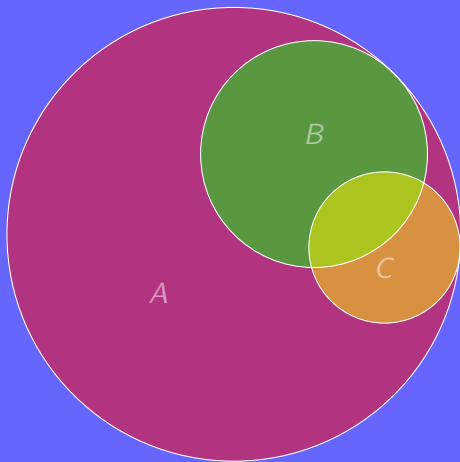
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animals-main-m.cpp

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3  using namespace std;
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6      c1.Speak(); c1.Eat(); c1.TakeMed();
7      c1.Eat(); c1.TakeMed();
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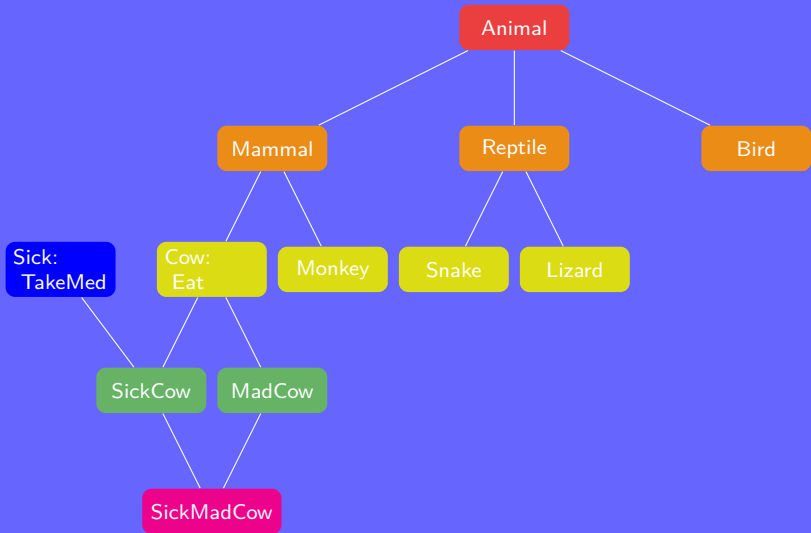
The diamond problem

Multiple inheritance can be tricky:



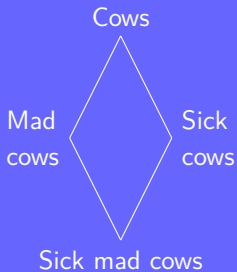
- A : Cows
- B : Sick cows
- C : Mad cows
- Sick mad cows are in $B \cap C$

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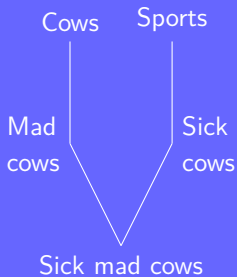


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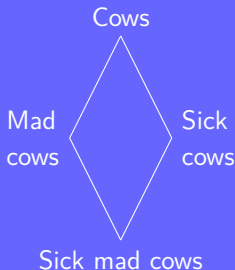


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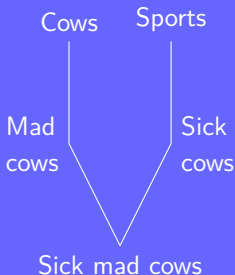


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Questions:

- Is Eat inherited from Cow through SickCow or MadCow?
- What happens if the variable `grass` is updated?

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Important: if the diamond problem appears in a diagram, redesign the whole hierarchy

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animals-d.h

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3  };
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7  };
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animals-main-d.cpp

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7      c1.Eat(); c1.TakeMed();
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10     c2.Speak(); c2.Eat(); c2.TakePills();
11     c2.Eat(); c2.TakePills();
12     cout << endl;
13     SickMadCow c3(1,1,1);
14     c3.Speak(); c3.Eat(); c3.TakePills(); c3.TakeMed();
15     c3.Eat(); c3.TakePills(); c3.TakeMed();
16 }
```

Project development

Process to organise a project:

- ① Define what is needed or expected
- ② Express everything in terms of objects
- ③ Define the relationships among the objects
- ④ Abstract new classes
- ⑤ Draw the hierarchy diagram
- ⑥ If there is any diamond, adjust the diagram
- ⑦ For each object define the methods
- ⑧ For each object define the attributes
- ⑨ Write the classes

Key points

- What are the three main concepts of object oriented programming?
- Why using inheritance?
- What is polymorphism?
- What are the pros and cons of the keyword `virtual`?
- What is the best way to solve the diamond problem?

Chapter 15

Libraries and templates

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- 1 Using external libraries
- 2 Writing templates
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- Where the header files are located
- The namespace a function belongs to
- Where the machine code is located

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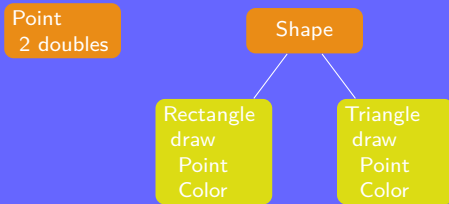
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Goal: wrap the C functions into classes to construct a home

Hierarchy diagram



Home:
draw
5 shapes
zoom
in and out

Figures specification

home/figures.h

```
1  #ifndef __FIGURES_H__
2  #define __FIGURES_H__
3  class Point { public: double x,y; };
4  class Shape {
5      public: virtual void draw() = 0; virtual ~Shape();
6  };
7  class Rectangle : public Shape {
8      public:
9          Rectangle(Point pt1={-.5,-.5}, Point pt2={.5,.5},
10                 float red=0, float green=0, float blue=0);
11          void draw();
12      private: Point p1,p2; float r, g, b;
13  };
14  class Triangle : public Shape {
15      public:
16          Triangle(Point pt1={-.5,-.5}, Point pt2={.5,-.5},
17                 Point pt3={0,.5}, float r=0, float g=0, float b=0);
18          void draw();
19      private: Point p1,p2,p3; float r, g, b;
20  };
21  #endif
```


Figures implementation

home/figures.cpp

```
1  #include <GL/glut.h>
2  #include "figures.h"
3  Shape::~Shape(){}
4  Rectangle::Rectangle(Point pt1, Point pt2,
5      float red, float green, float blue) {
6      p1=pt1; p2=pt2; r=red; g=green; b=blue;
7  }
8  void Rectangle::draw() {
9      glColor3f(r, g, b); glBegin(GL_QUADS);
10     glVertex2f(p1.x, p1.y); glVertex2f(p2.x, p1.y);
11     glVertex2f(p2.x, p2.y); glVertex2f(p1.x, p2.y); glEnd();
12 }
13 Triangle::Triangle(Point pt1, Point pt2, Point pt3,
14     float red, float green, float blue) {
15     p1=pt1; p2=pt2; p3=pt3; r=red; g=green; b=blue;
16 }
17 void Triangle::draw() {
18     glColor3f(r, g, b); glBegin(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP);
19     glVertex2f(p1.x, p1.y); glVertex2f(p2.x, p2.y); glVertex2f(p3.x, p3.y);
20     glEnd();
21 }
```

Home specification

home/home.h

```
1  #ifndef __HOME_H__
2  #define __HOME_H__
3  #include "figures.h"
4  class Home {
5  public:
6      Point p; double w, h, o;
7      Home(Point pt1={0,-.25}, double width=1,
8           double height=1.3, double owidth=.175);
9      ~Home();
10     void draw();
11     void zoom(double *width,double *height,double *owidth);
12 private:
13     Shape *sh[5];
14     void zoomout(double *width,double *height,double *owidth);
15     void zoomin(double *width,double *height,double *owidth);
16     void setcolor(float *r, float *g, float *b);
17 };
18 #endif
```

Home implementation (part 1)

home/home-part1.cpp

```
1  #include <ctime>
2  #include <cstdlib>
3  #include "home.h"
4  Home::Home(Point pt1, double width, double height, double owidth){
5      float r, g, b; Point p1, p2, p3;
6      p=pt1; w=width; h=height; o=owidth; srand(time(0));
7      p1={p.x-w/2,p.y-w/2}; p2={p.x+w/2,p.y+w/2};
8      setcolor(&r,&g,&b); sh[0]=new Rectangle(p1,p2,r,g,b);
9      p1={p.x-o,p.y-w/2}; p2={p.x+o,p.y};
10     setcolor(&r,&g,&b); sh[1]=new Rectangle(p1,p2,r,g,b);
11     p1={p.x-2*o,p.y+o}; p2={p.x-o,p.y+2*o};
12     setcolor(&r,&g,&b); sh[2]=new Rectangle(p1,p2,r,g,b);
13     p1={p.x+w/2-2*o,p.y+o}; p2={p.x+w/2-o,p.y+2*o};
14     setcolor(&r,&g,&b); sh[3]=new Rectangle(p1,p2,r,g,b);
15     p1={p.x,p.y+h-w/2}; p2={p.x-w/2,p.y+w/2}; p3={p.x+w/2,p.y+w/2};
16     setcolor(&r,&g,&b); sh[4]=new Triangle(p1,p2,p3,r,g,b);
17 }
18 Home::~Home(){ for(int i=0;i<5;i++) delete sh[i]; }
```

Home implementation (part 2)

home/home-part2.cpp

```
1 void Home::draw() {for(int i=0;i<5;i++) sh[i]->draw();}
2 void Home::zoom(double *width, double *height, double *owidth){
3     int static i=0;
4     if(h>=0.1 && i==0) zoomout(width, height, owidth);
5     else if (h<=2) { i=1; zoomin(width, height, owidth); }
6     else i=0;
7 }
8 void Home::zoomout(double *width, double *height, double *owidth){
9     h/=1.01; *height=h; w/=1.01; *width=w; o/=1.01; *owidth=o;
10 }
11 void Home::zoomin(double *width, double *height, double *owidth){
12     h*=1.01; *height=h; w*=1.01; *width=w; o*=1.01; *owidth=o;
13 }
14 void Home::setcolor(float *r, float *g, float *b) {
15     *r=(float)rand()/RAND_MAX; *g=(float)rand()/RAND_MAX;
16     *b=(float)rand()/RAND_MAX;
17 }
```

Home instantiation

home/main.cpp

```
1  #include <GL/glut.h>
2  #include "home.h"
3  void TimeStep(int n) {
4      glutTimerFunc(25, TimeStep, 0); glutPostRedisplay();
5  }
6  void glDraw() {
7      double static width=1, height=1.5, owidth=.175;
8      Home zh({0,-.25},width,height,owidth);
9      zh.zoom(&width, &height, &owidth);
10     glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT | GL_DEPTH_BUFFER_BIT);
11     zh.draw(); glutSwapBuffers(); glFlush();
12 }
13 int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
14     glutInit(&argc, argv);
15     // glutInitWindowSize(500, 500);
16     glutInitDisplayMode(GLUT_RGB | GLUT_SINGLE);
17     glutCreateWindow("Home sweet home");
18     glClearColor(1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0); glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);
19     glutDisplayFunc(glDraw); glutTimerFunc(25, TimeStep, 0);
20     glutMainLoop();
21 }
```

Basics

Basic process with OpenGL:

- ① Initialise the library: `glutInit(&argc, argv);`
- ② Initialise the display: `glutInitDisplay(GLUT_RGB|GLUT_SINGLE);`
- ③ Create window: `glutCreateWindow(windowname);`
- ④ Set the clear color: `glClearColor(r,g,b); (r,g,b ∈ [0,1])`
- ⑤ Clear the screen: `glClear(GL_COLOR_BUFFER_BIT);`
- ⑥ Register display callback function: `glutDisplayFunc(drawfct);`
- ⑦ Redraw the screen: recursive call to a timer function
- ⑧ Start the loop: `glutMainLoop();`
- ⑨ Draw the objects

Understanding the code:

- Why is the `static` keyword used in both the `glDraw` and `zoom` functions?
- Why were pointers used in the `zoom`, `zoomin` and `zoomout` functions?
- How were inheritance and polymorphism used?
- Comment the choices of `public` or `private` attributes and methods
- How is the keyword `#ifndef` used?

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Better strategy is to use a Makefile:

- Simple text file explaining how to compile a program
- Useful for complex programs
- Easily handles libraries and compiler options

```
sh $ make
```

Makefile

home/Makefile

```
1 CC = g++ # compiler
2 CFLAGS = -std=c++11 # compiler options
3 LIBS = -lglut -lGL # libraries to use
4 SRCS = main.cpp home.cpp figures.cpp
5 OBJS = $(SRCS:.cpp=.o)
6 MAIN = home
7 .PHONY: clean # target not corresponding to real files
8 all:      $(MAIN) # target all constructs the home
9     @echo Home successfully constructed
10 $(MAIN):
11     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -o $(MAIN) $(SRCS) $(LIBS)
12 .cpp.o: # for each .cpp build a corresponding .o file
13     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $< -o $@
14 clean:
15     $(RM) *.o *~ $(MAIN)
```

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Limitations of inheritance and polymorphism:

- High level classes (boat, company, car...)
- Low level classes used to define high level ones
- Need to apply a function to more than one type: function overloading

Problem: duplicated code, more complex to debug...

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complex.h

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  template<class TYPE>
4  class Complex {
5      public:
6          Complex(){ R = I = (TYPE)0; }
7          Complex(TYPE real, TYPE img) {R=real;I=img;}
8          void PrintComplex() {cout<<R<<'+'<<I<<"i\n";}
9      private:
10         TYPE R, I;
11 };
```

Using a template

Provide the class name with the data type:

```
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2 complex<int> c2;  
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Exercise.

Using the previous complex template, display Complex numbers composed of the types: int, double and char

Solution

complex.cpp

```
1  #include "complex.h"
2  typedef Complex<char> CComplex ;
3  int main () {
4      Complex<double> a(3.123,4.9876);
5      a.PrintComplex();
6      Complex<int> b;
7      b = Complex<int>(3,4);
8      b.PrintComplex();
9      CComplex c('a','b');
10     c.PrintComplex();
11 }
```

A bit of history

A few dates:

- 1983: C++
- 1994: templates accepted in C++
- 2011: many fixes/improvements on templates

Conclusion templates:

- Are very powerful, complex and new
- Are not always handled nicely
- Might display long and unclear error messages
- Do not always benefit from optimizations
- Require much work from the compiler

Basics on STL

C++ is shipped with a set of templates:

- Standard Template Library (STL)
- STL goals: abstractness, generic programming, no loss of efficiency
- Basic idea: use templates to achieve compile time polymorphism
- Components:
 - Containers
 - Iterators
 - Algorithms
 - Functional

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Other available containers: set, multiset, map, multimap, bitset, valarray, unordered_`{ set,multiset,map,multimap }`

Vectors

Vector: sequence representing arrays that can change size

- Size automatically adjusted
- Template: no specific initial type
- Example:

```
1  #include <vector>
2  vector<int> vint;
3  vector<float> vfloat;
```

- A few useful functions: `push_back`, `pop_back`, `swap`

Vectors

vect.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <vector>
3  using namespace std;
4  int main () {
5      vector<int> v1(4,100); vector<int> v2;
6      vector<int>::iterator it;
7      v1[3]=5;
8      cout << v1[3] << " " << v1[0] << endl;
9      v2.push_back(2); v2.push_back(8); v2.push_back(18);
10     cout << v2[0] << " " << v2[1] << " " << v2[2] << endl;
11     v2.swap(v1);
12     cout << v2[1] << " " << v1[1] << " " << v1.size() << endl;
13     v1.erase(v1.begin()+1,v1.begin()+3);
14     cout << v1[0] << " " << v1[1] << " " << v1.size() << endl;
15     v1.pop_back();
16     cout << v1[0] << " " << v1[1] << " " << v1.size() << endl;
17     for(it=v2.begin(); it!=v2.end();it++) cout << *it << endl;
18 }
```


Container adaptors

Common containers adaptors:

- Queue: First In First Out (FIFO) queue → list, deque
Main methods: `size`, `front/back` (access next/last element), `push` (insert element) and `pop` (remove next element)
- Priority queue: elements must support comparison (determining priority) → vector, deque
- Stack: Last In First Out (LIFO) stack → vector, list, deque
Main methods: `size`, `top` (access next element), `push` and `pop` (remove top element)

Example

queue.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <queue>
3  using namespace std;
4  int main () {
5      int i,j=0;
6      queue <int> line;
7      for(i=0;i<200;i++) line.push (i+1);
8      while(line.empty() == 0) {
9          cout << line.size () << " persons in the line\n"
10         << "first in the line: " << line.front() << endl
11         << "last in the line: " << line.back() << endl;
12         line.pop ();
13         if(j++%3==0) {
14             line.push (++i);
15             cout << "new in the line: " << line.back() <<endl;
16         }
17     }
18 }
```

Iterators

A new object:

- Object that can iterate over a container class
- Iterators are pointing to elements in a range
- Their use is independent from the implementation of the container class

```
1 for(i=0;i<vct.size();i++) {  
2     ...  
3 }
```

```
1 for(it=vct.begin(); \  
2     it !=vct.end();++it) {  
3     ...  
4 }
```

Efficiency of `vct.size()`: fast operation for vectors, slow for lists

Example

iterator.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <set>
3  using namespace std;
4  int main() {
5      set<int> s;
6      s.insert(7);s.insert(2);s.insert(-6);
7      s.insert(8);s.insert(1);s.insert(-4);
8      set<int>::const_iterator it;
9      for(it = s.begin(); it != s.end(); ++it) {
10         cout << *it << " ";
11     }
12     cout << endl;
13 }
```

Algorithms templates

Common algorithms implemented in templates:

- Manipulate data stored in the containers
- Mainly targeting range of elements
- Many “high low-level” functions
 - Sort
 - Shuffle
 - Find with conditions
 - Partition
 - ...

Count

In a given range returns how many element are equal to some value

count.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  int main () {
7      string colors[8] = {"red", "blue", "yellow", "black",
8                          "green", "red", "green", "red"};
9      vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
10     int  nbcolors = count (colorvect.begin(),
11                           colorvect.end(), "red");
12     cout << "red appears " << nbcolors << " times.\n";
13 }
```

Find

In a given range returns an iterator to the first element that is equal to some value or the last element in the range if no match is found (*use find with purple in the following code*)

find.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  int main () {
7      string colors[8] = {"red", "blue", "yellow", "black",
8                          "green", "red", "green", "red"};
9      vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
10     vector<string>::iterator it;
11     it=find(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end(), "blue");
12     ++it;
13     cout << "following blue is " << *it << endl;
14 }
```

Unique

Remove consecutive duplicate elements

unique1.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  bool cmp(string s1, string s2) { return(s1.compare(s2)==0); }
7  int main () {
8      string colors[8] = {"red","blue","yellow","black",
9                          "green","green","red","red"};
10     vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
11     vector<string>::iterator it;
12     it=unique(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end(),cmp);
13     colorvect.resize(distance(colorvect.begin(),it));
14     for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end();++it)
15         cout << ' ' << *it;
16     cout << endl;
17 }
```


Sort

Sort elements in ascending order

sort.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  bool cmp(string s1, string s2) { return(s1.compare(s2)<0);}
7  int main () {
8      string colors[8] = {"red","blue","yellow","black",
9                          "green","green","red","red"};
10     vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
11     vector<string>::iterator it;
12     sort(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end(),cmp);
13     for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end();++it)
14         cout << ' ' << *it;
15     cout << endl;
16 }
```

Problem

Remove all duplicate elements from the color vector.

Solution

unique2.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  bool cmp1(string s1, string s2) {return(s1.compare(s2)<0);}
7  bool cmp2(string s1, string s2) {return(s1.compare(s2)==0);}
8  int main () {
9      string colors[8] = {"red","blue","yellow","black",
10         "green","green","red","red"};
11      vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
12      vector<string>::iterator it;
13      sort(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end(),cmp1);
14      it=unique(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end(),cmp2);
15      colorvect.resize(distance(colorvect.begin(),it));
16      for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end();++it)
17          cout << ' ' << *it;
18      cout << endl;
19  }
```

Reverse

Reverse the order of the elements

reverse.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  int main () {
7      string colors[8] = {"red","blue","yellow","black",
8                          "green","green","red","red"};
9      vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
10     vector<string>::iterator it;
11     reverse(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end());
12     for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end();++it)
13         cout << ' ' << *it;
14     cout << endl;
15 }
```

Any other possible strategy?

Remove

Remove elements and returns an iterator to the new end

remove.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  bool bstart(string s) { return(s[0]!='b'); }
7  int main () {
8      string colors[8] = {"red","blue","yellow","black",
9                          "green","green","red","red"};
10     vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
11     vector<string>::iterator it;
12     it=remove_if(colorvect.begin(),colorvect.end(),bstart);
13     colorvect.resize(distance(colorvect.begin(),it));
14     for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end();++it)
15         cout << ' ' << *it;
16     cout << endl;
17 }
```

Random_shuffle

Randomly rearrange elements

random.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  int main () {
7      srand (unsigned(time(0)));
8      string colors[8] = {"red", "blue", "yellow", "black",
9                          "green", "green", "red", "red"};
10     vector<string> colorvect(colors, colors+8);
11     vector<string>::iterator it;
12     random_shuffle(colorvect.begin(), colorvect.end());
13     for(it=colorvect.begin(); it!=colorvect.end(); ++it)
14         cout << ' ' << *it;
15     cout << endl;
16 }
```

Max and min

Returns min and max of two elements or the min and max in a list

minmax.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <algorithm>
3  #include <vector>
4  #include <string>
5  using namespace std;
6  bool cmp(string s1, string s2) {return(s1.compare(s2)<0);}
7  int main () {
8      srand (unsigned(time(0)));
9      auto mm=minmax({"red", "blue", "yellow", "black"}, cmp);
10     cout << mm.first << ' ' << mm.second;
11     cout << endl;
12 }
```

Key points

- How to use external libraries?
- How to write a Makefile?
- What is the Standard Template Library?
- Why using STL?

Chapter 16

Beyond MATLAB, C, and C++

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- 1 Improving the coding style
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Layer programming

Clean coding strategy:

- Split the code into functions
- Organise the functions in different files
- Functions are organised by layers
- Functions of lower layers do not call functions of higher layers
- A function can only call functions of same or lower levels

Layer programming

Example.

In the implementation of the home:

- Lowest layer: definition of the figures (points, rectangle, and triangle)
- Middle layer: definition of the home (home and actions on the home)
- Top layer: instantiation of the home (more actions such as construction of a compound)

Makefile

Makefile

```
1 CCC = g++
2 CCFLAGS = -std=c++11 -Wall -Wextra -Werror -pedantic
3 LIBS = -lglut -lGL
4 LLIBS = -L. -lhome -lfig
5 LFIG_SRC = figures.cpp
6 LFIG_OBJ = $(LFIG_SRC:.cpp=.o)
7 LFIG = libfig.a
8 LHOME_SRC = home.cpp
9 LHOME_OBJ = $(LHOME_SRC:.cpp=.o)
10 LHOME = libhome.a
11 MAIN_SRC = main.cpp
12 MAIN = home
13 .PHONY: clean hlibs
14
15 all: $(LFIG_OBJ) $(LHOME_OBJ) hlibs $(MAIN)
16     @echo Home successfully constructed
17
18 $(MAIN): $(MAIN_SRC)
19     $(CCC) $(CCFLAGS) -o $(MAIN) $(MAIN_SRC) $(LIBS) $(LLIBS)
20
21 .cpp.o:
22     $(CCC) $(CCFLAGS) -c $< -o $@
23
24 hlibs :
25     ar rcs $(LFIG) $(LFIG_OBJ);    ar rcs $(LHOME) $(LHOME_OBJ)
26
27 clean:
28     $(RM) *.o *.a *~ $(MAIN)
```

More compilation

Clean code respecting standards

```
sh $ gcc -Wall -Wextra -Werror -pedantic file.c  
sh $ g++ -Wall -Wextra -Werror -pedantic file.cpp
```

When coding:

- Ensure compatibility over various platforms
- Use tools such as *valgrind* to assess the quality of the code (e.g. spot memory leaks)
- For more complex program use a debugger such as *gdb*

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The const keyword

Constant variable:

- Creates a read-only variable
- Use and abuse const if a variable is not supposed to be modified
- In the case of a const vector use a const iterator

```
1 vector<T>::const_iterator
```


Constant pointers vs. pointer to constant

Constant pointer

```
1 int const *p;
```

- The value p is pointing to can be changed
- The address p is pointing to cannot be changed

Pointer to constant

```
1 const int *p;
```

- The pointer p can point to anything
- What p points to cannot be changed

```
1 int a=0, b=1; const int *p1; int * const p2=&a;  
2 p1=&a; cout << *p1 << *p2 << endl;  
3 p1=&b; *p2=b; //p2=&b; *p1=b;  
4 cout << *p1 << *p2 << endl;
```

References

Basics on references:

- Alias for another variable
- Changes on a reference are applied to the original variable
- Similar to a pointer that is automatically dereferenced
- Syntax: `int &a=3`

Remarks:

- Reference variable must be initialised
- The variable it refers to cannot be changed

References

ref.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  int square0(int x) {return x*x;}
4  void square1(int x, int& res) { res=x*x; }
5  //int& square2a(int x) { int b=x*x; return b; }
6  int& square2b(int x) { int b=x*x; int &res=b; return res; }
7  int& square2c(int x) { static int b=x*x; return b; }
8  int main () {
9      int a=2;
10     cout << square0(a) << ' ' << a << endl;
11     square1(a,a); cout << a << endl;
12     cout << square2b(a) << endl;
13     cout << square2c(a) << endl;
14 }
```

The this pointer

The this keyword:

- Address of the object on which the member function is called
- Mainly used for disambiguation

boat.cpp

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  class Boat {
4  public:
5      Boat(string name, int tonnage, bool IsDocked) {
6          this->name=name; this->tonnage=tonnage; this->IsDocked=IsDocked;
7      }
8      void dock() { IsDocked=1; cout<<"Docked!\n"; }
9      void undock() { IsDocked=0; cout<<"Undocked!\n"; }
10     private: bool IsDocked; string name; int tonnage;
11 };
12 int main () {
13     Boat b("abc",1234,1); b.undock();
14 }
```

Pointer to function

Similar to pointer to variables:

- Variable storing the address of a function
- Useful to give a function as argument to another function
- Useful for callback functions (e.g. GUI)

fctptr.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <string.h>
3  int gm(char *n) {
4      printf("good morning %s\n",n);
5      return strlen(n);
6  }
7  int main () {
8      int (*gm_ptr)(char *)=gm;
9      printf("%d\n",(*gm_ptr)("john"));
10 }
```

The enum and union keywords

enum-union.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  typedef struct _activity {
3      enum { BOOK, MOVIE, SPORT } type;
4      union {
5          int pages;
6          double length;
7          int freq;
8      } prop;
9  } activity;
10 int main() {
11     activity a[5];
12     a[0].type=BOOK; a[0].prop.pages=192;
13     a[1].type=SPORT; a[1].prop.freq=4;
14     a[2].type=MOVIE; a[2].prop.pages=123;
15     a[2].prop.length=92.5;
16     printf("%f",a[2].prop.length);
17 }
```

The argc and *argv[] parameters

arg.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
3      printf ("program: %s\n", argv[0]);
4
5      if (argc > 1) {
6          for (int i=1; i<argc; i++)
7              printf("argv[%d] = %s\n", i, argv[i]);
8      }
9      else printf("no argument provided\n");
10     return 0;
11 }
```

Compilation process

Compilation is performed in three steps:

① Pre-processing

```
sh $ gcc -E file.c
```

② Assembling

```
sh $ gcc -c file.c
```

③ Linking

```
sh $ gcc file.c
```

Commands at stage i performs stage 1 to i

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- MATLAB:
 - Testing new algorithms
 - Getting quick results
- C:
 - Lower level
 - More complex, flexible
 - Faster, less base functions
- C++:
 - New programming strategy
 - Higher level
 - Convenient for big projects

Future

Important points that remain to be considered:

- More to learn on programming
- Languages of interest: C, Java, SQL, C++, PHP, CSS
- Other useful languages: Python, Perl, Ruby
- Designing a software: who is going to use it, where, how?
- More details on how computers are working (data structures, optimisations. . .) → improve efficiency

Key points

- Many things left to learn
- Before coding write an algorithm
- No better way to learn than coding
- Don't reinvent the wheel: use libraries
- Each language has its own strengths, use them
- Extend your knowledge by building on what you already know

Thank you!
Enjoy the winter break...