

A bit about C++

The C++ programming language was developed at AT&T's Bell Laboratories in the early 1980's by Bjarne Stroustrup. Till then, 'C' was the most widely used language. But, he found 'C' lacking for simulations and decided to extend the language by adding features from his favorite language, Simula 67, which was one of the very first languages to support Object Oriented Programming.

Bjarne Stroustrup called it "C with Classes" originally. The name C++ was coined by Rick Mascitti where "++" is the C increment operator, which basically meant the next version of C.

The major reason behind the popularity and success of C++ is that it supports the Object Oriented technology, the latest in software development, and the most near to the real world.

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Grace Murray Hopper Award (1993)
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