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TP0: First steps in C programming

The aim of this tutorial is to familiarise you with the **Code::Blocks** programming environment.

- To launch Codes::Blocks, click on the shortcut available on the desktop or in the Start/Codes::Blocks menu (otherwise it will be indicated by your assistant).
- ➤ Once you have started the **Code::Blocks** IDE «integrated development environment », choose "**Create a new project**" or go to **File/New/Project**.
- ➤ Then select the "Console application" project from the list and click "Go" to confirm.
- ➤ Give your project a name and choose the directory where it should be saved. Validate with "next".
- ➤ In the compiler selection window, keep the default settings and press "next".
- > Select the C language and validate by pressing "Finish".
- ➤ In the left-hand frame "Projects", expand the tree view by clicking the small "+" to display the list of project files. You should have at least one main.c with already a little source code in it. You can open the main.c file by double-clicking on it.
- To save a file, go to the **File/Save** menu or type the key combination Ctrl+S
- To open a file (or project), go to the **File/Open** menu...or type the key combination *Ctrl+O*
- To compile a C program (i.e. build the executable program), go to the **Build/Build** menu or press Ctrl+F9.
- To run a program, go to the **Build/Run** menu or type the key combination Ctrl+F10.
- For help, go to the **Help/CodeBlocks** menu. To get help on an instruction that appears in a script, place the mouse cursor over it and go to the **Help/CodeBlocks** menu.
- To exit **Code::Blocks**, go to the **File/Quit** menu or type the key combination Ctrl+Q.

Tasks

Program "Hello"

Let's start with a classic. First of all, we propose to compile and run a small C program which is automatically generated by **Code::Blocks** when a new project is created. The listing below shows the contents of your project's main.c file.

```
# include <stdio.h>
# include <stdlib.h>
int main ()
{
    printf ( "Hello world ! \n" );
    return 0;
}
```

- 1. Compile and run your project.
- 2. Modify the program so that it displays the following sentence "good morning" instead of "Hello World!".
- 3. What do you notice?
- 4. Add another instruction to display "how are you?"
- 5. Run the program again. What do you notice?
- 6. Separate the two sentences with \t and then with \n.
- 7. What do you deduce from this?
- 8. Modify the program so that it draw:
 - a) a square full of stars (Figure A).
 - b) a right-angled triangle of stars (Figure B).
 - c) an isosceles triangle of stars (Figure C).

