

C++ Features You Might Not Know

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[expr.unary.op]/7

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+[]{}; // void(*) (void)
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struct foo {};  
  
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C++11.

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template <auto Fn>  
struct foo {};
```

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```

C++20.

Obligatory example:

```
template <typename I>
void reverse(I begin, I end)
{
    for (auto left = begin, right = std::prev(end);
         left < right; ++left, --right)
        std::iter_swap(left, right);
}
```

[expr.comma]/1

*A pair of expressions separated by a comma is evaluated left-to-right; **the left expression is a discarded-value expression**. The left expression is sequenced before the right expression ([intro.execution]). The type and value of the result are the type and **value of the right operand**; the result is of the same value category as its right operand, and is a bit-field if its right operand is a bit-field.*

```
template <typename Fn, typename ... Ts>  
void for_each_pack(Fn fn, const Ts&... ts)  
{  
    (fn(ts), .....);  
}
```

More fold expression tricks: foonathan.net/2020/05/fold-tricks/

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Warning: No short-circuit!

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```
namespace std // C++26 (hopefully)
{
    template <typename T>
    class simd;

    template <...>
    class simd_mask;

    template <typename T>
    simd_mask<...> operator==(simd<T> lhs, simd<T> rhs);

    simd_mask<...> operator&&(simd_mask<...> lhs, simd_mask<...> rhs);
}
```

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```
struct my_iterator { ... };

my_iterator operator,(const auto&, my_iterator iter)
{
    std::puts("Hello from comma!");
    return iter;
}

const auto& operator,(my_iterator, const auto& left)
{
    std::puts("Hello from comma!");
    return left;
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```


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```
auto smart_ptr = std::make_unique<Class>(object);  
std::cout << (smart_ptr->*mem_ptr) << '\n'; // error, no overloaded operator->*
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template <typename Fn>
struct scope_exit_impl : Fn {
    ~scope_exit_impl() {
        (*this)();
    }
};

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```
auto hfile = ...;
tc_scope_exit(CloseHandle(hfile));
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Ideally:

```
auto hfile = ...;  
tc_scope_exit { CloseHandle(hfile); };
```


Unusual operator overloading

https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/operator_precedence

Precedence	Operator	Description	Associativity
1	::	Scope resolution	Left-to-right →
2	a++ a-- type() type{} a() a[] . ->	Suffix/postfix increment and decrement Functional cast Function call Subscript Member access	
3	++a --a +a -a ! ~ (type) *a &a sizeof co_await new new[] delete delete[]	Prefix increment and decrement Unary plus and minus Logical NOT and bitwise NOT C-style cast Indirection (dereference) Address-of Size-of ^[note 1] await-expression (C++20) Dynamic memory allocation Dynamic memory deallocation	Right-to-left ←
4	.* ->*	Pointer-to-member	Left-to-right →
5	a*b a/b a%b	Multiplication, division, and remainder	
6	a+b a-b	Addition and subtraction	

think-cell 

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template <typename Fn>
struct scope_exit_impl { ... };

struct make_scope_exit_impl {
    template <typename Fn>
    auto operator->*(Fn const& fn) const {
        return scope_exit_impl(fn);
    }
};

#define tc_scope_exit \
    auto TC_UNIQUE_IDENTIFIER = tc::make_scope_exit_impl{} ->* [&]
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[stmt.select.general]/1

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bool is_beautiful(std::optional<color> color)
{
    if (!color)
        return false; // lack of color is not beautiful
    else switch (*color) {
        case red:
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        case yellow:
            return true;
        default:
            return false;
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Who needs pattern matching?! (We all do. Desperately.)

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switch

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switch (i)
{
case 1:
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case 3:
    std::puts("i was 1, 2, or 3");
    break;

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const char* to_string(foo f)
{
    switch (f)
    {
        case foo::a:
            return "a";
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switch (i)
  case 1:
  case 2:
  case 3:
    std::puts("i was 1, 2, or 3");

std::puts("after the switch");
```



```
switch (i)
  if (i == 0)
  {
    std::puts("I'm never executed");
  }
  else
  {
case 0:
    std::puts("i is zero");
  }
```

```
auto n = (count + 7) % 8;
switch (count % 8)
  do
  {
case 0: *to = *from++;
case 7: *to = *from++;
case 6: *to = *from++;
case 5: *to = *from++;
case 4: *to = *from++;
case 3: *to = *from++;
case 2: *to = *from++;
case 1: *to = *from++;
  } while (--n > 0);
```

```
#define switch_no_default(...) \  
    switch( __VA_ARGS__ ) \  
    default: \  
        if (true) assert(!"missing switch case"); \  
        else
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`std::nearbyint` use current rounding mode

```
std::printf("%f\n", std::round(2.5));  
  
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3.000000

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NaN boxing: piotrduperas.com/posts/nan-boxing

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long thread_local unsigned extern long d;
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Guideline?

Sort declaration specifiers alphabetically.

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Philosophy: Mirror expression syntax.

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int array[10];  
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function(2);
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Philosophy: Mirror expression syntax.

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C++: int& reference;...

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int a(b(c)); // constructor?
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Multiple declarators

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int a, b;
```

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```
int a, b, *c;
```

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```
int a, b, *c;
```

```
int* a, b;
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Multiple declarators

```
int a, b, *c, d = 42;
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int a, b, *c, d = 42, e();
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int a, b, *c, d = 42, e(), f(int arg);
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```
int a, b, *c, d = 42, e(), f(int arg), (*g(float arg))(int* arg);
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Variable:

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Array:

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Conversion operator:

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struct lambda
{
    operator int(*) (int) ();
};
```

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```
struct lambda
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    int (*operator())(int);
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{
    (*operator int())(int);
};
```

Conversion operator:

```
struct lambda
{
    operator auto();
};
```

Use a function pointer

```
void (*fn)(int) = &f;  
  
(*fn)(0);
```

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```

```
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[conv.func]/1

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[expr.call]/1

A function call is a postfix expression followed by parentheses containing a possibly empty, comma-separated list of initializer-clauses which constitute the arguments to the function. The postfix expression **shall have function type or function pointer type**.

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```

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```

```
extern int global;  
void g();  
  
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{  
    ++global;  
    g();  
}
```

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```

static in C has only a single meaning

```
static int file_local = 42;

void f()
{
    ++file_local;
}
```

Only difference: visibility of file_local.

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{
    static int file_local = 42;
    ++file_local;
}
```

Function try blocks

```
int main()
{
    try
    {
        ...
    }
    catch (std::exception& ex)
    {
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        return 1;
    }
}
```

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}
```

Function try blocks

```
class foo
{
public:
    foo()
    : member(make_member()) // may throw
    {}
};
```


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```
class foo
{
public:
    foo() try
    : member(make_member())
    {}
    catch (...)
    {
        // Handle exception.
    }
};
```

```
struct foo {};
```

- Member `public` by default
- Base classes `public` by default

```
class foo {};
```

- Member `private` by default
- Base classes `private` by default

struct vs. class

```
enum class foo  
{  
    a,  
    b,  
    c  
};
```

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};
```

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    b,
    c
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What about `template <struct T>`?

struct vs. class

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```
struct T { int i; }
```

```
foo<T{0}> f;
```

Checked downcast.

```
struct base { virtual ~base() = 0; };
```

```
struct derived : base {};
```

```
if (auto derived_ptr = dynamic_cast<derived*>(base_ptr))  
{  
    ...  
}
```

Checked sidecast.

```
struct base1 { virtual ~base1() = 0; };  
  
struct base2 { virtual ~base2() = 0; };  
  
struct derived : base1, base2 {};  
  
if (auto base2_ptr = dynamic_cast<base2*>(base1_ptr))  
{  
    ...  
}
```

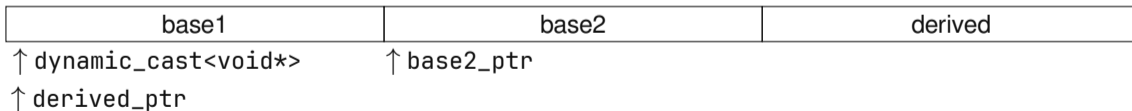
Cast to most-derived type.

```
struct base1 { virtual ~base1() = 0; };
```

```
struct base2 { virtual ~base2() = 0; };
```

```
struct derived : base1, base2 {};
```

```
auto address_of_derived = dynamic_cast<void*>(base2_ptr);
```



dynamic_cast<void*>

```
class any_ref
{
    void* _ptr;
    std::type_info _type;

public:
    template <typename T>
    any_ref(T& obj)
        : _ptr(&obj), _type(typeid(obj))
    {}
    template <typename Base>
    static any_ref from_base(Base& base)
    {
        return {dynamic_cast<void*>(&base), typeid(base)};
    }
};
```



```
struct event
{
    event_kind kind; // uint8_t
    union {
        struct keyboard_event {
            bool shift : 1, ctrl : 1, alt : 1, system : 1;
            std::uint32_t keycode;
        } keyboard;
        struct mouse_click_event {
            button_kind button;
            std::uint16_t x, y;
        } mouse_click;
        ...
    };
}; // sizeof(event) == 3 * sizeof(std::uint32_t)`
```

[class.mem.general]/26

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[class.mem.general]/25

*The common initial sequence of two standard-layout struct types is the **longest sequence of non-static data members** and bit-fields in **declaration order**, starting with the first such entity in each of the structs, such that*

- *corresponding entities have **layout-compatible types**,*
- *corresponding entities have the same alignment requirements,*
- *either both entities are declared with the `no_unique_address` attribute or neither is, and*
- *either both entities are bit-fields with the same width or neither is a bit-field.*


```
union event
{
    event_kind kind; // uint8_t
    struct keyboard_event {
        event_kind kind; // uint8_t
        bool shift : 1, ctrl : 1, alt : 1, system : 1;
        std::uint32_t keycode;
    } keyboard;
    struct mouse_click_event {
        event_kind kind; // uint8_t
        button_kind button;
        std::uint16_t x, y;
    } mouse_click;
    ...
}; // sizeof(event) == 2 * sizeof(std::uint32_t)
```



```
struct no_default_ctor
{
    no_default_ctor() = delete;
};
static_assert(std::is_empty_v<no_default_ctor>);

no_default_ctor obj = legally_create_object<no_default_ctor>();
```

Louis Dionne - “The Object Upside Down” - C++Now 2018 Lightning Talk

union

```
union event
{
private:
    event_kind kind;
    struct keyboard_event { ... } keyboard;
    struct mouse_click_event { ... } mouse_click;
    ...

public:
    static event make_keyboard(...);
    static event make_mouse_click(...);

    std::uint32_t keycode() const { ... }

    ...
};
```



Dynamically sized sequence containers:

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- `std::valarray<T>`

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```
std::valarray<float> pos(3), velocity(3);  
...  
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```
std::valarray<float> matrix(n * n);
```

```
...
```

```
auto trace = matrix[std::slice(0, n, n + 1)].sum();
```


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But: nobody uses it?

<stdexcept> implementation details

```
namespace std {  
    class runtime_error : public exception {  
    public:  
        explicit runtime_error(const string& what_arg);  
        explicit runtime_error(const char* what_arg);  
        runtime_error(const runtime_error& other) noexcept;  
        runtime_error& operator=(const runtime_error& other) noexcept;  
  
        const char* what() const noexcept override;  
    };  
}
```

```
void fail(const T& arg) {  
    throw std::runtime_error(std::format("{}' went wrong.", arg));  
}
```



`std::runtime_error` is a ref-counted string!

<string> implementation details

```
class refcounted_string {
    std::runtime_error _impl;
public:
    refcounted_string(const std::string& str) : _impl(str) {}

    const char* c_str() const { return _impl.what(); }
    std::size_t length() const { return std::strlen(c_str()); }

    char operator[](std::size_t idx) const { return c_str()[idx]; }

};
```

Non-local goto

```
int compute() {  
    ...  
    auto sub_result = compute_sub_result();  
    if (!sub_result)  
        throw std::runtime_error("error");  
    ...  
}  
int main() try {  
    auto result = compute();  
    ...  
} catch (...) {  
    cleanup();  
}
```

Non-local goto

```
int compute() {
    ...
    auto sub_result = compute_sub_result();
    if (!sub_result)
        goto error;
    ...
}
int main() {
    auto result = compute();
    ...
error:
    cleanup();
}
```

Non-local goto

```
std::jmp_buf label;  
  
int compute() {  
    ...  
    auto sub_result = compute_sub_result();  
    if (!sub_result)  
        std::longjmp(label, 1); // arbitrary non-zero number  
    ...  
}  
  
int main() {  
    if (setjmp(label) == 0) {  
        auto result = compute();  
        ...  
    } else {  
        cleanup();  
    }  
}
```



- `setjmp` saves current execution registers
- `std::longjmp` restores them

Implementation: nullprogram.com/blog/2023/02/12/

Is there UB?

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    return a + b;
}
```

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```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    return a * b;
}
```

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}
```

Sean Parent: overflow on 99.9999993% of all possible inputs.

Is there UB?

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    return a / b;
}
```

Is there UB?

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    assert(b != 0);
    return a / b;
}
```

Aside: Two's complement

Positive values: `0b0'xxxxxxx`

Negative values: `0b1'xxxxxxx`

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What about zero?

Aside: Two's complement

Positive values: `0b0'xxxxxxx`

Negative values: `0b1'xxxxxxx`

What about zero?

-128

-127

...

-1

0

1

...

126

127

`0b1'0000000`

`0b1'0000001`

...

`0b1'1111111`

`0b0'0000000`

`0b0'0000001`

...

`0b0'1111110`

`0b0'1111111`

Is there UB?

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    assert(b != 0);
    return a / b;
}
```

```
f(INT_MIN, -1) // integer overflow!
```

Is there UB?

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    assert(b != 0);
    return a % b;
}
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[expr.mul]/4

*The binary / operator yields the quotient, and the binary % operator yields the remainder from the division of the first expression by the second. If the second operand of / or % is zero the behavior is undefined. For integral operands the / operator yields the algebraic quotient with any fractional part discarded; if the quotient a/b is representable in the type of the result, $(a/b)*b + a\%b$ is equal to a ; **otherwise, the behavior of both a/b and $a\%b$ is undefined.***

Integer overflow

```
int f(int a, int b)
{
    assert(b != 0);
    return a % b;
}
```

```
mov    eax, DWORD PTR [rbp-4]
cdq
idiv   DWORD PTR [rbp-8]
mov    eax, edx
```

`idiv` computes quotient in `eax` and remainder in `edx`.

Integer overflow

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{
    assert(b != 0);
    return a % b;
}
```

```
ldr    w8, [sp, #12]
ldr    w10, [sp, #8]
sdiv   w9, w8, w10
mul    w9, w9, w10
subs   w0, w8, w9
```

```
return a - (a / b) * b;
```

Integer overflow

```
$ lladb ./a.out
(lladb) target create "./a.out"
Current executable set to '/home/foonathan/Downloads/a.out' (x86_64).
(lladb) r
Process 645117 launched: '/home/foonathan/Downloads/a.out' (x86_64)
Process 645117 stopped
* thread #1, name = 'a.out',
  stop reason = signal SIGFPE: integer divide by zero
  frame #0: 0x0000555555555180 a.out`f(int, int) + 64
a.out`f:
-> 0x555555555180 <+64>: idivl  -0x8(%rbp)
   0x555555555183 <+67>: movl   %edx, %eax
   0x555555555185 <+69>: addq  $0x10, %rsp
   0x555555555189 <+73>: popq  %rbp
```




Richard Smith

@zygoloid

Following



C++ quiz time! Without checking, what does this print (assume an LP64 / LLP64 system):

```
short a = 1;  
std::cout << sizeof(+a) ["23456"] <<  
std::endl;
```

My favorite C++ question

```
short a = 1;
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//
                        ^^^^^^^^
```

- "23456" is a string literal

My favorite C++ question

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//
                        ^^^^^^^^
```

- "23456" is a string literal
- string literals have type `const char[N]`

My favorite C++ question

```
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//
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//                ^^
```

- a is a short

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```

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- unary plus does integer promotion
- the result is of type int

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//
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//
                ^^^^^^^^^^^^^
```

- sizeof returns a std::size_t

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//
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- sizeof returns a `std::size_t`
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- LP64/LLP64: `sizeof(int) == 4`

My favorite C++ question

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//
std::cout << sizeof(+a) ["23456"] << std::endl;
//
                ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
```

- builtin index operator is commutative

My favorite C++ question

```
short a = 1;
//
std::cout << sizeof(+a) ["23456"] << std::endl;
//
                ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
```

- builtin index operator is commutative
- `4["23456"] == "23456"[4] == 6`

My favorite C++ question

22% 1

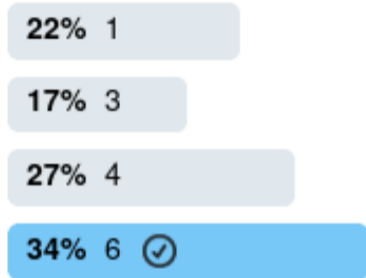
17% 3

27% 4

34% 6 ✓

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My favorite C++ question

Precedence	Operator	Description	Associativity
1	::	Scope resolution	Left-to-right
2	a++ a--	Suffix/postfix increment and decrement	
	type() type{}	Functional cast	
	a()	Function call	
	a[]	Subscript	
	. ->	Member access	
3	++a --a	Prefix increment and decrement	Right-to-left
	+a -a	Unary plus and minus	
	! ~	Logical NOT and bitwise NOT	
	(type)	C-style cast	
	*a	Indirection (dereference)	
	&a	Address-of	
	sizeof	Size-of ^[note 1]	
	co_await	await-expression (C++20)	
	new new[]	Dynamic memory allocation	
	delete delete[]	Dynamic memory deallocation	

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```

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```

[expr.sizeof]/1

[...] The **result of sizeof applied to any of the narrow character types is 1**. The result of sizeof applied to any other fundamental type ([basic.fundamental]) is implementation-defined.

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10 % 7?

Modulo and negative numbers

10 % 7? 3

Modulo and negative numbers

10 % 7? 3

10 % -7?

Modulo and negative numbers

10 % 7? 3

10 % -7? 3

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Euclidean	depending on $\text{sgn}(b)$	+	$[0, \text{abs}(a))$

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- $10 / 7 == 1$
- $10 \% 7 == 3$

Floored (Lua):

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- $10 \% 7 == 3$

- $10 / -7 == -1$
- $10 \% -7 == 3$

- $-10 / 7 == -2$
- $-10 \% 7 == 4$

Truncated (C++):

- $10 / 7 == 1$
- $10 \% 7 == 3$

- $10 / -7 == -1$
- $10 \% -7 == 3$

- $-10 / 7 == -1$
- $-10 \% 7 == -3$

- $-10 / -7 == 1$
- $-10 \% -7 == -3$

Floored (Lua):

- $10 / 7 == 1$
- $10 \% 7 == 3$

- $10 / -7 == -2$
- $10 \% -7 == -4$

- $-10 / 7 == -2$
- $-10 \% 7 == 4$

- $-10 / -7 == 1$
- $-10 \% -7 == -3$

Euclidean (Dart):

- $10 / 7 == 1$
- $10 \% 7 == 3$

- $10 / -7 == -1$
- $10 \% -7 == 3$

- $-10 / 7 == -2$
- $-10 \% 7 == 4$

- $-10 / -7 == 2$
- $-10 \% -7 == 4$