

CS 180: Intro to C++

Note Title

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Announcements

- Please log in to computers at end of class to make sure account works
- Extra credit: Attend presentation on Wed at 4pm here!

Resources for this class

- Text book
- Transition guide (look for pdf on webpage)
- cplusplus.com
- Tutoring & office hours
- Not students, past or present

This course: data ^① structures in C++ ^②

First, C++. (More on that next.)

But — what is a data structure?

- Abstract containers for data.

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- work & be correct

- easy

- secure

- ~~speed~~

← longer & more work

C++ versus Python

High level versus low level.

Python


C++

Interpreter versus compiler.

Dynamic versus static typing

Why learn C++?

- faster

- ubiquitous 

- understand low level details

- control

Comparison

Python

```
1 def gcd(u, v):
2     # we will use Euclid's algorithm
3     # for computing the GCD
4     while v != 0:
5         r = u % v    # compute remainder
6         u = v
7         v = r
8     return u
9
10 if __name__ == '__main__':
11     a = int(raw_input('First value: '))
12     b = int(raw_input('Second value: '))
13     print 'gcd: ', gcd(a,b)
```

C++

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 int gcd(int u, int v) {
5     /* We will use Euclid's algorithm
6     for computing the GCD */
7     int r;
8     while (v != 0) {
9         r = u % v;    // compute remainder
10        u = v;
11        v = r;
12    }
13    return u;
14 }
15
16 int main() {
17     int a, b;
18     cout << "First value: ";
19     cin >> a;
20     cout << "Second value: ";
21     cin >> b;
22     cout << "gcd: " << gcd(a,b) << endl;
23     return 0;
24 }
```