

LECTURE III

C++ Programming

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SECTION I

Programs and Programming Languages

What is a Program?

- A computer **program** is a **sequence of instructions** for a computer to execute
- **Software** is a **set of programs** and **data** that are used to perform a specific task on the computer
 - Ex) MS Word, Discord, Minecraft
 - Contrasts from **hardware**, which is the collection of **physical components** that make up the system



Programming Languages

- A **programming language** is a **notation** for the instructions we give to the computer
- Just like a human language, a programming language is **defined by grammar**
 - There is **syntax** - a **structure** or way of organizing symbols in the language
 - Ex) In English, sentences are *structured* as follows:
 - Subject + Verb + Predicate
 - There are also **semantics** - the **meaning** of a set of symbols or their arrangement

Name a programming language.

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Programming Languages (Cont'd)

- Popular programming languages include **C++**, **Java**, **Python**, **Javascript**
 - Each of these languages have a **unique grammar** (with some overlap)
 - Each have **strengths and weaknesses**
 - Ex) Javascript is widely used in websites but isn't used as much for desktop applications
 - Ex) Python is great for quick scripting but more challenging when writing software that interfaces with hardware or manages memory



Machine Language

- Computers execute instructions in a **machine language** or **machine code**
 - Machine code is written in **binary** 1s and 0s, which is converted into HIGH and LOW voltages on the hardware level
- Human-readable programming languages must be **translated** into machine language that the computer can execute

Source Code

```
a = "hello";  
b = a + "!";
```

Translation



Machine Code

```
1011 1010 1010  
1011 0110 1011
```

High vs Low Level Languages

- **High-level** programming languages provide strong abstractions from the computer hardware
 - The language may automate memory management
 - Ex) **C, C++, Python, Java**
- **Low-level** programming languages provide little to no abstractions and tend to be structurally similar to machine language instructions
 - Ex) **Assembly** languages, **Machine languages**

High vs Low Level Languages (Cont'd)

There is a **spectrum** of low to high level programming languages:

Low Level

High Level



Machine Code

Assembly

C

C++

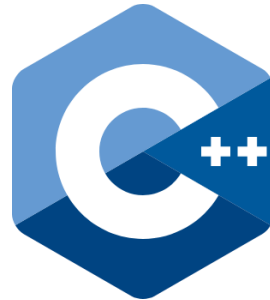
Java

Python

Scratch

C++ Programming Language

- **C++** is a **general-purpose** programming language
 - Used to write operating systems, video games, **embedded software**, etc.
- It was designed as a **superset of the C programming language**
 - Much of what you write in C can run in a C++ program
- Why would we focus on C++?
 - We will eventually use **Arduino**, which is based on C++



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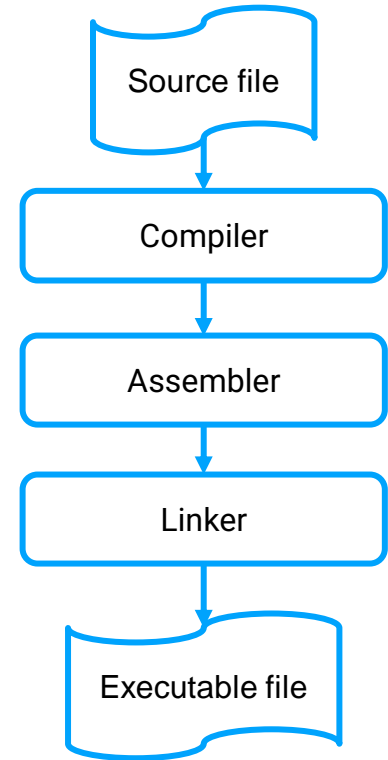


SECTION II

Compilation Process

Compilers, Assemblers, and Linkers

- We must **translate** C++ source code into machine code using a program called a **compiler**
- Technically, translation is handled by multiple programs:
 - A **compiler** converts C++ source code into assembly language
 - An **assembler** converts the assembly code into machine code
 - A **linker** takes the machine code files and “links” them together into one **executable file**



Target Architectures

- Machine code is **architecture-dependent**
 - Ex) Intel or AMD-powered computers use **x86-64 machine code**, many phones are ARM-based which use **ARM64 machine code**
 - Intel, AMD, and ARM are all processors which execute program instructions within the computer (to be discussed in future lectures...)
- The compilation process must have a **target architecture**
 - Ex) For C++ programs to run on Intel machines, they must be compiled to an x86-64 executable

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SECTION III

Variables, Statements, and Operators

Statements

- Programs are composed of **statements**
- A **statement** is an instruction that causes the program to perform some action
 - **Syntax:** statements in C++ often **end with a semicolon (;)**

```
int n = 1;           // declaration statement
n = n + 1;           // expression statement
return 0;            // return statement
```

Variables

- **Variables** are containers for data values
 - C++ variables have **types** - integers, characters, booleans, etc.
- Variables must be **declared**

```
int a;           // integer declaration
int b, c, d;     // three variable integer declaration
```

- Variables are **assigned** values

```
a = 3;           // copy assignment to a
b = 102324325;
```

Variables (Cont'd)

- **Initialize** your variables when declaring them

```
int a = 50;           // integer variable initialization
char c = 'w';
```

- **Syntax:**

```
type variableName = value;
```

- **Naming Convention:** Variable names are written in **camelCase**
 - The first word is not capitalized and the first letter of all the following words is capitalized

Basic Data Types

| Type | Definition | Example |
|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| int | Integer | -2, 0, 1, 300 |
| unsigned int | Positive Integer | 0, 1, 5, 6 |
| char | Character | 'c', 'g', 'w' |
| float | Floating Decimal | 1.2367 |
| bool | Boolean | True, False |

Operators and Expressions

- **Operators** are used to perform operations on variables and values
 - Some are for arithmetic, assignment, comparison, etc.
- An **expression** is a combination of values, variables, and operators that **evaluate** to one single value

```
b + 5; // example expression  
a + 4 / 5 - b * c;
```

Arithmetic Operators

| Operator | Name | Definition | Example |
|----------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| + | Add | Adds two values together | $x + y$ |
| - | Subtract | Subtracts one value from another | $x - y$ |
| * | Multiply | Multiplies two values together | $x * y$ |
| / | Divide | Divides one value from another | x / y |
| % | Modulus | Remainder of Division | $x \% y$ |
| ++ | Increment | Increases value of a variable by one | $x++$ |
| -- | Decrement | Decreases value of a variable by one | $y--$ |

Assignment Operators

| Operator | Example | Equivalent Statement |
|----------|---------------------|------------------------|
| = | <code>x = y</code> | |
| += | <code>x += 5</code> | <code>x = x + 5</code> |
| -= | <code>x -= 5</code> | <code>x = x - 5</code> |
| *= | <code>x *= 5</code> | <code>x = x * 5</code> |
| /= | <code>x /= 5</code> | <code>x = x / 5</code> |

Comparison Operators

| Operator | Name | Example |
|----------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| == | Equal to | <code>x == y</code> |
| != | Not equal to | <code>x != y</code> |
| > | Greater than | <code>x > y</code> |
| < | Less than | <code>x < y</code> |
| >= | Greater than or equal to | <code>x >= y</code> |
| <= | Less than or equal to | <code>x <= y</code> |

Logical Operators

| Operator | Name | Example |
|----------|-----------------------------|---------|
| & & | Logical AND (Both True) | x & & y |
| | Logical OR (Either is True) | x y |

- Expressions with **logical** or **comparison** operators evaluate to **True** or **False**

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SECTION IV

Control Flow

If Statement

```
if (condition) {  
    // block of code to be executed if the condition is true  
}
```

- The **if statement** is a type of conditional statement
- If the **condition** evaluates to true, the program executes the block below
- The **block** is the set of statements enclosed by { }

Else Statement

```
if (condition) {  
    // block of code to be executed if the condition is true  
}  
else {  
    // code that executes if the condition is false  
}
```

- An **else statement** is an optional statement that executes only when the condition is **false**

If-Else Statement

```
int x = 2;  
if (x > 1) {  
    x = 1;  
}  
else {  
    x = 6;  
}
```

Ex) Suppose the program executes this code. What is the value of x?

- The condition ($x > 1$) evaluates to **True**, so the if-block executes
- The else statement is skipped
- **Solution:** $x = 1$

Else If Statement

```
if (condition) {  
    // block of code to be executed if the condition is true  
}  
else if (condition2) {  
    // code that executes if the previous conditions are  
    // false and condition2 is true  
}
```

- An **else if statement** is an optional statement that executes *only* if the **previous conditions are false** *and* the **new condition is true**

If-Else Statement

I/A

```
int x = 5;  
if (x > 2) {  
    x = 1;  
}  
else {  
    x = 6;  
}
```

What is the value of **x** after the code executes?

A. x = 1

B. x = 2

C. x = 5

D. x = 6

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x = 1

x = 2

x = 5

x = 6



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x = 1

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x = 2

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x = 5

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While Loop

```
while (condition) {  
    // code to be executed while the condition is true  
}
```

- The **while loop** executes the block of code repeatedly *while* the condition is **true**; the loop ends when the condition is **false**
- The **condition** is evaluated at the beginning of each loop

While Loop (Cont'd)

```
int x = 1;  
while (x != 5) {  
    x++;  
}
```

Ex) Suppose the program executes this code. What is the value of x?

- The while loop executes as long as $x \neq 5$
- **Solution:** $x = 5$

For Loop

```
for (init-statement; condition; end-expression) {  
    // code to be executed while the condition is true  
}
```

- The **for loop** executes the block of code repeatedly until the condition is **false**
- The **init-statement** is executed once when the for loop starts
- The **condition** is evaluated at the beginning of each loop
- The **end expression** is executed at the end of each loop

For Loop (Cont'd)

```
int sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    sum += i;
}
```

Ex) Suppose the program executes this code. What is the value of sum?

- The for loop executes 10 times; i increments once each loop
- **Solution:** $\text{sum} = 0 + 1 + 2 \dots + 8 + 9 = 45$

For Loop (Cont'd)

I/A

```
int x = 2;  
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {  
    x = x-i;  
}
```

What is the value of **x** after the code executes?

- A. x = 2
- B. x = -7
- C. x = -1
- D. x = -4

What is the value of x after the code executes? (2)

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int x = 2;  
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}
```

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x = -4



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SECTION V

Arrays

Arrays

- An **array** is a **series of elements** of the **same type** that is referenced with a single identifier
- **Syntax:**

```
type arrayName[size];
```


- The array **size** or **number of elements** is fixed at declaration (for static allocation)
- By default, arrays are **uninitialized** (none of its elements are set) at declaration
 - Best practice is for us to initialize the elements at this time

Array Initialization

```
int foo[6];
```

Array declaration without initialization

```
int foo[6] = {9, 2, 5, 4, 8, 11};
```

Array declaration with
initializer list

```
int foo[] {9, 2, 5, 4, 8, 11};
```

Universal initialization does not require an equal sign or an explicit array size; they are implicit

Array Access

- Elements of the array can be accessed using an **index** starting from 0
 - Ex) An array with a size of 5 has indices ranging from 0 to 4

- **Syntax:** `variableName[index]`

```
foo[2] = 76;
```

Assigns the *third* element of `foo` to 76

```
x = foo[2];
```

Assigns `x` to the *third* element of `foo`

Array Access

I/A

```
int x[3] = {5, 2, 4};  
if (x[1] > 3) {  
    x[0] = 3;  
}
```

What is the value of **x[0]** after the code executes?

A. **x[0]** = 5

B. **x[0]** = 2

C. **x[0]** = 3

D. **x[0]** = 4

What is the value of x[0] after the code executes?

```
int x[3] = {5, 2, 4};  
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}
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x[0] = 3

x[0] = 4



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SECTION VI

Functions and Scope

Functions

- A **function** is a reusable sequence of statements designed to do a particular job
- We use a **function call** to tell the program to execute the function



```
int result = add5(3);
```

- The example above includes a call to some function `add5()`

Functions (Cont'd)

- Function calls include **arguments** which are used and/or manipulated by the function



```
int result = add5(3);
```

- After the function executes, a **return value** replaces the original function call
 - The example function `add5()` *returns* the argument + 5

Function Declaration

- A **function declaration** is needed to designate a new function

```
returnType identifier(paramType paramName);
```

- The **return type** is the **data type** of the return value
 - Some functions have **no return value**, so the return type is **void**
- The **identifier** is the **name** of the function
 - **Naming Convention:** Function names are written in **camelCase**

Function Declaration (Cont'd)

```
returnType identifier(paramType paramName);
```

- A function has **parameters** which are assigned/bound to the arguments of the function call
 - Functions may have **multiple parameters** or none
 - **Syntax:** Each parameter is separated by a **comma** (,) in the parenthesis
 - These parameters are used as **variables** in the body of the function definition...

Function Definition

- The **function definition** is where the function's code is implemented

```
returnType identifier(paramType paramName) // function header
{
    // function body - where the function's code goes
}
```

- The **header** must match the function declaration
- The body must contain a **return statement** if the return type is not void

Function Definition (Cont'd)

```
int add5(int x)
{
    return x + 5;
}
```

- The example function `add5 ()` has the `int` parameter `x`
- The function **returns** an `int`, which is the sum of `x + 5`

```
int result = add5(3);
```

← This call **returns** 8

Function Definition (Cont'd)

I/A

```
int myFunc(bool a, int b, float c)
{
    if (a)
    {
        return b;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Which is the correct function call for myFunc?

- A. myFunc(false);
- B. myFunc(true, 3, 0.23);
- C. myFunc(3, 0.58);
- D. myFunc(false, 3.10, 2);

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Main Function

```
int main()
{
    // This is the starting point for program execution.
    // Write the code you want to run here.
}
```

- Every C++ program starts at `main()`
 - You *must* define the main function. There is no declaration; it's built in.
- Write the code you want to run in the body of `main()`

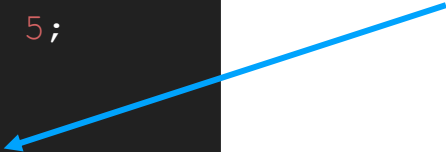
Local Scope

- Variables created within functions and loops are called **local variables**
- **Local variables** are visible *only* within the **scope** of that function or loop after being declared
 - meaning... local variables cannot be accessed outside of the scope

```
int add5(int x)
{
    return x + 5;
}

x = 2;
```

The code here results in an **error** because the variable **x** is referenced outside of the scope of **add5 ()**



Global Scope

- Variables created outside functions and loops are called **global variables**
- **Global variables** have **file scope**, which means they are visible *anywhere* in the file *after* being declared
 - You **cannot reference an identifier before its declaration**
- It is best practice to only declare global variables with the **const** keyword (for constant variables)

```
const float PI = 3.14159;
```

Global Scope (Cont'd)

```
const float PI = 3.14159;
```

```
int addPi(int x)
```

```
{
```

```
    return x + PI;
```

```
}
```

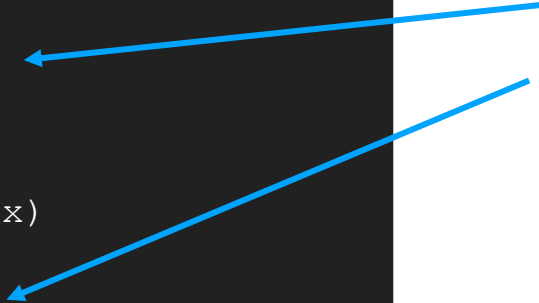
```
int subtractPi(int x)
```

```
{
```

```
    return x - PI;
```

```
}
```

The variable `PI` is **accessible at function scope** because it was **defined globally** before it was referenced



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SECTION VII

Classes

Classes


- A **class** is a user-defined data type
- Classes may contain **member variables** and **functions**
- **Instances** of a class, or **objects**, are created as follows:

```
className objectName(arg1, arg2, ...);
```



- Objects are created using a special member function called a **constructor**, whose arguments are given at declaration
- To initialize the object as a default version, ditch the parentheses

Classes (Cont'd)



```
Oven easyBake; // instance of the Oven class, default initialized
Oven myOven("Red"); // another oven initialized with a constructor

easyBake.contents = "cookie dough"; // accessing a member variable
easyBake.setTemp(450); // calling a member function
easyBake.bake();
```

- We have created an object of the class **Oven**, oven called **easyBake**
- **easyBake** has member variables and functions which can be accessed using the **dot (.)** operator

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SECTION VIII


Includes, iostream, and string

#include

- **#include** is a directive which inserts the contents of a file into the current file
- A **header file** contains declarations of classes, functions, and variables that can be accessed using #include

```
#include <iostream>
```

This example is an include of a header file which contains functionality for inputting/outputting text to the terminal



iostream

```
#include <iostream>
```


- The **iostream** header gives us access to a library of objects and functions that support input/output
- Input/output is managed through **streams** - sequences of bytes that represent data
- We use **standard output stream** object **std::cout** for output to the terminal
- The **standard input stream** object **std::cin** is for input from the terminal

std::cout

- We can insert data into `std::cout` using the **stream insertion operator** `<<`

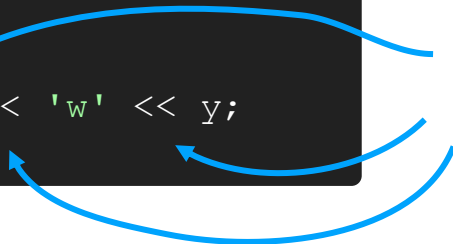
```
int x = 4;  
std::cout << x;
```

`x` is *inserted* into the standard output stream



```
int x = 4;  
int y = 9;  
std::cout << x << 7 << 'w' << y;
```

We can insert more data in the same statement



std::cout (Cont'd)

- We can insert data into `std::cout` using the **stream insertion operator** `<<`

```
int x = 4;  
std::cout << x;
```

Output:

4

```
int x = 4;  
int y = 9;  
std::cout << x << 7 << 'w' << y;
```

Output:

47w9

std::cout (Cont'd)

- We use several **escape sequences** - special character combinations which carry additional meaning beyond their literal values - to enhance the output
- Start a **new line** using '`\n`' or `std::endl`

```
std::cout << 4 << '\n' << 6;
```

```
std::cout << 4 << std::endl << 6;
```

Output:

4
6

- Use '`\t`' to **insert a tab**

std::cin

- We can read data from `std::cin` using the **stream extraction operator** `>>`

```
int x;  
std::cin >> x;
```

Input is *extracted* from the standard input stream and assigned to **x**

- `std::cin` reads until it hits **any whitespace** (space, tab, or newline)
 - If you type `321 5` into the terminal while executing the code above...


x will only be assigned to 321

std::string

```
#include <string>
```

- The **string** header gives us support for managing “strings” of characters, which make text
- We can create **std::string** objects and assign them to **string literal values**

```
std::string str = "Test String";
```



std::string (Cont'd)

- Strings can be **concatenated** with the + or += operators

```
std::string a = "Apple";  
std::string b = "Banana";  
std::string c = a + b + "Orange";
```

c == "AppleBananaOrange"



- Strings can be **indexed** just like arrays!
 - They are technically character arrays

```
std::string a = "Apple";  
a[1] = 'm';
```

a == "Ample"



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SECTION IX

Your First Program

Hello World!

Let's use everything we've learned to write a program that prints some text to the terminal...

```
#include <iostream>
```

An include for I/O functionality

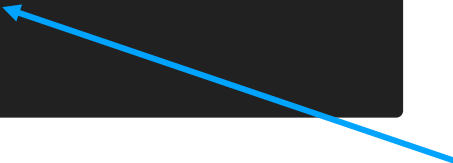


```
int main() {  
    std::cout << "Hello World!";  
}
```

Main function definition



Send text to the standard output stream



SECTION X

Integrated Development Environments

Integrated Development Environments

- An **integrated development environment (IDE)** is a suite of applications used for software development
 - It is *more* than a text editor for you to write source code
 - It includes a **source-code editor, compiler, debugger, and automation tools**
 - When you create a program, you will write and edit it in the **source-code editor**
 - The IDE will come with a built-in **compiler** for code translation
 - The **debugger** will help troubleshoot errors and unexpected behavior while the program is running

Popular IDEs

- Common **IDEs for C++** developers include:

- Visual Studio
- CLion
- XCode



- There are multi-language **cloud-based IDEs** as well:
 - Replit
- Learn more about how to use select IDEs in our workshop video!

SECTION XI

C++ Extras

Bonus Topics

- Structs
- Function overloading
- Recursion
- Pointers
- Dynamic memory allocation
- Type casting
- Go to www.learncpp.com and learn more!

Please submit questions about the lecture content.

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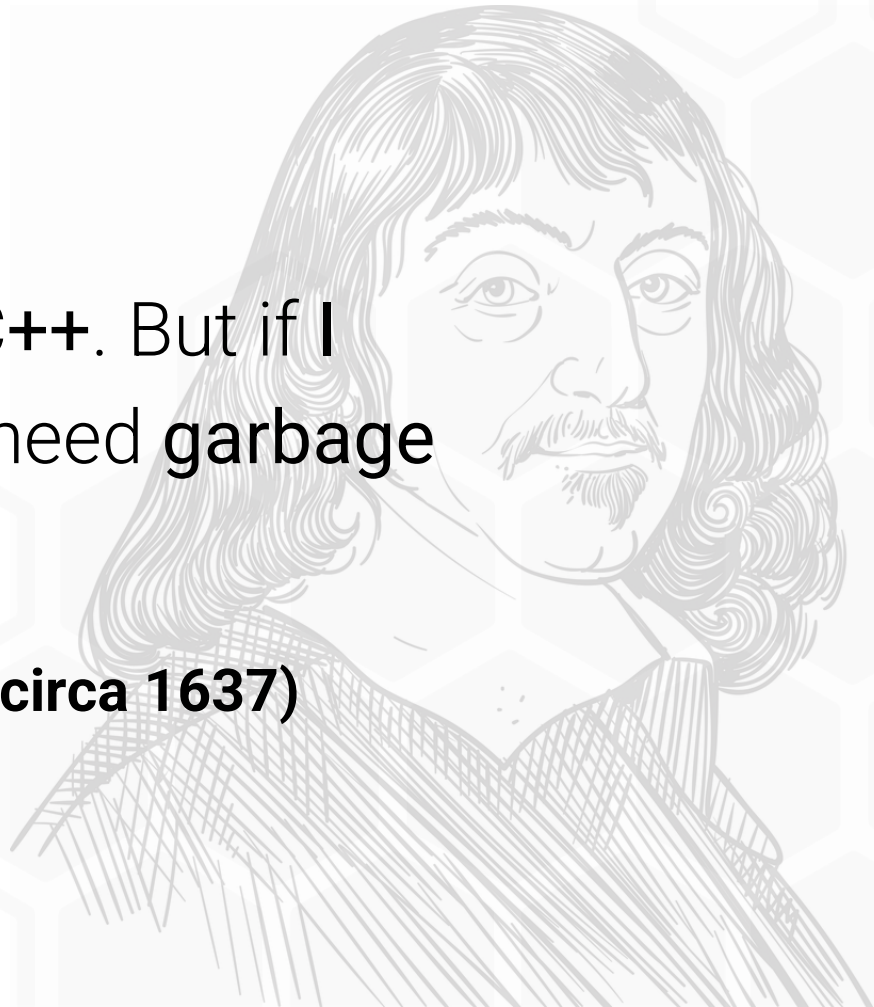
Hang tight! Responses are coming in.



“I think, therefore I use C++. But if I think too much, I might need garbage collection.”

René Descartes (circa 1637)

Famous Misquotes



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