

Exercise Session

Week 04

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Today's topics

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Introduction

Expressions

Loops

Computing Mathematical Series

Scopes

Comments on last Exercise Session

- I'm sorry the live demo didn't work out. I think I messed up by not compiling the "improved" code properly.

Comments on last [code]expert Exercises

- please don't use `using namespace std`
- don't use libraries or features that we didn't cover in the lectures (yet)
- read the task carefully
- deadlines are strict regarding XP
- submit your code, no matter how "bad" it seems: you can learn a lot from doing so!
- use comments and tabs
- try to structure your answers. It looks nicer and makes grading easier
- when solving exercises, you're **allowed** to use everything (handouts, slides, summaries(!), recordings) we give you

Questions or Comments re: Exercises?

Objectives Checklist

After the exercise session, take a look at this slide again and make sure you can tick the boxes, and if you can't: Ask questions or send me an e-mail. I'm here to help!

Now I...

- can evaluate complex expressions involving arithmetic and boolean operators
- can encode mathematical sums into C++
- know about the types `float` and `double` in C++ (much more on them soon)
- can implement `for`, `while` and `do-while`-loops
- can trace programmes that have `for`, `while` and `do-while`-loops in them
- can turn each kind of loop into a different kind of loop

Quick Recap on Types

Types (we've covered so far)

- logical variables: `bool` {`false`, `true`}
- integers: `unsigned int`, `int` {-7, 2, 0}
- floating point numbers: `float`, `double` {1.4, -4.3, 7.0}

Sometimes there are multiple types in one (expression).
How do we compare different types with each other?

Generality Order of Types (we've covered so far)

`bool` < `int` < `unsigned int` < `float` < `double`

Types always convert to the most general type in any given expression.

A Way to think about Types

Type (literal)

bool

unsigned int (u)

int

float (f)

double

Approximates

{false, true}

{ \mathbb{N} }

{ \mathbb{Z} }

{ \mathbb{R} }

{ \mathbb{R} }, but *double* the precision

Evaluating Types

```
std::cout << 5.0/2 << std::endl;  
// what type and value will this return and why?
```

Solution

double, 2.5, because the compiler will convert the int 2 into a double 2.0, in order to calculate this expression.

```
std::cout << (1/2)*5.0/2 << std::endl;  
// what type and value will this return and why?
```

Solution

double, 0, because the compiler will first calculate the expression on the left $1/2$ which evaluates to 0 because it's an integer division. The rest is trivial, because $0*$ anything evaluates to 0. But that 0 will have type double.

Literals

Literals

There are certain letters the compiler associates with certain types. So, if you want to tell the Compiler *"Hey, don't treat this 2.0 as a double, but instead as a float"* you'd have to add `f` at the end of the value. Like this:

```
std::cout << (5/2)*5.0f/2 << std::endl;  
// what type and value will this return and why?
```

Solution

`float`, `5.0`, (which can be written as `5.0f`).

First, the compiler evaluates `5/2`, which results in `2`, because integer division works that way. Then the compiler calculates `2.0f*5.0f`: The `int 2` has been turned into a `float 2` because `float` is the more general of the types that are involved. The same for the `*2` later.

Questions?

Exercises

:: exercises_slides.pdf ::

(Solutions can be found on exercises_handout.pdf)

Exercise in Loops and Tracing

```
std::cout << "Enter a number: ";
unsigned int n;
std::cin >> n;
// Can a user observe a difference between the outputs?
// loop 1
for (unsigned int i = 1; i <= n; ++i) {
    std::cout << i << "\n";
}
// loop 2
unsigned int i = 0;
while (i < n) {
    std::cout << ++i << "\n";
}
// loop 3
i = 1;
do {
    std::cout << i++ << "\n";
} while (i <= n);
```

(if $n =$ largest int value)
will continue printing forever



Program Tracing

We've covered Program Tracing last week, but here's an extensive (and better) guide on how to do it: [▶ Link](#)

Converting Loops (for \rightarrow while)

```
// TASK: Convert the following for-loop  
// into an equivalent while-loop:
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {  
  BODY ← not actual c++-code  
}
```


Converting Loops (for \rightarrow while)

```
// TASK: Convert the following for-loop  
// into an equivalent while-loop:
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {  
    BODY  
}
```

```
// SOLUTION:
```

```
int i = 0;  
  
while(i < n){  
    BODY  
    ++i;  
}
```

Converting Loops (while \rightarrow for)

```
// TASK: Convert the following while-loop  
// into an equivalent for-loop:
```

```
while(condition){  
  BODY  
}
```

```
// SOLUTION:
```

```
for(;condition;){  
  BODY  
}
```

Converting Loops (do-while \rightarrow for)

```
// TASK: Convert the following do-while-loop  
// into an equivalent for-loop:
```

```
do{  
  BODY  
}while(condition)
```

```
// SOLUTION:
```

```
BODY
```

```
for(;condition;){  
  BODY  
}
```

Questions?

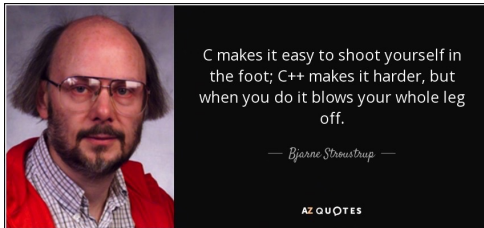
shifting indices is possible, just look out for "off-by-one" errors

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Off-by-one_error

→ will happen often when "iterating" over arrays/vectors

(more on that later in the course)

Daddy of }
C++ }
(obviously)



From Sum to Loop

Mathematical sums can be turned into programming loops.

Math:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n f(i)$$

C++ :

```
int n = 0;
int sum = 0;

for(int i = 0; i <= n; i++){
    sum += f(i);
}
```

From Mathematical Series to Loops

Taylor Series on [code]expert

Write a program that computes $\sin x$ rounded to six significant digits. Hint: Think which loop you should use.

Hint: Use the MacLaurin Series.

$$\sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} x^{2n+1}$$

numerator: $(-1)^n x^{2n+1} \{ \dots$
 denominator: $(2n+1)! \{ \dots$

Hint: "split up" total_sum from each term

Task

- For ~~10~~ ^{as long as needed} minutes, think about how you would solve it by using only pen and paper
- Now get together with your desk neighbor(s) and try to implement it on [code]expert in ~~10 minutes~~ ^{during rest of session}

Scopes

see `exercises_handout.pdf`

If there still are questions after reading through it, feel free to write me an e-mail or ask in the next exercise session