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# Introduction to Programming

## References, Consts and Structures

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# Test 5 (4 pts)



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# CV-QUALIFIERS

# const and volatile

- CV(-modifiers) stands for **const** and **volatile**
- **const**
  - an object (or memory) is initialized once and cannot be changed further
- **volatile**
  - states that an object can be changed somewhere even if you do not provide a modification statement for the object
  - rarely used, **for the sake of optimization** performed by the compiler

# const Types and Objects

```
int main()
{
    int a = 15;
    const int b = 10;
    // b = 17;
    int const b1 = 10;

    return 0;
}
```

according to the  
codestyle

// can't modify a const object

the  
same!

correct, but we won't use  
such a notation!

# Reference



Mole hole,  
wormhole

- Reference is another name for an object.
- Reference type:

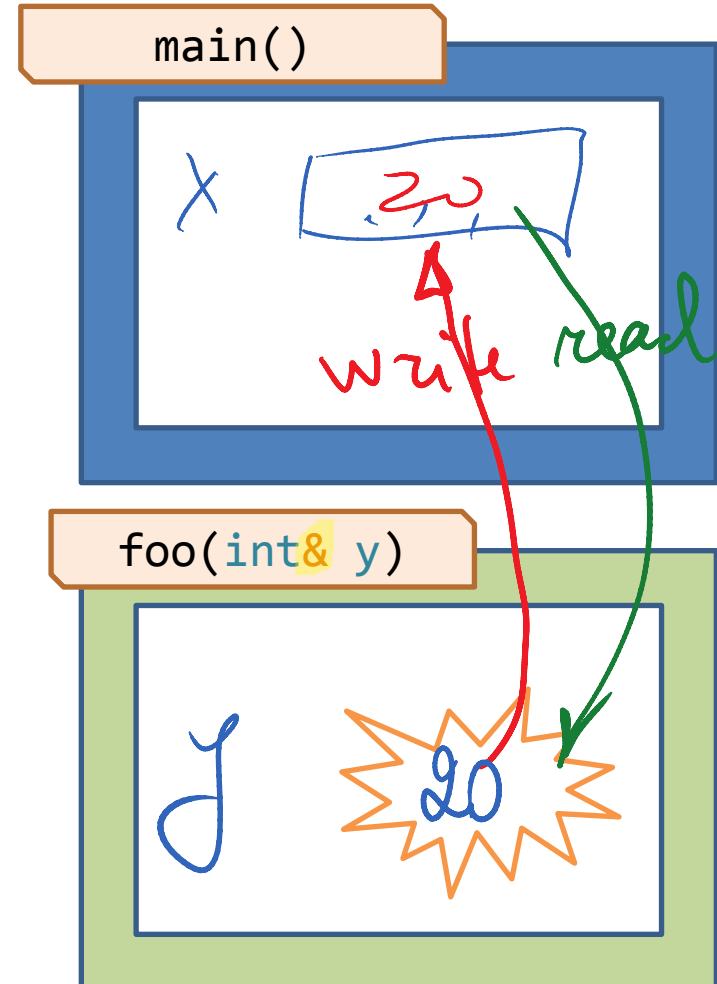
`typename&`

```
int x = 10;
cout << x;    // 10

int& x1 = x;  // binding
cout << x1;   // 10

x1 = 15;
cout << x1;   // 15
cout << x;    // 15

x = 42;
cout << x;    // 42
cout << x1;   // 42
```



# const Reference

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- Reference type:

`const typename&`

```
int x = 10;    // x == 10

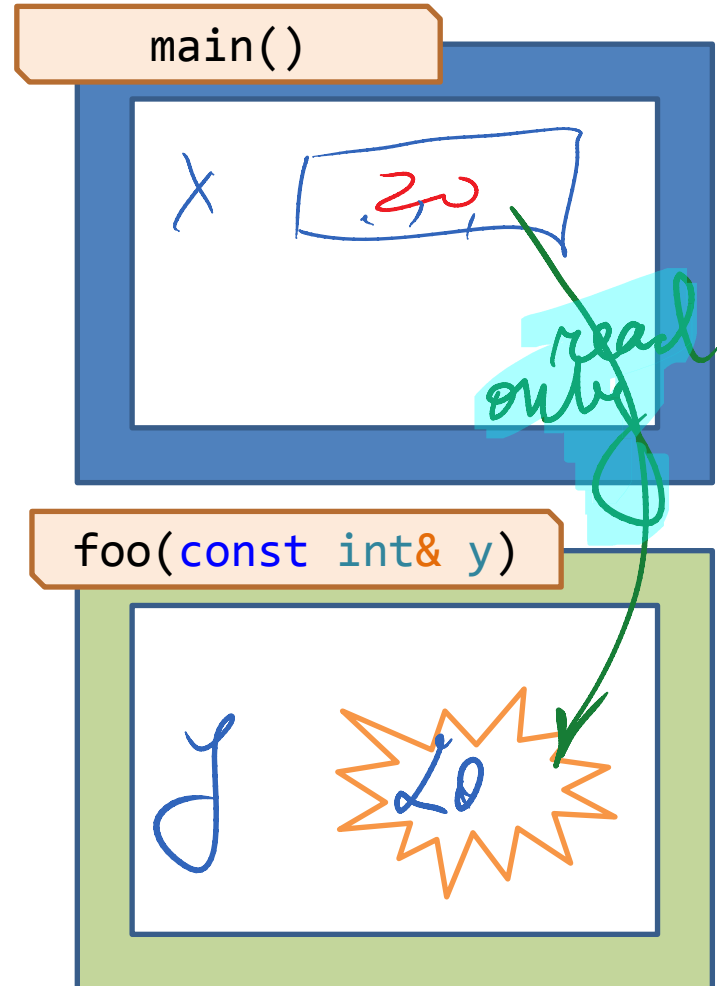
int& x1 = x;   // binding
x1 = 15;

cout << x1;    // 15
cout << x;     // 15

const int& x2 = x; // binding const

//x2 = 20;     // compilation error!

cout << x2;    // 15
```



# Thumb-Rules on Using *Refs* and *Const Refs*

1. If a method has a parameter represented by a *complex object* (e.g., any one bigger than any POD such *int*, *double*, *T\**), and a method does not need a copy of an object represented by the parameter, it is better to pass the parameter by using *reference* or *const reference*.

- POD types are more efficient to be passed *by value*.

2. Let a method have a parameter given *by reference*, and let the method not change the value of the parameter, then the parameter must be given by using a *const ref.*

3. If an object (e.g., a parameter) of a method is a *const (ref)*, all derivatives of the object (its member *fields*, member methods and so on.) are also *const*.

```
struct Point  
{  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};
```

```
void printPoint(const Point& p)  
{  
    std::cout << "(" << p.x << ", "  
    << p.y << ")";  
    p.x = 10;  
}
```





X input for  $\xrightarrow{\text{row}}$  `vector<int>`

```
char ch;  
while( ss >> ch );  
{  
}  


---


```

implied & conversion to (bool)

true      ~~false~~

string stream

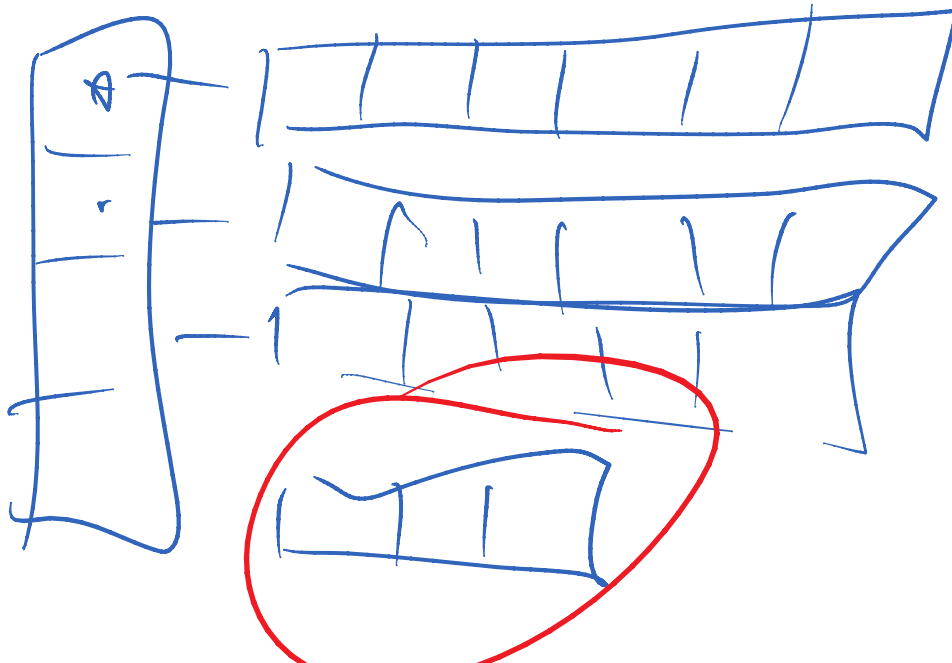
# Defining a Matrix as a Vector of Vectors

```
#include <vector>

typedef std::vector< std::vector<int> > IntMatrix;

IntMatrix m1;

// represents individual rows
typedef std::vector<std::string> IntVector;
```



# STRUCTURES

# Structure as a Compound Type

the `struct` keyword

the name for a new (custom) type

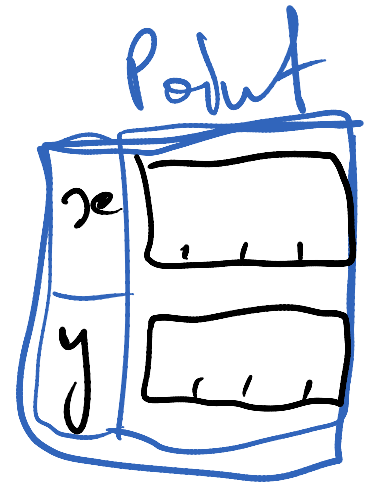
`struct Point`

opening and closing braces

```
int x;  
int y;
```

structure members (fields)

terminates the structure declaration



# Where to Define a Structure?

```
struct Point  
{  
    int x;  
    int y;  
};
```

normally to be put somewhere  
before the first use  
(better to use a separate header (.h))

```
void foo()  
{  
    struct Bar  
    {  
        int a;  
        double b;  
    };  
    Bar b;  
}
```

can be declared inside a function  
but its visibility is restricted by the  
scope of the function

```
void bar()  
{  
    Point p;  
    Bar b;  
}
```

// accessible  
// inaccessible

```
void printPoint(const Point& p)  
{  
    std::cout << "(" << p.x << ", " << p.y << ")";  
    p.x = 10;  
}
```

# Initialization of a Structure

```
Point p; // default initialization (random values for x and y)
Point p1 = { 10, 15 }; // init by a list of values (x = 10, y = 15 )
Point p2 { 20, 25 }; // the same, new syntax as of C++11
Point p3 = p1; // init p3 by the value of an object p1 of the same type
Point p4;
p4 = p1; // re-assign the value of p4 by p1 point
```