Lecture-3 — Fundamentals: Hardware → Data → C++ Types (Deep)

1) Introduction — pehli soch (first thought)

- Problem: Insaan ko quantities samajhni, store karni, aur calculate karni thi.
- Solution chain: counting → symbols → mechanical calculators → electronic computing → programming.
- Goal of this lecture: "Kaise physical world (transistor) se lekar C++ variable tak bridge banta hai."

2) How transistor store data (simple, conceptual)

First thought: "Hume ek tiny switch chahiye jo ON/OFF state ko reliable tarike se rakhe" → transistor.

- Transistor = electronic switch (ON = 1, OFF = 0).
- Memory cell basics:
 - SRAM (static): flip-flop (2 cross-coupled inverters) made from transistors bit stable as long as power on.
 - DRAM (dynamic): capacitor + transistor capacitor holds charge → needs refresh.
- Single bit = one memory cell = transistor(s) state → 0/1.
- Byte (8 bits) = combination of 8 cells → store 0–255 or signed range with 2's complement.

Blackboard sketch idea:

Bit cell (conceptual):

[transistor switch] ----> 0 or 1

Flip-Flop (SRAM): stable latch with 2 inverters

DRAM: capacitor (charge/no charge) + transistor (access)

3) ASCII table (short, useful subset)

First thought: "Human letters ko machine ko kaise bataun?" → ASCII maps characters → numeric codes.

- ASCII standard: 7-bit (0–127). Common printable characters 32–126.
- Useful entries:

```
65 = 'A', 66 = 'B' ... 90 = 'Z'
97 = 'a', 98 = 'b' ... 122 = 'z'
48 = '0' ... 57 = '9'
32 = ' ' (space), 10 = LF (newline)
```

• C++: char c = 'A'; int x = (int)c; // 65

4) First code in C++ (why, then code)

First thought: "Give the machine a simple instruction and show result on screen." Classic first program:

```
#include <iostream>
int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello, World!\n";
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

- #include <iostream> → bring in I/O library (cout).
- main() → program entry point.
- std::cout prints text to console.

5) Code on computer screen — how it becomes running program

Pipeline (conceptual):

- 1. Write source (.cpp) in editor.
- Compile: compiler (g++) → preprocess → compile → assemble → link → produces executable.
- 3. **Run**: OS loads executable → CPU executes instructions.

Flow: source.cpp \rightarrow (compiler) \rightarrow a.out \rightarrow run.

6) Variable and data type — first thought

- **Problem:** We need named storage (human-readable) for values in memory.
- Variable = name → memory location.
- Data type = contract: how many bytes, how to interpret bits, what ops allowed.

7) int (in C++)

- Typical: 4 bytes (32 bits) on common platforms (range −2,147,483,648 ... 2,147,483,647).
- Use when whole numbers fit in that range.

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Declaration:
```

int age = 20;

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Memory view (example age = 5): [byte3][byte2][byte1][byte0] => binary of 5

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8) char

• 1 byte (in C++ usually 1 byte), stores character code (ASCII), or small ints −128..127 (signed char) or 0..255 (unsigned char).

Example:

```
char ch = 'A'; // stores 65
```

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Printing: std::cout << ch; or std::cout << int(ch); to see numeric code.

9) float

 4 bytes (IEEE-754): approx 6–7 decimal digits precision. Good for decimals but not money.

Example:

float f = 3.14159f;

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- Memory: sign(1) + exponent(8) + mantissa(23).

10) double

8 bytes (IEEE-754): approx 15–16 decimal digits precision. Use when more precision needed. double d = 3.141592653589793;

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11) bool

- Logical type: true / false.
- Stored typically as 1 byte but conceptually one bit.

Example:

bool isEven = true;

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12) How to use variable and data in code (step by step)

First thought: Name the storage, choose type, initialize, use.

Example — sum two numbers:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
  int a = 10;
  int b = 20;
  int sum = a + b;
```

```
cout << sum; // 30
return 0;
}</pre>
```

Dry-run: CPU reads values from memory cells of a and b, ALU does addition, result stored in sum, printed.

13) Negative / Positive integer storage (signed integers)

First thought: Need to represent + and - with same bits.

- Signed integers use 2's complement (common).
- For N bits: range = $-2^{(N-1)} ... 2^{(N-1)} 1$. Example 8-bit: -128 ... +127.

Example: represent -5 in 8-bit 2's complement:

- +5 = 00000101
- 1's complement = 111111010
- 2's complement = add 1 \rightarrow 11111011 => -5

14) 1's and 2's complement explained (step)

- 1's complement: flip all bits. Problem: two zeros (0000 and 1111), arithmetic awkward.
- 2's complement: 1's complement + 1 → single zero, plus simple addition/subtraction hardware.

Visual (8-bit):

```
+5 = 00000101
1's complement = 11111010
2's complement = 11111011 // -5
```

Why needed: makes subtraction same as addition with negative numbers \rightarrow simpler ALU.

Lecture-4 — Input, Operators, Casting, Conditionals, Loops (Hands-on C++)

1) How to take input from user & how to use cin? (first thought)

- First thought: machines need data at runtime—give a keyboard interface → program reads from standard input stream.
- In C++: cin (istream) + extraction operator >>.

Example:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int x;
   cout << "Enter x: ";
   cin >> x; // waits for user, reads from keyboard buffer
   cout << "You entered " << x << '\n';
   return 0;
}</pre>
```

Working: user types text + Enter \rightarrow OS buffer \rightarrow cin extracts token, converts to chosen type, stores in variable.

2) Take user input to sum two numbers (hands-on)

Why: interactive programs.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int a, b;
   cout << "Enter two integers: ";
   cin >> a >> b;
   cout << "Sum = " << (a + b) << '\n';</pre>
```

3) Operators in C++

Categories & examples (first thought: what ops do we need?)

```
Arithmetic: + - * / %
Assignment: =, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=
Relational: ==, !=, >, <, >=, <=</li>
Logical: &&, ||, !
Bitwise: &, |, ^, ~, <<, >>
Increment/Decrement: ++, --
Ternary: ?:
```

4) Typecasting concept (review + deep)

First thought: sometimes you must change the interpretation of bits from one type to another.

- Implicit (promotion): safe widening (e.g., int -> double) done by compiler.
- **Explicit (cast):** programmer forces conversion: (type)value or static_cast<type>(value).

Examples:

```
double d = 3;  // implicit: int -> double
int n = (int)3.99;  // explicit: truncates -> 3
int m = static_cast<int>(3.99);
```

Prefer static_cast in C++ for clarity.

5) Data loss concept (detailed)

When/why data lost:

- Narrowing conversions: float → int (fraction lost), double → float (precision lost), long → int (overflow if out of range).
- **Overflow:** value outside target type range wraps (undefined/implementation-defined for signed types in C/C++ older standards; but in practice for unsigned it wraps modulo).
- **Precision:** floating point stores finite precision big integers can't be exactly represented.

Example:

```
double d = 123456789012345.0;
float f = static_cast<float>(d); // precision loss
```

6) Type casting hands-on (example)

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    double d = 9.99;
    int i = (int)d; // 9
    cout << i << '\n';
    long big = 3000000000LL;
    int small = static_cast<int>(big); // likely overflow cout << small << '\n';
}</pre>
```

Discuss: show expected outputs & reason (overflow behavior platform-dependent for signed ints).

7) If-else condition start (first thought)

First thought: branch program flow based on condition (decision diamond in flowchart).

Syntax:

```
if (condition) {
  // true branch
} else {
  // false branch
```

8) If-else example with salary package

Problem: If salary \geq 50000 \rightarrow no increment else give 10% increment.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
using namespace std;
int main() {
  double salary;
  cout << "Enter salary: ";
  cin >> salary;
  if (salary >= 50000) {
     cout << "No increment\n";
  } else {
     salary *= 1.10;
     cout << fixed << setprecision(2);</pre>
     cout << "New salary: " << salary << '\n';
  }
  return 0;
}
```

Dry run: input $45000 \rightarrow$ output 49500.00.

9) Marks grading system (logic)

• Suppose: $90-100 \rightarrow A$, $75-89 \rightarrow B$, $60-74 \rightarrow C$, $40-59 \rightarrow D$, $<40 \rightarrow F$.

10) Hands-on marks grading system (code)

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int marks;
   cout << "Enter marks (0-100): ";</pre>
```

```
cin >> marks;
if (marks >= 90) cout << "Grade A\n";
else if (marks >= 75) cout << "Grade B\n";
else if (marks >= 60) cout << "Grade C\n";
else if (marks >= 40) cout << "Grade D\n";
else cout << "Fail\n";
return 0;
}</pre>
```

Dry run: input $78 \rightarrow$ Grade B.

11) If-else rules (good practices)

- Conditions evaluate left→right as written; use parentheses for clarity.
- Avoid floating equality checks (==) for double; use epsilon.
- Use else if to check ranges; last else for fallback.
- Keep branch bodies small call functions for complex tasks.

12) Compare two variables (code)

```
int a, b;
cin >> a >> b;
if (a > b) cout << "a is greater\n";
else if (a < b) cout << "b is greater\n";
else cout << "equal\n";</pre>
```

13) Hands-on (compare exercise) — dry run

```
Input: 5 7 \rightarrow prints b is greater.
```

14) Check number even or odd

Logic: n % 2 == $\emptyset \rightarrow$ even, else odd.

```
int n; cin >> n; if (n % 2 == 0) cout << "Even\n"; else cout << "Odd\n";
```

15) Homework: voter eligibility

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Problem statement: If age \geq 18 \rightarrow eligible else not.
```

```
int age; cin >> age; if (age >= 18) cout << "Eligible\n"; else cout << "Not eligible\n";
```

16) Number positive, negative, or zero

```
int n; cin >> n;
if (n > 0) cout << "Positive\n";
else if (n < 0) cout << "Negative\n";
else cout << "Zero\n";</pre>
```

17) Hands-on (positive/negative) — dry run

Input $0 \rightarrow \text{prints Zero}$.

18) Character is vowel or not

```
Check: lower/upper vowels 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u' and caps.
```

```
char c; cin >> c;
c = tolower(c);
if (c=='a' || c=='e' || c=='i' || c=='o' || c=='u') cout << "Vowel\n";
else cout << "Consonant\n";</pre>
```

19) Print weekday with number

Mapping 1..7 \rightarrow **Mon..Sun**. Use switch (clean).

```
int d; cin >> d;
switch(d) {
  case 1: cout<<"Monday\n"; break;
  case 2: cout<<"Tuesday\n"; break;
  case 3: cout<<"Wednesday\n"; break;
  case 4: cout<<"Thursday\n"; break;
  case 5: cout<<"Friday\n"; break;
  case 6: cout<<"Saturday\n"; break;
  case 7: cout<<"Sunday\n"; break;
  default: cout<<"Invalid\n";
}</pre>
```

20) Loop concept introduction (first thought)

- **Problem:** Repeat work many times avoid code duplication.
- Loops let program iterate: for, while, do-while.

21) Syntax of for loop

```
for (initialization; condition; update) {
  // body
}
```

22) Explain the working of for loop (step)

- 1. Initialization executed once.
- 2. Condition checked if false, loop ends.
- 3. Body executed.
- 4. Update executed.
- 5. Go to step 2.

Example trace: for (int i=1;i<=3;i++) \rightarrow i=1 body, i=2 body, i=3 body, i=4 condition false -> exit.

23) Print number 1 to 5

```
for (int i=1; i<=5; ++i) cout << i << ^{\prime};
```

Output: 1 2 3 4 5

24) Print square 1 to n

```
int n; cin >> n;
for (int i=1; i<=n; ++i) cout << (i*i) << ' ';
```

25) Print "coder army" 10 times

for (int i=0;i<10;i++) cout << "coder army\n";

26) Print n natural numbers

```
int n; cin >> n;
for (int i=1;i<=n;i++) cout << i << ' ';
```

27) Hands-on: print squares & all even numbers up to 20

- Squares 1..20: loop i=1..20 print i*i.
- Even numbers up to 20: for $(i=2;i\leq20;i+=2)$ print i.

28) Code: print even numbers up to 20

```
for (int i=2;i<=20;i+=2) cout << i << ' ';
```

Output: 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20