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Introduction to Programming

C++ Basics

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C++ Alphabet

- Keywords and identifiers:
 - English letters: `A..Z`, `a..z` (beware of Russian “`С`”)
 - digits: `0`, `1`, ... `9`
 - underscore: `_`
- Operator symbols:
 - `+, -, *, /, %, =, ==, !=, <, >, &, *, , , (,)...`
- End of statement symbol: `;`
- Block of statements: `{ }`
- Preprocessor directives:
 - start with `#`
- Comments:
 - line comments indicated by `//` prefix
 - block comments framed by `/* */` pairs of symbols
- Escape sequences:
 - starts with `\` : `\n, \t, \', \", \\, ...`
- String literals can contain any symbols according to the code page of a source file (ANSI, UTF-8)

Hello, %username%

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>

using std::string;
using std::cout;
using std::cin;

// Asks a user for a name and displays a greeting on the screen.
int main()
{
    string name;
    cout << "Your name: ";
    cin >> name;

    cout << "Hello, " << name << "!\n\n";

    return 0;
}
```

Keywords

[alignas](#) (C++11)

[alignof](#) (C++11)

[and](#)

[and_eq](#)

[asm](#)

[auto](#)

[bitand](#)

[bitor](#)

[bool](#)

[break](#)

[case](#)

[catch](#)

[char](#)

[char16_t](#) (C++11)

[char32_t](#) (C++11)

[class](#)

[compl](#)

[const](#)

[constexpr](#) (C++11)

[const_cast](#)

[continue](#)

[decltype](#) (C++11)

[default](#)

[delete](#)

[do](#)

[double](#)

[dynamic_cast](#)

[else](#)

[enum](#)

[explicit](#)

[export](#)

[extern](#)

[false](#)

[float](#)

[for](#)

[friend](#)

[goto](#)

[if](#)

[inline](#)

[int](#)

[long](#)

[mutable](#)

[namespace](#)

[new](#)

[noexcept](#) (C++11)

[not](#)

[not_eq](#)

[nullptr](#) (C++11)

[operator](#)

[or](#)

[or_eq](#)

[private](#)

[protected](#)

[public](#)

[register](#)

[reinterpret_cast](#)

[return](#)

[short](#)

[signed](#)

[sizeof](#)

[static](#)

[static_assert](#) (C++11)

[static_cast](#)

[struct](#)

[switch](#)

[template](#)

[this](#)

[thread_local](#) (C++11)

[throw](#)

[true](#)

[try](#)

[typedef](#)

[typeid](#)

[typename](#)

[union](#)

[unsigned](#)

[using](#)

[virtual](#)

[void](#)

[volatile](#)

[wchar_t](#)

[while](#)

[xor](#)

[xor_eq](#)

Identifiers

- Used for naming types, objects, variables, functions and so on
 - The only characters one can use in the names are alphabetic characters (**A..Z**, **a..z**), numeric digits (**0... 9**), and the underscore (**_**) character.
 - The first character in a name cannot be a numeric digit.
 - Uppercase characters are considered distinct from lowercase characters.
 - One can't use a C++ keyword for a name.
 - There are no limits on the length of a name, but a reasonable size is expected.

```
int main()
{
    string name;
    cout << "Your name: ";
    cin >> name;
    ...
}
```

Identifiers: examples

```
int foo;           // valid
int Foo;           // valid and distinct from foo
int F00;           // valid and even more distinct
Int bar;           // invalid – has to be int, not Int
int my_stars3;     // valid
int _Mystars3;     // valid but reserved – starts with underscore
int 4ever;         // invalid because starts with a digit
int double;        // invalid – double is a C++ keyword
int begin;         // valid – begin is a Pascal keyword
int __fools;       // valid but reserved – starts with two underscores
int the_very_best_variable_i_can_be_version_112; // valid
int honky-tonk;    // invalid – no hyphens allowed
```

Excerpts from Naming Conventions

- Use *PascalStyle* for naming types:

```
class MyNewClass {...}
```

- Use *camelStyle* for naming local objects:

```
int varName;  
  
void funcName(int param)  
{ ...  
}
```

- Start an object name with an underscore for private and protected members of a class:

```
class Foo  
{  
private:  
    int _privNumber;  
}
```

- Use *CAPITALS_WITH_UNDERSCORES* for naming constants:

```
const int PI_NUMBER = 3.1415926;
```

Statements

- *Statement* is a sentence ending with a semicolon or a set of sentences enclosed in curly brackets { }.

```
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    using namespace std;           // using statement

    string name;                   // definition and declaration statement
    cout << "Your name: ";         // expression statement
    cin >> name;                   // expression statement

    name = "Rostislav";            // assignment statement

    cout << "Hello, " << name
         << "!\n\n";               // expression (complex)

    return 0;                      // return statement
}
```


Definition and Declaration Statements

- *Definition* is the creation of an object.
- *Declaration* is the designation (unleashing) of an object in the current scope.

The keyword states that the object is *defined* (created) somewhere else

 `extern int` `anotherNumber; // declaration`

 `int`  `number`  `;` `// definition and declaration`

type of
data to be
stored

name of
variable

semicolon marks the
end of the statement

Initialization and Assignment Statements

- *Initialization* is putting a default value to an object when creating (copy constructor works):

```
int num = 42;
```

- *Assignment* is rewriting a current value of an object to another value (copy operator works):

```
num = 13;
```

Block of Statements

- Block of statements `{ }` allows putting a set of statements in a place where the only one statement is expected.
- Block of statements introduces an inner *scope* for objects declared in the block:
 - an object in the inner scope is not visible (accessible) in the outer scope;
 - the lifetime of such an object is limited by the block boundaries

```
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    int a = 0;           // visible by the end of the function

    {
        int b = 42;      // visible only by the end of the current block
        int c = 13;      // visible only by the end of the current block
    }

    std::cout << a;      // 0
    // std::cout << b; // ERROR: b does not exist anymore
}
```

Function as a Block of Statements

```
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    using namespace std;

    string name;
    cout << "Your name: ";
    cin >> name;
    cout << "Hello, " << name << "!\n\n";

    return 0;
}
```

return value

function name

empty list of parameters

function header

function definition (body)

terminates function and returns specific value

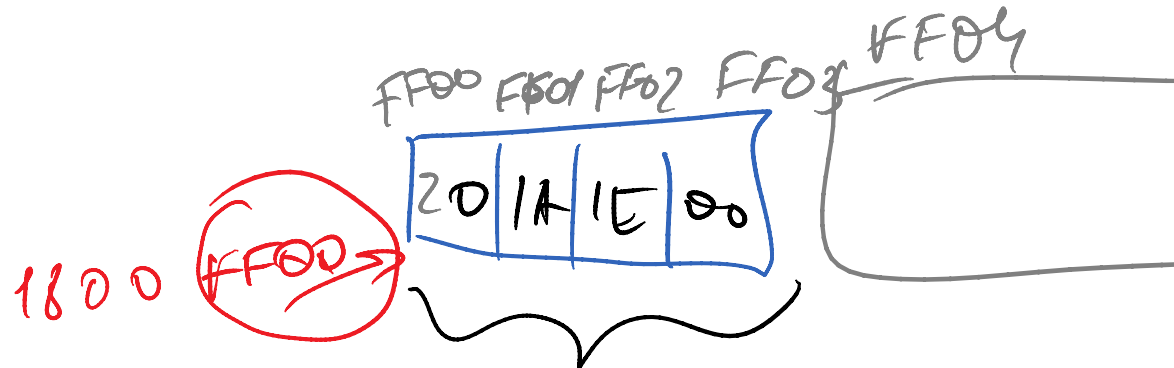
OBJECTS AND TYPES

Object and Type

- *Object* is a *typed* piece of memory for storing data:
 - can have a *name* (not mandatory);
 - has an *address* in memory; can be manipulated by using the address;
 - *variable* is an object that can change its value during a program execution;
- *Type* is the main characteristic of an *object*:
 - determines the size of an object;
 - determines an object's structure;
 - determines all possible operations that are applicable for the object (its semantics).

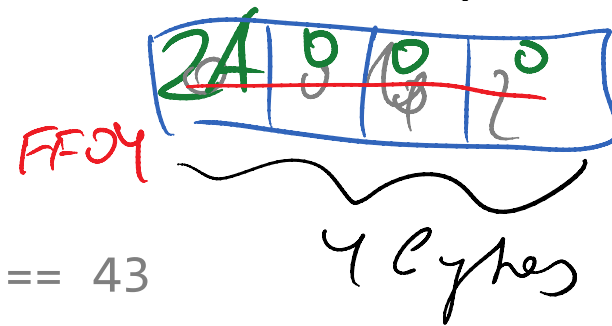
Object and Type: Example

`int a;`



4 bytes = 32 bits
little-endian

`int b = 42; = 2A16`



```
b = b + 1;           // b == 43
a = b * 10;          // a == 430
cout << a << ", " << b; // 430, 43
```

Types in C++



Fundamental types

arithmetic types: `int`,
`double`, `char`
`bool`
`void`

Compound types

pointers `int*`
references `int&`
arrays `int array[10]`

`class` `struct`
`enum`
function

Integer Types

- Vary from system to system. The standard says:
 - A `short` integer is at least 16 bits wide.
 - An `int` integer is at least as big as short.
 - A `long` integer is at least 32 bits wide and at least as big as int.
 - A `long long` integer is at least 64 bits wide and at least as big as long.

Explore for your own platform!

- Can investigate real size by:
 - using `sizeof` operator;
 - using `<climits>` header for limit constants;

- Unsigned types have the same size as signed ones, but other ranges:

- `unsigned short`
- `unsigned int`
- ...

Type	Size (bytes)	Range
short		
int		
long		
long long		
unsigned short		
unsigned int		

Symbolic Constants from `<climits>`

Symbolic Constant	Represents
CHAR_BIT	Number of bits in a <code>char</code>
CHAR_MAX	Maximum <code>char</code> value
CHAR_MIN	Minimum <code>char</code> value
SCHAR_MAX	Maximum <code>signed char</code> value
SCHAR_MIN	Minimum <code>signed char</code> value
UCHAR_MAX	Maximum <code>unsigned char</code> value
SHRT_MAX	Maximum <code>short</code> value
SHRT_MIN	Minimum <code>short</code> value
USHRT_MAX	Maximum <code>unsigned short</code> value
INT_MAX	Maximum <code>int</code> value
INT_MIN	Minimum <code>int</code> value
UINT_MAX	Maximum <code>unsigned int</code> value
LONG_MAX	Maximum <code>long</code> value
LONG_MIN	Minimum <code>long</code> value
ULONG_MAX	Maximum <code>unsigned long</code> value
LLONG_MAX	Maximum <code>long long</code> value
LLONG_MIN	Minimum <code>long long</code> value
ULLONG_MAX	Maximum <code>unsigned long long</code> value

Initialization of Numbers

```
int nInt = INT_MAX;
```

```
int apples = 3;          // initializes apples to 3
```

```
int pears = apples;      // initializes pears to 3
```

```
int peaches = apples + pears + 6; // initializes peaches to 10
```

```
int dogs = 101;          // traditional C initialization, sets dogs to 101
```

```
int cats(667);           // alternative C++ syntax, sets cats to 667
```

```
int boys{9};
```

```
int girls = {10};
```

} C++11

```
int a = 42;               // decimal integer literal
```

```
int b = 0x42;             // hexadecimal integer literal
```

```
int c = 042;              // octal integer literal
```

Other Primitive Types

- *Plain Old Datatype (POD)* is a scalar type or an old-fashioned structure with no *constructors*, *base classes*, *private data*, *virtual functions*, and so on;
 - POD is something for which it's safe to make a byte-by-byte copy
- `char` is for 8-bit small integer or a 1-byte character
 - can be signed
- `bool` is for boolean type:
 - `true` and `false` constants;
- `double` is for floating-point numbers:
 - at least 48 bits (generally, 8 bytes) for representation;
 - do not use float instead, never!

EXPRESSIONS AND OPERATORS

Expressions

- *Expression* is a valid C++-sentence containing operands and operators;
 - operands are objects: variables, constants, literals;
 - operators are represented by single characters (+, -, *, /, %), double characters (++ , --, ==, !=, ? :) or even by keywords (sizeof, new, delete , ...)
 - an individual operator and its operands form a subexpression;
 - an expression has a type inferred from types of individual operands;
 - the expression is evaluated by putting specific values for all operands;

```
2 + 3 * 2           // arithmetical expression
a = a * sqrt(4)     // expression calling a function
2. == sqrt(4)       // logical expression
```

Operators

- *Operator* is a special symbol (pair of symbols or a keyword), which performs an operation on its operands:
 - has *arity*: *unary* (**!**, **-**, **~**, **&**, *****, ...) , *binary* (**+**, **-**, **++**, **!=**, **==**, **||**, **+=**, ...) and one *ternary* (**?** **:**)
 - order of evaluation in an expression is determined by the operators' precedence:

```
2 + 3 * 4    // 14
(2 + 3) * 4   // 20
```

- Arithmetic operators:
 - The **+** operator adds its operands.
 - The **-** operator subtracts the second operand from the first.
 - The ***** operator multiplies its operands.
 - The **/** operator divides its first operand by the second.
 - The **%** operator finds the modulus of its first operand with respect to the second.

Precedence of Operators

Level	Precedence group	Operator	Description	Grouping
1	Scope	::	scope qualifier	Left-to-right
2	Postfix (unary)	++ --	postfix increment / decrement	Left-to-right
		()	functional forms	
		[]	subscript	
		. ->	member access	
3	Prefix (unary)	++ --	prefix increment / decrement	Right-to-left
		~ !	bitwise NOT / logical NOT	
		+ -	unary prefix	
		& *	reference / dereference	
		new delete	allocation / deallocation	
		sizeof	parameter pack	
		(type)	C-style type-casting	
4	Pointer-to-member	.* ->*	access pointer	Left-to-right
5	Arithmetic: scaling	* / %	multiply, divide, modulo	Left-to-right
6	Arithmetic: addition	+ -	addition, subtraction	Left-to-right
7	Bitwise shift	<< >>	shift left, shift right	Left-to-right
8	Relational	< > <= >=	comparison operators	Left-to-right
9	Equality	== !=	equality / inequality	Left-to-right
10	And	&	bitwise AND	Left-to-right
11	Exclusive or	^	bitwise XOR	Left-to-right
12	Inclusive or		bitwise OR	Left-to-right
13	Conjunction	&&	logical AND	Left-to-right
14	Disjunction		logical OR	Left-to-right
15	Assignment-level expressions	= *= /= %= += -= >>= <<= &= ^= =	assignment / compound assignment	Right-to-left
		?:	conditional operator	
16	Sequencing	,	comma separator	Left-to-right

Expression Tree

$-2 + 3 * (18 / \text{sqrt}(4) * (2 + \text{pow}(4, 2 + 1)))$

Try to build it yourself!



<https://goo.gl/forms/6VDVnnH12S8778pI3>