

LECTURE 1



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Course Objectives:

- To appreciate the need for a programming language.
- To introduce the concept and usability of the structured programming.
- To develop proficiency in making useful software using the C++ language.
- Analyze written problem specifications and divide those specifications into logical modules.
- Develop and document the design of a program using flowcharts.
- Develop and document the design of a program using pseudo-code.
- Convert the designs into structured programs using high-level language, i.e. C++.

Course Info

□ **Text Book:**

- C++ How to program by Dietel & Dietel, 3rd Edition

□ **Suggested Reference:**

- Object Oriented Programming in C++ by Robert Lafore, 3rd Edition

WEEK 1: Introduction

- What is a Computer and what are computer languages?
- Machine Languages, Assembly Languages, and High-level Languages
- History of C and C++
- C++ Standard Library
- Translators: Compiler, Interpreter, Assembler
- Algorithms, Pseudo code
- Structured Programming
- Basics of a Typical C++ Environment

What is computer?

□ **Computer**

- A device capable of performing computations and making logical decisions
- A machine that manipulates data according to a list of instructions.
- A programmable device that can store, retrieve, and process data.

□ **Computer programs**

- Sets of instructions that control a computer's processing of data

□ **Hardware**

- Physical part of the computer
- Various devices comprising a computer
 - Examples: keyboard, screen, mouse, disks, memory, CD-ROM, and processing units

□ **Software**

- A collection of computer programs, procedures and documentation that perform some tasks on a computer system
- Programs that run a computer

Computer organization

There are Six logical units in every computer:

- Input unit
 - Obtains information (data and computer programs) from input devices (keyboard, mouse)
- Output unit
 - Outputs information to output device (screen, printer) or to control other devices.
- Memory unit
 - Rapid access, low capacity, stores input information
- Arithmetic and logic unit (ALU)
 - Performs arithmetic calculations and logic decisions
- Central processing unit (CPU)
 - Supervises and coordinates the other sections of the computer
- Secondary storage unit
 - Cheap, long-term, high-capacity storage, stores inactive programs

Computer languages

□ Computer languages are divided into three types.

■ Machine languages

- Set of Instruction executed directly by a computer's CPU
- Machine language is machine dependent.
- Strings of numbers giving machine specific instructions
- Example:

+1300042774
+1400593419
+1200274027

■ Assembly languages

- English-like abbreviations representing elementary computer operations (translated via assemblers)
- Example:

LOAD BASEPAY
ADD OVERPAY
STORE GROSSPAY

Translator programs called **assembler** were developed to convert assembly language programs to machine language programs at computer speed.

Computer languages

□ High-level languages

- Similar to everyday English, use mathematical notations (translated via compilers)
- Example:

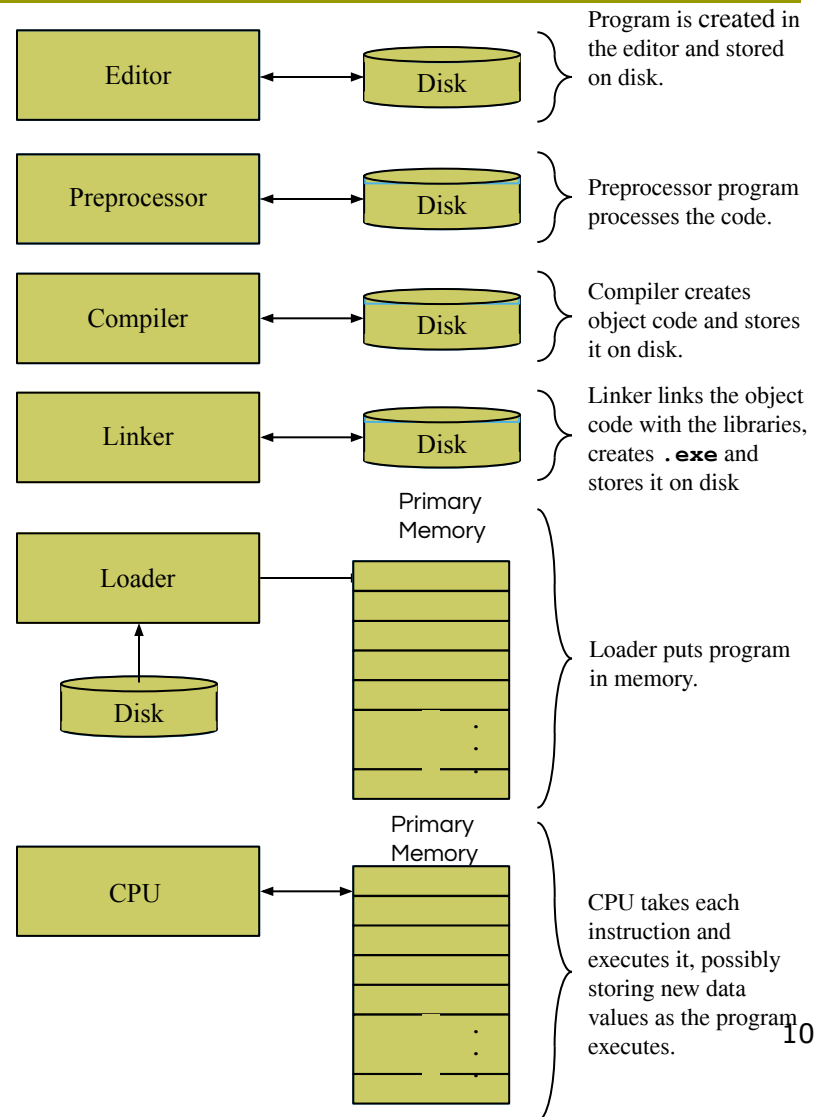
`grossPay = basePay + overTimePay`

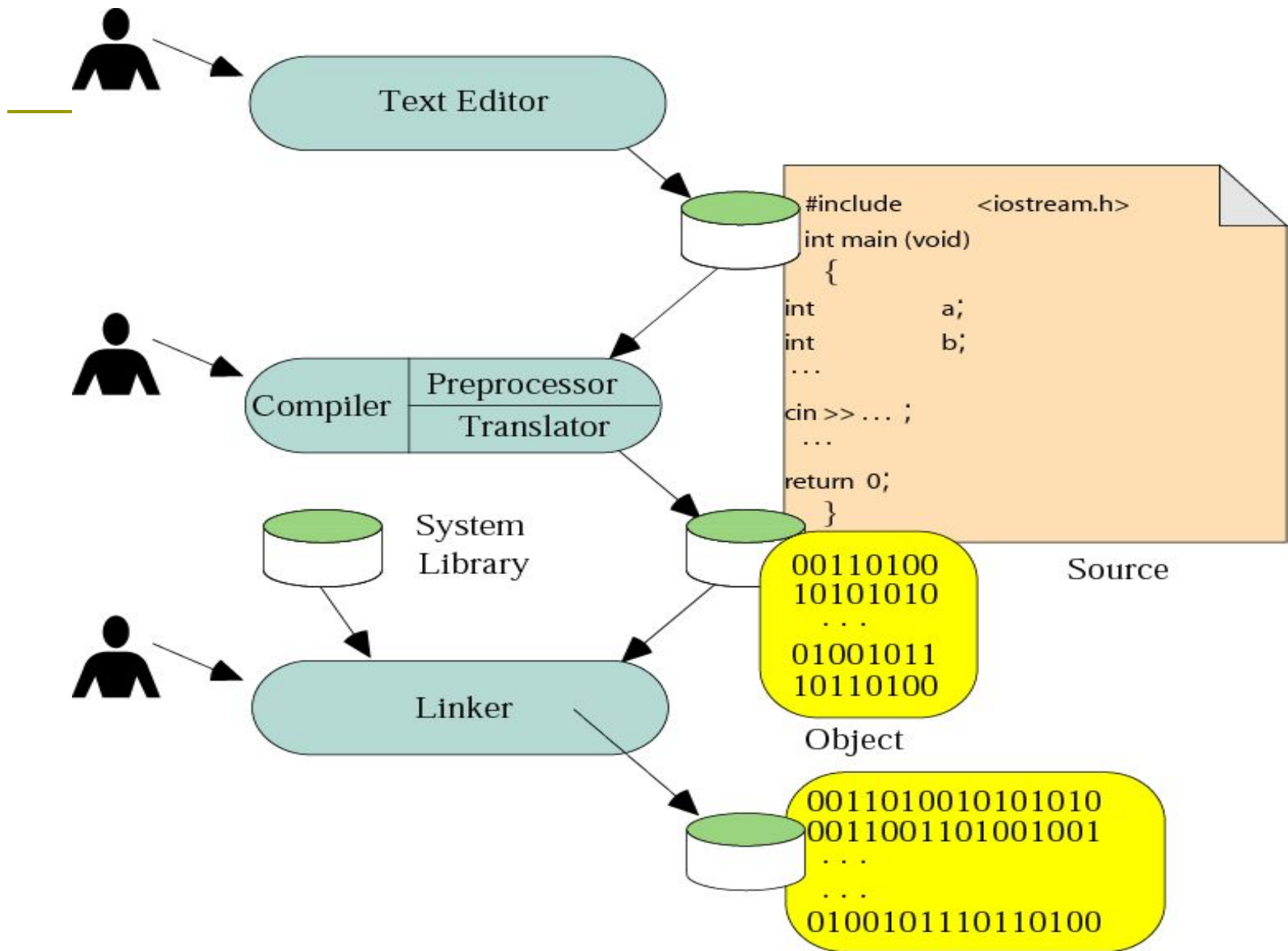
- C, C++ are the most widely used high level languages. Some other examples are
- FORTRAN (formula translator)
 - Used in scientific and engineering applications
- COBOL (common business oriented language)
 - Used to manipulate large amounts of data
- Pascal
 - Used to teach structured programming
- Translator programs called **Compilers** converts high-level language programs into machine language

Basics of a typical C++ environment

□ Phases of C++ Programs to be executed

- Edit
- Preprocess
- Compile
- Link
- Load
- Execute





Program organization

□ Program statement

- Definition
- Declaration
- Action

□ Executable unit

- Named set of program statements
- Different languages refer to executable units by different names
 - Subroutine: Fortran and Basic
 - Procedure: Pascal
 - Function : C++

C++ programming

□ C++ program

- Collection of definitions, declarations and functions
- Collection can span multiple files

□ Advantages

- Structured into small understandable units
- Complexity is reduced
- Overall program size decreases

Programming and Problem Solving

□ **Pseudo code**

- Artificial, informal language used to develop algorithms
- Similar to everyday English

□ **Not executed on computers**

- Used to think out program before coding
 - Easy to convert into C++ program
- Only executable statements
 - No need to declare variables

Programming and Problem Solving

□ **Algorithm**

- A sequence of precise instructions which leads to a solution

□ **Program**

- An algorithm expressed in a language the computer can understand

Program Design

- Programming is a creative process

- **Program Design Process**

- Problem Solving Phase

- Result is an algorithm that solves the problem

- Implementation Phase

- Result is the algorithm translated into a programming language

Problem Solving Phase

- Be certain the task is completely specified
 - What is the input?
 - What information is in the output?
 - How is the output organized?

- Develop the algorithm before implementation
 - Experience shows this saves time in getting your program to run.
 - Test the algorithm for correctness

Implementation Phase

- Translate the algorithm into a programming language
 - Easier as you gain experience with the language
- Compile the source code
 - Locates errors in using the programming language
- Run the program on sample data
 - Verify correctness of results
- Results may require modification of the algorithm and program

Structure of C++ Program

hash sign
↓
#include <iostream> → Preprocessor directives
#include <conio.h>
using namespace std; → Namespace library
int main() → Main function header
{ ← brace → Open the block
} ← brace → Close the block
} ← brace → Write declarations and statements

```
\\ A simple C++ program
```

→ This is a comment and is ignored by compiler

```
#include <iostream>
```

→ Header

```
using namespace std;
```

→ This tells the compiler to use still namespace

```
int main()
```

→ Main function

```
{
```

```
    cout << "First c++ program";  
    return 0;
```

This is the body of main()
it contains the execute code

```
{
```

A simple c++ program(without a class)

C++ Programming

Simple program to print a line of text.

```
1 // A first program in C++
2
3
4
5
6 cout << "Welcome to C++!\n";
7
8 return 0; // indicate the program
successfully
9 }
```

return is a way to exit a function from a function.

return 0, in this case, means that the program terminated normally. It is one of the several means used to exit a function

The left brace **{**, line 5 must begin the body of function and the corresponding right brace **}**, line 9 must end the body of each function.

Prints the *string* of characters contained between the quotation marks.

The entire line, including **cout**, the **<<** operator, the *string* **"Welcome to C++!\n"** and the *semicolon* (**;**), is called a *statement*.

All statements must end with a semicolon.

Comments

between **/*** and ***/** or following a **//**.

program readability and do not cause the program to perform any action.

preprocessor directive

preprocessor.

are preprocessor directives.

<cream> tells the preprocessor

one or more functions, one

of which must be **main**

C++ Programming

□ **cout**

- Standard output stream object
- “Connected” to the screen

□ **<<**

- Stream insertion operator
- Value to the right of the operator (right operand) inserted into output stream (which is connected to the screen)
- `cout << "Welcome to C++!\n";`

C++ Programming

```
1 // an example to observe using statement
2 // program to display greeting
3 #include <iostream.h>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     cout << "Hello world\n";
8
9     return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
10 }
```

Escape Character

- Indicates that a “special” character is to be output

Escape Sequence	Description
<code>\n</code>	Newline. Position the screen cursor to the beginning of the next line.
<code>\t</code>	Horizontal tab. Move the screen cursor to the next tab stop.
<code>\r</code>	Carriage return. Position the screen cursor to the beginning of the current line; do not advance to the next line.
<code>\a</code>	Alert. Sound the system bell.
<code>\\</code>	Backslash. Used to print a backslash character.
<code>\"</code>	Double quote. Used to print a double quote character.

C++ Programming

- There are multiple ways to print text. Following are some more examples.

```
1 //observing the use of \n
2 // Printing a line with multiple statements
3 #include <iostream.h>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     cout << "Welcome ";
8     cout << "to C++!\n";
9
10    return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
11 }
```

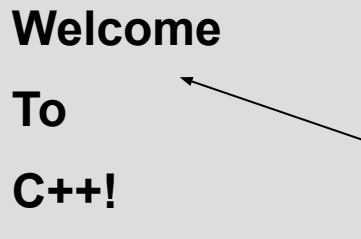
The output would be as bellow

Welcome to C++!

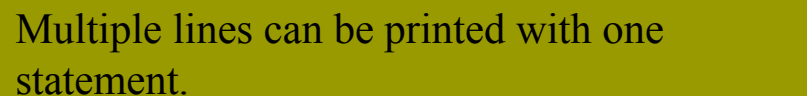
Unless new line '**\n**' is specified, the text continues on the same line.

C++ Programming

```
1 // printing multiple lines with a single statement
2 // Printing multiple lines with a single statement
3 #include <iostream.h>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     cout << "Welcome\nto\n\nC++!\n";
8
9     return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
10 }
```



**Welcome
To
C++!**



Multiple lines can be printed with one statement.

Testing and Debugging

□ **Bug**

- A mistake in a program

□ **Debugging**

- Eliminating mistakes in programs
- Term used when a moth caused a failed relay on the Harvard Mark 1 computer. Grace Hopper and other programmers taped the moth in logbook stating:
 "First actual case of a bug being found."

Program Errors

□ **Syntax errors**

- Violation of the grammar rules of the language
- Discovered by the compiler
 - Error messages may not always show correct location of errors

□ **Run-time errors**

- Error conditions detected by the computer at run-time

□ **Logic errors**

- Errors in the program's algorithm
- Most difficult to diagnose
- Computer does not recognize an error

Structured Programming

- Structured Programming is a programming paradigm aimed at improving the clarity, quality and development time of a computer program by making extensive use of subroutines (Functions), looping (e.g. for,while) etc..

C++ Standard Library

- C++ Programs consist of pieces called classes and functions. You can program each piece yourself, but most C++ programmer take advantages of the rich collections of classes and functions in the C++ standard Library.

Our Focus (Two part of learning C++)

- The first is learning C++ language itself
- The second is learning how to use the classes and functions in the C++ standard Library.