

# Programming C++

## Lecture 3

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# Inheritance

- ◆ Software reuse – inherit a class's data and behaviors and enhance with new capabilities.
- ◆ Existing class = base class, inheriting class = derived class (no super/subclass like Java)
- ◆ Derived class is more specialized than base class. Object instances of derived class are also object of base class (All cars are vehicles, but not all vehicles are cars.)
- ◆ There can be multiple levels of inheritance.

# Inheritance Details

- ◆ `class Circle : public Shape`
  - ◆ What is base, what is derived here?
- ◆ Default = public inheritance (base member variables retain same access level in derived class), but there are other types
- ◆ When redefine something in derived class, use `<baseclassName>::member` to access base class's version.

# Inheritance and Member Variables

- ◆ Derived class has all attributes of base class.
  - ◆ Derived class can access non-private members of base class.
  - ◆ **protected** members of base class are accessible to members and friends of any derived classes.
  - ◆ Derived does not inherit constructor or destructor of base.
  - ◆ Derived class can re-define base-class member functions for its own purposes, customizing base class behaviors.
- ◆ Size of derived class = non-static data members of derived class + non-static data members of base class (even if private)

# Base Class Example

```
class Member {  
public:  
    Member(string name);  
    Member( Member const &);  
    Member& operator= (Member const &);  
    ~Member();  
  
    string getName() const;  
    void setName(string name);  
    void print() const;  
private:  
    string myName;  
};
```

# Derived Class Example

```
#include "Member.h"
class Employee : public Member {
public:
    Employee(string name, double money);
    Employee( Employee const &);
    Employee& operator= (Employee const &);
    ~Employee ();

    double getSalary() const;
    void setSalary(double money);
    void print() const;
private:
    double salary;
};
```

# Employee Constructor

```
#include "Employee.h"
Employee::Employee( string name, double money )
    : Member(name) //base class initializer syntax
{
    salary = money;
}
```

- ◆ C++ **requires** derived class constructor to call base class constructor to initialize inherited base class data members (if not explicit, default constructor would be called).

# Employee's print Function

```
void Employee::print() const
{
    cout << "Employee: ";
    Member::print(); //prints name from base class
    cout << "\nsalary: " << getSalary() << endl;
}
```

# Constructor/Destructor Order

- ◆ When we instantiate a derived class:
  1. Base class's member object constructors execute (if they exist)
  2. Base class constructor executes
  3. Derived class's member object constructors execute
  4. Derived class constructor executes
- ◆ Destructors called in reverse order.
- ◆ Base class constructors, destructors and overloaded assignment operators are not inherited by derived classes. However derived class can call base class's version of these.

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  - + No overhead of function call in derived class
  - Direct modification does not allow for error checking.
  - If base class member variables names change, we have to change all derived classes use of them.

# Kinds of Inheritance

Base Class Access (down)	Public inheritance	Protected inheritance	Private inheritance
public	public	protected	private
protected	protected	protected	private
private	private	private	private

# Tidbits about Classes

- ◆ Copy constructor and overloaded assignment operator (=) have to be provided when you have member variables that are dynamically allocated
  - ◆ Destructor also should be provided
- ◆ To **prevent one object from being assigned** to another, declare assignment operator as private member function.
- ◆ To **prevent objects from being copied**, make both overloaded assignment operator and copy constructor private.

# Instantiating Objects Example

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2. `#include "Employee.h"`
3. `Member m1("Jill");`
4. `Employee e1("Jack", 65000);`
5. `Member *mPtr = &m1;`
6. `cout << mPtr->getName(); //what does this print?`
7. `mPtr->print(); //and this?`

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8. `ePtr->print(); //Employee.print which calls Member.print`

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7. `mPtr = &e1;` //is this ok? Base class pointer to derived class?

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7. `mPtr = &e1; //Yes, valid; all Employees are Members`
8. `ePtr = &m1; //this valid? Derived class pointer to base class?`

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8. `ePtr = &m1; //No, not all Members are Employees;`  
`//compiler error`

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8. `cout << mPtr->getSalary();` //this ok?
9. `mPtr->print();` //what function does this call?

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8. `cout << mPtr->getSalary();` `//compiler error`
9. `mPtr->print();` `//calls Member's print: Jack`



# Operator Overloading

- ◆ Think of “+” – does different things based on the types that it is applied to.
- ◆ Can we apply “+” to objects – like the Date class?
- ◆ Can achieve same thing with function calls, but operator notation is often clearer and more familiar (in C++).
- ◆ Can't create new operators, but can overload existing ones so they can be used with user-defined types.

# See Example

- ◆ Instead of `myDate.add(otherDate)`, we do `myDate + otherDate`.
- ◆ Write a non-static member function or global function with function name as “**operator***<symbol>*” (aka operator+)
- ◆ One argument of operator function must be user-defined (can't re-define meaning of operators for fundamental types)
- ◆ <http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/jbsartor/cs105/code/ArrayExample/>

**Overloading +  
does not implicitly  
overload +=**

# Global vs Member Functions

- ◆ Difference: member functions already have “this” as an argument implicitly, global has to take another parameter.
- ◆ “()” “[]” “->” or assignment has to be member function
- ◆ Leftmost operand
  - ◆ For member function: must be object (or reference to object) of operator’s class.
  - ◆ Global function used when it is not user-defined object (overloading << and >> require left operand to be ostream& and istream&)
- ◆ Global operators can be made **friend** of class if needed.
- ◆ Global functions enable commutative operations

# Overloading Restrictions

- ◆ To use an operator with class, operator *must* be overloaded with 3 exceptions (but these can be overloaded too):
  - ◆ Assignment (=) does member-wise assignment for objects. (overload for classes with pointer members)
  - ◆ The “&” and “,” operators may be used with objects without overloading
- ◆ The following cannot be changed for operators:
  - ◆ Precedence
  - ◆ Associativity (left-to-right or right-to-left)
  - ◆ Arity (how many operands)
- ◆ Can't overload: “.” “.\*” “::” “?:”

# Operators: Converting between Types

- ◆ Conversion constructor is a single-argument constructor that turns objects of other types (including fundamental types) into objects of a particular class.
- ◆ Conversion/cast operator converts object into object of another class or to a fundamental type
  - ◆ `A::operator char *() const; //convert object of type A into char* object. “const” above means does not modify original object`
  - ◆ `A myA;`
  - ◆ `static_cast<char *>(myA); //CALLS myA.operator char* ()`
- ◆ Conversion functions can be called implicitly by the compiler

# Makefile

```
CC = g++ -Wall -Werror -g
testC: testCourse.o Course.o
    ${CC} -o testC testCourse.o Course.o
testCourse.o: testCourse.cpp Course.h
    ${CC} -c testCourse.cpp
Course.o: Course.cpp Course.h
    ${CC} -c Course.cpp
clean:
    rm -rf *.o
```

- ◆ Reusability!
- ◆ Written in different language
  - ◆ # denotes comments
- ◆ List of *rule\_name : dependencies*  
<tab> *command*
- ◆ Can do “make” with any rule, or by itself for 1<sup>st</sup> rule

# Example

- ◆ Look at
- ◆ <http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/jbsartor/cs105/code/>
  - ◆ Makefile
  - ◆ constDest.h
  - ◆ constDest.cpp
  - ◆ testConstDest.cpp

# Friends of Objects

- ◆ Classes sometimes need friends.
- ◆ Friends are defined outside the class's scope, but are allowed to access non-public (and public) data members.
  - ◆ Friend functions – see example
  - ◆ Friend classes: `friend class ClassTwo;` (if placed inside `ClassOne` definition, all `ClassTwo` is friend of `ClassOne`)
- ◆ Class must explicitly declare who its friends are.

# Friend Example

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Count {
    friend void setX(Count &, int);
public:
    Count() : x(0) { }
    void print() const {
        cout << x << endl;
    }
private:
    int x;
};
```

```
void setX( Count &c, int val ) {
    c.x = val; //accesses private data!
}
int main() {
    Count counter;
    counter.print();
    setX(counter, 8);
    counter.print();
    return 0;
}
```