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Chapter 2 Introduction to C++

• Reading: Chapter 2 (2.1 to 2.3)

• Good Problems to Work: p. 37 [2.3, 2.4]

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Parts of a C++ Program

- The C++ Hello World program consists of the following elements:
 - Comments
 - · Preprocessor directives
 - Standard namespace
 - · main function
 - Declaration statements
 - Executable statements

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Program Skeleton

Comments

- Comments are
 - how you explain in English what the different parts of your program do
 - · ignored by the compiler
 - · very important for you and me
- The editor in Visual Studio will color code your comments. Comments will be green.

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Comments

- There are two ways to write comments
 - // I am a comment
 - Anything after // to the end of the line will be a comment

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- /* I am another comment */
 - You must start the comment with /* and end it with */ in this style of comment

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Preprocessor Directives

- These need to appear at the beginning of every program that you write
- Includes C++ libraries into your program
- Examples:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
```

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namespace std

using namespace std;

- The statement appears in all of our programs
- Programs contain several items with unique names (i.e. variables, functions, ..)
- namespaces are used to organize these names
- The statement (using namespace std;) declares that the program will be accessing entities whose names are part of the namespace called std

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main function

```
int main()
{
    // program statements
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

- main is where program execution begins
- return EXIT_SUCCESS; ends the main function and indicates that the program terminated successfully where EXIT_SUCCESS is a predefined constant that is returned
- Everything within the double braces {} must be indented 2 spaces for correct program style

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Program Statements

- There are two types of statements that you can write inside the main (or any other) function
 - Declaration statements
 - Specify the data that is needed by the program
 - Executable statements
 - Perform operations
- All statements must end with a semicolon;

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Program Statements

- Declaration statements string name;
- Executable statements

```
cout << "Type your name, then press enter" << endl;
cin >> name;
cout << "Hello " << name << "!" << endl;</pre>
```

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cout object

- cout is an executable statement
- cout is the standard output object
- The monitor is the standard output device
- cout is a stream object and works with streams of data
- The executable statement cout << "Hello " << endl; places what into the output stream?

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cout object

- Output operator (insertion operator): <<
- Standard output (monitor, screen): cout

```
cout << "Hello ";</pre>
```

• right operand can be a string literal or variable

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cout object

- Program Segment #1
 cout << "one" << "two" << endl;</pre>
- Program Segment #2 cout << "one" << endl << "two" << endl;
- What is the purpose of the endl?
- What goes into the stream?
- What is the output?

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cout object

Separate components with <<

 Don't break string literals across a line as this causes a compiler error

```
cout << "Sara
    is " << age << "years old" << endl;</pre>
```

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Escape Characters

- These are special characters that can be output
 - · escape characters are part of a string literal
- They are always preceded by a backslash \
- · Examples of escape characters include:
 - \n: new line: equivalent to endl
 - \r: moves the cursor to the beginning of the current line
 - \t: moves the cursor to the next tab stop
 - \\: displays the backslash
 - \": outputs the double quotes
 - \a: outputs a beep!

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Examples

What is the output if a tab is set to two spaces?

```
cout << "A C++ program\n";
cout << "A \nC++ program";
cout << "\"A C++ program\"\n";
cout << "A\tC++\n\tprogram";</pre>
```

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Tough Question

 What is the output produced by executing the following C++ statement?

```
cout << "\\\" << endl << \n";</pre>
```

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