

Programming Language (630203)
Fall 2010/2011 – Lecture Notes # 2

Basic Elements of C++

Objectives of the Lecture

- Basic Components of a C++ program.
- Preprocessor Directives.
- Data Types.
- string Data Type.
- cout Output Statement.
- cin Input Statements.
- Declaring and Initializing Variables.

Basic components of a C++ program

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int num;
    num = 6;
    cout << "My first C++ program." << endl;
    cout << "The sum of 2 and 3 = " << 5 << endl;
    cout << "7 + 8 = " << 7 + 8 << endl;
    cout << "Num = " << num << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

- **Function**: collection of statements; when executed, accomplishes something
 - May be predefined or standard
- **Syntax**: rules that specify which statements (instructions) are legal
 - Programming language: a set of rules, symbols, and special words
- **Semantic** rule: meaning of the instruction
- **Comments** are for the reader, not the compiler
 - Two types:

- **Single line**

```
//This is a C++ program. It prints the sentence:
```

```
// Welcome to C++ Programming.
```

- **Multiple line**

```
/*
```

```
    You can include comments that can
    occupy several lines.
```

```
*/
```

➤ **Reserved words, keywords, or word symbols**

- Include:
 - int
 - float
 - double
 - char
 - const
 - void
 - return

➤ **Identifiers and variables:**

- Consist of letters, digits, and the underscore character (_)
- Must begin with a letter or underscore
- C++ is case sensitive
 - NUMBER is not the same as number
- Two predefined identifiers are **cout** and **cin**
- Unlike reserved words, predefined identifiers may be redefined, but it is not a good idea

Preprocessor Directives

- C++ has a small number of operations
- Many functions and symbols needed to run a C++ program are provided as collection of libraries
- Every library has a name and is referred to by a header file
- Preprocessor directives are commands supplied to the preprocessor
- All preprocessor commands begin with **#**
- No semicolon at the end of these commands
- Syntax to include a header file:

```
#include <headerFileName>
```

- For example:

```
#include <iostream>
```

Causes the preprocessor to include the header file **iostream** in the program

- namespace and using **cin** and **cout** in a Program
- **cin** and **cout** are declared in the header file **iostream**, but within **std** namespace
 - To use **cin** and **cout** in a program, use the following two statements:

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

Data Types

- **Data type:** set of values together with a set of operations
- C++ data types fall into three categories:

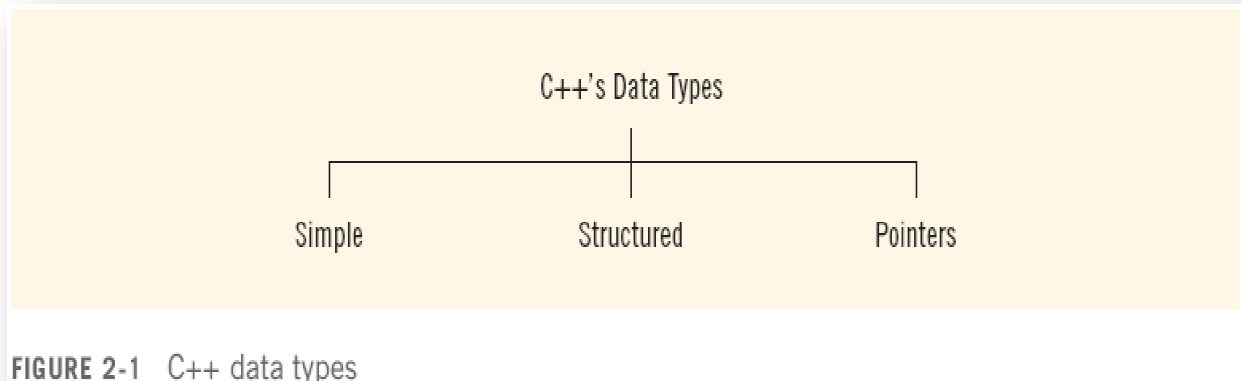


FIGURE 2-1 C++ data types

➤ Simple Data Types

➤ Three categories of simple data

- **Integral:** integers (numbers without a decimal point)
- **Floating-point:** decimal numbers
- **Enumeration type:** user-defined data type

➤ **Integral data** types are further classified into nine categories:

- **char, short, int, long, bool**
- **unsigned char, unsigned short, unsigned int, unsigned long**
- **bool Data Type**

➤ **bool type**

- Two values: true and false.
- Manipulate logical (Boolean) expressions: true and false.
- Logical values: bool, true, and false are reserved words.

➤ **char Data Type**

- The smallest integral data type.
- Used for characters: letters, digits, and special symbols.
- Each character is enclosed in single quotes.
- 'A', 'a', '0', '*', '+', '\$', '&'
- A blank space is a character.
- Written ' ', with a space left between the single quotes.

➤ **Floating-Point Data Types**

- float: represents any real number; Range: -3.4E+38 to 3.4E+38 (four bytes)
- double: represents any real number; Range: -1.7E+308 to 1.7E+308 (eight bytes)

string Type

➤ Sequence of zero or more characters enclosed in double quotation marks.

➤ Using the **string** Data Type in a Program

- To use the string type, you need to access its definition from the header file string
- Include the following preprocessor directive:

#include <string>

- Use **string** data types to declare a string variable.

cout output statement

- The syntax of **cout** and **<<** is:

```
cout << expression or manipulator << expression or manipulator...;
```

- The **stream insertion operator** is **<<**
- Expression evaluated and its value is printed at the current cursor position on the screen

Statement	Output
1 cout << 29 / 4 << endl;	7
2 cout << "Hello there." << endl;	Hello there.
3 cout << 12 << endl;	12
4 cout << "4 + 7" << endl;	4 + 7
5 cout << 4 + 7 << endl;	11
6 cout << 'A' << endl;	A
7 cout << "4 + 7 = " << 4 + 7 << endl;	4 + 7 = 11
8 cout << 2 + 3 * 5 << endl;	17
9 cout << "Hello \nthere." << endl;	Hello there.

- The new line character is **'\n'**
 - May appear anywhere in the string

Example 1

```
cout << "Hello there.";  
cout << "My name is James.";
```

the output is

```
Hello there.My name is James.
```

Example 2

```
cout << "Hello there.\n";  
cout << "My name is James.";
```

the output is :

```
Hello there.  
My name is James.
```

Input Statement

- Data must be loaded into main memory before it can be manipulated.
- **cin** is used with **>>** to gather input (Read statement) with the following syntax:

```
cin >> variable >> variable ...;
```

- The stream extraction operator is **>>**
 - For example, if miles is a double variable
cin >> miles;

Causes computer to get a value of type double

- Using more than one variable in cin allows more than one value to be read at a time

For example, if feet and inches are variables of type int, a statement such as:

```
cin >> feet >> inches;
```

Inputs two integers from the keyboard and places them in variables feet and inches respectively

EXAMPLE 2-17

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

int main()
{
    int feet;
    int inches;

    cout << "Enter two integers separated by spaces: ";
    cin >> feet >> inches;
    cout << endl;

    cout << "Feet = " << feet << endl;
    cout << "Inches = " << inches << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

Sample Run: (In this sample run, the user input is shaded.)

```
Enter two integers separated by spaces: 23 7
```

```
Feet = 23
```

```
Inches = 7
```

Declaring & Initializing Variables

- Variables can be initialized when declared:

```
int first=13, second=10;
char ch=' ';
double x=12.6;
```
- All variables must be initialized before they are used
 - But not necessarily during declaration
- **Variable Initialization**
 - There are two ways to initialize a variable:

```
int feet;
    ■ By using the assignment statement
feet = 35;
    ■ By using a read statement
cin >> feet;
```