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/* The following code example is taken from the book
 * "The C++ Standard Library – A Tutorial and Reference"
 * by Nicolai M. Josuttis, Addison-Wesley, 1999
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 */
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;

int main (int argc, char* argv[])
{
    string filename, basename, extname, tmpname;
    const string suffix("tmp");

    /* for each command-line argument
     * (which is an ordinary C-string)
     */
    for (int i=1; i<argc; ++i) {
        // process argument as file name
        filename = argv[i];

        // search period in file name
        string::size_type idx = filename.find('.');
        if (idx == string::npos) {
            // file name does not contain any period
            tmpname = filename + '.' + suffix;
        }
        else {
            /* split file name into base name and extension
             * – base name contains all characters before the period
             * – extension contains all characters after the period
             */
            basename = filename.substr(0, idx);
            extname = filename.substr(idx+1);
            if (extname.empty()) {
                // contains period but no extension: append tmp
                tmpname = filename;
                tmpname += suffix;
            }
            else if (extname == suffix) {
                // replace extension tmp with xxx
                tmpname = filename;
                tmpname.replace (idx+1, extname.size(), "xxx");
            }
            else {
                // replace any extension with tmp
                tmpname = filename;
                tmpname.replace (idx+1, string::npos, suffix);
            }
        }
    }
}

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        // print file name and temporary name
        cout << filename << " => " << tmpname << endl;
    }
}
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