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# PREFACE

This book is an introduction to C++ and computer programming that focuses on the essentials—and on effective learning. The book is designed to serve a wide range of student interests and abilities and is suitable for a first course in programming for computer scientists, engineers, and students in other disciplines. No prior programming experience is required, and only a modest amount of high school algebra is needed.

Here are the key features of this book:

## **Present fundamentals first.**

This book uses the C++ programming language as a vehicle for introducing computer science concepts. A substantial subset of the C++ language is covered, focusing on the modern features of standard C++ that make students productive. The book takes a traditional route, first stressing control structures, procedural decomposition, and array algorithms. Objects are used when appropriate in the early chapters. Students start designing and implementing their own classes in Chapter 9.

## **Guidance and worked examples help students succeed.**

Beginning programmers often ask “How do I start? Now what do I do?” Of course, an activity as complex as programming cannot be reduced to cookbook-style instructions. However, step-by-step guidance is immensely helpful for building confidence and providing an outline for the task at hand. “Problem Solving” sections stress the importance of design and planning. “How To” guides help students with common programming tasks. Additional Worked Examples are available in the E-Text or online.

*Tip:* Source files for all of the program examples in the book, including the Worked Examples, are provided with the source code for this book. Download the files to your computer for easy access as you work through the chapters.

## **Practice makes perfect.**

Of course, programming students need to be able to implement nontrivial programs, but they first need to have the confidence that they can succeed. The Enhanced E-Text immerses students in activities designed to foster in-depth learning. Students don’t just watch animations and code traces, they work on generating them. The activities provide instant feedback to show students what they did right and where they need to study more. A wealth of practice opportunities, including code completion questions and skill-oriented multiple-choice questions, appear at the end of each section, and each chapter ends with well-crafted review exercises and programming projects.

## **Problem solving strategies are made explicit.**

Practical, step-by-step illustrations of techniques help students devise and evaluate solutions to programming problems. Introduced where they are most relevant, these strategies address barriers to success for many students. Strategies included are:

- Algorithm Design (with pseudocode)
- First Do It By Hand (doing sample calculations by hand)
- Flowcharts

- Selecting Test Cases
- Hand-Tracing
- Storyboards
- Solve a Simpler Problem First
- Reusable Functions
- Stepwise Refinement
- Adapting Algorithms
- Discovering Algorithms by Manipulating Physical Objects
- Draw a Picture (pointer diagrams)
- Tracing Objects (identifying state and behavior)
- Discovering Classes
- Thinking Recursively
- Estimating the Running Time of an Algorithm

**A visual approach motivates the reader and eases navigation.**

Photographs present visual analogies that explain the nature and behavior of computer concepts. Step-by-step figures illustrate complex program operations. Syntax boxes and example tables present a variety of typical and special cases in a compact format. It is easy to get the “lay of the land” by browsing the visuals, before focusing on the textual material.



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**Focus on the essentials while being technically accurate.**

An encyclopedic coverage is not helpful for a beginning programmer, but neither is the opposite—reducing the material to a list of simplistic bullet points. In this book, the essentials are presented in digestible chunks, with separate notes that go deeper into good practices or language features when the reader is ready for the additional information. You will not find artificial over-simplifications that give an illusion of knowledge.

*Visual features help the reader with navigation.*

**Reinforce sound engineering practices.**

A multitude of useful tips on software quality and common errors encourage the development of good programming habits. The focus is on test-driven development, encouraging students to test their programs systematically.

**Engage with optional engineering and business exercises.**

End-of-chapter exercises are enhanced with problems from scientific and business domains. Designed to engage students, the exercises illustrate the value of programming in applied fields.

# New to This Edition

## Updated for Modern Versions of C++

A number of features of the C++ 2011 and C++ 2014 standards are described either as recommended “best practice” or as Special Topics.

## New and Reorganized Topics

The book now supports two pathways into object-oriented programming and inheritance. Pointers and structures can be covered before introducing classes. Alternatively, pointers can be deferred until after the implementation of classes.

This edition further supports a second course in computer science by adding coverage of the implementation of common data structures and algorithms.

A sequence of Worked Examples and exercises introduces “media computation,” such as generating and modifying images, sounds, and animations.

## Lower-Cost, Interactive Format

This third edition is published as a lower-cost Enhanced E-Text that supports active learning through a wealth of interactive activities. These activities engage and prepare students for independent programming and the Review Exercises, Practice Exercises, and Programming Projects at the end of each E-Text chapter. The Enhanced E-Text may also be bundled with an Abridged Print Companion, which is a bound book that contains the entire text for reference, but without exercises or practice material.

Interactive learning solutions are expanding every day, so to learn more about these options or to explore other options to suit your needs, please contact your Wiley account manager ([www.wiley.com/go/whosmyrep](http://www.wiley.com/go/whosmyrep)) or visit the product information page for this text on [wiley.com](http://wiley.com) (<http://wiley.com/college/sc/horstmann>).

The Enhanced E-Text is designed to enable student practice without the instructor assigning the interactivities or recording their scores. If you are interested in assigning and grading students’ work on them, ask your Wiley Account Manager about the online course option implemented in the Engage Learning Management System. The Engage course supports the assignment and automatic grading of the interactivities. Engage access includes access to the Enhanced E-Text.

# Features in the Enhanced E-Text

The interactive Enhanced E-Text guides students from the basics to writing complex programs. After they read a bit, they can try all of the interactive exercises for that section. Active reading is an engaging way for students to ensure that students are prepared before going to class.

There five types of interactivities:

**Code Walkthrough** Code Walkthrough activities ask students to trace through a segment of code, choosing which line will be executed next and entering the new values of variables changed by the code’s execution. This activity simulates the hand-tracing problem solving technique taught in Chapters 3 and 4—but with immediate feedback.

**Example Table** Example table activities make the student the active participant in building up tables of code examples similar to those found in the book. The tables come in many different forms. Some tables ask the student to determine the output of a line of code, or the value of an expression, or to provide code for certain tasks. This activity helps students assess their understanding of the reading—while it is easy to go back and review.

**Algorithm Animation** An algorithm animation shows the essential steps of an algorithm. However, instead of passively watching, students get to predict each step. When finished, students can start over with a different set of inputs. This is a surprisingly effective way of learning and remembering algorithms.

**Rearrange Code** Rearrange code activities ask the student to arrange lines of code by dragging them from the list on the right to the area at left so that the resulting code fulfills the task described in the problem. This activity builds facility with coding structure and implementing common algorithms.

**Object Diagram** Object diagram activities ask the student to create a memory diagram to illustrate how variables and objects are initialized and updated as sample code executes. The activity depicts variables, objects, and references in the same way as the figures in the book. After an activity is completed, pressing “Play” replays the animation. This activity goes beyond hand-tracing to illuminate what is happening in memory as code executes.

**Code Completion** Code completion activities ask the student to finish a partially-completed program, then paste the solution into CodeCheck (a Wiley-based online code evaluator) to learn whether it produces the desired result. Tester classes on the CodeCheck site run and report whether the code passed the tests. This activity serves as a skill-building lab to better prepare the student for writing programs from scratch.

## A Tour of the Book

This book is intended for a two-semester introduction to programming that may also include algorithms and data structures. The organization of chapters offers the same flexibility as the previous edition; dependencies among the chapters are also shown in Figure 1.

### Part A: Fundamentals (Chapters 1–8)

The first six chapters follow a traditional approach to basic programming concepts. Students learn about control structures, stepwise refinement, and arrays. Objects are used only for input/output and string processing. Input/output is first covered in Chapter 2, which may be followed by an introduction to reading and writing text files in Section 8.1.

In a course for engineers with a need for systems and embedded programming, you will want to cover Chapter 7 on pointers. Sections 7.1 and 7.4 are sufficient for using pointers with polymorphism in Chapter 10.

File processing is the subject of Chapter 8. Section 8.1 can be covered sooner for an introduction to reading and writing text files. The remainder of the chapter gives additional material for practical applications.

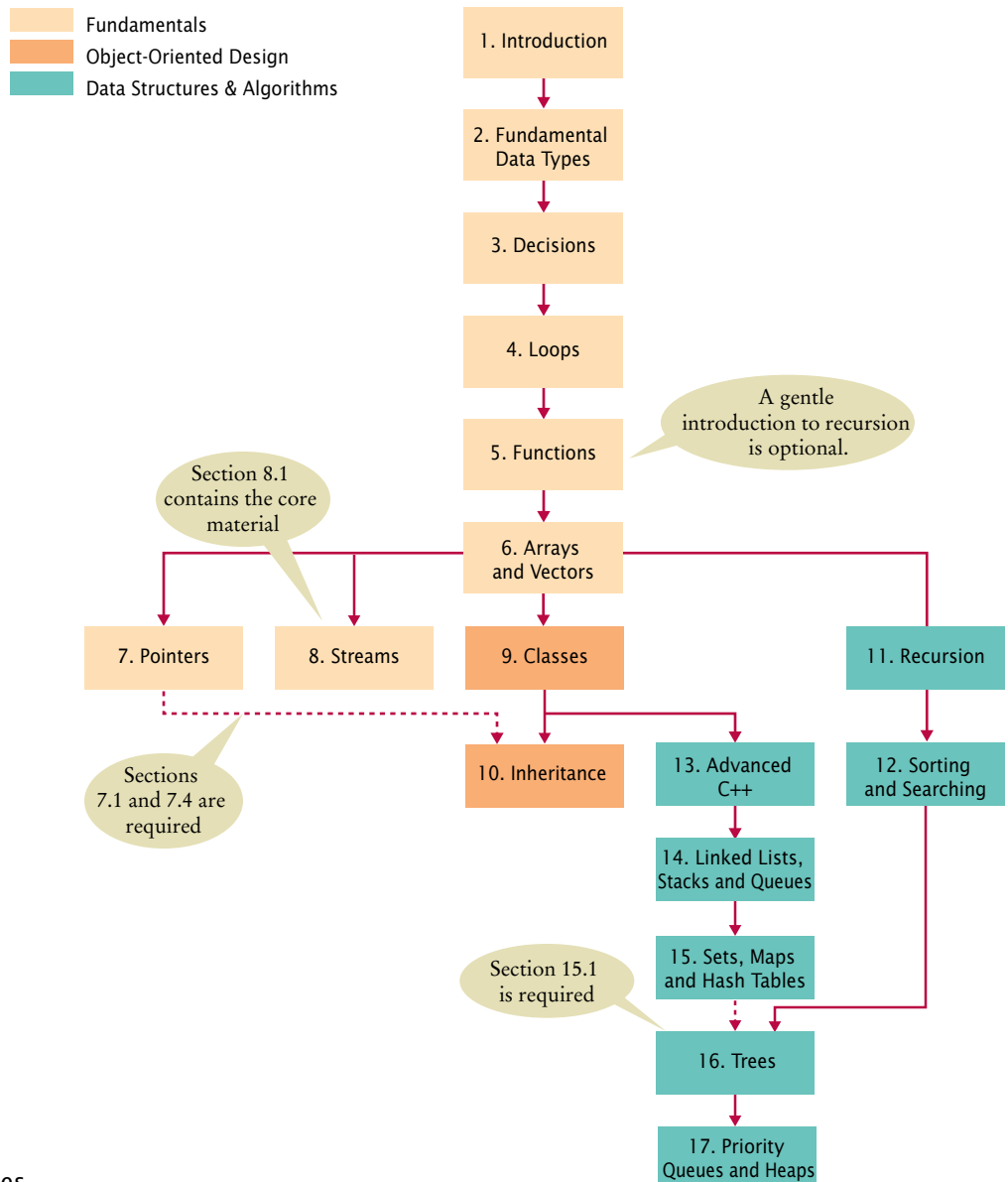


### Part B: Object-Oriented Design (Chapters 9–10)

After students have gained a solid foundation, they are ready to tackle the implementation of classes. Chapters 9 and 10 introduce the object-oriented features of C++. Chapter 9 introduces class design and implementation. Chapter 10 covers inheritance and polymorphism. By the end of these chapters, students will be able to implement programs with multiple interacting classes.

### Part C: Data Structures and Algorithms (Chapters 11–17)

Chapters 11–17 cover algorithms and data structures at a level suitable for beginning students. Recursion, in Chapter 11, starts with simple examples and progresses



**Figure 1**  
Chapter Dependencies

to meaningful applications that would be difficult to implement iteratively. Chapter 12 covers quadratic sorting algorithms as well as merge sort, with an informal introduction to big-Oh notation. Chapter 13 introduces advanced C++ features that are required for implementing data structures, including templates and memory management. Chapters 14–17 cover linear and tree-based data structures. Students learn how to use the standard C++ library versions. They then study the implementations of these data structures and analyze their efficiency.

Any subset of these chapters can be incorporated into a custom print version of this text; ask your Wiley sales representative for details, or visit [customselect.wiley.com](http://customselect.wiley.com) to create your custom order.

## Appendices

Appendices A and B summarize C++ reserved words and operators. Appendix C lists character escape sequences and ASCII character code values. Appendix D documents all of the library functions and classes used in this book.

Appendix E contains a programming style guide. Using a style guide for programming assignments benefits students by directing them toward good habits and reducing gratuitous choice. The style guide is available in electronic form on the book's companion web site so that instructors can modify it to reflect their preferred style.

Appendix F introduces common number systems used in computing.

## Web Resources

This book is complemented by a complete suite of online resources. Go to [www.wiley.com/go/bc1o3](http://www.wiley.com/go/bc1o3) to visit the online companion sites, which include

- Source code for all example programs in the book and its Worked Examples, plus additional example programs.
- Worked Examples that apply the problem-solving steps in the book to other realistic examples.
- Lecture presentation slides (for instructors only).
- Solutions to all review and programming exercises (for instructors only).
- A test bank that focuses on skills, not just terminology (for instructors only). This extensive set of multiple-choice questions can be used with a word processor or imported into a course management system.
- “CodeCheck” assignments that allow students to work on programming problems presented in an innovative online service and receive immediate feedback. Instructors can assign exercises that have already been prepared, or easily add their own. Visit <http://codecheck.it> to learn more.

Pointers in the print companion describe what students will find in their E-Text or online.



### WORKED EXAMPLE 2.1 Computing Travel Time

Learn how to develop a hand calculation to compute the time that a robot requires to retrieve an item from rocky terrain. See your E-Text or visit [wiley.com/go/bc1o3](http://wiley.com/go/bc1o3)



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# A Walkthrough of the Learning Aids

The pedagogical elements in this book work together to focus on and reinforce key concepts and fundamental principles of programming, with additional tips and detail organized to support and deepen these fundamentals. In addition to traditional features, such as chapter objectives and a wealth of exercises, each chapter contains elements geared to today's visual learner.

Throughout each chapter, **margin notes** show where new concepts are introduced and provide an outline of key ideas.

Annotated **syntax boxes** provide a quick, visual overview of new language constructs.

**Annotations** explain required components and point to more information on common errors or best practices associated with the syntax.

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## 4.3 The for Loop

The for loop is used when a value runs from a starting point to an ending point with a constant increment or decrement.

It often happens that you want to execute a sequence of statements a given number of times. You can use a `while` loop that is controlled by a counter, as in the following example:

```
counter = 1; // Initialize the counter
while (counter <= 10) // Check the counter
{
    cout << counter << endl;
    counter++; // Update the counter
}
```

Because this loop type is so common, there is a special form for it, called the `for` loop (see Syntax 4.2).

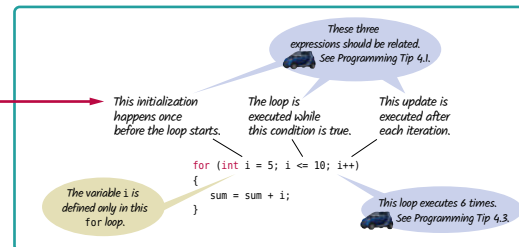
```
for (counter = 1; counter <= 10; counter++)
{
    cout << counter << endl;
}
```

Some people call this loop *count-controlled*. In contrast, the `while` loop of the preceding section can be called an *event-controlled* loop because it executes until an event occurs (for example, when the balance reaches the target). Another commonly-used term for a count-controlled loop is *definite*. You know from the outset that the loop body will be executed a definite number of times—ten times in our example. In contrast, you do not know how many iterations it takes to accumulate a target balance. Such a loop is called *indefinite*.



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You can visualize the for loop as an orderly sequence of steps.

### Syntax 4.2 for Statement



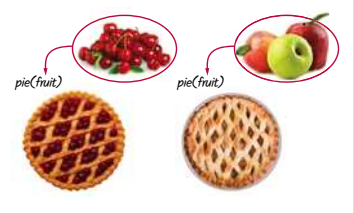
The `for` loop neatly groups the initialization, condition, and update expressions together. However, it is important to realize that these expressions are *not* executed together (see Figure 3).

Like a variable in a computer program, a parking space has an identifier and contents.



**Analogies** to everyday objects are used to explain the nature and behavior of concepts such as variables, data types, loops, and more.

**Memorable photos** reinforce analogies and help students remember the concepts.



**Problem Solving sections** teach techniques for generating ideas and evaluating proposed solutions, often using pencil and paper or other artifacts. These sections emphasize that most of the planning and problem solving that makes students successful happens away from the computer.

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Now how does that help us with our problem, switching the first and the second half of the array?  
Let's put the first coin into place, by swapping it with the fifth coin. However, as C++ programmers, we will say that we swap the coins in positions 0 and 4:

Next, we swap the coins in positions 1 and 5:

**HOW TO 1.1**  
**Describing an Algorithm with Pseudocode**

This is the first of many "How To" sections in this book that give you step-by-step procedures for carrying out important tasks in developing computer programs.

Before you are ready to write a program in C++, you need to develop an algorithm—a method for arriving at a solution for a particular problem. Describe the algorithm in pseudocode—a sequence of precise steps formulated in English. To illustrate, we'll devise an algorithm for this problem:

**Problem Statement** You have the choice of buying one of two cars. One is more fuel efficient than the other, but also more expensive. You know the price and fuel efficiency (in miles per gallon, mpg) of both cars. You plan to keep the car for ten years. Assume a price of \$4 per gallon of gas and usage of 15,000 miles per year. You will pay cash for the car and not worry about financing costs. Which car is the better deal?

**How To guides** give step-by-step guidance for common programming tasks, emphasizing planning and testing. They answer the beginner's question, "Now what do I do?" and integrate key concepts into a problem-solving sequence.

**Step 1** Determine the inputs and outputs.

In our sample problem, we have these inputs:

- *purchase price1* and *fuel efficiency1*, the price and fuel efficiency (in mpg) of the first car
- *purchase price2* and *fuel efficiency2*, the price and fuel efficiency of the second car

**WORKED EXAMPLE 1.1**  
**Writing an Algorithm for Tiling a Floor**

**Problem Statement** Your task is to tile a rectangular bathroom floor with alternating black and white tiles measuring  $4 \times 4$  inches. The floor dimensions, measured in inches, are multiples of 4.

**Step 1** Determine the inputs and outputs.  
The inputs are the floor dimensions (length  $\times$  width), measured in inches. The output is a tiled floor.

**Step 2** Break down the problem into smaller tasks.  
A natural subtask is to lay one row of tiles. If you can solve that task, then you can solve the problem by laying one row next to the other, starting from a wall, until

**Worked Examples** apply the steps in the How To to a different example, showing how they can be used to plan, implement, and test a solution to another programming problem.

Table 3 Variable Names in C++

Variable Name	Comment
can_volume1	Variable names consist of letters, numbers, and the underscore character.
x	In mathematics, you use short variable names such as <i>x</i> or <i>y</i> . This is legal in C++, but not very common, because it can make programs harder to understand (see Programming Tip 2.1).
Can_volume	<b>Caution:</b> Variable names are case sensitive. This variable name is different from <i>can_volume</i> .
6pack	<b>Error:</b> Variable names cannot start with a number.
can volume	<b>Error:</b> Variable names cannot contain spaces.
double	<b>Error:</b> You cannot use a reserved word as a variable name.
ltr/fl.oz	<b>Error:</b> You cannot use symbols such as <i>.</i> or <i>/</i> .

**Example tables** support beginners with multiple, concrete examples. These tables point out common errors and present another quick reference to the section's topic.

Consider the function call illustrated in Figure 3:

```
double result1 = cube_volume(2);
```

- The parameter variable `side_length` of the `cube_volume` function is created. ❶
- The parameter variable is initialized with the value of the argument that was passed in the call. In our case, `side_length` is set to 2. ❷
- The function computes the expression `side_length * side_length * side_length`, which has the value 8. That value is stored in the variable `volume`. ❸
- The function returns. All of its variables are removed. The return value is transferred to the *caller*, that is, the function calling the `cube_volume` function. ❹

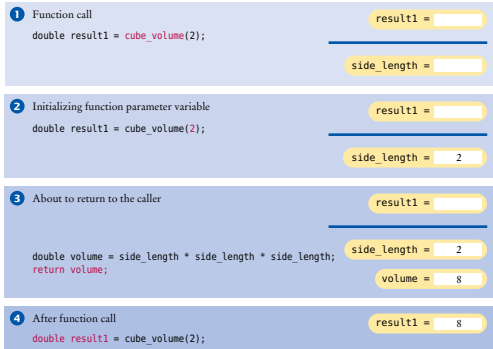


Figure 3 Parameter Passing

**Progressive figures** trace code segments to help students visualize the program flow. Color is used consistently to make variables and other elements easily recognizable.

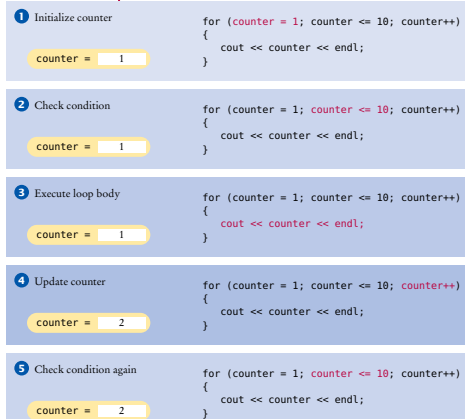


Figure 3 Execution of a for Loop

Optional **engineering exercises** engage students with applications from technical fields.

**Engineering P7.12** Write a program that simulates the control software for a “people mover” system, a set of driverless trains that move in two concentric circular tracks. A set of switches allows trains to switch tracks.

In your program, the outer and inner tracks should each be divided into ten segments. Each track segment can contain a train that moves either clockwise or counterclockwise. train moves to an adjacent segment in its track or, if that segment is occupied, to an adjacent segment in the other track. Define a `Segment` structure. Each segment has a pointer to the next and previous segments in its track, a pointer to the next and previous segments in the other track,



```
sec02/cube.cpp
1 #include <iostream>
2
3 using namespace std;
4
5 /**
6  * Computes the volume of a cube.
7  * @param side_length the side length of the cube
8  * @return the volume
9  */
10 double cube_volume(double side_length)
11 {
12     double volume = side_length * side_length * side_length;
13     return volume;
14 }
15
16 int main()
17 {
18     double result1 = cube_volume(2);
19     double result2 = cube_volume(10);
20     cout << "A cube with side length 2 has volume " << result1 << endl;
21     cout << "A cube with side length 10 has volume " << result2 << endl;
22     return 0;
23 }
24
```

#### Program Run

```
A cube with side length 2 has volume 8
A cube with side length 10 has volume 1000
```

**Program listings** are carefully designed for easy reading, going well beyond simple color coding. Functions are set off by a subtle outline.

**EXAMPLE CODE** See `sec04` of your companion code for another implementation of the earthquake program that you saw in Section 3.3. Note that the `get_description` function has multiple return statements.

**Additional example programs** are provided with the companion code for students to read, run, and modify.

**Common Errors** describe the kinds of errors that students often make, with an explanation of why the errors occur, and what to do about them.



**Common Error 2.1**  
Using Undefined Variables

You must define a variable before you use it for the first time. For example, the following sequence of statements would not be legal:

```
double can_volume = 12 * liter_per_ounce;
double liter_per_ounce = 0.8296;
```

In your program, the statements are compiled in order. When the compiler reaches the first statement, it does not know that `liter_per_ounce` will be defined in the next line, and it reports an error.

**Programming Tips** explain good programming practices, and encourage students to be more productive with tips and techniques such as hand-tracing.



**Programming Tip 3.6**  
Hand-Tracing

A very useful technique for understanding whether a program works correctly is called *hand-tracing*. You simulate the program's activity on a sheet of paper. You can use this method with pseudocode or C++ code.

Get an index card, a cocktail napkin, or whatever sheet of paper is within reach. Make a column for each variable. Have the program code ready. Use a marker, such as a paper clip, to mark the current statement. In your mind, execute statements one at a time. Every time the value of a variable changes, cross out the old value and write the new value below the old one.

For example, let's trace the tax program with the data from the program run in Section 3.4. In lines 13 and 14, `tax1` and `tax2` are initialized to 0.

```
6 int main()
7 {
8     const double RATE1 = 0.10;
9     const double RATE2 = 0.25;
10    const double RATE1_SINGLE_LIMIT = 32000;
11    const double RATE1_MARRIED_LIMIT = 64000;
12
13    double tax1 = 0;
14    double tax2 = 0;
15
```

In lines 18 and 22, `income` and `marital_status` are initialized by input statements.

```
16 double income;
17 cout << "Please enter your income: ";
18 cin >> income;
19
20 cout << "Please enter s for single, m for married: ";
21 string marital_status;
22 cin >> marital_status;
23
```

Because `marital_status` is not "s", we move to the else branch of the outer if statement (line 36).



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*Hand-tracing helps you understand whether a program works correctly.*

tax1	tax2	income	marital_status
0	0		

tax1	tax2	income	marital_status
0	0	30000	m



**Special Topic 6.5**  
The Range-Based for Loop

C++ 11 introduces a convenient syntax for visiting all elements in a "range" or sequence of elements. This loop displays all elements in a vector:

```
vector<int> values = {1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36};
for (int v : values)
{
    cout << v << " ";
}
}
```

In each iteration of the loop, `v` is set to an element of the vector. Note that you do not use an index variable. The value of `v` is the element, not the index of the element.

If you want to modify elements, declare the loop variable as a reference:

```
for (int& v : values)
{
    v++;
}
}
```

This loop increments all elements of the vector.

You can use the reserved word `auto`, which was introduced in Special Topic 2.3, for the type of the element variable:

```
for (auto v : values) { cout << v << " "; }
```

The range-based for loop also works for arrays:

```
int primes[] = { 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13 };
for (int p : primes)
```

```
    cout << p << " ";
```

range-based for loop is a convenient shortcut for visiting or updating all elements of a vector or an array. This book doesn't use it because one can achieve the same result by looping `i` index values. But if you like the more concise form, and use C++ 11 or later, you should seriously consider using it.

`special_topic_5` of your companion code for a program that demonstrates the range-based loop.

**Special Topics** present optional topics and provide additional explanation of others.



**Computing & Society 7.1** Embedded Systems

An **embedded system** is a computer system that controls a device. The device contains a processor and other hardware and is controlled by a computer program. Unlike a personal computer, which has been designed to be flexible and run many different computer programs, the hardware and software of an embedded system are tailored to a specific device. Computer controlled devices are becoming increasingly common, ranging from washing machines to medical equipment, cell phones, automobile engines, and spacecraft.

Several challenges are specific to programming embedded systems. Most importantly, a much higher standard of quality control applies. Vendors are often unconcerned about bugs in personal computer software, because they can always make you install a patch or upgrade to the next version. But in an embedded system, that is not an option. Few consumers

would feel comfortable upgrading the software in their washing machines or automobile engines. If you ever handed in a programming assignment that you believed to be correct, only to have the instructor or grader find bugs in it, then you know how hard it is to write software that can reliably do its task for many years without a chance of changing it. Quality standards are especially important in devices whose failure would destroy property or endanger human life. Many personal computer purchasers buy computers that are fast and have a lot of storage, because the investment is paid back over time when many programs are run on the same equipment. But the hardware for an embedded device is not shared—it is dedicated to one device. A separate processor, memory, and so on, are built for every copy of the device. If it is possible to shave a few pennies off the manufacturing cost of every unit, the savings can add up quickly for devices that are pro-

duced in large volumes. Thus, the programmer of an embedded system has a much larger economic incentive to conserve resources than the desktop software programmer. Unfortunately, trying to conserve resources usually makes it harder to write programs that work correctly.

C and C++ are commonly used languages for developing embedded systems.



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*The Controller of an Embedded System*

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**Interactive activities in the E-Text**  
engage students in active reading as they...

1. In this activity, trace through the code by clicking on the line that will be executed next. Observe the inputs as they appear in the table below. They denote hours in "military time" between 0 and 23. For each input, click on the line inside the if statement that will be executed when the hour variable has that value.

Please click on the next line.

```

cin >> hour;
if (hour < 12)
{
    greeting = "Good morning";
}
else
{
    greeting = "Good afternoon";
}
cout << greeting << endl;
    
```

hour	greeting
11	Good morning
13	

2 correct, 0 errors

Start over

**Trace** through a code segment

2. Consider the following statement:

```

if (hour < 21)
{
    response = "Goodbye";
}
else
{
    response = "Goodnight";
}
    
```

Determine the value of response when hour has the values given in the table below.

Complete the second column. Press Enter to submit each entry.

hour	response	Explanation
20	"Goodbye"	20 < 21, and the first branch of the statement executes.
	"Goodnight"	It is not true that 22 < 21, so the else clause executes.

**Build** an example table

Play with the following activity to learn how to find the largest value in an array. You visit each element in turn, incrementing the position i. When you find an element that is larger than the largest one that you have seen so far, store it as the largest. When you have visited all elements, you have found the largest value.

Press the Start button to see the array. Press the Start over button to try the activity again with different values.

Select the next action.

i

a: 28 38 34 68 21 55 78

largest:

Increment i Store as largest Done

**Explore** common algorithms

1. Assume that weekdays are coded as 0 = Monday, 1 = Tuesday, ..., 4 = Friday, 5 = Saturday, 6 = Sunday. Rearrange the lines of code so that weekday is set to the next working day (Monday through Friday). Not all lines are useful.

Order the statements by dragging them into the left window. Use the guidelines for proper indenting.

```

if (weekday < 4)
{
    weekday++;
}
else
{
}
    
```

weekday = 5;  
weekday = 0;  
weekday = 1;  
if (weekday <= 5)

**Arrange** code to fulfill a task

**Complete** a program and get immediate feedback

2. Write a program that reads a word and prints whether

- it is short (fewer than 5 letters).
- it is long (at least 10 letters).
- it ends with the letter y.
- has the same first and last character.

Show Code to be Completed

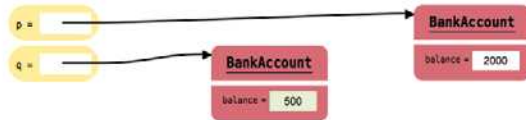
Complete the code in your IDE or go to [CODE CHECK](#) to complete the code and evaluate your

2. What happens when the following code is executed?

```

BankAccount* p = new BankAccount(2000);
BankAccount* q = new BankAccount(1000);
q->withdraw(500);
p = q;
p->withdraw(200);
    
```

Update the p variable.  
Draw the arrow.



**Create** a memory diagram

One correct, 0 errors

Start over





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# CHAPTER 1

# INTRODUCTION

## CHAPTER GOALS

- To learn about the architecture of computers
- To learn about machine languages and higher-level programming languages
- To become familiar with your compiler
- To compile and run your first C++ program
- To recognize compile-time and run-time errors
- To describe an algorithm with pseudocode
- To understand the activity of programming



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Just as you gather tools, study a project, and make a plan for tackling it, in this chapter you will gather up the basics you need to start learning to program. After a brief introduction to computer hardware, software, and programming in general, you will learn how to write and run your first C++ program. You will also learn how to diagnose and fix programming errors, and how to use pseudocode to describe an algorithm—a step-by-step description of how to solve a problem—as you plan your programs.

## 1.1 What Is Programming?

Computers execute very basic instructions in rapid succession.

You have probably used a computer for work or fun. Many people use computers for everyday tasks such as electronic banking or writing a term paper. Computers are good for such tasks. They can handle repetitive chores, such as totaling up numbers or placing words on a page, without getting bored or exhausted.

The flexibility of a computer is quite an amazing phenomenon. The same machine can balance your checkbook, print your term paper, and play a game. In contrast, other machines carry out a much narrower range of tasks; a car drives and a toaster toasts. Computers can carry out a wide range of tasks because they execute different programs, each of which directs the computer to work on a specific task.

A computer program is a sequence of instructions and decisions.

The computer itself is a machine that stores data (numbers, words, pictures), interacts with devices (the monitor, the sound system, the printer), and executes programs. A **computer program** tells a computer, in minute detail, the sequence of steps that are needed to fulfill a task. The physical computer and peripheral devices are collectively called the **hardware**. The programs the computer executes are called the **software**.

Today's computer programs are so sophisticated that it is hard to believe that they are composed of extremely primitive operations. A typical operation may be one of the following:

- Put a red dot at this screen position.
- Add up these two numbers.
- If this value is negative, continue the program at a certain instruction.

The computer user has the illusion of smooth interaction because a program contains a huge number of such operations, and because the computer can execute them at great speed.

The act of designing and implementing computer programs is called *programming*. In this book, you will learn how to program a computer—that is, how to direct the computer to execute tasks.

Programming is the act of designing and implementing computer programs.

To write a computer game with motion and sound effects or a word processor that supports fancy fonts and pictures is a complex task that requires a team of many highly skilled programmers. Your first programming efforts will be more mundane. The concepts and skills you learn in this book form an important foundation, and you should not be disappointed if your first programs do not rival the sophisticated software that is familiar to you. Actually, you will find that there is an immense thrill even in simple programming tasks. It is an amazing experience to see the computer precisely and quickly carry out a task that would take you hours of drudgery, to

make small changes in a program that lead to immediate improvements, and to see the computer become an extension of your mental powers.

## 1.2 The Anatomy of a Computer

To understand the programming process, you need to have a rudimentary understanding of the building blocks that make up a computer. We will look at a personal computer. Larger computers have faster, larger, or more powerful components, but they have fundamentally the same design.

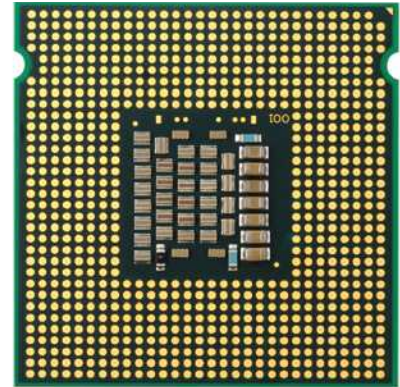
At the heart of the computer lies the **central processing unit (CPU)** (see Figure 1). It consists of a single *chip*, or a small number of chips. A computer chip (integrated circuit) is a component with a plastic or metal housing, metal connectors, and inside wiring made principally from silicon. For a CPU chip, the inside wiring is enormously complicated. For example, the Pentium chip (a popular CPU for personal computers at the time of this writing) is composed of several million structural elements, called *transistors*.

The CPU performs program control and data processing. That is, the CPU locates and executes the program instructions; it carries out arithmetic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division; it fetches data from external memory or devices and stores data back.

There are two kinds of storage. Primary storage, or memory, is made from electronic circuits that can store data, provided they are supplied with electric power. **Secondary storage**, usually a **hard disk** (see Figure 2) or a solid-state drive, provides slower and less expensive storage that persists without electricity. A hard disk consists of rotating platters, which are coated with a magnetic material. A solid-state drive uses electronic components that can retain information without power, and without moving parts.

The central processing unit (CPU) performs program control and data processing.

Storage devices include memory and secondary storage.



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**Figure 1** Central Processing Unit



**Figure 2**  
A Hard Disk

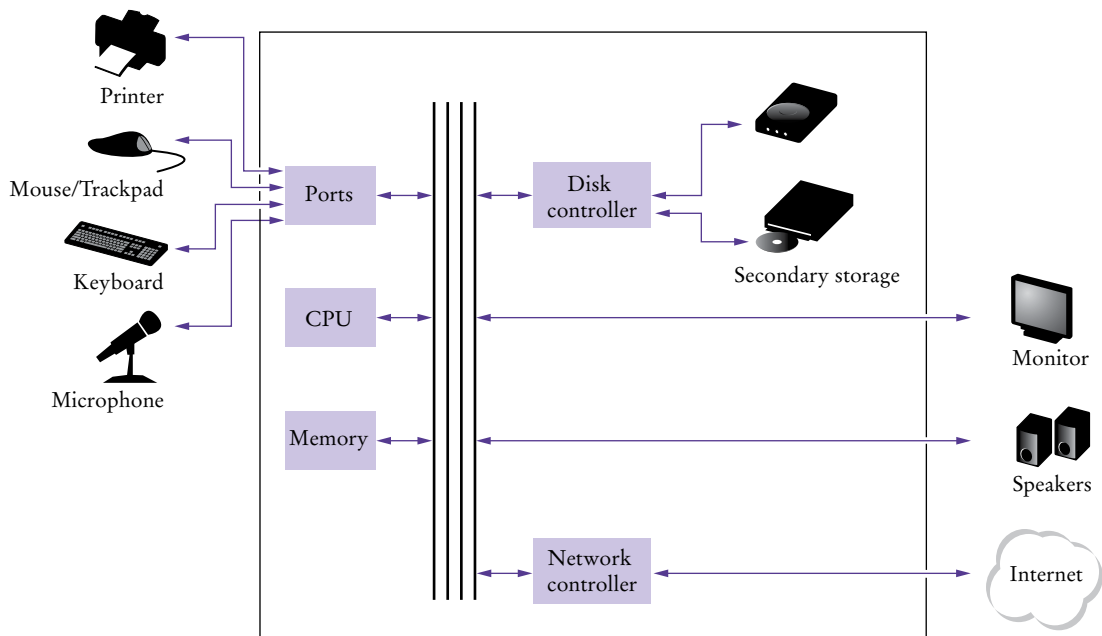
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Programs and data are typically stored on the hard disk and loaded into memory when the program starts. The program then updates the data in memory and writes the modified data back to the hard disk.

To interact with a human user, a computer requires peripheral devices. The computer transmits information (called *output*) to the user through a display screen, speakers, and printers. The user can enter information (called *input*) by using a keyboard or a pointing device such as a mouse.

Some computers are self-contained units, whereas others are interconnected through *networks*. Through the network cabling, the computer can read data and programs from central storage locations or send data to other computers. For the user of a networked computer it may not even be obvious which data reside on the computer itself and which are transmitted through the network.

Figure 3 gives a schematic overview of the architecture of a personal computer. Program instructions and data (such as text, numbers, audio, or video) reside in secondary storage or elsewhere on the network. When a program is started, its instructions are brought into memory, where the CPU can read them. The CPU reads and executes one instruction at a time. As directed by these instructions, the CPU reads data, modifies it, and writes it back to memory or secondary storage. Some program instructions will cause the CPU to place dots on the display screen or printer or to vibrate the speaker. As these actions happen many times over and at great speed, the human user will perceive images and sound. Some program instructions read user input from the keyboard, mouse, touch sensor, or microphone. The program analyzes the nature of these inputs and then executes the next appropriate instruction.



**Figure 3** Schematic Design of a Personal Computer



## Computing & Society 1.1 Computers Are Everywhere

When computers were first invented in the 1940s, a computer filled an entire room. Figure 4 shows the ENIAC (electronic numerical integrator and computer), completed in 1946 at the University of Pennsylvania. The ENIAC was used by the military to compute the trajectories of projectiles. Nowadays, computing facilities of search engines, Internet shops, and social networks fill huge buildings called data centers. At the other end of the spectrum, computers are all around us. Your cell phone has a computer inside, as do many credit cards and fare cards for public transit. A modern car has several computers—to control the engine, brakes, lights, and radio.

The advent of ubiquitous computing changed many aspects of our lives. Factories used to employ people to do repetitive assembly tasks that are today carried out by computer-controlled robots, operated by a few people who know how to work with those computers. Books, music, and movies nowadays are often consumed on computers, and computers are almost always involved in their production. The book that you are reading right now could not have



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*This transit card contains a computer.*

been written without computers.

Knowing about computers and how to program them has become an essential skill in many careers. Engineers design computer-controlled cars and medical equipment that preserve lives. Computer scientists develop programs that help people come together to support social causes. For example, activists used social networks to share videos showing abuse by repressive regimes, and this information was instrumental in changing public opinion.

As computers, large and small, become ever more embedded in our everyday lives, it is increasingly important for everyone to understand how they work, and how to work with them. As you use this book to learn how to program a computer, you will develop a good understanding of computing fundamentals that will make you a more informed citizen and, perhaps, a computing professional.



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**Figure 4** The ENIAC

## 1.3 Machine Code and Programming Languages

On the most basic level, computer instructions are extremely primitive. The processor executes *machine instructions*. A typical sequence of machine instructions is

1. Move the contents of memory location 40000 into the CPU.
2. If that value is greater than 100, continue with the instruction that is stored in memory location 11280.

Computer programs are stored as machine instructions in a code that depends on the processor type.

Actually, machine instructions are encoded as numbers so that they can be stored in memory. On a Pentium processor, this sequence of instruction is encoded as the sequence of numbers

161 40000 45 100 127 11280

On a processor from a different manufacturer, the encoding would be different. When this kind of processor fetches this sequence of numbers, it decodes them and executes the associated sequence of commands.

How can we communicate the command sequence to the computer? The simplest method is to place the actual numbers into the computer memory. This is, in fact, how the very earliest computers worked. However, a long program is composed of thousands of individual commands, and it is a tedious and error-prone affair to look up the numeric codes for all commands and place the codes manually into memory. As already mentioned, computers are really good at automating tedious and error-prone activities. It did not take long for computer scientists to realize that the computers themselves could be harnessed to help in the programming process.

Computer scientists devised **high-level programming languages** that allow programmers to describe tasks, using a **syntax** that is more closely related to the problems to be solved. In this book, we will use the C++ programming language, which was developed by Bjarne Stroustrup in the 1980s.

C++ is a general-purpose language that is in widespread use for systems and embedded programming.

Over the years, C++ has grown by the addition of many features. A standardization process culminated in the publication of the international C++ standard in 1998. A minor update to the standard was issued in 2003. A major revision came to fruition in 2011, followed by updates in 2014 and 2017. At this time, C++ is the most commonly used language for developing system software such as databases and operating systems. Just as importantly, C++ is commonly used for programming “embedded systems”, computers that control devices such as automobile engines or robots.



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Here is a typical statement in C++:

```
if (int_rate > 100) { cout << "Interest rate error"; }
```

High-level programming languages are independent of the processor.

This means, “If the interest rate is over 100, display an error message”. A special computer program, a **compiler**, translates this high-level description into machine instructions for a particular processor.

High-level languages are independent of the underlying hardware. C++ instructions work equally well on an Intel Pentium and a processor in a cell phone. Of course, the compiler-generated machine instructions are different, but the programmer who uses the compiler need not worry about these differences.



## Computing & Society 1.2 Standards Organizations

Two standards organizations, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), have jointly developed the definitive standard for the C++ language.

Why have standards? You encounter the benefits of standardization every day. When you buy a light bulb, you can be assured that it fits in the socket without having to measure the socket at home and the bulb in the store. In fact, you may have experienced how

painful the lack of standards can be if you have ever purchased a flashlight with nonstandard bulbs. Replacement bulbs for such a flashlight can be difficult and expensive to obtain.

The ANSI and ISO standards organizations are associations of industry professionals who develop standards for everything from car tires and credit card shapes to programming languages. Having a standard for a programming language such as C++ means that you can take a program that you developed on one system

with one manufacturer's compiler to a different system and be assured that it will continue to work.



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# 1.4 Becoming Familiar with Your Programming Environment

Set aside some time to become familiar with the programming environment that you will use for your class work.

Many students find that the tools they need as programmers are very different from the software with which they are familiar. You should spend some time making yourself familiar with your programming environment. Because computer systems vary widely, this book can give only an outline of the steps you need to follow. It is a good idea to participate in a hands-on lab, or to ask a knowledgeable friend to give you a tour.

**Step 1** Start the C++ development environment.

Computer systems differ greatly in this regard. On many computers there is an **integrated development environment** in which you can write and test your programs. On other computers you first launch an **editor**, a program that functions like a word processor, in which you can enter your C++ instructions; then open a *console window* and type commands to execute your program. Other programming environments are online. In such an environment, you write programs in a web browser. The programs are then executed on a remote machine, and the results are displayed in the web browser window. You need to find out how to get started with your environment.

**Step 2** Write a simple program.

The traditional choice for the very first program in a new programming language is a program that displays a simple greeting: “Hello, World!”. Let us follow that tradition. Here is the “Hello, World!” program in C++:

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

int main()
{
```

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```
    cout << "Hello, World!" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

We will examine this program in the next section.

No matter which programming environment you use, you begin your activity by typing the program statements into an editor window.

Create a new file and call it `hello.cpp`, using the steps that are appropriate for your environment. (If your environment requires that you supply a project name in addition to the file name, use the name `hello` for the project.) Enter the program instructions *exactly* as they are given above. Alternatively, locate an electronic copy of the program in the source files for this book and paste it into your editor. (You can download the full set of files for this book from its companion site at [wiley.com/go/bc103](http://wiley.com/go/bc103).)

As you write this program, pay careful attention to the various symbols, and keep in mind that C++ is **case sensitive**. You must enter upper- and lowercase letters exactly as they appear in the program listing. You cannot type `MAIN` or `endl`. If you are not careful, you will run into problems—see Common Error 1.2.

### Step 3 Compile and run the program.

The process for building and running a C++ program depends greatly on your programming environment. In some integrated development environments, you simply push a button. In other environments, you may have to type commands. When you run the test program, the message

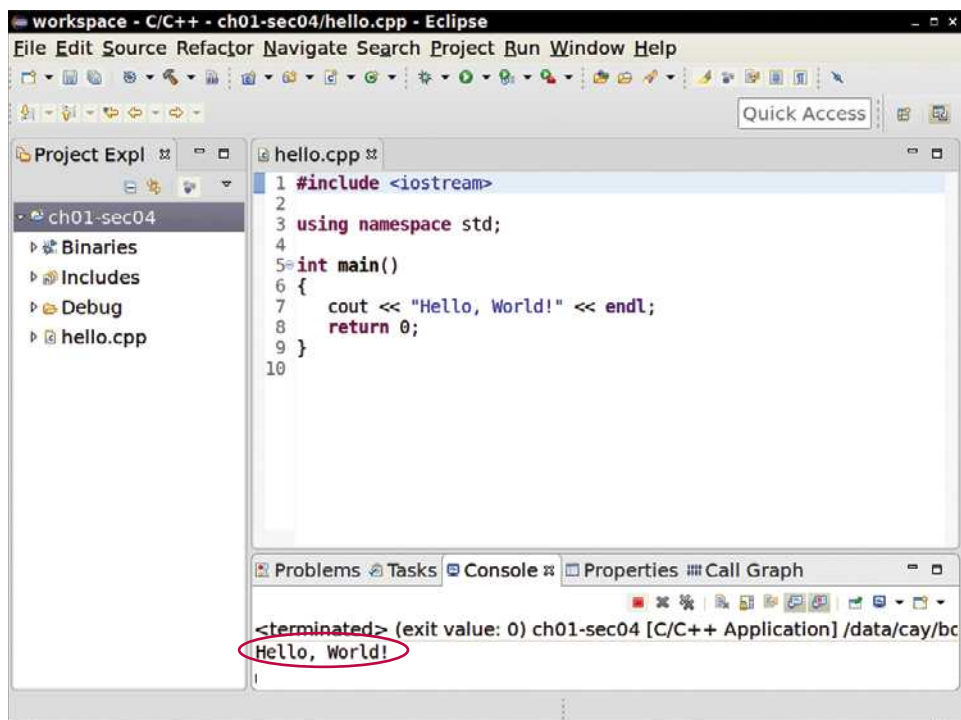
```
Hello, World!
```

will appear somewhere on the screen (see Figures 5 and 6).

An editor is a program for entering and modifying text, such as a C++ program.

C++ is case sensitive. You must be careful about distinguishing between upper- and lowercase letters.

The compiler translates C++ programs into machine code.



**Figure 5** Running the `hello` Program in an Integrated Development Environment



```

Terminal
File Edit View Terminal Help
~$ cd cs1/bookcode/ch01
~/cs1/bookcode/ch01$ g++ -o hello hello.cpp
~/cs1/bookcode/ch01$ ./hello
Hello, World!
~/cs1/bookcode/ch01$

```

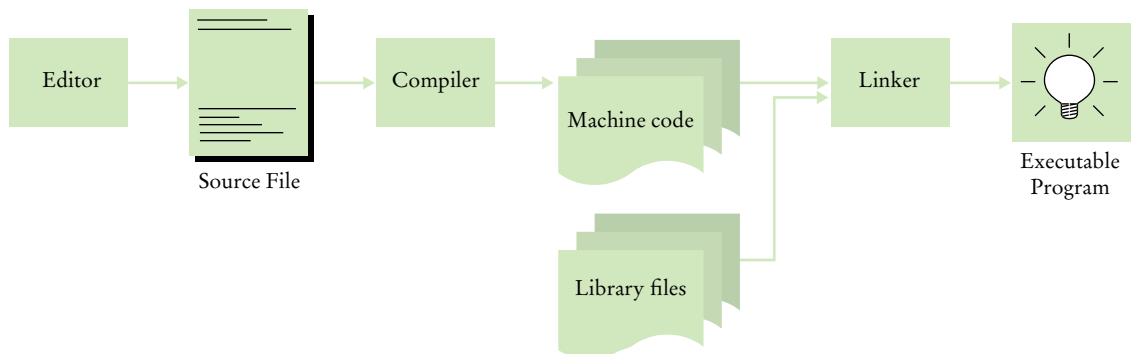
**Figure 6** Compiling and Running the hello Program in a Console Window

The linker combines machine code with library code into an executable program.

It is useful to know what goes on behind the scenes when your program gets built. First, the compiler translates the C++ **source code** (that is, the statements that you wrote) into machine instructions. The **machine code** contains only the translation of the code that you wrote. That is not enough to actually run the program. To display a string on a window, quite a bit of low-level activity is necessary. The implementors of your C++ development environment provided a library that includes the definition of `cout` and its functionality. A **library** is a collection of code that has been programmed and translated by someone else, ready for you to use in your program. (More complicated programs are built from more than one machine code file and more than one library.) A program called the **linker** takes your machine code and the necessary parts from the C++ library and builds an **executable file**. (Figure 7 gives an overview of these steps.) The executable file is usually called `hello.exe` or `hello`, depending on your computer system. You can run the executable program even after you exit the C++ development environment.

#### Step 4 Organize your work.

As a programmer, you write programs, try them out, and improve them. You store your programs in *files*. Files have names, and the rules for legal names differ from one system to another. Some systems allow spaces in file names; others don't. Some distinguish between upper- and lowercase letters; others don't. Most C++ compilers require that C++ files end in an **extension** `.cpp`, `.cxx`, `.cc`, or `.C`; for example, `demo.cpp`.



**Figure 7** From Source Code to Executable Program