C++ Programming

Course Plan

EDAF50, study period VT1 2018.
7.5 hp.

Administrative Information

Welcome! In this course you will learn C++. You will study the language with many details and also the standard library. An important part of the course is to use the differences between C++ and Java to illustrate some important programming concepts, and an informal goal of the course is to give participants the tools to become real C++ programmers, not Java programmers who know C++ syntax.

Prerequisites Taken and passed EDAA01 Programming–Second Course (or corresponding). Informal prerequisites: “good at programming”, “likes programming”, “used to computers”. You will most probably be bored by the course if you don’t fulfill these requirements...

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Web page http://cs.lth.se/edaf50/
Please check the course web page regularly.

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Course literature  As long as you learn C++ you may use any book. Some alternatives (both of the books cover the C++11 standard):


In addition to the textbook, there are additional resources from the department available on the course web page: the lecture slides, instructions for the computer labs and the project.

Course Content, Details

**Lectures**  Tuesdays 8–10, MA:4 and Thursdays 13–15, MA:3

Preliminary headlines for the lectures:

L1: Introduction, functions, variables, and data types
L2: Introduction cont’d, user defined types
L3: Modularity: source code organization, error handling
L4: Classes
L5: Resource management
L6: Pointers and arrays. Standard algorithms
L7: Generic programming: function templates
L8: Class templates
L9: Classes and inheritance
L10: More about the standard library
L11: Low-level details.
L12: Recap. About the project
L13–L14: Reserve – no lecture planned

**Computer labs**  The computer labs are compulsory. There is one lab per week during study weeks 3–6. Instructions and assignments are in the handout “Laboratory Exercises, C++ Programming”.

The labs are mostly homework and need extensive preparation. Alternative times for the lab sessions: Mondays 13–15, Tuesdays 15–17, Wednesdays 8–10 or 15–17, Thursdays 15–17, or Fridays 13–15.

The labs are done in groups of two students. Signing up for the labs:

- Visit https://sam.cs.lth.se/Labs
- Enroll at the same time as your lab parter. If you enroll on your own, the system will assign you a lab partner.
- Use your StiL id as user id. If the system does not accept your user id, use the box at the bottom to have the system email you (to your address in LADOK) your id.
- Contact the course coordinator if you have any problems, questions, or need to change your lab time.
Exercises  There are no scheduled exercise sessions. Instead, there are exercises with problems that you can solve at the computer. You should solve one of the exercises each week (from the second week). The exercise texts, programs to use and suggested solutions are on the course web page.

Project  The project is compulsory and is to be carried out in groups of two to four students. The project description is in the handout “Project Description, C++ Programming”.

The project report is due Monday, April 23. You may of course hand in the project earlier. See the project description for instructions on how to hand in the project.

Examination

Parts  The course is reported as two parts:
- Written Examination 4 hp.
- Laboratory Work and Assignment 3.5 hp

Both parts must be completed to pass the course.

The final grade is based on the result of the written examination.

Written examination  Wednesday 14/3, 14:00–19:00
 Wednesday 29/8, 8:00–13:00