

# Character Functions & Manipulators

## Arrays in C++

CS 16: Solving Problems with Computers I  
Lecture #10

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# Lecture Outline

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- Useful character manipulators & functions
- Arrays in C++

## Member Functions: `get` and `getline`

See demo files:  
`get_example.cpp`  
`getline_example.cpp`

- Allow you to use input streams that include white-spaces
  - *Unlike `cin`*, which separates inputs by white-spaces
  - Recall: white-space = space, tab, newline characters

### `.get`

```
char c_fin, c_cin;  
ifstream inf;
```

```
inf.get(c_fin);  
cin.get(c_cin);
```

### `.getline`

```
string fstring, cin_string;  
ifstream inf;
```

```
getline(inf, fstring);  
getline(cin, cin_string);
```

# getline function

- For standard inputs, `cin` is fine: **but it ignores space, tabs, and newlines**
- Sometimes, you want to get the ***entire line of data!***
  - ***And stop at the newline***
- Best to use the function `getline` for that purpose.
- You have to include the `<iostream>` library (which you likely already do!)
- Popular Usage:

```
getline(ifstream_object, string);  
getline(cin, string);
```

## Additional Note About `getline`

- You can customize what character a `getline` stops “getting” info
  - You can define the “character delimiter”
  - By default, that’s a newline char

Example:

```
getline(cin, VariableX, 'm')    //stops at the char 'm'
```

If the standard input is “Hello, I must be going”,  
then **VariableX** will be “Hello, I ”

# Character Functions

- Several predefined functions exist to facilitate working with characters
- The **cctype** library is required for most of them

```
#include <cctype>  
using namespace std;
```

## The **toupper** Function

- **toupper** returns the argument's upper case character
  - `toupper( 'a' )` returns 'A'
  - `toupper( 'A' )` returns 'A'

**DOES NOT WORK WITH STRINGS!**  
**IT'S FOR CHARACTERS ONLY!**

## The **tolower** Function

- Similar to **toupper** function...
- **tolower** returns the argument's lower case character
  - `tolower('a')` returns 'a'
  - `tolower('A')` returns 'a'



# The `isspace` Function

- `isspace` returns *true* if the argument is a **whitespace**  
(spaces, tabs, and newlines)
  - So, `isspace(' ')` returns true, so does `isspace('\n')`

Example:

```
if (isspace(next) )  
    cout << '-';  
else  
    cout << next;
```

**Prints a '-' if next contains a space, tab, or newline character**

### Some Predefined Character Functions in ctype (part 2 of 2)

Function	Description	Example
<code>isupper(Char_Exp)</code>	Returns <i>true</i> provided <i>Char_Exp</i> is an uppercase letter; otherwise, returns <i>false</i> .	<pre>if (isupper(c))     cout &lt;&lt; c &lt;&lt; " is uppercase."; else     cout &lt;&lt; c         &lt;&lt; " is not uppercase.";</pre>
<code>islower(Char_Exp)</code>	Returns <i>true</i> provided <i>Char_Exp</i> is a lowercase letter; otherwise, returns <i>false</i> .	<pre>char c = 'a'; if (islower(c))     cout &lt;&lt; c &lt;&lt; " is lowercase.";</pre> <b>Outputs:</b> a is lowercase.
<code>isalpha(Char_Exp)</code>	Returns <i>true</i> provided <i>Char_Exp</i> is a letter of the alphabet; otherwise, returns <i>false</i> .	<pre>char c = '\$'; if (isalpha(c))     cout &lt;&lt; c &lt;&lt; " is a letter."; else     cout &lt;&lt; c         &lt;&lt; " is not a letter.";</pre> <b>Outputs:</b> \$ is not a letter.
<code>isdigit(Char_Exp)</code>	Returns <i>true</i> provided <i>Char_Exp</i> is one of the digits '0' through '9'; otherwise, returns <i>false</i> .	<pre>if (isdigit('3'))     cout &lt;&lt; "It's a digit."; else     cout &lt;&lt; "It's not a digit.";</pre> <b>Outputs:</b> It's a digit.
<code>isspace(Char_Exp)</code>	Returns <i>true</i> provided <i>Char_Exp</i> is a whitespace character, such as the blank or new-line symbol; otherwise, returns <i>false</i> .	<pre>//Skips over one "word" and //sets c equal to the first //whitespace character after //the "word": do {     cin.get(c); } while (! isspace(c));</pre>

## Character Manipulators Work Too!

- Include **<cctype>** to use with, for example, **toupper()**

```
string s = "hello";  
s[0] = toupper(s[0]);  
cout << s;    // Will display "Hello"
```

- ...or to use with **tolower()**

```
string s = "HELLO";  
for (int i=0; i < 5; i++) s[i] = tolower(s[i]);  
cout << s;    // Will display "hello"
```

# Manipulators

- A type of function called in a nontraditional way
- Manipulators, in turn, *call member functions*
  - May or may not have arguments to them
- Used after the insertion operator (<<) as if the manipulator function call is an output item

# The setw Manipulator

- `setw` sets spaces for output: only effective for one use
  - Found in the library `<iomanip>`
- Example: 

```
cout << "Start" << setw(4) << 10  
      << setw(4) << 20 << setw(6) << 30;
```

produces:    Start    10    20    30

2 Spaces      4 Spaces

- The 1<sup>st</sup> `setw(4)` ensures 4 spaces between "Start" and 10, *INCLUSIVE* of the spaces taken up by 10.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> `setw(4)` ensures 4 spaces between 10 and 20, *INCLUSIVE* of the spaces taken up by 20.
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> `setw(6)` ensures 6 spaces between 20 and 30, *INCLUSIVE* of the space taken up by 30.

# Converting Data Types in C++

## `stoi`                      `to_string`

### `stoi()`                      String-to-Integer conversion

- Found in `<string>` library.
- Takes string as argument and returns int type.
- Example:     `int x = stoi("66")    // x = 66`
- If the string is NOT a number representation, **it will cause a runtime error!**

### `to_string()`                      Number-to-String conversion

- Found in `<string>` library.
- Takes int or double as argument and returns string type.
- Example:     `string y = to_string(6.32)    // y = "6.32"`

## Converting Data Types in C++ Combining Characters with Strings

- Consider this code using C++ Strings:

```
string msg1 = "Hello", msg2 = "World";  
char sp = ' ';    // space character  
string msg3 = msg1 + msg2;  
string msg4 = msg1 + sp + msg2;  
string msg4 = msg1 + sp + msg2[0];  
string msg4 = msg1[0] + sp + msg2[0];
```

Compiles!

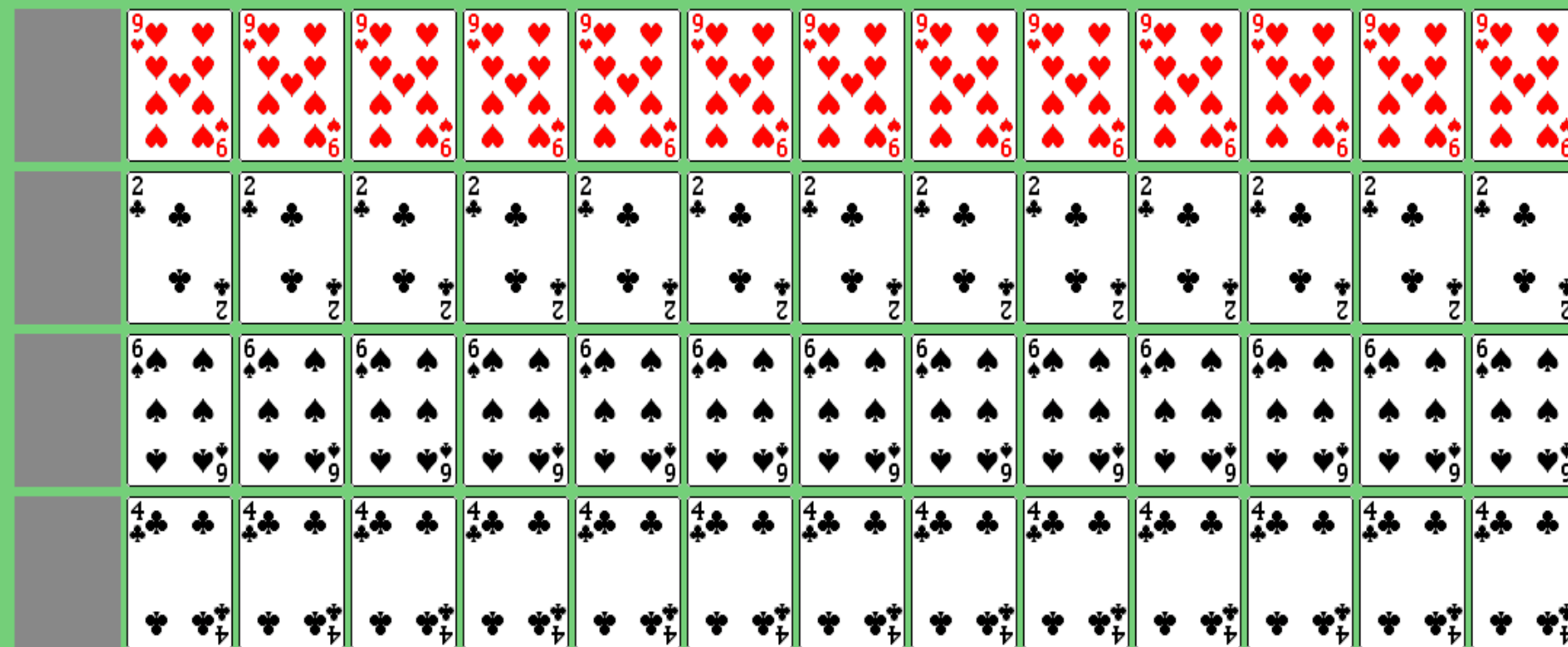
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Does NOT Compile!

- You can create a string that is a concatenation of strings + characters
- You CANNOT create a string out of **only** characters!
  - Concatenation is just for strings - not for characters.

# ARRAYS





# Introduction to Arrays

- An array is used to process a collection of data of the **same** type
  - Examples:    A list of people's last names  
                  A list of numerical measurements
- Why do we need arrays?
  - Imagine keeping track of 1000 test scores in memory!
    - How would you name all the variables?
    - How would you process each of the variables?

## Declaring an Array

```
int score[5];
```

```
// Declares an array of ints called score that has 5 elements:
```

```
// score[0], score[1], score[2], score[3], score[4]
```



*subscript or index*

- Note the **size** of the array is the **highest index value + 1**
  - Because indexing in C++ starts at 0, not 1
  - The index can be an **integer data type variable** also

# Loops And Arrays

- for-loops are commonly used to step through arrays

Example:

```
int max = 9, size = 5;  
for (i = 0; i < size; i++)  
    cout << max - score[i] << endl;
```

*First  
index is 0*



*Last index is (size - 1)*



displays the difference between each score and the maximum score stored in an array

# Declaring An Array

- When you declare an array, you **MUST** declare its **size** as well!

```
int MyArray[5];  
//Array declared has 5 non-initialized elements
```

*{ ... } used for full-array initializations*



```
int MyArray[] = {1, 2, 5, 7, 0};  
// Array declared has 5 initialized elements
```

```
int MyArray[5] = {1, 2, 5, 7, 0};  
// This is ok too!
```

# Initializing Arrays

- It's recommended to initialize an array when it is declared
  - The values for the indexed variables are enclosed in braces and separated by commas

- Example: `int children[3] = {2, 12, 1};`

Is equivalent to:

```
int children[3];  
children[0] = 2;  
children[1] = 12;  
children[2] = 1;
```

# Constants and Arrays

- You can use **variables** as indices in arrays, **BUT NOT** to declare them!
- However, you can use **constants** to *declare* size of an array

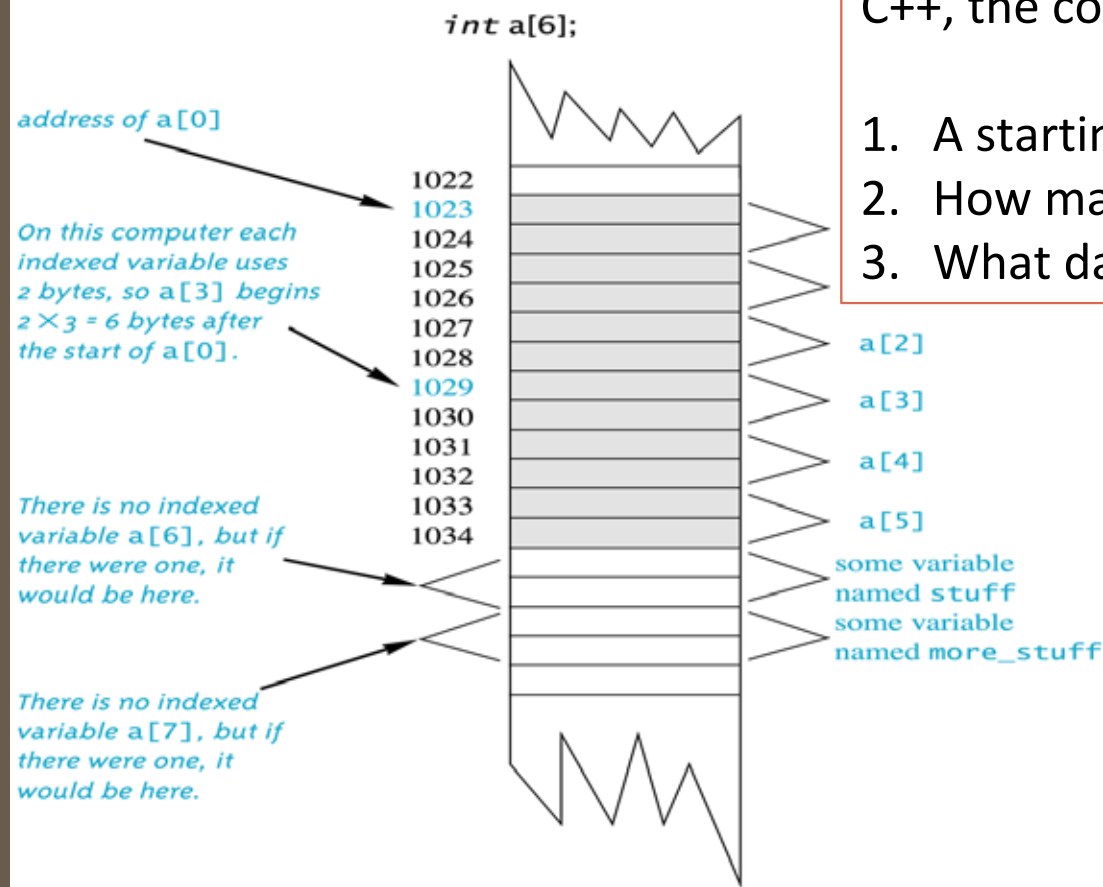
## Example:

```
const int NUMBER_OF_STUDENTS = 50; // can change this later
int score[NUMBER_OF_STUDENTS];

...
for ( int i = 0; i < NUMBER_OF_STUDENTS; i++)
    cout << score[i] << endl;
```

- To make this code work for any number of students,  
simply change the value of the constant in the 1<sup>st</sup> line...

## An Array in Memory



When reserving memory space for an array in C++, the compiler needs to know **just 3 things**:

1. A starting address (location)
2. How many elements in array
3. What data type the array elements are

If the compiler needs to determine the address of `a[3]`, for example  
It starts at `a[0]` (it knows this address!)  
It counts past enough memory for three integers to find `a[3]`

# Array Index Out of Range

- A common error by programmers is using a nonexistent index
  - Index values for `int a[6]` are the values **0** through **5**
  - An index value that's not allowed by the array declaration is called *out of range*
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- Using an out of range index value does not always produce an error message by the compiler!!!
    - It produces a WARNING, but the program will often give a run-time error
    - So, **DON'T** rely on the compiler catching your mistakes! **Be Proactive!**



## Out of Range Problems

- Let's say we have the following: `int a[6], i = 7;`
- Then we execute the statement: `a[i] = 238;`
- This causes...
  - The computer to calculate the address of the illegal `a[7]`
  - This address could be where some *other* variable in the program is stored!
  - The value 238 *will be stored* at the address calculated for `a[7]`
- **Congrats! You've now messed with the integrity of computer memory!**
- You could get run-time errors OR YOU MIGHT NOT!!! (unpredictable)
- *This is bad practice! Keep track of your arrays!*

## Default Values

- If *too few* values are listed in an initialization statement
  - The listed values are used to **initialize the first** of the indexed variables
  - The remaining indexed variables are initialized to a **zero** of the base type
- Example: `int a[10] = {5, 5};` // Note array size given  
initializes `a[0]` and `a[1]` to **5**  
and `a[2]` through `a[9]` to **0**

### NOTE:

This is called an *extended initializer list* and it only works in the latest versions of C++ compilers (version 11 or later).

# Range-Based For Loops

- C++11 (and later) includes a new type of **for loop**:  
**The range-based for-loop** simplifies iteration over every element in an array.
- For example, the following code outputs: **2 4 6 8**

```
int arr[ ] = {2, 4, 6, 8};  
for (int x : arr)  
{  
    cout << x << " ";  
}
```

# Arrays in Functions

- Indexed variables **can** be arguments to functions
- Example: If a program contains these declarations:

```
void my_function(int x);  
...  
int i, n, a[10];
```

Variables a[0] through a[9] are of type **int**, so making these calls **IS** legal:

```
my_function( a[0] );  
my_function( a[3] );  
my_function( a[i] );
```

BUT! This call is **NOT** legal:

```
my_function( a[] );    or    my_function( a );
```

# Arrays as Function Arguments

- You *can* make an entire array a formal parameter for a function
  - That is, as an **input** to a function
- But you *cannot* make an entire array the RETURNED value for a function
  - That is, as an **output** from a function
- An array parameter *behaves* much like a call-by-reference parameter

## Passing an Array into a Function

- An array parameter is indicated using **empty brackets** in the parameter list such as

```
void fill_up(int a[], int size);
```

# Function Calls With Arrays

- If function **fill\_up** is *declared* in this way (note: uses [ ] !!!)  
`void fill_up(int a[], int size);`
- and array **score** is declared this way:  
`int score[5], number_of_scores = 5;`
- **fill\_up** is *called* in this way (note: **no** [ ] !!!)  
`fill_up(score, number_of_scores);`
- Note that the array values can be *changed* by the function
  - Even though it “looks like” it’s being passed-by-value – it’s actually being passed-by-reference. We’ll discuss this more with “pointers” another time...

## Function with an Array Parameter

### Function Declaration

```
void fill_up(int a[], int size);  
//Precondition: size is the declared size of the array a.  
//The user will type in size integers.  
//Postcondition: The array a is filled with size integers  
//from the keyboard.
```

### Function Definition

```
//Uses iostream:  
void fill_up(int a[], int size)  
{  
    using namespace std;  
    cout << "Enter " << size << " numbers:\n";  
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)  
        cin >> a[i];  
    size--;  
    cout << "The last array index used is " << size << endl;  
}
```



## Array Argument Details

- Recall: What does the computer know about an array?
  - The base **type**
  - The **address of the first** indexed variable
  - The **number** of indexed variables
- What does a function need know about an array argument?
  - The base **type**
  - The **address of the first** indexed variable

# Array Parameter Considerations

- Because a function **does not know the size** of an array argument...
  - The programmer should include a formal parameter that specifies the size of the array
  - The function can process arrays of various sizes
    - Example: function **fill\_up** from on pg. 392 of the textbook can be used to fill an array of any size:

```
fill_up(score, 5);  
fill_up(time, 10);
```

But...

## IS there a way to CALCULATE the Size of an Array?

- Yes, there is... but not with regular arrays
- You will want to use “dynamic arrays”
  - We’ll talk about those later on with “pointers”
- For now, get used to the idea of passing the size of an array into a function that has the array as argument.

## const Modifier

- Array parameters allow  
a function to change the values stored in the array arg.
  - Similar to how a parameter being passed by reference would be
- If you want a function to *not change* the values of the array argument, use the modifier **const**
- An array param. modified w/ **const** is called a *constant array parameter*
  - Example:  
`void show_the_world(const int a[ ], int size);`
- If **const** is used to modify an array parameter:  
it has to be used in both the function declaration and definition

## Returning An Array

- Recall that functions can return a value of type int, double, char, ..., or even a class type (like string)
- **BUT functions cannot return arrays**
- We'll learn later how to return a *pointer* to an array instead...

# YOUR TO-DOs

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- ☐ Begin Lab6 on Wednesday
- ☐ Do HW10 by next Thursday
- ☐ Visit Prof's and TAs' office hours if you need help!
- ☐ Practice all your skills

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