

OVERLOADED operator<< AND operator>>

Input and Output functions

REVIEWING FUNCTION OVERLOADING

- Overloaded functions must have unique argument lists
 - `void f(int x);`
 - `void f(int x, int y);`
 - `int function(int x);`
 - `double function(double x);`
 - `void print(ostream out, int x);`
 - `void print(ostream out, double x)`

<iostream>

class ostream

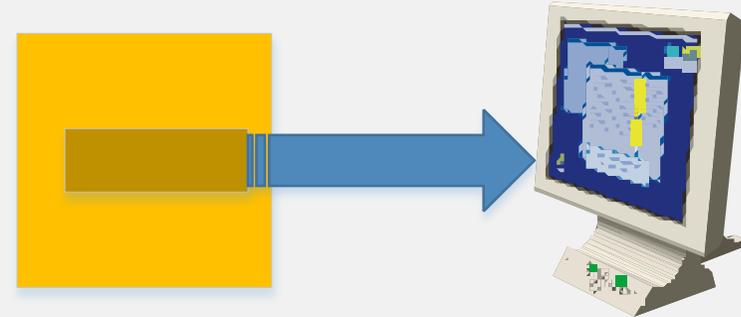
```
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, char);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, char*);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, short);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, int);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, long);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, float);  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream&, double);
```

class istream

```
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, char&);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, char*);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, short&);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, int&);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, long&);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, float&);  
friend istream& operator>>(istream&, double&);
```

operator<< THE INSERTER

- ALWAYS a friend function
- ALWAYS follows the same pattern:
 - returns ostream reference
 - first argument ostream reference
 - second argument reference to the friending class



```
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream& out, foo& me)
{
    out << me.field << endl;
    return out;
}
```

operator>> THE EXTRACTOR

- ALWAYS a friend function
- ALWAYS follows the same pattern:
 - returns istream reference
 - first argument istream reference
 - second argument reference to the friending class



```
friend istream& operator>>(istream& in, foo& me)
{
    in >> me.field;
    return in;
}
```

CLASS SPECIFICATION: length.h

```
class length
{
    private:
        int feet;
        int inches;

    public:
        .
        .
        .
        friend ostream& oprator<<(ostream& out, length& len);
        friend istream& oprator>>(istream& in, length& len);
        .
        .
        .
};
```

FUNCTION DEFINITIONS: length.cpp

```
ostream& operator<<(ostream& out, length& len)
{
    out << "(" << len.feet << ", " << len.inches << ")";

    return out;
}

istream& operator>>(istream& in, length& len)
{
    cout << "Please enter the real part: ";
    in >> len.feet;
    cout << "Please enter the imaginary part: ";
    in >> len.inches;

    return in;
}
```