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 */
#include <cstdlib>
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
                         // operands
    double x, y;
    // print header string
    cout << "Multiplication of two floating point values" << endl;</pre>
    // read first operand
cout << "first operand: ";</pre>
    if (! (cin >> x))
        // input error
        // => error message and exit program with error status
        return EXIT FAILURE;
    }
    // read second operand
    cout << "second operand: ";</pre>
    if (! (cin >> y)) {
        // input error
// => error message and exit program with error status
        cerr << "error while reading the second floating value"
              << end1:
        return EXIT FAILURE;
    }
    // print operands and result
    cout << x << " times " << y << " equals " << x * y << endl;
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