

C++ Object-Oriented Prog.

Unit 5: Object-Oriented Design

CHAPTER 19: FILE PROCESSING

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LECTURE 1

Introduction to File Processing



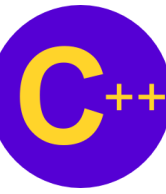
Introduction

Storage of data

- Arrays, variables are temporary
- Files are permanent
 - Magnetic disk, optical disk, tapes

In this chapter

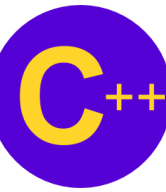
- Create, update, process files
- **Sequential** and **random** access
- **Formatted** and **raw** processing



The Data Hierarchy

From smallest to largest

- Bit (binary digit)
 - 1 or 0
 - Everything in computer ultimately represented as bits
 - Cumbersome for humans to use
 - Character set
 - Digits, letters, symbols used to represent data
 - Every character represented by 1's and 0's
- Byte: 8 bits
 - Can store a character (**char**)
 - Also Unicode for large character sets (**wchar_t**)

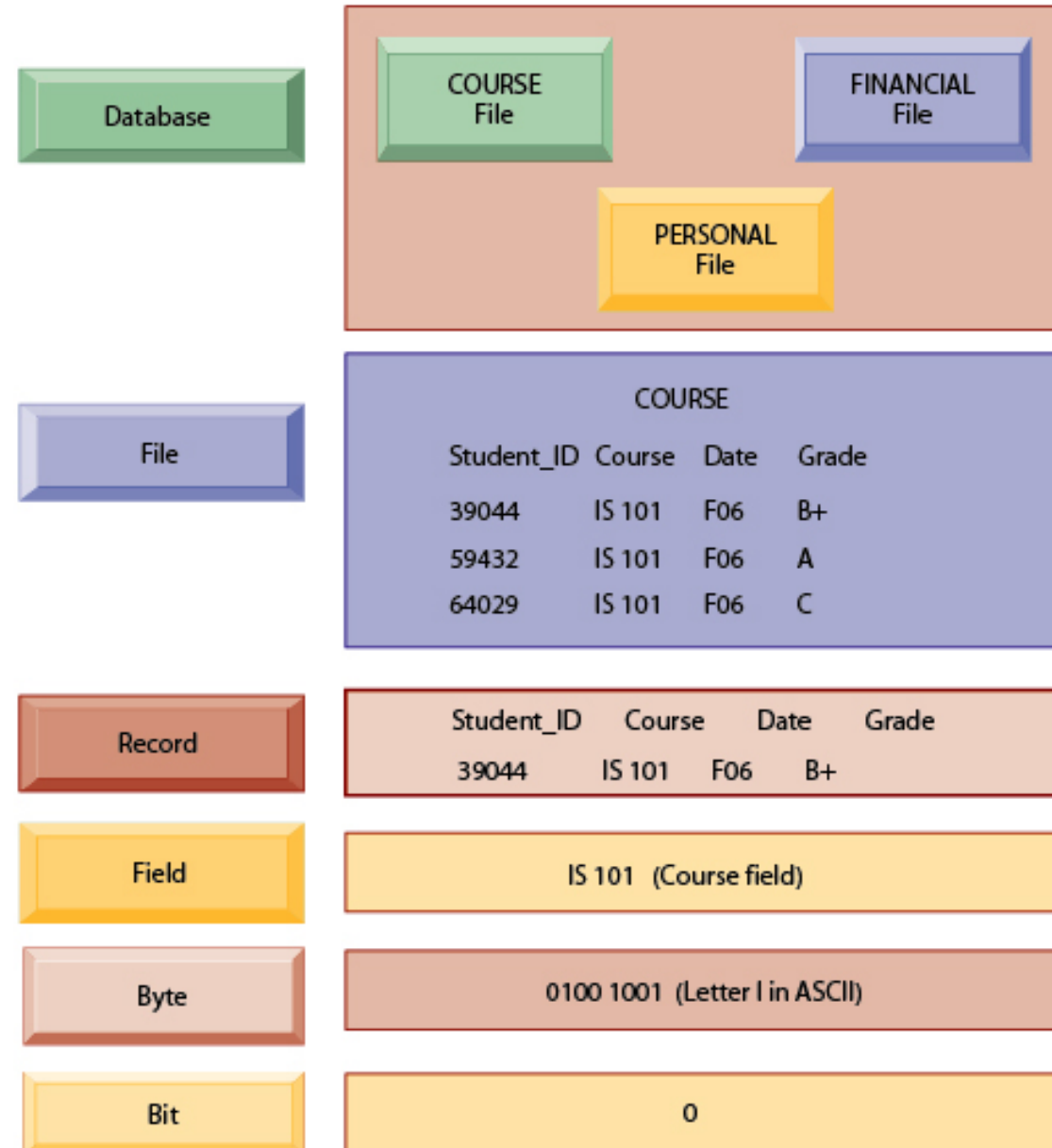


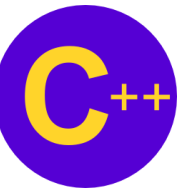
The Data Hierarchy

From smallest to largest (continued)

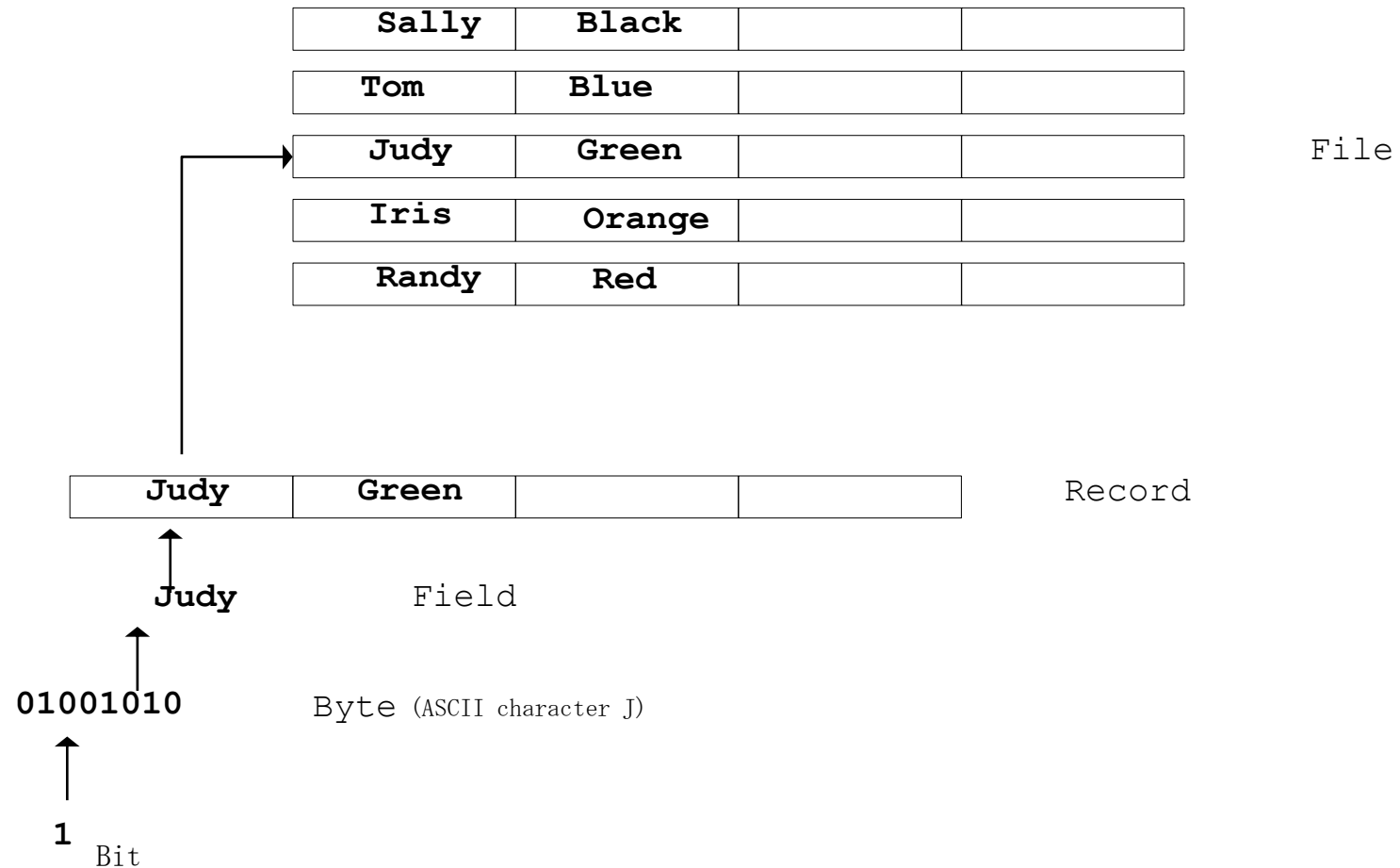
- Field: group of characters with some meaning
 - Your name
- Record: group of related fields
 - **struct** or **class** in C++
 - In payroll system, could be name, SS#, address, wage
 - Each field associated with same employee
 - Record key: field used to uniquely identify record
- File: group of related records
 - Payroll for entire company
 - Sequential file: records stored by key
- Database: group of related files
 - Payroll, accounts-receivable, inventory...

Student Database





The Data Hierarchy



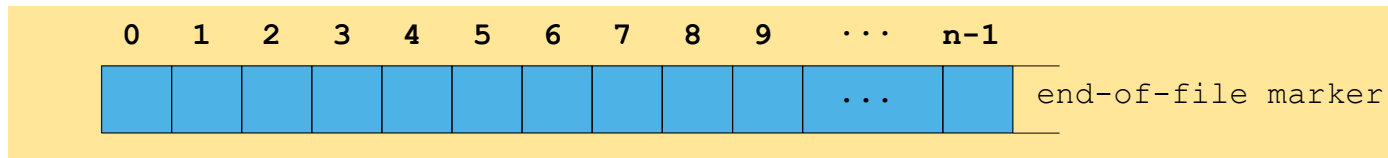
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File and I/O Streams

Files and Streams

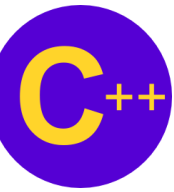
C++ views file as sequence of bytes

- Ends with *end-of-file* marker



When file opened

- Object created, stream associated with it
- **cin**, **cout**, etc. created when **<iostream>** included
- Communication between program and file/device



Files and Streams

To perform file processing

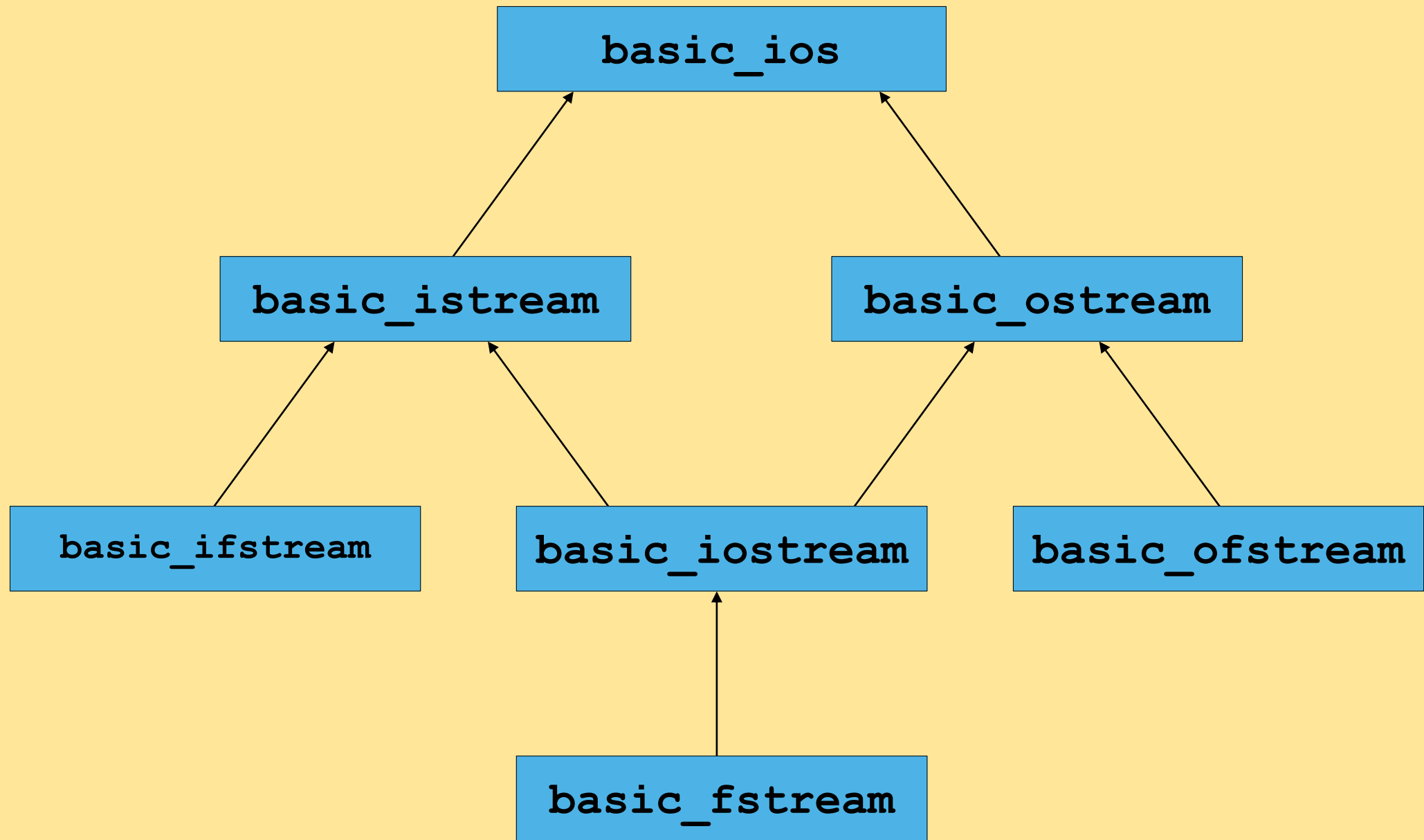
- Include `<iostream>` and `<fstream>`
- Class templates
 - `basic_ifstream` (input)
 - `basic_ofstream` (output)
 - `basic_fstream` (I/O)
- `typedefs` for specializations that allow `char` I/O
 - `ifstream` (`char` input)
 - `ofstream` (`char` output)
 - `fstream` (`char` I/O)



Files and Streams

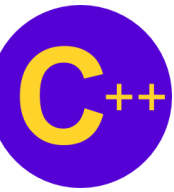
Opening files

- Create objects from template
- Derive from stream classes
 - Can use stream methods from Ch. 12
 - **put**, **get**, **peek**, etc.



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Sequential File Handler (Formatted Output)



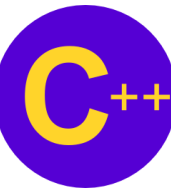
Creating a Sequential-Access File

C++ imposes no structure on file

- Concept of "record" must be implemented by programmer

To open file, create objects

- Creates "line of communication" from object to file
- Classes
 - `ifstream` (input only)
 - `ofstream` (output only)
 - `fstream` (I/O)
- Constructors take *file name* and *file-open mode*
 - `ofstream outClientFile("filename", fileOpenMode);`
- To attach a file later
 - `ofstream outClientFile;`
 - `outClientFile.open("filename", fileOpenMode);`

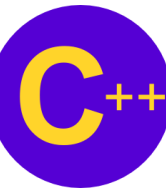


Creating a Sequential-Access File

File-open modes

Mode	Description
<code>ios::app</code>	Write all output to the end of the file.
<code>ios::ate</code>	Open a file for output and move to the end of the file (normally used to append data to a file). Data can be written anywhere in the file.
<code>ios::in</code>	Open a file for input.
<code>ios::out</code>	Open a file for output.
<code>ios::trunc</code>	Discard the file's contents if it exists (this is also the default action for <code>ios::out</code>)
<code>ios::binary</code>	Open a file for binary (i.e., non-text) input or output.

- `ofstream` opened for output by default
 - `ofstream outClientFile("clients.dat", ios::out);`
 - `ofstream outClientFile("clients.dat");`



Creating a Sequential-Access File

Operations

- Overloaded **operator!**
 - **!outClientFile**
 - Returns nonzero (true) if **badbit** or **failbit** set
 - Opened non-existent file for reading, wrong permissions
- Overloaded **operator void***
 - Converts stream object to pointer
 - 0 when when **failbit** or **badbit** set, otherwise nonzero
 - **failbit** set when EOF found
- **while (cin >> myVariable)**
 - Implicitly converts **cin** to pointer
 - Loops until EOF



Creating a Sequential-Access File

Operations

- Writing to file (just like `cout`)
 - `outClientFile << myVariable`
- Closing file
 - `outClientFile.close()`
 - Automatically closed when destructor called



Demo Program: file1.cpp

Go Notepad++!!!

```

1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <fstream>
3 #include <cstdlib> // exit prototype
4 using namespace std;
5 using std::ios;
6 using std::cerr;
7 using std::ofstream;
8 int main(){
9     int account;
10    char name[30];
11    double balance;
12
13    // ofstream constructor opens file
14    ofstream outClientFile("clients.dat", ios::out );
15
16    // exit program if unable to create file
17    if ( !outClientFile ) { // overloaded ! operator
18        cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;
19        exit(1);
20    } // end if
21
22    cout << "Enter the account, name, and balance." << endl
23         << "Enter end-of-file to end input.\n? ";
24
25    // read account, name and balance from cin, then place in file
26    while ( cin >> account >> name >> balance ) {
27        outClientFile << account << " " << name << " " << balance << endl;
28        cout << "? ";
29    } // end while
30    return 0; // ofstream destructor closes file
31 } // end main

```

Notice the the header files required for file I/O.

ofstream object created and used to open file "**clients.dat**". If the file does not exist, it is created.

! operator used to test if the file opened properly.

End of File Mark to end Input

file1.cpp

clients.dat

```

1 201 Tommy 30.28
2 202 Jobn 200.34
3 203 Lee 500

```

```

Enter the account, name, and balance.
Enter end-of-file to end input.
? 201 Tommy 30.28
? 202 Jobn 200.34
? 203 Lee 500
?
^Z

```

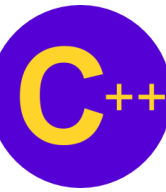
DOS Prompt Inputs

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Read Data From Sequential File (Formatted Input)

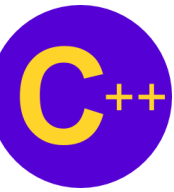
Functions use in File Handling

Function	Operation
open()	To create a file
close()	To close an existing file
get()	Read a single character from a file
put()	write a single character in file.
read()	Read data from file
write()	Write data into file.



Reading Data from a Sequential-Access File

- Reading files
 - `ifstream inClientFile("filename", ios::in);`
 - Overloaded !
 - `!inClientFile` tests if file was opened properly
 - `operator void*` converts to pointer
 - `while (inClientFile >> myVariable)`
 - Stops when EOF found (gets value 0)



Demo Program: file2.cpp

1. read in data from clients.dat record by record (one record a line).
2. write the data to terminal (cout) line by line.

Go Notepad++!!!

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <iomanip>
4  #include <cstdlib> // exit prototype
5  using namespace std;
6  using std::ios;
7  using std::cerr;
8  using std::fixed;
9  using std::showpoint;
10 void outputLine( int account, const char * const name, double balance ){
11     cout << left << setw( 10 ) << account << setw( 13 ) << name
12         << setw( 7 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << balance << endl;
13 } // end function outputLine
14
15 int main(){
16     int account;
17     char name[ 30 ];
18     double balance;
19     // ifstream constructor opens the file
20     ifstream inClientFile( "clients.dat", ios::in );
21     // exit program if ifstream could not open file
22     if ( !inClientFile ){
23         cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;
24         exit( 1 );
25     } // end if
26
27     cout<<left<<setw(10)<<"Account"<<setw(13)<<"Name"<<"Balance"<<endl<<fixed<<showpoint;
28     while (inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance) outputLine( account, name, balance );
29     return 0; // ifstream destructor closes the file
30 } // end main

```

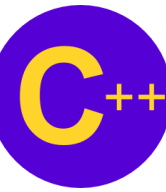
Account	Name	Balance
201	Tommy	30.28
202	John	200.34
203	Lee	500.00

Open and test file for input.

Read from file until EOF found.

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Read Data From Sequential File (Char)

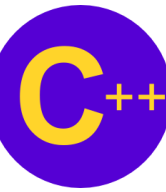


Read a File Character by Character

Demo Program: char1.cpp

1. Using no skip words mode by istream
2. use noskipws mode and stream input to read in character by character.
3. When the input file stream is empty the fin >> statement will get a NULL symbol.

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  using namespace std;
4
5  int main(){
6      char ch;
7      fstream fin("usdeclar.txt", fstream::in);
8      while (fin >> noskipws >> ch) {
9          cout << ch; // Or whatever
10     }
11     return 0;
12 }
```

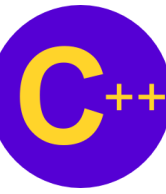


Read a File Character by Character

Demo Program: char2.cpp

1. Using get() instance method for input stream.
2. Obtain a NULL symbol if run out of input characters.
3. Merge all characters to a text string for later processing.

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  using namespace std;
5
6  int main(){
7      fstream fin("usdeclar.txt", fstream::in);
8      char ch;
9      int count = 0;
10     string text("");
11     while (fin.get(ch)){
12         if (!count) text += ch;
13         else text += " " + ch;
14     }
15     cout << text;
16     return 0;
17 }
```



Read a File Character by Character

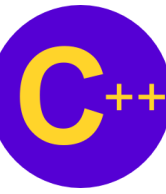
Demo Program: `char3.cpp`

1. Using `get()` instance method for input stream.
2. Obtain a NULL symbol if run out of input characters.
3. Just output the character to console.

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  using namespace std;
5
6  int main(){
7      fstream fin("usdeclar.txt", fstream::in);
8      char ch;
9      while (fin.get(ch)){
10         cout << ch;
11     }
12     return 0;
13 }
```

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Read Data From Sequential File (Token)

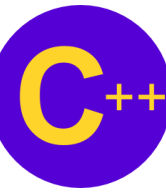


Read a File Token by Token

Demo Program: token1.cpp

1. Read in one string at a time.

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  #include <cstdlib>
5  using namespace std;
6
7  int main(){
8      ifstream fin("usdeclar.txt");
9
10     if (fin.fail()) {
11         cerr << "Unable to open file for reading." << endl;
12         exit(1);
13     }
14
15     string token;
16     while (fin >> token) {
17         cout << "Token: " << token << endl;
18     }
19
20     fin.close();
21     return 0;
22 }
```



Read a File Token by Token With Processing

Demo Program: [token2.cpp](#)

1. Read in one string at a time.
2. remove all the numbers and punctuation marks.
3. convert the token to lower case.
4. trim() out the whitespace character.
5. merge to a long text string.
6. Convert the string a vector of tokens. (Empty strings removed)

Result: A vector word list of all words in the text document.

(No number, no punctuation marks.)

token2.cpp

trim() function: take out all leading and trailing spaces.

Split a string by delimiter into a vector of tokens

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <sstream>
4  #include <string>
5  #include <cstdlib>
6  #include <cctype>
7  #include <vector>
8  using namespace std;
```

```
10 string trim(const string& str)
11 {
12     size_t first = str.find_first_not_of(' ');
13     if (string::npos == first)
14     {
15         return str;
16     }
17     size_t last = str.find_last_not_of(' ');
18     return str.substr(first, (last - first + 1));
19 }
20
21 vector<string> split(const string &s, char delim) {
22     stringstream ss(s);
23     string item;
24     vector<string> tokens;
25     while (getline(ss, item, delim)) {
26         tokens.push_back(item);
27     }
28     return tokens;
29 }
```



```

31 int main(){
32     ifstream fin("usdeclar.txt");
33     if (fin.fail()) {
34         cerr << "Unable to open file for reading." << endl;
35         exit(1);
36     }
37     string text("");
38     string token;
39
40     int count = 0;
41     while (fin >> token) {
42         // remove non-letter, no-space letters.
43         string str("");
44         for (int i=0; i<token.length(); i++){
45             if (!isalpha(token[i]) && token[i] != ' ') str += ' ';
46             else str += tolower(token[i]);
47         }
48         str = trim(str);
49         text += str + " ";
50     }
51
52     vector <string> wlist = split(text, ' ');
53     vector <string> wlist2;
54     for(int i=0; i<wlist.size(); i++) {
55         if (wlist[i].length() != 0) { wlist2.push_back(wlist[i]); cout << wlist[i] << " "; }
56     }
57     cout << endl;
58     cout << "Word List Count with Spaces = " << wlist.size() << endl;
59     cout << "Word List Count without Spaces = " << wlist2.size() << endl;
60
61     fin.close();
62     return 0;
63 }

```

Remove all punctuation marks, \t, \n, \b, and etc. Convert the tokens to lower case.

Convert the text string into a vector of clean tokens

```

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ice and magnanimity and we have conjured them by the ties of our commo
n kindred to disavow these usurpations which would inevitably interrup
t our connections and correspondence they too have been deaf to the vo
ice of justice and of consanguinity we must therefore acquiesce in the
necessity which denounces our separation and hold them as we hold the
rest of mankind enemies in war in peace friends we therefore the repr
esentatives of the united states of america in general congress assemb
led appealing to the supreme judge of the world for the rectitude of o
ur intentions do in the name and by the authority of the good people o
f these colonies solemnly publish and declare that these united coloni
es are and of right ought to be free and independent states that they
are absolved from all allegiance to the british crown and that all pol
itical connection between them and the state of great britain is and o
ught to be totally dissolved and that as free and independent states t
hey have full power to levey war conclude peace contract alliances est
ablish commerce and to do all other acts and things which independent
states may of right do and for the support of this declaration with a
firm reliance on the protection of divine providence we mutually pledg
e to each other our lives our fortunes and our sacred honor
Word List Count with Spaces = 1350
Word List Count without Spaces = 1339

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```

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Read Data From Sequential File (Line)



Demo Program: line1.cpp

1. Get a line from the input text file at a time.

Go Notepad++!!!

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <fstream>
3 #include <string>
4 using namespace std;
5
6 int main(){
7     ifstream fin("usdeclar.txt", fstream::in);
8     char ch;
9     int count = 0;
10    string line;
11    while (getline(fin, line)){
12        cout << "Line " << ++count << ": " << line << endl;
13    }
14    return 0;
15 }
```

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

```
Line 1:          Declaration of Independence
Line 2:
Line 3:          [Adopted in Congress 4 July 1776]
Line 4:
Line 5:
Line 6:
Line 7:    The Unanimous Declaration of the Thirteen United States of America
Line 8:
Line 9: When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to
Line 10: dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to
Line 11: assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to
Line 12: which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a decent respect
Line 13: to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes
Line 14: which impel them to the separation.
Line 15:
Line 16: We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal,
Line 17: that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that
Line 18: among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure
Line 19: these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just
Line 20: powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of
Line 21: government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people
Line 22: to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its
Line 23: foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to
Line 24: them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness. Prudence,
Line 25: indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed
```

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Read Data From Sequential File (Block)



Demo Program: block.cpp

1. Read the whole text file into a stringstream by buffer read mode (**rdbuf()**).
2. Convert the stringstream object into string by **str()**.

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <fstream>
3 #include <sstream>
4 #include <string>
5 using namespace std;
6
7 int main(){
8     ifstream fin;
9     fin.open("usdeclar.txt");
10
11     stringstream strStream;
12     strStream << fin.rdbuf(); //read the file in buffer mode into a stringstream strStream
13     string str = strStream.str(); //str holds the content of the file
14
15     cout << str << endl; //you can do anything with the string!!!
16     return 0;
17 }
```


Summary

Read Characters from File

```
while (fin.get(ch)){  
    cout << ch;  
}
```

Read Lines from File

```
string line;  
while (getline(fin, line)){  
    cout << "Line " << ++count << ": " << line << endl;  
}
```

Read Tokens from File

```
string token;  
while (fin >> token) {  
    cout << "Token: " << token << endl;  
}
```

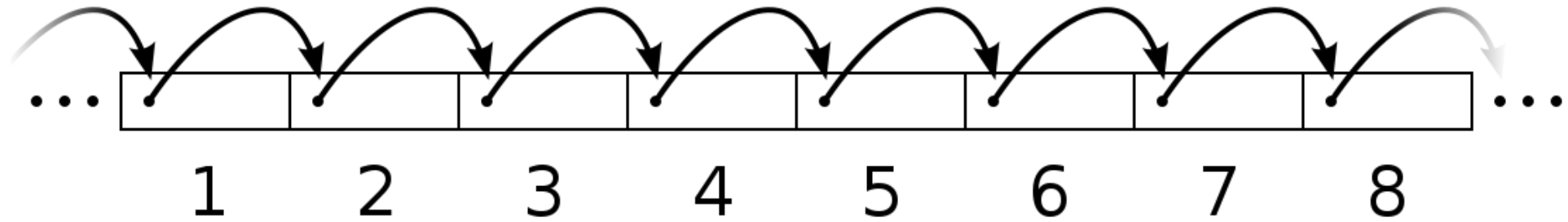
Read a Block from File

```
stringstream strStream;  
strStream << fin.rdbuf();  
string str = strStream.str();
```

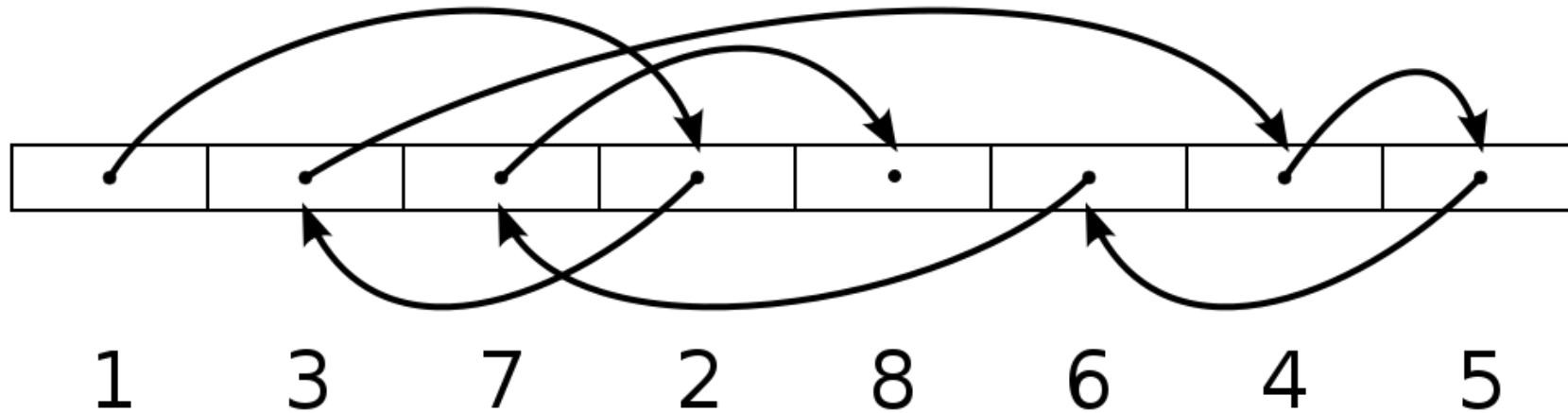
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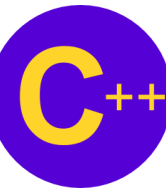
Read Data From Sequential File

Sequential access



Random access

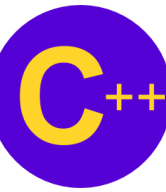




Reading Data from a Sequential-Access File

File position pointers

- Number of next byte to read/write
- Functions to reposition pointer
 - **seekg** (seek get for **istream** class)
 - **seekp** (seek put for **ostream** class)
 - Classes have "get" and "put" pointers
- **seekg** and **seekp** take *offset* and *direction*
 - Offset: number of bytes relative to direction
 - Direction (**ios::beg** default)
 - **ios::beg** - relative to beginning of stream
 - **ios::cur** - relative to current position
 - **ios::end** - relative to end



Reading Data from a Sequential-Access File

Examples

- `fileObject.seekg(0)`
 - Goes to front of file (location 0) because `ios::beg` is default
- `fileObject.seekg(n)`
 - Goes to nth byte from beginning
- `fileObject.seekg(n, ios::cur)`
 - Goes n bytes forward
- `fileObject.seekg(y, ios::end)`
 - Goes y bytes back from end
- `fileObject.seekg(0, ios::cur)`
 - Goes to last byte
- `seekp` similar



Reading Data from a Sequential-Access File

- To find pointer location
 - **tellg** and **tellp**
 - **location = fileObject.tellg()**
- Upcoming example
 - Credit manager program
 - List accounts with zero balance, credit, and debit

Sequential File Access

Function	Description
<code>seekg()</code>	Moves get pointer (input) to a specified location
<code>seekp()</code>	Moves put pointer(output) to a specified location
<code>tellg()</code>	Gives the current position of the get pointer
<code>tellp()</code>	Gives the current position of the put pointer

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using std::cout;
3  using std::cin;
4  using std::ios;
5  using std::cerr;
6  using std::endl;
7  using std::fixed;
8  using std::showpoint;
9  using std::left;
10 using std::right;
11
12 #include <fstream>
13 using std::ifstream;
14 #include <iomanip>
15 using std::setw;
16 using std::setprecision;
17 #include <cstdlib>
18 enum RequestType { ZERO_BALANCE = 1, CREDIT_BALANCE, DEBIT_BALANCE, END };
19 int getRequest();
20 bool shouldDisplay( int, double );
21 void outputLine( int, const char * const, double );
```



```

23 int main(){
24     // ifstream constructor opens the file
25     ifstream inClientFile( "clients.dat", ios::in );
26     // exit program if ifstream could not open file
27     if ( !inClientFile ) {
28         cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;
29         exit(1);
30     } // end if
31     int request;
32     int account;
33     char name[ 30 ];
34     double balance;
35     // get user's request (e.g., zero, credit or debit balance)
36     request = getRequest();
37     // process user's request
38     while ( request != END ) {
39         switch ( request ) {
40             case ZERO_BALANCE:
41                 cout << "\nAccounts with zero balances:\n";
42                 break;
43             case CREDIT_BALANCE:
44                 cout << "\nAccounts with credit balances:\n";
45                 break;
46             case DEBIT_BALANCE:
47                 cout << "\nAccounts with debit balances:\n";
48                 break;
49         } // end switch
50         // read account, name and balance from file
51         inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance;
52         // display file contents (until eof)
53         while (!inClientFile.eof()) {
54             // display record
55             if ( shouldDisplay( request, balance ) )
56                 outputLine( account, name, balance );
57             // read account, name and balance from file
58             inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance;
59         } // end inner while
60         inClientFile.clear(); // reset eof for next input
61         inClientFile.seekg( 0 ); // move to beginning of file
62         request = getRequest(); // get additional request from user
63     } // end outer while
64     cout << "End of run." << endl;
65     return 0; // ifstream destructor closes the file
66 } // end main

```

Use **clear** to reset eof. Use **seekg** to set file position pointer to beginning of file.

```

69 // obtain request from user
70 int getRequest(){
71     int request;
72     // display request options
73     cout << "\nEnter request" << endl
74         << " 1 - List accounts with zero balances" << endl
75         << " 2 - List accounts with credit balances" << endl
76         << " 3 - List accounts with debit balances" << endl
77         << " 4 - End of run" << fixed << showpoint;
78     // input user request
79     do {
80         cout << "\n? ";
81         cin >> request;
82     } while ( request < ZERO_BALANCE && request > END );
83     return request;
84 } // end function getRequest
85
86 // determine whether to display given record
87 bool shouldDisplay( int type, double balance ){
88     // determine whether to display credit balances
89     if ( type == CREDIT_BALANCE && balance < 0 )
90         return true;
91     // determine whether to display debit balances
92     if ( type == DEBIT_BALANCE && balance > 0 )
93         return true;
94     // determine whether to display zero balances
95     if ( type == ZERO_BALANCE && balance == 0 )
96         return true;
97     return false;
98 } // end function shouldDisplay
99
100 // display single record from file
101 void outputLine( int account, const char * const name, double balance ){
102     cout << left << setw( 10 ) << account << setw( 13 ) << name
103         << setw( 7 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << balance
104         << endl;
105 } // end function outputLine
106

```

```
C:\Eric_Chou\C++ Course\C++ Object-Oriented Programming\CppDev\chapter 19\credit>credit
```

```
Enter request
```

- 1 - List accounts with zero balances
- 2 - List accounts with credit balances
- 3 - List accounts with debit balances
- 4 - End of run

```
? 1
```

```
Accounts with zero balances:
```

```
Enter request
```

- 1 - List accounts with zero balances
- 2 - List accounts with credit balances
- 3 - List accounts with debit balances
- 4 - End of run

```
? 2
```

```
Accounts with credit balances:
```

```
Enter request
```

- 1 - List accounts with zero balances
- 2 - List accounts with credit balances
- 3 - List accounts with debit balances
- 4 - End of run

```
? 3
```

```
Accounts with debit balances:
```

201	Tommy	30.28
202	Jobn	200.34
203	Lee	500.00

```
Enter request
```

- 1 - List accounts with zero balances
- 2 - List accounts with credit balances
- 3 - List accounts with debit balances
- 4 - End of run

```
? 4
```

```
End of run.
```

LECTURE 2

Writing Sequential Files

Updating Sequential-Access Files

Updating sequential files

- Risk overwriting other data
- Example: change name "White" to "Worthington"
 - Old data
 - `300 White 0.00 400 Jones 32.87`
 - Insert new data

```
300 Worthington 0.00
```



```
300 White 0.00 400 Jones 32.87
```



```
300 Worthington 0.00ones 32.87
```

Data gets overwritten

- Formatted text different from internal representation
- Problem can be avoided, but awkward

LECTURE 2

Random Access Files



Random-Access Files

Instant access

- Want to locate record quickly
 - Airline reservations, ATMs
- Sequential files must search through each one

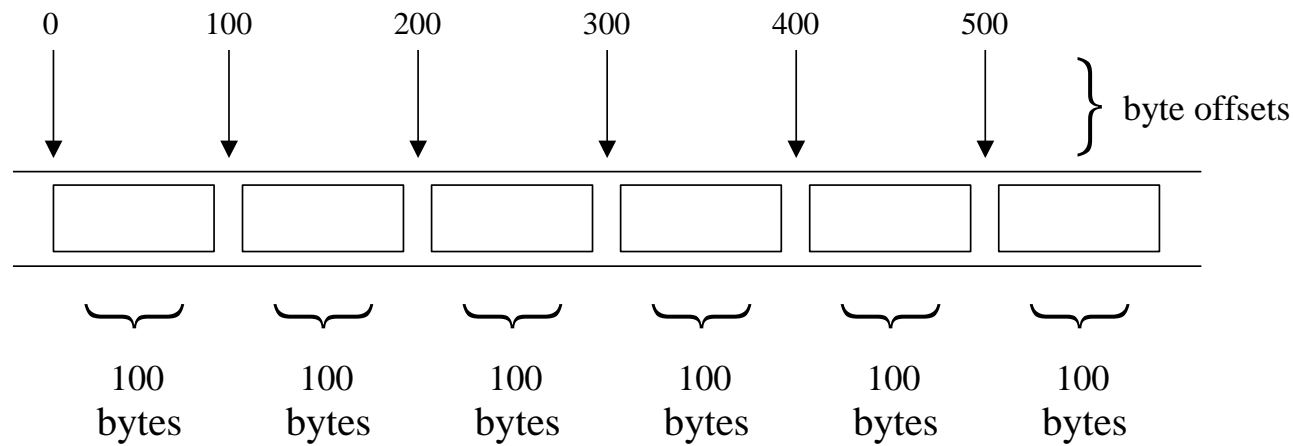
Random-access files are solution

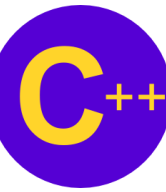
- Instant access
- Insert record without destroying other data
- Update/delete items without changing other data

Random-Access Files

C++ imposes no structure on files

- Programmer must create random-access files
- Simplest way: fixed-length records
- Calculate position in file from record size and key





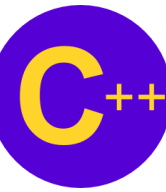
Creating a Random-Access File

"1234567" (`char *`) vs 1234567 (`int`)

- `char *` takes 8 bytes (1 for each character + null)
- `int` takes fixed number of bytes (perhaps 4)
 - 123 same size in bytes as 1234567

`<< operator` and `write()`

- `outFile << number`
 - Outputs `number (int)` as a `char *`
 - Variable number of bytes
- `outFile.write(const char *, size);`
 - Outputs raw bytes
 - Takes pointer to memory location, number of bytes to write
 - Copies data directly from memory into file
 - Does not convert to `char *`

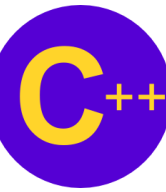


Creating a Random-Access File

Example

```
outFile.write( reinterpret_cast<const char
    *>(&number), sizeof( number ) );
```

- `&number` is an `int *`
 - Convert to `const char *` with `reinterpret_cast`
- `sizeof(number)`
 - Size of `number` (an `int`) in bytes
- `read` function similar (more later)
- Must use `write/read` between compatible machines
 - Only when using raw, unformatted data
- Use `ios::binary` for raw writes/reads



Creating a Random-Access File

Usually write entire **struct** or object to file

Problem statement

- Credit processing program
- Store at most 100 fixed-length records
- Record
 - Account number (key)
 - First and last name
 - Balance
- Account operations
 - Update, create new, delete, list all accounts in a file

Next: program to create blank 100-record file



Project not
finished Yet.

```
1 #ifndef CLIENTDATA_H
2 #define CLIENTDATA_H
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::string;
5 class ClientData {
6     public:
7         ClientData( int = 0, string = "", string = "", double = 0.0 ); // default ClientData constructor
8         void setAccountNumber( int ); // accessor functions for accountNumber
9         int getAccountNumber() const;
10        void setLastName( string ); // accessor functions for lastName
11        string getLastName() const;
12        void setFirstName( string ); // accessor functions for firstName
13        string getFirstName() const;
14        void setBalance( double ); // accessor functions for balance
15        double getBalance() const;
16
17    private:
18        int accountNumber;
19        char lastName[15];
20        char firstName[10];
21        double balance;
22 }; // end class ClientData
23 #endif
```

Class **ClientData** stores the information for each person. 100 blank **ClientData** objects will be written to a file.

Put limits on the size of the first and last name. **accountNumber** (an **int**) and **balance** (**double**) are already of a fixed size.

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <cstring>
3 #include "clientData.h"
4 using std::string;
5 // default ClientData constructor
6 ClientData::ClientData( int accountNumberValue, string lastNameValue, string firstNameValue,
7     double balanceValue ){
8     setAccountNumber( accountNumberValue );
9     setLastName( lastNameValue );
10    setFirstName( firstNameValue );
11    setBalance( balanceValue );
12 } // end ClientData constructor
13
14 // get account-number value
15 int ClientData::getAccountNumber() const{
16     return accountNumber;
17 } // end function getAccountNumber
18 // set account-number value
19 void ClientData::setAccountNumber( int accountNumberValue ){
20     accountNumber = accountNumberValue;
21 } // end function setAccountNumber
22
23 // get last-name value
24 string ClientData::getLastName() const{
25     return lastName;
26 }
27 // end function getLastName
28
```

```

29 // set last-name value
30 void ClientData::setLastName( string lastNameString ){
31     // copy at most 15 characters from string to lastName
32     const char *lastNameValue = lastNameString.data();
33     int length = strlen( lastNameValue );
34     length = ( length < 15 ? length : 14 );
35     strncpy( lastName, lastNameValue, length );
36     // append null character to lastName
37     lastName[ length ] = '\0';
38 } // end function setLastName
39
40 // get first-name value
41 string ClientData::getFirstName() const{
42     return firstName;
43 } // end function getFirstName
44
45 // set first-name value
46 void ClientData::setFirstName( string firstNameString ){
47     // copy at most 10 characters from string to firstName
48     const char *firstNameValue = firstNameString.data();
49     int length = strlen( firstNameValue );
50     length = ( length < 10 ? length : 9 );
51     strncpy( firstName, firstNameValue, length );
52     // append new-line character to firstName
53     firstName[ length ] = '\0';
54 } // end function setFirstName
55
56 // get balance value
57 double ClientData::getBalance() const{
58     return balance;
59 } // end function getBalance
60
61 // set balance value
62 void ClientData::setBalance( double balanceValue ){
63     balance = balanceValue;
64 } // end function setBalance
65

```

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using std::cerr;
3  using std::endl;
4  using std::ios;
5  #include <fstream>
6  using std::ofstream;
7  #include <cstdlib>
8  #include "clientData.h" // ClientData class definition
9  int main(){
10     ofstream outCredit( "credit.dat", ios::binary );
11     // exit program if ofstream could not open file
12     if ( !outCredit ) {
13         cerr << "File could not be opened." << endl;
14         exit( 1 );
15     } // end if
16     // create ClientData with no information
17     ClientData blankClient;
18     // output 100 blank records to file
19     for ( int i = 0; i < 100; i++ )
20         outCredit.write( reinterpret_cast< const char * >( &blankClient ), sizeof( ClientData ) );
21     return 0;
22 } // end main

```

Open a file for raw writing using an **ofstream** object and **ios::binary**.

Create a blank object. Use **write** to output the raw data to a file (passing a pointer to the object and its size).

LECTURE 2

Writing Random Access Files



Writing Data Randomly to a Random-Access File

Use **seekp** to write to exact location in file

- Where does the first record begin?
 - Byte 0
- The second record?
 - Byte 0 + sizeof(object)
- Any record?
 - $(\text{Recordnum} - 1) * \text{sizeof}(\text{object})$

```

14 int main(){
15     int accountNumber;
16     char lastName[ 15 ];
17     char firstName[ 10 ];
18     double balance;
19     ofstream outCredit( "credit.dat", ios::binary );
20
21     // exit program if ofstream cannot open file
22     if ( !outCredit ) {
23         cerr << "File could not be opened." << endl;
24         exit( 1 );
25     } // end if
26     cout << "Enter account number "
27           << "(1 to 100, 0 to end input)\n? ";
28
29     // require user to specify account number
30     ClientData client;
31     cin >> accountNumber;
32     client.setAccountNumber( accountNumber );
33     // user enters information, which is copied into file
34     while ( client.getAccountNumber() > 0 &&
35            client.getAccountNumber() <= 100 ) {
36
37         // user enters last name, first name and balance
38         cout << "Enter lastname, firstname, balance\n? ";
39         cin >> setw( 15 ) >> lastName;
40         cin >> setw( 10 ) >> firstName;
41         cin >> balance;
42

```

Open file for raw (binary) writing.

Position **outCredit** to the proper location in the file (based on the account number).

Get account number, put into object. It has not yet been written to file.

Write **ClientData** object to file at specified position.

```

1  #include <iostream>
2  using std::cerr;
3  using std::endl;
4  using std::cout;
5  using std::cin;
6  using std::ios;
7  #include <iomanip>
8  using std::setw;
9  #include <fstream>
10 using std::ofstream;
11 #include <cstdlib>
12 #include "clientData.h" // ClientData class definition
13
43 // set record lastName, firstName and balance values
44 client.setLastName( lastName );
45 client.setFirstName( firstName );
46 client.setBalance( balance );
47
48 // seek position in file of user-specified record
49 outCredit.seekp( ( client.getAccountNumber() - 1 ) *
50                 sizeof( ClientData ) );
51
52 // write user-specified information in file
53 outCredit.write(
54     reinterpret_cast< const char * >( &client ),
55     sizeof( ClientData ) );
56 // enable user to specify another account number
57 cout << "Enter account number\n? ";
58 cin >> accountNumber;
59 client.setAccountNumber( accountNumber );
60
61 } // end while
62 return 0;
63 } // end main

```

Enter account number (1 to 100, 0 to end input)

? 37

Enter lastname, firstname, balance

? Barker Doug 0.00

Enter account number

? 29

Enter lastname, firstname, balance

? Brown Nancy -24.54

Enter account number

? 96

Enter lastname, firstname, balance

? Stone Sam 34.98

Enter account number

? 88

Enter lastname, firstname, balance

? Smith Dave 258.34

Enter account number

? 33

Enter lastname, firstname, balance

? Dunn Stacey 314.33

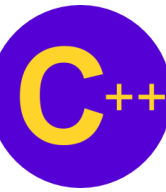
Enter account number

? 0

Notice that accounts can be
created in any order.

LECTURE 2

Read Data Sequentially from Random Access File



Reading Data Sequentially from a Random-Access File

read - similar to **write**

- Reads raw bytes from file into memory
- `inFile.read(reinterpret_cast<char *>(&number), sizeof(int));`
 - **&number**: location to store data
 - **sizeof(int)**: how many bytes to read
- Do not use `inFile >> number` with raw bytes
 - `>>` expects **char ***

Upcoming program

- Output data from a random-access file
- Go through each record sequentially
 - If no data (`accountNumber == 0`) then skip

```

8 // display single record
9 void outputLine( ostream &output, const ClientData &record ){
10     output << left << setw( 10 ) << record.getAccountNumber()
11         << setw( 16 ) << record.getLastName().data()
12         << setw( 11 ) << record.getFirstName().data()
13         << setw( 10 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << fixed
14         << showpoint << record.getBalance() << endl;
15 } // end outputLine
16
17 int main(){
18     ifstream inCredit( "credit.dat", ios::in );
19     // exit program if ifstream cannot open file
20     if ( !inCredit ) {
21         cerr << "File could not be opened." << endl;
22         exit( 1 );
23     } // end if
24     cout << left << setw( 10 ) << "Account" << setw( 16 )
25         << "Last Name" << setw( 11 ) << "First Name" << left
26         << setw( 10 ) << right << "Balance" << endl;
27     ClientData client; // create record
28     // read first record from file
29     inCredit.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
30         sizeof( ClientData ) );
31     // read all records from file
32     while ( inCredit && !inCredit.eof() ) {
33         // display record
34         if ( client.getAccountNumber() != 0 )
35             outputLine( cout, client );
36         // read next from file
37         inCredit.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
38             sizeof( ClientData ) );
39     } // end while
40     return 0;
41 } // end main

```

Read `sizeof(ClientData)` bytes and put into object `client`. This may be an empty record.

Loop exits if there is an error reading (`inCredit == 0`) or EOF is found (`inCredit.eof() == 1`)

Output non-empty accounts. Note that `outputLine` takes an `ostream` argument. We could easily output to another file (opened with an `ofstream` object, which derives from `ostream`).

```

1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <iomanip>
3 #include <fstream>
4 #include <cstdlib> // exit
5 #include "clientData.h" // ClientData class definition
6 using namespace std;

```

Account	Last Name	First Name	Balance
29	Brown	Nancy	-24.54
33	Dunn	Stacey	314.33
37	Barker	Doug	0.00
88	Smith	Dave	258.34
96	Stone	Sam	34.98

LECTURE 2

Case Study

Example: A Transaction-Processing Program

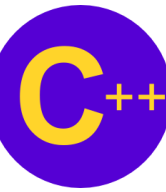
- Instant access for bank accounts
 - Use random access file (data in **client.dat**)
- Give user menu
 - Option 1: store accounts to **print.txt**

Account	Last Name	First Name	Balance
29	Brown	Nancy	-24.54
33	Dunn	Stacey	314.33
37	Barker	Doug	0.00
88	Smith	Dave	258.34
96	Stone	Sam	34.98

- Option 2: update record

```
Enter account to update (1 - 100): 37
37      Barker      Doug      0.00

Enter charge (+) or payment (-): +87.99
37      Barker      Doug      87.99
```



Example: A Transaction-Processing Program

Menu options (continued)

- Option 3: add new record

```
Enter new account number (1 - 100): 22
Enter lastname, firstname, balance
? Johnston Sarah 247.45
```

- Option 4: delete record

```
Enter account to delete (1 - 100): 29
Account #29 deleted.
```

To open file for reading and writing

- Use **fstream** object
- "Or" file-open modes together

```
fstream inOutCredit( "credit.dat", ios::in | ios::out );
```



Demo Program: bank package

[bank.cpp+clientData.cpp](#)

Go Notepad++!!!

```

1  #include <fstream>
2  #include <iomanip>
3  #include <cstdlib> // exit prototype
4  #include "clientData.h" // ClientData class definition
5  using namespace std;
6
7  enum Choices { PRINT = 1, UPDATE, NEW, DELETE, END };
8  int enterChoice();
9  void printRecord( fstream& );
10 void updateRecord( fstream& );
11 void newRecord( fstream& );
12 void deleteRecord( fstream& );
13 void outputLine( ostream&, const ClientData & );
14 int getAccount( const char * const );
15
16 // enable user to input menu choice
17 int enterChoice(){
18     // display available options
19     cout << "\nEnter your choice" << endl
20         << "1 - store a formatted text file of accounts" << endl
21         << "   called \"print.txt\" for printing" << endl
22         << "2 - update an account" << endl
23         << "3 - add a new account" << endl
24         << "4 - delete an account" << endl
25         << "5 - end program\n? ";
26     int menuChoice;
27     cin >> menuChoice; // receive choice from user
28     return menuChoice;
29 } // end function enterChoice
30
31

```

Go to front of file, read account data, and print record if not empty.

Note that **outputLine** takes an **ostream** object (base of **ofstream**). It can easily print to a file (as in this case) or **cout**.

```

32 // create formatted text file for printing
33 void printRecord( fstream &readFromFile ){
34     // create text file
35     ofstream outPrintFile( "print.txt", ios::out );
36     // exit program if ofstream cannot create file
37     if ( !outPrintFile ) {
38         cerr << "File could not be created." << endl;
39         exit( 1 );
40     } // end if
41     outPrintFile << left << setw( 10 ) << "Account" << setw( 16 )
42         << "Last Name" << setw( 11 ) << "First Name" << right
43         << setw( 10 ) << "Balance" << endl;
44     // set file-position pointer to beginning of record file
45     readFromFile.seekg( 0 );
46     // read first record from record file
47     ClientData client;
48     readFromFile.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
49         sizeof( ClientData ) );
50
51     // copy all records from record file into text file
52     while ( !readFromFile.eof() ) {
53         // write single record to text file
54         if ( client.getAccountNumber() != 0 )
55             outputLine( outPrintFile, client );
56         // read next record from record file
57         readFromFile.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
58             sizeof( ClientData ) );
59     } // end while
60 } // end function printRecord
61

```

Output to **print.txt**. First, print the header for the table.

```

63 void updateRecord( fstream &updateFile ){
64     // obtain number of account to update
65     int accountNumber = getAccount( "Enter account to update" );
66
67     // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
68     updateFile.seekg(
69         ( accountNumber - 1 ) * sizeof( ClientData ) );
70
71     // read first record from file
72     ClientData client;
73     updateFile.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
74         sizeof( ClientData ) );
75     // update record
76     if ( client.getAccountNumber() != 0 ) {
77         outputLine( cout, client );
78         // request user to specify transaction
79         cout << "\nEnter charge (+) or payment (-): ";
80         double transaction; // charge or payment
81         cin >> transaction;
82         // update record balance
83         double oldBalance = client.getBalance();
84         client.setBalance( oldBalance + transaction );
85         outputLine( cout, client );
86         // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
87         updateFile.seekp(
88             ( accountNumber - 1 ) * sizeof( ClientData ) );
89
90         // write updated record over old record in file
91         updateFile.write(
92             reinterpret_cast< const char * >( &client ),
93             sizeof( ClientData ) );
94     } // end if
95     // display error if account does not exist
96     else
97         cerr << "Account #" << accountNumber
98             << " has no information." << endl;
99 } // end function updateRecord

```

This is **fstream** (I/O)
because we must read the old
balance, update it, and write
the new balance.

```

102 void newRecord( fstream &insertInFile ){
103     // obtain number of account to create
104     int accountNumber = getAccount( "Enter new account number" );
105     // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
106     insertInFile.seekg(
107         ( accountNumber - 1 ) * sizeof( ClientData ) );
108     // read record from file
109     ClientData client;
110     insertInFile.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
111         sizeof( ClientData ) );
112     // create record, if record does not previously exist
113     if ( client.getAccountNumber() == 0 ) {
114         char lastName[ 15 ];
115         char firstName[ 10 ];
116         double balance;
117         // user enters last name, first name and balance
118         cout << "Enter lastname, firstname, balance\n? ";
119         cin >> setw( 15 ) >> lastName;
120         cin >> setw( 10 ) >> firstName;
121         cin >> balance;
122
123         // use values to populate account values
124         client.setLastName( lastName );
125         client.setFirstName( firstName );
126         client.setBalance( balance );
127         client.setAccountNumber( accountNumber );
128         // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
129         insertInFile.seekp( ( accountNumber - 1 ) *
130             sizeof( ClientData ) );
131         // insert record in file
132         insertInFile.write(
133             reinterpret_cast< const char * >( &client ),
134             sizeof( ClientData ) );
135     } // end if
136     // display error if account previously exists
137     else
138         cerr << "Account #" << accountNumber
139             << " already contains information." << endl;
140 } // end function newRecord

```

This is **fstream** because
we read to see if a non-
empty record already
exists. If not, we write a
new record.


```

143 void deleteRecord( fstream &deleteFromFile ){
144 // obtain number of account to delete
145 int accountNumber = getAccount( "Enter account to delete" );
146 // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
147 deleteFromFile.seekg(
148     ( accountNumber - 1 ) * sizeof( ClientData ) );
149 // read record from file
150 ClientData client;
151 deleteFromFile.read( reinterpret_cast< char * >( &client ),
152     sizeof( ClientData ) );
153 // delete record, if record exists in file
154 if ( client.getAccountNumber() != 0 ) {
155     ClientData blankClient;
156     // move file-position pointer to correct record in file
157     deleteFromFile.seekp( ( accountNumber - 1 ) *
158         sizeof( ClientData ) );
159     // replace existing record with blank record
160     deleteFromFile.write(
161         reinterpret_cast< const char * >( &blankClient ),
162         sizeof( ClientData ) );
163     cout << "Account #" << accountNumber << " deleted.\n";
164 } // end if
165 // display error if record does not exist
166 else
167     cerr << "Account #" << accountNumber << " is empty.\n";
168 } // end deleteRecord
169
170 // display single record
171 void outputLine( ostream &output, const ClientData &record ){
172     output << left << setw( 10 ) << record.getAccountNumber()
173         << setw( 16 ) << record.getLastName().data()
174         << setw( 11 ) << record.getFirstName().data()
175         << setw( 10 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << fixed
176         << showpoint << record.getBalance() << endl;
177 } // end function outputLine
178

```

fstream because we read to check if the account exists. If it does, we write blank data (erase it). If it does not exist, there is no need to delete it.

outputLine is very flexible, and can output to any **ostream** object (such as a file or **cout**).

```

180 // obtain account-number value from user
181 int getAccount( const char * const prompt ){
182     int accountNumber;
183     // obtain account-number value
184     do {
185         cout << prompt << " (1 - 100): ";
186         cin >> accountNumber;
187     } while ( accountNumber < 1 || accountNumber > 100 );
188     return accountNumber;
189 } // end function getAccount
190

```

```

191 int main(){
192     int choice;
193     // open file for reading and writing
194     fstream inOutCredit( "credit.dat", ios::in | ios::out );
195     // exit program if fstream cannot open file
196     if ( !inOutCredit ) {
197         cerr << "File could not be opened." << endl;
198         exit ( 1 );
199     } // end if
200
201     // enable user to specify action
202     while ( ( choice = enterChoice() ) != END ) {
203         switch ( choice ) {
204             // create text file from record file
205             case PRINT:
206                 printRecord( inOutCredit );
207                 break;
208             // update record
209             case UPDATE:
210                 updateRecord( inOutCredit );
211                 break;
212             // create record
213             case NEW:
214                 newRecord( inOutCredit );
215                 break;
216             // delete existing record
217             case DELETE:
218                 deleteRecord( inOutCredit );
219                 break;
220             // display error if user does not select valid choice
221             default:
222                 cerr << "Incorrect choice" << endl;
223                 break;
224         } // end switch
225         inOutCredit.clear(); // reset end-of-file indicator
226     } // end while
227     return 0;
228 } // end main

```

Open file for reading and writing
(**fstream** object needed).

Displays menu and returns
user's choice.

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```

Enter your choice
1 - store a formatted text file of accounts
   called "print.txt" for printing
2 - update an account
3 - add a new account
4 - delete an account
5 - end program
? 3
Enter new account number (1 - 100): 100
Account #100 already contains information.

Enter your choice
1 - store a formatted text file of accounts
   called "print.txt" for printing
2 - update an account
3 - add a new account
4 - delete an account
5 - end program
? 2
Enter account to update (1 - 100): 5
Account #5 has no information.

```


LECTURE 2

Read/Write of Objects



Input/Output of Objects

I/O of objects

- Chapter 8 (overloaded `>>`)
- Only object's data transmitted
 - Member functions available internally
- When objects stored in file, lose type info (class, etc.)
 - Program must know type of object when reading
- One solution
 - When writing, output object type code before real object
 - When reading, read type code
 - Call proper overloaded function (**switch**)



Read/Write Class Objects from/to File in C++

Given a file “aaa.txt” in which every line has values same as instance variables of a class.

Read the values into the class's object and do necessary operations.



Write a object to a file and, Then, read it in again.

Demo Program: [readobject.cpp](#)

Go Notepad++!!!

```

1 //C++ program to write and read object using read and write function.
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <fstream>
4
5 using namespace std;
6
7 //class student to read and write student details
8 class student
9 {
10 private:
11     char name[30];
12     int age;
13 public:
14     void getData(void)
15     { cout<<"Enter name:"; cin.getline(name,30);
16       cout<<"Enter age:"; cin>>age;
17     }
18
19     void showData(void)
20     {
21         cout<<"Name:"<<name<<",Age:"<<age<<endl;
22     }
23 };

```

```

25 int main(){
26     student s;
27     ofstream file;
28     //open file in write mode
29     file.open("aaa.txt",ios::out);
30     if(!file){
31         cout<<"Error in creating file.."<<endl;
32         return 0;
33     }
34     cout<<"\nFile created successfully."<<endl;
35     //write into file
36     s.getData(); //read from user
37     file.write((char*)&s,sizeof(s)); //write into file
38     file.close(); //close the file
39     cout<<"\nFile saved and closed successfully."<<endl;
40     //re open file in input mode and read data
41     //open file1
42     ifstream file1;
43     //again open file in read mode
44     file1.open("aaa.txt",ios::in);
45     if(!file1){
46         cout<<"Error in opening file..";
47         return 0;
48     }
49     //read data from file
50     file1.read((char*)&s,sizeof(s));
51     //display data on monitor
52     s.showData();
53     //close the file
54     file1.close();
55     return 0;
56 }

```