

CSCE 121

Introduction to Program Design & Concepts

The string class and data representation

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The C++ string Class

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- Special data type supports working with strings
- #include <string>
- Can define string variables in programs:

```
string firstName, lastName;
```

Can receive values with assignment operator:

```
firstName = "Rock";
lastName = "GoodAg";
```

• Can be displayed via cout

```
cout << firstName << " " << lastName;</pre>
```

The string class in a Program

```
// This program demonstrates the string class.
#include <iostream>
#include <string> // Required for the string class.
using std::cout;
int main()
   string movieTitle;
   movieTitle = "Back to the Future";
   cout << "My favorite movie is " << movieTitle << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
                          Select mcguire@CSE-MCGUIRE-NB1: ~
                          Wed Sep 08 mcguire StringClass $ g++ StringExample.cpp -o StringExample
                          Wed Sep 08 mcguire StringClass $ ./StringExample
       Program Output:
                          My favorite movie is Back to the Future
                          Wed Sep 08 mcguireStringClass $ _
```

Working with **string** Objects

- Using cin with the >> operator to input strings can cause problems:
- It passes over and ignores any leading whitespace characters (spaces, tabs, or line breaks)
- To work around this problem, you can use a C++ function named getline.

Using **getline** in a program

```
// This program demonstrates using the getline function
// to read character data into a string object.
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
                                           Wed Sep 08 mcguire StringClass $ g++ GetLineExample.cpp -o GetLineExample
using namespace std;
                                           Wed Sep 08 mcguire StringClass $ ./GetLineExample
                                           Please enter your name: Rock D. GoodAg
int main()
                                           Enter the city you live in: College Station
                                           Hello, Rock D. GoodAg
         string name;
                                           You live in College Station
         string city;
         cout << "Please enter your name: ";</pre>
         getline(cin, name);
         cout << "Enter the city you live in: ";</pre>
         getline(cin, city);
         cout << "Hello, " << name << endl;</pre>
         cout << "You live in " << city << endl;</pre>
         return 0;
```

Working with Characters and **string**Objects

- Mixing cin >> and getline() can be tricky, because cin >> leaves the newline in the input, while getline() does not skip leading whitespace.
- To skip over unneeded characters that are still in the keyboard buffer, use cin.ignore():

```
cin.ignore();  // skip next char
cin.ignore(10, '\n'); // skip the next 10 char. or until a '\n'
```

string Member Functions and Operators

To find the length of a string:

```
string state = "Texas";
int size = state.length();
```

• To concatenate (join) multiple strings:

```
greeting2 = greeting1 + name1;
greeting1 = greeting1 + name2;
```

Or using the += combined assignment operator:

```
greeting1 += name2;
```

Comparing string Objects

Strings are compared using their ASCII values

```
string name1 = "Mary";
string name2 = "Mark";
name1 > name2 // true
name1 <= name2 // false
name1 != name2 // true
name1 < "Mary Jane" // true
```

The characters in each string must match before they are equal

Relational Operators Compare Strings

```
// Determine and display the correct price
if (partNum == "S-29A")
cout << "The price is $" << PRICE_A << endl;
else if (partNum == "S-29B")
cout << "The price is $" << PRICE_B << endl;
else
cout << partNum << " is not a valid part number.\n";</pre>
```

See StringCompare.cpp for full working code

string Operators

OPERATOR	MEANING	
>>	extracts characters from stream up to whitespace, insert into string	
<<	inserts string into stream	
=	assigns string on right to string object on left	
+=	appends string on right to end of contents on left	
+	concatenates two strings	
[]	references character in string using array notation (It is safer to us the at() method, however)	
>, >=, <, <=, ==, !=	relational operators for string comparison. Return true or false	

string Operators Example

```
string word1, phrase;
string word2 = " Dog";
cin >> word1; // user enters "Hot Tamale"
               // word1 has "Hot"
phrase = word1 + word2; // phrase has "Hot Dog"
phrase += " on a bun";
for (int i = 0; i < phrase.length(); i++)</pre>
     cout << phrase.at(i); // displays "Hot Dog on a bun"</pre>
```

string Member Functions

- Categories:
 - assignment: assign, copy, data
 - modification: append, clear, erase, insert, replace, swap
 - space management: capacity, empty, length, resize, size
 - substrings: find, substr
 - comparison: compare
- And several more

Member Function length

• The string class member function length returns the number of characters in the string object:

Example: int n = stringVar.length();

Member Function at

- at is an alternative to using []'s to access characters in a string.
 - at checks for valid index values

```
• Example: string str("Mary");

cout << str[6] << endl;

cout << str.at(6) << endl;

str[2] = 'X';

str.at(2) = 'X';
```

string class to numbers

 C++ has functions to convert a string class object to a number

```
int i;
double d;
string s;
i = stoi("35"); // Converts the string "35" to an integer 35
d = stod("2.5"); // Converts the string "2.5" to the double 2.5
```

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```
string s = to_string(1.2*2); // "2.4" stored in s
```

Finding in a string

find()

find(*item*) returns index of first item occurrence, else returns string::npos (a constant defined in the string library). *Item* may be char, string variable, string literal (or char array).

find(*item*, *indx*) starts at index *indx*.

```
// userText is "Help me!"
userText.find('p') // Returns 3
userText.find('e') // Returns 1 (first occurrence of e only)
userText.find('z') // Returns string::npos
userText.find("me") // Returns 5
userText.find('e', 2) // Returns 6 (starts at index 2)
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Numeric Data Types

Positional Number Systems

- Decimal (base 10) is an example
 - e.g.,
 - 435 means
 - \bullet 400 + 30 + 5
 - $4 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 5 \times 10^0$
- Example of a non-positional system: Roman numerals
 - inconvenient for humans
 - unusable for computers
- This concept applies to other bases as well

Binary & Decimal Numbers

- Base 2 -- natural for computers
 - 0 represents OFF, 1 represents ON
- Base 10 -- natural for humans
 - decimal system uses 10 symbols, 0 9
- binary system uses 2 symbols, 0 & 1
 - 0, 1, 10, 11, 100, 101, 110, 111, 1000, 1001, etc.
 - 1101₂ may be written as
 - $1x2^3 + 1x2^2 + 0x2^1 + 1x2^0 = 8 + 4 + 0 + 1 = 13_{10}$

Everything is Bits

- In memory everything is a 1 or a 0.
- Datatype indicates how those bits are interpreted.

01000011 00101101 00110111 00000000

- 32 bit binary
- Integer (2's Complement): 1127036672
- Unsigned Integer: 1127036672
- Float: 173.21484375
- Characters (ASCII): C-7

11000001 00111100 01100101 00000000

- 32 bit binary
- Integer (2's Complement): -1053006592
- Unsigned Integer: 3241960704
- Float: -11.774658203125
- Characters (ASCII): Á<e

- For signed numbers, the leftmost bit indicates the sign
 - 1: negative
 - 0: positive

Integers

- Raw numbers
- Different size variables
 - C++ datatypes
 - char
 - short
 - int
 - long
 - Number of bytes depends on system and compiler
- Signed numbers frequently (but not always) represented with 2's complement. See optional slides on Integers.

Binary Numbers

- Base Ten Numbers (Integers)
 - digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 - 5401 is $5x10^3 + 4x10^2 + 0x10^1 + 1x10^0$
- Binary numbers are the same
 - digits: 0 1
 - 1011 is $1x2^3 + 0x2^2 + 1x2^1 + 1x2^0$

Converting Binary to Base 10

$$\cdot 2^3 = 8$$

$$\cdot 2^2 = 4$$

•
$$2^1 = 2$$

$$\cdot 2^0 = 1$$

$$-1x2^3 + 0x2^2 + 0x2^1 + 1x2^0 =$$

$$-1x8 + 0x4 + 0x2 + 1x1 =$$

$$-8+0+0+1=9_{10}$$

2.
$$0110_2 = _{10}$$
 (Try yourself)

$$- 0110_2 = 6_{10}$$

Converting Base 10 to Binary

- 388₁₀ = _____2
- $388_{10} / 2 = 194_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $194_{10} / 2 = 97_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $97_{10} / 2 = 48_{10}$ Remainder **1**
- $48_{10} / 2 = 24_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $24_{10} / 2 = 12_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $12_{10} / 2 = 6_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $6_{10} / 2 = 3_{10}$ Remainder **0**
- $3_{10} / 2 = 1_{10}$ Remainder **1**
- $1_{10} / 2 = 0_{10}$ Remainder **1**

 $2^{8}2^{7}2^{6}2^{5}2^{4}2^{3}2^{2}2^{1}2^{0}$ 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0

Other common number representations

Octal Numbers

- digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
- 7820 is $7x8^3 + 8x8^2 + 2x8^1 + 0x8^0$
- 4112 (base 10)

Hexadecimal Numbers

- digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F
- 2FD6 is $2x16^3 + Fx16^2 + Dx16^1 + 6x16^0$
- 12,246 (base 10)

Negative Numbers

- Can we store a negative sign?
- What can we do?
 - Use a bit
 - Negative: leftmost bit set to 1 "leftmost" aka "most significant"
 - Positive: leftmost bit set to 0
- Most common is two's complement

Representing Negative Numbers

- Two's Complement
 - To convert binary number to its negative...
 - flip all the bits
 - change 0 to 1 and 1 to 0
 - add 1
 - if the leftmost bit is 0, the number is 0 or positive
 - if the leftmost bit is 1, the number is negative

Two's Complement

- What is -9?
 - 9 is 00001001 in 8-bit binary
 - flip the bits \rightarrow 11110110
 - add $1 \to 11110111$
- Addition and Subtraction are easy
 - always addition
 - If it is subtraction, first take negative of number being subtracted
 - Then add!

Two's Complement

Subtraction

- 4 9 = -5
- 4 + (-9) = -5 (becomes addition)
- 00000100 + 11110111 = ?

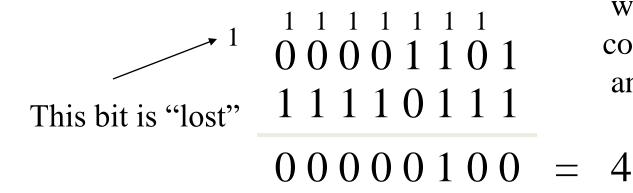
• Flip bits

- $11111011 \rightarrow 00000100$
- Add one → 00000101
- Which is 5
- Since its positive two's complement is 5, the number is -5!

Negative since it starts with a 1

Two's Complement

- Subtraction
 - 13 9 = 4
 - 13 + (-9) = 4 (becomes addition)
 - 00001101 + 11110111 = ?



But that doesn't matter since we get the correct answer anyway

Two's Complement Range

- If we did not use two's complement and used the left most bit to indicate negative:
 - Negative (1)1111111 to positive (0)1111111
 - -127 to 127
- With two's complement
 - -128 to 127
 - Gain an extra digit in the range.
 - Where did it come from?

Туре	Storage size	Value range
char	1 byte	-128 to 127 or 0 to 255
unsigned char	1 byte	0 to 255
signed char	1 byte	-128 to 127
int	2 or 4 bytes	-32,768 to 32,767 or -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
unsigned int	2 or 4 bytes	0 to 65,535 or 0 to 4,294,967,295
short	2 bytes	-32,768 to 32,767
unsigned short	2 bytes	0 to 65,535
long	8 bytes	-9223372036854775808 to 9223372036854775807
unsigned long	8 bytes	0 to 18446744073709551615

https://www.tutorialspoint.com/cprogramming/c_data_types.htm

Booleans

- Logically
 - True
 - False
- C++
 - Represented by an integer in the background
 - false is 0
 - true is literal 1 by default
 - Any non-zero value is truthy
 - sizeof(bool) is implementation-defined, not required to be 1.
 - but is probably 1 (byte).

Characters

- Char
 - Actually a numeric datatype
 - Output converts number to corresponding output character (lookup)
 - Only 256 options
 - http://www.rapidtables.com/code/text/ascii-table.htm
- Unicode (we won't use but good to know it exists)
 - http://www.utf8-chartable.de/unicode-utf8-table.pl?number=1024&utf8=bin
- C++ 11 supports
 - wchar_t (wide character)
 - char16_t
 - char32_t

Floating Point Numbers

- Decimal Numbers
 - 3 parts
 - Sign
 - Exponent
 - Mantissa