



# LAB MATERIALS BORROWING MANAGER

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Using **Queues**



# 1. OBJECTIVES(S)

## GENERAL OBJECTIVE:

- Follow a specific data structure to be implemented:
  - Queues
- The created output can be related to Computer Engineering



## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE:

- The program will be done using C++ programming language
- The program will utilize queues as the data structure for processing the borrower's request
- The interface of the program and its output will be in a Console window


## 2. INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES (ILOS)

- Develop a Console-Based Application
- Gain experience with file handling for data storage
- Learn to manage and process user requests using queues



# 3. DISCUSSION

## I. BACKGROUND AND CONCEPTS

- This program simplifies managing laboratory materials by tracking items and allowing students to borrow them easily. It ensures accurate inventory and equal access for all students. 
- The program uses queues as the data structure to handle the requests of the students to borrow materials in a FIFO (First In, First Out) basis.
- The program outputs in a terminal window
- Libraries used:
  - `<iostream>`: For input and output operations.
  - `<fstream>`: For file input and output operations.
  - `<sstream>`: For string stream operations which allows to format strings.
  - `<map>`: For storing key-value pairs.
  - `<vector>`: For changing the size dynamically.
  - `<string>`: For string operations which are sequence of characters
  - `<queue>`: For queue operations to showcase FIFO concept

# 3. DISCUSSION

## II. SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Scope**

- The program lets students register, log in, and request lab materials. Admins manage materials and approve or deny requests. Data is stored in text files for persistence.

- **Limitations**

- It uses text files, causing potential issues with multiple users. Only one admin is supported, with basic login and no strong security. Materials are not reserved in real-time, and there's no graphical user interface.




## 4. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

- A computer or laptop with an operating system that supports C++ development (Windows, macOS, or Linux)
- A C++ compiler with version (C++11 or later) such as:
  - GCC (GNU Compiler Collection)
  - Clang
  - Microsoft Visual C++ (MSVC)
- An IDE such as:
  - Visual Studio Code (VSCode – Follow VSCode documentation on how to setup C++)
  - CLion
  - Code Blocks
  - Visual Studio
  - Embarcadero DevC++



## 5. PROCEDURE

- **ILO A:** Develop a console based application 
- **ILO B:** Gain experience in file handling for data storage
- **ILO C:** Learn to manage and process request using queues

**All Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs) have been successfully achieved.**

## 5. PROCEDURE

- 1.) Include the necessary head files for the program and use the standard namespace
- 2.) Create the Materials Class
  - For handling the names and quantity
- 3.) Create Account Manager Class
  - For handling account information and storing into a .txt file
- 4.) Create Database Manager Class
  - For handling materials information and store it into a .txt file
- 5.) Create Borrowing Request Class
  - For handling borrowing requests of the students
- 6.) Create the Borrowing App Class
  - For handling the different functionalities of the program and the formatting of the output in the console window





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# 6. OUTPUT



## 7. CONCLUSION

- The program successfully meets the outlined objectives by implementing a comprehensive borrowing system for laboratory materials
- The program effectively demonstrated the concept of queues through the processing of the borrower's request using the C++ programming language
- The created program and its outputs were also successfully operated using a console window



## 8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- Implement better security enhancements
- Enhance user experience improvements
- Possible implementation of an option when students will return materials
- Implement a backup and recovery mechanism to protect against sudden data losses



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