

CSE 107: OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE

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C++ Basic I/O

• Stream

- a logical device that either produces or consumes information
- linked to a physical device

o ios:

- contains many member functions and variables that control or monitor the fundamental operation of a stream
- istream and ostream inherit from ios
- iostream inherits from istream and ostream

C++ Basic I/O

- o << (left-shift operator)</pre>
 - Overloaded as *stream insertion* (output) operator
 - Associated with cout, a predefined stream linked to the console output (monitor)
- >> (right-shift operator)
 - Overloaded as stream extraction (input) operator
 - Associated with cin, a predefined stream linked to the console input (keyboard)
- In order to use either << or >> operator for console I/O programs must include iostream

CUSTOM INSERTER<<

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class myclass{
        int x, y;
public:
        myclass(int x, int y){this->x=x; this->y=y;}
        friend ostream & operator << (ostream & out, myclass ob);
};
ostream &operator<<(ostream &out, myclass ob){</pre>
        out<<"x: "<<ob.y<<endl;
        return out;
int main(){
        myclass ob(120, 130);
        cout<<ob;</pre>
        return 0;
```

CUSTOM EXTRACTOR >>

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class myclass {
       int x, y;
public:
       myclass (int x, int y){this->x=x; this->y=y;}
        friend ostream & operator << (ostream & out, myclass ob);
       friend istream & operator >> (istream & in, myclass & ob);
};
ostream &operator<<(ostream &out, myclass ob){</pre>
       out<<"x: "<<ob.y<<endl;
       return out;
```

CUSTOM EXTRACTOR >>

```
istream &operator>>(istream &in, myclass &ob){
         cout<<"Enter x: ";</pre>
        in>>ob.x;
         cout<<"Enter y: ";</pre>
        in>>ob.y;
        return in;
int main(){
        myclass ob(120, 130);
         cout<<ob;</pre>
         cin>>ob;
        cout<<ob;</pre>
        return 0;
```

- A computer file is stored on a secondary storage device (e.g., disk)
 - permanent
 - can be used to
 - oprovide input data to a program
 - or receive output data from a program
 - or both;
 - should reside in project directory for easy access;
 - must be opened before it is used

- C++ provides three classes to perform output and input of characters to/from files:
 - **ofstream:** Stream class to write on files
 - **ifstream:** Stream class to read from files
 - **fstream:** Stream class to both read and write from/to files.
- These classes are derived directly or indirectly from the classes istream and ostream
- Done with the same operations (insertion, extraction) as keyboard input and monitor output
- Simply open input or output object with connection to a file and use it where you would use cin or cout

- To work with file you need to
 - include <fstream>
 - create input object of type *ifstream*
 - or output object of type *ofstream*

- A file needs to be opened by ifstream before read or ofstream to write or fstream to read and write
 - void ifstream::open(const char *filename, openmode mode=ios::in)
 - void ofstream::open(const char *filename, openmode mode=ios::out | ios::trunc)
 - void fstream::open(const char *filename, openmode mode=ios::in|ios::out)

- The value of mode determines how the file is opened
- Type **openmode** is an enumeration defined by **ios** that contains the following values:
 - ios::app
 - ios::ate
 - ios::binary
 - ios::in
 - ios::out
 - ios::trunc
- You can combine two or more of these value together by ORing them
- If open() fails the stream will evaluate to false

C++ FILE I/O: WRITING/READING

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
using namespace std;
int main () {
         ofstream myfile;
         myfile.open ("example.txt");
         myfile << "Writing this to a file.\n";
         myfile.close();
         return 0;
```

```
int main () {
 char ch;
 ifstream myfile ("example.txt");
 if (myfile.is_open()) {
          while (!myfile.eof()) {
                    myfile>>ch;
                    cout << ch;
          cout<<endl;</pre>
          myfile.close();
 else
          cout << "Unable to open file"</pre>
return 0;
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```

• istream &get(char& ch)

- Member function of **fstream** and **ifstream**
- Associated stream must be opened with ios::binary openmode option
- Reads a single character from the stream and puts the value in *ch*
- Returns the reference to the stream
- If the end-of-file is reached returned stream will be evaluated false

- o ostream &put(char ch)
 - Member function of fstream and ofstream
 - Associated stream must be opened with ios::binary openmode option
 - Writes a single character from *ch* to the stream
 - Returns the reference to the stream

C++ FILE I/O: WRITING/READING (UNFORMATTED (BINARY))

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
using namespace std;
int main(){
 char str[100]="I love Bangladesh";
 ofstream out("myfile.txt", ios::out | ios::binary);
 if(!out.is_open()){
         cout<<"Cannot open file"<<endl;</pre>
          exit(1);
for(int i=0; str[i]; i++)
         out.put(str[i]);
out.close();
return 0;
```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
using namespace std;
int main(){
 char ch;
 ifstream in("myfile.txt", ios::in|ios::binary);
 if(!in.is_open()){
          cout<<"Cannot open file"<<endl; exit(1);</pre>
 while(!in.eof()){
          in.get(ch);
          cout<<ch;
 cout<<endl;
 in.close();
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return 0:
```

C++ FILE I/O: WRITING/READING (UNFORMATTED (BINARY))

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
using namespace std;
int main(){
          char str[100]="I love Bangladesh", ch;
          fstream mystream("myfile.txt", ios::out | ios::binary); // binary is used cause of get & put
          if(!mystream.is_open()){
                    cout<<"Cannot open file"<<endl; exit(1);</pre>
          for(int i=0; str[i]; i++) mystream.put(str[i]);
          mystream.seekg(0, ios::beg);
          while(!mystream.eof()){
                    mystream.get(ch); cout<<ch;</pre>
          cout<<endl;
          mystream.close();
          return 0;
```

- istream &read(char *buf, streamsize num)
 - Member function of fstream or ifstream
 - Reads *num* number of bytes from the stream and puts them in *buf*
 - Might read less than *num* number of bytes if the end-of-file is reached ahead
 - How many bytes have been read can be determined by using gcount() member function

- o ostream &write(const char *buf, streamsize num)
 - Member function of **fstream** or **ofstream**
 - Writes *num* number of bytes from *buf* in the the stream

C++ FILE I/O: WRITING/READING (UNFORMATTED (BINARY))

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <cstring>
using namespace std;
int main(){
          char str1[100]="I love Bangladesh", str2[100];
          fstream mystream("myfile.txt", ios::out | ios::in | ios::binary);
          if(!mystream.is_open()){
                    cout<<"Cannot open file"<<endl; exit(1);</pre>
          mystream.write(str1, strlen(str1)+1);
          mystream.seekg(0, ios::beg);
          mystream.read(str2, strlen(str1)+1);
          cout<<str2<<endl;
          mystream.close();
          return 0;
```

- Overloaded **get()** member function of **fstream** or **ifstream**
 - istream &get(char *buf, streamsize num)
 - istream &get(char *buf, streamsize num, char delim)
 - int get()

- istream &get(char *buf, streamsize num)
 - Reads *num-1* characters into *buf* until
 - *num-1* characters have been read
 - o a newline is found
 - the end of the file has been encountered
 - Character sequence in the *buf* is null terminated
 - If newline character is encountered, it is not read and removed from the stream
- o istream &get(char *buf, streamsize num, char delim)
 - Reads *num-1* characters into *buf* until
 - o num-1 characters have been read
 - o a delim character is found
 - the end of the file has been encountered
 - Character sequence in the *buf* is null terminated
 - If delim character is encountered, it is not read and removed from the stream

o int get()

- Returns the next character from the stream
- Returns EOF if end-of-file is encountered
- Similar to C's getc() function.

- Overloaded getline() member function of fstream or ifstream
- istream &getline(char *buf, streamsize num)
- o istream &getline(char *buf, streamsize num, char delim)
- Same as get, except extract and remove the newline or delim character from the input stream

• istream &putback(char ch)

Puts ch back to the input stream so the next extracted character will be ch

o int peek()

• Returns the next character in the input stream without removing it

o ostream &flush()

• Force the information to be physically written to disk before the internal buffer is full

- istream &seekg(off_type offset, seekdir origin)
 - A member function of ifstream and fstream
 - Moves the current get pointer *offset* number of bytes from the specified *origin*
- o ostream &seekp(off_type offset, seekdir origin)
 - A member function of **ofstream** and **fstream**
 - Moves the current put pointer *offset* number of bytes from the specified *origin*
- seekdir is an enumeration defined in **ios** with the following values:
 - ios::beg
 - ios::cur
 - ios::end

```
#include <fstream>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main (int argc, char** argv)
fstream myFile("test.txt", ios::in | ios::out | ios::trunc);
myFile << "Hello World";</pre>
myFile.seekg(6, ios::beg);
```

```
char A[6];
myFile.read(A, 5);
A[5] = `\0';
cout << A << endl;
myFile.close();
Output:
World
```

- o pos_type tellg()
 - Returns current position of get pointer
- o pos_type tellp()
 - Returns current position of put pointer

- o istream &seekg(pos_type position)
- o ostream &seekp(pos_type position)
 - Ovreloaded versions of seekg and seekp

```
#include <fstream>
using namespace std;
int main()
  long position;
  fstream file;
  file.open("myfile.txt");
  file.write("this is an apple", 16);
  position = file.tellp();
  file.seekp(position - 7);
  file.write(" sam", 4);
  file.close();
```

Output: this is a sample

- C++ I/O System maintains status information about the outcome of each I/O operation
- The current status of an I/O stream is described in an object of type **iostate**, which is an enumeration defined in **ios** with the following values:
 - ios::goodbit
 - ios::eofbit
 - ios::failbit
 - ios::badbit
- To read the I/O status you can use **rdstate()** function
 - iostate rdstate()
 - oIt is a member of ios and inherited by all the streams

```
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
using namespace std;
void checkstatus(ifstream &in);
int main(){
          char ch;
          ifstream in("myfile.txt");
          if(!in.is_open()){
                    cout<<"Cannot open file"<<endl;</pre>
                    exit(1);
          while(!in.eof()){
                    ch=in.get();
                    checkstatus(ifstream &in);
                    cout<<ch;
```

```
cout<<endl:
          in.close();
          return 0;
void checkstatus(ifstream &in){
ios::iostate s;
 s=in.rdstate();
 if(s&ios::eofbit)
    cout<<"EOF encountered"<<endl;</pre>
 else if(s&ios::failbit)
    cout<<"Non-Fatal I/O error encountered"<<endl:</pre>
 else if(s&ios::badbit)
    cout<<"Fatal I/O error encountered"<<endl;</pre>
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```

- The status can be determined by using following **ios** member functions those have also been inherited by all the streams
 - bool eof()
 - bool good()
 - bool fail()
 - bool bad()

```
while(!in.eof()){
        ch=in.get();
        if(in.fail() | |in.bad()){
            cout<<"I/O Error ... terminating"<<endl;
            return 1;
        }
        cout<<ch;
}</pre>
```

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