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Assignment 5 Discussion

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Monday

Hopefully Helpful Hints, Assignment 5

A c-string ends with a terminator character, '\0'. The c-string "Dog" is an array of char: {'D', 'o', 'g', '\0'}. The length that strlen() will return for this c-string is 3. The array size is 4. The last index of the array is 3. (dogArray[3] is '\0'. dogArray[2] is 'g').

Don't #include the <string> header in your class files.

The default constructor should create a MyString object with a pointer to a one-element array of char c-string. The c-string will be "" (not " ", "", an empty string). The one element will be used by the terminator character, '\0'.

Know which functions the Big 3 are and be sure they're in your class, along with a default constructor. (Copy constructor, assignment operator overload, destructor).

strcpy() and strcat() will manage the c-string terminator character, '\0'. They will also look for it at the end of the source c-string argument. But they won't tell you if your array is too small for the c-strings they are copying into it. If I strcpy "Doggy" into dogArray[], which has 4 elements, strcpy will just copy past the end of the array. This is a bad thing; don't let it happen.

Only one data member, a pointer to char. No length data member.

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Yesterday

If you haven't checked, looks like it got put up today.

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