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Standard C++ Strings and File I/O

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Agenda

- String
- String functions (methods)
- File Input / Output



Standard C++ String

- Defined in <cstring>
- Can be treated as an array of characters
- Declared and Initialized in many ways

```
string str1;  
string str2 = "";  
string str3 = "New York";  
string str4(60, '*');  
string str5 = str4;  
string str6(str3, 4, 2);
```

Declared but not initialized
= empty string



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Initialized to "New York"



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Initialized to
***** ...
60 of *



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Same as str4



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- 1) Copy str3
- 2) Start from position 4 (position starts from 0 like an array of character)
- 3) Take 2 characters

"Yo"



String Functions (Methods) 1/3

Function	Command	Description	Returned Value
Length	str.length()	Find the length of the string	unsigned int
Append	str.append(<i>string</i>)	Append <i>string</i> at the end of its current string	string
Getline	getline(<i>cin, str</i>)	Read the whole line of input (including space in between) via <i>cin</i> into <i>str</i>	The same as <i>cin</i>



Function Usage Examples 1/3

Code:

```
string s = "ABCDEFG";  
cout << s.length() << endl;
```

Output:

Code:

```
string s = "ABCDEFG";  
string s1 = s.append("XYZ");  
cout << s1 << endl;  
string s2 = s + "HIJK";  
cout << s2 << endl;
```

Output:

Code:

```
string s1,s2,s3;  
cout << "Enter text: ";  
cin >> s1 >> s2;  
getline(cin, s3);  
cout << s1 << endl << s2 << endl  
    << s3 << endl;
```

Output:

```
Enter text: Hello World  
This is me.
```



String Functions (Methods) 2/3

Function	Command	Details	Returned value
Substring	str.substr (<i>position, len</i>)	Copy <i>len</i> of characters of the string starting from <i>position</i> into another string	string
Find	str.find (<i>string, position</i>) str.find(<i>string</i>) Start finding at position 0	Search for <i>string</i> in the string str, starting at <i>position</i> . Then return the position of the first character of <i>string</i> . Return the length of the string if <i>string</i> not found.	unsigned int



String Functions (Methods) 3/3

Function	Command	Details	Returned value
Erase	str.erase (<i>position, len</i>)	Delete part of the string starting from <i>position</i> for <i>len</i> characters	string
Replace	str.replace (<i>position, len, string</i>)	Replace part of the string with <i>string</i> starting from <i>position</i> , spanning <i>len</i> characters	string



Function Usage Examples 2/3

Code:

```
string s = "ABCDEFGHIJKLM";
string s1 = s.substr(5, 3);
cout << s1 << endl;
```

Output:

Code:

```
string s7 = "Mississippi River
Basin";
cout << s7.find("si",0) << endl;
cout << s7.find("si") << endl;
cout << s7.find("si",5) << endl;
cout << s7.find("so",5) << endl;
```

Output:



Function Usage Examples 3/3

Code:

```
string s6 = "ABCDEFGHIJK";
s6.erase(4, 2);
cout << s6 << endl;
s6.replace(5, 2, "xyz");
cout << s6 << endl;
```

Output:



Basic Operators

Operator	Details	Return value
<code>==, !=</code>	Compare strings	boolean
<code><, ≤</code>		
<code>>, ≥</code>		
<code>+</code>	Add additional <i>string</i> at the end of its current string (similar to the <i>append</i> function)	string



Comparing Strings

Code:

```
string s1 = "Somchai";
string s2 = "Somjai";
if (s1 < s2){
    cout << s1 << " comes first."
        << endl;
}
```

Output:

Code:

```
string s4 = "I love you.";
cin >> s3;
while (s4 == s3)
{
    cout << "I love you too!"
        << endl;
    cin >> s3;
}
```

Output:



String Concatenation

Code:

```
string s = "ABCDEFG";
string s5 = s + "HIJK";
cout << s5 << endl;

string s2 = "XYZ";
s2 += s5;
cout << s2 << endl;
```

Output:



String as an array of characters

Code:

```
string s = "ABCDEFG";
char c = s[4];
cout << c << endl;

s[2] = "*";
cout << s << endl;
```

Output:



String Example

Code:

```
int main() {
    string S1 = "Sawasdee Ja";
    string S2 = "Somsri Konkeng";
    string S3 = "He is a student of KhonKaen University";
    string S4;
    cout << S3.length() << endl;
    S4 = S2 + S3.substr(2, 13);
    cout << S4 << endl;
    cout << S3.find("en", 0) << endl;
    S4 = S1.replace(9, 2, S2.erase(7, 7));
    cout << S4 << endl;
    cout << (S2 < "Somsak Kondee" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Output:



File Processing

- Reading from files and writing to files are very similar to reading from / writing to console (`cin`, `cout`)
 - Same kind of stream objects
- An input file is managed by `ifstream`
 - Same way as `istream` manages `cin`
- An output file is managed by `ofstream`
 - Same way as `ostream` manages `cout`



Using File Streams

- #include <fstream>
- Declare ifstream / ofstream explicitly before use

```
#include <fstream>
int main() {
    ifstream myin("input.txt");
    ofstream myout("output.txt");
    ...
}
```

Read using this object instead of cin

Read from this file

Open file for reading

Open file for writing

Write using this object instead of cout

Write to this file

The diagram illustrates the use of file streams in C++. It shows a code snippet with annotations explaining the purpose of each stream object.

- Annotations for ifstream myin:**
 - "Read using this object instead of cin"
 - "Read from this file"
 - "Open file for reading"
- Annotations for ofstream myout:**
 - "Write using this object instead of cout"
 - "Write to this file"
 - "Open file for writing"



Output File Stream

Output to Console

```
#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    string str = "my text";
    cout << str;
    return 0;
}
```

Output to the file named "myfile.dat"

```
#include <fstream>

int main()
{
    string str = "my text";
    ofstream fout("myfile.dat");
    fout << str;
    return 0;
}
```



Input File Stream

Output to Console

```
#include <iostream>
```

```
int main()
{
    int value = 0;
    cin >> value;
    return 0;
}
```

Read from the file named
"number.dat"

```
#include <fstream>
```

```
int main()
{
    int value = 0;
    ifstream fin("number.dat");
    fin >> value;
    return 0;
}
```



Reading until the end of stream

- The expression `cin` has a returned value as a Boolean indicating whether the input is read successfully

```
int main()
{
    int value;
    while(cin >> value) {
        cout << "value = "<< value << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- Same as `getline(cin,s)` and the input file stream reader!!



Reading until the end of stream

Code:

```
#include <iostream>
int main()
{
    ifstream fin("number.dat");
    int value = 0;
    int sum = 0;

    while (fin >> value)
    {
        sum += value;
    }
    cout << "sum = " << sum << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Read from a file

This will return false
while there is no more
data to read (after 36)

Write to screen

number.dat

5 6 7 33 4 0 19 1 4 9 24 36

Console Output:

You can read from a file or console,
then write to a file or console



Read/Write Odd/Even Values

Code:

```
#include <fstream.h>
int main()
{
    int value = 0;
    ifstream fin("number.dat");
    ofstream fout_odd("odd.dat");
    ofstream fout_even("even.dat");
    while (fin >> value)
    {
        if(value%2) {
            fout_odd << value;
        }
        else {
            fout_even << value;
        }
    }
    cout << "Done!" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

number.dat

12 11 20 15 35 10 69 71 23 80

odd.dat

11 15 35 71

even.dat

12 20 10 69 23 80

Console Output:



Take Home Messages

- String declaration and assignments
- String functions (methods)
- String operations
 - String comparations
 - String as an array of characters
- Reading from a file vs. reading from keyboard
 - Read until the end of file
- Writing to a file vs. writing to a console

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