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//Answer on Question #38212, Programming, C++  
  
#include <cstdlib>  
#include <iostream>  
  
using namespace std;  
//main function  
int main(int argc, char *argv[]){  
    int i,j,k,s;//declare variables  
    int n = 9;//total number of star in first line  
    for(i = n, s = 1; i >= 1; i-=2, s++){  
        for(k = 1; k <= s; k++)  
            cout << " ";//show space  
        for(j = 1; j <= i; j++){  
            cout << "*";//show star  
        }  
        cout << "\n";//new line  
    }  
    system("PAUSE");//delay  
    return 0;//exit program  
}
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