C++ Course 7: Lambda expressions. IO streams.

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Functions as parameters/variables?

Can we pass a function as an argument to another function?

```
Example 1: A binary operation:
int add(int x, int y) {  // Add two int numbers
    return x + y;
void printOp(??? op) { // Apply binary operation op to 7 and 3
    cout << "printOp: op(7, 3) = " << op(7, 3) << endl;
} // What type do we use instead of ?????
printOp(add);  // Pass function add as an argument to printOp
??? myOp = add; // Variable to hold a function
printOp(myOp); // Pass function myOp as an argument to printOp
What type ??? can hold a function?
```

Why do we need such things ???

```
Example 2: Operations for Algorithms: Sum a function applied to numbers 1.. 10:
int square(int x) {return x*x;}
int sum 10(??? fun){ // A trivial algorithm
     int sum = 0:
     for (int i = 1; i < = 10; ++i)
          sum += fun(i);
     return sum;
Example 3: Callbacks: Errors, threads, events, signals, ...:
void errorCallback(const string & s){
     cerr << s;
     exit(1);
void setErrorCallback(??? cb) {...}
```

Solution 1: C-style function pointers (don't do this!)

```
Example 1: A binary operation:
int add(int x, int y) {return x+y;}
void printOp(int (*op) (int, int)) {...}
int (*myOp) (int, int) = add; // Variable
printOp(add); // Pass add to printOp
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int square(int x) {return x*x;}
int sum 10(int (*fun) (int) ){ ... }
int result = sum 10(square);
Example 3: Callbacks: Errors, threads, events, signals, ...:
void errorCallback(const string & s){...}
void setErrorCallback(void (*cb)(const string &)) {...}
setErrorCallback(errorCallback);
```

Solution 2: std::function (Usually the best one)

```
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```

Solution 3: Templates (compile-time instantiation)

```
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int add(int x, int y) {return x+y;}
template <typename T>
void printOp(T op) {...}
printOp(add); // Pass add to printOp
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int square(int x) {return x*x;}
template <typename T> int sum 10(T fun){ ... }
int result = sum 10(square);
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void errorCallback(const string & s){...}
template <typename T> void setErrorCallback(T cb) {...}
setErrorCallback(errorCallback);
```

Why is std::function better than function pointers?

- 1. **std::function** can be used with *functors* and *lambda expressions*.
- 2. **std::function** allows type conversions
- 3. Function pointer types look ugly

Functors

```
Functor class is a class with overloaded operator()
Functor object can be invoked as a function
struct FunctorAdd { // struct is a class with default public: access
    int p = 0; // A field, not a parameter of operator()!
    int operator() (int x, int y) { // Two parameters: x, y
         return x + y + p; // The value of p can be used used here!
FunctorAdd fa{17}; // Sets p=17, sort of "capture" operation
cout << fa(1, 2); // Object (not class!) can be called as a function(x, y), prints 20
printOp(fa);
                  // Can be passed to printOp (std::function or template version)
OpenCV example: cv::Mat is a functor!
Mat a = imread("my.png");
Mat b = a(Rect2i(100, 100, 300, 200)); // Crop a subimage defined by a Rect
Use functor to add functionality to existing class, otherwise use lambda expressions!
```

Lambda expressions

Lambda expression creates a functor object of an anonymous class: printOp([](int x, int y)->int{ return x + y; **})**; Use **auto** (or **std::function**) to store it in a variable: auto $myOp = [](int x, int y)->int{}$ return x + y; **}**; printOp(myOp); // Pass myOp to printOp Lambda expression syntax: [<capture list>] (<parameters list>) -> <return type> {<body>} Lambda with **auto** (C++ 14), creates a functor template (sort of): $[](auto x, auto y) \{return x + y;\}$

Example 1 with lambdas

```
void printOp(function<int(int, int)> op) {
     cout << "printOp: op(7, 3) = " << op(7, 3) << endl;
int main(){
     printOp( [](int x, int y)->int{
          return x + y;
    });
     auto myOp = [](int x, int y)->int{
          return x + y;
     };
     printOp(myOp); // Pass myOp to printOp
```

Terminology: Lambda expression vs Closure

Lambda expression defined an anonymous functor class and creates an object of it.

Captured variables are fields of the class.

Lambda expression:

The expression []()->{} in the code.

Closure class:

The anonymous functor class defined by the lambda expression.

Closure:

The object of this class created by the lambda expression.

Capture

Lambdas can capture local variables from the outlying scope:

```
int a = 1, b = 2, d = 3, e = 4;
auto myLambda = [a, &b, c = d + e + 18, this] ()->void{
     cout << a << " " << b << " " << c << endl;
};</pre>
```

Capture by value : a

Capture by reference : &b

Init capture (C++ 14): c = d + e + 18

Class object capture : this

Only for lambdas defined within a class.

Capture by value

Variables captured by value are *copied when the lambda is created*.

Note: if **a** is pointer, then the pointer is copied and not the data it points at!

Same with **std::shared_ptr** and **cv::Mat** (shallow copy).

```
int a = 13;  // Here a = 13

auto lam = [a]()->void{
    cout << "a = " << a << endl;
};

a = 666;  // Now a = 666

lam();  // What is printed ?</pre>
```

Capture by reference

Variables captured by reference are *stored as references*.

```
int a = 13;  // Here a = 13

auto lam = [& a]()->void{
    cout << "a = " << a << endl;
};

a = 666;  // Now a = 666

lam();  // What is printed ?</pre>
```

Examples 2, 3 with lambdas

```
Example 2: Operations for Algorithms: Sum a function applied to numbers 1.. 10:
int sum 10(function<int(int)> fun){
     int sum = 0;
     for (int i = 1; i < = 10; ++i) sum += fun(i);
     return sum;
...
sum_10([](int x) -> int {return x*x;} );
Example 3: Callbacks: Errors, threads, events, signals, ...:
void setErrorCallback(function<void(const string &)> cb) {...} ...
setErrorCallback([](const string & s) noexcept ->void{
     cerr << s;
     exit(1);
});
```

Capturing this

For lambdas defined inside a class: Allows the use of class fields in the lambda. **this** is captured *by value* as a *pointer*. The class object itself in *NOT copied*! **class MyClass{**

```
void run(){ // Capture this, not individual class fields !
          printOp([this](int x, int y)->int{
                     return x + y + p;
          });
     int p;
MyClass mc;
...
mc.run();
```

Init capture or generalized lambda capture (C++ 14)

```
int d = 3, e = 4;
printOp( [p = d*d*2 ](int x, int y)->int{ // By value
     return x + y + p;
});
printOp([\&p = d](int x, int y)->int{return x + y + p;});
                                                            // By reference
Init capture can move objects into the lambda:
auto ul = make_unique<int>(3); // A unique ptr cannot be copied, only moved!
printOp([u = move(ul)](int x, int y)->int{}
     return x * y * *u;
});
Problem: such lambda does not work with std::function!!!
std::function requires lambdas to be copyable!
```

Extra slides: Capture all, capture in functors

Reducing the number of parameters

```
int add3(int x, int p, int y) {
    return x + p + y;
} // One extra parameter !
How can we use it with printOp, which needs binary operation (2 parameters)?
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     return x + p + y;
  // One extra parameter !
How can we use it with printOp, which needs binary operation (2 parameters)?
With a lambda wrapper (preferred):
printOp([](int x, int y)->int{      // Correct signature !
     return add3(x, 10, y);
});
With std::bind (returns a functor object):
printOp(bind(add3, placeholders:: 1, 10, placeholders:: 2));
Use lambdas, not std::bind!
```

Extra slides: Using operators and class methods with std::function

Using lambdas in algorithms:

```
How to sort a container in C++?
vector <int> v{3, 17, 3, 81, -20, 0, 685, 185, -9, 37, 62};
sort(v.begin(), v.end()); // Sort in ascending order, uses operator
// -20 -9 0 3 3 17 37 62 81 185 685
How to sort in descending order?
Write a lambda:
sort(v.begin(), v.end(), [](int x, int y)->bool{
       return x > y;
});
Or use std::greater<>: a wrapper for operator>:
sort(v.begin(), v.end(), greater<int>()); // C++ 11
sort(v.begin(), v.end(), greater<>()); // C++ 14
```

for_each, count_if, transform

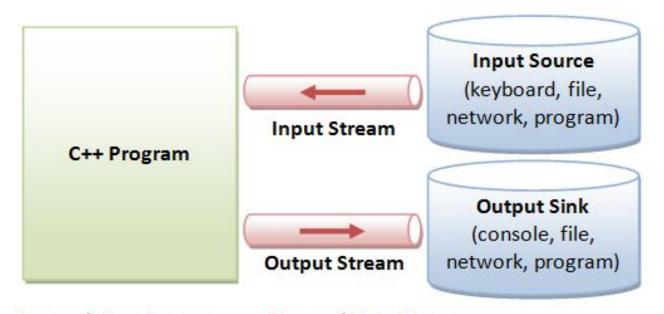
```
Run a lambda for every element:
for each(v.cbegin(), v.cend(), [](int x)->void{
       cout << x << " : " << 2*x << endl:
});
Count negative elements:
int n = count if(v.cbegin(), v.cend(), [](int x)->bool{
       return x < 0:
});
Apply a transformation function for each element:
transform(v.cbegin(), v.cend(), back inserter(v2), [](int x)->int{
       return x*2;
});
```

std::back inserter is a special iterator that does **push back** (rather than overwrites!)

generate

```
Generate a sequence of elements:
vector<int> v(10); // Pre-allocate 10 elements
int n = 0;
generate(v.begin(), v.end(), [&n]()->int{
     return n++;
});
// 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
The same using number of elements and std::back inserter:
vector<int> v; // No pre-allocation!
int n = 0;
generate_n(back_inserter(v), 10, [&n]()->int{
     return n++;
});
// 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

I/O streams



Internal Data Formats:

- Text: char, wchar_t
- int, float, double, etc.

External Data Formats:

- Text in various encodings (US-ASCII, ISO-8859-1, UCS-2, UTF-8, UTF-16, UTF-16BE, UTF16-LE, etc.)
- Binary (raw bytes)

Standard streams cin, cout, cerr, clog

```
cin: Standard input (buffered)
cin: Standard output (buffered)
cerr: Standard error output (no buffer)
clog: Standard error output to cerr with buffer?
operator >> : Input operator (overloaded bit shift operator!)
operator << : Input operator
double c, d;
cout << "Enter c, d :" << endl;
cin >> c >> d;
cout << "c = " << c << ", d = " << d << ", c*d = " << c*d << endl;
cerr << "Fatal error : file " << fileName << " not found ! \n";
```

Operators >>, << return the stream itself, which allows us to *chain* operators For example: **cin** >> **c** returns **cin**.

Reading strings

```
string name;
cout << "Your full name ?" << endl;
cin >> name;
```

Type in the console: Sir Philip Anthony Hopkins

```
name == ????
```

Reading strings

```
string name;
cout << "Your full name ?" << endl;
cin >> name;
```

Type in the console: Sir Philip Anthony Hopkins

```
name == "Sir" !!! Space is a separator when reading with >> !
```

The proper way to do it:

```
getline(cin, name);
```

Now name == "Sir Philip Anthony Hopkins"

getline() reads until EOL (End of Line). Only EOL is a separator now, not space!

Extra slides: stream classes and headers

Stream status and errors

Status bits:

```
good = Everything is OK
     = Error (e.g. failed to red int, or EOF)
bad = Serious error
eof = End of file
Class methods: cin.good(), cin.fail(), cin.bad(), cin.eof()
Clear after error: cin.clear()
Cast to bool: same as (!cin.fail()):
int a, b;
if (cin >> a >> b)
     cout << "a = " << a << ", b = " << b << endl;
else
     cerr << "Error !" << endl;
```

Exceptions in I/O streams

By default **istream**, **ostream** throw no exceptions (historical reasons?)

How to turn on exceptions for **cin**: cin.exceptions (ios::eofbit | ios::failbit | ios::badbit); Now **cin** throws **ios base::failure** if anything is wrong! try { cin >> a >> b; } catch (const ios_base::failure & e) { cerr << e. what() << endl;

Extra slides: Unicode issues, manipulators, C-streams

String streams: istringstream, ostringstream, stringstream

String streams allow us to use strings as streams (instead of files)
Use **str()** (getter and setter) to access the underlying string
This can be useful for formatting or parsing strings

```
istringstream iss("13.98 17.32");
ostringstream oss;
double a, b;
iss >> a >> b;
oss << "a = " << a << " , b = " << b << " , a*b = " << a*b << endl;
cout << "oss.str() = " << oss.str(); // Contents of oss</pre>
```

If we want to reuse iss:

We need **clear()** to clear the EOF bit!

File streams : ifstream, ofstream, fstream

```
To open an input file:
ifstream in("in file.txt");
or
ifstream in;
in.open("in file.txt");
To create/overwrite output file:
ofstream out("out_file.txt");
To append at the end of file:
ofstream out("out_file.txt", ios::app | ios::out);
To close a file:
out.close();
```

Note: No need to do that, destructor calls close()!

Stream open modes

ios::app seek to the end of stream before each write

ios::binary open in binary mode (matters in Windows, EOL handling)

ios::in open for reading

ios::out open for writing

ios::trunc discard the contents of the stream when opening

ios::ate seek to the end of stream immediately after open

Joined by the I (bitwise OR) operator, for example

```
ofstream o1("out1.dat", ios::out | ios::binary); // Out, replace, binary ofstream o2("out2.dat", ios::out | ios::app | ios::binary); // Out, append, binary ifstream i1("in1.dat", ios::in | ios::binary); // In, binary
```

Stream methods and functions

```
Read/write char, C-strings, streambuf
get()
put()
Read/write string
getline()
          (method)
getline()
          (function)
<<
           (write)
Read/write buffers:
read()
write()
readsome()
```

Copy files : 2 ways

Using **get**, **put** by 1 character (slow!):

```
char c;
while (in.get(c))
   out.put(c);
```

Using **read**, **write** (efficient, serialize binary data in C++ like this!):

gcount() returns number of bytes actually read, up to SIZE.

std::filesystem (C++ 17)

Cross-platform filesystem operations (paths, directories, create/delete files etc.)

Based on: Boost Filesystem

Note: On Ubuntu there is a bug with gcc 8.3.0, use gcc-9 instead! Configure like this:

```
cmake -DCMAKE_C_COMPILER=gcc-9 -DCMAKE_CXX_COMPILER=g++-9 ..
```

std::filesystem::path is the basic path object (the file doesn't have to exist!)

```
filesystem::path p("."); // Current directory

// Check that file/directory exists
cout << filesystem::exists(p) << endl;

// Check that it is a directory
cout << filesystem::is_directory(p) << endl;

// Convert p to absolute path
cout << filesystem::absolute(p) << endl;

// Convert p to std::string
cout << p.string() << endl;</pre>
```

std::filesystem (C++ 17)

Iterate over a directory **p**:

```
for (const filesystem::directory_entry &de :
filesystem::directory_iterator(p)) {
    cout << de.path() << endl;
}</pre>
```

Create a new path **p2** and create directory from this path:

```
filesystem::path p2 = p / "newdir";  // Overloaded / operator !

// Does not exist yet !
cout << filesystem::exists(p2) << endl;

// Create directory
filesystem::create_directory(p2);</pre>
```

Library of the day : gtkmm

Suppose you want a desktop GUI.

GUI is best in C++ (Electron, Java Swing, ... = SLOW)

Cross-platform C++ GUI libraries:

gtkmm = Nice

Qt = Not so nice

wxWidgets ...

Most other C++ GUI libraries are lightweight, outdated, or not cross-platform.

What NOT to do:

"GUI" with OpenCV. To enable buttons, build OpenCV with Qt.

!!! BAD IDEA !!! Approach is not scalable from demo to product !

If you want GUI, use a real GUI library!

Note: **gtkmm** is a C++ wrapper to the C library **Gtk+ GObject** is a "object oriented" framework in C. **mm** stands for "--".

Using gtkmm in a CMake project

pkgconfig is a package-finding system for C.

It is typically used with **configure**/ **make**. Here we use it with CMake.

```
find package (PkgConfig) # Find PkgConfig CMake plugin
pkg check modules (GTKMM gtkmm-3.0) # Find gtkmm-3.0 with pkgconfig
link directories (${GTKMM LIBRARY DIRS})
include directories (${GTKMM INCLUDE DIRS})
set (SRCS
    HelloWorld.h
    main.cpp
# Link gtkmm libraries
add executable (${PROJECT NAME} ${SRCS})
target link libraries (${PROJECT NAME} ${GTKMM LIBRARIES})
```

gtkmm code example: main.cpp

GUI applications do not follow sequential logic. **app->run(hw)** runs the event loop and exits when the main window is closed. Everything else is done via *events*, *signals* and *callbacks*.

Here our main window is of our own class **HelloWorld**.

gtkmm code example: HelloWorld.h

```
#pragma once
#include <iostream>
#include <gtkmm/button.h>
#include <qtkmm/window.h>
class HelloWorld : public Gtk::Window {
public:
    HelloWorld() { // Ctor
        set title("Goblin Window");
        // Add a callback (lambda) to the button
        btn.signal clicked().connect([]()->void {
            std::cout << "Goblin button pushed !!!" << std::endl;</pre>
        });
        add(btn); // Add button to the window (used as container)
        btn.show(); // Make button visible
protected:
   Gtk::Button btn{"Goblin Button"};  // A button
```

Thank you for your attention!



text

Capture with lambda and functor

```
int p = 3;
Capture p by a lambda:
printOp( [p](int x, int y)->int{
     return x + y + p;
Capture p by a functor :
struct {
     int pCap; // Parameter
     int operator()(int x, int y) {
          return x + y + pCap;
} functor{p}; // pCap captures p by value
printOp(functor);
```

Default capture (Don't do this !!!)

Suppose we have many variables : int a = 1, b = 2, d = 3, e = 4;

Capture everything by value:

lam = [=]()->void{...};

Capture everything by reference:

 $lam = [\&]()->void{...};$

Using standard operators with std::function

```
void printOp(function<int(int, int)> op) {
    cout << "printOp: op(7, 3) = " << op(7, 3) << endl;
Can we try it with operator+?
                     // ERROR !!!
printOp(operator+);
                            // ERROR !!!
printOp(int::operator+);
We cannot assign operators to std::function !!!
Use the std::plus<> wrapper:
                            // Works !!!
printOp(plus<int>());
printOp(plus<>());
                            // Works in C++ 14 !!!
Also: minus, multiplies, negate, equal_to, less, greater_equal, logical_and, bit_xor, ...
```

Using non-static class methods with std::function

```
struct Z{
     int p = 0;
     int op(int x, int y) {
          return x + y + p;
Z z{20};
Can we assign to an std::function?
printOp(z.op);
                         // ERROR !!!
Problem: class methods have an invisible first argument this:
function<int(Z*, int, int)> funny = &Z::op; // This works!
```

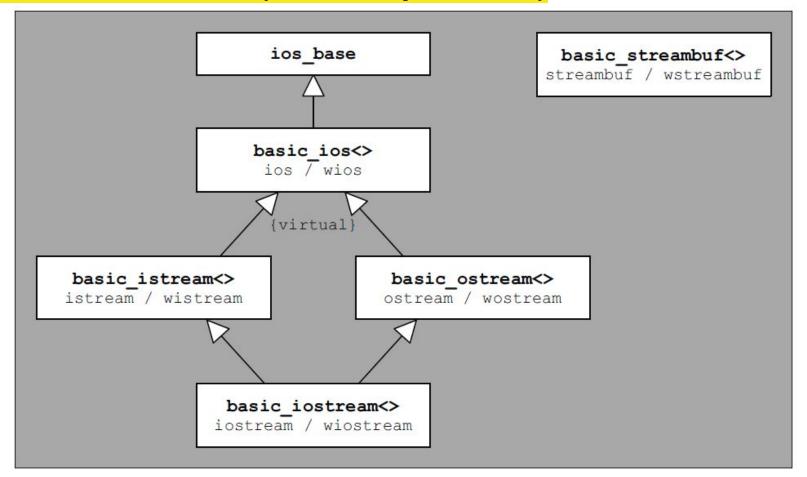
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Z z{20};
With a lambda wrapper (preferred):
printOp([&z](int x, int y)->int {  // Correct signature !
     return z.op(x, y);
});
With std::bind:
printOp(bind(&Z::op, &z, placeholders::_1, placeholders::_2));
```

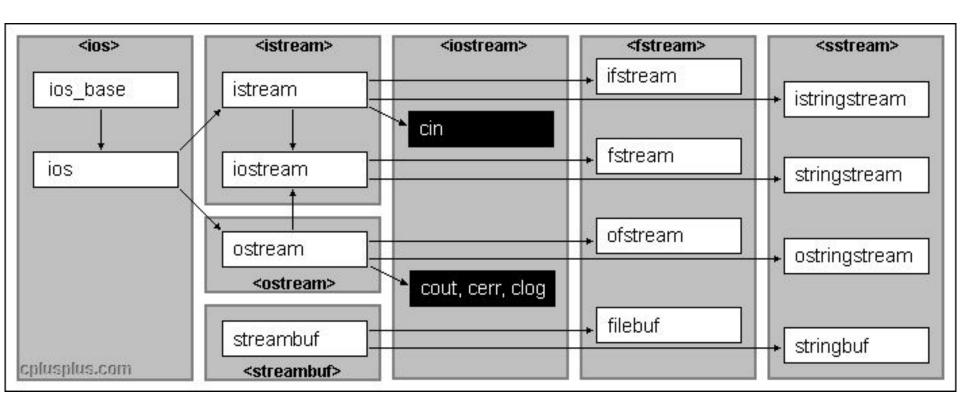
mutable keyword in lambdas

```
Normally variables captured by value are defined const:
int a = 10;
auto lam = [a]()->void {
    a += 5; // ERROR !!!
    cout << a;
lam();
Use mutable modifier!
int a = 10;
auto lam = [a]() mutable ->void {
    a += 5; // OK !!!
    cout << a;
lam();
```

I/O stream classes (diamond problem!)



I/O stream classes and headers



C++ and unicode: Trouble with wchar_t, wstring, wcin, wcout

Idea: wchar_t is a wide (16 or 32 bit) character. wstring, wcin, wcout. Why it is bad?

- 1. No guarantee it is actually UTF-16.
- 2. wcin/wcout depend on locale.

locale is compiler and OS-dependent! There is no guarantee you have utf-8 locale!

Probably works in : Linux, Windows + CL (Microsoft compiler)

MinGW gcc: only C and POSIX! No UTF-8!

Forget about wchar_t, wstring, wcin, wcout !

C++ and unicode : use UTF-8! And no locales!

- 1. Your code (*.h, *.cpp) must be in UTF-8 (string literals!).
- 2. Use **string** (not **wstring**!) for strings.
- 3. Use cin, cout, ifstream, ofstream with files in UTF-8.
- 4. Works fine with files, linux console.
- 5. Some trouble with windows console:
 - Output: type **chcp 65001** in the console Input: I could not fix
- 6. Could be fixed with windows API if really needed.
- 7. GUI libraries have their own unicode support, e.g. ustring in gtkmm.
- 8. Use C++ 11 u16string and char16_t if needed. UTF8 <-> UTF16 conversion!

```
cout << "Український текст із літерами ґҐ !" << endl; cout << "Svenska bokstäver ÅåÖöÄä !" << endl; cout << "Hiragana: あ,い,う,え,お" << endl;
```

Manipulators 1 : Example 5.1

```
flush Flush the buffer
endl '\n' + flush the buffer
setw(i) Set output width to i
left, right Alignment left or right
setfill(c) Set fill character
(no)boolalpha Read/write bool as "true", "false" instead of 0, 1
fixed, scientific Notation for doubles
```

```
ws Skip whitespaces (on read)
```

```
1AAAAAAAABBBBBBBBB2
&&&3.3333333333333314830E-001
```

Manipulators 2: dec, oct, hex

hex Hexadecimal

oct Octal

dec Decimal

(no)showbase Show base (e.g. 0x1a4 instead of 1a4)

(no)uppercase Uppercase letters in hex numbers, double exp

```
int i = 45;
cout << "Dec : " << i << " " << showbase << i << noshowbase << endl;
cout << "Oct : " << oct << i << " " << showbase << i <<dec << noshowbase <<endl;
cout << "Hex : " << hex << i << " " << showbase << i <<dec << noshowbase <<endl;
cout << "HEX : " << uppercase << hex << i << " " << showbase << i << dec << noshowbase << i oct << noshowbase << endl;</pre>
```

```
Dec : 45 45
Oct : 55 055
Hex : 2d 0x2d
HEX : 2D 0X2D
```

C I/O: printf(), scanf(), puts(), fgets()

C language has files and standard streams: stdin, stdout, stderr

C files: see example??

Using printf() formatting with C++ stream objects?

printf() is nice. Can we use it with C++ stream objects? Simple example (a *variadic* template):

Usage example:

```
print(cout, "8.1 = %10.131f , 9 = %d \n", 8.1, 9);
```

This version:

- 1. Uses a global buffer of max size 1000, not thread-safe
- 2. Cannot work with C++ strings or any class objects

Better choice: Boost format?