

# C++ Reference Card

## C++ Data Types

Data Type	Description
bool	boolean (true or false)
char	character ('a', 'b', etc.)
char[]	character array (C-style string if null terminated)
string	C++ string (from the STL)
int	integer (1, 2, -1, 1000, etc.)
long int	long integer
float	single precision floating point
double	double precision floating point

These are the most commonly used types; this is not a complete list.

## Operators

The most commonly used operators in order of precedence:

1	++ (post-increment), -- (post-decrement)
2	! (not), ++ (pre-increment), -- (pre-decrement)
3	*, /, % (modulus)
4	+, -
5	<, <=, >, >=
6	== (equal-to), != (not-equal-to)
7	&& (and)
8	(or)
9	= (assignment), *=, /=, %=, +=, -=

## Console Input/Output

cout << console out, printing to screen  
cin >> console in, reading from keyboard  
cerr << console error

Example:  
cout << "Enter an integer: ";  
cin >> i;  
cout << "Input: " << i << endl;

## File Input/Output

Example (input):  
ifstream inputFile;  
inputFile.open("data.txt");  
inputFile >> inputVariable;  
// you can also use get (char) or  
// getline (entire line) in addition to >>  
...  
inputFile.close();

Example (output):  
ofstream outFile;  
outFile.open("output.txt");  
outFile << outputVariable;  
...  
outFile.close();

## Decision Statements

	Example
if	Example
if (expression)	if (x < y)
statement;	cout << x;
if/else	Example
if (expression)	if (x < y)
statement;	cout << x;
else	else
statement;	cout << y;
switch/case	Example
switch(int expression)	switch(choice)
{	{
case int-constant:	case 0:
statement(s);	cout << "Zero";
break;	break;
case int-constant:	case 1:
statement(s);	cout << "One";
break;	break;
default:	default:
statement;	cout << "What?";
}	}

## Looping

while Loop	Example
while (expression)	while (x < 100)
statement;	cout << x++ << endl;
while (expression)	while (x < 100)
{	{
statement;	cout << x << endl;
statement;	x++;
}	}
do-while Loop	Example
do	do
statement;	cout << x++ << endl;
while (expression);	while (x < 100);
do	do
{	{
statement;	cout << x << endl;
statement;	x++;
}	}
while (expression);	while (x < 100);

for Loop  
for (initialization; test; update)  
statement;  
  
for (initialization; test; update)  
{  
statement;  
statement;  
}

Example  
for (count = 0; count < 10; count++)  
{  
cout << "count equals: ";  
cout << count << endl;  
}

## Functions

Functions return at most one value. A function that does not return a value has a return type of void. Values needed by a function are called parameters.

return\_type function(type p1, type p2, ...)  
{  
statement;  
statement;  
...  
}

Examples  
int timesTwo(int v)  
{  
int d;  
d = v \* 2;  
return d;  
}

void printCourseNumber()  
{  
cout << "CSE1284" << endl;  
return;  
}

Passing Parameters by Value  
return\_type function(type p1)  
Variable is passed into the function but changes to p1 are not passed back.

Passing Parameters by Reference  
return\_type function(type &p1)  
Variable is passed into the function and changes to p1 are passed back.

Default Parameter Values  
return\_type function(type p1=val)  
val is used as the value of p1 if the function is called without a parameter.

## Pointers

A pointer variable (or just pointer) is a variable that stores a memory address. Pointers allow the indirect manipulation of data stored in memory.

Pointers are declared using \*. To set a pointer's value to the address of another variable, use the & operator.

Example  
char c = 'a';  
char\* cPtr;  
cPtr = &c;

Use the indirection operator (\*) to access or change the value that the pointer references.

Example  
// continued from example above  
\*cPtr = 'b';  
cout << \*cPtr << endl; // prints the char b  
cout << c << endl; // prints the char b

Array names can be used as constant pointers, and pointers can be used as array names.

Example  
int numbers[]={10, 20, 30, 40, 50};  
int\* numPtr = numbers;  
cout << numbers[0] << endl; // prints 10  
cout << \*numPtr << endl; // prints 10  
cout << numbers[1] << endl; // prints 20  
cout << \*(numPtr + 1) << endl; // prints 20  
cout << numPtr[2] << endl; // prints 30

## Dynamic Memory

Allocate Memory	Examples
ptr = new type;	int* iPtr; iPtr = new int;
ptr = new type[size];	int* intArray; intArray = new int[5];

Deallocate Memory	Examples
delete ptr;	delete iPtr;
delete [] ptr;	delete [] intArray;

Once a pointer is used to allocate the memory for an array, array notation can be used to access the array locations.

Example  
int\* intArray;  
intArray = new int[5];  
intArray[0] = 23;  
intArray[1] = 32;

## Structures

Declaration	Example
struct name	struct Hamburger
{	{
type1 element1;	int patties;
type2 element2;	bool cheese;
};	};
Definition	Example
name varName;	Hamburger* hPtr; hPtr = &h;
Accessing Members	Example
varName.element=val;	h.patties = 2; h.cheese = true;
ptrName->element=val;	hPtr->patties = 1; hPtr->cheese = false;

Structures can be used just like the built-in data types in arrays.

## Classes

Declaration	Example
<pre>class classname { public:     classname(params);     ~classname();     type member1;     type member2; protected:     type member3; private:     type member4; };</pre>	<pre>class Square { public:     Square();     Square(float w);     void setWidth(float w);     float getArea(); private:     float width; };</pre>

**public** members are accessible from anywhere the class is visible.

**private** members are only accessible from the same class or a friend (function or class).

**protected** members are accessible from the same class, derived classes, or a friend (function or class).

**constructors** may be overloaded just like any other function. You can define two or more constructors as long as each constructor has a different parameter list.

### Definition of Member Functions

```
return_type classname::functionName(params)
{
    statements;
}
```

### Examples

```
Square::Square()
{
    width = 0;
}

void Square::setWidth(float w)
{
    if (w >= 0)
        width = w;
    else
        exit(-1);
}

float Square::getArea()
{
    return width*width;
}
```

### Definition of Instances

```
classname varName;

classname* ptrName;
```

### Example

```
Square s1();
Square s2(3.5);
```

### Accessing Members

```
varName.member=val;
varName.member();

ptrName->member=val;
ptrName->member();
```

### Example

```
s1.setWidth(1.5);
cout << s.getArea();

cout<<sPtr->getArea();
```

## Inheritance

Inheritance allows a new class to be based on an existing class. The new class inherits all the member variables and functions (except the constructors and destructor) of the class it is based on.

### Example

```
class Student
{
public:
    Student(string n, string id);
    void print();
protected:
    string name;
    string netID;
};

class GradStudent : public Student
{
public:
    GradStudent(string n, string id,
                string prev);
    void print();
protected:
    string prevDegree;
};
```

### Visibility of Members after Inheritance

Inheritance Specification	Access Specifier in Base Class		
	private	protected	public
private	-	<i>private</i>	<i>private</i>
protected	-	<i>protected</i>	<i>protected</i>
public	-	<i>protected</i>	<i>public</i>

## Operator Overloading

C++ allows you to define how standard operators (+, -, \*, etc.) work with classes that you write. For example, to use the operator + with your class, you would write a function named `operator+` for your class.

### Example

Prototype for a function that overloads + for the Square class:

```
Square operator+ (const Square &);
```

If the object that receives the function call is not an instance of a class that you wrote, write the function as a friend of your class. This is standard practice for overloading << and >>.

### Example

Prototype for a function that overloads << for the Square class:

```
friend ostream & operator<<
(ostream &, const Square &);
```

Make sure the return type of the overloaded function matches what C++ programmers expect. The return type of relational operators (<, >, ==, etc.) should be `bool`, the return type of << should be `ostream &`, etc.

## Exceptions

### Example

```
try
{
    // code here calls functions that might
    // throw exceptions
    quotient = divide(num1, num2);

    // or this code might test and throw
    // exceptions directly
    if (num3 < 0)
        throw -1; // exception to be thrown can
                  // be a value or an object
}
catch (int)
{
    cout << "num3 can not be negative!";
    exit(-1);
}
catch (char* exceptionString)
{
    cout << exceptionString;
    exit(-2);
}
// add more catch blocks as needed
```

## Function Templates

### Example

```
template <class T>
T getMax(T a, T b)
{
    if (a>b)
        return a;
    else
        return b;
}

// example calls to the function template
int a=9, b=2, c;
c = getMax(a, b);

float f=5.3, g=9.7, h;
h = getMax(f, g);
```

## Class Templates

### Example

```
template <class T>
class Point
{
public:
    Point(T x, T y);
    void print();
    double distance(Point<T> p);
private:
    T x;
    T y;
};
```

```
// examples using the class template
Point<int> p1(3, 2);
Point<float> p2(3.5, 2.5);
p1.print();
p2.print();
```

## Suggested Websites

C++ Reference:	<a href="http://www.cppreference.com/">http://www.cppreference.com/</a>	<a href="http://www.informit.com/guides/guide.aspx?g=cplusplus">http://www.informit.com/guides/guide.aspx?g=cplusplus</a>
C++ Tutorial:	<a href="http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/">http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/</a>	<a href="http://www.sparknotes.com/cs/">http://www.sparknotes.com/cs/</a>
C++ Examples:	<a href="http://www.fredosaurus.com/notes-cpp/">http://www.fredosaurus.com/notes-cpp/</a>	
Gaddis Textbook:		
Video Notes	<a href="http://media.pearsoncmg.com/aw/aw_gaddis_sowcso_6/videos">http://media.pearsoncmg.com/aw/aw_gaddis_sowcso_6/videos</a>	
Source Code	<a href="ftp://ftp.aw.com/cseng/authors/gaddis/CCS05">ftp://ftp.aw.com/cseng/authors/gaddis/CCS05</a> (5 <sup>th</sup> edition)	

		Sequence containers					Associative containers				Unordered associative containers				Container adaptors		
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	(destructor)	(implicit)	~vector	~deque	~forward_list	~list	~set	~multiset	~map	~multimap	~unordered_set	~unordered_multiset	~unordered_map	~unordered_multimap	~stack	~queue	~priority_queue
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	reverse					reverse											
	unique					unique											
	sort					sort											
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	upper_bound						upper_bound	upper_bound	upper_bound	upper_bound							
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	key_eq										key_eq	key_eq	key_eq	key_eq			
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# C++17 Language New Features Cheatsheet

## Template argument deduction for class templates

```
pair p1(1, 2.0);  
// vs  
pair<int, double> p2(1, 2.0);
```

## Declaring non-type template parameters with auto

```
template <auto ... seq>  
struct my_integer_sequence {  
    // Implementation here ...  
};  
// Explicitly pass type 'int' as template argument.  
auto seq = std::integer_sequence<int, 0, 1, 2>();  
// Type is deduced to be 'int'.  
auto seq2 = my_integer_sequence<0, 1, 2>();
```

## Folding expressions

```
template<typename ... Ts>  
auto sum_fold_exp(const Ts& ... ts) {  
    return (ts + ...);  
}  
template<typename ... Ts>  
auto print_fold(const Ts& ... ts)  
{  
    ((cout << ts << " "), ... );  
}
```

## New rules for auto deduction from braced-init-list

```
// error: not a single element  
auto x1{ 1, 2, 3 };  
// decltype(x2) is std::initializer_list<int>  
auto x2 = { 1, 2, 3 };  
// decltype(x3) is int, previously deduced to  
// initializer_list<int>  
auto x3{ 3 };  
// decltype(x4) is double  
auto x4{ 3.0 };
```

## constexpr lambda

```
auto identity = [] (int n) constexpr { return n; };  
static_assert(identity(123) == 123);  
  
constexpr int addOne(int n) {  
    return [n] { return n + 1; }();  
}  
static_assert(addOne(1) == 2);
```

## UTF-8 Character Literals

```
char x = u8'x';
```

## Lambda capture this by value

```
struct foo {  
    foo() : _x{0} {}  
    int _x;  
    auto log_by_ref() {  
        return [this]() { cout << _x << endl; };  
    }  
    auto log_by_val() {  
        return [*this]() { cout<<_x<<endl;};  
    }  
};  
struct foo f;  
auto ref = f.log_by_ref();  
auto val = f.log_by_val();  
f._x = 1234;  
ref(); val(); // both 1234  
f._x = 4321;  
ref(); // 4321  
val(); // 1234
```

## Inline variables

```
struct S { int x; };  
inline S x1 = S{321};
```

## Nested namespaces

```
namespace A::B::C {  
    class foo;  
}
```

## Structured bindings

```
template<typename T>  
pair<T, bool> racine(T d) {  
    if (d<0) return pair(-1, false);  
    return pair(sqrt(d), true);  
}
```

```
auto [s, success] = racine(1998.0);  
if (success) cout << s << endl;
```

## Initializers in if and switch statements

```
if (auto res=m.insert({key,value}); res.second) {  
    cout<<key<<"/"<<value<<" inserted"<<endl;  
}
```

## Removal of trigraphs

```
??= ??/ ??' ??( ??) ??! ??< ??> ??-
```

## constexpr if

```
template <typename T> int compute(T x) {  
    // no () around constexpr  
    if constexpr (std::is_integral<T>::value) {  
        return x * x;  
    } else if constexpr (is_same<T, string>::value) {  
        return x.size();  
    } else if constexpr (is_base_of<foo, T>::value) {  
        x.bar();  
        return 0;  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

## Hexadecimal floating-point literals

```
cout << 0x10.1p0 << endl // 16.0625  
    << 0X0.8p0 << endl // 0.5  
    << 0X50.8p5 << endl; // 2576
```

## Direct List Initialization of Enums

```
// underlying type must be fixed (char here)  
enum class color : char { red, blue, green };  
// must be non-narrowing, i.e 129 is an error  
color c1 { 3 }, c2 { 88 };
```

## [[fallthrough]] attribute

```
switch (i) {  
case 1: cout<<"one"<<endl; // warning  
case 2: cout<<"two"<<endl;  
[[fallthrough]];  
case 3 : cout<<"three"<<endl; // warning suppressed  
}
```

## [[nodiscard]] attribute

Can be applied to a type (function with that return type will be marked as [[nodiscard]])

```
[[nodiscard]] int foo() { return 1; };  
void bar() {  
    foo(); // Warning
```

## [[maybe\_unused]] attribute

```
[[maybe_unused]] static void f() {} // No warning  
[[maybe_unused]] int x = 42; // No warning
```

## static\_assert without message

```
static_assert(VERSION >= 2);
```