

394661-FS2019-0 - C++ Programming I **EXERCISE-01**

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1 Introduction

The first laboratory exercise of 394661-FS2019-0 will focus on installing and using the Qt Creator IDE for C++ development on your platform. Moreover, you get introduced to CMake - a common Makefile-generator.

You will learn the following topics when completing this exercise:

- ▶ Installing and setting up Qt-Creator on your specific platform
- ▶ Integration and first use of CMake
- ▶ Build and debug simple programs

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2 Prerequisites

Install and configure Qt Creator according your needs as required by your platform.

2.1 Tasks

Complete the following list of tasks to set up your environment:

- 1. Install Qt Creator as described in the slides ¹
- 2. Install CMake
- 3. Create a plain C++ project named HelloCPP with CMake as build system. It should print 'Hello C++ ' onto the console
 - ▶ File \Rightarrow New File or Project \Rightarrow Non-Qt Project \Rightarrow Plain C++ Application \Rightarrow ... ⇒ Build System: CMake
 - ▶ Run CMake: This will generate a Makefile
 - ▶ Build and run ⇒ Hello World!
- 4. Modify the output accordingly
- 5. Copy the CMakeLists.txt example from the slides into your HelloCPP project, modify and safe this project as a template project for further exercises.

3 Exercise

Once, you have a working programming environment complete following exercise. Create a new CMake-Project, i.e. start with a copy of your template project, to calculate the Fibonacci-Series and the golden ratio.

3.1 Fibonacci-Series

The sequence F_n of Fibonacci numbers is defined by the recurrence relation:

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \qquad f_n \in \mathbb{N} \tag{1}$$

with seed value $F_0=0$ and $F_1=1$.

The ratio of the consecutive Fibonacci numbers converges to the golden ratio ϕ :

$$\phi = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{F_{n+1}}{F_n} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{(5)}}{2} \approx 1.61803399$$
 (2)

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3.2 Fibonacci-Function

Create a CMake project with a main file and two other files containing the declaration and definition of the Fibonacci function. In order to add a class to your project:

- 1. File \Rightarrow New File or Project \Rightarrow C++ \Rightarrow Class. **Note:** By convention class names start with capital Letters (PascalCase), where the files itself are lowercased!
- 2. Add the new files to CMakeLists.txt:
 add_executable(\${PROJECT_NAME} main.cpp fibonacci.cpp fibonacci.h)
- main.cpp: The entry point of the program with main shown in the code snippet below
- ▶ fibonacci.h: A header file with the declaration of the Fibonacci-Function
- ▶ fibonacci.cpp: A source file with the definition of Fibonacci-Function

The declaration and definition of Fibonacci is missing, that means you have to implement Eq (1). The function fibonacci takes two int values to compute the next Fibonacci value. The declaration and definition of the Fibonacci-Function are put into separate files. Your code is the called from the main file as shown below.

```
#include <iostream> // provides output to stdout with cout
#include "fibonacci.h" // for function fibonacci (...)
                                     // for function fibonacci (...)
    int main ()
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          int f = 1;
          int fprev = 0;
          std::cout << fprev << std::endl;
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               std::cout << f << std::endl;
int tmp = fibonacci(f, fprev);
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                fprev = f;
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               f = tmp;
          } while (true);
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          std::cout << std::endl;
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```

Once your code compiles, verify that the output is similar to: 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 55 ...

3.3 Overflow Detection

The type int has an upper limit. When the Fibonacci number exceeds this limit the int will silently overflow!

- ► At which loop iteration number is this the case? Use the debugger! To change the build type to Debug add 'set(CMAKE BUILD TYPE "Debug")' to the CMakeLists.txt.
- ▶ What is the upper limit of int on your system? Use std::numeric_limits<int>::max()!
- ► Can you modify the loop to stop computing Fibonacci numbers beyond the range of the underlying type?
- ▶ What could you do to compute larger Fibonacci numbers?

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3.4 Golden Ratio (optional)

How close in % can you calculate the golden ratio as defined in Eq. (2). Calculate the deviation for each iteration. Use <cmath> and <iomanip> includes for the calculation and manipulation (std::setprecision(17), std::fixed) of the output format, respectively. You should get a print out similar to:

4 Submission

Submit your source code (as a zip-file), *i.e.* the complete CMake project without temporary or binary files, to Ilias **before the deadline** specified in Ilias. For exercise Ex-01 the zip-file should contain: CMakeLists.txt, main.cpp, fibonacci.cpp, fibonacci.h and compile without warnings.

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