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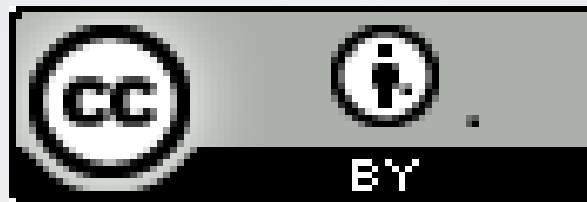
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Lecture 10: Customizing I/O

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Overview

- Input and output
- Numeric output
 - Integer
 - Floating point
- File modes
 - Binary I/O
 - Positioning
- String streams
- Line-oriented input
 - Character input
 - Character classification

Kinds of I/O

- Individual values
 - See Chapter 4, 10
- Streams
 - See Chapters 10-11
- Graphics and GUI
 - See Chapters 12-16
- Text
 - Type driven, formatted
 - Line oriented
 - Individual characters
- Numeric
 - Integer
 - Floating point
 - User-defined types

Type	Size in bits	Format	Value range	
			Approximate	Exact
character	8	signed (one's complement) ↗	-127 to 127	
		signed (two's complement) ↗	-128 to 127	
		unsigned	0 to 255	
integral	16	signed (one's complement)	$\pm 3.27 \cdot 10^4$	-32767 to 32767
		signed (two's complement)		-32768 to 32767
		unsigned	0 to $6.55 \cdot 10^4$	0 to 65535
	32	signed (one's complement)	$\pm 2.14 \cdot 10^9$	-2,147,483,647 to 2,147,483,647
		signed (two's complement)		-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
		unsigned	0 to $4.29 \cdot 10^9$	0 to 4,294,967,295
	64	signed (one's complement)	$\pm 9.22 \cdot 10^{18}$	-9,223,372,036,854,775,807 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
		signed (two's complement)		-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
		unsigned	0 to $1.84 \cdot 10^{19}$	0 to 18,446,744,073,709,551,615
floating point	32	IEEE-754 ↗	$\pm 3.4 \cdot 10^{\pm 38}$ (~7 digits)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • min subnormal: $\pm 1.401,298,4 \cdot 10^{-47}$ • min normal: $\pm 1.175,494,3 \cdot 10^{-38}$ • max: $\pm 3.402,823,4 \cdot 10^{38}$
	64	IEEE-754	$\pm 1.7 \cdot 10^{\pm 308}$ (~15 digits)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • min subnormal: $\pm 4.940,656,458,412 \cdot 10^{-324}$ • min normal: $\pm 2.225,073,858,507,201,4 \cdot 10^{-308}$ • max: $\pm 1.797,693,134,862,315,7 \cdot 10^{308}$

Observation

- As programmers we prefer regularity and simplicity
 - But, our job is to meet people's expectations
- People are very fussy/particular/picky about the way their output looks
 - They often have good reasons to be
 - Convention/tradition rules
 - What does 123,456 mean?
 - What does (123) mean?
 - The world (of output formats) is weirder than you could possibly imagine

Output formats

- Integer values

- **1234** (decimal)

- **2322** (octal)

- **4d2** (hexadecimal)

- Floating point values

- **1234.57** (general)

- **1.2345678e+03** (scientific)

- **1234.567890** (fixed)

- Precision

(for floating-point values)

- **1234.57** (precision 6)

- **1234.6** (precision 5)

- Fields

- **|12|** (default for | followed by **12** followed by |)

- **| 12|** (**12** in a field of 4 characters)

Numerical Base Output

- You can change “base”
 - Base 10 == decimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 - Base 8 == octal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
 - Base 16 == hexadecimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 a b c d e f

// simple test:

```
cout << dec << 1234 << "\t(decimal)\n"  
      << hex << 1234 << "\t(hexadecimal)\n"  
      << oct << 1234 << "\t(octal)\n";
```

// The '\t' character is “tab” (short for “tabulation character”)

// results:

```
1234      (decimal)  
4d2       (hexadecimal)  
2322     (octal)
```

“Sticky” Manipulators

- You can change “base”
 - Base 10 == decimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 - Base 8 == octal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
 - Base 16 == hexadecimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 a b c d e f

// simple test:

```
cout << 1234 << '\t'  
      << hex << 1234 << '\t'  
      << oct << 1234 << '\n';  
cout << 1234 << '\n';           // the octal base is still in effect
```

// results:

```
1234      4d2      2322  
2322
```

Other Manipulators

- You can change “base”
 - Base 10 == decimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
 - Base 8 == octal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
 - Base 16 == hexadecimal; digits: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 a b c d e f

// simple test:

```
cout << 1234 << '\t'  
        << hex << 1234 << '\t'  
        << oct << 1234 << endl;           // '\n'  
cout << showbase << dec;    // show bases  
cout << 1234 << '\t'  
        << hex << 1234 << '\t'  
        << oct << 1234 << '\n';
```

// results:

```
1234      4d2      2322  
1234      0x4d2    02322
```

Floating-point Manipulators

- You can change floating-point output format
 - **general** – **iostream** chooses best format using **n** digits (this is the default)
 - **scientific** – one digit before the decimal point plus exponent; **n** digits after .
 - **fixed** – no exponent; **n** digits after the decimal point

// simple test:

```
cout << 1234.56789 << "\t\t(general)\n" // \t\t to line up columns
    << fixed << 1234.56789 << "\t\t(fixed)\n"
    << scientific << 1234.56789 << "\t\t(scientific)\n";
```

// results:

1234.57	(general)
1234.567890	(fixed)
1.234568e+003	(scientific)

Precision Manipulator

- Precision (the default is 6)
 - **general** – precision is the number of digits
 - Note: the **general** manipulator is not standard, just in `std_lib_facilities.h`
 - **scientific** – precision is the number of digits after the . (dot)
 - **fixed** – precision is the number of digits after the . (dot)

// example:

```
cout << 1234.56789 << '\t' << fixed << 1234.56789 << '\t'
      << scientific << 1234.56789 << '\n';

cout << general << setprecision(5)
      << 1234.56789 << '\t' << fixed << 1234.56789 << '\t'
      << scientific << 1234.56789 << '\n';

cout << general << setprecision(8)
      << 1234.56789 << '\t' << fixed << 1234.56789 << '\t'
      << scientific << 1234.56789 << '\n';
```

// results (note the rounding):

1234.57	1234.567890	1.234568e+003
1234.6	1234.56789	1.23457e+003
1234.5679	1234.56789000	1.23456789e+003

Output field width

A width is the number of characters to be used for the next output operation

Beware: width applies to next output only (it doesn't "stick" like precision, base, and floating-point format)

Beware: output is never truncated to fit into field

(better a bad format than a bad value)

// example:

```
cout << 123456 << '|' << setw(4) << 123456 << '|'
      << setw(8) << 123456 << '|' << 123456 << "\\n";
cout << 1234.56 << '|' << setw(4) << 1234.56 << '|'
      << setw(8) << 1234.56 << '|' << 1234.56 << "\\n";
cout << "asdfgh" << '|' << setw(4) << "asdfgh" << '|'
      << setw(8) << "asdfgh" << '|' << "asdfgh" << "\\n";
```

// results:

```
123456|123456| 123456|123456|
1234.56|1234.56| 1234.56|1234.56|
asdfgh|asdfgh| asdfgh|asdfgh|
```

Observation

- This kind of detail is what you need textbooks, manuals, references, online support, etc. for
 - You **always** forget some of the details when you need them

A file

0: 1: 2:



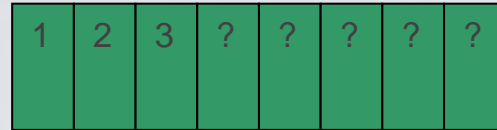
- At the fundamental level, a file is a sequence of bytes numbered from 0 upwards
- Other notions can be supplied by programs that interpret a “file format”
 - For example, the 6 bytes "123.45" might be interpreted as the floating-point number 123.45

File open modes

- By default, an **ifstream** opens its file for reading
- By default, an **ofstream** opens its file for writing.
- Alternatives:
 - **ios_base::app** *// append (i.e., add to the end of the file)*
 - **ios_base::ate** *// “at end” (open and seek to end)*
 - **ios_base::binary** *// binary mode – beware of system specific behavior*
 - **ios_base::in** *// for reading*
 - **ios_base::out** *// for writing*
 - **ios_base::trunc** *// truncate file to 0-length*
- A file mode is optionally specified after the name of the file:
 - **ofstream of1(name1);** *// defaults to ios_base::out*
 - **ifstream if1(name2);** *// defaults to ios_base::in*
 - **ofstream ofs(name, ios_base::app);** *// append rather than overwrite*
 - **fstream fs("myfile", ios_base::in|ios_base::out);** *// both in and out*

Text vs. binary files

123 as
characters:



12345 as
characters:

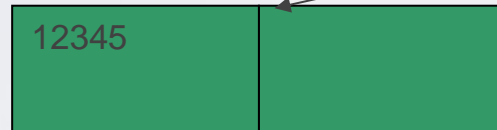


123 as
binary:



In binary files, we use
sizes to delimit values

12345 as
binary:



123456 as
characters:



In text files, we use
separation/termination
characters

123 456 as
characters:



Text vs. binary

- Use text when you can
 - You can read it (without a fancy program)
 - You can debug your programs more easily
 - Text is portable across different systems
 - Most information can be represented reasonably as text
- Use binary when you must
 - E.g. image files, sound files

Binary files

```
int main()
    // use binary input and output
{
    cout << "Please enter input file name\n";
    string name;
    cin >> name;
    ifstream ifs(name.c_str(),ios_base::binary);    // note: binary
    if (!ifs) error("can't open input file ", name);

    cout << "Please enter output file name\n";
    cin >> name;
    ofstream ofs(name.c_str(),ios_base::binary);    // note: binary
    if (!ofs) error("can't open output file ",name);

    // "binary" tells the stream not to try anything clever with the bytes
}
```

Binary files

```
vector<int> v;
```

```
// read from binary file:
```

```
int i;
```

```
while (ifs.read(as_bytes(i),sizeof(int)))
```

```
    v.push_back(i);
```

```
// note: reading bytes
```

```
// ... do something with v ...
```

```
// write to binary file:
```

```
for(int i=0; i<v.size(); ++i)
```

```
    ofs.write(as_bytes(v[i]),sizeof(int));
```

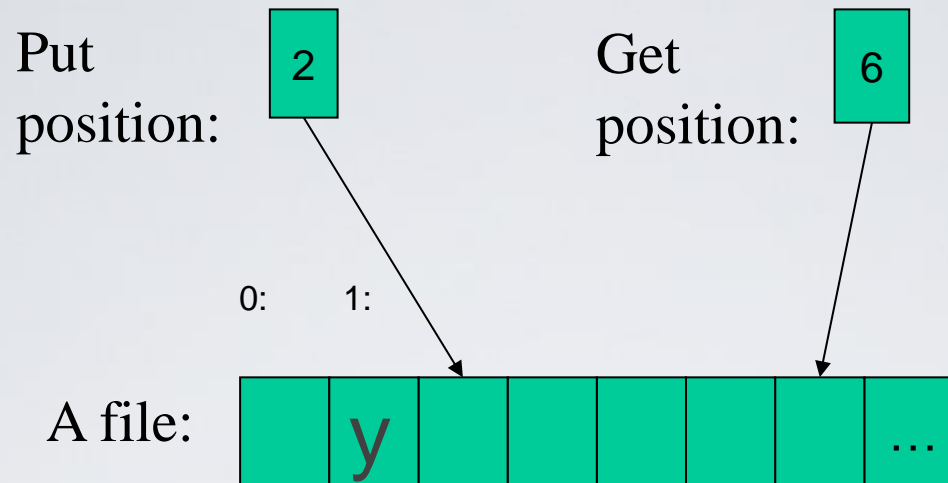
```
// note: writing bytes
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
// for now, treat as_bytes() as a primitive
```

Positioning in a filestream



```
fstream fs(name.c_str());           // open for input and output
```

```
// ...
```

```
fs.seekg(5);           // move reading position ('g' for 'get') to 5 (the 6th character)
```

```
char ch;
```

```
fs>>ch;           // read and increment reading position
```

```
cout << "character[6] is " << ch << '(' << int(ch) << ")\n";
```

```
fs.seekp(1);           // move writing position ('p' for 'put') to 1 (the 2nd character)
```

```
fs<<'y';           // write and increment writing position
```

Positioning

- Whenever you can
 - Use simple streaming
 - Streams/streaming is a very powerful metaphor
 - Write most of your code in terms of “plain” **istream** and **ostream**
 - Positioning is far more error-prone
 - Handling of the end of file position is system dependent and basically unchecked

String streams

A **stringstream** reads/writes from/to a **string** rather than a file or a keyboard/screen

```
double str_to_double(string s)
    // if possible, convert characters in s to floating-point value
{
    istringstream is(s);    // make a stream so that we can read from s
    double d;
    is >> d;
    if (!is) error("double format error");
    return d;
}

double d1 = str_to_double("12.4");           // testing
double d2 = str_to_double("1.34e-3");
double d3 = str_to_double("twelve point three"); // will call error()
```


String streams

- Very useful for
 - formatting into a fixed-sized space (think GUI)
 - for extracting typed objects out of a string

Type vs. line

- Read a string

```
string name;  
cin >> name;           // input: Dennis Ritchie  
cout << name << '\n'; // output: Dennis
```

- Read a line

```
string name;  
getline(cin,name); // input: Dennis Ritchie  
cout << name << '\n'; // output: Dennis Ritchie  
// now what?  
// maybe:  
istringstream ss(name);  
ss>>first_name;  
ss>>second_name;
```

Characters

- You can also read individual characters

```
char ch;
while (cin>>ch) {      // read into ch, skipping whitespace characters
    if (isalpha(ch)) {
        // do something
    }
}
```

```
while (cin.get(ch)) { // read into ch, don't skip whitespace characters
    if (isspace(ch)) {
        // do something
    }
    else if (isalpha(ch)) {
        // do something else
    }
}
```

Character classification functions

- If you use character input, you often need one or more of these (from header `<cctype>`):

- **isspace(c)** *// is c whitespace? (' ', '\t', '\n', etc.)*
- **isalpha(c)** *// is c a letter? ('a'..'z', 'A'..'Z') note: not '_'*
- **isdigit(c)** *// is c a decimal digit? ('0'..'9')*
- **isupper(c)** *// is c an upper case letter?*
- **islower(c)** *// is c a lower case letter?*
- **isalnum(c)** *// is c a letter or a decimal digit?*

Line-oriented input

- Prefer `>>` to `getline()`
 - i.e. avoid line-oriented input when you can
- People often use `getline()` because they see no alternative
 - But it often gets messy
- When trying to use `getline()`, you often end up
 - using `>>` to parse the line from a `stringstream`
 - using `get()` to read individual characters

Next lecture

- Graphical output
 - Creating a GUI window with various figures
 - Drawing graphs

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