

# COP4530 Recitation Fall 2012

## Week 1

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### Objective

1. Programming Assignment 1 Discussion
2. g++ Compilation Warnings
3. Using Make and Makefiles

### Programming Assignment 1 Discussion

#### A. Code snippet for file reading and command line argument checking

```
#####  
#include<iostream>  
#include<fstream>  
#include<string>  
using namespace std;  
  
int main(int argc, char* argv[])  
{  
    string word;  
  
    // If filename is not given quit with exit status 1  
    if (argc < 2) {  
        cout << "Usage: <executable name> <filename>"  
             << endl;  
        exit(1);  
    }  
  
    // The filename must be const ptr  
    const char* const filename = argv[1];  
  
    //Try to open the file  
    ifstream infile(filename, ios::in);  
  
    //Check if file is open or not  
    if (!infile) {  
        cout << "File opening failed" << endl;  
        exit(1);  
    }  
}
```

```

//Read contents and print out
while (!infile.eof()) {
    infile >> word ;
    cout << word << endl;
}

// Closing the file
infile.close();
} // main
#####

```

Points to remember:

- Check the number of arguments in command line
- File inclusion
- Check if the file opened successfully or not
- Check for the end of file

## B. String operations (basic)

Can you fill in the missing code (...)?

```

#####
#include<iostream>
#include<string>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    string mystring("data structures ");

    // write one or two lines of code to output the length of
    // mystring
    .....
    // write one or two lines of code to append "fun" to mystring
    .....
    // write one or two lines of code to replace "structure"
    // with "model" in mystring
    .....
    // write one or two lines of code to clear the data from
    // mystring without assigning it to something else
    .....
    // write one or two lines of code to verify mystring is empty
    .....
}
#####

```

(Hint: use the "capacity" and "modifier" functions of the string class discussed in recitation. Reference: <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/string/string/>)

### C. File Operations

`tellg` is a function that returns the absolute position of the get pointer for the `ifstream`; it is inherited from `istream`. If the get pointer is at the end of the file, `tellg` will return the number of characters (or size) of the file. `-1` is returned if the method fails.

```
// Returns the absolute position of the get pointer as an int
streampos istream::tellg();
```

`seekg` is used to set the position of the get pointer for the `ifstream`; it is also inherited from `istream`. An exception is thrown if an error occurs.

```
// Sets the position of the get pointer for ifstream
istream& istream::seekg(streampos pos);
```

\* This is the commonly used prototype. An alternative prototype can be found here: <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/istream/istream/seekg/>

Can you fill in the missing code (...)?

```
#####
#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
#include<string>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    const char* const filename("myfile.txt");
    ifstream::pos_type size;

    // write a line of code to open the file for reading and set
    // the start pointer to the end
    ifstream myfile(filename, .....);

    // write a line of code to get the size of the file
    size = .....

    // write a line of code to set the pointer to the beginning
    // of the file
    .....
}
#####
```

## D. Namespaces

What problems might occur in the following code snippet?

```
#####  
#include<iostream>  
  
int main()  
{  
    cout << "Hello World" << endl;  
}  
#####
```

How do you resolve this issue?

## E. String operations (searching)

\* We will only cover this if time permits. Otherwise review on your own.

`find_first_of` and `find_first_not_of` are two constant member functions of the string class. They can be used to search the occurrence of characters in the string instance.

```
// Returns the position of the first occurrence of character  
// 'ch' starting from 'pos' in the string object  
size_t string::find_first_of(char ch, size_t pos = 0) const;  
  
// Returns the position of first occurrence of a character which  
// is not 'ch' starting from 'pos' in the string object  
size_t string::find_first_not_of(char ch, size_t pos = 0) const;
```

Important notes:

- `size_t` is a typedef that can be converted to an integer.
- If a search is unsuccessful, the static constant `npos` is returned. Use `string::npos` in your code to check for this case.
- Alternative prototypes for both these methods allow for a string or character array to be used as the first argument

Can you fill in the missing code (...)?

```
#####  
#include<iostream>  
#include<string>  
using namespace std;  
  
int main()  
{  
    string sentence("A new day has come finally");  
    char ch = 'c';  
}
```

```

size_t pos1, pos2;

// write a single line of code to get the first occurrence
// of character 'c'
pos1 = .....

// write a single line of code to get the position of
// character 'a' after pos1
pos2 = .....

// write an if statement to check if the searches
// were successful or not
.....
}
#####

```

## g++ Compilation Warnings

What are the meanings of the following flags?

a) -Wall

b) -pedantic

## Using Make and Makefiles

make is a Unix utility which reads instructions from a file to build a project. make is extremely useful for projects with multiple files and dependencies; like the ones you will be doing in this course. The instructions must be contained in a file named either **“makefile”** or **“Makefile”** and be in the directory of your project.

The syntax for an instruction is:

```

<target>: <dependencies>
< TAB ><command>

```

## Simple Makefile Example

```
#####  
all: main.x  
  
main.x: class1.o main.o  
< TAB >g++ -o main.x class1.o main.o  
  
class1.o: class1.cpp  
< TAB >g++ -c class1.cpp  
  
main.o: main.cpp  
< TAB >g++ -c main.cpp  
  
clean:  
< TAB >rm -rf *.o *~ *.x  
#####
```

## A Much Better Makefile Example

```
#####  
HOME = /home/courses/cop4530/fall05/recitation  
CC = g++ -Wall -pedantic  
PROJ = $(HOME)/rect2/makeutil  
INCL = -I $(PROJ)  
  
all: main.x  
  
main.x: largest.o print.o main.o  
< TAB >$(CC) -o main.x print.o largest.o main.o  
  
largest.o: $(PROJ)/largest.h $(PROJ)/largest.cpp  
< TAB >$(CC) -c $(INCL) $(PROJ)/largest.cpp  
  
print.o: $(PROJ)/print.h $(PROJ)/print.cpp  
< TAB >$(CC) -c $(INCL) $(PROJ)/print.cpp  
  
main.o: $(PROJ)/main.cpp  
< TAB >$(CC) -c $(INCL) $(PROJ)/main.cpp  
  
clean:  
< TAB >rm -rf *.o *~ *.x  
#####
```

What will happen if the name of the file is changed to “abc.txt”? How do you resolve this?

## References:

1. tellg : <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/iostream/istream/tellg/>
2. seekg : <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/iostream/istream/seekg/>
3. ifstream : <http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/files/>
4. string : <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/string/string/>
5. make : [http://developers.sun.com/solaris/articles/make\\_utility.html](http://developers.sun.com/solaris/articles/make_utility.html)
6. g++ warnings : <http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-4.3.2/gcc/Warning-Options.html#Warning-Options>