# Chapter 6

Introduction to Windows Form Application

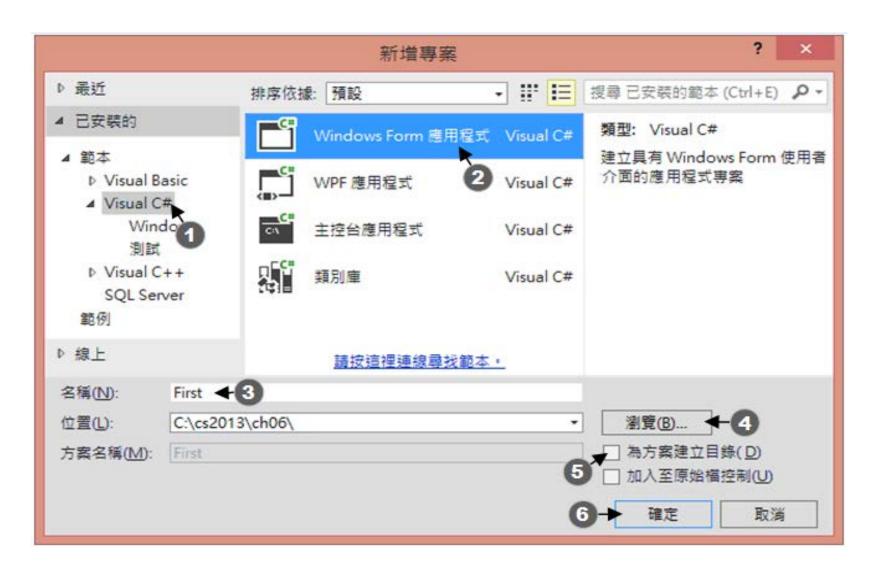
# 6-1 First Discovered Windows Application

- Former chapters: run under console mode
- Windows application runs under window mode
- Main difference
  - ① input and output at I/O interface
  - ② WYSIWYG(What You See Is What You Get) user interface maintenance, no need to wait until execution

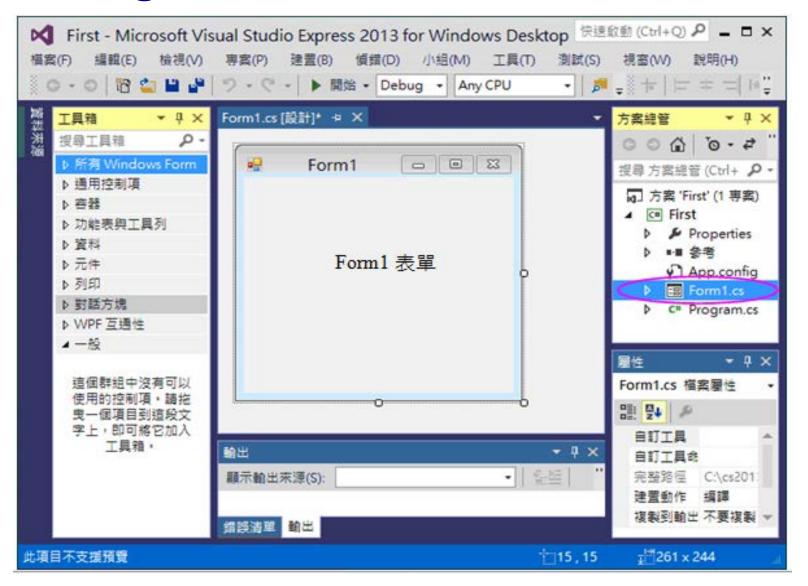
# **Project**

- Use "Form" as a container
- Includes menu, list, text box, command, button, check box, option, etc.
- Use event-driven method to connect source code, "form" and "control items"
- Form is going to be a Windows application as the project is running

# 1. Open Visual C# IDE



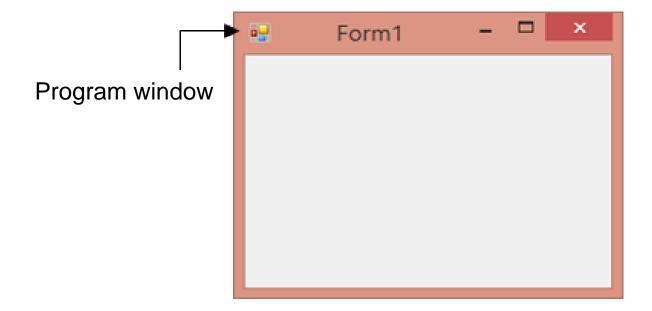
# **Entering IDE**



# 2. Windows Application – Run & Close

#### 1. Run

- ① menu Debug(D)/Start Debug(S)
- ② shortcut key F5 Open the program window named Form1



# 2. Windows Application – Run & Close

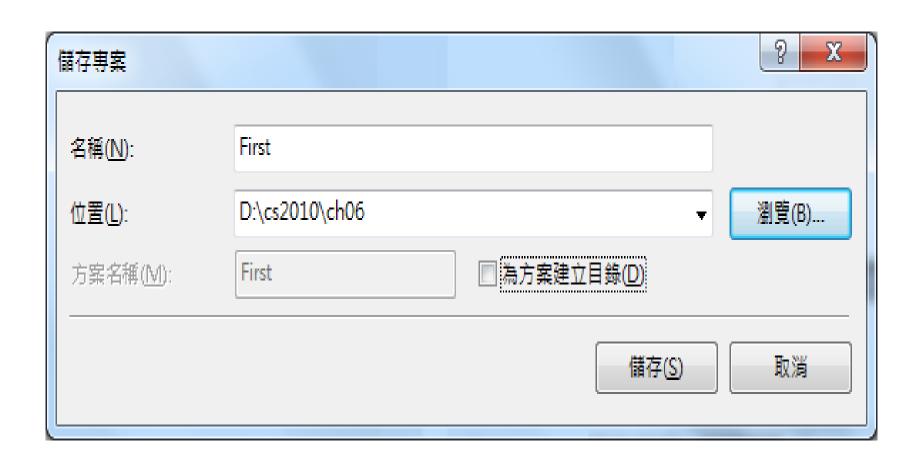
#### 2. Close

① press the close button at the right-top side of window



② menu Debug(D)/Stop debug(E) terminate running Windows application and back to the IDE

# 3. Windows Application – Save and Open



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- 1. Save program
  - ① press the "Save all" icon at tool bar
  - ② menu File(F)/Save all(L)

The related file of First project is stored at assigned directory

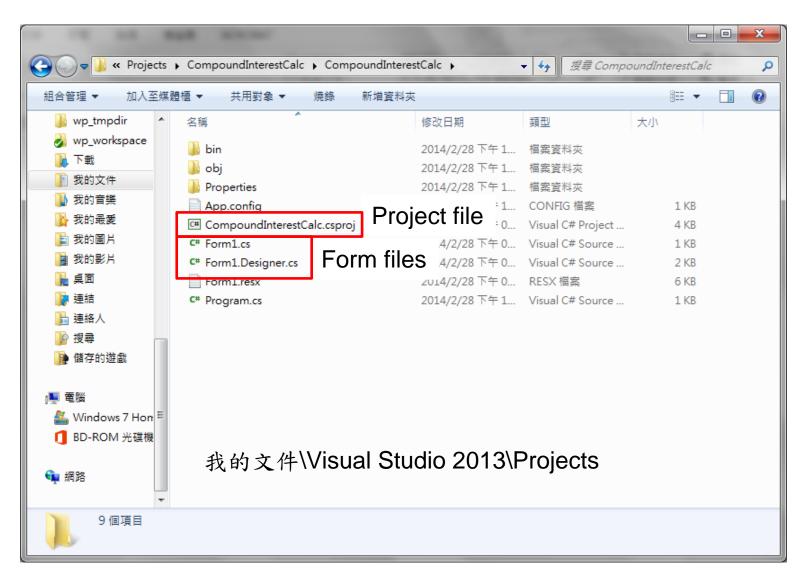
# 2. Exiting IDE

When execute File(F)/Exit(X) to leave IDE, the IDE will question about saving if the project is modified.

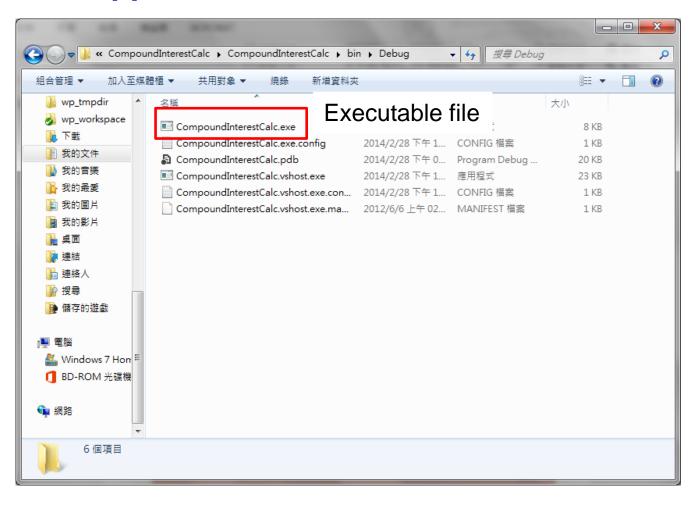


- Replace the original content
- 2 Preserve the original content
- 3 Return to IDE and continue editing

# 3. Open Project Directory

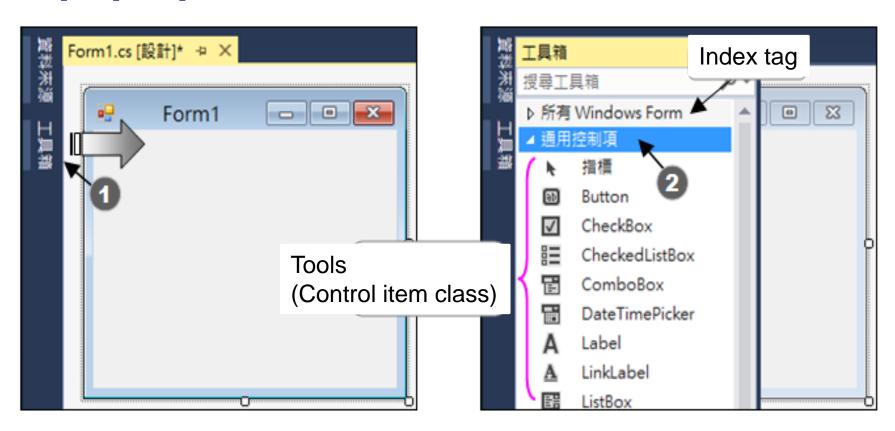


 In bin\Debug directory: the project is compiled and placed at the executable Windows application

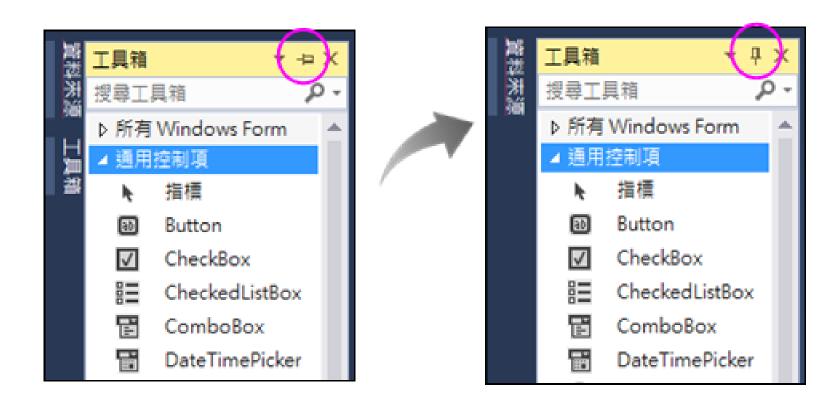


## 6-2 Development Environment of Windows Application

# 1. pop-up toolbox



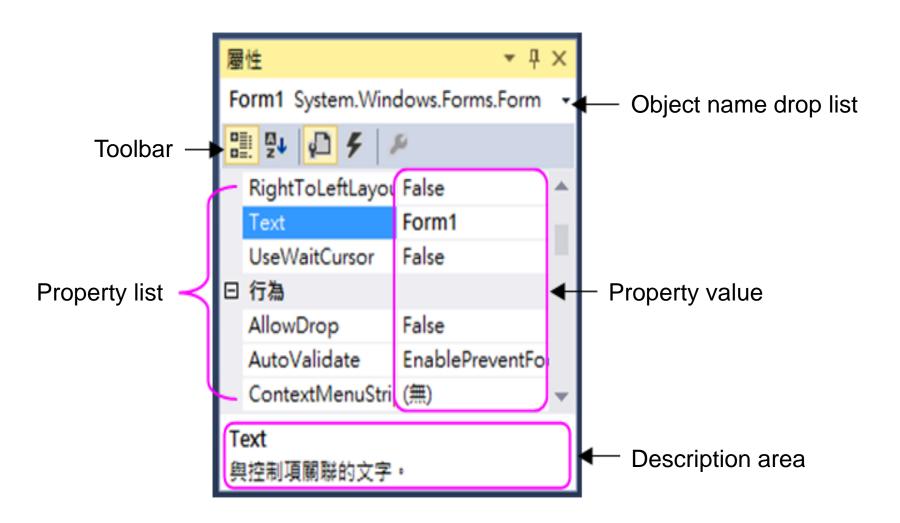
#### 2. Fixed toolbox



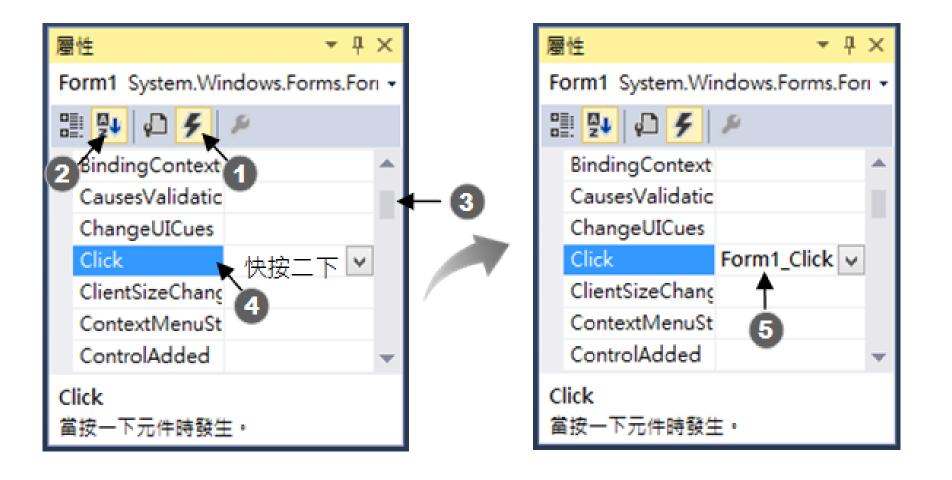
# 2. Project Manager

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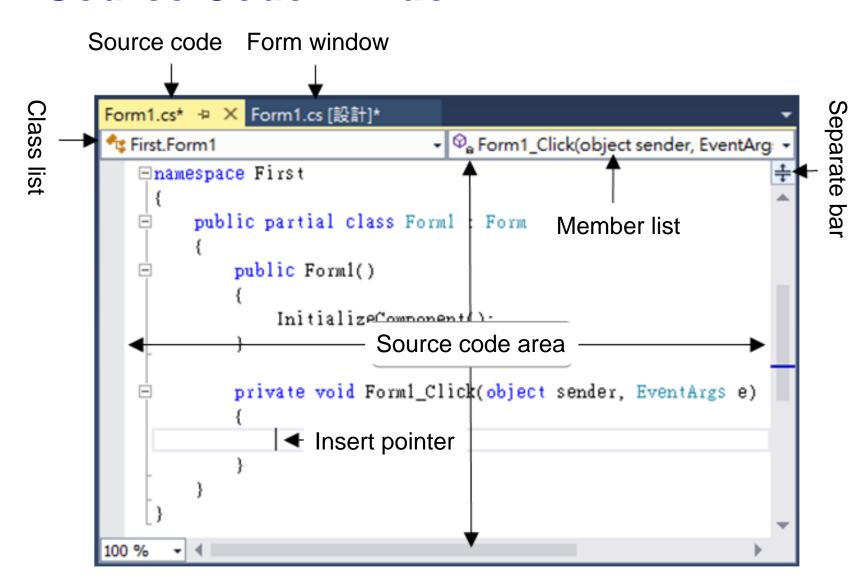
# 3. Property Window



#### 2. Event Window



#### 4. Source Code Window





#### 4 Phases of Windows Application Design

- 1. Input and output interface creation
- 2. Property assignment
- 3. Source code editing
- 4. Project building and debugging

Form design phase

Program design and execution phase

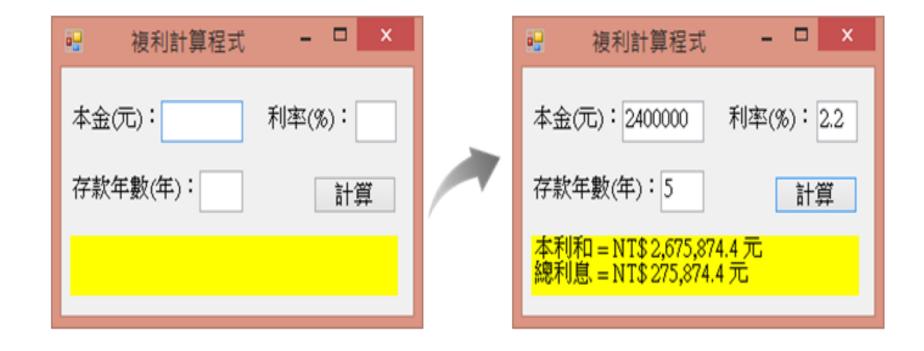
#### **Practice(CompoundInterestCalc):**

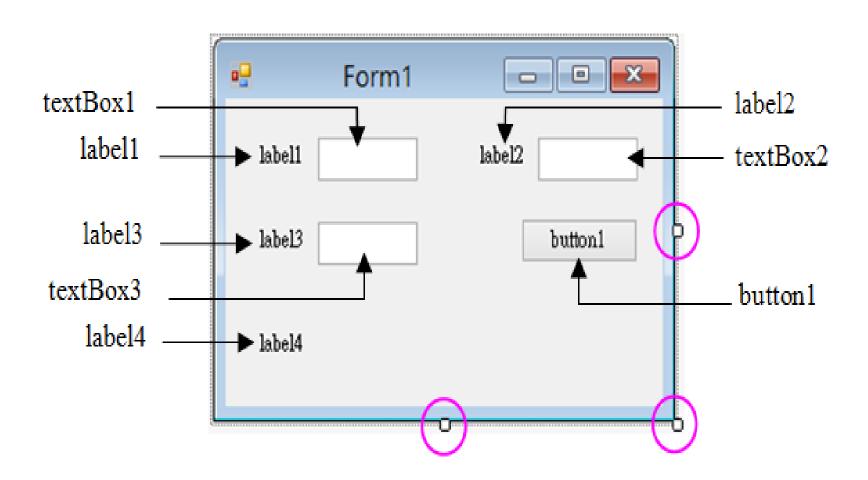
Follow the 4 phases mentioned just now to design a compound-interest-calculation Windows Application. The requirements are:

- 1. Provide 3 pairs of label and textbox control items for showing messages and data inputation
- 2. Provide a "Calculate" button control item
- 3. Provide a label control item for showing the sum of principal and interest, the sum of all interest in 2 lines.
- 4. When the principal, interest rate, saving years, press "Calculate" button to calculate the sum of principal and interest with the formula. The formula is:

sum of principal and interest = principal x  $(1 + interest rate)^{years}$  function: Math.Pow(2, 3) =  $2^3$  interest = sum of principal and interest – principal

#### **Result:**





# 3 ways to set properties

- 1. Input type: directly set the value of property
- 2. Menu type: select a value from all available property values
- 3. Dialog type: 

  show a dialog window to programmer for advanced settings

## **Set the Name and Text properties**

- 1. label1: Name reserved, Text = "Principal:"
- 2. label2: Name reserved, Text = "Years:"
- 3. label3: Name reserved, Text = "Rate(%):"
- 4. textBox1: Name = txtCapi, Text = "" (empty string)
- 5. textBox2: Name = txtYear, Text = ""
- 6. textBox3: Name = txtRate, Text = ""
- 7. button1: Name = btnCal, Text = "Calculate"
- 8. label4: Name reserved, Text reserved



#### 3. Source Code

```
// FileName : Compound.sln
01 using System;
02 using System.Collections.Generic;
03 using System.ComponentModel;
04 using System.Data;
05 using System.Drawing;
06 using System.Linq;
07 using System. Text;
08 using System.Threading.Tasks;
09 using System.Windows.Forms;
                                        Automatically generated by IDE
10
11 namespace Compound
12 {
     public partial class Form1 : Form
14
15
       public Form1()
16
          InitializeComponent();
17
18
```

```
19
       private void Form1 Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
20
21
22
          label4.Text = ""
23
24
25
       private void btn <u>Click(object sender, EventArgs e)</u>
26
27
          double money = double.Parse(txtCapi.Text); // 本金
28
          double years = double.Parse(txtYear.Text); // 年期
          double vrate = double.Parse(txtRate.Text); // 年利率
29
30
          double total;
                         // 本利和
          total = money * Math.Pow((1 + yrate / 100), years);
31
32
          label4.Text = "本利和 = NT$ " + total.ToString("#,#.0") + " 元";
          label4.Text += "\n 總利息 = NT$" + (total - money).ToString("#,#.0") + " 元";
33
34
35
36 }
```



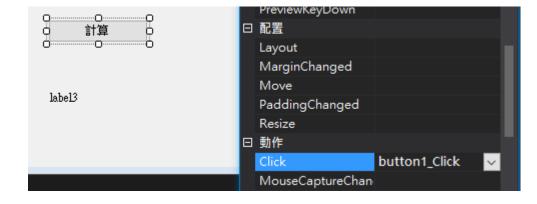
Take a simple practice.
 Use the Button event to calculate and give the answer.



#### **Practice 3**

### Tips:

- •If you want to give an element an event, click the element and find the icon in the attribute window.
- Use the click button event as an example, set the name as button1\_Click in the click event. Then you can see the function in the code script.



# 4. Debug

- 1. Start debug press F5 or Debug(D)/Start debug(S) to compile and run the program, examine whether every function fits the requirements or not
- 2. Stop debug press the close button at the right-top side of window or Debug(D)/Stop debug(E) to terminate the program and return to IDE.

# **Debug**

 1. press the mouse button and mark the line you feel has problem

 2. press f5 to start the program, it will stop at that line you mark and press f11 you can run the program step by step and see the detail of all variable.

# **Practice-debug**

- Hint:
- Use the breakpoint to find out the bug in the code and debug.
- There are several bugs here:
  - Only the integer can be shown.
  - Wrong calculate results.
  - Not able to get rid of the loops
- Please use the debug way (e.g. appointed breakpoint).
- Upload the screenshot of the result to moodle.



Grammar

Object.propertyName = value;

Ex1: set the Text property of button1 to "計算", the property value is a string, usage:

```
button1.Text = "計算";
```

Ex2: set the Width property of button1 to 75, the property value is an integer, usage:

```
button1.Width = 75;
```

Ex3: set the Enabled property of button1 to false, the property value is a Boolean, usage:

```
button1.Enabled = false;
```

# 2. Integrated Enumeration Class

Grammar

Object.propertyName = Enumeration.member;

Example

Object.ForeColor = Color.member;

Object.BackColor = Color.member;

#### The list of Color enumeration in common use:

Member	Color	Member	Color	Member	Color
Black	black	Navy	navy blue	Red	red
Blue	blue	Olive	olive	Silver	silver
Brown	brown	Orange	orange	SkyBlue	sky blue
Gold	gold	OrangeRed	orange red	Tomato	tomato
Green	green	Pink	pink	White	white
Gray	gray	Purple	purple	Yellow	yellow

Ex: set the BackColor property of label4 to yellow

label4.BackColor = Color.Yellow;

Use the principal of 3 primary colors – Red, Green, Blue, use method FromArgb(R, G, B) to mixing color, the number scope of color is 0~255

#### Grammar

```
Object.ForeColor = Color.FromArgb(R, G, B);
```

Object.BackColor = Color.FromArgb(R, G, B);

Ex1: set the background color of the form to "blue"

```
this.BackColor = Color.FromArgb(0, 0, 255);
```

"this" stands for the form, this.BackColor stands for the background color of the form

Ex2: set the background color of button1 to "purple" (red + blue)

button1.BackColor = Color.FromArgb(255, 0, 255);

#### Ex3: set the background color of the form to white(red + green + blue)

Ex4: set the background color of textBox1 to black

Ex5: set the background color of the form to gray

### 2. BorderStyle Enumeration: BorderStyle

Member	None	FixedSingle	Fixed3D
Description	No border	Single line border	3-D border line
Example	label1	label1	label1
Code	BorderStyle.None	BorderStyle.FixedSingle	BorderStyle.Fixed3D

Ex: set the border of label1 to 3-D border line, usage:

label1.BorderStyle = BorderStyle.Fixed3D;

### 3. TextAlign Enumeration: ContentAlignment

TopLeft	TopCenter	TopRight
MiddleLeft	MiddleCenter	MiddleRight
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BottomLeft	BottomCenter	BottomRight

Ex: set the align of the text "計算" of button1 to the right-bottom of the control item, usage:

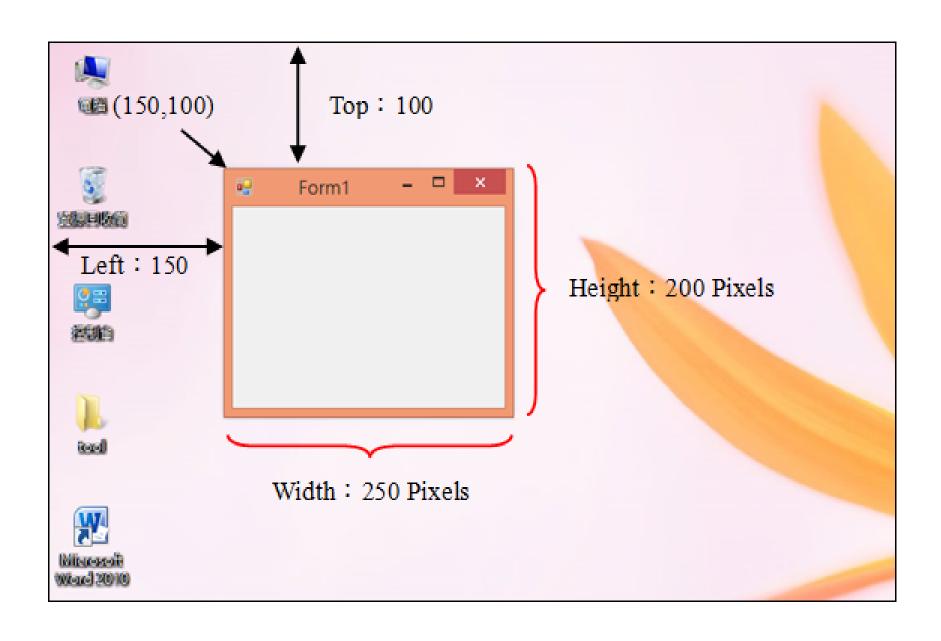
計算

button1.TextAlign = ContentAlignment.BottomRight;

### 3. new

Grammar

Object.propertyName = new className(arg1, arg2, ...);



Ex: use Top and Left properties to set the coordinate, usage:

```
this.Top = 150;
this.Left = 100;
```

Ex: set the coordinate of form to (150, 100) from left-top of the screen, usage: this.Location = new Point(150, 100);

Ex: use Width and Height properties to set the size of the form, usage: this.Width = 250; this.Height = 200;

Ex: Size property can include Width and Height properties, usage: this.Size = new Size(250, 200);

# Image and BackgroundImage Properties

```
Grammar
```

```
Object.Image = Image.FromFile("imagePath");
Object BackgroundImage = Image.FromFile("imagePath");
```

```
Grammar
```

Object.Image = Image.Bitmap("imagePath"); Object BackgroundImage = Image.Bitmap("imagePath");

# Ex1: load "C:\cs2013\ch06\duck.jpg" as the background image of the form:

```
this.BackgroundImage = Image.FromFile ("c:\\cs\\ch06\\duck.jpg");
this.BackgroundImage = new Bitmap("c:\\cs\\ch06\\duck.jpg");
```

#### Ex2: remove the background image of the form

this.BackgroundImage = null;

3. Use Font property to set the style of the Text property content, like font, size, style, etc. usage:

#### Grammar

Object.Font = new Font(fontName, fontSize, fontStyle);

#### Five font styles:

- 1. FontStyle.Bold
- 2. FontStyle.Italic
- 3. FontStyle.Regular
- 4. FontStyle.Strikeout
- 5. FontStyle.Underline

# **Practice (change)**

#### • Test 1:

label 1 backcolor: LightPink ForeColor: Yellow

label 2 - font: 標楷體, 30, Bold

button3 – text align: top left

textBox1 – text align : Right

picture box – background color: Black

# **Practice (change)**

#### • Test 2:

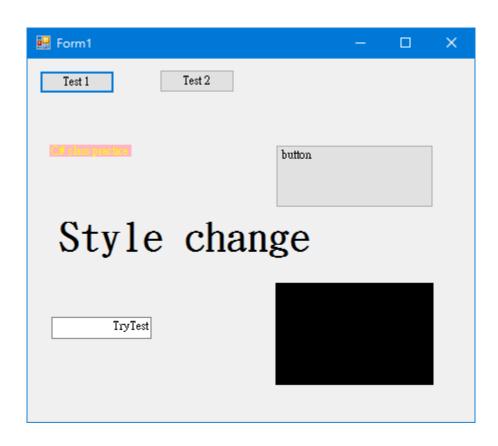
label 1 backcolor: BlueViolet ForeColor: YellowGreen

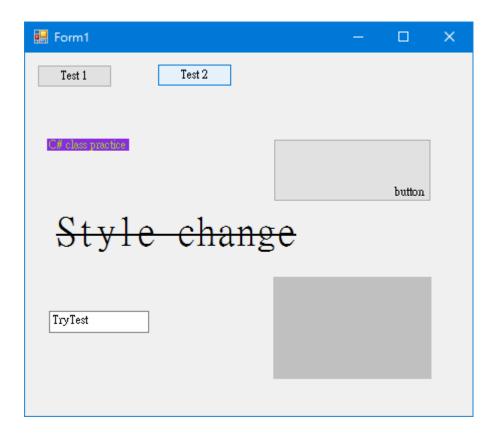
label 2 – font: 細明體, 30, Strikeout

button3 – text align: BottomRight

textBox1 – text align : Left

picture box - background color: Silver





# Stu\_Practice(WindowStyleChange)

- Design a style previewer, 2 styles
- Style1:

```
title - background color: Yellow, font: 微軟正黑體, 18, bold
```

subtitle – font: 微軟正黑體, 14, bold

button – text align: bottom right

picture box - background color: White

# Practice (cont'd)

#### • Style2:

title - background color: Transparent, font: 新細明體, 18, underline

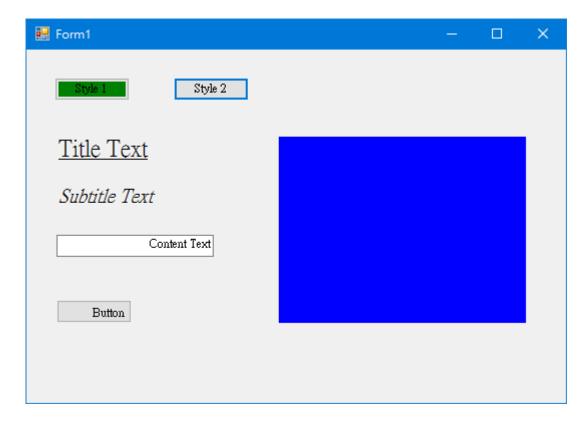
subtitle - font: 新細明體, 14, italic

button – text align: Right

picture box - background color: blue

### Result





# 6-5 Form

#### Appearance Styles

Property	Description	
BackColor	Set the background color of the form	
BackgroundImage	Set the background image's path of the form	
BackgroundImageLayou t	None: the image has left-top alignment Tile: the image arranged side by side (default) Center: the image is put at center Stretch: the image is expanded and fit to the border Zoom: zoom the image	
Cursor	The shown cursor style when the mouse pointer is moved to the control item, 28 styles	

ForeColor	The foreground color is set
Text	The text of the title bar
FormBorderStyle	None: no border and no title bar FixedSingle: single line border Fixed3D: 3-D border line FixedDialog: dialog, thick border and the title bar has only close button Sizable: normal border line and the size can be changed (default) FixedToolWindow: unresizable tool window border, with only close button SizableToolWindow: adjustable tool window border

### Layout Styles

Properties	Description
AutoScroll	True: automatically show the scroll bars when the control item is bigger than working area. False: default
AutoSize	True: automatically resize according to the size of control item False: no auto resize
AutoSizeMode	GrowAndShrink: the control item resizes to fit the content, but cannot be adjust manually GrowOnly: enlarge if needed to fit the content, but does not shrink to the size which is smaller then the Size property
Location	The coordinate of the control item's left-top corner relates to the form's left-top corner

Size	The size of control item (pixel)
StartPosition	Manual: defined by Location property CenterScreen: the center of the screen WindowsDefaultLocation: positioned at the Windows default location and has the bounds determined by Windows default (default) WindowsDefaultBounds: centered within the bounds of its parent form CenterParent: positioned in the bound of parent form
WindowState	Normal: default size (default) Minimized: minimized window Maximized: maximized window

#### Window Styles

Properties	Description
ControlBox	True: show control box (default) False: hidden control box
HelpButton	True: show the help button False: hidden the help button (default)
Icon	Set the icon when the window is minimized
MaximizeBox	True: show the maximize button (default) False: hidden the maximize button
MinimizeBox	True: show the minimize button (default) False: hidden the minimize button
ShowIcon	True: show the icon on the title bar (default) False: hidden the icon on the title bar
ShowInTaskbar	True: show the window on the Windows Taskbar (default) False: hidden the window on the Windows Taskbar
TopMost	True: show the form on the most top layer False: show the form normally (default)

### **Form Methods**

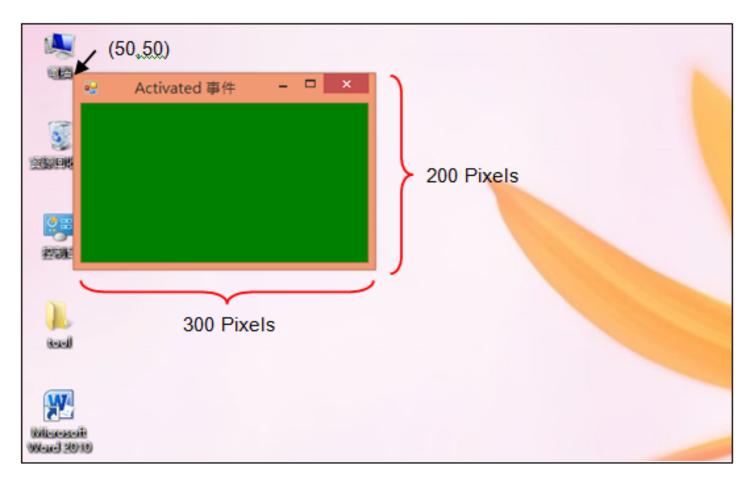
Event	Description
Load	Triggered when the form is first time loaded
Activated	Triggered when the form is focused. The form also triggers this event when the form is loaded first time
Paint	The Canvas triggers this event when filling color or images
Click	Triggered when the mouse clicks on the blank area of the form
DoubleClick	Triggered when the mouse clicks twice
Resize	Triggered when the form or control item has been resized

#### **Practice(MyForm):**

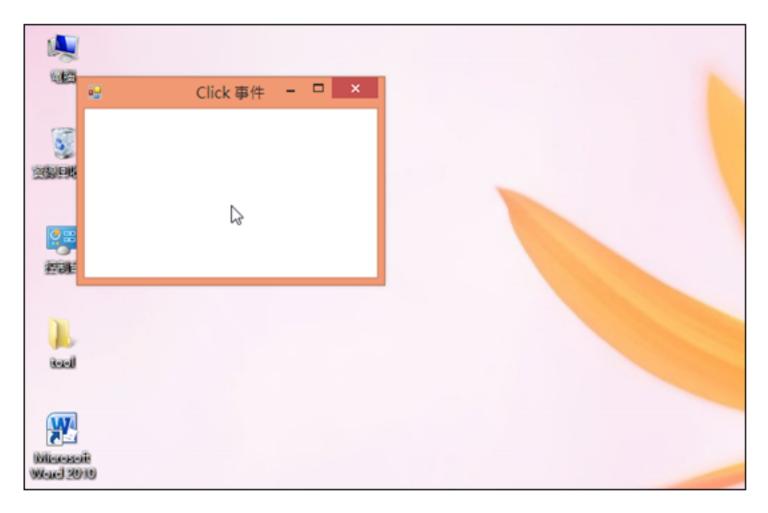
Use the event to adjust properties of the form. Requirements:

- 1. When the program starts, the form occurs at (50, 50) from the left-top corner, the size of the form is 300\*200 pixels. The background color is green, and the title bar shows "Activated 事件"
- 2. The title bar shows "Click 事件" when click on the working area of the form. Also the background color changes to white
- 3. Click on the desktop or other windows to make the current form be an inactive window
- 4. Click on the title bar of the inactive window to trigger the Activate event
- 5. Click on the working area of the form to trigger the Click event

#### **Result:**



Now the title of the form is "Activated 事件", and the background color of work area is "green"



Click on the work area of the form, the title text is changed to "Click 事件" and the background color is also changed to white

#### **Source Code**

```
private void Form1_Activated(object sender, EventArgs e)
  this.Text = "Activated Event";
  this.Location = new Point(50, 50);
  this.Size = new Size(300, 200);
  this.BackColor = Color.Green;
private void Form1_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
  this.Text = "Click Event";
  this.BackColor = Color.White;
```

#### Exercise:

When the form resized (trigger Resize event), its background color needs to set to be yellow

# 6-6 Label, Button, TextBox

Property	Description
AutoSize (automatically resize)	True: the control item resizes automatically (default) False: manually assign the size
BorderStyle (border's style)	None: no border (default) FixedSingle: single line border Fixed3D: 3-D border line
Dock (attach the border)	Top: attach to the top border of the container(form) Bottom: attach to the bottom border of the container(form) Left: attach to the left border of the container(form) Right: attach to the right border of the container(form) Fill: fill the all space of the container(form) None: no attachment (default)

ImageAlign (image alignment)	the image size is 9 property value TopLeft, MiddleLeft,	s smaller than the	the control item is set and size of the control item.  TopRight,  MiddleRight,  BottomRight
Locked (lock)	During form design phase: True: the position of the control item is locked False: the control item can be moved (default)		
TextAlign (text alignment)	9 property value TopLeft (default) MiddleLeft,	of the text in the c s: , TopCenter, MiddleCenter, BottomCenter,	ontrol item  TopRight,  MiddleRight,  BottomRight

**Ex1:** how to use Dock property to fill all space of the form with label1 control item. Usage:

**Ex2:** how to show the text at the bottom right side of the control item. Usage:

**Ex3:** how to show the image at the top left side of the control item. Usage:

label1.ImageAlign = ContentAlignment.TopLeft;

### **Button Control Item**

Property	Description
Enabled (available)	True: can be pressed (default) False: disabled
Visible (revelation)	True: show the button (default) False: hide button
TabIndex (priority of tab)	Set the priority when the user press tab key to switch the focused control item
TabStop (tab parking)	True: can be focused by tab key (default) False: cannot be focused by tab key

### **TextBox Control Item**

Property	Description	
Text	The most important property of TextBox. This property stores string data.	
MaxLength	Set the maximum string length of TextBox. 0 is unlimited, default value is 32767	
PasswordChar Use other character to replace the original one		
ReadOnly	True: the string can only be selected or scrolled False: modification allowed (default)	
Multiline	True: multi-line display allowed False: multi-line display not allowed (default)	

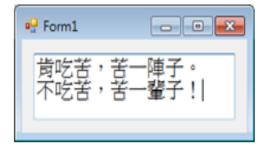
WordWrap	True: auto new line allowed (default) False: auto new line not allowed
ScrollBars	None: no scroll bars (default) Horizontal: show horizontal scroll bar Vertical: show vertical scroll bar Both: show horizontal and vertical scroll bars
CharacterCasing	Normal: show alphabets normally (default) Upper: show all alphabets in upper case Lower: show all alphabets in lower case
Lines	Use string array to store the TextBox's content when the Multiline property is set True. Separate the strings by new line

- 1. Make use of Multiline WordWrap and ScrollBars properties
  - ① Multiline = Falsethe characters out of the TextBox's length are hidden
  - ② Multiline = True the TextBox's height can be adjusted
  - ③ Multiline = True and WordWrap = True the characters out of the TextBox's will be moved to new line
  - Multiline=True and WordWrap = False
     ScrollBars is also been set so that the horizontal and vertical bars can be used
- 2. Make textBox1 show text in upper case, usage: textBox1.CharacterCasing = CharacterCasing.Upper;

#### Ex1(Lines):

Assign strAry1 string array to textBox control item in multi lines. Remember to set the Multiline property of textBox1 to True.

```
string[] strAry1 = new string[] {"肯吃苦,苦一陣子。", "不吃苦,苦一輩子!"};
textBox1.Lines = strAry1;
```



#### **Ex2**:

From the previous example, show the text of textBox1 in lable1 and label2 separately.

```
label1.Text = textBox1.Lines[0];
label2.Text = textBox1.Lines[1];
```

#### **Result:**

```
label1 shows "肯吃苦,苦一陣子。" label2 shows "不吃苦,苦一輩子!"
```

#### **Ex3**:

From the previous example, put the text of textBox1 into the string array strAry2

```
string[] strAry2 = new string[2];
for (int n=0; n <= strAry2.Length-1; n++)
    strAry2[n] = textBox1.Lines[n];</pre>
```

#### **Ex4**:

From the previous example, use for loop to show all elements of strAry2 on the label3

```
label3.Text = "";

for (int k = 0; k <= strAry2.Length - 1; k++)

label3.Text += (strAry2[k] + '\n');
```

### **TextBox Methods**

textBox1.Focus();

```
1. Clear()
   set the showing content of the component to blank. Ex: clear the showing
   text of textBox1, usage:
    textBox1.Clear();
      or
    textBox1.Text =
2. Focus()
   programs can be switched by Tab key, use Focus() method to switch to
   the target control item directly
```

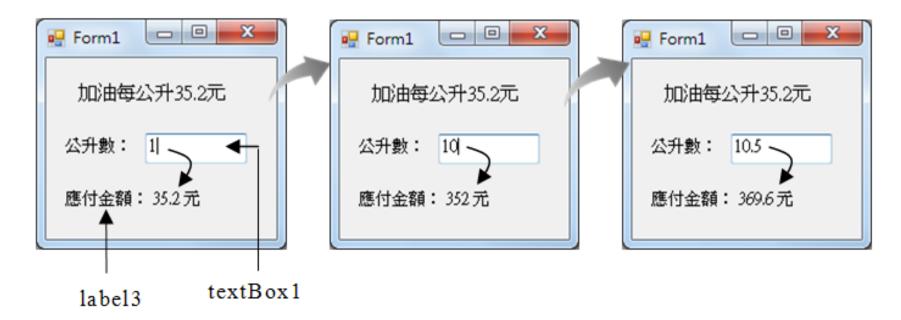
## **TextBox TextChanged Event**

- Default event of TextBox
- The event is triggered when the value of Text property is changed

#### Practice(gasoline):

Write the code of the textBox1's TextChanged event handler. The label3 shows the payment when the textBox1 gets the liter number of gasoline.

```
private void textBox1_TextChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    label3.Text = "應付金額: "+float.Parse(textBox1.Text) * 35.2 + " 元";
}
```



#### **Practice(Counter):**

Design an ATM, the user can withdraw money when the password is right. Requirements:

- 1. The hint text is shown as the figure. The TextBox txtPW gets the password and shows password in '\*'. The maximum number of characters is 8
- 2. The right password is "123456". Check the password after pressing "檢查" button. The TextBox txtMoney and "確定" button is disabled before the "檢查" button has been pressed



3. If the password is wrong, clear txtPW and change the hint as the left figure. If the password is right, show the hint as the right figure and enable txtMoney TextBox and "確定" button



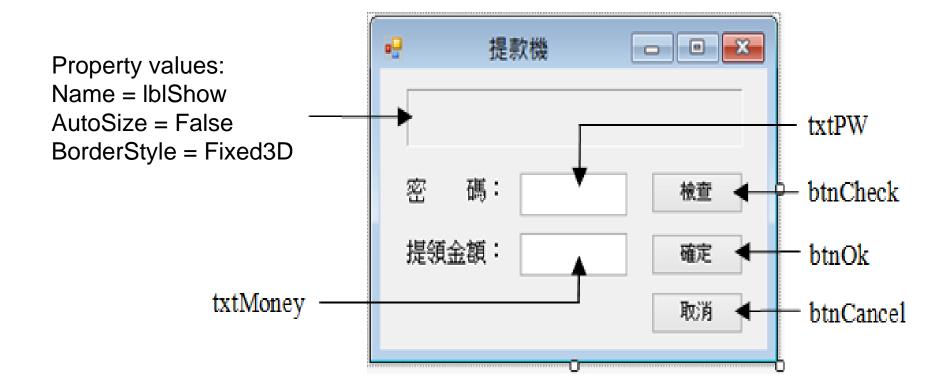


4. The hint text changes as the figure after input the number of money and press "確定" button



5. The ATM returns to the initial condition after pressing "取消" button

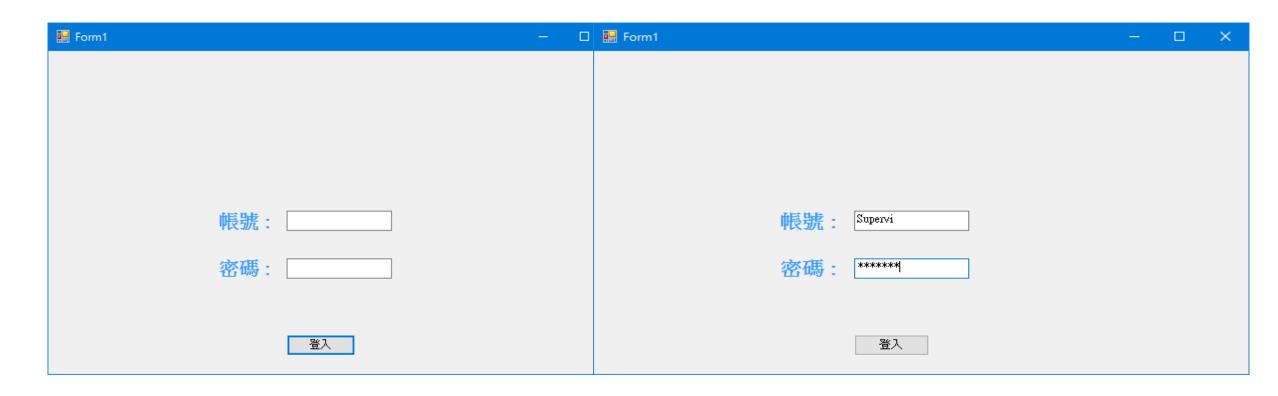




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private void btnCheck_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
  string passwd = txtPW.Text;
  if (passwd == "123456")
    lblShow.Text = "請輸入提領金額,按[確定]鈕";
    txtMoney.Enabled = true;
    btnOK.Enabled = true;
  else
    lblShow.Text = "密碼錯誤! 請重新輸入";
    txtPW.Clear();
private void btnCancel_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
  lblShow.Text = "請輸入密碼後,按[檢查]鈕";
  txtMoney.Clear();
  txtMoney.Enabled = false;
  btnOK.Enabled = false;
  txtPW.Clear();
```

## Practice(List)

- Hint:
  - Set password to other sign like " \* "
  - Set a account to login
  - Use textbox, label's Visible to show and hide.
  - Use array to let user add new data, delete and search.

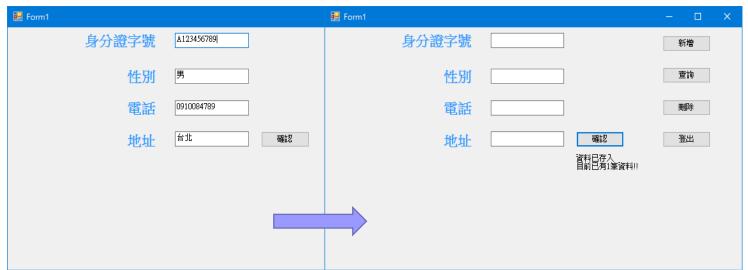


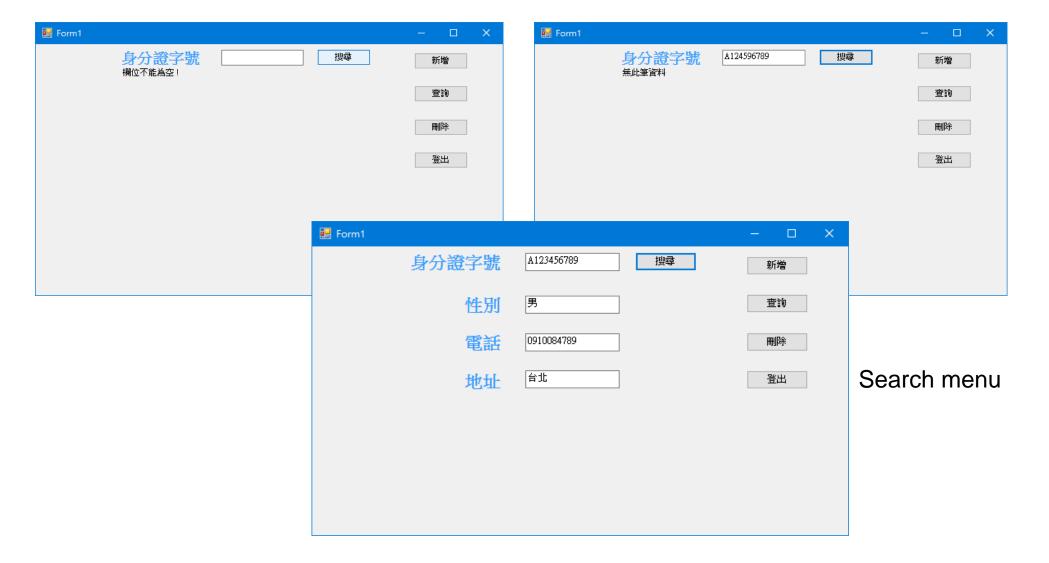
Log in menu



#### Add menu











Delete menu

# End

Take a Break ···