Introduction – Part 2

CS A150 - C++ Programming 1

NUMBER TYPES

- Integer numbers (int) are whole numbers without a fractional part.
 - Include zero and negative numbers
 - Used for storing values that are conceptually whole numbers (for example, pennies)
 - Process faster and require less storage space
- Floating-point numbers (double) have decimal points.

NUMBER TYPES (CONT.)

- Integer vs. floating-point numbers
 - Integer arithmetic is *exact*
 - Integer implies value is *naturally* a whole number
 - Integer takes *less space* than floating-point
 - Integer processing is *faster*
 - Floating-point numbers are *approximations*
 - Floating-point numbers can store numbers from a much larger range

Numeric Ranges and Precisions

- An integer has a *limited range*
 - An int has range
 - -32,768 to 32,767 on a 16-bit machine
 - -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647 on a 32-bit machine
- A floating-point number has *limited precision*
 - A double has (roughly) 15 significant decimal digits.
 - A **float** has only about 7.

COMMON ERROR

- Float types have limited precision
- Rounding errors are unavoidable:

• The default display will not show this; it will show 2.

ARITHMETIC

• Operators supported in C++:

+ - * / %

 Use parenthesis () to specify precedence and improve readability

• IMPORTANT:

- There is **no** exponentiation operator (^) in C++
- Use the asterisk (*) for multiplication (not dot or cross)
- *No* commas in numbers in C++ Write 10,150.75 as 10150.75

GOOD PROGRAMMING PRACTICE

• Place spaces on either side of a binary operator. This makes the operator stand out and makes the program more **readable**.

```
double result=op1+op2+op3;

// easier to read with spaces
double result = op1 + op2 + op3;
```

ROUNDOFF ERRORS

- Floating-type numbers are approximations;
 not always exact (consider 1/3)
- They are *truncated* when cast to an int, <u>not</u> rounded
 - Leads to rounding errors

$$int n = 4.35 * 100$$

- 4.35 * 100 is a double
- n is an int
- **n** stores the value 434

DIVISION

• An integer divided by an integer is an integer:

```
11 / 4 will be equal to 2
```

o If either of the operands is a **floating-point** number,

```
floating-point number division is used:
```

```
11.0 / 4 will be equal to 2.75 (assuming 2.75 is stored in a floating-point number)
```

COMMON ERROR

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- How should you write it? *Any* of the following will do:

```
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```

$$d = 1 / 2.0 * 9.8 * t * t;$$

Modulus

- To get the **remainder** of division between two integers, use the modulus operator %
 - 7%4 will produce 3
- o Modulus is *undefined* on float-types.

Type Casting

• To temporarily change the type of a variable, use:

```
static_cast<type_name>(expression)
```

• Example:

Note that the variable **quarter** is still type **int**

```
int someValue = 5;
double result;
Result = (static_cast<double>(quarters) * 2);
```

Note: Do **NOT** use the **old** syntax \rightarrow (double) num;

INCREMENT AND DECREMENT OPERATORS

- A short-hand notation
 - **Increment** operator ++

• Decrement operator - -

```
intVar--; is equivalent to
intVar = intVar - 1;
```

SHORT-HAND OPERATORS: TWO OPTIONS

o Post-increment

```
intVar++
```

Uses current value of variable, THEN increments it

o Pre-increment

```
++intVar
```

Increments variable first, THEN uses new value

• No difference if statement is alone:

```
intVar++; is equivalent to
++intVar;
```

POST-INCREMENT IN ACTION

• Given the code segment below:

```
int valueProduced;
int n = 2;

valueProduced = 2 * (n++);

cout << valueProduced << endl;

cout << n << endl;</pre>
```

• The output will be as follows:

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CAUTION!

- Do NOT use increment and decrement operators inside complicated expression
- Do NOT use more than one increment operator in the same expression.

CONSOLE INPUT/OUTPUT

- o I/O objects cin, cout, cerr
- Defined in the C++ library called <iostream>
- Must have these lines (called pre-processor directives) near start of file:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
```

Tells C++ to use appropriate library so we can use the I/O objects cin, cout, cerr

CONSOLE OUTPUT

- o cout << (insertion operator)</pre>
- What can be outputted?
 - Any data can be outputted to display screen
 - Variables
 - Constants
 - Literals
 - Expressions (which can include all of above)
 - Example:

```
cout << numberOfGames << " games played.";</pre>
```

- 2 values are outputted:
 - The "value" of variable numberOfGames
 - o The literal string " games played."

CONSOLE OUTPUT (CONT.)

o Cascading: multiple values in one cout

```
cout << "Welcome to CS A150."
      << " We will meet twice a week to"
      << " learn C++ programming.";</pre>
```

Note: To improve **readability**, do **not** allow horizontal scrolling.

SEPARATING LINES OF OUTPUT

- New lines in output
 - Recall: "\n" is the escape sequence for the char "newline"
- A second method: object endl
- Examples:

```
cout << "Hello World\n";</pre>
```

• Sends string "Hello World" to display and escape sequence "\n" that goes to next line

```
cout << "Hello World" << endl;</pre>
```

Same result as above

FORMATTING OUTPUT

• You can use the "magic formula" to format floating-point numbers, right before outputting the number:

Note: The formatting stays until new formatting code is used.

FORMATTING OUTPUT (CONT.)

 You can also use a one-line statement, but you need to include iomanip (input/output manipulator)

```
#include <iomanip>
int main()
       double n1 = 3.9874,
               n2 = 4.0;
       cout << fixed << showpoint << setprecision(2);</pre>
       cout << n1 << " and " << n2;
//OUTPUT: 3.99 and 4.00
```

ERROR OUTPUT

- Output with cerr
 - cerr works same as cout
 - Provides mechanism for distinguishing between regular output and error output
- Re-direct output streams
 - Most systems allow cout and cerr to be "redirected" to other devices

CONSOLE INPUT

- o cin >> (extraction operator)
- Must input to a variable
 - No literals allowed for cin

```
cin >> num;
```

- Waits on-screen for keyboard entry
- Value entered at keyboard is "assigned" to num

CONSOLE INPUT (CONT.)

• Can read *multiple* values:

```
cin >> pennies >> nickels >> dimes >> quarters;
```

• The user enters values separated by white space:

```
8 0 3 4
```

o or enters them on separate lines:

8 0 3

PROMPTING FOR INPUTS

• Always "prompt" user for input

```
cout << "Enter number of dragons: ";
cin >> numOfDragons;
```

• **Note:** no "\n" in **cout**. Prompt "waits" on same line for keyboard input as follows:

```
Enter number of dragons: _____
```

(Underscore above denotes where keyboard entry is made)

- Every cin should have cout prompt
 - Maximizes user-friendly input/output

BOOK EXAMPLE

○ Display 1.5 – Using cin and cout with a string

COMMENTS

- Add comments to explain code to other programmers or yourself
- Ignored by the compiler

```
/* A BLOCK comment is used to write comments that are
longer than one line */
// A LINE comment is for one line only
```

- Avoid writing //*
- Do *not* nest comments.

PROGRAM STYLE

- Make programs easy to
 - Read
 - Modify
- Do <u>not</u> overcomment!

COMMON ERRORS

- Forgetting the **semicolon**
- Misspelling words
- Not differentiating between lower and upper case
- Forgetting header files
- What to do?
 - Test
 - Debug
- There are **two** types of errors:
 - Syntax errors
 - Logic errors

SYNTAX ERRORS

Syntax errors:

- Are compile-time errors
- Are faulty input, not quite legal C++
- Violate the language rules
- Compiler finds the errors and reports them
- Cascade: always start fixing errors from the top

```
cot << "Hello, World!\";
cout << "Hello, World!\n";</pre>
```

• Do **NOT** ignore warnings.

LOGIC ERRORS

o Logic errors:

- Are runtime errors
- Program compiles fine (input is legal)
- Program does not do what it is supposed to do
- Much harder to find
- Program author must test and find the error

```
cout << "Hell, World\n";</pre>
```

C++ STANDARD LIBRARIES (STL)

• Directive to "add" contents of library file to your program

```
#include <Library_Name>
```

- o Called "preprocessor directive"
 - Executes before compiler, and simply "copies" library file into your program file.
- C++ has many libraries
 - Input/output, math, strings, etc.

NAMESPACES

• Namespaces define a collection of name definitions

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
```

This will allow us to write

```
cout instead of std::cout
cin instead of std::cin
cerr instead of std::cerr
(and more)
```

GOOD PROGRAMMING PRACTICE

- Compiler emits 2 messages: errors and warnings
 - Errors are *fatal*; no executable is produced.
 - Warnings are **not** fatal
 - Do **not** accept a warning, unless you can explain and justify it.
 - Warnings usually indicate that your thinking is not quite correct, and may cause your program to misbehave,
 - *Always* write code that emits **no warnings**.

QUESTIONS?

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