ARITHMETIC AND THE MATH LIBRARY



- Recap arithmetic
- Arithmetic with mixed variable types
- Math library functions

This is a bit of a miscellaneous collection of the things we didn't yet cover from Chapters 1 & 2.

Arithmetic

• The mathematical operators in C++ are:

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+	unary plus
—	unary minus
+	addition
-	subtraction
*	multiplication
/	division
%	modulo

• We also have ++, --, +=, -=, *= and /=.

• Given:

int x; int y; int z;

we can write, for example:

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• Because x and y are integers, when we do division it is integer (elementary school) division.

• So:

x = 13; y = 3; z = x/y;

makes z equal to 4.

• Similarly:

x = 13; y = 3; z = x % y;

makes z equal to 1.

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• We can write complex arithmetic expressions, like:

int x, y, z; int u, v, w;

x = y + z * u - v / w;

- What sum does this do?
- My advice: use parentheses, so if you want:

x = (((y + z) * u) - v) / w;

then write that.

• If you don't do what I advise, then C++ uses some (kind of complex) rules to figure out what to do.

- It uses *precedence* rules to decide which things to do first.
- For example, it does * and / before + and -
- There are also *associativity* rules, which say how to order things when the precedence rules don't help.
- For example is:

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x / y * z
the same as
(x / y) * z
or
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- (x / (y * z)?
- Precedence and associativity rules are in the textbook, page 65.

Arithmetic with mixed variables

- In the arithmetic we have seen before, everything is an integer.
- That's why division was odd (and we needed %) there was no way to represent fractions.
- If we want to be able to handle fractions, we use double-valued variables

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double x = 13;
double y = 4;
double z
z = x/y;
makes z equal to 3.25
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- If all the variables are double then things work as you'd expect.
- You can combine fractions and get fractions as answers.
- Things can be odd if you mix doubles and ints.

double x = 13; double y = 4; int z z = x/y;

makes z equal to 3

• This happens because you can't store the fractional bit in z, so it just gets truncated.

• Perhaps stranger is:

int x = 13;int y = 4;double z

z = x/y;

makes z equal to 3

• This happens because x/y has been evaluated to 4 (as a result of integer division) before it is assigned to z.

• However:

```
double x = 13;
int y = 4;
double z
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z = x/y;

makes z equal to 3.25

• This happens because having one of the variables in the division be a double forces the whole division to be done as if all the values were doubles.

Math library

- In the roombaGame, let's imagine we want to see how far the roomba is from the dirt.
- We have x and y which give us the roomba's position.
- We have dirtX and dirtY which give us the position of the dirt.
- The distance between them is:

$$distance = \sqrt{(x - dirtX)^2 + (y - dirtY)^2}$$

• How can we compute this?

• The squares are easy enough to compute.

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(x - dirtX) * (x - dirtX)
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and

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(y - dirtY) * (y - dirtY)
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- For the square root we can use the math library function sqrt.
 distance = sqrt(((x dirtX) * (x dirtX)) + ((y - dirtY) * (y - dirtY));
- To use the math library, we need to add in

#include<cmath>

at the start of the program.

- The math library contains a bunch of other functions:
- double pow(double x, double y)
- double sin(double x)
- double cos(double x)
- double tan(double x)
- double asin(double x)
- double acos(double x)
- double atan(double x)

Summary

- This lecture covered a couple of things related to arithmetic and other mathematics in C++.
- First we recapped the arithmetic operators.
- Then we looked at different aspects of arithmetic, especially what happens when you have complex expressions, and when you mix ints and doubles.
- Finally, we looked at using the math library.