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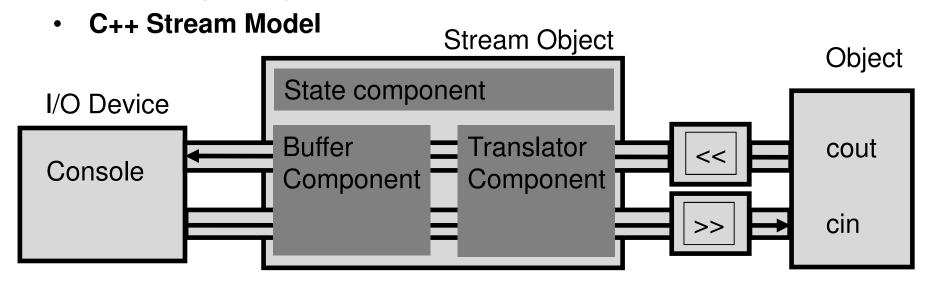
Text is beautiful

- Input and output streams
 - Relevant classes for STL Stream I/O, Ch. 8.1
 - File handling, Ch. 8.2
 - Overloading the insertion and extraction operators 14.2
 - String streams, Ch. 8.3

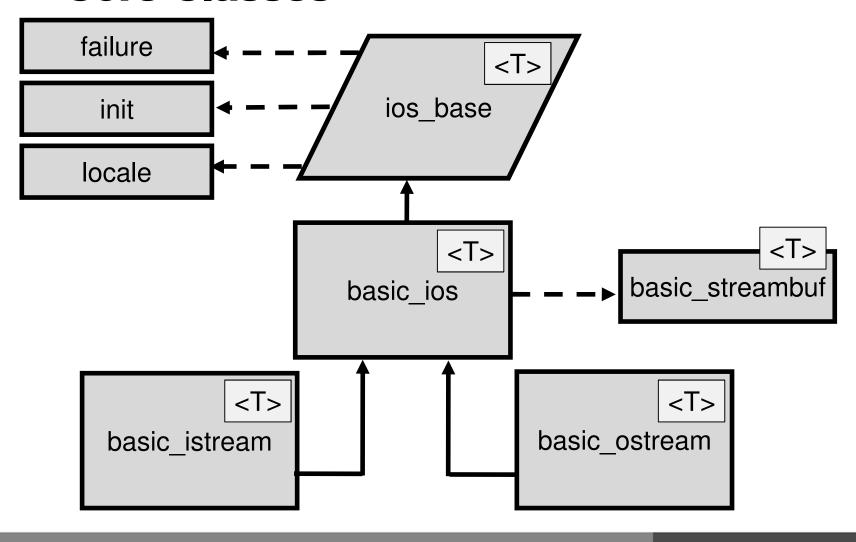


Input/Output Streams

- Streams
 - Sequential data flows from/to devices
- Examples
 - Console input/output
 - File input/output

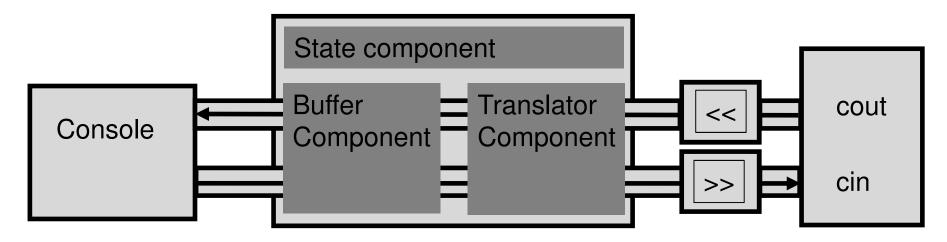


Core Classes



Class Functionality

- Translator classes
 - basic_istream, basic_ostream
- Buffer classes
 - basic_streambuf
- State classes
 - ios_base, basic_ios





Example

Console input and output

```
istream cin;
typedef basic_istream<char, char_traits<char> > istream;

ostream cout;
typedef basic_ostream<char, char_traits<char> > ostream;
```

- Console works with char but also wchar_t
 - Templates <> enable the type to be a variable itself
 - Traits are a technique to give templates information about types
 - Languages which do not fit in char need wchar_t



Working with Streams: Definitions

Querying state ios_base, basic_ios Examples:

Translation basic_istream, basic_ostream Examples:

```
- ostream& ostream::operator<<( int val );
- istream& istream::operator>>( int val );
```

Changing the buffer basic_streambuf Examples:

```
- int_type basic_streambuf::sungetc();
```

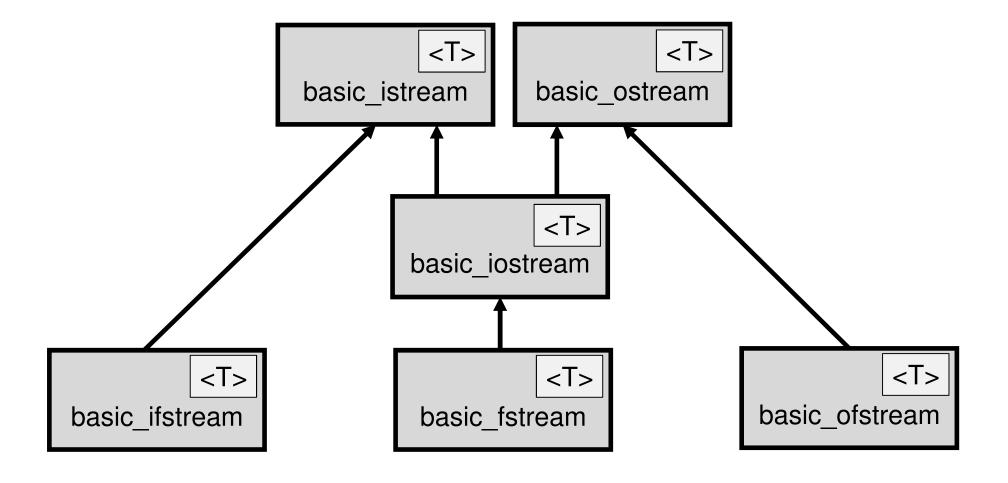
- NOTE: A pointer to a basic_streambuf can be retrieved with
- basic_streambuf *basic_ios::rdbuf();



Working with Streams: Usage

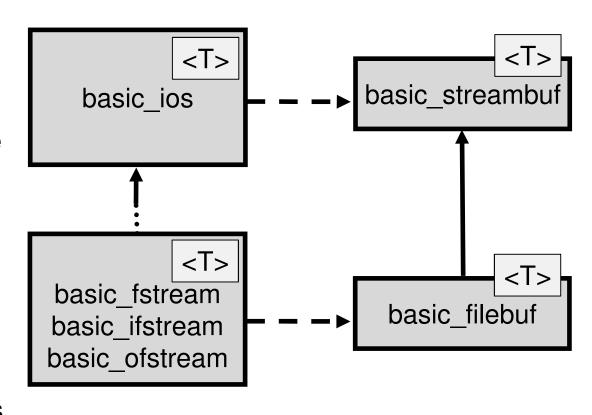
```
int myInt = 100;
char myChar = 'x';
cout << myInt << myChar << myFloat << endl;</pre>
cout << myString << endl;</pre>
cout << dec << myInt << ": "; // manipulator format
cout << oct << myInt << endl;</pre>
dec(cout); // function call
cout.put( myChar ); cout.put(' '); // put characters
cout.rdbuf()->sputc( myChar ); // into basic streambuf
cin >> myInt;
if (!cin.fail()) { cout << myInt << endl;</pre>
} else {
  cin.clear(); cout << cin.rdstate() << endl;</pre>
// read form basic streambuf
int curChar = cin.rdbuf()->sqetc(); // stay at position
curChar = cin.rdbuf()->sbumpc();
```

File Streams: Class Layout



Benefits of Design

- All streams are part of a common class hierarchy
 - Streams have a common interface
 - Base classes can often be used instead of derived classes
 - Templates allow instantiation to standard or wide character streams





Opening a File

Example:

Old style C-string needed until C++11

```
string inFileName; ifstream inFile;
infile.open(inFileName.c_str(), ios::in );
if (!infile) {
  cerr << "Error: unable to open: " << inFileName << endl;
  return -1;
}</pre>
```

• Important:

- Error checking
- File modes
- Note: File modes can be combined

| in | open for input |
|--------|--|
| out | open for output |
| app | append: seek to end before every write |
| ate | seek to end only once after open |
| trunc | truncate stream at open |
| binary | binary mode |



Combining File IO Modes

Possible combinations

- ate (short for at end) can be added to any of those (go to the end of file at initial opening of file but can change later with seek).
- app goes always to the end of the file (you cannot seek to earlier file positions).



Example: Copying a File

```
bool streamCopy(istream& _inS, ostream& _outS) {
  char curC;
  if (! inS | ! outS ) return false; // check status
 _inS.clear(); _outS.clear(); // clear any errors
 while(!inS.eof()) {
   // use get instead of >> to extract white spaces
   _inS.get( curC );
   if ( inS.fail() ) return false;
   outS << curC;
  return true;
string inFileName; ifstream inFile(inFileName.c str());
string outFileName; ofstream outFile(outFileName.c str());
streamCopy( inFile, outFile );
inFile.close(); outFile.close();
```

Stream Input/Output for Non Built-In Types

- Stream Output in Java
 - Object defines a method toString
 - It is recommended that all classes override it
- Stream Input and Output in C++
 - Overload the insertion << and extraction operator >>



Overloading the Insertion Operator <<

```
class Person;
ostream& operator << ( ostream&, const Person& );
class Person {
 string LastName;
 string FirstName;
 int Sin;
 friend ostream& operator << ( ostream&, const Person& );
ostream& operator << ( ostream& _os, const Person& _p) {
 _os << _p.FirstName << "\t" << _p.LastName << "\t";
 _os << _p.Sin;
 return os;
ofstream outFile; Person john( "John", "Dow" );
cout << "Person: " << john; outFile << john;</pre>
```

Overloading the extraction operator >>

 Similar than insertion but need to check errors and leave object in valid state

```
class Person;
istream& operator>>( istream&, Person&);
class Person { ...
  friend istream& operator>>( istream&, Person& );
istream& operator>>( istream& _is, Person& _p) {
 _is >> _p.FirstName >> _p.LastName >> _p.Sin;
  // check and make a default Person on failure
  if (!_is) _p = Person();
 return is;
Person toBeRead;
cin >> toBeRead; cout << "Person: " << toBeRead;
```

String Streams

Same setup than file streams

Read/write to memory rather than file or console

Important for parsing text (isstream) or converting types to

strings <T> <T> String stream basic_istream basic_ostream classes hold a basic_stringbuf <T> instead of basic_iostrean basic_fileby <T> <T> <T> basic_istringstream basic_stringstream basic_ostringstream

String Stream Examples

Parsing input lines

```
string line, token;
// Get a line
while (getline(cin, line)) {
  istringstream streamLine(line);
// Get individual white space separated tokens
while ( streamLine >> token ) {
    // Process word
} }
```

```
string sNumber;
float fNumber;
ostringstream converter;
converter << fNumber;
sNumber = converter.str();</pre>
```

Next Topic

Just like int

- Abstract data types
 - Operator overloading
 - Numerical vector and matrix classes in C++
 - Friend operator on classes and functions

