# C++ Lesson 1 C++ vs. C, Java, Python

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# Software written in C++:

**Facebook** 

https://github.com/facebook/folly



### **Bitcoin:**

https://github.com/bitcoin/bitcoin



https://github.com/LibreOffice/core

### **Unreal:**

https://github.com/EpicGames/UnrealEngine







# Why C++?

C++ = C + Java + More	С	C++	Java, Python
Low-level machine	Yes	Yes	No
programming (benchmarks)			
High-level	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Object-Oriented</b>			
programming			
Complexity	Low	High	Med.

https://yosefk.com/c++fqa/

https://en.cppreference.com/w/

### C++ vs. Java – memory

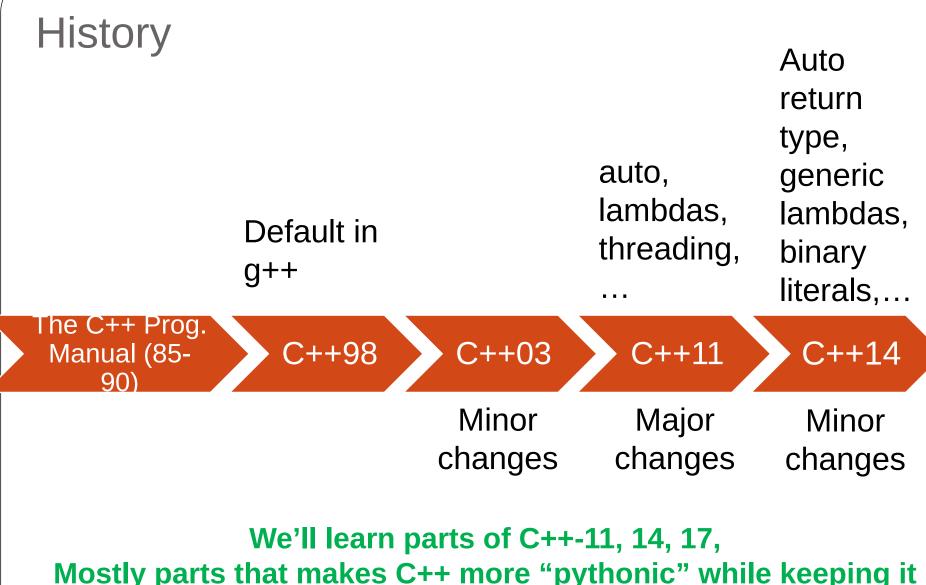
 In C++, the memory consumption of a data structure is tight – you get only what you ask for.

- In Java, your data structures might consume much more memory.
- See example in folder 1.
  - Why is this?

# C++ vs. Python – time

• In both languages, you can solve complex algorithmic problems, such as the Traveling Salesman Problem.

- In C++, the code runs 10-100 times faster; see example in folder 1.
- Besides speed, C++ is also better suited to work in real time.



Mostly parts that makes C++ more "pythonic" while keeping it efficient

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# The missing types

```
strings in C++
#include <iostream>
                          :More about string functions
#include <string>
                          http://www.cppreference.com/cppstring
int main()
   std::string str;
   int a;
   double b;
   std::cin >> str >> a >> b;
   if(std::cin.fail())
      std::cerr << "input problem\n";</pre>
      return 1;
   std::cout << "I got: "<< str << ' '
   << a << ' ' << b << std::endl;
```

### Boolean variables

```
#include <iostream>
int main()
   int a = 5;
   bool isZero = (a == 0);
                                          Good
                                          style
   // same conditions
   if(lisZero && isZero==false &&
   isZero!=true && !!! isZero && a )
      std::cout << "a is not zero\n";</pre>
```

### C++ namespace (folder 3)

- Groups different variables and functions together;
- Reduces danger of name-collision when including different libraries;
- Can span multiple files.
- Standard library namespace: std;
- Another example: folly

```
https://github.com/facebook/folly/blob/master/folly/stop_watch.h
```

# Error Handling in C++ (folders 5-6)

	Exception	Assert
Used during:	Normal run	Development
Used for:	Handling exceptional conditions.	Spotting internal errors and bugs.
Disabling:	No	With compiler flag

### Unit-testing in C++

- You learned to do it in Java (JUnit).
- It is at least as important in C++.
- There are many frameworks for automated unit-testing in C++.
- We will use doctest an opensource framework: https://github.com/onqtam/doctest
- See folder 8 for an example.