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Main Objects in Programming Languages

- Verbatims
- Constants
- Variables
- Elementary data types
- Type conversions
- Expressions
- Input/Output operations



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Verbatims and its data types

- Numericals
 - Integer : **byte, short, ushort, int, uint, etc**
 - 3 -5 0 453
 - Reals: **double, float, decimal**
 - -3e10 5.67e-23 4.543
- Character : **char**
 - 'a' '1' 'x' '!'
- Boolean : **bool**
 - True/false
- String of chars
 - "HELLO WORLD"



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Constants

- A constant value can not change its value from the beginning until the end of the program execution. Added to all this, the value is set within the code.
- It can not be assigned during run time.
- Consists in associating an specific name with a verbatim value

```
public const int IVA=18 ;
```



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Variables

- A variable (as well as a constant) can store a single value
- Variables can change their value during program execution
- Variables and constants are identified by a name (also called identifier)
- Naming rules :
 - constants and variables identifiers must start with a letter followed by a combination of letters and numbers and the special character _
 - Any other special character is not allowed



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Elementary Data Types

- Data type is a key concept in programming
- Every single object (variable o constant) belongs to an specific data type
- Data type determines
 - Which values can be stored
 - Which operations can be performed with the objects (calculations)
 - In most programming languages we have 4 basic data types

- integer
- real
- character
- boolean



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Data Types

- The data type of a variable/constant fixes the set of values that the object can store

- How do we declare a variable ?

```
int x;  
int y=3;  
char c = 'M' ;  
bool fcbIsTheBest=true;  
string msg ="I LOVE C#"
```



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Basic Operations With Variables

- **Initialization:**

- A variable does not contain any value until it is initialized. The first time that a variable has a value is called **variable initializing**

- **Assignment:**

- This operations is useful to change the value of a variable.

- We use operator := to make an assignment

- Examples:

```
a = 3  
b=8*a
```

- On the left hand side of the assignment sentence we write the identifier of a variable
- On the right hand side we can write some calculation



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Operations with variables (II)

- **Use of the stored value:**

- Whenever appears the name of a variable on the right side of an expression, we have to substitute the variable with it's value.

EXAMPLES

```
a =5 // Initialization
```

```
d= a+3 //assignment with use of the stored  
//value of a
```

```
i =0 Initialization
```

```
i =i+1 //assignment with use of the stored  
//value of i
```



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Data Types and possible values

Possible values of a constant or a variable depend on its Type

Examples

- Integer Data Type:
3 -1 0 5
- Real Data Type:
3.0 3.1416 -3e20
- Character Data Type (values single-quoted ' '):
'a' 'A' '#' '@' '3'
- Boolean Data Type:
true or *false* only



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Integer Operators

- We can combine integer operands using integer operators obtaining integer results

Product *
Integer division /
Reminder %
Addition +
Unary Substraction -a
Binary Substraction a-b



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Operations with integers

```
int a,b,c,d,e,f,g ;
```

```
a=5  
b=2  
c= 5*a  
d= a % b  
e= a / b  
f:= a +b- c + 1  
g:= a+b*2/4+b*a
```

Write down the trace of this algorithm indicating the value of the variables on every instruction



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Real Operators

Real division : /
Product : *
Addition : +
Unary subtraction : -a
Binary subtraction : a-b
Mathematical built in functions :
Math.Abs(x)
Math.Sqrt(x)



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Operator Preference Rules

- Rule 1: Priority
 - Level 1 → - (unary)
 - Level 2 → * , % , /
 - Level 3 → + , -
- Rule 2: associativity
 - Operators of the same level appearing in the same expression must be evaluated from left to right
 - Left to right behaviour could be changed using parenthesis



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Boolean Operators

- Boolean operations always value **true** or **false**
- To obtain a boolean result we can combine "non boolean operands" (relational operators)
- The most important relational operators are :
< , <= , > , >= , == , !=
- Meaning of the operations is the same as in algebra:
3>2 values true
-7>10 values false
3.89 > 3.88888 values true
'a'<'k' values true
'a'=='A' values false



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Boolean Operations (Example)

```
public const double ARECTE=90.0 ;  
  
double myAngle;  
bool esObtus;  
myAngle=93.7  
esObtus= myAngle>ARECTE
```



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Boolean Operators (II)

- Other operators combine boolean operators obtaining a boolean value as a result
- Assume that A i B are boolean expressions (not , and , or)

A	B	!A	A && B	A B
F	F	T	F	F
F	T		F	T
T	F	F	F	T
T	T		T	T



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Operator precedence rules

- () Parenthesis
- . Tables and records access
- - , ! (**unary not** and **sign change**)
- * / %
- + - (two operands addition and subtraction)
- < > ≤ ≥ == ≠ operadores relacionals
- && (logical operator)
- || (logical operator)



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Example

- On every expression, you have to decide
 - *Data type of x*
 - *Values of x that make the expression true*

```
((x>=2) &&(x<=4))
(x % 2 = 1)
(x>='a') &&(x<='z')
((x>='a') &&(x<='z')) ||((x>='A') &&(x<='Z'))
```



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Data Type Conversions

- Is it always possible to assign a bigger set to a smaller set ?
- Is it possible to assign an integer to a real ?
- Is it possible the other way round ?
- Is it possible to assign long ← int ?
- Is it possible the other way round ?
- Is it possible to assign an integer to a char ?

KEY CONCEPT: Casting
when we should use casting conversions ?



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Input/Output Operations

INPUT OPERATIONS

- With input operations you will be able to get values from some input source (keyboard, file, ...)
- An input operation assigns the value obtained from keyboard to a variable (acts in the same way as an assignment)

```
s=Console.ReadLine() ;
//s is a string value
i= Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
//i is an integer var
x= Convert.ToDouble(Console.ReadLine());
// x is a double var
c:= Convert.ToChar(Console.ReadLine());
//c is a char var
```



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Input/Output Operations (II)

OUTPUT OPERATIONS:

- Output operations allow us to send information to some output source (screen, printer ...)

```
int i=3;
string s="HELLO WORLD" ;
double n = 23.45 ;
Console.WriteLine(i);
Console.WriteLine("Your message " + s + " your
number " + n ) ;
```

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