

Display the output on Console at a Specific Location



اللهم أرزُقنِي عِلْمًا نَافِعًا وَاسِعًا عَمِيُقًا

اَللَّهُمَّ اُرُزُقْنِى رِزُقًا وَاسِعًا حَلَالًا طَيِّبًا مُبَارَكًا مِنْ عِنْدِكَ مُبَارَكًا مِنْ عِنْدِكَ

Goal: Move Player on the Console

The goal of this lecture is to move player on the console horizontally.

Lets print the maze on the console.

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```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
main()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################## << endl;
```

Can we make this code better?

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
main()
    cout << "################# << endl;
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################## << endl;
```

Yes, we can make a function to print the maze.

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
   printMaze();
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                  #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################ << endl:
```

Console is also showing the directory path. What if we want to remove that and we just want to print the maze on the console?

We can system("cls") command before printing the maze.

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################# << endl;
```

After printing maze, we can print the player on the console.

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    cout << "P";
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################# << endl;
```

Output

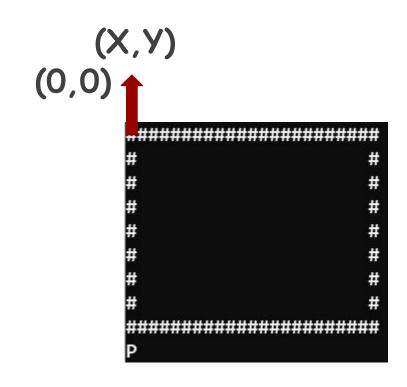
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#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    cout << "P";
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
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                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
    cout << "################# << endl;
```

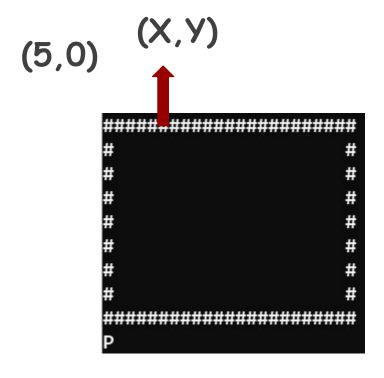
But we want to print P on the specific location inside the maze.

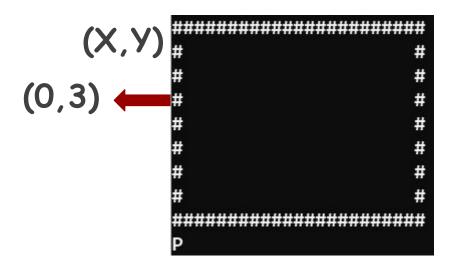
```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    cout << "P";
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################# << endl;
```

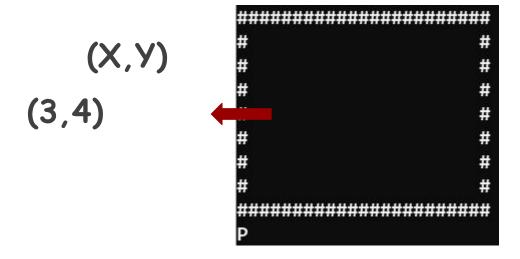
For that lets first see how console is divided into X and Y coordinates

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using namespace std;
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    cout << "P";
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "################# << endl;
```









Place the cursor on specific location

We will use a function gotoxy() and we will pass it the x coordinates of the console and y coordinates of the console and it will place the cursor on specific location on

console.

gotoxy() Function

To use gotoxy() function we have to include windows.h file.

```
#include <windows.h>
```

gotoxy() Function

The definition of gotoxy() function is given by:

```
void gotoxy(int x, int y)
{
   COORD coordinates;
   coordinates.X = x;
   coordinates.Y = y;
   SetConsoleCursorPosition(GetStdHandle(STD_OUTPUT_HANDLE), coordinates);
}
```

gotoxy() Function

We will not go into the functionality of this function, we will just copy this function in our program and use it.

```
void gotoxy(int x, int y)
{
  COORD coordinates;
  coordinates.X = x;
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  SetConsoleCursorPosition(GetStdHandle(STD_OUTPUT_HANDLE), coordinates);
}
```

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 coordinates.X = x;
coordinates.Y = y;
 SetConsoleCursorPosition(GetStdHandle(STD OUTPUT HANDLE), coordinates);
void printMaze()
    cout << "################# << endl;
    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl;
    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
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    cout << "#
                                   #" << endl:
    cout << "################# << endl;
```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
        system("cls");
        printMaze();
        gotoxy(3, 4);
        cout << "P";
```

Now we have printed the Player on the specific location.

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It is printing after last location of gotoxy. So if we want to print it after the grid, therefore, we need to add extra gotoxy at the end of the code

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
        system("cls");
        printMaze();
        gotoxy(3, 4);
        cout << "P";
        gotoxy(0, 10);
```

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We have to increment in the X coordinate.

```
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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

Now, there are 2 players on the screen.

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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
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    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

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What we have to do to resolve it?

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using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

We can remove the previous P by printing " " on the console on (3,4) location.

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#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
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void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

But it happened so fast that it was not giving the moving effect.

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```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    qotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

What can we do to delay the execution of some lines of code?

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```
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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy (4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

What can we do to delay the execution of some lines of code?
We can use sleep function

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(3, 4);
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```

What can we do to delay the execution of some lines of code? We can use sleep function

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

Now, can we make a generic formula that will keep track of the coordinates instead of giving hard coded values to gotoxy function?

```
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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(3, 4);
    cout << " ";
    gotoxy(4, 4);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

We can make 2 variables for X and Y.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << " ";
    x = x + 1;
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

We can make 2 variables for X and Y.

Now can you see some code repeating for moving the player on the console?

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << " ";
    x = x + 1;
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

We can make a move function to reuse it again and again.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << " ";
    x = x + 1;
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    gotoxy(0, 10);
```

Step 3:

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```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    playerMove(x,y);
    x = x+1;
    playerMove(x,y);
    gotoxy(0, 10);
void playerMove(int x, int y)
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << "P";
    Sleep (200);
    gotoxy(x, y);
    cout << " ";
```

But the program is terminated after printing the player 2 times.

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```

If we want to keep the program running until closed forcefully, then what we have to do?

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```

We have to use the while loop.

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```

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    while (true)
         system("cls");
         printMaze();
         playerMove(x, y);
         \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{1};
     gotoxy(0, 10);
```

Now, it is taking some time to print the maze and the player. Why is it?

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    while (true)
        system("cls");
        printMaze();
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

Now, it is taking some time to print the maze and the player. Why is it? How can we improve?

```
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#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    while (true)
        system("cls");
        printMaze();
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

We can print the maze only one time before the while loop.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    while (true)
        system("cls");
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        playerMove(x, y);
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        playerMove(x, y);
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#include <iostream>
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using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    while (true)
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

There is one issue with the code.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    while (true)
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

How to keep the player within the boundary of the maze?

```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    while (true)
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

We can add a stopping condition, when the X coordinate of the player reaches some point we initialize it.

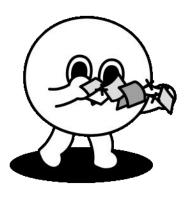
```
#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
    int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    while (true)
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
```

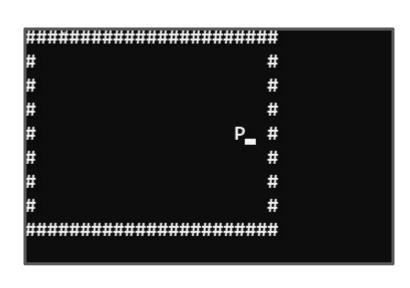
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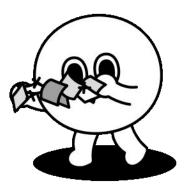
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#include <iostream>
#include <windows.h>
using namespace std;
void gotoxy(int x, int y);
void printMaze();
void playerMove(int x, int y);
main()
   int x = 3, y = 4;
    system("cls");
    printMaze();
    while (true)
        playerMove(x, y);
        x = x + 1;
        if(x == 20)
            x = 3:
```

Goal: Move Pacman on the Console

Finally, the goal is achieved.







Learning Objective

Write a C++ program to display output on the console at a specific location using gotoxy() function.



Self Assessment

You have to write the Vision of your Business Application and Game that you want to develop in your 1st semester.

