

STRING



What is a String in C?

- Arrays : data structures that contain a collection of data objects of the same data type
- Strings are really just arrays of characters
- A string is an *array of characters terminated by the NUL character*
 - Data type is array of characters
 - The **NUL** character is a character with a *numeric value of zero*
 - In C, it is represented by the escape sequence, \0 (NUL)
- String constant (or string literal)
 - Any series of characters enclosed in double quotes
 - Ex. "Hello world"
- String example program
 - stores a string constant
 - stores individual elements
 - note: character constants
 - note: terminate with '\0' to make the character array a string

Strings as zero terminated array

- In C a string is a zero-terminated array of characters

`char s[] = "asdf";`

S :

'a'	's'	'd'	'f'	\0
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in C, the convention is to store a string as a char array, terminated with '\0'

`char str[] = "Dave";`



What is a String?

strings1.c

```
/* strings1.c */
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int i;
    char str1[] = "Hello world";
    char str2[5];
    str2[0]='M';
    str2[1]='E';
    str2[2]='3';
    str2[3]='O';
    str2[4]='\0';
    printf("str1==%s\n",str1);
    for(i=0; i<5; i++)
    {
        printf("str2[%d]==%c\n",i,str2[i]);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Initializing String Variables

- Declare as an array of type **char**

- Can initialize implicitly
- or explicitly
 - (using a string constant or using individual characters and a terminating NUL character)
 - If explicit, make sure that:

$$n_{elements} \geq n_{chars\ in\ string} + 1$$

```
/* strings1.c */
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int i;
    char str1[] = "Hello world";
    char str3[12] = "Hello world";
    char str2[5];
    str2[0]='M';
    str2[1]='E';
    str2[2]='3';
    str2[3]='0';
    str2[4]='\0';
    printf("str1==%s\n",str1);
    for(i=0; i<5; i++)
    {
        printf("str2[%d]==%c\n",i,str2[i]);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) Table

Dec	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	0	000	NUL (null)	32	20	040	 	Space	64	40	100	@	Ø	96	60	140	`	`
1	1	001	SOH (start of heading)	33	21	041	!	!	65	41	101	A	A	97	61	141	a	a
2	2	002	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	"	"	66	42	102	B	B	98	62	142	b	b
3	3	003	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	#	#	67	43	103	C	C	99	63	143	c	c
4	4	004	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	$	\$	68	44	104	D	D	100	64	144	d	d
5	5	005	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	%	%	69	45	105	E	E	101	65	145	e	e
6	6	006	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	&	&	70	46	106	F	F	102	66	146	f	f
7	7	007	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	'	'	71	47	107	G	G	103	67	147	g	g
8	8	010	BS (backspace)	40	28	050	((72	48	110	H	H	104	68	150	h	h
9	9	011	TAB (horizontal tab)	41	29	051))	73	49	111	I	I	105	69	151	i	i
10	A	012	LF (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	*	*	74	4A	112	J	J	106	6A	152	j	j
11	B	013	VT (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	+	+	75	4B	113	K	K	107	6B	153	k	k
12	C	014	FF (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	,	,	76	4C	114	L	L	108	6C	154	l	l
13	D	015	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	-	-	77	4D	115	M	M	109	6D	155	m	m
14	E	016	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	.	.	78	4E	116	N	N	110	6E	156	n	n
15	F	017	SI (shift in)	47	2F	057	/	/	79	4F	117	O	O	111	6F	157	o	o
16	10	020	DLE (data link escape)	48	30	060	0	0	80	50	120	P	P	112	70	160	p	p
17	11	021	DC1 (device control 1)	49	31	061	1	1	81	51	121	Q	Q	113	71	161	q	q
18	12	022	DC2 (device control 2)	50	32	062	2	2	82	52	122	R	R	114	72	162	r	r
19	13	023	DC3 (device control 3)	51	33	063	3	3	83	53	123	S	S	115	73	163	s	s
20	14	024	DC4 (device control 4)	52	34	064	4	4	84	54	124	T	T	116	74	164	t	t
21	15	025	NAK (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	5	5	85	55	125	U	U	117	75	165	u	u
22	16	026	SYN (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	6	6	86	56	126	V	V	118	76	166	v	v
23	17	027	ETB (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	7	7	87	57	127	W	W	119	77	167	w	w
24	18	030	CAN (cancel)	56	38	070	8	8	88	58	130	X	X	120	78	170	x	x
25	19	031	EM (end of medium)	57	39	071	9	9	89	59	131	Y	Y	121	79	171	y	y
26	1A	032	SUB (substitute)	58	3A	072	:	:	90	5A	132	Z	Z	122	7A	172	z	z
27	1B	033	ESC (escape)	59	3B	073	;	:	91	5B	133	[[123	7B	173	{	{
28	1C	034	FS (file separator)	60	3C	074	<	<	92	5C	134	\	\	124	7C	174	|	
29	1D	035	GS (group separator)	61	3D	075	=	=	93	5D	135]]	125	7D	175	}	}
30	1E	036	RS (record separator)	62	3E	076	>	>	94	5E	136	^	^	126	7E	176	~	~
31	1F	037	US (unit separator)	63	3F	077	?	?	95	5F	137	_	_	127	7F	177		DEL

Printing Strings to stdout

- Can print an entire string using printf and %s format specification
- Can print individual elements of a string by indexing and using %c format specification

```
/* strings1.c */  
#include <stdio.h>  
  
int main()  
{  
    int i;  
    char str1[] = "Hello world";  
    char str3[12] = "Hello world";  
    char str2[5];  
    str2[0]='M';  
    str2[1]='E';  
    str2[2]='3';  
    str2[3]='0';  
    str2[4]='\0';  
    printf("str1==%s\n",str1);  
    for(i=0; i<5; i++)  
    {  
        printf("str2[%d]==%c\n",i,str2[i]);  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

Manipulating Strings in C

- No native support for strings in C
- Use **The Standard Function C Library** for string
 - #include <string.h>

Standard function libraries

- <stdio.h> `printf()`, `scanf()`, etc.
- <string.h> `strcmp()`, etc.
- <ctype.h> `isspace()`, etc.
- <stdlib.h> `malloc()`, etc.
- <math.h> `sqrt()`, etc.

Copying and Concatenating Strings

- to *copy* str2 to str1 (order resembles *assignment*):
 - **strcpy(str1, str2);**
 - **str1 = str2; /* Will NOT work!! */**
- to *add* (concatenate) str2 to the end of str1:
 - **strcat(str1, str2);**
 - returns the value of str1 with str2 added to the end
 - Note: it clobbers the /0 at the end of str1
 - Make sure that str1 has room for str2

Comparing strings

```
if (strcmp(s1,s2) == 0) { /* do s1 and s2 hold the same characters? */  
}
```

Finding the length of a string

- Use **strlen(string)**
returns length of the string
- `strlen()` is a predefined function in C whose definition is contained in the header file “`string.h`”.
- `strlen()` accepts a pointer to an array as argument and walks through memory at run time from the address we give it looking for a **NULL** character and counts up how many memory locations it passed before it finds one.
- The main task of `strlen()` is to count the length of an array or string.

sizeof()

- Sizeof operator is a compile time unary operator which can be used to compute the size of its operand.
- The result of sizeof is of unsigned integral type which is usually denoted by size_t.
- sizeof can be applied to any data-type, including primitive types such as integer and floating-point types, pointer types, or compound datatypes such as Structure, union etc.

Strings – Practice

- Declare:
 - A string variable named **me30**, and initialize it to hold the string, "ME 30 rocks!"
- Determine
 - The minimum number of character array elements needed to store the string
 - length of the string
 - What is stored in **me30[2]**?
 - What is stored in **me30[11]**?

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

int main ()
{
    char me30[]{"ME 30 rocks!"};

    int len1, len2, len3, len4 ;
    len1 = strlen(me30);
    printf("strlen(me30) : %d\n",len1);
    len2 = sizeof(me30);
    printf("size of (me30) : %d\n",len2);
    len3 = strlen(me30)+1;
    printf("strlen(me30)+1 : %d\n",len3);
    len4 = sizeof(me30)/sizeof(char);
    printf("sizeof(me30)/sizeof(char) : %d\n",len4);
    printf("char in me30[2] : %c\n",me30[2]);
    printf("char in me30[11] : %c\n",me30[11]);
    printf("char in me30[10] : %c\n",me30[10]);
    return 0;
}
```

Output

strlen(me30) : 12
size of (me30) : 13
strlen(me30)+1 : 13
sizeof(me30)/sizeof(char) : 13
char in me30[2] :
char in me30[11] : !
char in me30[10] : s

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
```

```
int main ()
{
char str1[10] = "Hello";
char str2[10] = "World";
char str3[10];
int len ;
```

```
// copy str1 into str3
strcpy( str3, str1);
printf("strcpy( str3, str1) : %s\n",str3);
```

```
// concatenates str1 and str2
strcat( str1, str2);
printf("strcat( str1, str2) : %s\n",str1);
```

```
// total length of str1 after concatenation
len = strlen(str1);
printf("strlen(str1) : %d\n",len);
```

```
return 0;
}
```

Output

```
*** buffer overflow detected ***: ./prog terminated
```

```
char str1[11] = "Hello";
```

Output

```
strcpy( str3, str1) : Hello
strcat( str1, str2) : HelloWorld
strlen(str1) : 10
```

Fundamentals of Characters and Strings

- String
 - Series of characters treated as one unit
 - Can include letters, digits, special characters +, -, *
 - String literal (string constants)
 - Enclosed in double quotes, for example:
`"I like C++"`
 - Can also reference as an entire string
 - Using functions found in the `<cstring>` library
 - `if (strcmp (s, "hello") == 0) { ... }`
 - `if (strlen (s) == 1) { ... }`

Diganti

#include <string> apa yang akan terjadi ?

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cstring>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    char str1[11] = "Hello";
    char str2[10] = "World";
    char str3[10];
    int len ;
    // copy str1 into str3
    strcpy( str3, str1);
    cout << "strcpy( str3, str1) : " << str3 <<
endl;
    // concatenates str1 and str2
    strcat( str1, str2);
    cout << "strcat( str1, str2): " << str1 <<
endl;
    // total length of str1 after concatenation
    len = strlen(str1);
    cout << "strlen(str1) : " << len << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string.h>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    char str1[11] = "Hello";
    char str2[10] = "World";
    char str3[10];
    int len ;
    // copy str1 into str3
    strcpy( str3, str1);
    cout << "strcpy( str3, str1) : " << str3 <<
endl;
    // concatenates str1 and str2
    strcat( str1, str2);
    cout << "strcat( str1, str2): " << str1 <<
endl;
    // total length of str1 after concatenation
    len = strlen(str1);
    cout << "strlen(str1) : " << len << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

C ++ Strings

- Not necessarily **null** terminated
- **string** is not a pointer, but a class
- Many member functions take start position and length
 - If length argument too large, max chosen

C ++ Strings

Creating String Objects

```
#include <string>
//string initialization
```

```
string s; //s contains 0 characters
```

```
string s1( "Hello" ); //s1 contains 5 characters
```

```
string s2 = "Hello"; //s2 contains 5 characters
                     //implicitly calls the constructor
```

```
string s3( 8, 'x' ); //s3 contains 8 'x' characters
```

```
string s4 = s3; //s4 contains 8 'x' characters
```

```
string s5(s2, 3, 2); //s5 copies a substring of s2; it contains "lo"
```

string type in the **<string>** header file.

C ++ Strings

String Objects

The C++ string class also defines a **length()** function for extracting how many characters are stored in a string.

```
cout << s.length() << endl;
```

Prints 4 for the string s == “Leon”

You can also use the **subscript operator []** to access individual characters:

e.g. **s[0] = ‘N’ ; //where index: 0 to length-1**

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main ()
{
    string str1 = "Hello";
    string str2 = "World";
    string str3;
    int len1, len2 ;
    // copy str1 into str3
    str3 = str1;
    cout << "str3 : " << str3 << endl;
    // concatenates str1 and str2
    str3 = str1 + str2;
    cout << "str1 + str2 : " << str3 << endl;
    // total length of str3 after concatenation
    len1 = str3.size();
    cout << "str3.size() : " << len1 << endl;
    len2 = str3.length();
    cout << "str3.length() : " << len2 << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
str3 : Hello
str1 + str2 : HelloWorld
str3.size() : 10
str3.length() : 10
```

C ++ Strings

String Objects

You can also concatenate C++ strings using the **+** and **$+=$** operators:

```
string s = "ABCD*FG";
```

```
string s2 = "Robot";
```

```
string s5 = "Soccer";
```

```
string s6 = s + "HIJK"; //changes s6 to "ABCD*FGHIJK
```

```
s2 += s5; //changes s2 to "RobotSoccer"
```

Concatenation

- **Concatenation**

- **s3.append("pet") ;**
- **s3 += "pet" ;**
 - Both add "pet" to end of s3
- **s3.append(s1, start, N) ;**
 - Appends N characters from s1, beginning at index start

Inserting Characters into a string

- **s1.insert(index, s2)**
 - Inserts **s2** before position **index**
- **s1.insert(index, s2, index2, N);**
 - Inserts substring of **s2** before position **index**
 - Substring is **N** characters, starting at **index2**

C ++ Strings

String Objects

C++ strings can be compared using relational operators just like fundamental types:

```
If(s2 < s5)
```

```
    cout << "s2 lexicographically precedes s5 \n";
```

```
while(s4==s3) //...
```

C ++ Strings

String Objects

Substring function: substr()

```
s6 = "ABCD*FGHIJK";
```

```
s4 = s6.substr(5, 3); //changes s4 to "FGH"
```

s4 gets a substring of **s6**, starting at index **5** and taking **3** characters

C ++ Strings

String Objects

erase() and replace() functions:

```
s6 = "ABCD*FGHIJK";
```

```
s6.erase(4, 2); //changes s6 to "ABCDGHIJK";
```

```
s6.replace(5, 2, "xyz"); //changes s6 to "ABCDGxyzJK";
```

replace 2 characters from s6, starting at index 5, with "xyz"

C ++ Strings

String Objects

find() function

returns the index of the **first occurrence** of a given substring:

```
string s7 = "Mississippi River basin"; //23 characters  
cout << s7.find("si") << endl; //prints 3  
cout << s7.find("so") << endl; //prints 23, the length of the string
```

If the **find()** function **fails**, it returns the **length** of the string it was searching.

i.e. **find()** returns **4,294,967,295**

Assignment

• Assignment

- `s2 = s1;`
 - Makes a separate copy
- `s2.assign(s1);`
 - Same as `s2 = s1;`
- `myString.assign(s, start, N);`
 - Copies **N** characters from **s**, beginning at index **start**
- Individual character assignment
 - `s2[0] = s3[2];`

Range-checking

- Range-checking

- `s3.at(index);`
 - Returns character at `index`
 - Can throw an `out_of_range` exception
- `[]` has no range checking

```
#include <exception>
...
string s = "leon";
try{
    char letter = s.at( 50 );
    cout <<"letter is = " << letter << endl;
}
catch(exception& e){
    cout << "out_of_range exception: " << e.what() << endl;
}
```

Comparing strings

- Overloaded operators
 - `==`, `!=`, `<`, `>`, `<=` and `>=`
 - returns `bool`
- `s1.compare(s2)`
 - returns positive if `s1` is lexicographically greater
 - compares letter by letter
 - '`B`' lexicographically greater than '`A`'
 - '`a`' lexicographically greater than '`A`'
 - '`a`' lexicographically greater than '`z`'
 - returns negative if less; zero if equal
 - Sample order: '`A`', "Apple", "Banana", "Zest", '`a`', "apricot", "leon"
- `s1.compare(start, length, s2, start, length)`
 - Compare portions of `s1` and `s2`
- `s1.compare(start, length, s2)`
 - Compare portion of `s1` with all of `s2`

Substrings

- Function **substr** gets a substring
 - **s1.substr(start, N);**
 - gets **N** characters, beginning with index **start**
 - returns substring

Finding Strings and Characters in a string

• Find functions

- If found, **index** returned
- If not found, **string::npos** returned
 - Public static constant in class string
- **s1.find(s2)**
- **s1.rfind(s2)**
 - Searches right-to-left
- **s1.find_first_of(s2)**
 - Returns first occurrence of any character in **s2**
- **Example:** **s1.find_first_of("abcd")**
 - Returns index of first 'a', 'b', 'c' or 'd'

Finding Strings and Characters in a string

- **Find functions**

- **s1.find_last_of(s2)**
 - Finds last occurrence of any character in s2
- **s1.find_first_not_of(s2)**
 - Finds first character NOT in s2
- **s1.find_last_not_of(s2)**
 - Finds last character NOT in s2

Replacing Characters in a string

- **s1.erase(start)**
 - Erase from index **start** to end of string, including **start**
- Replace
 - **s1.replace(begin, N, s2)**
 - **begin**: index in **s1** to start replacing
 - **N**: number of characters to replace
 - **s2**: replacement string
 - **s1.replace(begin, N, s2, index, num)**
 - **index**: element in **s2** where replacement comes from
 - **num**: number of elements to use when replacing
 - Replace can overwrite characters

Example

s1.replace(begin, N, s2, index, num)

- **begin**: index in **s1** to start replacing
- **N**: number of characters to replace
- **s2**: replacement string
- **index**: element in **s2** where replacement comes from
- **num**: number of elements to use when replacing

```
string str = "this is an example string.";
string str3="sample phrase";

str.replace(19,6, str3, 7, 6); // "this is an example phrase."
```

C ++ Strings

String Objects

C++ strings can be converted to C-strings:

```
string s = "ABCDEFG";
const char* cs = s.c_str();
```

Converts `s` into the C-string `cs`.

The `c_str()` function has a return type `const char*`

Conversion to C-Style char*

- **Conversion functions**

- **Strings** are not necessarily null-terminated
- **s1.copy(ptr, N, index)**
 - Copies **N** characters **into** the array **ptr**
 - Starts at location **index**
 - Need to null terminate

```
char str[8];  
  
string s2 = "cathode";  
  
s2.copy(str, 5, 2); //copy 5 characters into str  
                      //starting at index 2  
  
//strcat(str,"\\0"); //does not work  
str[5] = '\\0';    //this is required  
  
cout << "str = " << str << endl;  
cout << "s2 = " << s2 << endl;
```

Output:

str = thode
s2 = ca**thode**

Conversion to C-Style `char *` Strings

- **Conversion functions**

- **`s1.c_str()`**
 - Returns `const char *`
 - Null terminated
 - e.g. Useful for filenames:
`ifstream in(s1.c_str());`
- **`s1.data()`**
 - Returns `const char *`
 - NOT null-terminated

Warning!

- No conversion from **int** or **char**
 - The following definitions could return errors, or warnings only, but then would cause the program to crash afterwards
 - **string error1 = 'c';**
 - **string error2('u');**
 - **string error3 = 22;**
 - **string error4(8);**
 - However, it can be assigned one **char** after its **declaration**:
 - **s = 'n';**

cin and strings

- The extraction operator can be used on cin to get strings of characters in the same way as with fundamental data types:

```
string mystring;  
cin >> mystring;
```

- However, cin extraction always considers spaces (whitespaces, tabs, new-line...) as terminating the value being extracted, and thus extracting a string means to always extract a single word, not a phrase or an entire sentence.
To get an entire line from cin, there exists a function, called getline, that takes the stream (cin) as first argument, and the string variable as second. For example:

```
// cin with strings
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;

int main ()
{
    string mystr;
    cout << "What's your name? ";
    getline (cin, mystr);
    cout << "Hello " << mystr << ".\n";
    cout << "What is your favorite team? ";
    getline (cin, mystr);
    cout << "I like " << mystr << " too! \n";
    return 0;
}
```

What's your name? Homer Simpson
Hello Homer Simpson.
What is your favorite team? The Isotopes
I like The Isotopes too!

Notice how in both calls to `getline`, we used the same string identifier (`mystr`). What the program does in the second call is simply replace the previous content with the new one that is introduced.

STRING INPUT AND OUTPUT

C++ Routine	Description
cout	String output to the screen
cin	String input from the keyboard, but cin does not input a space character. It stops input a string when it reads a space character.
cin.getline(str, length,char)	String input from the keyboard. cin.getline() read a space character. str - a string of character pointer or a character array. length - an integer constant or a variable indicating the maximum number of input characters including the null character. char - an optional character constant or variable specifying the terminating character. If this optional third argument is omitted, the default terminating character is the newline (\n) character. Pressing the enter key generates a newline character. A statement such as cin.getline(message,80,'x') will stop accepting characters whenever the x key is pressed.
chr = cin.get()	Input single character from the keyboard. chr - a character constant variable

Example	Output
<pre>#include<iostream> using namespace std; int main() { char message1[80]; char *message2; cout <<"Enter a string for message1: \n"; cin.getline(message1,80); cout << "Enter a string for message2: \n"; cin.getline(message2,80); cout <<message1<< " and " <<message2; }</pre>	<p>Enter a string for message1: Good morning Enter a string for message2: have a nice day Good morning and have a nice day</p>

CHARACTER STRING FUNCTIONS

- C++ provides several functions that allow you to test and manipulate character data.
The function prototypes are found in the header file name `<ctype.h>`. Remember to add the line `#include <ctype.h>` in program that use these functions. The table below lists and describes the character functions.
- Each function expects one integer argument - the ASCII value of the character to be tested. Each function returns a nonzero value (true) if the condition tested is true and 0 (false) if the condition tested is false.

C++ Functions	Description
isalpha(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is a letter ('A' - 'Z', 'a' - 'z'); otherwise it returns zero.
isalnum(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is a letter ('A' - 'Z', 'a' - 'z', or '0' - '9'; otherwise it returns zero.
isdigit(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is digit (0 through 9); otherwise it returns a zero.
isspace(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is whitespace (tab, space, newline); otherwise it returns a zero.
isupper(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is uppercase; otherwise it returns a zero.
islower(character)	Returns a nonzero number if the character is lowercase; otherwise it returns a zero.
toupper(character)	Return the uppercase equivalent if the character is lowercase; otherwise it returns the character unchanged.
tolower(character)	Return the lowercase equivalent if the character is uppercase; otherwise it returns the character unchanged.

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tolower(character)	Return the lowercase equivalent if the character is uppercase; otherwise it returns the character unchanged.
atoi(string)	Converts an ASCII string to an integer (include #<stdlib.h> in your program)
atof(string)	Converts an ASCII string to an float (include #<stdlib.h> in your program)

Example

```
#include<iostream>
#include<string>
#include<cctype>
using namespace std;
int main( )
{ char name[20];
cout<<"Enter your name:\n ";
cin.getline(name,20);
for( int i = 0; i < strlen(name) ; i++)
{ if (islower(name[i]) )
//convert to uppercase
name[i] = toupper(name[i]);
else
//convert to lowercase
name[i] = tolower(name[i]);
}
//Display the result
cout << "The conversion is:\n";
cout << name << endl;
}
```

Output

Enter your name:
Phuong D. Nguyen
The conversion is:
pHuong d. nGUYEN

Example

```
#include<iostream>
#include<string>
#include<cctype>
using namespace std;
int main()
{ char *name;
cout<<"Enter your name:\n ";
cin.getline(name,20);
for( int i = 0; i < strlen(name) ; i++)
{ if (islower(*(name + i) ) )
//convert to uppercase
*( name + i) = toupper(*(name + i));
else
//convert to lowercase
*( name + i) = tolower(*(name + i));
}
//Display the result
cout << "The conversion is:\n";
cout << name << endl;
}
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String Stream Processing

- allows a string to be used as an internal file
- useful for buffering input and output

- I/O of strings to and from memory
 - Called in-memory I/O or string stream processing
 - Classes
 - `istringstream` // input from string
 - `ostringstream` // output to a string
 - `stringstream(string)` // most useful
 - Requires `<sstream>` and `<iostream>` headers
 - Use string formatting to save data to memory

Output String Stream

```
ostringstream oss;  
  
int n = 44;  
float x = 3.14;  
  
oss << "Hello!\t" << n << '\t' << x;  
string s = oss.str();  
  
cout << endl << s << endl;
```

Serves as a **conduit** to an anonymous string which can be read with the built-in **oss.str()** function that is bound to the **oss** object

Remember sprintf()?, how does it compare to this one?

Input String Stream

```
const string buffer = oss.str();
istringstream iss(buffer);
```

```
string word;
int m;
float y;
```

```
iss >> word >> m >> y;
```

```
s = iss.str();
cout << endl << s << endl;
```

```
cout << "word = " << word << endl;
cout << "m = " << m << endl;
cout << "y = " << y << endl;
```

iss is defined and bound to **buffer**

Contents of **buffer** can be accessed as elements of a string, or by formatted input through the **iss** object.

Remember sscanf()?,
how does it compare to
this one?

input_string_stream.cpp

All extractions from **iss** will come from the contents of buffer, **as if it were an external file**.

```

#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <iomanip>
#include <string>
#include <sstream>
using namespace std;
int main(){

    string s1("mydata.txt");
    ifstream in( s1.c_str() );

    char buffer[1024];
    while( in.getline( buffer, 1024 ) ){

        string stemp( buffer );
        cout << "Line is:" << stemp << endl;

        if( stemp[0] != '#' ){
            stringstream stris( stemp );
            double d1, d2;
            stris >> d1 >> d2;
            cout << d1 << "," << d2 << endl;
        }
        cout << endl;
    }
    in.close();
    return 0;
}

```

Using string example

- Input file:

1.0 2.0
1.1 2.4
1.8 2.8
#1.34 2.99
1.4 8.99

- Example Output:

Line is:1.0 2.0

1,2

Line is:1.1 2.4

1.1,2.4

Line is:1.8 2.8

1.8,2.8

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(or could use strtok, C String tokenizers)

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```

Alternatively: (no C-style char*)

File_stringstream2.cpp

```

int main(){

    string s1("mydata.txt");
    ifstream in( s1.c_str() );

    string buffer;
    while(getline( in, buffer )){

        cout << "Line is:" << buffer << endl;

        if( buffer[0] != '#' ){
            istringstream stris( buffer );
            double d1, d2;
            stris >> d1 >> d2;
            cout << "data: " << d1 << "," << d2 << endl;
        }
        cout << endl;
    }
    in.close();
    return 0;
}

```

Summary

C++ strings are safer and easier to use than C string.

Next

Templates

Method	Use
<pre>append(char *pt); append(char *pt, size_t count); append(string &str, size_t offset, size_t count); append(string &str); append(size_t count, char ch); append(InputIterator Start, InputIterator End);</pre>	Appends characters to a string from C-style strings, char's or other string objects.
<code>at(size_t offset);</code>	Returns a reference to the character at the specified position. Differs from the subscript operator, [], in that bounds are checked.
<code>begin();</code>	Returns an iterator to the start of the string.
<code>*c_str();</code>	Returns a pointer to C-style string version of the contents of the string.
<code>clear();</code>	Erases the entire string.
<code>copy(char *cstring, size_t count, size_t offset);</code>	Copies "count" characters into a C-style string starting at offset.
<code>empty();</code>	Test whether a string is empty.
<code>end();</code>	Returns an iterator to one past the end of the string.
<pre>erase(iterator first, iterator last); erase(iterator it); erase(size_t pos, size_t count);</pre>	Erases characters from the specified positions.

Method	Use
<code>find(char ch,size_t offset = 0);</code> <code>find(char *pt,size_t offset = 0);</code> <code>find(string &str,size_t offset = 0);</code>	Returns the index of the first character of the substring when found. Otherwise, the special value "npos" is returned.
<code>find_first_not_of();</code>	Same sets of arguments as find. Finds the index of the first character that is not in the search string.
<code>find_first_of();</code>	Same sets of arguments as find. Finds the index of the first character that is in the search string.
<code>find_last_not_of();</code>	Same sets of arguments as find. Finds the index of the last character that is not in the search string.
<code>find_last_of();</code>	Same sets of arguments as find. Finds the index of the last character that is in the search string.
<code>insert(size_t pos, char *ptr);</code> <code>insert(size_t pos, string &str);</code> <code>insert(size_t pos, size_t count, char ch);</code> <code>insert(iterator it, InputIterator start, InputIterator end);</code>	Inserts characters at the specified position.
<code>push_back(char ch);</code>	Inserts a character at the end of the string.
<code>replace(size_t pos, size_t count, char *pt);</code> <code>replace(size_t pos, size_t count, string &str);</code> <code>replace(iterator first, iterator last, char *pt);</code> <code>replace(iterator first, iterator last, string &str);</code>	Replaces elements in a string with the specified characters. The range can be specified by a start position and a number of elements to replace, or by using iterators.
<code>size();</code>	Returns the number of elements in a string.
<code>swap(string &str);</code>	Swaps two strings.

Questions?

