

# Core Language Features of C++

## 1. Basic Syntax and Types

- Primitive types: int, char, float, double, bool, etc.
- Type modifiers: signed, unsigned, short, long, etc.
- Type inference: auto
- Constants: const, constexpr

## 2. Pointers and References

- Pointers: int\* ptr
- References: int& ref
- Pointer arithmetic and nullptr

## 3. Control Structures

- Conditionals: if, else, switch
- Loops: for, while, do-while, range-based for
- Jump statements: break, continue, goto, return

## 4. Functions

- Declaration and definition
- Overloading
- Default arguments
- Inline functions
- Lambda expressions

## 5. Object-Oriented Programming

- Classes and objects

- Encapsulation: private, public, protected
- Constructors / Destructors
- Inheritance: Single, multiple, virtual
- Polymorphism: Virtual functions, override, pure virtual
- Access control and friend functions

## 6. Templates (Generic Programming)

- Function and class templates
- Template specialization and SFINAE
- Type traits and metaprogramming

## 7. Operator Overloading

- Custom behavior for operators with user-defined types

## 8. Memory Management

- Stack vs Heap
- Manual memory: new, delete
- Smart pointers: unique\_ptr, shared\_ptr
- RAII (Resource Acquisition Is Initialization)

## 9. Standard Template Library (STL)

- Containers: vector, list, map, set, etc.
- Iterators
- Algorithms: sort, find, for\_each, etc.
- Function objects and binders

## 10. Exception Handling

- try, catch, throw
- Custom exception classes

## 11. Namespaces

- namespace, using directive

## 12. Input/Output

- Streams: cin, cout, cerr, ifstream, ofstream

## 13. Concurrency (C++11 and beyond)

- std::thread, mutexes, condition variables, atomics