Performance Tip 15.1

Use unformatted I/O for the best performance in high-volume file processing.

Portability Tip 15.1

Using unformatted I/O can lead to portability problems, because unformatted data is not portable across all platforms.

15.2.1 Classic Streams vs. Standard Streams

- C++ classic stream libraries
 - Enable input and output of chars (single bytes)
- ASCII character set
 - Uses single bytes
 - Represents only a limited set of characters
- Unicode character set
 - Represents most of the world's commercially viable languages, mathematical symbols and more
 - www.unicode.org

15.2.1 Classic Streams vs. Standard Streams (Cont.)

- C++ standard stream libraries
 - Enables I/O operations with Unicode characters
 - Class template versions of classic C++ stream classes
 - Specializations for processing characters of types char and wchar_t
 - wchar_ts can store Unicode characters



15.2.3 Stream Input/Output Classes and Objects (Cont.)

- typedefs in <iostream> library
 - istream
 - Represents a specialization of basic_istream
 - Enables char input
 - ostream
 - Represents a specialization of basic_ostream
 - Enables char output
 - iostream
 - Represents a specialization of basic_iostream
 - Enables char input and output

15.2.3 Stream Input/Output Classes and Objects (Cont.)

- Stream-I/O template hierarchy
 - basic_istream and basic_ostream derive from basic_ios
 - basic_iostream derives from basic_istream and basic_ostream
 - Uses multiple inheritance
- Stream operator overloading
 - Stream insertion operator
 - Left-shift operator (<<) is overloaded for stream output
 - Stream extraction operator
 - Right-shift operator(>>) is overloaded for stream input



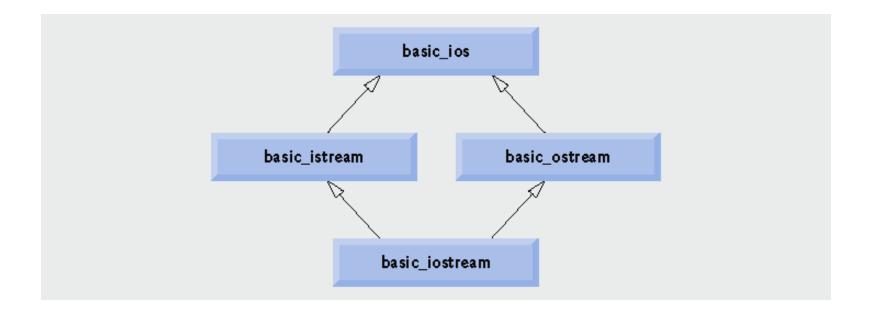


Fig. 15.1 | Stream-I/O template hierarchy portion.



15.2.3 Stream Input/Output Classes and Objects (Cont.)

- Standard stream objects
 - istream instance
 - cin
 - Connected to the standard input device, usually the keyboard
 - ostream instances
 - cout
 - Connected to the standard output device, usually the display screen
 - cerr
 - Connected to the standard error device
 - Unbuffered output appears immediately
 - clog
 - Connected to the standard error device
 - Buffered output is held until the buffer is filled or flushed



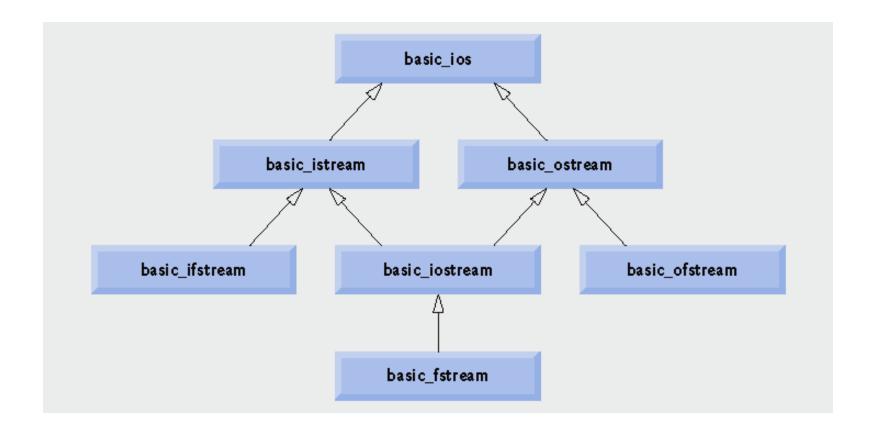


Fig. 15.2 | Stream-I/O template hierarchy portion showing the main file-processing templates.



15.3 Stream Output

ostream output capabilities

- Can output
 - Standard data types
 - Characters
 - Unformatted data
 - Integers
 - Floating-point values
 - Values in fields

15.3.1 Output of char * Variables

- Outputting char * (memory address of a char)
 - Cannot use << operator</p>
 - Has been overloaded to print char * as a null-terminated string
 - Solution
 - Cast the char * to a void *
 - Address is printed as a hexadecimal (base-16) number

```
1 // Fig. 15.3: Fig15_03.cpp
2 // Printing the address stored in a char * variable.
                                                                                       <u>Outline</u>
3 #include <iostream>
  using std::cout;
  using std::endl;
                                                                                       Fig15_03.cpp
6
  int main()
                                                                                       (1 \text{ of } 1)
  {
8
     char *word = "again";
9
10
     // display value of char *, then display value of char *
11
     // static_cast to void *
12
     cout << "Value of word is: " << word << endl
13
         << "Value of static_cast< void * >( word ) is: "
14
         << static_cast< void * >( word ) << endl;</pre>
15
      return 0;
16
17 } // end main
                                                                 Cast the char * to a void *
Value of word is: again
value of static_cast< void * >( word ) is: 00428300
                                                           Address prints as a hexadecimal
                                                              (base-16) number
```



15.3.2 Character Output using Member Function put

- ostream member function put
 - Outputs a character
 - Returns a reference to the same ostream object
 - Can be cascaded
 - Can be called with a numeric expression that represents an ASCII value
 - Examples

```
cout.put( 'A' );cout.put( 'A' ).put( '\n' );cout.put( 65 );
```



15.4 Stream Input

- istream input capabilities
 - Stream extraction operator (overloaded >> operator)
 - Skips over white-space characters
 - Returns a reference to the istream object
 - When used as a condition, void * cast operator is implicitly invoked
 - Converts to non-null pointer (true) or null pointer (false)
 - Based on success or failure of last input operation
 - An attempt to read past end of stream is one such failure

15.4 Stream Input (Cont.)

- istream input capabilities (Cont.)
 - State bits
 - Control the state of the stream
 - failbit
 - Set if input data is of wrong type
 - badbit
 - Set if stream extraction operation fails

15.4.1 get and getline Member Functions

- istream member function get
 - With no arguments
 - Returns one character input from the stream
 - Any character, including white-space and non-graphic characters
 - Returns EOF when end-of-file is encountered
 - With a character-reference argument
 - Stores input character in the character-reference argument
 - Returns a reference to the istream object

15.4.1 get and getline Member Functions (Cont.)

- istream member function get (Cont.)
 - With three arguments: a character array, a size limit and a delimiter (default delimiter is '\n')
 - Reads and stores characters in the character array
 - Terminates at one fewer characters than the size limit or upon reading the delimiter
 - Delimiter is left in the stream, not placed in array
 - Null character is inserted after end of input in array
- istream member function eof
 - Returns false when end-of-file has not occurred
 - Returns true when end-of-file has occurred

```
1 // Fig. 15.4: Fig15_04.cpp
2 // Using member functions get, put and eof.
                                                                                        Outline
  #include <iostream>
  using std::cin;
  using std::cout;
                                                                                       Fig15_04.cpp
  using std::endl;
7
                                                                                       (1 \text{ of } 2)
  int main()
  {
9
```

Call **eof** member function before end-of-file is reached

// prompt user to enter line of text cout << "Before input, cin.eof() is " << cin.eof() << endl</pre> << "Enter a sentence followed by end-of-file:" << endl; // use get to read each character; use put to display it while ((character = cin.get()) != EOF) cout.put(character);

10

11 12

13

14 15

16 17

18

int character; // use int, because char cannot represent EOF

while loop terminates when get member function returns **EOF**

```
// display end-of-file character
cout << "\nEOF in this system is: " << character << endl;
cout << "After input of EOF, cin.eof() is " << cin.eof() << endl;
return 0;
// end main
Display c.</pre>
```

Before input, cin.eof() is 0 Enter a sentence followed by end-of-file: Testing the get and put member functions Testing the get and put member functions ^Z

EOF in this system is: -1
After input of EOF, cin.eof() is 1

Outline

<u>Fig15_04.cpp</u>

Display **character**, which currently contains the value of **EOF**

Call **eof** member function after end-of-file is reached

End-of-file is represented by *<ctrl>-z* on Microsoft Windows systems, *<ctrl>-d* on UNIX and Macintosh systems.

```
1 // Fig. 15.5: Fig15_05.cpp
                                                                                                              36
2 // Contrasting input of a string via cin and cin.get.
                                                                                         Outline
3 #include <iostream>
  using std::cin:
  using std::cout;
  using std::endl;
                                                                                         Fig15_05.cpp
7
  int main()
                                                                                        (1 \text{ of } 2)
  {
9
     // create two char arrays, each with 80 elements
10
      const int SIZE = 80;
11
12
      char buffer1[ SIZE ];
      char buffer2[ SIZE ];
13
14
15
      // use cin to input characters into buffer1
      cout << "Enter a sentence:" << endl;</pre>
16
17
      cin >> buffer1:
18
                                                             Use stream extraction with cin
      // display buffer1 contents
19
      cout << "\nThe string read with cin was:" << endl</pre>
20
         << buffer1 << endl << endl;</pre>
21
22
23
     // use cin.get to input characters into buffer2
24
      cin.get( buffer2, SIZE );
25
                                                                     Call three-argument version of
26
      // display buffer2 contents
                                                                        member function get (third
      cout << "The string read with cin.get was:" << endl</pre>
27
                                                                        argument is default value '\n')
28
         << buffer2 << end1;
      return 0:
29
30 } // end main
```



Enter a sentence:

Contrasting string input with cin and cin.get

The string read with cin was:
Contrasting ◀

The string read with cin.get was: string input with cin and cin.get

<u>Outline</u>

Stream extraction operation reads up to first white-space character

Fig15_05.cpp

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get member function reads up to the delimiter character '\n'

15.4.1 get and getline Member Functions (Cont.)

- istream member function getline
 - (Similar to the three-argument version of get
 - Except the delimiter is removed from the stream)
 - Three arguments: a character array, a size limit and a delimiter (default delimiter is '\n')
 - Reads and stores characters in the character array
 - Terminates at one fewer characters than the size limit or upon reading the delimiter
 - Delimiter is removed from the stream, but not placed in the array
 - Null character is inserted after end of input in array

```
1 // Fig. 15.6: Fig15_06.cpp
2 // Inputting characters using cin member function getline.
                                                                                     Outline
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::cin;
5 using std::cout;
                                                                                     Fig15_06.cpp
6 using std::endl;
7
                                                                                     (1 \text{ of } 1)
  int main()
9 {
10
     const int SIZE = 80;
     char buffer[ SIZE ]; // create array of 80 characters
11
12
     // input characters in buffer via cin function getline
13
     cout << "Enter a sentence:" << endl;</pre>
14
     cin.getline( buffer, SIZE );
15
                                                                Call member function getline
16
     // display buffer contents
17
     cout << "\nThe sentence entered is:" << endl << buffer << endl;</pre>
18
     return 0;
19
20 } // end main
Enter a sentence:
Using the getline member function
The sentence entered is:
Using the getline member function
```



15.4.2 istream Member Functions peek, putback and ignore

- istream member function ignore
 - Reads and discards a designated number of characters or terminates upon encountering a designated delimiter
 - Default number of characters is one
 - Default delimiter is EOF
- istream member function putback
 - Places previous character obtained by a get from the input stream back into the stream
- istream member function peek
 - Returns the next character in the input stream, but does not remove it from the stream



15.4.3 Type-Safe I/O

- C++ offers type-safe I/O
 - << and >> operators are overloaded to accept data of specific types
 - Attempts to input or output a user-defined type that << and
 have not been overloaded for result in compiler errors
 - If unexpected data is processed, error bits are set
 - User may test the error bits to determine I/O operation success or failure
 - The program is able to "stay in control"



15.5 Unformatted I/O Using read, write and gcount

- istream member function read
 - Inputs some number of bytes to a character array
 - If fewer characters are read than the designated number,
 failbit is set
- istream member function gcount
 - Reports number of characters read by last input operation
- ostream member function write
 - Outputs some number of bytes from a character array

```
1 // Fig. 15.7: Fig15_07.cpp
2 // Unformatted I/O using read, gcount and write.
                                                                                       Outline
3 #include <iostream>
  using std::cin;
  using std::cout;
                                                                                       Fig15_07.cpp
  using std::endl;
7
                                                                                       (1 \text{ of } 1)
  int main()
 {
9
     const int SIZE = 80;
10
      char buffer[ SIZE ]; // create array of 80 characters
11
12
     // use function read to input characters into buffer
13
                                                                         read 20 bytes from the
     cout << "Enter a sentence:" << endl;</pre>
14
     cin.read( buffer, 20 );
                                                                           input stream to buffer
15
16
17
     // use functions write and gcount to display buffer characters
     cout << endl << "The sentence entered was:" << endl;</pre>
18
     cout.write( buffer, cin.gcount() );
19
                                                              write out as many characters as were
      cout << endl:</pre>
20
                                                                 read by the last input operation from
     return 0:
21
                                                                 buffer to the output stream
22 } // end main
Enter a sentence:
Using the read, write, and gcount member functions
The sentence entered was:
Using the read, writ
```



15.6 Introduction to Stream Manipulators

Stream manipulators perform formatting tasks

- Setting field widths
- Setting precision
- Setting and unsetting format state
- Setting fill characters in fields
- Flushing streams
- Inserting a newline and flushing the output stream
- Inserting a null character and skipping white space in the input stream

15.6.1 Integral Stream Base: dec, oct, hex and setbase

- Change a stream's integer base by inserting manipulators
 - hex manipulator
 - Sets the base to hexadecimal (base 16)
 - oct manipulator
 - Sets the base to octal (base 8)
 - dec manipulator
 - Resets the base to decimal
 - setbase parameterized stream manipulator
 - Takes one integer argument: 10, 8 or 16
 - Sets the base to decimal, octal or hexadecimal
 - Requires the inclusion of the <iomanip> header file
 - Stream base values are sticky
 - Remain until explicitly changed to another base value



```
// Fig. 15.8: Fig15_08.cpp
// Using stream manipulators hex, oct, dec and setbase.

#include <iostream>
using std::cin;
using std::dec;
using std::dec;
using std::endl;
using std::hex;
using std::oct;

#include <iomanip>
using std::setbase;
using std::setbase;
```

Parameterized stream manipulator

setbase is in header file <iomanip>

<u>Outline</u>

Fig15_08.cpp

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```
14 int main()
15 {
                                                                                            Outline
16
      int number;
17
      cout << "Enter a decimal number: ";</pre>
18
                                                                                            Fig15_08.cpp
      cin >> number; // input number
19
20
                                                                                            (2 \text{ of } 2)
      // use hex stream manipulator to show hexadecimal number
21
22
      cout << number << " in hexadecimal is: " << hex</pre>
         << number << endl;</pre>
23
24
                                                                           Set base to hexadecimal
25
      // use oct stream manipulator to show octal number
      cout << dec << number << " in octal is: "</pre>
26
         << oct << number << endl;</pre>
27
28
                                                                               Set base to octal
      // use setbase stream manipulator to show decimal number
29
      cout << setbase( 10 ) << number << " in decimal is: "</pre>
30
         << number << endl;
31
                                                                    Reset base to decimal
32
      return 0:
33 } // end main
Enter a decimal number: 20
20 in hexadecimal is: 14
20 in octal is: 24
20 in decimal is: 20
```



15.6.2 Floating-Point Precision (precision, setprecision)

- Precision of floating-point numbers
 - Number of digits displayed to the right of the decimal point
 - setprecision parameterized stream manipulator
 - precision member function
 - When called with no arguments, returns the current precision setting
 - Precision settings are sticky



1 // Fig. 15.9: Fig15_09.cpp 2 // Controlling precision of floating-point values. Outline #include <iostream> using std::cout: using std::endl; using std::fixed; Fig15_09.cpp 7 #include <iomanip> (1 of 2)using std::setprecision; 10 11 #include <cmath> 12 using std::sqrt; // sqrt prototype 13 14 int main() 15 { double root2 = sqrt(2.0); // calculate square root of 2 16 int places; // precision, vary from 0-9 17 18 cout << "Square root of 2 with precisions 0-9." << endl</pre> 19 << "Precision set by ios_base member function "</pre> 20 << "precision:" << endl;</pre> 21 22 23 cout << fixed; // use fixed-point notation</pre> 24 25 // display square root using ios_base function precision for (places = 0; places <= 9; places++)</pre> 26 Use member function precision to { 27 set cout to display places digits cout.precision(places); 28 cout << root2 << end1;</pre> 29 to the right of the decimal point

30

} // end for



```
31
      cout << "\nPrecision set by stream manipulator "</pre>
                                                                                         Outline
32
33
         << "setprecision:" << endl;</pre>
34
35
      // set precision for each digit, then display square root
                                                                                         Fig15_09.cpp
      for ( places = 0; places <= 9; places++ )</pre>
36
         cout << setprecision( places ) << root2 << endl;</pre>
37
                                                                                         (2 \text{ of } 2)
38
39
      return 0:
40 } // end main
                                                                Use parameterized stream manipulator
                                                                   setprecision to set cout to
Square root of 2 with precisions 0-9.
Precision set by ios_base member function precision:
                                                                   display places digits to the right
                                                                   of the decimal point
1.4
1.41
1.414
1.4142
1.41421
1.414214
1.4142136
1.41421356
1.414213562
Precision set by stream manipulator setprecision:
1
1.4
1.41
1.414
1.4142
1.41421
1.414214
1.4142136
1.41421356
1.414213562
```

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15.6.3 Field Width (width, setw)

Field width

- (for ostream) Number of character positions in which value is outputted
 - Fill characters are inserted as padding
 - Values wider than the field are not truncated
- (for istream) Maximum number of characters inputted
 - For char array, maximum of one fewer characters than the width will be read (to accommodate null character)

15.6.3 Field Width (width, setw) (Cont.)

- Field width (Cont.)
 - Member function width of base class ios_base
 - Sets the field width
 - Returns the previous width
 - width function call with no arguments just returns the current setting
 - Parameterized stream manipulator Setw
 - Sets the field width
 - Field width settings are not sticky

Common Programming Error 15.1

The width setting applies only for the next insertion or extraction (i.e., the width setting is not "sticky"); afterward, the width is set implicitly to 0 (i.e., input and output will be performed with default settings). Assuming that the width setting applies to all subsequent outputs is a logic error.



Common Programming Error 15.2

When a field is not sufficiently wide to handle outputs, the outputs print as wide as necessary, which can yield confusing outputs.

```
1 // Fig. 15.10: Fig15_10.cpp
2 // Demonstrating member function width.
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::cin;
  using std::cout;
  using std::endl;
7
  int main()
9 {
     int widthValue = 4;
10
     char sentence[ 10 ];
11
12
     cout << "Enter a sentence:" << endl;</pre>
13
     cin.width(5); // input only 5 characters from sentence
14
15
16
     // set field width, then display characters based on that width
17
     while ( cin >> sentence )
     {
18
19
         cout.width( widthValue++ );
20
         cout << sentence << endl;</pre>
         cin.width(5); // input 5 more characters from sentence
21
22
     } // end while
23
24
     return 0;
25 } // end main
```

Fig15_10.cpp



Enter a sentence: This is a test of the width member function This is a test of the widt h memb er func tion

Outline

Fig15_10.cpp

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15.6.4 Use-Defined Output Stream Manipulators

- Programmers can create their own stream manipulators
 - Output stream manipulators
 - Must have return type and parameter type ostream &

```
1 // Fig. 15.11: Fig15_11.cpp
2 // Creating and testing user-defined, nonparameterized
3 // stream manipulators.
4 #include <iostream>
  using std::cout;
  using std::flush;
  using std::ostream;
8
9 // bell manipulator (using escape sequence \a)
10 ostream& bell( ostream& output )
11 {
12
      return output << '\a'; // issue system beep</pre>
13 } // end bell manipulator
14
15 // carriageReturn manipulator (using escape sequence \r)
16 ostream& carriageReturn( ostream& output )
17 {
18
      return output << '\r'; // issue carriage return</pre>
19 } // end carriageReturn manipulator
20
21 // tab manipulator (using escape sequence \t)
22 ostream& tab( ostream& output )
23 {
      return output << '\t'; // issue tab</pre>
24
25 } // end tab manipulator
```

Fig15_11.cpp



<u>Outline</u>

Fig15_11.cpp



15.7 Stream Format States and Stream Manipulators

- Stream manipulators specify stream-I/O formatting
 - All these manipulators belong to class ios_base

Stream Manipulator	Description
skipws	Skip white-space characters on an input stream. This setting is reset with stream manipulator noskipws.
left	Left justify output in a field. Padding characters appear to the right if necessary.
right	Right justify output in a field. Padding characters appear to the left if necessary.
internal	Indicate that a number's sign should be left justified in a field and a number's magnitude should be right justified in that same field (i.e., padding characters appear between the sign and the number).
dec	Specify that integers should be treated as decimal (base 10) values.
oct	Specify that integers should be treated as octal (base 8) values.
hex	Specify that integers should be treated as hexadecimal (base 16) values.

Fig. 15.12 | Format state stream manipulators from <iostream>. (Part 1 of 2)



Stream Manipulator	Description
showbase	Specify that the base of a number is to be output ahead of the number (a leading 0 for octals; a leading 0x or 0X for hexadecimals). This setting is reset with stream manipulator noshowbase.
showpoint	Specify that floating-point numbers should be output with a decimal point. This is used normally with fixed to guarantee a certain number of digits to the right of the decimal point, even if they are zeros. This setting is reset with stream manipulator noshowpoint.
uppercase	Specify that uppercase letters (i.e., X and A through F) should be used in a hexadecimal integer and that uppercase E should be used when representing a floating-point value in scientific notation. This setting is reset with stream manipulator nouppercase.
showpos	Specify that positive numbers should be preceded by a plus sign (+). This setting is reset with stream manipulator noshowpos.
scientific	Specify output of a floating-point value in scientific notation.
fixed	Specify output of a floating-point value in fixed-point notation with a specific number of digits to the right of the decimal point.

Fig. 15.12 | Format state stream manipulators from <iostream>. (Part 2 of 2)



15.7.1 Trailing Zeros and Decimal Points (showpoint)

- Stream manipulator showpoint
 - Floating-point numbers are output with decimal point and trailing zeros
 - Example
 - 79.0 prints as 79.0000 instead of 79
 - Reset showpoint setting with noshowpoint

```
1 // Fig. 15.13: Fig15_13.cpp
2 // Using showpoint to control the printing of
3 // trailing zeros and decimal points for doubles.
4 #include <iostream>
  using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7 using std::showpoint;
8
9 int main()
10 [
      // display double values with default stream format
11
      cout << "Before using showpoint" << endl</pre>
12
         << "9.9900 prints as: " << 9.9900 << endl
13
14
         << "9.9000 prints as: " << 9.9000 << endl</pre>
         << "9.0000 prints as: " << 9.0000 << endl << endl;</pre>
15
```

Fig15_13.cpp



```
16
      // display double value after showpoint
17
18
      cout << showpoint</pre>
19
         << "After using showpoint" << endl
         << "9.9900 prints as: " << 9.9900 << endl</pre>
20
         << "9.9000 prints as: " << 9.9000 << end]</pre>
21
         << "9.0000 prints as: " << 9.0000 << endl;</pre>
22
23
      return 0:
24 } // end main
```

<u>Outline</u>

Fig15_13.cpp

```
Before using showpoint
9.9900 prints as: 9.99
9.9000 prints as: 9.9
9.0000 prints as: 9

After using showpoint
9.9900 prints as: 9.99000
9.9000 prints as: 9.90000
9.0000 prints as: 9.00000
```



15.7.2 Justification (left, right and internal)

Justification in a field

- Manipulator left
 - fields are left-justified
 - padding characters to the right
- Manipulator right
 - fields are right-justified
 - padding characters to the left
- Manipulator internal
 - signs or bases on the left
 - showpos forces the plus sign to print
 - magnitudes on the right
 - padding characters in the middle



```
1 // Fig. 15.14: Fig15_14.cpp
2 // Demonstrating left justification and right justification.
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::cout;
  using std::endl;
6 using std::left;
7 using std::right;
8
9 #include <iomanip>
10 using std::setw;
11
12 int main()
13 {
      int x = 12345;
14
15
16
      // display x right justified (default)
      cout << "Default is right justified:" << endl</pre>
17
18
         << setw( 10 ) << x;
19
      // use left manipulator to display x left justified
20
21
      cout << "\n\nUse std::left to left justify x:\n"</pre>
22
         << left << setw( 10 ) << x;
23
     // use right manipulator to display x right justified
24
25
      cout << "\n\nUse std::right to right justify x:\n"</pre>
         << right << setw( 10 ) << x << endl;</pre>
26
      return 0:
27
28 } // end main
```

Fig15_14.cpp



Default is right justified: 12345

Use std::left to left justify x:

12345

Use std::right to right justify x:

12345

Outline

Fig15_14.cpp

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```
1 // Fig. 15.15: Fig15_15.cpp
2 // Printing an integer with internal spacing and plus sign.
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::cout;
5 using std::endl;
 using std::internal;
7 using std::showpos;
8
9 #include <iomanip>
10 using std::setw;
11
12 int main()
13 {
     // display value with internal spacing and plus sign
14
      cout << internal << showpos << setw( 10 ) << 123 << endl;</pre>
15
16
      return 0;
17 } // end main
       123
+
```

Fig15_15.cpp

15.7.3 Padding (fill, setfill)

- Padding in a field
 - Fill characters are used to pad a field
 - Member function fill
 - Specifies the fill character
 - Spaces are used if no value is specified
 - Returns the prior fill character
 - Stream manipulator setfill
 - Specifies the fill character

