Computer Programming with C++

This textbook provides in-depth explanation of C and C++ programming languages along with the fundamentals of object oriented programming paradigm. Essential concepts including functions, arrays, pointers and inheritance are explained in a coherent manner.

The book follows an example-driven approach, to facilitate easy comprehension of theoretical concepts. Common concepts of C programming language are also elaborated wherever necessary. The text provides detailed explanation on complex topics including Dynamic Memory Allocation, Object Slicing, VTABLEs, Up Casting and Down Casting.

The concepts are explained using line diagrams, notes, conversation themes and flow charts. The book offers useful features including error finding exercises, quiz questions and points to remember. Necessary comments to explain the logic used to implement particular functionality are provided for the ease of readers. Plenty of computer programs, review questions and useful case studies are interspersed throughout the text.

The book is intended for undergraduate and graduate students of engineering and computer science.

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Preface

A computer program is a set of instructions which is followed by a machine to generate the required output. The language in which a computer program is written is called a computer programming language. Several computer programming languages are in use in the IT industry today, for developing diverse software applications.

The study of C and C++ is considered an important step towards mastering computer programming fundamentals. Hence, C and C++ are included in the syllabus of any computer science course.

This textbook provides in-depth explanations of C and C++ programming languages along with the fundamentals of the object oriented programming paradigm.

About the Book

This book will be of use to anyone who is a beginner and aspires to learn the fundamentals of computer programming using C and C++. It has been primarily written for students of academic courses which include the study of C, C++ and object oriented programming paradigm. Simple and lucid language has been used to facilitate easy comprehension of complex topics.

Salient Features

- Example-driven approach illustrates application of theoretical concepts
- Theme of a conversation interspersed in the text, elucidate essential themes of the subject
- Each program includes necessary comments to explain the logic used to implement a particular functionality
- Several line diagrams and flow charts facilitate easy comprehension of theoretical concepts
- Student-friendly pedagogical features include:
  - ✓ Error Finding Exercise
  - ✓ Solved Problems

- ✓ Objective Questions
- ✓ Review Questions

Chapter Organization

This book comprises 17 chapters. **Chapter 1** gives an overview of computer organization and architecture. It also explains the C/C++ development environment. **Chapters 2** to **5** discuss the basic features of C/C++ including data types, variables and different control statements which are supported by the language. **Chapter 6** describes the creation of multivalued data types (also referred to as collection types) using arrays in C/C++. **Chapter 7** explains modular programming using functions. **Chapter 8** elucidates the fundamentals of memory management using pointers in C/C++. **Chapter 9** discusses the creation of composite data types using structures and unions in C/C++. Chapter 10 explains the principles of memory management and Dynamic memory allocations in C++ style. **Chapters 11** to **17** provide in-depth coverage of object oriented features supported by C++.

NOTES

Chapters 1 to 9 cover features which are common to C as well as C++. Hence programs written in these chapters will work with C as well as C++ compilers unless specified otherwise. Whereas Chapters 11 to 17 cover object oriented features which are supported only by C++ and not by C. Chapter 10 explains dynamic memory allocation in C++ style. Hence programs written from Chapter 10 to 17 will work with C++ compilers only.

Does this book also explain the underlying systems which are involved in the execution of a computer program ? ?

Chapter 1 gives an understanding of computer organization, operating system and other system programs which make up the underlying platform required to execute any C/C++ program. Chapter 1 also gives an overview of many areas which are relevant for understanding computer programming fundamentals using C/C++. The specific features of individual topics have been explained in detail in the later chapters of this book.

I have put my best efforts to make this book as illustrative and interactive as possible. Any suggestions to further improve this book are always welcome. You can write to me at *kunalp84@rediffmail.com*.

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