

# **C++ Program Design -- C to CPP**

## **References**

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# “引用”的概念和应用

## **Reference variables**

# Three variable types

1. Normal variables, which hold values directly.
2. References variables: 类型名 &引用名 = 某变量名;
3. Pointer variables, which hold the address of another value (or null) and can be dereferenced to retrieve the value at the address they point to.

```
int i = 4;
```

```
int & ri = i; // r引用了 i, ri的类型是 int &
```

```
int * pi = &i;
```

# References

- A **reference** is a type of C++ variable that acts as an alias to another variable.
- 某个变量的引用，等价于这个变量，相当于该变量的一个别名。

```
int value = 5; // normal integer
```

```
int &ref = value; // reference to variable value
```

```
value = 6; // value is now 6
```

```
ref = 7; // value is now 7
```

```
cout << value; // prints 7
```

```
++ref;
```

```
cout << value; // prints 8
```

# Using the address-of operator on a reference

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```

```
cout << &value;
```

```
// prints 0012FF7C
```

```
cout << &ref;
```

```
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```

# 引用的概念

- 定义引用时一定要将其初始化成引用某个变量。
- 初始化后，它就一直引用该变量，不会再引用别的变量了。
- 引用只能引用变量，不能引用常量和表达式。

# References as shortcuts

```
struct Something
```

```
{
```

```
    int value1;
```

```
    float value2;
```

```
};
```

```
struct Other
```

```
{
```

```
    Something something;
```

```
    int otherValue;
```

```
};
```

```
Other other;
```

```
int &ref = other.something.value1;
```

```
// ref can now be used in place of other.somet  
hing.value1
```

The following two statements are thus identical:

```
other.something.value1 = 5;
```

```
ref = 5;
```

# 引用的概念

```
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double & r1 = a;  
double & r2 = r1;    // r2也引用 a  
r2 = 10;  
cout << a << endl;  // 输出 ?  
r1 = b;  
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cout << a << endl;  //输出 5
```

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```
void swap( int * a, int * b)
{
    int tmp;
    tmp = * a; * a = * b; * b = tmp;
}
int n1, n2;
swap(&n1, &n2); // n1, n2的值被交换
```

# 引用应用的简单示例

➤有了C++的引用：

```
void swap( int & a, int &b)
```

```
{
```

```
    int tmp;
```

```
    tmp = a; a = b; b = tmp;
```

```
}
```

```
int n1, n2;
```

```
swap(n1,n2) ; // n1,n2的值被交换
```

# 引用作为函数的返回值

```
int n = 4;  
int & SetValue() { return n; }  
int main()  
{  
    SetValue() = 40;  
    cout << n;  
    return 0;  
} //输出:    ?
```

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    return 0;  
} //输出 : 40
```



# 常引用

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```
int n;
```

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const int & r = n;
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r 的类型是 **const int &**

# 常引用

不能通过常引用去修改其引用的内容:

```
int n = 100;  
const int & r = n;  
r = 200; //编译错  
n = 300; //没问题
```

# 常引用和非常引用的转换

`const T &` 和 `T &` 是不同的类型!!!

`T &` 类型的引用或`T`类型的变量可以用来初始化  
`const T &` 类型的引用。

`const T` 类型的常变量和`const T &` 类型的引用则不能用来初始化`T &`类型的引用，除非进行强制类型转换。

# References are implicitly const

- Reference to a constant variable
  - `const int x = 5;`
  - `int &ref = x; // ?` // invalid, non-const reference to const object
  - `const int &ref = x; // ?` // OK
- Const reference
  - `int value1 = 5;`
  - `int value2 = 6;`
  - `int &invalidRef; // ?` // invalid, needs to reference something
  - `int &ref = value1; // ?` // okay, ref is now an alias for value1
  - `ref = value2; // ?` // assigns 6 (the value of value2) to value1 -- does NOT change the reference!

# References vs pointers

- \*ptr and ref evaluate identically.
- Because **references** must be initialized to valid objects and can not be changed once set, references are generally much **safer** to use than pointers.
- However, they are also a bit more limited in functionality.
- If a given task can be solved with either a reference or a pointer, the reference should generally be preferred.

# **For-each loops**

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- C++11 introduces a new type of loop called a **for-each** loop  
for (element\_declaration : array)  
statement;

```
int main()  
{  
    int fibonacci[] = { 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89 };  
    for (auto number : fibonacci) // type is auto, so number has its type deduced from the fibonacci array  
        std::cout << number << ' '  
    return 0;  
}
```



# For-each loops

```
int array[5] = { 9, 7, 5, 3, 1 };
```

```
for (auto &element: array) // The ampersand makes element a reference to the actual array element, preventing a copy from being made
```

```
{
```

```
    std::cout << element << ' ';
```

```
}
```

*Rule: Use references or const references for your element declaration in for-each loops for performance reasons.*

# For-each doesn't work with pointers to an array

```
int sumArray(int array[]){  
    int sum = 0;  
    for (const auto &number : array) // compile error, the size of array isn't known  
        sum += number;  
    return sum;  
}
```

```
int main()  
{  
    int array[5] = { 9, 7, 5, 3, 1 };  
    std::cout << sumArray(array);  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Quiz

- Declare a fixed array with the following names: Alex, Betty, Caroline, Dave, Emily, Fred, Greg, and Holly. Ask the user to enter a name. Use a for each loop to see if the name the user entered is in the array.
- Sample output:
  - Enter a name: Betty
  - Betty was found.
  - Enter a name: Megatron
  - Megatron was not found.
- Hint: Use `std::string` as your array type