

Programming C++

Lecture 6

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Friends

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;
}
```

Compiling and Makefiles

Compiling with g++

- ◆ g++ basic.cpp (creates “a.out” executable)
- ◆ g++ -o program basic.cpp (“program” is executable)
./program
- ◆ Flags that are good practice
 - ◆ g++ -Wall -o program basic.cpp (print all warnings)
 - ◆ g++ **-Wall -Werror** -o program basic.cpp (treat warnings as compilation errors)

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 1st rule

Compilation and Linking

- ◆ Compiler uses included interface .h files to compile .cpp file into object code
 - ◆ `g++ -Wall -Werror -c testCourse.cpp DOES`
`Course.h + testCourse.cpp -> testCourse.o`
 - ◆ `g++ -Wall -Werror -c Course.cpp DOES`
`Course.h + Course.cpp -> Course.o`
- ◆ Linker takes object code of testCourse.cpp and Course.cpp and STL and puts it together into an executable.
 - ◆ `g++ -Wall -Werror -o testC testCourse.o Course.o DOES`
`testCourse.o + Course.o + stl.o -> testC.exe`

Example

- ◆ For example Makefile, see
 - ◆ <http://users.elis.ugent.be/~jsartor/howest/MemberAndDate/>

Operator Overloading

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://users.elis.ugent.be/~jsartor/howest/ArrayClass/>

**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

Why References, Why Pointers?

◆ References

- ◆ invoke functions implicitly, like copy constructor, assignment operator, other overloaded operator
- ◆ Can pass large objects without passing address
- ◆ Don't have to use pointer semantics

◆ Pointers

- ◆ Good for dynamic memory management
- ◆ Ease of pointer arithmetic
- ◆ Provides level of indirection in memory

Overloading ++ and --

◆ Prefix (++x)

- ◆ Member function: `Array &operator++();`
- ◆ Global: `Array &operator++(Array &);`
- ◆ Returns incremented reference to object (lvalue)

◆ Postfix (x++)

- ◆ Member function: `Array operator++(int);`
- ◆ Global: `Array operator++(Array &, int);`
- ◆ Use dummy int (0) to distinguish prefix from postfix
- ◆ `myA++` translates to `myA.operator++(0)`
- ◆ Returns temp object that contains original value before increment (rvalue instead of lvalue)
 - ◆ Save: `Array temp = *this.` Then do your increment, then return (unmodified) temp.

Overloaded Function Call Operator

- ◆ Use () operator
- ◆ `String operator()(int index, int subLength) const;`
 - ◆ Returns a substring for class String starting at index, of length subLength
 - ◆ `String s1("Hello"); cout << s1(1,3) << endl;`

Pointers to Functions

Function Pointers

- ◆ A pointer to a function contains the address of the function in memory
- ◆ Name of a function is actually starting address in memory of the code (like array name!)
- ◆ Function pointers can be
 - ◆ Passed to and returned from functions
 - ◆ Stored in arrays
 - ◆ Used to call the underlying function

Function Pointers

- ◆ See <http://users.elis.ugent.be/~jsartor/howest/functionPointers.cpp>
- ◆ See <http://users.elis.ugent.be/~jsartor/howest/arrayFunctionPointers.cpp>

Functor

- ◆ Where a pointer to a function is required – can instead put object of a class that overloads operator () (function call).
- ◆ Object like that is called function object, and can be used like a function or function pointer.
- ◆ Call operator () by using object name plus parentheses with arguments inside.
- ◆ Functor = function object + function.

Functor Example

- ◆ `class AddNum {`
- ◆ `int num;`
- ◆ `public:`
- ◆ `AddNum (int m) : num(m) {}`
- ◆ `int operator()(int x) { return num + x;}`
- ◆ `}`
- ◆ `AddNum add44(44);`
- ◆ `int newNum = add44(8); //newNum == 52`

Other Topics

Enum

- ◆ `enum Mood { HAPPY, FROWNY, NEUTRAL};`
- ◆ `Mood current = HAPPY;`
- ◆ `if (current == FROWNY) current = NEUTRAL;`
- ◆ `reality: HAPPY = 0, FROWNY = 1, NEUTRAL = 2;`
- ◆ `enum Months {JAN = 1, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, ..., DEC};`

const_cast< T > (v)

- ◆ Adds or removes **const** or **volatile** modifiers
- ◆ Single cast removes all modifiers
- ◆ Result is an rvalue unless T is a reference
- ◆ Types cannot be defined within **const_cast**

```
const int a = 10;  
const int* b = &a;  
int* c = const_cast< int* > (b);  
*b = 20; //compiler error  
*c = 30; //OK
```

Namespace

- ◆ Namespace defines a scope in which identifiers and variables are placed.
 - ◆ Try to help with naming conflicts.
- ◆ To use a namespace member, need *MyNameSpace::member* or using declaration/directive.
- ◆ Using declaration (using `std::cout;`) brings 1 name into scope where declaration is (therefore no need to do `std::cout` every time).
- ◆ Using directive (using `namespace std;`) brings all names from namespace into scope.

Namespace Example

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int integer1 = 98;
namespace Example {
    const double PI = 3.14159;
    int integer1 = 8;
    void printValues();
    namespace Inner {
        enum Years{ FISCAL1 =
            1990, FISCAL2 };
    }
}
namespace {
    double doubInUnnamed = 3.2;
}
```

```
int main() {
    cout << doubInUnnamed << endl;
    cout << integer1 << endl;
    cout << Example::PI << " " <<
        Example::integer1 << " " <<
        Example::Inner::FISCAL2 <<
        endl;
    Example::printValues();
    return 0;
}
void Example::printValues() {
    cout << integer1 << " " << PI << " " <<
    doubInUnnamed << " " << ::integer1 <<
    " " << Inner::FISCAL2 << endl;
}
```

Exceptions

- ◆ Exception Handling

- ◆ `try { ... } catch(Exception &e) { cout << e.what(); }`

- ◆ Can make derived classes from base exception classes to create your own types of exceptions.

- ◆ Deals with errors and can keep execution of program going.

Exceptions

```
//DivideByZeroException.h
#include <stdexcept>
using std::runtime_error;

class DivideByZeroException :
    public runtime_error {
public:
    DivideByZeroException()
    : runtime_error("div by zero")
    {}
};
```

```
#include "DivideByZeroException.h"
double quotient(int numer, int denom)
{
    if (denom == 0) { throw
        DivideByZeroException();
    } ...
}
int main {
    try {double result = quotient(3, 0); }
    catch (DivideByZeroException &d)
    { cout << d.what() << endl; }
    //after exception, execution continues
    return 0;
}
```

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```
#include "DivideByZeroException.h"
double quotient(int numer, int denom)
    throw ( DivideByZeroException )
    // above is exception specification
{
    if (denom == 0) { throw
        DivideByZeroException();
    } ...
}
int main {
    try {double result = quotient(3, 0); }
    catch (DivideByZeroException &d)
    { cout << d.what() << endl; }
    //after exception, execution continues
    return 0;
}
```

Exception Specification

- ◆ This is a guarantee that the function will throw only exceptions listed in specification (or classes derived from those)
- ◆ You can specify a comma-separated list of types
- ◆ A function with no exception specification allows ALL types of exceptions
- ◆ A function that has an empty list such as: `throw()` does NOT allow any exceptions

Threads

- ◆ Pthreads
 - ◆ http://www.tutorialspoint.com/cplusplus/cpp_multithreading.htm
 - ◆ <http://codebase.eu/tutorial/posix-threads-c/>
- ◆ Lots of examples, including C++ thread class
 - ◆ <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/266168/simple-example-of-threading-in-c>
 - ◆ <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/thread/thread/>
 - ◆ <http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/540912/Cplusplus-11-Threads-Make-your-multitasking-life-e>



Scope

```
1. int x = 1;
2. void useStaticLocal();
3. void useGlobal();
4. int main() {
5.     int x = 5;
6.     { int x = 7; //other x's??}
7.     useStaticLocal ();
8.     useGlobal();
9.     useStaticLocal ();
10.    useGlobal();
11. }
```

```
1. void useStaticLocal () {
2.     static int x = 83;
3.     x++;
4. }
5. void useGlobal() {
6.     x *= 10;
7. }
```

Scope

1. `int x = 1;` //file scope
2. `void useStaticLocal();` //function prototype scope
3. `void useGlobal();` //function prototype scope
4. `int main() {`
5. `int x = 5;` //block scope
6. `{ int x = 7; }` //block scope
7. `useStaticLocal ();`
8. `}`
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 2. `static int x = 83; //block scope`
 3. `x++;`
 4. `}`

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2. `void useStaticLocal();`
3. `void useGlobal();`
4. `int main() {`
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6. `{ int x = 7; }`
7. `//how do we access global x?`
8. `}`

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3. `void useGlobal();`
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5. `int x = 5;`
6. `{ int x = 7; }`
7. `cout << ::x << endl;`
8. `}`

Unary scope resolution operator `::`

Only use with global variables, not locals in outer block

Not good style to have global and local variables with same name!

Volatile/Mutable/const_cast

- ◆ Keyword **volatile** means variable could be modified by hardware not known to the compiler. Key to tell compiler not to optimize it.
- ◆ Cast **const_cast** adds or removes **const** and **volatile** modifiers
 - ◆ Useful when get const char* back from function, and you need to modify it.
- ◆ Keyword **mutable** is an alternative to const_cast.
 - ◆ mutable member variable is always modifiable even with const member function or const object of that class.