

Topic 5

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Strings

- Strings are sequences of characters:

```
"Hello world"
```

- Include the string header, so you can create variables to hold strings:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
...
string name = "Harry";
        // literal string "Harry" stored
```

String Initializations

- String variables are automatically initialized to the empty string if you don't initialize them:

```
string response;  
    // literal string "" stored
```

- "" is called the empty or null string.

Concatenation of Strings

Use the + operator to *concatenate* strings;
that is, put them together to yield a longer string.

```
string fname = "Harry";  
string lname = "Morgan";  
string name = fname + lname; //need a space!  
cout << name << endl;  
name = fname + " " + lname; //got a space  
cout << name << endl;
```

The output will be

```
HarryMorgan  
Harry Morgan
```

Common Error – Concatenation of literal strings

```
string greeting = "Hello, " + " World!";  
                // will not compile
```

Literal strings cannot be concatenated. And it's pointless anyway, just do:

```
string greeting = "Hello World!";
```

String Input

You can read a string from the console:

```
cout << "Please enter your name: ";  
string name;  
cin >> name;
```

When a string is read with the `>>` operator, only one word is placed into the `string` variable.

For example, suppose the user types

Harry Morgan

as the response to the prompt.

Only the string "Harry" is placed into the variable name.

String Input

You can use another input string to read the second word:

```
cout << "Please enter your name: ";  
string fname, lname;  
cin >> fname >> lname;  
//fname gets Harry, lname gets Morgan
```

String Functions

- The `length` *member function* yields the number of characters in a string.
- Unlike the `sqrt` or `pow` function, the `length` function is *invoked with the dot notation*:

```
int n = name.length();
```


substr Function

- Once you have a string, you can extract substrings by using the `substr` member function.
- `s.substr(start, length)` returns a `string` that is made from the characters in the `string s`, starting at character `start`, and containing `length` characters. (`start` and `length` are integers)
 - NOTE: the first character has an index of 0, not 1.

```
string greeting = "Hello, World!";  
string sub = greeting.substr(0, 2);  
    // sub contains "He"
```

Another Example of the substr Function

```
string greeting = "Hello, World!";  
string w = greeting.substr(7, 5);  
    // w contains "World" (not the !)
```

- "World" is 5 characters long but...
- Why is 7 the position of the "W" in "World"?
- Why is the "W" not @ 8?
- *Because the first character has an index of 0, not 1.*

String Data Representation & Character Positions

H	e	l	l	o	,		W	o	r	l	d	!
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

- In most computer languages, the starting position 0 means “start at the beginning.”
- The first position in a `string` is labeled 0, the second 1, and so on. And don’t forget to count the space character after the comma—but the quotation marks are ***not*** stored.

The position number of the last character is always one less than the length of the string.

String Character Positions

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```
string greeting = "Hello, World!";  
string w = greeting.substr(7);  
    // w contains "World!"
```

If you do not specify how many characters to the `substr()` function, you get all the rest.

String Operations Examples: Table 8

Statement	Result	Comment
<pre>string str = "C"; str = str + "++";</pre>	str is set to "C++"	When applied to strings,+ denotes concatenation.
<pre>string str = "C" + "++";</pre>	Error	Error: You cannot concatenate two string literals.
<pre>cout << "Enter name: "; cin >> name; (<i>User input:</i> Harry Morgan)</pre>	name contains "Harry"	The >> operator places the next word into the string variable.
<pre>cout << "Enter name: "; cin >> name >> last_name; (<i>User input:</i> Harry Morgan)</pre>	name contains "Harry", last_name contains "Morgan"	Use multiple >> operators to read more than one word.
<pre>string greeting = "H & S"; int n = greeting.length();</pre>	n is set to 5	Each space counts as one character.
<pre>string str = "Sally"; string str2 = str.substr(1, 3);</pre>	str2 is set to "all"	Extracts the substring of length 3 starting at position 1. (The initial position is 0.)
<pre>string str = "Sally"; string str2 = str.substr(1);</pre>	str2 is set to "ally"	If you omit the length, all characters from the position until the end are included.
<pre>string a = str.substr(0, 1);</pre>	a is set to the initial letter in str	Extracts the substring of length 1 starting at position 0.
<pre>string b = str.substr(str.length() - 1);</pre>	b is set to the last letter in str	The last letter has position str.length() - 1. We need not specify the length.

String Functions, Complete Program Example

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

ch02/initials.cpp

```
int main()
{
    cout << "Enter your first name: ";
    string first;
    cin >> first;
    cout << "Enter your significant other's first name: ";
    string second;
    cin >> second;
    string initials = first.substr(0, 1)
        + "&" + second.substr(0, 1);
    cout << initials << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

Representing Characters: Unicode



- Printable characters in a `string` are stored as bits in a computer, just like `int` and `double` variables
- The bit patterns are standardized:
 - ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is 7 bits long, specifying $2^7 = 128$ codes:
 - 26 uppercase letters A through Z + 26 lowercase letters a through z
 - 10 digits
 - 32 typographical symbols such as +, -, ', \...
 - 34 control characters such as space, newline, and 32 others for controlling printers and other devices.
 - Unicode, which has replaced ASCII in most cases, is 21 bits
 - superset of ASCII; the first 128 codes match
 - The extra bits allow many more characters ($2^{21} > 2 \times 10^6$), required for worldwide languages
 - About 136,000 characters have been assigned so far
 - UTF-8 is the 8-bit subset of Unicode, and UTF-16 is 16-bit, often used by websites and compilers

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Chapter Summary Part 1

Write variable definitions in C++.

- A variable is a storage location with a name.
- When defining a variable, you **MUST** specify the type of its values.

And you should also specify an initial value:

```
int x=0;
```

- Use the **int** type for numbers that cannot have a fractional part.
- Use the **double** type for floating-point numbers.

Chapter Summary Part 2

- An assignment statement stores a new value in a variable, replacing the previously stored value.
- The assignment operator = does *not* denote mathematical equality.
- You cannot change the value of a variable that is defined as **const**.
- Use comments to add explanations for humans who read your code. The compiler ignores comments.

Chapter Summary Part 3

Use the arithmetic operations in C ++

- Use `*` for multiplication and `/` for division.
- The `++` operator adds 1 to a variable; the `--` operator subtracts 1.
- If both arguments of `/` are integers, the quotient is an int, and the remainder is discarded.
- The `%` operator computes the remainder of an integer division.
- Assigning a floating-point variable to an integer drops the fractional part.
- The C++ `<cmath>` library defines many math functions such as `sqrt` (square root) and `pow` (raising to a power).

Chapter Summary Part 4

Write programs that read user input and write formatted output.

- Use the `>>` operator to read a value and place it in a variable.

```
int x=0;
cout << "Enter value for x: ";
cin >> x;
```

- You use manipulators to specify how OUTPUT values should be formatted.

```
const double PI=3.14159265;
cout << "Pi =" << setprecision(8) << setw(10) << PI<<
endl;
```

Carry out hand calculations when developing an algorithm, before typing your C++ code.

- Pick concrete values for a typical situation to use in a hand calculation, to verify algorithm correctness.

Chapter Summary Part 5: Strings

Write programs that process strings.

- Strings are sequences of characters
- Use the `+` operator to concatenate strings; that is, put them together to yield a longer string.

```
string s1= "hello", s2= " world";  
string s3 = s1 + s2; //s3 gets "hello world"
```

- The **length** member function yields the number of characters in a string. A member function is invoked using the dot notation:

```
int len =s1.length();
```

Use the **substr** member function to extract a substring:

```
string s3 = s1.substr(0,2); //s3 gets "he"
```