

COMSC-165 Lecture Topic 0

Course Orientation

Introduction

Advanced Programming, with C/C++

This is your second programming class

You will learn the C++ programming language

prereq: Comsc-110

We will...

1. Review the basics
2. Learn and apply pointers
3. Learn linked lists
4. Apply recursion

About the instructor

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programmer since 1969

class website <http://cs.dvc.edu>

this is NOT an online class

attend lecture
attend lab

Course Goals

Prepare for COMSC-200, 210, and 260

Prepare for xfer to UC/CSU COMSC program

Grading policy

redos, late work, sequence

12 hours per week (3 *lec* + 3 *lab* + 6)

Learning process: read, quiz, lecture, lab, project

Syllabus and Course Outline (with schedule)

academic honesty policy

Lecture Period

sign the sign-in sheet (look for "see me")

no electronics during lecture (except photos)

lectures recorded (MP3), files posted

command-line compiling used in lecture

"lowest common denominator"

vendor-, system-, and compiler-independent

Lab Period

Microsoft [Visual C++](#)

on PCs in ATC, ET, and L bldgs (*USB drive recommended*)

Express 2013 for Web version available for [free download](#)

IDE mode: static library, no precompiled headers

g++ [Mac download](#) ; PC [MinGW](#) ; PC Cygnus (see instructor)

Upload **.cpp** source files to the [COMSC server](#)

workInProgress, Google Drive, OneDrive, Dropbox

free resources

DreamSpark accounts

onedrive.live.com

Textbooks

"C++: How To Program: Late Objects Version" by Deitel

other editions may be suitable

click [HERE](#) for TOC

we cover ch.1-8 (and part of 9)

Comsc-200 covers ch.9 and beyond

other required reading:

the lecture notes

www links in the lecture notes

Lab Assignments

Highly structured assignments, 1 per week

Strict about coding practices

debugging techniques

alignment and indenting

about "redos"

no grade until work is complete and correct

no consideration of next lab until current is complete

2 point penalty for not following instructions

no point penalty for "learning opportunities"

just because your program works for you,

it does *not* mean that

you did it right!

programming conventions and lab 0

Review -- what you should know so far...

Computers are *dumb*

What is a "language"

CPU -- voltage I/O

machine language

assembly language

C language

Algorithms -- recipe, instructions, flow charts

Progr. Lang. is *simplified*, *strict* English

Coding: translating algorithm to code

Where C and C++ fit into the world view

Changes From Comsc-110

teaching [C++11](#) standard

Visual C++ 2012, MinGW 4.8, XCode 4.6, and above

using C char-based arrays used for strings (not C++

strings)

do *not* use using namespace std;

use (e.g.) using std::cout;

distinguish between C libraries and C++ libraries

C library names start with "c"

C libraries do *not* use using std::s

do *not* read ints or doubles directly from console

// do NOT use this anymore

int x;

double y;

cin >> x >> y;

// use THIS instead: "string buffer method"

int x;

double y;

char buf[100];

cin >> buf; x = atoi(buf); // requires #include <cstdlib>

cin >> buf; y = atof(buf); // requires #include <cstdlib>

accommodate "round-off error"

...in calcs using doubles

// do NOT use this anymore (for example)

double y = ...; // result of a calculation

if (y == 100)

optional: Burns "Intro To Programming Using C++ and Java"
 basic C++ reference

```
// use THIS instead (for example)
if (99.999 < y && y < 100.001)
```

☐ Class Website Tour

Internet URL <http://cs.dvc.edu/>
 student accounts: IDs and passwords
 lab assignments and lecture topic notes
 online quizzes -- strict time periods
 contact instructor via form
 some replies to google group

```
g++ command line compiling with C++11
g++ -std=c++11 hello.cpp
```

☐ XCode On OSX Mavericks (and Yosemite)

go to a Terminal session, and type the command: `g++`
 If not installed, you'll see a prompt saying so
 and inviting you to download and install it
 accept the invitation, and in a few minutes...
 ...you'll have g++ (fully C++11 compatible, too).

Three program design consideration for COMSC 165

1. Pausing a the end of a program (optional):

```
cout << "Press ENTER to continue..." << endl;
cin.get();
} // main -- return 0; not required
```

2. Programmer identification in all CPP files

```
// Lab LAB NUMBER HERE, LAB TITLE HERE
// Programmer: YOUR NAME HERE
// Editor(s) used: XP Notepad
// Compiler(s) used: VC++ 2010 Express
```

3. Programmer identification in program output

```
int main()
{
    // identifying output statements
    cout << "Lab 1, Problem Solving With C++, Part b\n";
    cout << "Programmer: Joe Student\n";
    cout << "Editor(s) used: XP Notepad\n";
    cout << "Compiler(s) used: VC++ 2010 Express\n";
    cout << "File: " << __FILE__ << endl;
    cout << "Compiled: " << __DATE__ << " at " << __TIME__ << endl << endl;
    ...
}
```