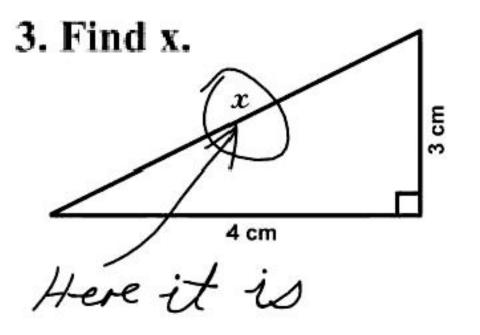
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"Just a darn minute! — Yesterday you said that X equals **two**!"



Topics

- 1) How can we store data, such as numbers?
- 2) How can we do calculations like: 10 times 3?



Variables

- A variable stores a value.
 - It is...
 - C++ is..
 Each variable is given a type, like "integer" when it is created.
- Example:
 - the variable: int numStudents;
 - the variable: numStudents = 72;

Variable declarations tell the compiler the variable's type (int) and name (numStudents).

All variables must be..

"Error: Undeclared identifier"

This assignment statement copies the value (72) into the variable (numStudents).

Example with Variables

```
// Small demonstration of variables.
                                         The value of numStudents is: numStudents
#include <iostream>
                                         The value of numStudents is: 5
using namespace std;
                                         Now the value of numStudents is: 7
int main()
   // Create the variable, give it a value, and then display it.
    int numStudents:
    numStudents = 5;
    cout << "The value of numStudents is: " << "numStudents" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "The value of numStudents is: " << numStudents << endl;
   // Change the value and re-display it.
    numStudents = 7;
    cout << "Now the value of numStudents is: "
         << numStudents << endl;
    return 0;
```

Identifiers

- Identifier: a programmer-defined name which...
 - Ex: Variable names, or function (later...)
- Valid Identifiers:
 - First character: a-z or A-Z or
 - Any other characters: a-z or A-Z or _ or 0-9
 - Examples:
 - height, i, x1, numStudents, NUM_PEOPLE, cur_weight
- Invalid Identifiers:
 - 2Tall, 11a, test#2, 3dGraphics

Identifiers

- Identifiers cannot be keywords:
 - Keywords are...
 - Ex: int, return, char, for, while, switch, case...
- Tips:
 - Use meaningfully descriptive names:
 - numStudents is better than n
 - boxHeight is better than x
 - Use camel case for variables names:
 First word is lower case,
 Capitalize first letter of later words.
 - Ex: Students per course: ...

Naming



What's in a name? that which we call a rose By any other name would smell as sweet; -- Shakespeare: *Romeo and Juliet.*

- A variable name *is* important:
 - It's what other programmers will read.
 - It tells us...

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int s = 90;
    int f = s * 10;
    cout << f << endl;
}</pre>
```

- What does this code output?
- Guess what is s? Any better names?
- Guess what is f? Any better names?

Variable Example

```
// Calculate the length and cost of a fence around a rectangular area
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                           For some land 10m by 15m, the total fence length require is 50m.
int main()
                           Total fence cost (at $3.5/m) is $175.
    int landWidth = 10:
    int landLength = 15;
    int fenceLength = (2 * landWidth) + (2 * landLength);
    cout << "For some land "
            << landWidth << "m by "
            << landLength << "m, the total fence length require is "
            << fenceLength << "m.\n";
                                                   double type holds
                                                floating point numbers
    double costPerMeter = 3.50;
                                                     like 3.1415
    double fenceCost = fenceLength * costPerMeter;
    cout << "Total fence cost (at $" << costPerMeter</pre>
            << "/m) is $" << fenceCost << ".\n";
    return 0;
```

Exercise: Bad names?

- What's wrong with the following variable names?
 1) x
 - 2) 3LittlePigs
 - 3) sumofalltestscores
 - 4) numNeuronsPerClusterInLayer2ObjectDetector
 - 5) double

Operations on Numbers

- Most basic math operations work on numbers.
 - int x = 10; int y = 3; int z = 0;
 - Addition z = x + y;
 - Subtraction z = x y;
 - Multiplication z = x * y;
- Division
- Modulo z = x % y;
- Negation

Negation is Unary: it takes only on argument.

$$z = -x$$
;

z = x / y;

+, -, *, /, % are binary operators: they take two arguments.

Get real!

- Give each variable a type based on what it will hold.
 - int for integers

```
int numStudents = 42;
int missionClock = -10;
int numPinkElephants = 0;
```

double for real ("floating point") numbers

```
double treeHeight_m = 42.9;
double averageDogs = 0.35;
double distanceToPluto_m = 7.5E9;
    // 7.5*109;
```

 For each of your variables, pick the best type.

For now, all real numbers should be in doubles: double dogsInClass = numStudents * averageDogs;

Out Of Class Review Question

- Write a program which:
 - Create two int variables; hard-code them to be two different values.
 - Calculate their:
 - sum (+)
 - difference (-)
 - product (*)
 - Use good variable names to store each result.
 - Display each result to the screen.
 - Try making the variables double and see what happens; change their values too.

Summary

- C++ variables are strongly typed: int, double, char, string
 - Must declare variables before use.
 - Operators: +, -, *, /, %
 - How to write a program.

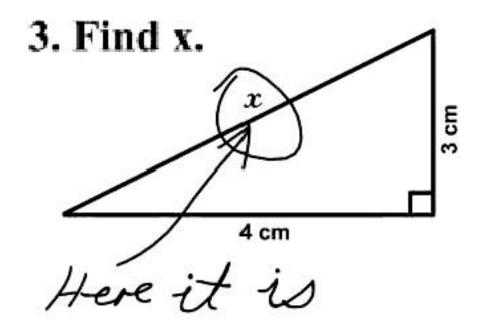
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char and string

char

- The char type can hold a single character.
 - Pronounced like "charred" not like "car".
- Characters are represented by the computer...
 - 'A' is 65, 'B' is 66, 'C' is 67, etc (ASCII codes)
 - cout shows char's as a character (65 as 'A').

```
char aLetter = 'A';
cout << "char A: " << aLetter << endl;
aLetter = 70;
cout << "char 70: " << aLetter << endl;
char A: A
char 70: F
aLetter = aLetter + 1;
cout << "char 71: G</pre>
```

string Class

- The string class stores and manipulates strings.
 - string class defined in library: #include <string>

```
// Example for string
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
                                              Sample Run:
int main()
                                              Who are you? Me
                                              Welcome to the great "Me"!:)
   string name;
   cout << "Who are you? ";</pre>
   cin >> name;
   cout << "Welcome to the great \"" << name << "\"! :)" << endl;
```

Working with strings

```
    = String Assignment

      string name = "Bond";

    + String Concatenation

    Use a + to join two strings together.

      string full =
                                          // = "James Bond"

    String Length

    - Use the "member-function" length on a string:
                                          // = 10 chars long.
      int nameLen =

    [] Get a character in a string

      char firstChar = name[0];
```

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char secondChar = name[1];

Keyboard Input and Basic Output Formatting

Input

- Almost every computer program needs input.
- Examples:
 - Calculate # pizzas for a party: input # people.
 - Calculate gas mileage: input distance and fuel used.
- Input with cin:...
 int people = 0;
 cin >> people;
 - >> is the...
 - cin waits for the user to type in...
 - Places the answer in the given variable.

Prompts

- Prompting the User:
 - cout: Display a prompt to user asking for input.
 - cin: Read keyboard input into a variable.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                                              Enter your favourite number: 42
int main() {
                                              Your favourite number is: 42
    int favNum = 0;
    // Read in user's favourite number:
    cout << "Enter your favourite number: ";
    cin >> favNum;
    if (favNum < 0) {
        cout << "Now that's interesting! " << favNum << " eh?\n";</pre>
    } else {
        cout << "Your favourite number is: " << favNum << endl;
```

Input Example

```
// Ask the user for their personal information.
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main()
    cout << "What is your name? ";
    string name;
    cin >> name;
    cout << "What is your height in cm? ";
    int height = 0;
    cin >> height;
    cout << "What is the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow? ";
    int speed = 0;
    cin >> speed;
    cout << "Hello Sir " << name << ", whose height is " << height << "cm.\n";
    cout << "A swallow's airspeed is NOT " << speed << "!\n";
```

setw()

• setw() is a manipulator:

```
    Great for lining up data on the screen.
```

- setw() only affects the one next element.
- Example:

```
int age = 12
cout << "[" << age << "]";
cout << "[" << setw(5) << age << "]";
```

Output [12] [12]

Pads with spaces when item is fewer characters than the setw()'s width.

if it's larger than width.

Making a table

```
#include <iostream>
                                   Name:
                                                     Fav Food Fav Number
#include <iomanip>
                                Dr. Evil
                                                     Cupcakes
                                                                  100000000
using namespace std;
                            I.L.B. Bach
                                                    Anchovies
                                                                         1997
int main()
                                       Me Pizza and Cake
   const int WIDTH1 = 15;
   const int WIDTH2 = 18;
   const int WIDTH3 = 12;
   cout << setw(WIDTH1) << "Name:"
        << setw(WIDTH2) << "Fav Food"
        << setw(WIDTH3) << "Fav Number"<<endl;</pre>
   cout << setw(WIDTH1) << "Dr. Evil"
        << setw(WIDTH2) << "Cupcakes"
        << setw(WIDTH3) << "100000000"<<endl;
   cout << setw(WIDTH1) << "I.L.B. Bach"
        << setw(WIDTH2) << "Anchovies"
        << setw(WIDTH3) << "1997"<<endl;
   // . . . . omitted to fit on slide.
```

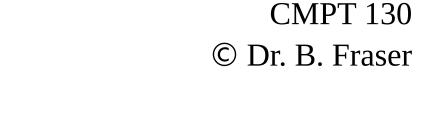
Review

- 1. What is wrong with each of these?
 - a) int 1stVar = 10;
 - b) int return = 0;
- 2. What is the value of each of these variables?
 - a) int x = 5 / 2;
 - b) int y = 21 % 5;
 - c) double z = 4 * 1.5;
- 3. What statement displays variable age using 6 columns?
- 4. What statement reads in a number to the variable age?

Summary

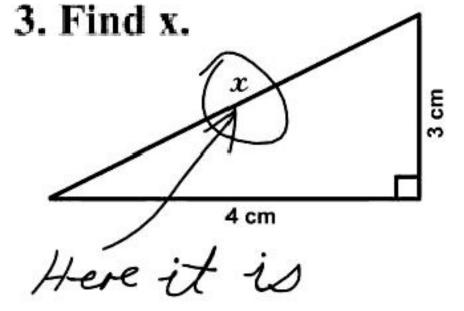
- Formatted output: cout << setw(10) << "Hello";
- Keyboard Input: cin >> myAge;

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Initialization, Scope, and Comments

Uninitialized Variables

- Variables which are not initialized...
 - That value is garbage (unknown).

```
short g1, g2, g3, g4, g5, g6, g7, g8;
cout << setw(8) << g1;
cout << setw(8) << g2;
cout << setw(8) << g3;
cout << setw(8) << g4 << "\n";
                                Output:
cout << setw(8) << g5;
                                 2052
                                         <del>-</del>29221 114
                                                             8240
cout << setw(8) << g6;
                                 51
                                          25765 - 16446
                                                              2216
cout << setw(8) << q7;
cout << setw(8) << g8 << "\n";
```

Variable Initialization

- Variable Initialization:
 - You should always...
 - Can **initialize** with either:...



- C++ does not require variable initialization;
 but it is a good safe practice.
- Each variable must be defined exactly once.

```
int height = 1;
int height = 1;
```

Uniform Initializer Example

```
// Show uniform initializers
#include <iostream>
                                              How many triangles? 8
#include <iomanip>
                                              # Triangles:
using namespace std;
                                              # Sides: 24
int main () {
    const int SIDES_PER_TRIANGLE {3};
    const int WIDTH {5};
    cout << "How many triangles? ";</pre>
    int triangles {0};
    cin >> triangles;
    int totalSides = (triangles * SIDES_PER_TRIANGLE);
    cout << "# Triangles: " << setw(WIDTH) << triangles << endl;
cout << "# Sides: " << setw(WIDTH) << totalSides << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
```

Scope

Scope is the region of the program where..

More on this later!

Comments

Good comments tell you...

- Which comment is best?
 - double rate = 0.12; // Set to 0.12
 - double rate = 0.12; // Set to current tax rate.
- Rule of thumb:
 - Comment the purpose of every 3-4 lines of code.

Comment Style

Single line comments use double slash:
 // Insert meaningful comment here.
 int i=2;

Multiple line comments use /* ... and ... */

```
/*
  These are good for larger comments.

For example, describing a function's purpose,
  Arguments, return value, and errors.
*/
```

- When changing the code...
 - An incorrect comment is worse than no comment!

Out Of Class Review Question

- Write a program to help out at a health center:
 - Reads in two numbers from the keyboard:
 - Number of patients waiting
 - Number of nurses working
 - Calculate and display how many patients each nurse sees (and how many left over)
 - Calculate total number of people at the health centre
 - Calculate how long it will be until any nurse has a break from seeing patients (assume 10m / patient)
 - Line up output nicely on screen.
 - Use good variable names to store each result.

Summary

- Importance of variable initialization
- Include meaningful comments!