

Week4 :  
Scientific Computing  
Writing and completing a program

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# Outline

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## Writing a Program

- A Problem

- A Simple Calculator

- Grammars

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## Completing a program

## A problem

Today's class we will work through a programming problem that is worked through in the textbook Chapters 6 and 7. We picked a problem that:

- ▶ Illustrates design and programming techniques
- ▶ Doesn't require too many new language constructs
- ▶ Is complicated enough to require some thought
- ▶ Allows many variations in solution
- ▶ Allows many variations in its solutions
- ▶ Solves an easily understood problem
- ▶ Is short enough to present (in 3 hours)

## The problem : a simple calculator

- ▶ Get the computer to do ordinary arithmetic on expressions the user types in, eg:
- ▶ You enter:  $2 + 3.1 * 4$
- ▶ The program should respond: 14.4
- ▶ Thinking about the problem:
  1. First think about how you would like to interact with the program
  2. Often a design will evolve after you start working on it – our example will do the same
  3. The journey through the steps from initial design to final product is as important to learn as the technical language details

## Stages of development

- ▶ *Analysis*: Describe current understandign of the problem – can be called requirements or specification.
- ▶ *Design*: Create an overall structure for the system and how the parts will communicate. Pick any libraries of code that can be used.
- ▶ *Implementation*: Write the code, debug it, and test it.

# Strategy in programming

1. Ask yourself some strategy questions:
  - ▶ What is the problem to be solved?
  - ▶ How would I like to interact with this program?
  - ▶ Is the problem statement clear? – Often it is better to start by not asking too much of the program, and later add to it in an updated 2.0 version.
  - ▶ Does the problem seem manageable given time, skills, and tools available?
2. Try breaking the problem into manageable parts.
  - ▶ Do you know any tools/libraries that might help? (for sure use C++ standard library!)
  - ▶ Look for parts of a solution that can be separately described (eg. vector, string, iostream) – in this class we will see `Token` and `Token_stream`
  - ▶ Analogy to building a car, break into parts: wheels, engine, seats, etc.
3. Build a small, limited version of the program first
  - ▶ This will bring out problems in our understanding

## A simple calculator

- ▶ We will use `cin` and `cout` to interact with the calculator (that's all we've learned about so far)

- ▶ Example inputs and outputs:

Expression: 2+2

Result: 4

Expression: 2+2\*3

Result: 8

Expression: 2+3-25/5

Result: 0

- ▶ Expressions are input by the user, results are produced by the program
- ▶ Pseudo-code for program's operation:

```
read_a_line();  
calculate();  
write_result();
```



# A first code

## firstcalculator.cpp

```
1 #include "std_lib_facilities.h"
2 int main(){
3     cout << "Please enter expression (we can handle +
4         and -): ";
5     int lval = 0, rval = 0;
6     char op = ' ';
7     int res = 0;
8     cin >> lval >> op >> rval;
9     if ( op == '+' ){
10        res = lval + rval;
11    } else if ( op == '-' ) {
12        res = lval - rval;
13    } else {
14        cerr << "Unknown op " << op << endl;
15    }
16    cout << "Result: " << res << endl;
17    return 0;
18 }
```

## Notes on firstcalculator.cpp

- ▶ First code basically works. Lets clean it up and add more features.
- ▶ Lets also check inputs as we go (instead of getting them all in one input line).
- ▶ We will add multiplication and division, and ability to handle multiple operands.
- ▶ Ie.  $1 + 2 * 3$

## A second version – secondcalculator.cpp

```
1 int main() {
2     cout << "Enter expression with +,-,*,/ (add x to
3         end):"<<endl;
4     int lval = 0, rval = 0;
5     cin >> lval;
6     if (!cin) error("No first operand");
7     for ( char op; cin >> op; ){
8         if ( op != 'x' ) cin >> rval;
9         if (!cin) error("No second operand");
10        switch ( op ){
11            case '+': lval += rval; break;
12            case '-': lval -= rval; break;
13            case '*': lval *= rval; break;
14            case '/': lval /= rval; break;
15            default:
16                cout << "Result: " << lval << endl;
17                return 0;
18        }
19    }
20    error ("bad expression");
}
```

## Notes on secondcalculator.cpp

- ▶ This version, we notice some problems.
- ▶ For example we type:  $1 + 2 * 3$ , and the program responds: 9
- ▶ If it followed ordinary order of operation, we expected to get 7
- ▶ What went wrong?
- ▶ Problem is that we can't just evaluate from left to right – need to look for  $*$  and  $/$  before  $+$  and  $-$
- ▶ We need to consider:
  1. How to handle user input over several lines
  2. How do we search for  $*$ ,  $($ , or  $/$  among  $+$ ,  $-$  and numbers?
  3. How do we remember where the  $*$  was?
  4. How do we handle evaluation that isn't left to right ( $1+2*3$ )?

## Tokens

- ▶ We can look what people have already done in other calculator programs.
- ▶ Typically “tokenize” the inputs.
- ▶ For example if user enters:  $45 + 11.5/7$
- ▶ We make a list of tokens:  $45, +, 11.5, /, 7$
- ▶ A token is something we consider a “unit”, such as a number or operator
- ▶ We will use three kinds of tokens:
  1. floating point literals, eg.  $3.1415, 0.27e2, 42$
  2. operators:  $+, -, /, *, \%$
  3. parentheses:  $( \text{ and } )$
- ▶ Need a way to store “tokens” that have a (kind, value) pair

## Token

We define a new type `Token` to represent tokens:

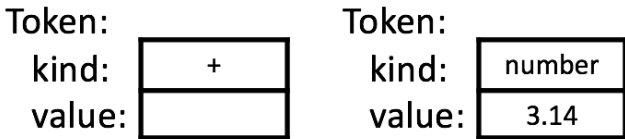


Figure: `Token` a type to represent (kind, value) pairs.

The code for this user defined type is:

```
1 class Token {  
2     // a user defined type (kind, value) pair  
3     public:  
4     char kind;  
5     double value;  
6 };
```

- ▶ The keyword `class` is used to define a new user type
- ▶ We use a `char` to represent the token type

## Using Token

We can use the `Token` type like this:

```
1 Token t;           // t is a Token
2 t.kind = '+';     // t represents a '+'
3 Token t2;         // t2 is a token
4 t2.kind = '8';    // we use '8' to represent numbers
5 t2.value = 3.14'
```

- ▶ We use the dot `'.'` notation `object_name.member_name` to access a member of a class
- ▶ We can copy tokens:

```
1 Token tt = t;     // copy initialization
2 if ( tt.kind != t.kind ) error("Impossible!");
3 t = t2;           // assignment
4 cout << t.value ; // prints 3.14
```

## Using Tokens

- ▶ Using Tokens, we can represent  $(1.5 + 4) * 11$  using 7 tokens:

7 Tokens representing  $(1.5+4)*11$

kind:	(	8	+	8	)	*	8
value:		1.5		4			11

Figure: Tokens representing  $(1.5 + 4) * 11$

- ▶ We can write a function to get a token (declared as):

```
Token get_token ();
```



## Using Tokens

- ▶ We can collect Tokens in a vector:

```
1 int main(){
2     vector< Token > tok;
3     while (cin ){
4         Token t = get_token();
5         tok.push_back( t );
6     }
7     // Now we have all tokens in a vector, do all *
8     // first?
9     for (int i=0; i<tok.size(); ++i ){
10        if ( tok[i].kind == '*' ){
11            double d = tok[i-1].value * tok[i+1].value;
12            // now what?
13        }
14    }
15    return 0;
}
```

## Grammars

- ▶ So how to we decide what to do with our vector of Tokens?
- ▶ Again look at previous calculator code – we use a *grammar*
- ▶ A simple grammar for our calculator looks like:

Expression: ( an experssion is either:

Term  
Expression + Term  
Expression - Term  
a term,  
an expression + a term, or  
an expression - a term )

Term: ( a term is either:

Primary  
Term \* Primary  
Term / Primary  
Term % Primary  
a primary,  
a term \* a primary,  
a term / a primary, or  
a term % a primary )

Primary: ( a primary is either :

Number  
( Expression )  
a number, or  
an expression in brackets )

Number:

floating-point ( a number is a C++ floating po

## Example 1 – reading the grammar

- ▶ Suppose we enter 2. Is 2 an expression?
- ▶ An expression must be a term, or another expression + or - a term. If we look at term, it must be a primary or another term \*, / or % a primary. If we look at primary, we see it is a number or an expression in brackets. If we look at number, we find that 2 is a floating-point literal.
- ▶ Since 2 is a floating point number, it is a number, which is a primary, which is a term, which is an expression.
- ▶ So, yes, 2 is an expression.

## Grammar example 1 – graphically

Expression:

Term

Expression + Term

Expression – Term

Term:

Primary

Term \* Primary

Term / Primary

Term % Primary

Primary:

Number

( Expression )

Number:

floating point literal

Expression



Term



Primary



Number



Floating-point literal



## Grammar example 2 – graphically

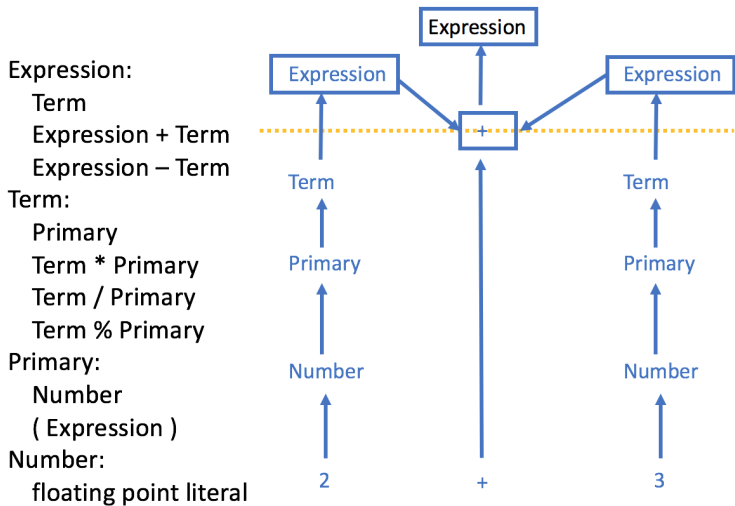


Figure: Evaluating user entry of 2 + 3 in grammar.

## Grammar example 3 – graphically

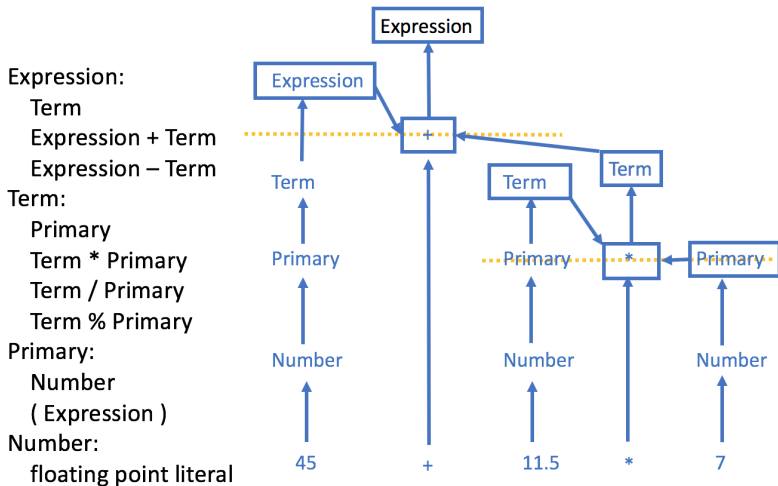


Figure: Evaluating user entry of  $45 + 11.5 * 7$  in grammar.

## Grammar example 4 – subset of english

- ▶ We can write a simple grammar for a few simple english sentences:

Sentence:

Noun Verb

Sentence conjunction Sentence

Conjunction:

and

or

but

Noun:

birds

fish

C++

Verb:

rules

fly

swim

## Grammar example 4 – graphically

Sentence:

noun verb

sentence conjunction sentence

Conjunction:

and

or

but

Noun:

birds

fish

C++

Verb:

rules

fly

swim

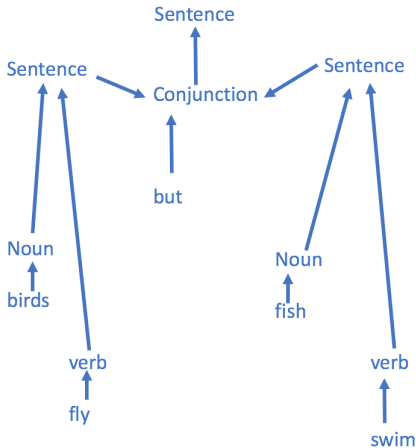


Figure: Parsing the phrase “birds fly but fish swim”



## Grammar example 5 – grammar for a list

List:

{ sequence }

Sequence:

Element

Element, sequence

Element:

A

B

- ▶ Examples of lists:

{ A }

{ B }

{ A, B }

{ A, A, A, A, B }

- ▶ The following are not lists (why?):

{ }

A

{ A, A, A, A, B

{ A B C }

{ A, A, A, A, B, }

## Turning grammar into code

- ▶ Simplest method: write one function for each grammar rule.
- ▶ A program that implements a grammar is often called a *parser*
- ▶ We need four functions:
  1. `get_token()` to read character and compose tokens (using `cin`)
  2. `expression()` deals with `+` and `-`, and calls `term()` and `get_token()`
  3. `term()` deals with `*`, `/` and `%`, and calls `primary()` and `get_token()`
  4. `primary()` deals with numbers and parentheses, and calls `expression()` and `get_token()`
- ▶ The function declarations:

```
Token get_token ();  
double expression ();  
double term ();  
double primary ();
```

## Turning grammar into code

Expression:

Term

Expression + Term

Expression - Term

```
1 double expression(){
2     double left = term(); // read and evaluate a term
3     Token t = get_token();
4     switch ( t.kind ){
5         case '+': return left + expression();
6         case '-': return left - expression();
7         default: return left;
8     }
9 }
```

- ▶ Unfortunately this isn't quite right
- ▶ It works for many cases, but consider  $1 - 2 - 3$

## Problem with `expression()`

- ▶  $1 - 2 - 3$  evaluates as follows:
- ▶ 1 gets read as a term, then 2-3 gets read as an expression (-1), finally we evaluate  $1 - (-1)$ , which give 2
- ▶ We expected 4, so this isn't so good
- ▶ Problem is we implemented a different grammar:

Expression:

Term

Term + expression

Term - expression

- ▶ Need to look for a + or - after each term and keep doing that until there are no more + or -

## A working version of expression()

```
1 double expression(){
2     double left = term(); // read and evaluate a term
3     Token t = get_token();
4     while ( true ){
5         switch ( t.kind ){
6             case '+':
7                 left += term();
8                 t = get_token();
9                 break;
10            case '-':
11                left -= term();
12                t = get_token();
13                break;
14            default:
15                return left;
16        }
17    }
18 }
```

## First attempt at implementing term()

Term:

Primary

Term \* Primary

Term / Primary

Term % Primary

```
1 double term() {
2     double left = primary();
3     Token t = get_token();
4     while ( true ) {
5         switch ( t.kind ) {
6             case '*': left *= primary();
7                       t = get_token();    break;
8             case '/': left /= primary();
9                       t = get_token();    break;
10            case '%': left %= primary();
11                      t = get_token();    break;
12            default:  return left;
13        }
14    }
15 }
```

## Note of first attempt at `term()`

- ▶ It doesn't compile! `%` only exists for integers – for now lets get rid of that case, and come back to it later
- ▶ If user enters `2/0` we get a divide by zero error
- ▶ We should check for divide by zero – updated code:

```
1 double term() {
2     double left = primary();
3     Token t = get_token();
4     while ( true ) {
5         switch ( t.kind ) {
6             case '*':
7                 left *= primary();
8                 t = get_token();          break;
9             case '/': {
10                double d = primary();
11                if ( d==0 ) error("term(): divide by zero");
12                left /= d;
13                t = get_token();          break;
14            default:
15                return left;
16        }
17    }
```

## First attempt at implementing primary()

Primary:

Number

( expression )

```
1 double primary() {
2     Token t = get_token();
3     switch ( t.kind ) {
4         case '(': {
5             double d = expression();
6             t = get_token();
7             if ( t.kind != ')' ) error("primary() expected
8                 ");
9             return d;
10        }
11       case '8':
12           return t.value;
13       default:
14           error("primary expected");
15    }
```



## First attempt at implementing main()

```
1 int main()
2 try {
3     while (cin) {
4         cout << expression << endl;
5     }
6     return 0;
7 }
8 catch ( exception & e ){
9     cerr << e.what() << endl;
10    return 1;
11 }
12 catch (...) {
13     cerr << "exception" << endl;
14     return 2;
15 }
```

## Try out the first calculator `calculator00.cpp`

- ▶ It doesn't work the way we wanted:
- ▶ enter 2, newline -> no response
- ▶ enter newline -> no response
- ▶ enter 3 newline -> no response
- ▶ enter 4 newline -> it answers 2
- ▶ Now the screen looks like:

2

3

4

2

## Try out the first calculator `calculator00.cpp`

- ▶ enter  $5+6+7$  -> response is 5
- ▶ Now the screen looks like:

2

3

4

2

$5+6+7$

5

- ▶ Puzzling! Also, we should update the code to distinguish between input and output.
- ▶ We add `=` before all output, then try entering:  $1\ 2\ 3\ 4 + 5\ 6 + 7\ 8 + 9\ 10\ 11\ 12$ , and get:

`=1`

`=4`

`=6`

`=8`

`=10`

- ▶ program only outputs every third token?
- ▶ program seems to be eating input (turns out to be in expression)

## Look again at expression()

```
1 double expression(){
2     double left = term(); // read and evaluate a term
3     Token t = get_token();
4     while ( true ){
5         switch ( t.kind ){
6             case '+':
7                 left += term();
8                 t = get_token();
9                 break;
10            case '-':
11                left -= term();
12                t = get_token();
13                break;
14            default:
15                // we are about to return, but
16                // we didn't use the token?
17                return left;
18        }
19    }
20 }
```

## Token\_stream()

- ▶ What do we do with token we aren't using?
- ▶ Need a way to put it back on stream
- ▶ Rather than dealing with character stream, we introduce a `Token_stream` type
- ▶ We give it member functions `get()` to get a token, and `putback( t )`

## Token\_stream()

- ▶ Assuming we have implemented:

```
Token_stream ts; // define this somewhere before
                functions using it
// expression becomes:
double expression(){
    double left = term();
    Token t = ts.get();
    while ( true ){
        switch ( t.kind ) {
            case '+':
                left += term();
                t = ts.get();
                break;
            case '-':
                left -= term();
                t = ts.get();
                break;
            default:
                ts.putback( t ); // put back unused token
                return left;
        }
    }
}
```

## Update term() to use Token\_stream()

```
double term(){
    double left = primary();
    Token t = ts.get();
    while ( true ){
        switch ( t.kind ){
            case '*':
                left *= primary();
                t = ts.get(); break;
            case '/':{
                double d = primary();
                if ( d==0 ) error("term(): divide by zero");
                left /= d;
                t = ts.get(); break;
            default:
                ts.putback( t );
                return left;
        }
    }
}
```

- ▶ For primary(), just change get\_token() to ts.get() – it uses every token

## Notes on this version of calculator

- ▶ Try it out – it basically works, but doesn't print last answer
- ▶ Need a way to say we are done input (lets use ';')
- ▶ Need a way to quit the program (lets use 'q')
- ▶ That changes the line in main() from:

```
while (cin) cout <<"="<<expression()<<endl;
```

- ▶ To:

```
1 double val=0;
2 while (cin){
3     Token t = ts.get();
4     if ( t.kind == 'q' ) break;
5     if ( t.kind == ';' ){ // print now
6         cout << "=" << val << endl;
7     } else {
8         ts.putback( t );
9     }
10    val = expression();
11 }
```

- ▶ Now calculator is useable
- ▶ Need to implement `Token_stream` type



## Implementing Token\_stream()

- ▶ Recall in the `Token` type we had the keyword `public`:
- ▶ For `Token_stream` we also need a `private` keyword, that is used to separate the user interface from implementation details:

```
class Token_stream {  
    public:  
    // user interface  
    // accessible by Token_stream users  
  
    private:  
    // implementation details  
    // not directly accessible to Token_stream users  
};
```

## Public and private parts

- ▶ Public interface should only contain what is needed by the user
- ▶ Private interface contains things needed to make the public interface work. It hides data and functions to initialize object
- ▶ The public part of `Token_stream`:

```
class Token_stream {
public:
    Token_stream(); // make a Token_stream that
                   // reads from cin
    Token get();   // get a Token
    void putback( Token t ); // put token back

private:
    // implementation details
};
```

- ▶ We used the name `putback` instead of `put` since `istream` has the same naming – makes it more consistent with `std` library

## Full implementation of Token\_stream

```
class Token_stream {
public:
    Token_stream();
    Token get();
    void putback( Token t );
private:
    bool full; // is there a Token in buffer?
    Token buffer; // here is where we keep a Token
};
// Constructor of Token_stream
Token_stream::Token_stream() : full( false ),
    buffer(0) { }
// Putback method:
void Token_stream::putback( Token t ){
    if ( full ) error("putback() into a full buffer");
    buffer = t; // copy to buffer
    full = true;
}
```

- ▶ Still have to define `get()` method, which is hardest

## Defining Token\_stream::get()

```
Token Token_stream::get() { // get method:
    if ( full ) { // check if we return buffered value
        full = false;
        return buffer; }
    char ch;  cin >> ch; // get character to test
    switch ( ch ){
        case ';': case 'q': // for print and quit
        case '(': case ')': case '+': case '-':
        case '*': case '/': case '%':
            return Token( ch ); // character represents
                itself
        case '.':
        case '0': case '1': case '2': case '3': case '4':
        case '5': case '6': case '7': case '8': case '9': {
            cin.putback( ch ); // put back digit
            double val; // so we can read a double
            cin >> val;
            return Token( '8', val ); } // '8' for number
        default:
            error( "Bad token" );
    }
}
```

## Program Structure

- ▶ Overall program, with some of details omitted is as follows:

calculator1.cpp

```
1 #include "std_lib_facilities.h"
2 class Token { /*...*/ };
3 class Token_stream { /*...*/ };
4
5 Token_stream::Token_stream(): full(false),
6     buffer(0){ }
7 void Token_stream::putback( Token t ){ /*...*/ }
8 Token Token_stream::get(){ /*...*/ }
9
10 Token_stream ts;
11 double expression(); // declare for use
12     in primary()
13 double primary(){ /*...*/ } // for numbers and
14     parentheses
15 double term(){ /*...*/ } // for *, /, and %
16 double expression(){ /*...*/ } // for +, -
17
18 int main() { /* ... */ }
```

## Function call graph

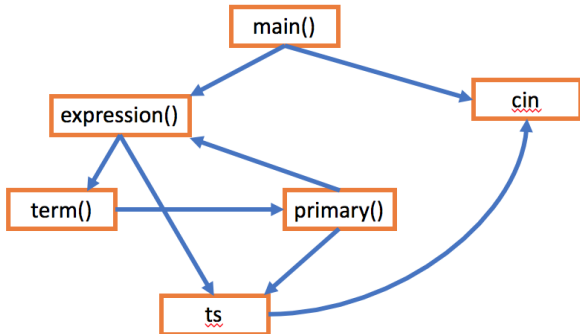


Figure: Representation of function calls.

- ▶ The program basically works now – try it out and see what you think? It is in `calculator01.cpp`
- ▶ Chapter 6 Drill – get buggy calculator working
- ▶ Chapter 6 Exercise 3 – add factorial

# Outline

Writing a Program

Completing a program

- Cleaning up the program

- Adding variables to the calculator

# Introduction

- ▶ Once you get program running “reasonably,” you are probably only about half-way done.
- ▶ Let’s try to improve the calculator – in doing so, we will see how to gradually improve code
- ▶ Some modifications we will make:
  - ▶ Add a prompt ‘>’
  - ▶ Test and fix some pathological cases
  - ▶ Add error handling to catch `runtime_error`, and wait for ~ input to exit after reporting error



## Fixing problem with quit command

- ▶ Consider this input:

1 + 2 q

1 + 2; q

- ▶ The first one exits, but doesn't print the 3
- ▶ The second one prints 3, but exits with "error: primary expected"
- ▶ Error is that in main() we should also look for 'q' when we find ;

```
1 int main ()
2 try {
3     while (cin){
4         cout << ">";
5         Token t = ts.get();
6         while ( t.kind == ';' ) t = ts.get(); // eat ;
7         if (t.kind == 'q') {
8             return 0;
9         }
10        ts.putback( t );
11        cout << "=" << expression() << endl;
12    }
13    return 0;
14 } // catch ..
```

## Negative numbers

- ▶ Consider this input:  $-1/2$ ;
- ▶ It exits with "error: primary expected"
- ▶ Modify the grammar to allow using minus in primary:

Primary:

Number

( expression )

- Primary

+ Primary

- ▶ Resulting code on next slide.

# Negative numbers

```
1 double primary(){
2     Token t = ts.get();
3     switch ( t.kind ){
4         case '(': {
5             double d = expression();
6             t = ts.get();
7             if ( t.kind != ')' ) error(") expected");
8             return d;
9         }
10        case '8': return t.value;
11        case '-': return - primary();
12        case '+': return + primary();
13        default: error("primary expected");
14    }
15 }
```

## Remainder %

- ▶ We would like to add remainder, but nly works for int
- ▶ What to do if user enters float?
- ▶ Can use `fmod` function which defines  $x\%y = x - y * int(x/y)$ , eg.
- ▶  $6.7\%3.3 = 6.7 - 3.3 * int(x/y) = 0.1$
- ▶ Add to term's switch statement:

```
1 case '%': {
2     double d = primary();
3     if ( d==0 ) error("% divide by zero");
4     left = fmod( left , d );
5     t = ts.get();
6     break;
7 }
```

## Cleaning up the code

- ▶ Using '8' as a magic constant can be replaced with a `const` definition
- ▶ Also, `print`, `quit`, `prompt`, and `result` characters can be defined:

```
1  const char number = '8';
2  const char quit = 'q';
3  const char print = ',';
4  const char prompt = '>';
5  const char result = '=';
6  /* ... */
7  int main()
8  try {
9      while (cin){
10         cout << prompt;
11         Token t = ts.get();
12         while ( t.kind == print ) t=ts.get();
13         if ( t.kind == quit ) return 0;
14         ts.putback(t);
15         cout << result << expression() <<endl;
16     }
17 } //... catch
```

## Cleaning up main()

- ▶ Try to break functions up so that each function only does one logical action
- ▶ We can break main up so that it provides scaffolding to start/stop the program and catch errors, but move calculation loop to a new function `calculate()`

```
1 void calculate(){
2     while (cin){
3         cout << prompt;
4         Token t = ts.get();
5         while ( t.kind == print ) t=ts.get();
6         if ( t.kind == quit ) return 0;
7         ts.putback(t);
8         cout << result << expression() <<endl;
9     }
10 }
```

## Cleaned up main()

```
1 int main()
2 try {
3     calculate();
4     return 0;
5 } catch ( runtime_error & e ) {
6     cerr << e.what() << endl;
7     return 1;
8 } catch (...) {
9     cerr << "exception" << endl;
10    return 2;
11 }
```

## Code layout

- ▶ Keep code so it fits on a page
- ▶ Long messy code lines can be hard to notice bugs in
- ▶ should move case conditions to be one per line, or grouped by type when they are symbols, eg in get():

```
1  switch (ch){
2    case quit:
3    case print:
4    case '(' : case ')':
5    case '+' : case '-':
6    case '*' : case '/':
7    case '%':
8      return Token{ ch };
9    case '.':
10   case '0' : case '1' : case '2' : case '3' : case '4' :
11   case '5' : case '6' : case '7' : case '8' : case '9' :
12     {
13       cin.putback( ch);
14       double val;
15       cin >> val;
16       return Token{ number, val };
17     }
18 }
```



## Commenting

- ▶ When cleaning up the code, look at each part of the program to see if the original comments are:
  1. Still valid
  2. Adequate for a reader
  3. Not so verbose that they distract from the code
- ▶ The intent of the code should be documented, eg. we should write out the grammar:

```
/* simple calculator
   Revision history:  Bjarne Stroustrup Nov. 2013
                   . . . .
   This program implements a basic expression
   calculator. Input is from cin, and output to
   cout. The grammar for input is:
```

Expression:

Term

Expression + Term

Expression - Term

Term:

Primary

Term \* Primary

Term / Primary

## Recovering from errors

- ▶ Instead of exiting on an error, we can try to recover
- ▶ Move the try, catch block into the calculate function:

```
1 void calculate(){
2     while (cin ) try {
3         cout << prompt;
4         Token t = ts.get();
5         while ( t.kind == print ) t = ts.get();
6         if (t.kind == quit ) return;
7         ts.putback( t );
8         cout << result << expression() << endl;
9     } catch ( exception & e ) {
10        cerr << e.what() << endl;
11        clean_up_mess();
12    }
13 }
```

## Recovering from errors

- ▶ What do we do for `clean_up_mess()`?
- ▶ Want to get rid of any tokens related to the aborted calculation.
- ▶ eg. suppose we enter `1++2*3; 4+5;`
- ▶ Have two options:
  1. Purge all tokens from `Token_stream`
  2. Purge all tokens from current calculations from `Token_stream`
- ▶ In the first choice, the `4+5;` calculation is discarded, while in second it isn't
- ▶ Lets try to implement the second choice.

## First attempt at `clean_up_mess()`

```
1 void clean_up_mess() {
2     while (true) {
3         Token t = ts.get();
4         if ( t.kind == print ) return;
5     }
6 }
```

- ▶ Unfortunately this doesn't work if there are multiple input errors
- ▶ Consider if user enters: `1@z; 1+3;`
- ▶ The `@` gets us into the catch clause for the while loop
- ▶ Then `clean_up_mess()` calls `get()` and reads the `z`, that gives another error
- ▶ That puts us into the `catch(...)` which exits the program

## Need a way to clean up mess

- ▶ Need a way to clean tokens out of `Token_stream` that couldn't possibly throw an exception
- ▶ We will add a new method to `Token_stream` to ignore characters up to and including a character passed to the method:

```
1 class Token_stream{
2     public:
3     Token get();
4     void putback( Token t );
5     void ignore( char c ); // discard characters up to
6                             including c
7     private:
8     bool full{false};
9     Token buffer;
```

## Token\_stream::ignore( char c)

```
1
2 void Token_stream::ignore( char c ){
3     if ( full && c == buffer.kind ){ // first check
4         buffer
5         full = false;
6         return;
7     }
8     full = false;
9     char ch=0;
10    while ( cin >> ch ){
11        if ( ch == c ) return;
12    }
```

## Updated clean up mess

- ▶ Now our cleanup function call becomes:

```
void clean_up_mess () {  
    ts.ignore( print );  
}
```

- ▶ Fixing error catching code can be tricky.
- ▶ Quality error handling is one mark of a professional programmer

# Variables

- ▶ Lets try to add variables to our calculator
- ▶ Need calculator to keep (name, value) pairs, so we can access the value given the name
- ▶ We can define a **Variable** type:

```
1 class Variable{
2     string name;
3     double value;
4 };
```

- ▶ We can store **Variables** in a vector, and define a helper function to get the value of a variable:

```
1 vector< Variable > var_table;
2 double get_value( string s ){
3     for ( const Variable & v : var_table ){
4         if ( v.name == s ) return v.value;
5     }
6     error("get_value undefined name: ",s);
7 }
```



## Variables continued

- ▶ Similarly we can define a `set_value()` function to give a variable a new value:

```
1 void set_value( string s, double d ){
2     for ( Variable & v : var_table ){
3         if (v.name == s ) {
4             v.value = d;
5             return ;
6         }
7     }
8     error("set_value undefined variable ",s);
9 }
```

- ▶ How do we get a new variable into `var_table`?
- ▶ What does user enter to define a new variable?
- ▶ To distinguish between declaration and assignment, lets make declaration of a new variable `var`:

```
let var = 7.2;
```

## Update grammar to handle Variables

- ▶ In order for calculator to handle variables, we need to update the grammar.
- ▶ The new parts of the grammar are below:

Calculation:

Statement

Print

Quit

Calculation statement

Statement:

Declaration

Expression

Declaration:

let name = expression

## statement() and calculate() definitions

```
1 double statement(){
2     Token t = ts.get();
3     switch ( t.kind ){
4         case let:
5             return declaration();
6         default:
7             ts.putback( t );
8             return expression();
9     }
10 }
11 void calculate(){ // statement instead of expression
12     while (cin ) try {
13         cout << prompt;
14         Token t = ts.get();
15         while ( t.kind == print ) t = ts.get();
16         if ( t.kind == quit ) return;
17         ts.putback();
18         cout << result << statement() << endl;
19     } catch (...) {
20         /* ... */
21     }
22 }
```

## Defining variables

- ▶ Two parts for defining a variable with name `var`:
  1. Check whether there is already a variable called `var`
  2. Add `(var, val)` to `var_table`
- ▶ We can make this two functions:

```
1 bool is_declared( string var ){ // true if var is
    in var_table
2     for ( const Variable & v : var_table ){
3         if ( v.name == var ) return true;
4     }
5     return false;
6 }
7 double define_name( string var, double val ){
8     // add (var, val) to var_table
9     if ( is_declared( var ) ) error(var, "declared
    twice");
10    var_table.push_vack( Variable{var, val} );
11    return val;
12 }
```

## The declaration() function

- ▶ The declaration function becomes:

```
1 double declaration() {
2     // assumes we already saw let keyword
3     // handle name = expression
4     Token t = ts.get();
5     if ( t.kind != name ) error("name expected in
6         declaration");
7     string var_name = t.name;
8     Token t2 = ts.get();
9     if ( t2.kind != '=' ){
10        error( "= missing in declaration of ", var_name
11            );
12    }
13    double d = expression();
14    define_name( var_name, d );
15    return d;
16 }
```

## Modifications to Token\_stream::get()

```
1  const char name='a';    // add name, and let as tokens
2  const char let = 'L';
3  const string declkey = "let";
4  Token Token_stream::get() {
5      if (full) {
6          full = false;
7          return buffer;
8      }
9      char ch;  cin >> ch;
10     switch ( ch ) {
11         // ... as before
12         default:
13             if ( isalpha( ch ) ) {
14                 cin.putback( ch );
15                 string s;
16                 cin >> s;
17                 if ( s == declkey ) return Token( let );
18                 return Token{ name, s };
19             }
20             error("Bad token");
21     }
22 }
```

## Continued modifications

- ▶ Still need to modify Token to add a string to hold a variable
- ▶ Updated Token:

```
1 class Token {
2     public:
3     char kind;
4     double value;
5     string name;
6     Token( char ch ) : kind{ch} { }
7     Token( char ch, double val ) : kind{ch},
8         value{val} { }
9     Token( char ch, string n ) : kind{ch}, name{n} { }
```

- ▶ Above we introduced three “constructors” used for defining new Tokens
- ▶ With this change we can try out the calculator
- ▶ We find that it works, but recall how we set name, we read a string
- ▶ That means we have to be careful to put spaces after our name

## Handling no spaces after name

- ▶ We can define names to contain only letters and digits (we could also look for underscore – exercise for the student)
- ▶ Update the “default” case in `Token_stream::get()`:

```
1 default :
2 if ( isalpha( ch ) ){
3     string s;
4     s += ch;
5     while ( cin.get(ch) &&
6             ( isalpha(ch) || isdigit(ch) ) ){
7         s += ch;
8     }
9     cin.putback(ch);
10    if ( s == decltype ) return Token{let };
11    return Token{ name, s };
12 }
13 error("Bad token");
```



## Predefined names

- ▶ Add pi and e as pre-defined variables in main():

```
1 int main()
2 try {
3     // pre-defined names
4     define_name("pi", acos(-1.) );
5     define_name("e", exp(1.) );
6     calculate();
7     return 0;
8 } catch ( exception & e ) {
9     cerr << e.what() << endl;
10    return 1;
11 } catch (...) {
12     cerr << "exception" <<endl;
13     return 2;
14 }
```

- ▶ Still need to provide the assignment operator
- ▶ And do some code cleanup again
- ▶ HW problem is Chapter 7 drill to get calculator08buggy.cpp working!

## Week4 Done!

- ▶ Homework 3 given out last week is due Sept. 29 by 17:00
- ▶ Homework 4 given out today is due Oct. 6 by 17:00