

# Introduction to Computers and Programming

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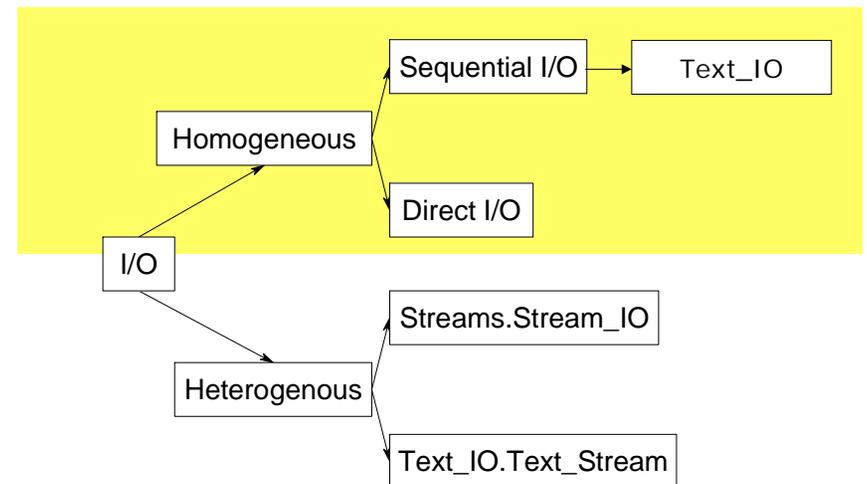
## Ada.Strings.Fixed (A.4.3)

- **procedure** Move (Source : **in** String;  
Target : **out** String;  
Drop : **in** Truncation := Error;  
Justify : **in** Alignment := Left;  
Pad : **in** Character := Space);
- **function** Insert (Source : **in** String;  
Before : **in** Positive;  
New\_Item : **in** String) **return** String;
- **function** Delete (Source : **in** String;  
From : **in** Positive;  
Through : **in** Natural) **return** String;

## Input/Output

- Related I/O packages
- Text files
  - Formatting input
  - Formatting output files

## Input/Output Operations (A.6)



## Files (A.7)

- **External files:** Values input from the external environment of the program, or output to the external environment
- **File**
  - Name (string)
  - Form (string that gives system defined characteristics such as access rights)

## Language Defined Types (A.7)

- **File\_Type:** associates an object through which the program can access the external file

```
My_File : Ada.Text_IO.File_Type;
```

- For Sequential\_IO, Text\_IO, Wide\_Text\_IO and Stream\_IO

```
type File_Mode is (In_File, Out_File, Append_File);
```

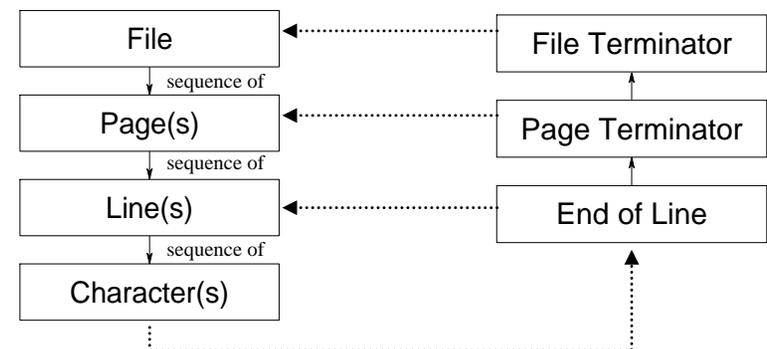
- For Direct\_IO

```
type File_Mode is (In_File, Inout_File, Out_File);
```

## Sequential vs. Direct (A.8)

- **Sequential Files**
  - Sequential\_IO
  - Files viewed as a sequence of values
  - Transfer occurs in order of appearance
- **Direct Files**
  - Direct\_IO
  - File viewed as a set of elements occupying consecutive positions in linear order
  - **index:** location of current element ( $\geq 1$ )
  - **current size:** number of elements in file

## Logical View of Text Files (A.10)



- Terminators are generated
  - Explicitly by procedures/ functions
  - Implicitly as part of other operations

## Ada.Text\_IO (A.10.1)

```
procedure Create (File : in out File_Type;  
                 Mode : in File_Mode := Out_File;  
                 Name : in String := "";  
                 Form : in String := "");
```

```
procedure Open (File : in out File_Type;  
               Mode : in File_Mode;  
               Name : in String;  
               Form : in String := "");
```

```
procedure Close (File : in out File_Type);  
procedure Delete (File : in out File_Type);  
procedure Reset (File : in out File_Type;  
                Mode : in File_Mode);  
procedure Reset (File : in out File_Type);
```

## Text Input/Output

- Ada and I/O
  - Embedded real-time systems ✓
  - Business oriented applications ✗
- Package instantiation
  - Ada.Text\_IO.Integer\_IO; (generic package)
    - Ada.Integer\_Text\_IO; (preinstantiated for the type Integer)
  - Ada.Text\_IO.Float\_IO;
    - Ada.Float\_Text\_IO;
- Brute force example: Formatted output data

formats.adb

## Output to a File 1(2)

- Need 2 file names to read and write to a file
  - Internal name (used in our program)
  - External name (used by OS)
- Create -- associate names with each other
  - Create(Internal\_Name, Out\_File,  
          "TEST.TXT");
- Writing to a file
  - Put(Internal\_Name, "Some text.");
  - New\_Line(Internal\_Name, 2);

fileout1.adb

## Output to a File 2(2)

- Redirecting output
  - Set\_Output(Internal\_Name);
  - Put\_Line("Some other text.");
  - New\_Line(2);
  - Put\_Line(Standard\_Output, "On screen");
  - Set\_Output(Standard\_Output);
- Closing a file
  - Close(Internal\_Name);

## Files, cont.

- Example: How to open multiple files at once
- Input read from a file
  - `Open(My_File, In_File, "CHARACTS.TXT");`
    - File pointer set to beginning of file
  - `End_Of_File(My_File);`
    - Returns `TRUE` when next char to be read is EOF character
  - `Reset(My_File);`
    - File pointer moved to beginning of file again
  - `End_Of_Line(My_File)`
    - Returns `TRUE` when next char in buffer is EOL character

multifileout.adb  
charin.adb

## Examples

- String Input and Output
- Read Integers from file
- Read Floating point numbers from file
  - What has to be changed?
- Input from keyboard
  - Internal filename: `Standard_Input`
  - No `End_Of_File` when reading from keyboard

stringio.adb  
integerin.adb