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The difference between `get` and `getline` functions in C++ depends on the context and the parameters. Both functions are used to read characters from an input stream, such as `cin` or a file stream, but they have different behaviors regarding the delimiting character that stops the reading. The delimiting character is usually the newline character (`'\n'`), which is entered when you press the Enter key, but it can also be any other character specified by the user.

The `get` function has several overloaded versions, but the most common ones are:

- `stream.get()` : This version reads a single character from the stream and returns it as an `int` value. It does not extract or discard the delimiting character from the stream.
- `stream.get(str, size, delim)` : This version reads a sequence of characters from the stream and stores them in a C-style string (a null-terminated array of `char`). The `str` parameter is the name of the array, the `size` parameter is the maximum number of characters to read, and the `delim` parameter is the delimiting character that stops the reading (default is `'\n'`). This version does not extract or discard the delimiting character from the stream.

The `getline` function also has several overloaded versions, but the most common ones are:

- `stream.getline(str, size, delim)` : This version reads a sequence of characters from the stream and stores them in a C-style string (a null-terminated array of `char`). The `str` parameter is the name of the array, the `size` parameter is the maximum number of characters to read, and the `delim` parameter is the delimiting character that stops the reading (default is `'\n'`). This version extracts and discards the delimiting character from the stream.
- `getline(stream, str, delim)` : This version reads a sequence of characters from the stream and appends them to a C++ string object. The `stream` parameter is the input stream, the `str` parameter is the name of the string object, and the `delim` parameter is the delimiting character that stops the reading (default is `'\n'`). This version extracts and discards the delimiting character from the stream.

The main difference between `get` and `getline` functions is that `get` leaves the delimiting character in the stream as the next character to be read, while `getline` actually extracts and discards it. This can affect how you read subsequent input from the same stream. For example, if you use `get` to read a line of input and then use `getline` to read another line, you will get an empty string because `getline` will encounter the leftover newline character from the previous input. To avoid this problem, you can either use `getline` consistently to read lines of input, or use `get` followed by `ignore` to skip over any remaining characters in the stream.

For more information and examples, you can refer to these web pages . I hope this helps you understand how to use `get` and `getline` functions in C++. 😊