Laboratory V-A

CS-102

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Laboratory V-A – Part 1

- Program 5-21 shows how to write a file using a loop.
- Program 5-24 shows how to read a file using a loop.
- These are two of the most frequent operations that we do with loops.
- Type in both of these programs.
- Use Program 5-21 to type in the sales for five days of business, creating a file called Sales.txt.
- Use Program 5-24 to display the results of Sales.txt.

Laboratory V-A – Part 2

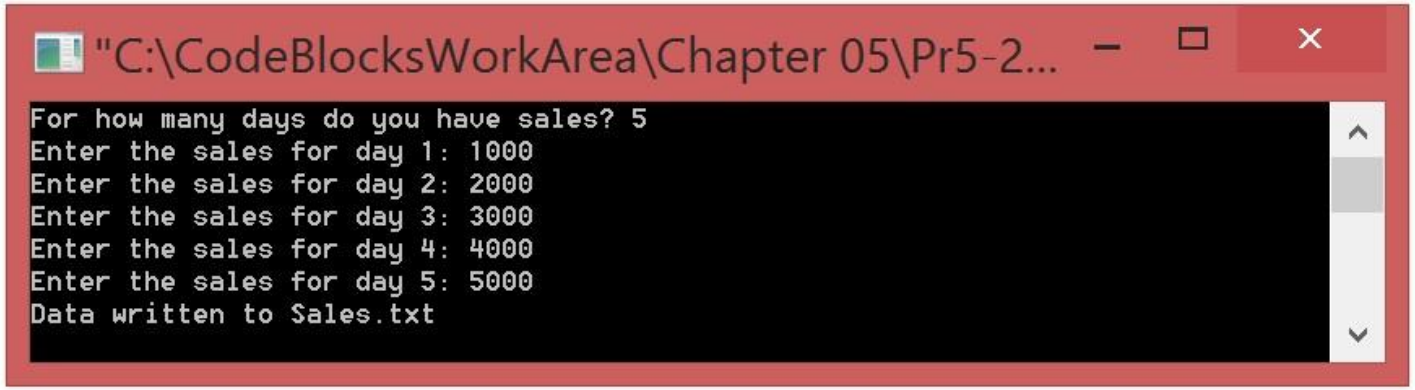
- Now modify Program 5-21 so that it accepts strings instead of numbers.
- Likewise modify Program 5-24 so that it also accepts strings.
- Use your modified version of Program 5-21 to type in the planets in our solar system (plus the dwarf planet Pluto).
  - Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto
  - Call your file: Planets.txt .
- Call your program: *YourName*-LabVA-2a.cpp
- Use the modified version of Program 5-24 to display the file Planets.txt.
- Call your program: *YourName*-LabVA-2b.cpp
- If you are doing LabVA synchronously, show the instructor the results of running these programs.
- If you are doing LabVA asynchronously, submit *YourName*-LabVA-2.cpp and Planets.txt to Canvas.

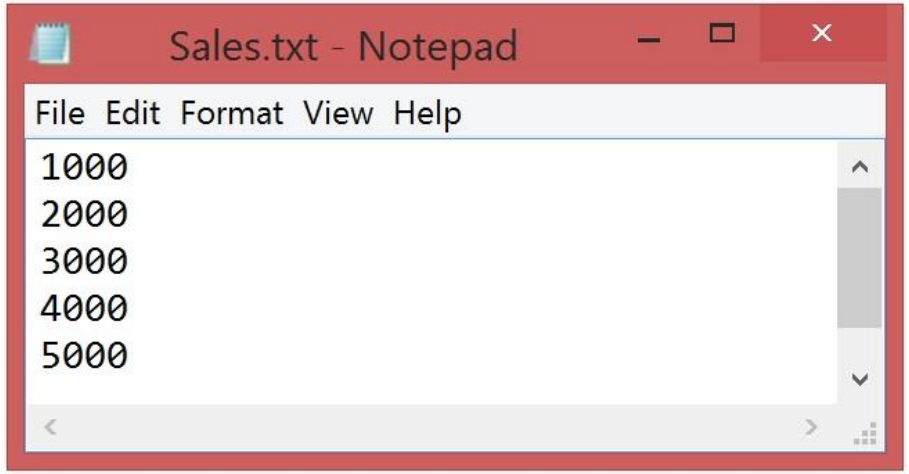
Program5-21: Using For Loop to control length of data entry

```
// This program writes user input to a file.
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
        ofstream outputFile;  // File stream object
        int numberOfDays;     // Number of days of sales
        double sales;         // Sales amount for a day
        // Get the number of days.
        cout << "For how many days do you have sales? ";
        cin >> numberOfDays;
        // Open a file named Sales.txt.
        outputFile.open("Sales.txt");
```

Program5-21 Concluded

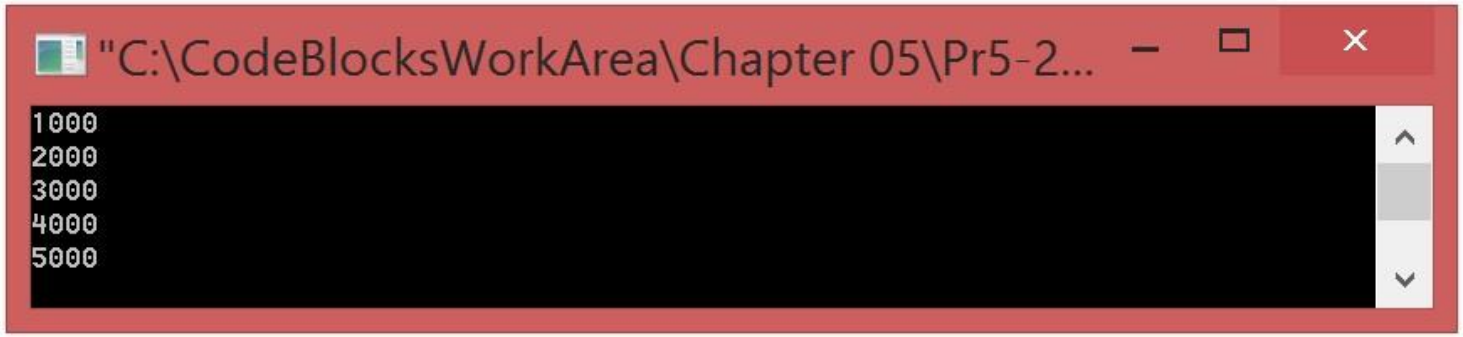
```
// Get the sales for each day and write it to the file.
for (int count = 1; count <= numberOfDays; count++)
{
        // Get the sales for a day.
        cout << "Enter the sales for day "
        << count << ": ";
        cin >> sales;
        // Write the sales to the file.
        outputFile << sales << endl;
}
// Close the file.
outputFile.close();
cout << "Data written to Sales.txt\n";
return 0;
}
```





Program 5-24 Using a While Loop to Detect the End of a File

```
// This program reads data from a file of unkown length.
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
        ifstream inputFile;
        int number;
        // Open the file.
        inputFile.open("Sales.txt");
        // Read the numbers from the file and
        // display them.
        while (inputFile >> number)
        {
                cout << number << endl;
        }
        // Close the file.
        inputFile.close();
        return 0;
}
```

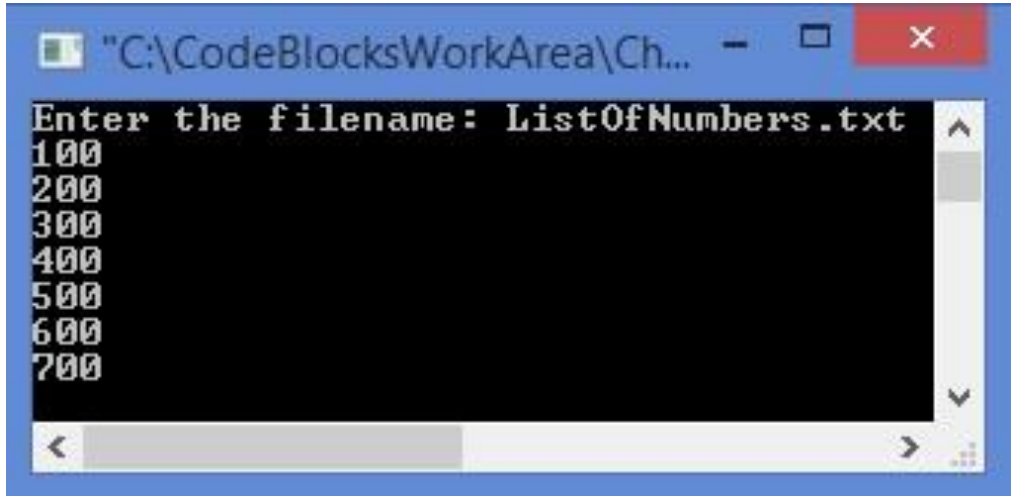


Letting the User Specify a Filename in Program 5-24

```
// This program lets the user enter a filename.
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <fstream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
        ifstream inputFile;
        string filename;
        int number;

        // Get the filename from the user.
        cout << "Enter the filename: ";
        cin >> filename;

        // Open the file.
        inputFile.open(filename);       // Without C++ 11 compiler you can use: inputFile.open(filename.c_str());
```

Letting the User Specify a Filename in Program 5-24 Concluded

```
        // If the file successfully opened, process it.
        if (inputFile)
        {
                // Read the numbers from the file and
                // display them.
                while (inputFile >> number)
                {
                        cout << number << endl;
                }

                // Close the file.
                inputFile.close();
        }
        else
        {
                // Display an error message.
                cout << "Error opening the file.\n";
        }
        return 0;
}
```

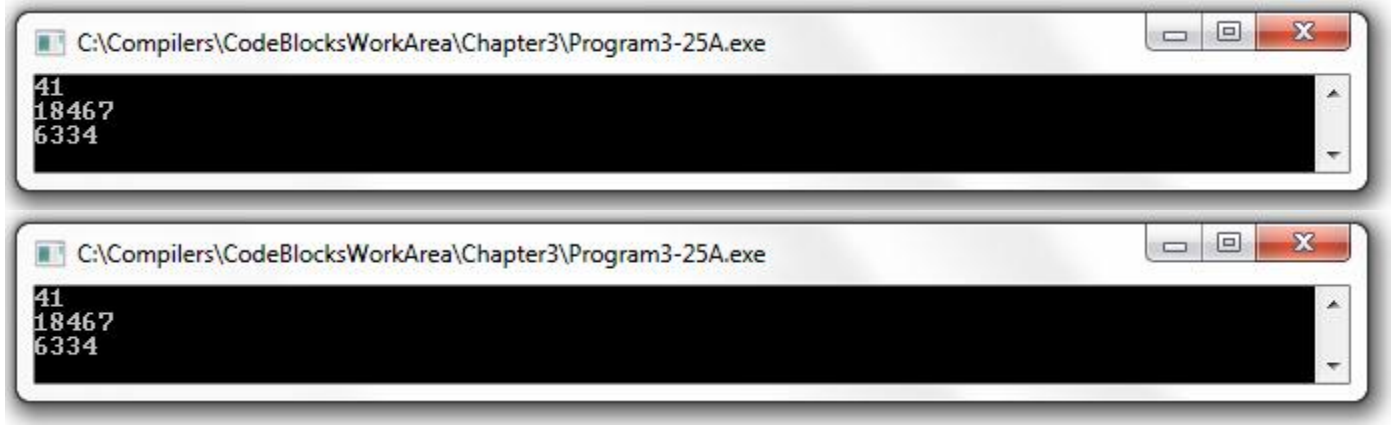


Lab V-A – Part 3: The problem with Pseudo-Random Number Generators

- To generate pseudo-random numbers in C++, you need to include the **<cstdlib>** library.
- The random number is generated by **rand()**
- Indeed, if you run the rand() function three times, you will get 3 different pseudo-random numbers.
- But each time you run the program, you'll get the same three pseudo-random numbers.

Problem with generating Pseudo-Random Numbers

```
// This program demonstrates pseudo random numbers.
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>     // For rand
using namespace std;
int main()
{
   // Display three random numbers.
   cout << rand() << endl;
   cout << rand() << endl;
   cout << rand() << endl;
   return 0;
}
```



Seeding the Pseudo-Random number generator solves this problem

- The pseudo-random number generator generates a new random number by taking the previous random number it generated and performing some randomizing process to it to generate the new number.
- If you don't give it an initial number or "seed" to begin with, it will choose its own, by default – and it will always choose the same number.
- So we use the srand() function to set the initial value of the pseudo-random number generator to a particular seed value.
- To ensure that we get a different number, each time we use the pseudo-random number generator, we use a value that we are sure will be different every time.
- What better value to use than the exact time of day, which will be different each time you examine it.
- The **time(0)** function generates the number of seconds that have passed since January 1, 1970.
- However, it changes its value about every 12 seconds. So if you call for a new value of time(0) before 12 seconds has elapsed you are likely to get the same seed as you did previously.
- There are better time generators out there than time(0) if you want more precise clocks.

Generating Unique Pseudo-Random #’s

```
// This program demonstrates pseudo-random numbers.
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>     // For rand and srand
#include <ctime>       // For the time function
using namespace std;
int main()
{
   // Get the system time.
   unsigned seed = time(0);
   // Seed the random number generator.
   srand(seed);
   // Display three random numbers.
   cout << rand() << endl;
   cout << rand() << endl;
   cout << rand() << endl;
   return 0;
}
```

Suppose you want to define a range for the Pseudo-Random #'s

- Suppose you wanted to generate a pseudo-random number between 1 and 100 you could use:

  y = 1 + rand() % 100;

- This will divide whatever the pseudo-random number is by 100, and then take remainder, which will be less than 100.
  - Since you wanted the range to start at 1, not zero (and zero is what you'd get if rand() returned a value of 5000, for example), you must add a 1 to the result.
- In the general case, if you wanted a pseudo-random number between 1 and some maxRange, then you'd use:

  y = 1 + rand() % maxRange;

Lab V-A – Part 3

- Generate two files called “randnums1.txt” and “randnums2.txt” that will have 1000 integers each in the range of 1 to 10,000.
- Call your program: *YourName*-LabVA-3a.cpp
- Write a program which reads randnums1.txt as well as randnums2.txt.
- You will call this program: *YourName*-LabVA-3b.cpp
- If you are doing LabVA synchronously, show the instructor the results that you get for two tries at determining the mean.
- If you are doing LabVA asynchronously, submit: *YourName*-LabVA-3a.cpp and *YourName*-LabVA-3b.cpp to Canvas.

Program 3-26

```
1  // This program simulates rolling dice.
2  #include <iostream>
3  #include <cstdlib>   // For rand and srand
4  #include <ctime>     // For the time function
5  using namespace std;
6
7  int main()
8  {
9       // Constants
10      const int MIN_VALUE = 1;  // Minimum die value
11      const int MAX_VALUE = 6;  // Maximum die value
12
13      // Variables
14      int die1;  // To hold the value of die #1
15      int die2;  // To hold the value of die #2
16
17      // Get the system time.
18      unsigned seed = time(0);
19
20      // Seed the random number generator.
21      srand(seed);
22
23      cout << "Rolling the dice…\n";
24      die1 = (rand() % (MAX_VALUE - MIN_VALUE + 1)) + MIN_VALUE;
25      die2 = (rand() % (MAX_VALUE - MIN_VALUE + 1)) + MIN_VALUE;
26      cout << die1 << endl;
27      cout << die2 << endl;
```

Program 3-26 Runs

Program Output

```
Rolling the dice...
5
2
```

Program Output

```
Rolling the dice...
4
6
```

Program Output

```
Rolling the dice...
3
1
```

Lab V-A – Part 4

- Write a program that will determine the largest number in the file, **randnums1.txt** or **randnums2.txt**, that you produced in part 3.
- Now modify that program so that it will determine, in addition, the smallest number in **randnums1.txt** or **randnums2.txt** as well as the largest number in the file.
- Call your program: *YourName*-LabVA-4.cpp
- If you are doing LabVA synchronously, show the instructor the results that you get for both the largest as well as the smallest number in the file.
- If you are doing LabVA asynchronously, submit: *YourName*-LabVA-4.cpp, to Canvas.

Lab V-A – Part 5

- Now write a program so that it will determine, the average number in the files **randnums1.txt** or **randnums2.txt**.
  - The program should also display the number of numbers in the file.
- Call your program: *YourName*-LabVA-4.cpp
- If you are doing LabVA synchronously, show the instructor the results that you get for computing the average of all the numbers in either the file **randnums1.txt or randnums2.txt**.
- If you are doing LabVA asynchronously, submit: *YourName*-LabVA-5.cpp, to Canvas.