

String Operations (Length, Substring and Find)

In C++, the **std::string** class provides several member functions and operators for performing common string operations, such as finding the length of a string, extracting substrings, and searching for substrings within a string. Here are a few examples of common string operations in C++:

1. Finding the length of a string: To find the length of a string, you can use the **length** member function of the **std::string** class. The **length** function returns the number of characters in the string, not including the null terminator.

For example:

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

int main()
{
    std::string str = "hello";

    std::cout << "The length of the string is " << str.length

    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
The length of the string is 5 characters.
```

2. Extracting a substring: To extract a substring from a string, you can use the **substr** member function of the **std::string** class. The **substr** function takes two arguments: the starting position of the substring, and the length of the substring.

For example:

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

int main()
{
    std::string str = "hello world";

    std::string sub = str.substr(6, 5); // extract the subst

    std::cout << "The substring is: " << sub << std::endl;

    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
The substring is: world
```

Searching for a substring: To search for a substring within a string, you can use the `find` member function of the `std::string` class. The `find` function searches for a given substring within a string and returns the position of the first occurrence of the substring, or `std::string::npos`.

The **find** function takes two arguments: the substring to search for, and the starting position of the search. By default, the search starts at the beginning of the string, but you can specify a different starting position if you want to search only a portion of the string.

Here is an example of how to use the **find** function to search for a substring within a string starting at a specific position:

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

int main()
{
    std::string str = "hello world";

    std::size_t pos = str.find("l", 3); // search for the fi
```

```

    if (pos != std::string::npos) // check if the substring was found
    {
        std::cout << "The substring was found at position " << pos << "\n";
    }
    else
    {
        std::cout << "The substring was not found." << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}

```

Output

```
The substring was found at position 3
```

Note that the **find** function is case-sensitive, so it will only find substrings that match the case of the search string. If you want to perform a case-insensitive search, you can use the **find** function in combination with the **tolower** or **toupper** functions from the **cctype** library.

```

#include <cctype> // include the cctype library for tolower and toupper
#include <iostream>
#include <string>

int main()
{
    std::string str = "Hello World";

    std::string search_string = "world";
    for (char& c : search_string) // convert the search string to lowercase
    {
        c = std::tolower(c);
    }

    std::size_t pos = str.find(search_string); // search for the substring

    if (pos != std::string::npos) // check if the substring was found
    {
        std::cout << "The substring was found at position " << pos << "\n";
    }
    else
    {
        std::cout << "The substring was not found." << std::endl;
    }

    return 0;
}

```

```
{  
    std::cout << "The substring was found at position " <<  
}  
else  
{  
    std::cout << "The substring was not found." << std::e  
}  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output

```
The substring was not found.
```