

Custom type conversions and implicit conversions



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Topics:

- . Type conversion operators
- . Implicit conversions

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Custom type conversions

```
export class Number
{
    public:
        Number() = default;
        Number(int value);

        // Number to double
        explicit operator double() const { return (static_cast<double>(m_wrapped_int)); }

        // Number to Point
        explicit operator Point() const
        {
            return Point(static_cast<double>(m_wrapped_int), static_cast<double>(m_wrapped_int));
        }

        // getter
        int get_wrapped_int() const { return m_wrapped_int; }

        ~Number();

    private:
        int m_wrapped_int{ 0 };
};
```

Custom type conversions

```
export double sum(double a, double b) {
    return a + b;
}

void use_point(const Point &p) {
    std::cout << "Printing the point from use_point func: " << p << "\n";
}

int main(){

    Number n1(22);
    Number n2(10);

    double result = sum(static_cast<double>(n1),static_cast<double>(n2));
    std::cout << "result: " << result << "\n";
    //use_point(static_cast<Point>(n1)); // This uses the custom conversion
                                         // operator
}
```

Implicit conversions

```
// If a binary operator is implemented as a member, the first operand can't participate  
// in implicit conversions  
Number n1(22);  
auto n12 = (n1 + 2); // 2 is implicitly converted  
auto n21 = (2 + n1) // 2 can't be implicitly converted
```

Implicit conversions

```
export class Number
{
    friend std::ostream &operator<<(std::ostream &out, const Number &number);
    // Arithmetic operators
    //friend Number operator+(const Number &left_operand, const Number &right_operand);
    friend Number operator-(const Number &left_operand, const Number &right_operand);
    friend Number operator*(const Number &left_operand, const Number &right_operand);
    friend Number operator/(const Number &left_operand, const Number &right_operand);
    friend Number operator%(const Number &left_operand, const Number &right_operand);

public:
    Number(int value);

    // Implicit conversions won't work for the first operand
    Number operator+(const Number& right) const{
        return Number(m_wrapped_int + right.m_wrapped_int);
    }

    // getter
    int get_wrapped_int() const { return m_wrapped_int; }

private:
    int m_wrapped_int{ 0 };
};
```