

# C++11 Variadic Templates

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# ellipsis-operator

```
try {  
    // Try block.  
}  
catch( ... )  
{  
    // Catch block.  
}
```

# Already known: Variadic Functions

```
int printf(const char* format, ... );
```

```
#include <stdarg.h>
```

```
void PrintDoubles (int n, ...)  
{  
    va_list vl;  
    va_start( vl , n );  
    for ( int i=0 ; i<n ; i++)  
    {  
        double val = va_arg( vl , double );  
        std::cout<< val << std::endl;  
    }  
    va_end( vl );  
}
```

# Already known: Preprocessor Macros

```
#define dbgprintf( ... ) \  
    realdbgprintf ( __FILE__, __LINE__, __VA_ARGS__ )
```

# Variadic Templates

```
template < typename ... Args >  
class my_class  
{  
};
```

```
my_class< int > mc1;
```

```
my_class< double , char , std::string > mc2;
```

```
my_class<> mc3;
```

# Variadic Templates

```
template <typename T,typename U,typename ... Args>  
class test  
{  
};
```

```
test< int , char , double , std::string > x1; // Args is  
                                             < double , std::string >  
test< std::string , my_class< int > > x2; // Args is empty
```

# Variadic Templated Functions

```
template < typename T>
void print_comma_separated_list(T value)
{
    std::cout<<value<<std::endl;
}
```

```
template <typename First, typename ... Rest>
void print_comma_separated_list( First first , Rest ... rest )
{
    std::cout<<first<<",";
    print_comma_separated_list( rest... );
}
```

```
print_comma_separated_list(42,"hello",2.3,'a');
```

# sizeof...()

```
template < typename ... Args >  
unsigned how_many_args(Args ... args)  
{  
    return sizeof...(args);  
}
```



# simple\_tuple example 1

```
template<typename ... Types>
```

```
class simple_tuple;
```

```
template<>
```

```
class simple_tuple<>
```

```
{
```

```
};
```

# simple\_tuple example 2

```
template< typename First , typename ... Rest>
class simple_tuple < First , Rest... > : private
simple_tuple<Rest... >
{
    First member;
public:
    simple_tuple(First const& f,Rest const& ... rest):
        simple_tuple<Rest...>(rest...),
        member(f) {}
    First const& head() const { return member; }
    simple_tuple<Rest...> const& rest() const { return *this; }
};
```

# simple\_tuple example 3

```
simple_tuple<int,char,double> st(42,'a',3.141);
```

- To access the first element of a tuple, you can call `t.head()`
- To access the second, you call `t.rest().head()`
- To access the third, you call `t.rest().rest().head()`

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based on

**An Introduction to Variadic Templates in C++0x**

by Anthony Williams

<http://www.devx.com/cplusplus/Article/41533>