Basic syntax in C++

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Brief History of C

- C was developed in 1967 mainly as a language for writing operating systems and compilers
 - Think about the gcc compiler and Linux today
 - You can compile the gcc compiler yourself
 - You can get the latest linux kernel (core of the linux operating system) from www.kernels.org and compile it yourself
- - Both used to develop early versions of UNIX at Bell Labs
- C became very popular and was ported to variety of different hardware platforms
 - C was standardized in 1990 by International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and American National Standards Institute (ANSI)
 - o ANSI/ISO 9899: 1990

Object Oriented Programming and Birth of C++

- By 1970's the difficulties of maintaining very large software projects for companies and businesses had lead to structured programming
 - From Wikipedia:
 - **Structured programming** can be seen as a subset or subdiscipline of procedural programming, one of the major programming paradigms. It is most famous for removing or reducing reliance on the <u>GOTO</u> statement (also known as "go to")
- By late 70's a new programming paradigm was becoming trendy: object orientation
- ▷ In early 1980's Bjarne Stroustrup developed C++ using features from C but adding capabilities for object orientation

What is 'Object Oriented Programming` anyway?

- Dbjects are software units modelled after entities in real life
 - Objects are entities with attributes: length, density, elasticity, thermal coefficient, color
 - Objects have a behavior and provide functionalities
 - A door can be opened
 - A car can be driven
 - A harmonic oscillator oscillates
 - A nucleus can decay
 - A planet moves in an orbit
- Dbject orientation means writing your program in terms of well defined units (called objects) which have attributes and offer functionalities
 - Program consists in interaction between objects using methods offered by each of them

C++ is not C!

Don't be fooled by the name!

- C++ was developed to overcome limitations of C and improve upon it
 - C++ looks like C but feels very differently
 - C++ shares many basic functionalities but improves upon many of them
 For example input/output significantly better in C++ than in C
- C excellent language for structural programming
 - Focused around actions on data structures
 - Provides methods which act on data and create data
- - Objects are 'smart' data structures: data with behavior!

What You Need to compile your C++ Program?

► The easiest way is to use the virtual box available on the course website

Structure of a C++ Program

```
// your first C++ application!
#include <iostream> // required to perform C++ stream I/O
// function main begins program execution
int main() {
   return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
} // end function main
```

Precompiler/Preprocessor Directives

What is the preprocessor? What does it do?

```
// your first C++ application!
#include <iostream> // required to perform C++ stream I/O

// function main begins program execution
int main() {
   return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
} // end function main
```

iostream will be included before compiling this code!

What does the Preprocessor do?

// Foo.h class Foo { public: Foo() {}; Foo(int a) { x_ = a; }; private: int x_; };

```
// ExamplePreprocessor.cpp
#include "Foo.h"

int main() {
  return 0;
}
```

```
Pre-compile only
```

```
g++ -E ExamplePreprocessor.cpp > prep.cc
$ cat prep.cc
 1 "ExamplePreprocessor.cpp"
 1 "<built-in>"
 1 "<command line>"
# 1 "ExamplePreprocessor.cpp"
# 1 "Foo.h" 1
class Foo {
public:
Foo() {};
Foo(int a) { x = a; };
private:
int x ;
# 3 "ExamplePreprocessor.cpp" 2
int main() {
 return 0;
```

- ▶ Replace user directives with requested source code
 - Foo.h is included in ExamplePreprocessor.cpp

Comments in C++

```
// your first C++ application!
#include <iostream> // required to perform C++ stream I/O

// function main begins program execution
int main() {
   return 0; // indicate that program ended successfully
} // end function main
```

- Comments preceded by //
 - Can start anywhere in the program either at the beginning or right after a statement in the middle of the line

Compiling a C++ application

Name of the binary output

C++ file to compile and link

```
$ ls -l

-r--r-- 1 rahatlou None 1379 Apr 18 22:55

Welcome.cpp

-rwxr-xr-x 1 rahatlou None 476600 Apr 18 22:57

Welcome
```

We will be using the free compiler gcc throughout the examples in this course

Some basic aspects of C++

- ► All statements must end with a semi-colon;
 - Carriage returns are not meaningful and ignored by the compiler
- Comments are preceded by //
 - Comments can be an entire line or in the middle of the line after a statement

► Any C++ application must have a main method

- - Return value can be used by user/client/environment
 - E.g. to understand if there was an error condition

What about changing a different type of main?

```
// VoidMain.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

void main() {
   // no return type
} // end function main
```

```
$ g++ -o VoidMain VoidMain.cpp
VoidMain.cpp:6: error: `main' must return `int'
```

- Compiler requires main to return an int value!
- □ Users must simply must satisfy this requirement
 - If you need a different type there is probably a mistake in your design!

Typical Compilation Errors So Far

```
// BadCode1.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() { // main begins here
   int nIterations;

cout << "How many
       iterations? "; // cannot break in the middle of the string!

cin >> nIteration; // wrong name! the s at the end missing

// print message to STDOUT
   cout << "Number of requested iterations: " << nIterations << endl;
   return 0 // ; is missing!

} // end of main</pre>
```

```
$ g++ -o BadCode1 BadCode1.cpp
BadCode1.cpp: In function `int main()':
BadCode1.cpp:9: error: missing terminating " character
BadCode1.cpp:10: error: `iterations' undeclared (first use this function)
BadCode1.cpp:10: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only once for each function it appears in.)
BadCode1.cpp:10: error: missing terminating " character
BadCode1.cpp:12: error: `nIteration' undeclared (first use this function)
BadCode1.cpp:12: error: expected `:' before ';' token
BadCode1.cpp:12: error: expected primary-expression before ';' token
BadCode1.cpp:19: error: expected `;' before '}' token
```

Some C reminders

Always initialise your variables!

```
// tinput bad2.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                       Random value since
int main() {
                        not initialized!
  int iters;
  cout << "iters before cin: " << iters << endl;</pre>
  cout << "iterations? ";</pre>
  cin >> iters;
  cout << "requested " << iters << " iterations" << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -Wall -o tinput_bad2 tinput_bad2.cc
$ ./tinput_bad2
iters before cin: 134514841
iterations? 3
requested 3 iterations
$ ./tinput_bad2
iters before cin: 134514841
iterations? er
requested 134514841 iterations
```

Arrays (same as in C)

```
// vect3.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   float vect[3] = \{0.4, 1.34, 56.156\}; // vector of int
   float v2[3];
   float v3[] = {0.9, -0.1, -0.65}; // array of size 3
   for(int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
     cout << "i: " << i << "\t"
                                                          \t"
          << "vect[" << i << "]: " << vect[i] << "</pre>
          << "v2[" << i << "]: " << v2[i] << " \t"
          << "v3[" << i << "]: " << v3[i]</pre>
           << endl:
   }
   return 0;
```

Index of arrays starts from 0 !!

v2[0] is the first elements of array v2 of size 3.

v2[2] is the last element of v2

What happened to v2?

```
$ g++ -o vect3 vect3.cc
$ ./vect3
i: 0   vect[0]: 0.4
i: 1   vect[1]: 1.34
i: 2   vect[2]: 56.156
v2[0]: 5.34218e+36
v2[0]: 5.34218e+36
v3[0]: 0.9
v2[1]: 2.62884e-42
v3[1]: -0.1
v2[2]: 3.30001e-39
v3[2]: -0.65
```

Arrays and Pointers

The name of the array is a pointer to the first element of the array

```
// array.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int vect[3] = \{1,2,3\}; // vector of int
   int v2[3]; //what is the default value?
   int v3[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 }; // array of size 7
   int* d = v3;
   int* c = vect;
   int* e = v2;
   for(int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
      cout << "i: " << i << ", d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d;
      ++d;
      cout << ", c = " << c << ", *c: " << *c;
     ++c;
                                                                     What happened to e?
     cout << ", e = " << e << ", *e: " << *e << endl;
      +te;
                      $ g++ -o array array.cc
                      $ ./array
   return 0;
                      i: 0, d = 0x23eec0, *d: 1, c = 0x23eef0, *c: 1, e = 0x23eee0, *e: -1
                      i: 1, d = 0x23eec4, *d: 2, c = 0x23eef4, *c: 2, e = 0x23eee4, *e: 2088773120
                      i: 2, d = 0x23eec8, *d: 3, c = 0x23eef8, *c: 3, e = 0x23eee8, *e: 2088772930
                      i: 3, d = 0x23eecc, *d: 4, c = 0x23eefc, *c: 1627945305, e = 0x23eeec, *e: 2089866642
                      i: 4, d = 0x23eed0, *d: 5, c = 0x23ef00, *c: 1876, e = 0x23eef0, *e: 1
```

Another bad example of using arrays

```
// vect2.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   float vect[3] = \{0.4, 1.34, 56.156\}; // vector of int
   float v2[3]; // use default value 0 for each element
   float v3[] = \{ 0.9, -0.1, -0.65, 1.012, 2.23, -0.67, 2.22 \}; // array of size 7
   for(int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
     cout << "i: " << i << "\t"
          << "vect[" << i << "]: " << vect[i] << " \t"</pre>
          << "v2[" << i << "]: " << v2[i] << " \t"
          << "v3[" << i << "]: " << v3[i]
          << endl;
   return 0;
```

Accessing out of range component!

```
$ g++ -o vect2 vect2.cc
$ ./vect2
i: 0 vect[0]: 0.4
                             v2[0]: 5.34218e+36
                                                    v3[0]: 0.9
i: 1 vect[1]: 1.34
                              v2[1]: 2.62884e-42
                                                    v3[1]: -0.1
i: 2 vect[2]: 56.156
                             v2[2]: 3.30001e-39
                                                    v3[2]: -0.65
i: 3 vect[3]: 5.60519e-45
                              v2[3]: 1.57344e+20
                                                    v3[3]: 1.012
i: 4
      vect[4]: 1.72441e+20
                              v2[41: 0.4
                                                    v3[4]: 2.23
```

Example of Bad non-initialized Arrays

```
// vect1.cc
#include <iostream>
#include <cmath>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   float vect[3]; // no initialization
   cout << "printing garbage since vector not initialized" << endl;</pre>
   for(int i=0; i<3; ++i) {
     cout << "vect[" << i << "] = " << vect[i]</pre>
          << endl;
   vect[0] = 1.1;
   vect[1] = 20.132;
   vect[2] = 12.66;
   cout << "print vector after setting values" << endl;</pre>
   for(int i=0; i<3; ++i) {
     cout << "vect[" << i << "] = " << vect[i] << "\t"
          << "sqrt( vect[" << i << "] ) = " << sqrt(vect[i])</pre>
          << endl;
                                                 $ ./vect1
   return 0;
```

Control Statements in C++

```
// SimpleIf.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() { // main begins here
   if( 1 == 0 ) cout << "1 == 0" << endl;
   if( 7.2 \ge 6.9 ) cout << "7.2 \ge 6.9" << endl;
   bool truth = (1 != 0);
   if(truth) cout << "1 != 0" << endl;
   if( ! (1.1 >= 1.2) ) cout << "1.1 < 1.2" << endl;
   return 0;
} // end of main
```

```
$ g++ -o SimpleIf SimpleIf.cpp
$ ./SimpleIf
7.2 >= 6.9
1 != 0
1.1 < 1.2</pre>
```

Declaration and Definition of Variables

```
// SimpleVars.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int samples; // declaration only
   int events = 0; // declaration and assignment
   samples = 123; // assignment
   cout << "How many samples? " ;</pre>
   cin >> samples; // assigment via I/O
    cout << "samples: " << samples</pre>
         << "\t" // insert a tab in the printout
         << "events: " << events
         << endl;
   return 0;
  // end of main
```

```
$ g++ -o SimpleVars SimpleVars.cpp
$ ./SimpleVars
How many samples? 3
samples: 3 events: 0
```

Loops and iterations in C++

```
int main() { // main begins here
          int nIterations;
                                                            Maximum
          cout << "How many iterations? ";</pre>
          cin >> nIterations;
          int step;
          cout << "step of iteration? " ;</pre>
          cin >> step;
          for((int index=0); (index < nIterations;) (index+=step)</pre>
            cout, << "index: " << index << endl;
          return 0;
        // end of main
                     $ g++ -o SimpleLoop SimpleLoop.cpp
                    $ ./SimpleLoop
                    How many iterations? 7
                    step of iteration? 3
                    index: 0
                    index: 3
Starting value
                    index: 6
```

Namespace, Pointers and References, Constants Introduction to Class

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Output with iostream

```
// SimpleIO.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() { // main begins here
   // print message to STDOUT
   cout << "Moving baby steps in C++!" << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
                                  End of line
                                  start a new line!
} // end of main
```

```
$ g++ -o SimpleIO SimpleIO.cpp
$ ./SimpleIO
Moving baby steps in C++!
```

Input with iostream

```
// SimpleInput.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() { // main begins here
                                          Put content of cin into
   int nIterations;
                                          variable nIterations
   cout << "How many iterations? ";</pre>
   cin >> nIterations;
   // print message to STDOUT
   cout << "Number of requested iterations: " << nIterations << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
  // end of main
```

```
$ g++ -o SimpleInput SimpleInput.cpp
$ ./SimpleInput
How many iterations? 7
Number of requested iterations: 7
```

iostream provides also input capabilities to your program

Problems with cin

```
// tinput bad.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
  cout << "iterations? ";</pre>
  int iters;
  cin >> iters;
  cout << "requested " << iters << " iterations" << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -Wall -o tinput_bad tinput_bad.cc
$ ./tinput_bad
iterations? 23
requested 23 iterations
$ ./tinput_bad
iterations? dfed
requested 134514793 iterations
```

Checking cin success or failure

```
//tinput.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
  cout << "iterations? ";</pre>
  int iters = 0;
  cin >> iters;
  if(cin.fail()) cout << "cin failed!" << endl;</pre>
  cout << "requested " << iters << " iterations" << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Fails if input data doesn't match expected data type

```
$ g++ -Wall -o tinput tinput.cc
$ ./tinput
iterations? 34
requested 34 iterations
$ ./tinput
iterations? sfee
cin failed!
requested 0 iterations
```

Scope of Variables

```
// scope.cc
#include <iostream>
double f1() {
 double y = 2;
 return y;
                              $ q++ -o scope scope.cc
                              scope.cc: In function `int main()':
                              scope.cc:16: error: `y' undeclared (first use this function)
int main() {
                              scope.cc:16: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported
                               only once for each function it appears in.)
   double x = 3:
   double z = f1();
   std::cout << "x: " << x << ", z: " << z << ", y: " << y
             << std::endl:
   return 0;
```

What is the difference between cout and std::cout?

- The scope of a name is the block of program where the name is valid and can be used
 - A block is delimited by { }
 - It can be the body of a method, or a simple scope defined by the user using { }

What is namespace?

→ A mechanism to group declarations that logically belong to each other

```
namespace physics {
  class vector;
  class unit;
  class oscillator;
  void sort(const vector& value);
}

namespace electronics {
  void sort(const vector& value);
  class oscillator;
}

namespace graphics {
  void sort(const vector& value);
  class unit;
}
```

▶ Provides an easy way for logical separation of parts of a big project

▶ Basically a 'scope' for a group of related declarations

How do luse namespaces?

```
#include <iostream>
                                   physics::mean
namespace physics {
  double mean(const double& a, const double& b) { return (a+b)/2.; }
}
                                    foobar::mean
namespace foobar {
  double mean(const double& a, const double& b) { return (a*a+b*b)/2.; }
int main() {
   double x = 3;
                   Use "::" to specify the namespace
   double y = 4;
   double z1 = physics::mean(x,y);
   std::cout << "physics::mean(" << x << "," << y << ") = " << z1
             << std::endl:
   double z2 = foobar::mean(x,y);
   std::cout << "foobar::mean(" << x << "," << y << ") = " << z2
             << std::endl:
   return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o namespace1 namespace1.cc
$ ./namespace1
physics::mean(3,4) = 3.5
foobar::mean(3,4) = 12.5
```

Defined in iostream

Common Errors with namespaces

If you forget to specify the namespace the compiler doesn't know where to find the method

```
$ g++ -o namespaceBad namespaceBad.cc
namespaceBad.cc: In function `int main()':
namespaceBad.cc:15: error: `mean' undeclared (first use this function)
namespaceBad.cc:15: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only
  once for each function it appears in.)
namespaceBad.cc:16: error: `cout' undeclared (first use this function)
```

return 0;

using namespace directive

```
// namespace2.cc
#include <iostream>
namespace physics {
 double mean(const double& a, const double& b) {
   return (a+b)/2.;
using namespace std; // make all names in std namespace available!
int main() {
                                Provide default namespace
                                for un-qualified names
  double x = 3;
  double y = 4;
  double z1 = physics::mean(x,y);
  cout << "physics::mean(" << x << "," << y << ") = " << z1
            << endl;
```

Same concepts used also in python

Compiler looks for cout and end1 first

if not found looks for std::cout and
std::endl;

```
$ g++ -o namespace2 namespace2.cc
$ ./namespace2.exe
physics::mean(3,4) = 3.5
```

return 0;

Be careful with using directive!

```
// namespaceBad2.cc
#include <iostream>
namespace physics {
 double mean(const double& a, const double& b) { return (a+b)/2.; }
}
namespace foobar {
 double mean(const double& a, const double& b) { return (a*a+b*b)/2.; }
}
using namespace foobar;
using namespace physics;
using namespace std;
                                         Ambiguous use of
int main() {
                                         method mean!
  double x = 3;
  double y = 4;
  double z1 = mean(x,y);
                                         Is it in foobar or in physics?
  double z2 = mean(x,y);
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o namespaceBad2 namespaceBad2.cc
namespaceBad2.cc: In function `int main()':
namespaceBad2.cc:21: error: call of overloaded `mean(double&, double&)' is ambiguous
namespaceBad2.cc:5: note: candidates are: double physics::mean(const double&, const double&)
namespaceBad2.cc:9: note: double foobar::mean(const double&, const double&)
namespaceBad2.cc:25: error: call of overloaded `mean(double&, double&)' is ambiguous
namespaceBad2.cc:5: note: candidates are: double physics::mean(const double&, const double&)
namespaceBad2.cc:9: note: double foobar::mean(const double&, const double&)
```

Some tips on using directive

```
// namespace3.cc
#include <iostream>
namespace physics {
 double mean(const double& a, const double& b) {
   return (a+b)/2.;
}
                                                           Namespace defined
void printMean(const double& a, const double& b) {
                                                           only within printMean
 double z1 = physics::mean(a,b);
 using namespace std; // using std namespace within this method!
 cout << "physics::mean(" << a << "," << b << ") = " << z1 << endl;</pre>
int main() {
  double x = 3:
  double y = 4;
  printMean(x,y);
  cout << "no namespace available in the main!" << endl;</pre>
   return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o namespace3 namespace3.cc
namespace3.cc: In function `int main()':
namespace3.cc:23: error: `cout' undeclared (first use this function)
namespace3.cc:23: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only
once for each function it appears in.)
namespace3.cc:23: error: `endl' undeclared (first use this function)
```

No default namespace in the main()

Another Example on Scopes

```
#include <iostream>
//using namespace std;
using std::cout;
using std::endl;
int main() {
  double x = 1.2;
  cout << "in main before scope, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  { // just a local scope
     x++;
     cout << "in local scope before int, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
     int x = 4:
     cout << "in local scope after int, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  cout << "in main after local scope, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Another way to declare ONLY classes and functions we are going to use instead of entire namespace

```
$ g++ -o scope scope.cc
$ ./scope
in main before scope, x: ???
in local scope before int, x: ???
in local scope after int, x: ???
in main after local scope, x: ???
```

What do you think the output is going to be?

Another Example on Scopes

```
#include <iostream>
//using namespace std;
using std::cout;
using std::endl;
int main() {
  double x = 1.2;
  cout << "in main before scope, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  { // just a local scope
     x++;
     cout << "in local scope before int, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
     int x = 4;
     cout << "in local scope after int, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  cout << "in main after local scope, x: " << x << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

Another way to declare
ONLY classes and functions
we are going to use
instead of entire namespace

Changed value of x from main scope

Define new variable in this scope

Back to the main scope

```
$ g++ -o scope scope.cc
$ ./scope
in main before scope, x: 1.2
in local scope before int, x: 2.2
in local scope after int, x: 4
in main after local scope, x: 2.2
```

Functions and Methods

- → A function is a set of operations to be executed
 - Typically there is some input to the function
 - Usually functions have a return value
 - Functions not returning a specific type are void

```
// func1.cc
#include <iostream>

double pi() {
  return 3.14;
}

void print() {
  std::cout << "void function print()" << std::endl;
}

int main() {
  std::cout << "pi: " << pi() << std::endl;
  print();
  return 0;
}</pre>
```

```
$ g++ -o func1 func1.cc
$ ./func1
pi: 3.14
void function print()
```

Functions must be declared before being used

```
// func2.cc
#include <iostream>
double pi() {
  return 3.14;
}
int main() {
  std::cout << "pi: " << pi() << std::endl;
  print();
  return 0;
}

void print() {
  std::cout << "void function print()" << std::endl;
}</pre>
```

Compiler does not know what the name print stands for!

No declaration at this point!

```
$ g++ -o func2 func2.cc
func2.cc: In function `int main()':
func2.cc:11: error: `print' undeclared (first use this function)
func2.cc:11: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only
  once for each function it appears in.)
func2.cc: In function `void print()':
func2.cc:16: error: `void print()' used prior to declaration
```

Definition can be elsewhere

```
// func3.cc
#include <iostream>
double pi() {
  return 3.14;
extern void print(); // declare to compiler print() is a void method
int main() {
   std::cout << "pi: " << pi() << std::endl;
   print();
   return 0;
// now implement/define the method void print()
void print() {
  std::cout << "void function print()" << std::endl;</pre>
}
```

```
$ g++ -o func3 func3.cc
$ ./func3
pi: 3.14
void function print()
```

Pointers and References

► A variable is a label assigned to a location of memory and used by the program to access that location

```
int a ----
```

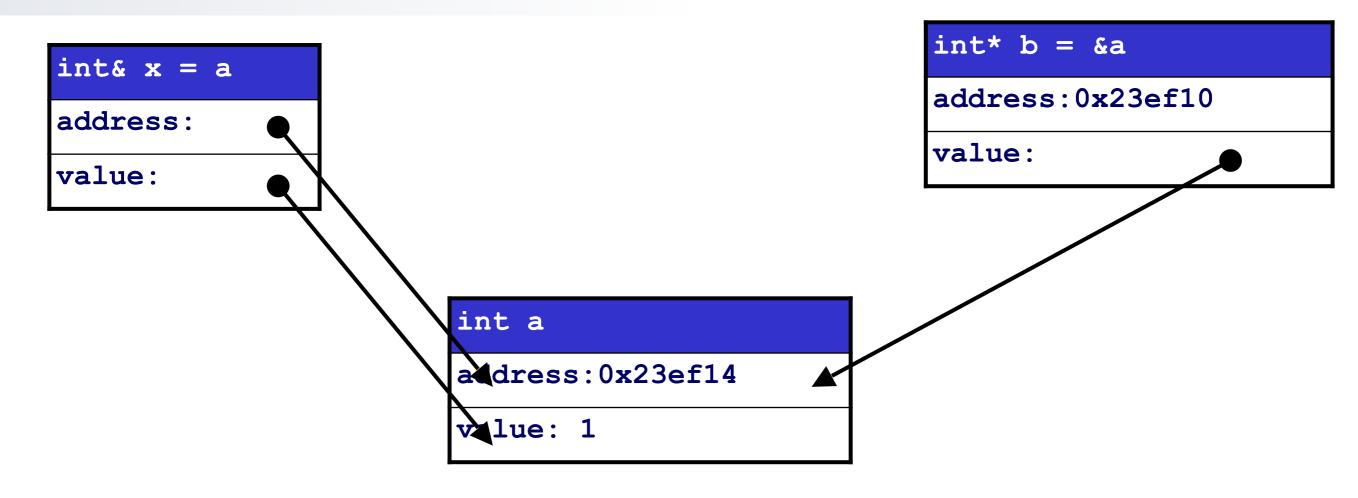
4 bytes==32bit of memory

```
// Pointers.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() { // main begins here
   int a; // a is a label for a location of memory dtor'ing an int value
   cout << "Insert value of a: ";</pre>
   cin >> a; // store value provided by user
             // in location of memory held by a
   int* b; // b is a pointer to variable of
           // type a
   b = &a; // value of b is the address of memory
            // location assigned to a
   cout << "value of a: " << a << endl;</pre>
   cout << "address of a: " << b << endl;</pre>
   return 0:
} // end of main
```

Same location in memory but different values!

```
$ g++ -o Pointers Pointers.cpp
$ ./Pointers
Insert value of a: 3
value of a: 3
address of a: 0x23ef14
$ ./Pointers
Insert value of a: 1.2
value of a: 1
address of a: 0x23ef14
```

Pointers and References



- > x is a reference to a
 - A different name for the same physical location in memory
 - Using x or a is exactly the same!
- ▶ b is a pointer to location of memory named x or a

Pointers and References

```
// refs.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int a = 1;
   int* b; // b is a pointer to variable of type int
  b = &a; // value of b is the address of memory location assigned to a
   int& x = a; //
   cout << "value of a: " << a
        << ", address of a, &a: " << &a
        << endl;
   cout << "value of x: " << x
        << ", address of x, &x: " << &x
        << endl;
   cout << "value of b: " << b
        << ", address of b, &b: " << &b
        << ", value of *b: " << *b
        << endl;
   return 0;
```

```
$ ./refs
value of a: 1, address of a, &a: 0x23ef14
value of x: 1, address of x, &x: 0x23ef14
value of b: 0x23ef14, address of b, &b: 0x23ef10, value of *b: 1
```

Using pointers and references

```
// refs2.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int a = 1;
   int* b = &a;
   *b = 3:
   cout << "value of a: " << a
        << ", address of a, &a: " << &a
        << endl;
   int & x = a;
   x = 45;
   cout << "value of a: " << a
        << ", address of a, &a: " << &a
        << endl;
   return 0;
}
```

Change value of a with pointer b

Change value of a with reference x

```
$ g++ -o refs2 refs2.cc
$ ./refs2
value of a: 3, address of a, &a: 0x23ef14
value of a: 45, address of a, &a: 0x23ef14
```

Bad and Null Pointers

```
// badptr1.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int* b; // b is a pointer to varible of type int
   int vect[3] = \{1,2,3\}; // vector of int
   int* c; // non-initialized pointer
   cout << "c: " << c << ", *c: " << *c <<endl;
   for(int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
     c = &vect[i];
     cout << "c = &vect[" << i << "]: " << c << ", *c: " << *c << endl;</pre>
   }
                    No problem compiling
   // bad pointer
   c++;
   cout << "c: " << c << ", *c: " << *c <<endl;
   // null pointer causing trouble
   c = 0;
   cout << "c: " << c << endl;
   cout << "*c: " << *c <<endl;</pre>
   return 0;
```

What is the size of an int in memory?

```
Crash at runtime c: 0x2
```

```
$ g++ -o badptr1 badptr1.cc \( \)
$ ./badptr1
c: 0x7c90d592, *c: -1879046974
c = &vect[0]: 0x23eef0, *c: 1
c = &vect[1]: 0x23eef4, *c: 2
c = &vect[2]: 0x23eef8, *c: 3
c: 0x23eefc, *c: 1627945305
c: 0
Segmentation fault (core dumped)
```

Constants

- C++ allows to ensure value of a variable does not change within its scope
 - Can be applied to variables, pointers, references, vectors etc.
 - Constants must be ALWAYS initialized since they can't change at a later time!

```
// const1.cpp
int main() {
  const int a = 1;
  a = 2;
  const double x;
  return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o constl constl.cc
constl.cc: In function `int main()':
constl.cc:6: error: assignment of read-only variable `a'
constl.cc:8: error: uninitialized const `x'
```

Constant Pointer

Read from right to left: int * const b:

```
// const2.cpp
int main() {
  int a = 1;
  int * const b = &a; // const pointer to int

  *b = 5; // OK. can change value of what b points to
  int c = 3;
  b = &c; // Not OK. assign new value to c
  return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o const2 const2.cc
const2.cc: In function `int main()':
const2.cc:11: error: assignment of read-only variable `b'
```

Pointer to Constant

a is not a constant!But we can treat it as such when pointing to it

```
// const3.cpp
int main() {
    int a = 1;
    const int * b = &a; // pointer to const int
    int c = 3;
    b = &c; // assign new value to c ... OK!

    *b = 5; // assign new value to what c point to ... NOT OK!
    return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o const3 const3.cc
const3.cc: In function `int main()':
const3.cc:11: error: assignment of read-only location
```

NB: the error is different!

Constant Pointer to Constant Object

- Most restrictive access to another variable
 - Specially when used in function interface
- Can not change neither the pointer nor what it points to!

```
// const4.cpp
int main() {
   float a = 1;
   const float * const b = &a; // const pointer to const float
   *b = 5; // Not OK. can't change value of what b points to
   float c = 3;
  b = &c; // Not OK. can't change what b points to!
   return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o const4 const4.cc
const4.cc: In function `int main()':
const4.cc:8: error: assignment of read-only location
const4.cc:11: error: assignment of read-only variable
```

Bad Use of Pointers

```
int vect[3] = {1,2,3};
int v2[3];
int v3[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 };
```

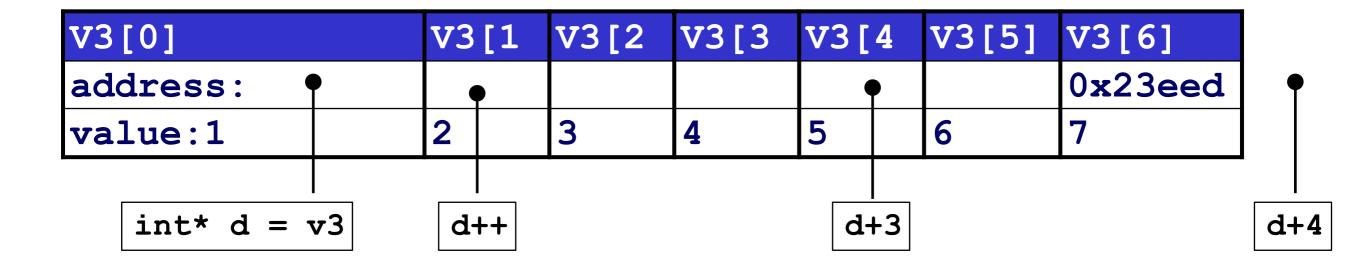
```
$ g++ -o array array.cc
$ ./array
i: 0, d = 0x23eec0, *d: 1, c = 0x23eef0, *c: 1, e = 0x23eee0, *e: -1
i: 1, d = 0x23eec4, *d: 2, c = 0x23eef4, *c: 2, e = 0x23eee4, *e: 2088773120
i: 2, d = 0x23eec8, *d: 3, c = 0x23eef8, *c: 3, e = 0x23eee8, *e: 2088772930
i: 3, d = 0x23eecc, *d: 4, c = 0x23eefc, *c: 1627945305, e = 0x23eeec, *e:
2089866642
i: 4, d = 0x23eed0, *d: 5, c = 0x23ef00, *c: 1876, e = 0x23eef0, *e: 1
```

V3[0]	V3[1	V3[2	V3[3	V3 [4	V3[5]	V3[6]
address:						0x23eed
value:1	2	3	4	5	6	7

How many bytes in memory between v3[6] and v2[0]?

V2[0]	V2[1]	V2[2]		vect[0]	vect[1]	Vect[2]
0x23eee	0x23eee	0x23eee	0x23eee	0x23eef	0x23eef	0x23eef
-1	2	3		1	2	3

Pointer Arithmetic



```
// ptr.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int v3[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 }; // array of size 7
   int* d = v3;
   cout << "d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d <<endl;
   d++;
   cout << "d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d <<endl;
   d = d+3;
   cout << "d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d <<endl;
   d = d+4;
   cout << "d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d <<endl;
   return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o ptr ptr.cc
$ ./ptr
d = 0x23eef0, *d: 1
d = 0x23eef4, *d: 2
d = 0x23ef00, *d: 5
d = 0x23ef10, *d: 1628803505
```

+ and - operators with Pointers

```
// ptr2.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
   int v3[] = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 \}; // array of size 7 \}
   int* d = v3;
   int*c = &v3[4];
   cout << "d = " << d << ", *d: " << *d <<endl;
   cout << "c = " << c << ", *c: " << *c <<endl;
   //int* e = c + d; // not allowed
   cout << "c-d: " << c - d << endl;
   cout << "d-c: " << d - c << endl;
   //int* e = c-d; // wrong!
   int f = c - d;
   float q = c - d;
   cout << "f: " << f << " g: " << g << endl;
   int * h = &v3[6] + (d-c);
   cout << "int * h = &v3[6] + (d-c): " << h << " *h: " << *h << endl;
   return 0;
```

Arguments of Functions

 Arguments of functions can be passed in two different ways

```
// funcarg1.cc
                                       #include <iostream>
                                       using namespace std;
                                       void emptyLine() {
                                         cout
                                         << "\n----
                                              << endl;
  By value
                                       void f1(double x) {
   o x is a local variable
                                         cout << "f1: input value of x = "</pre>
    in f1()
                                              << x << endl;
                                         x = 1.234;
                                         cout << "f1: change value of x in f1(). x =
                                              << x << endl;
                                       void f2(double& x) {
                                         cout << "f2: input value of x = "</pre>

    Pointer or reference

                                              << x << endl;
   o x is reference to
                                         x = 1.234;
                                         cout << "f2: change value of x in f2(). x =
    argument used by
    caller
                                               << x << endl;
```

Pointers and References in Functions

```
int main() {
   double a = 1.; // define a
   emptyLine();
   cout << "main: before calling f1, a = " << a << endl;
   f1(a); // void function
   cout << "main: after calling f1, a = " << a << endl;
   emptyLine();
   cout << "main: before calling f2, a = " << a << endl;
   f2(a); // void function
   cout << "main: after calling f2, a = " << a << endl;
   return 0;
}</pre>
```

f1 has no effect on variables in main

Because a is passed by value

x is a copy of a

f2 modifies the value of the variable in the main!

Because a is passed by reference

```
double& x = a;
```

```
$ ./funcarg1
------
main: before calling f1, a = 1
f1: input value of x = 1
f1: change value of x in f1(). x = 1.234
main: after calling f1, a = 1
------
main: before calling f2, a = 1
f2: input value of x = 1
f2: change value of x in f2(). x = 1.234
main: after calling f2, a = 1.234
```

Constant Pointers and References in Functions

```
// funcarg2.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                                                      const double& x
                                                      = a
void f2(const double& x) {
                                                      address:
  cout << "f2: input value of x = "</pre>
       << x << endl;
                                                      value:
  x = 1.234;
  cout << "f2: change value of x in f2(). x = "
        << x << endl;
int main() {
   double a = 1.;
                                                 double a
   f2(a);
                                                 address: 0x23ef14
   return 0;
                                                 value: 1
```

```
$ g++ -o funcarg2 funcarg2.cc
funcarg2.cc: In function `void f2(const double&)':
funcarg2.cc:9: error: assignment of read-only reference `x'
```

Pointers, References and Passing by Value in Functions

```
// mean.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
void computeMean(const double* data, int nData, double& mean) {
  mean = 0.;
  for(int i=0; i<nData; ++i) {</pre>
    cout << "data: " << data << ", *data: " << *data << endl;</pre>
    mean += *data;
    data++;
  mean /= nData; // divide by number of data points
}
int main() {
   double pressure[] = { 1.2, 0.9, 1.34, 1.67, 0.87, 1.04, 0.76 };
   double average;
                                                $ q++ -o mean mean.cc
   computeMean( pressure, 7, average );
                                                $ ./mean
                                                data: 0x23eed0, *data: 1.2
   cout << "average pressure: "</pre>
                                                data: 0x23eed8, *data: 0.9
        << average << endl;
                                                data: 0x23eee0, *data: 1.34
   return 0;
                                                data: 0x23eee8, *data: 1.67
                                                data: 0x23eef0, *data: 0.87
                                                data: 0x23eef8, *data: 1.04
                                                data: 0x23ef00, *data: 0.76
                                                average pressure: 1.11143
```

Closer Look at computeMean ()

```
void computeMean(const double* data, int nData, double& mean) {
   mean = 0.;
   for(int i=0; i<nData; ++i) {
      cout << "data: " << data << ", *data: " << *data << endl;
      mean += *data;
      data++;
   }
   mean /= nData; // divide by number of data points
}</pre>
```

- Input data passed as constant pointer
 - Good: can't cause trouble to caller! Integrity of data guaranteed
 - Bad: No idea how many data points we have!
- Number of data pointer passed by value
 - Simple int. No gain in passing by reference
 - Bad: separate variable from array of data. Exposed to user error
- Very bad: void function with no return type
 - Good: appropriate name. computeMean() suggests an action not a type

New implementation with Return Type

```
double mean (const double* data, int nData) {
  double mean = 0.;
  for(int i=0; i<nData; ++i) {
    cout << "data: " << data << ", *data: " << *data << endl;
    mean += *data;
    data++;
  }
  mean /= nData; // divide by number of data points
  return mean
}</pre>
```

- Make function return the computed mean
- New name to make it explicit function returns something
 - Not a rule, but simple courtesy to users of your code
- No need for variables passed by reference to be modified in the function
- Still exposed to user error...

Possible Problems with use of Pointers

data: 0x23ef08, *data: 8.48798e-314

```
// mean2.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
double mean(const double* data, int nData) {
  double mean = 0.;
  for(int i=0; i<nData; ++i) {</pre>
    cout << "data: " << data << ", *data: " << *data << endl;</pre>
    mean += *data;
    data++;
  mean /= nData; // divide by number of data points
  return mean;
int main() {
   double pressure[] = { 1.2, 0.6, 1.8 }; // only 3 elements
   double average = mean(pressure, 4); // mistake!
   cout << "average pressure: " << average << endl;</pre>
                      $ q++ -o mean2 mean2.cc
   return 0;
                      $ ./mean2
                      data: 0x23eef0, *data: 1.2
                      data: 0x23eef8, *data: 0.6
                      data: 0x23ef00, *data: 1.8
```

Simple luck! Additional value not changing the average!

No protection against possible errors!

What about computing other quantities?

What if we wanted to compute also the standard deviation of our data points?

```
void computeMean(const double* data, int nData, double& mean, double& stdDev) {
 // two variables passed by reference to void function
 // not great. But not harmful.
double meanWithStdDev(const double* data, int nData, double& stdDev) {
  // error passed by reference to mean function! ugly!! anti-intuitive
double mean(const double* data, int nData) {
  // one method to compute only average
double stdDev(const double* data, int nData) {
  // one method to compute standard deviation
  // use mean() to compute average needed by std deviation
```

What if we had a new C++ type?

► Imagine we had a new C++ type called Result including data about both mean and standard deviation

▶ We could then simply do the following

```
Result mean(const double* data, int nData) {
   Result result;
   // do your calculation
   return result;
}
```

► This is exactly the idea of classes in C++!

Classes in C++

- A class is a set of data and functions that define the characteristics and behavior of an object
 - Characteristics also known as attributes

class Result {

Behavior is what an object can do and is referred to also as its interface

```
public:

// constructors
Result() { }
```

Interface or Member Functions

```
// constructors
Result() { }
Result(const double& mean, const double& stdDev) {
   mean_ = mean;
   stdDev_ = stdDev;
}

// accessors
double getMean() { return mean_; };
double getStdDev() { return stdDev_; };
```

Data members or attributes

private:
 double mean_;
 double stdDev_;

Using class Result

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Result {
 public:
   // constructors
   Result() { };
  Result(const double& mean, const double& stdDev) {
     mean = mean;
     stdDev = stdDev;
   // accessors
   double getMean() { return mean ; };
   double getStdDev() { return stdDev ; };
  private:
   double mean ;
   double stdDev ;
};
```

```
$ g++ -o results2 result2.cc
$ ./results2
r1, mean: NaN, stdDev: 8.48798e-314
r2, mean: 1.1, stdDev: 0.234
```

r1 is ill-defined. Why?

What is wrong with Result::Result()?

C++ Data Types

Name	Description	Size*	Range*
char	Character or small integer.	Invra	signed: -128 to 127
			unsigned: 0 to 255
short int (short)	Short Integer	ZDVTAS	signed: -32768 to 32767
	Shore integer:		unsigned: 0 to 65535
int	Integer	4nvres	signed: -2147483648 to 2147483647
	Integer.		unsigned: 0 to 4294967295
long int (long)	Long intogor	4n //TAS	signed: -2147483648 to 2147483647
	Long integer.		unsigned: 0 to 4294967295
bool	Boolean value. It can take one of two values: true or false.	1byte	true or false
float	Floating point number.	4bytes	3.4e +/- 38 (7 digits)
double	Double precision floating point number.	8bytes	1.7e +/- 308 (15 digits)
long double	Long double precision floating point number.	8bytes	1.7e +/- 308 (15 digits)
wchar_t	Wide character.	2 or 4 bytes	1 wide character

- Size is architecture dependent!
 - Difference between 32-bit and 64-bit machines
 - Above table refers to typical 32-bit architecture
- int is usually has size of 'one word' on a given architecture
- Four integer types: char, short, int, and long
 - Each type is at least as large as previous one
 size(char) <= size(short) <= size(int) <= size(long)
- Long int == int; similarly short int == short

Size of Objects/Types in C++

```
// cpptypes.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
              aChar = "c"; // char
  char*
              aBool = true; // boolean
 bool
              aShort = 33; // short
  short
              aLong = 123421; // long
 long
  int
              anInt = 27; // integer
 float
              aFloat = 1.043; // single precision
              aDbl = 1.243e-234; // double precision
  double
 long double aLD = 0.432e245; // double precision
  cout << "char* aChar = " << aChar << "\tsizeof(" << "*char" << "): " << sizeof(*aChar) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "bool aBool = " << aBool << "\tsizeof(" << "bool" << "): " << sizeof(aBool) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "short aShort = " << aShort << "\tsizeof(" << "short" << "): " << sizeof(aShort) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "long aLong = " << aLong << "\tsizeof(" << "long" << "): " << sizeof(aLong) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "int aInt = " << anInt << "\tsizeof(" << "int" << "): " << sizeof(anInt) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "float aFloat = " << aFloat << "\tsizeof(" << "float" << "): " << sizeof(aFloat) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "double aDbl = " << aDbl << "\tsizeof(" << "double" << "): " << sizeof(aDbl) << endl;</pre>
  cout << "long double aLD = " << aLD << "\tsizeof(" << "long double" << "): " << sizeof(aLD) << endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o cpptypes cpptypes.cc
$ ./cpptypes
char* aChar = c
                                 sizeof(*char): 1
bool aBool = 1
                                 sizeof(bool): 1
                                 sizeof(short): 2
short aShort = 33
long aLong = 123421
                                 sizeof(long): 4
                                 sizeof(int): 4
int aInt = 27
                                 sizeof(float): 4
float aFloat = 1.043
double aDbl = 1.243e-234
                                 sizeof(double): 8
                                 sizeof(long double): 12
long double aLD = 4.32e+244
```

Topics

- Classes
 - data members and member functions
- Constructors
 - Special member functions
- private and public members
- Helper and utility methods
 - setters
 - getters
 - accessors

Classes in C++

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Interface or Member Functions

Data members or attributes

```
class Result {
 public:
   // constructors
  Result() { }
   Result(const double& mean, const double& stdDev) {
     mean = mean;
     stdDev = stdDev;
   // accessors
   double getMean() { return mean ; };
   double getStdDev() { return stdDev ; };
  private:
   double mean ;
  double stdDev ;
```

Don't's forget; at the end of definition!

Data Members (Attributes)

```
class Datum {
    double value_;
    double error_;
};
```

- Data defined in the scope of a class are called data members of that class
- Data members are defined in the class and can be used by all member functions
- Contain the actual data that characterise the content of the class
- Can be public or private
 - public data members are generally bad and symptom of bad design
 - More on this topic later in the course

Interface: Member Functions

- Member functions are methods defined inside the scope of a class
 - Have access to all data members

name_ is a datamember

No declaration of name_ in member functions!

name is a local variable only within setName()

```
// Student
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
class Student {
  using namespace std;
 public:
   // default constructor
   Student() { name = ""; }
   // another constructor
   Student(const string& name) { name = name; }
   // getter method: access to info from the class
   string name() { return name ; }
   // setter: set attribute of object
   void setName(const string& name) { name = name; }
   // utility method
   void print() \( \sumsymbol{\psi} \)
     cout << "My name is: " << name << endl;</pre>
 private:
   string name ; // data member
};
```

Arguments of Member Functions

- All C++ rules discussed so far hold
- You can pass variables by value, pointer, or reference
- You can use the constant qualifier to protect input data and restrict the capabilities of the methods
 - This has implications on declaration of methods using constants
 - We will discuss constant methods and data members next week
- Member functions can return any type
 - Exceptions! Constructors and Destructor
 - Have no return type
 - o More on this later

Access specifiers public and private

- Public functions and data members are available to anyone
- Private members and methods are available ONLY to other member functions

```
1 #include <iostream>
 2 using std::cout;
 3 using std::endl;
 5 class Datum {
     public:
 7
       Datum() { }
 8
       Datum(double val, double error) {
 9
         value = val;
10
         error = error;
11
12
13
     double value() { return value ; }
14
     double error() { return error ; }
15
16
     void setValue(double value) { value = value; }
    void setError(double error) { error = error; }
17
18
     double value ; // public data member!!!
19
20
21
     private:
22
       double error ; // private data member
23 };
```

Access elements of an object through member selection operator "."

```
25 int main() {
26
27
     Datum d1(1.1223,0.23);
28
     cout << "d1.value(): " << d1.value()^</pre>
29
          << " d1.error(): " << d1.error()
30
31
          << endl;
32
33
34
     cout << "d1.value : " << d1.value</pre>
          << " d1.error : " << d1.error
35
36
           << endl:
37
38
     return 0;
39 }
```

Accessing private members is a compilation error!

```
$ g++ -o class1 class1.cc
class1.cc: In function `int main()':
class1.cc:22: error: `double Datum::error_' is private
class1.cc:35: error: within this context
```

private members

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Datum {
 public:
    Datum(double val, double error) {
      value = val;
      error = error;
    double value() { return value ; }
    double error() { return error ; }
    void setValue(double value)
      { value = value; }
    void setError(double error)
      { error = error; }
    void print() {
      cout << "datum: " << value</pre>
           << " +/- " << error
           << endl;
 private:
    double value ; // private data member!!!
    double error ; // private data member
};
```

```
$ g++ -o class2 class2.cc
$ ./class2
d1.value(): 8.563 d1.error(): 0.23
datum: 8.563 +/- 0.23
```

private methods

Can be used only inside other methods but not from outside

```
1 // class3.cc
 2 #include <iostream>
 3 using namespace std;
 5 class Datum {
     public:
       Datum() { reset(); } // reset data members
 8
       double value() { return value ; }
       double error() { return error ; }
10
11
12
       void setValue(double value) { value = value; }
       void setError(double error) { error = error; }
13
14
15
       void print() {
         cout << "datum: " << value << " +/- "
              << error << endl;
17
18
19
     private:
20
       void reset() {
         value = 0.0;
21
22
         error = 0.0;
23
       }
24
25
       double value ;
26
       double error ;
27 };
```

```
int main() {
  Datum d1;
  d1.setValue( 8.563 );
  d1.print();
  return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o class3 class3.cc
$ ./class3
datum: 8.563 +/- 0
```

```
30 int main() {
31
32    Datum d1;
33    d1.setValue(8.563);
34    d1.print();
35    d1.reset();
36
37    return 0;
38 }
```

```
$ g++ -o class4 class4.cc
class4.cc: In function `int main()':
class4.cc:20: error: `void Datum::reset()' is private
class4.cc:35: error: within this context
```

Hiding Implementation from Users/Clients

How to decide what to make public or private?

- Principle of Least Privilege
 - elements of a class, data or functions, must be private unless proven to be needed as public!
- Users should rely solely on the interface of a class

- They should never use the internal details of the class
- That's why having public data members is a VERY bad idea!
 - name and characteristics of data members can change
 - Functionalities and methods remain the same
 - You must be able to change internal structure of the class without affecting the clients!

Bad Example of Public Data Members

```
int main() {
   Datum d1(1.1223,0.23);
   double x = d1.value();
   double y = d1.error_;
   cout << "x: " << x << "\t y: " << y << endl;
   return 0;
}</pre>
```

```
class Datum {
 public:
   Datum(double val, double error) {
     value = val;
     error = error;
   double value() { return value ; }
   double error() { return error ; }
   void setValue(double value) { value = value; }
   void setError(double error) { error = error; }
   void print() {
     cout << "datum: " << value << " +/- " << error << endl;</pre>
 //private:
               // all data are public!
   double value ;
   double error ;
};
```

application uses directly the data member!

Bad Example of Public Data Members

Same Application as before

Change the names of data members

No change of functionality so no one should be affected!

```
36
class Datum {
                                                  37 }
 public:
   Datum(double val, double error) {
     val = val;
     err = error;
   double value() { return val ; }
   double error() { return err ; }
   void setValue(double value) { val = value; }
   void setError(double error) { err = error; }
   void print() {
     cout << "datum: " << val_ << " +/- " << err_ << endl;</pre>
 //private: // alla data are public!
   double val ; // value → val
   double err ; // error → err
};
```

```
28 int main() {
29
30    Datum d1(1.1223,0.23);
31    double x = d1.value();
32    double y = d1.error_;
33
34    cout << "x: " << x << "\t y: " << y << endl;
35
36    return 0;
37 }</pre>
```

Our application is now broken!

But Datum has not changed its behavior!

Bad programming!

Only use the interface of an object not its internal data!

Private data members prevent this

```
$ g++ -o class7 class7.cc
class7.cc: In function `int main()':
class7.cc:32: error: 'class Datum' has no member named `error_'
```

Constructors

```
class Datum {
  public:
    Datum() { }
    Datum(double val, double error) {
     value_ = val;
     error_ = error;
  }

private:
  double value_; // public data member!!!
  double error_; // private data member
};
```

- Special member functions
 - Required by C++ to create a new object
 - MUST have the same name of the class
 - Used to initialize data members of an instance of the class
 - Can accept any number of arguments
 - Same rules as any other C++ function applies
- Constructors have no return type!
- There can be several constructors for a class
 - Different ways to declare and an object of a given type

Different Types of Constructors

Default constructor

- Has no argument
- On most machines the default values for data members are assigned

Copy Constructor

 Make a new object from an existing one

Regular constructor

 Provide sufficient arguments to initialize data members

```
class Datum {
 public:
    Datum() { }
    Datum(double x, double y) {
      value = x;
      error = y;
    Datum(const Datum& datum) {
      value = datum.value ;
      error = datum.error ;
 private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
```

Using Constructors

```
// class5.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Datum {
 public:
    Datum() { }
    Datum(double x, double y) {
      value = x;
      error = y;
    Datum(const Datum& datum) {
      value = datum.value ;
      error = datum.error ;
    void print() {
      cout << "datum: " << value</pre>
           << " +/- " << error
           << endl;
    }
 private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
};
```

```
int main() {
   Datum d1;
   d1.print();

   Datum d2(0.23,0.212);
   d2.print();

   Datum d3( d2 );
   d3.print();

  return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o class5 class5.cc
$ ./class5
datum: NaN +/- 8.48798e-314
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
```

Default Constructors on Different Architectures

```
$ uname -a
CYGWIN_NT-5.1 lajolla 1.5.18(0.132/4/2) 2005-07-02 20:30 i686 unknown
unknown Cygwin
$ gcc -v
Reading specs from /usr/lib/gcc/i686-pc-cygwin/3.4.4/specs
...
gcc version 3.4.4 (cygming special) (gdc 0.12, using dmd 0.125)

$ g++ -o class5 class5.cc
$ ./class5
datum: NaN +/- 8.48798e-314
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
```

Windows XP with CygWin

```
$ uname -a
Linux pccms02.roma1.infn.it 2.6.14-1.1656_FC4smp #1 SMP Thu Jan 5 22:24:06 EST
  2006 i686 i686 i386 GNU/Linux
$ gcc -v
Using built-in specs.
Target: i386-redhat-linux
...
gcc version 4.0.2 20051125 (Red Hat 4.0.2-8)
$ g++ -o class5 class5.cc
$ ./class5
datum: 6.3275e-308 +/- 4.85825e-270
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
```

Default Assignment

```
// ctor.cc
#include <iostream>
using std::cout;
using std::endl;

class Datum {
  public:
    Datum(double x) { x_ = x; }
    double value() { return x_; }
    void setValue(double x) { x_ = x; }
    void print() {
      cout << "x: " << x_ << endl;
    }

  private:
    double x_;
};</pre>
```

```
d3.x_ = d1.x_
done by compiler
```

```
$ g++ -o ctor ctor.cc
$ ./ctor
x: 1.2
x: 1.2
&d1: 0x23ef10    &d3: 0x23ef08
```

Question

- Can a constructor be private?
 - Is it allowed by the compiler?
 - How to instantiate an object with no public constructor?

■ Find a working example of a very simple class for next week

Accessors and Helper/Utility Methods

- Methods that allow read access to data members
- Can also provide functionalities commonly needed by users to elaborate information from the class
 - for example formatted printing of data
- Usually they do not modify the objects, i.e. do not change the value of its attributes

```
class Student {
  public:

    // getter method: access to data members
    string name() { return name_; }

    // utility method
    void print() {
       cout << "My name is: " << name_ << endl;
    }

    private:
    string name_; // data member
};</pre>
```

Getter Methods

- getters are helpers methods with explicit names returning individual data members
 - Do not modify the data members simply return them
 - Good practice: call these methods as getFoo() or foo() for member foo_
- Return value of a getter method should be that of the data member

```
class Datum {
 public:
   Datum(double val, double error) {
      val = val;
      err = error;
    double value() { return val ; }
   double error() { return err ; }
   void setValue(double value) { val = value; }
   void setError(double error) { err = error; }
   void print() {
      cout << "datum: " << val << " +/- " << err
           << endl;
 private:
    double val ;
    double err ;
};
```

```
// Student
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
class Student {
  public:
   // default constructor
  Student() { name = ""; }
   // another constructor
   Student(const string& name) { name = name; }
   // getter method: access to info from the class
   string name() { return name ; }
   // setter: set attribute of object
   void setName(const string& name) { name = name; }
   // utility method
   void print() {
     cout << "My name is: " << name << endl;</pre>
 private:
  string name ; // data member
};
```

Setter Methods

- Setters are member functions that modify attributes of an object after it is created
 - Typically defined as void
 - Could return other values for error handling purposes
 - Very useful to assign correct attributes to an object in algorithms
 - As usual abusing setter methods can cause unexpected problems

```
// class8.cc
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Datum {
 public:
   Datum(double val, double error) {
     value = val;
      error = error;
    double value() { return value ; }
    double error() { return error ; }
    void setValue(double value) { value = value; }
   void setError(double error) { error = error; }
   void print() {
      cout << "datum: " << value << " +/- "
           << error << endl;
 private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
};
```

```
int main() {
    Datum d1(23.4,7.5);
    d1.print();

    d1.setValue( 8.563 );
    d1.setError( 0.45 );
    d1.print();

    return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o class8 class8.cc
$ ./class8
datum: 23.4 +/- 7.5
datum: 8.563 +/- 0.45
```

Pointers and References to Objects

```
// app2.cpp
#include <iostream>
using std::cout; // use using only for specific
classes
using std::endl; // not for entire namespace
class Counter {
 public:
    Counter() { count = 0; x = 0.0; \};
    int value() { return count ; }
    void reset() { count = 0; x = 0.0; }
    void increment() { count ++; }
    void increment(int step)
       { count = count +step; }
    void print() {
      cout << "--- Counter::print() ----" << endl;</pre>
      cout << "my count : " << count << endl;</pre>
      // this is special pointer
      cout << "my address: " << this << endl;</pre>
      cout << "&x : " << &x << " sizeof(x): "
           << sizeof(x ) << endl;</pre>
      cout << "&count : " << &count</pre>
      << " sizeof(count): "</pre>
      << sizeof(count ) << endl;</pre>
      cout << "--- Counter::print()---" << endl;</pre>
 private:
    int count ;
    double x ; // dummy variable
};
```

```
void printCounter(Counter& counter) {
  cout << "counter value: " << counter.value() << endl;
}

void printByPtr(Counter* counter) {
  cout << "counter value: " << counter->value() << endl;
}</pre>
```

```
int main-() - {-----

∠Counter counter;

 counter.increment(7);
  // ptr is a pointer to a Counter Object
  Counter* ptr = &counter;
  cout << "ptr = &counter: " << &counter << endl;</pre>
  // use . to access member of objects
  cout << "counter.value(): " << counter.value() << endl;</pre>
  // use -> with pointer to objects
  cout << "ptr->value(): " << ptr->value() << endl;</pre>
 printCounter( counter );
 printByPtr( ptr );
 ptr->print();
  cout << "sizeof(ptr): " << sizeof(ptr) << "\t"</pre>
       << "sizeof(counter): " << sizeof(counter)</pre>
       << endl;
return 0;
```

-> instead of . When using pointers to objects

Size and Address of Objects

gcc 3.4.4 on cygwin

gcc 4.1.1 on fedora core 6

```
$ g++ -o app2 app2.cpp
$ ./app2
ptr = &counter: 0x22ccd0
counter.value(): 7
ptr->value(): 7
printCounter: counter value: 7
printByPtr: counter value: 7
---- Counter::print() : begin ----
my count: 7
my address: 0x22ccd0
&count : 0x22ccd0 sizeof(count): 4
&x : 0x22ccd8 sizeof(x): 8
---- Counter::print() : end ----
&i: 0x22ccc8
sizeof(ptr): 4 sizeof(counter): 16
sizeof(int): 4 sizeof(double): 8
```

```
$g++-o app2.cpp
$ ./app2
ptr = &counter: 0xbf841e20
counter.value(): 7
ptr->value(): 7
printCounter: counter value: 7
printByPtr: counter value: 7
---- Counter::print() : begin ----
my count: 7
my address: 0xbf841e20
&count : 0xbf841e20 sizeof(count): 4
&x : 0xbf841e24 sizeof(x): 8
---- Counter::print() : en\overline{d} ----
&i: 0xbf841e1c
sizeof(ptr): 4 sizeof(counter): 12
sizeof(int): 4 sizeof(double): 8
```

- Different size of objects on different platform!
 - Different configuration of compiler
 - Optimization for access to memory
- Address of object is address of first data member in the object

Classes and Applications

 So far we have always included the definition of classes together with the main application in one file

The advantage is that we have only one file to modify

- Disadvantage are many
 - There is always ONE file to modify no matter what kind of modification you want to make
 - This file becomes VERY long after a very short time
 - Hard to maintain everything in only one place
 - We compile everything even after very simple changes

Example of Typical Application So Far

```
// app3.cpp
#include <iostream>
using std::cout;
using std::endl;

#include "Counter.h"

Counter makeCounter() {
   Counter c;
   return c;
}

void printCounter(Counter& counter) {
   cout << "counter value: " << counter.value() << endl;
}

void printByPtr(Counter* counter) {
   cout << "counter value: " << counter->value() << endl;
}</pre>
```

```
int main() {
 Counter counter;
 counter.increment(7);
 Counter* ptr = &counter;
 cout << "counter.value(): " << counter.value()</pre>
       << endl;
  cout << "ptr = &counter: " << &counter << endl;</pre>
 cout << "ptr->value(): " << ptr->value() << endl;</pre>
 Counter c2 = makeCounter();
 c2.increment();
 printCounter( c2 );
 cout << "sizeof(ptr): " << sizeof(ptr)</pre>
       << " sizeof(c2): " << sizeof(c2)</pre>
       << endl:
 return 0;
```

Separating Classes and Applications

It's good practice to separate classes from applications

- Create one file with only your application
 - Use #include directive to add all classes needed in your application

Keep a separate file for each class

Compile your classes separately

Include compiled classes (or libraries) when linking your application

First Attempt at Improving Code Management

```
// Datum1.cc
// include all header files needed
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Datum {
  public:
    Datum() { }
    Datum(double x, double y) {
      value = x;
      error = y;
    Datum(const Datum& datum) {
      value = datum.value ;
      error = datum.error ;
    void print() {
      cout << "datum: " << value</pre>
           << " +/- " << error
           << endl;
  private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
};
```

```
// app1.cpp
#include "Datum1.cc"
int main() {
 Datum d1;
  d1.print();
  Datum d2(0.23,0.212);
  d2.print();
 Datum d3 ( d2 );
  d3.print();
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o app1 app1.cpp
$ ./app1
datum: NaN +/- 8.48798e-314
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
datum: 0.23 +/- 0.212
```

Problems with Previous Example

- Although we have two files it is basically if we had just one!
- Datum1.cc includes not only the declaration but also the definition of class Datum
 - Implementation of all methods exposed to user

- When compiling app1.cpp we also compile class Datum every time!
 - We do not need any library because app1.cpp includes all source code!
 - When compiling and linking app1.cpp we also create compiled code for Datum to be used in our application
 - Remember what #include does!

Pre-Compiled version of Datum1.cc

Our source file is only a few lines long

```
$ wc -1 Datum1.cc
30 Datum1.cc
$ wc -1 app1.cpp
16 app1.cpp
$ g++ -E -c Datum1.cc > Datum1.cc-precomoiled
$ wc -1 Datum1.cc-precompiled
23740 Datum1.cc-precompiled
```

- The precompiled version is almost 24000 lines!
 - This is all code included in and by iostream

```
$ grep "#include" /usr/lib/gcc/i686-pc-cygwin//3.4.4/include/c++/
iostream
  * This is a Standard C++ Library header. You should @c #include
this header
#include <bits/c++config.h>
#include <ostream>
#include <istream>
```

iostream

```
#ifndef GLIBCXX IOSTREAM
#define _GLIBCXX_IOSTREAM 1
#pragma GCC system header
#include <bits/c++config.h>
#include <ostream>
#include <istream>
namespace std
{
/**
   @name Standard Stream Objects
*/
//@{
                        ///< Linked to standard input
extern istream cin;
                         ///< Linked to standard output
 extern ostream cout;
                         ///< Linked to standard error (unbuffered)
extern ostream cerr;
extern ostream clog;
                         ///< Linked to standard error (buffered)
#ifdef GLIBCXX USE WCHAR T
                          ///< Linked to standard input
extern wistream wcin;
                            ///< Linked to standard output
extern wostream wcout;
                           ///< Linked to standard error (unbuffered)
extern wostream wcerr;
                           ///< Linked to standard error (buffered)
extern wostream wclog;
#endif
//@}
// For construction of filebuffers for cout, cin, cerr, clog et. al.
static ios base::Init ioinit;
} // namespace std
#endif /* GLIBCXX IOSTREAM */
```

I have removed all comments from the file to make it fit in this slide

Additional code included by the header files in this file

How do you find iostream file on your computer?

Separating Interface from Implementation

Clients of your classes only need to know the interface of your classes

- Remember:
 - Users should only rely on public members of your class
 - Internal data structure must be hidden and not needed in applications
- Compiler needs only the declaration of your classes, its functions and their signature to compile the application
 - Signature of a function is the exact set of arguments passed to a function and it return type
- The compiled class code (definition) is needed only at link time
 - Libraries are needed to link not to compile!

Header and Source Files

- We can separate the declaration of a class from its implementation
 - Declaration tells the compiler about data members and member functions of a class
 - We know how many and what type of arguments a function has by looking at the declaration but we don't know how the function is implemented
- Declaration of a class Counter goes into a file usually called Counter.h
 or Counter.hh suffix

 Implementation of methods goes into the source file usually called Counter.cc

Counter.h and Counter.cc

```
// Counter h
// Counter Class: simple counter class.
// Allows simple or step
// increments and also a reset function
// include header files for types
// and classes used in the declaration
class Counter {
  public:
    Counter();
    int value();
    void reset();
    void increment();
    void increment(int step);
  private:
    int count ;
};
```

Scope operator :: is used to tell methods belong to Class Counter

```
// Counter.cc
// include class header files
#include "Counter.h"
   include any additional header files
   needed in the class
// definition
#include <iostream>
using std::cout;
using std::endl;
Counter::Counter() {
 count = 0;
};
int Counter::value() {
  return count ;
void Counter::reset() {
  count = 0;
void Counter::increment() {
  count ++;
void Counter::increment(int step) {
  count = count +step;
```

What is included in header files?

- Declaration of the class
 - Public and data members

- All header files for types and classes used in the header
 - data members, arguments or return types of member functions

- Sometimes when we have very simple methods these are directly implemented in the header file
- Methods implemented in the header file are referred to as inline functions
 - For example getter methods are a good candidate to become inline functions

What is included in source file?

- Header file of the class being implemented
 - Compiler needs the prototype (declaration) of the methods
- Implementation of methods declared in the header file
 - Scope operator :: must be used to tell the compiler methods belong to a class

- Header files for all additional types used in the implementation but not needed in the header!
 - Nota bene: header files include in the header file of the class are automatically included in the source file

Compiling Source Files of a Class

```
$ q++ Counter.cc
/usr/lib/gcc/i686-pc-cygwin/3.4.4/../../libcygwin.a(libcmain.o)::
undefined reference to `WinMain@16'
collect2: ld returned 1 exit status
```

```
$ g++ Counter.cc
/usr/lib/gcc/i386-redhat-linux/4.0.2/../../crt1.o(.text+0x18):
In function ` start':: undefined reference to `main'
collect2: 1d returned 1 exit status
```

- Do you understand the error?
- What does undefined symbol usually mean?
- Why we did not encounter this error earlier?

- Separating Interface

- Dynamic Memory Management

Reminder about g++

 g++ by default looks for a main function in the file being compiled unless differently instructed

- The main function becomes the program to run when the compiler is finished linking the binary application
 - Compiling: translate user code in high level language into binary code that system can use
 - Linking: put together binary pieces corresponding to methods used in the main function
 - Application: product of the linking process
- Source files of classes do not have any main method

■ We need to tell g++ (and other compilers) no linking is needed

Compiling without Linking

■ g++ has a -c option that allows to specify only compilation is needed

 User code is translated into binary but no attempt to look for main method and creating an application

```
$ ls -l Counter.*
-rw-r--r-- 1 rahatlou users 449 May 15 00:55 Counter.cc
-rw-r--r-- 1 rahatlou users 349 May 15 00:55 Counter.h

$ g++ -c Counter.cc

$ ls -l Counter.*
-rw-r--r-- 1 rahatlou users 449 May 15 00:55 Counter.cc
-rw-r--r-- 1 rahatlou users 349 May 15 00:55 Counter.h
-rw-r--r-- 1 rahatlou users 1884 May 15 01:23 Counter.o
```

By default g++ creates a .o (object file) for the .cc file

Using Header Files in Applications

```
// app2.cpp
                                                         int main() {
#include <iostream>
                                                           Counter counter;
using namespace std;
                                                           counter.increment(7);
#include "Counter.h"
                                                           Counter* ptr = &counter;
                                                           cout << "counter.value(): "</pre>
Counter makeCounter() {
                                                                <<counter.value() <<
  Counter c;
                                                         endl;
  return c;
                                                           cout << "ptr = &counter: "</pre>
                                                                << &counter << endl;
                                                           cout << "ptr->value(): "
void printCounter(Counter& counter) {
                                                                << ptr->value() << endl;</pre>
  cout << "counter value: "</pre>
       << counter.value() << endl;</pre>
                                                           Counter c2 = makeCounter();
                                                           c2.increment();
void printByPtr(Counter* counter) {
                                                          printCounter( c2 );
  cout << "counter value: "</pre>
       << counter->value() << endl;
                                                           return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o app2 app2.cpp
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x10d): undefined reference to `Counter::Counter()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x124): undefined reference to `Counter::value()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x16e): undefined reference to `Counter::value()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x1dc): undefined reference to `Counter::Counter()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x1ef): undefined reference to `Counter::increment(int)'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x200): undefined reference to `Counter::value()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x272): undefined reference to `Counter::value()'
/tmp/ccJuugJc.o:app2.cpp:(.text+0x2b7): undefined reference to `Counter::value()'
```

Providing compiled Class Code at Link Time

Including the header file is not sufficient!

- It tells the compiler only about arguments and return type
- But it does not tell him what to execute
- Compiler doesn't have the binary code to use to create the application!

We must use the compiled object file at link time

 g++ is told to make an application called app2 from source code in app2.cpp and using also the binary file Counter.o to find any symbol needed in app2.cpp

```
$ g++ -o app2 app2.cpp Counter.o
$ ./app2
counter.value(): 7
ptr = &counter: 0x23ef10
ptr->value(): 7
counter value: 1
```

Problem: Multiple Inclusion of Header Files!

- What if we include the same header file several times?
 - This can happen in many ways

- Some pretty common ways are
 - App.cpp includes both Foo.h and Bar.h
 - Foo.h is included in Bar.h and Bar.cc

```
// Bar.h
#include "Foo.h"

class Bar {
   // class goes here
   Bar(const Foo& afoo, double x);
}`
```

```
// App.cpp

#include "Foo.h"
#include "Bar.h"

int main() {

    // program goes here
    Foo f1;
    Bar b1(f1, 0.3);

    return 0;
}
```

Example of Multiple Inclusion

```
// app3.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
#include "Counter.h"
Counter makeCounter() {
  Counter c;
  return c;
}
void printCounter(Counter& counter)
  cout << "counter value: " << counter.value() << endl;</pre>
}
void printByPtr(Counter* counter)
  cout << "counter value: " << counter->value() << endl;</pre>
}
                        Line 19
#include "Counter.h"
int main() {
  Counter counter;
  counter.increment(7);
  Counter c2 = makeCounter();
  c2.increment();
 printCounter( counter );
 printCounter( c2 );
  return 0;
```

```
// Counter.h
// Counter Class: simple counter class. Allows sim
// increments and also a reset function

// include header files for types and classes
// used in the declaration

class Counter {
  public:
    Counter();
    int value();
    void reset();
    void increment();
    void increment(int step);

private:
    int count_;
}
```

```
$ g++ -o app3 app3.cpp Counter.o
In file included from app3.cpp:19:
Counter.h:8: error: redefinition of `class Counter'
Counter.h:8: error: previous definition of `class Counter'
```

#define, #ifndef and #endif directives

Problem of multiple inclusion can be solved at pre-compiler level

1: if Datum_h is not defined follow the instruction until #endif

2: define a new variable called Datum_h

3: end of ifndef block

```
#ifndef Datum h
#define Datum h
// Datum.h
class Datum {
 public:
    Datum();
    Datum(double x, double y);
    Datum(const Datum& datum);
    double value() { return value ; }
    double error() { return error ; }
 private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
};
#endif
```

Example: application using Datum

```
// app4.cpp
#include "Datum.h"
#include <iostream>
void print(Datum& input) {
  using namespace std;
  cout << "input: " << input.value()</pre>
       << " +/- " << input.error()
       << endl;
#include "Datum.h"
int main() {
  Datum d1(-1.4,0.3);
  print(d1);
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -c Datum.cc
$ g++ -o app4 app4.cpp Datum.o
$ ./app4
input: -1.4 +/- 0.3
```

Typical Errors

Forget to use the scope operator :: in .cc files

```
#ifndef FooDatum h
#define FooDatum h
// FooDatum.h
class FooDatum {
 public:
    FooDatum();
    FooDatum(double x, double y);
    FooDatum(const FooDatum& datum);
    double value() { return value ; }
    double error() { return error_; }
    double significance();
 private:
    double value ;
    double error ;
};
#endif
```

```
#include "FooDatum.h"

FooDatum::FooDatum() { }

FooDatum::FooDatum(double x, double y) {
   value_ = x;
   error_ = y;
}

FooDatum::FooDatum(const FooDatum& datum) {
   value_ = datum.value_;
   error_ = datum.error_;
}

double
significance() {
   return value_/error_;
}
```

```
$ g++ -c FooDatum.cc
FooDatum.cc: In function `double significance()':
FooDatum.cc:17: error: `value_' undeclared (first use this function)
FooDatum.cc:17: error: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only once for each function it appears in.)
FooDatum.cc:17: error: `error_' undeclared (first use this function)
```

- Functions implemented as global
- error when applying function as a member function to objects
- No error compiling the classes but error when compiling the application

Reminder: Namespace of Classes

 C++ uses namespace as integral part of a class, function, data member

- Any quantity declared within a namespace can be accessed ONLY by using the scope operator :: and by specifying its namespace
- When using a new class, you must look into its header file to find out which namespace it belongs to
 - There are no shortcuts!
- When implementing a class you must specify its namespace
 - Unless you use the using directive

Another Example of Namespace

```
#ifndef CounterNS h
#define CounterNS h
#include <string>
namespace rome {
  namespace didattica {
    class Counter {
      public:
        Counter(const std::string& name);
        ~Counter();
        int value();
        void reset();
        void increment(int step =1);
        void print();
      private:
        int count ;
        std::string name ;
    }; // class counter
  } // namespace didattica
} //namespace rome
#endif
```

```
#include "CounterNS.h"

int main() {
  rome::didattica::Counter c1("c1");
  c1.print();
  return 0;
}
```

```
// CounterNS.cc
#include "CounterNS.h"
// include any additional heade files needed in the class
// definition
#include <iostream> // needed for input/output
using std::cout;
using std::endl;
using namespace rome::didattica;
Counter::Counter(const std::string& name) {
  count = 0;
  name = name;
  cout << "Counter::Counter() called for Counter "<< name</pre>
<< endl:
};
Counter::~Counter() {
  cout << "Counter::~Counter() called for Counter "<<</pre>
name << endl;</pre>
};
int Counter::value() {
  return count ;
void Counter::reset() {
  count = 0;
void Counter::increment(int step) {
  count = count +step;
void Counter::print() {
  cout << "Counter::print(): name: " << name << " value:</pre>
" << count << endl;
```

Class std::vector<T>

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include "Datum.h"
int main() {
  std::vector<double> vals;
  vals.push back(1.3);
  vals.push back(-2.1);
  std::vector<double> errs;
  errs.push back(0.2);
  errs.push back(0.3);
  std::vector<Datum> data;
  data.push back( Datum(1.3, 0.2) );
  data.push back( Datum(-2.1, 0.3) );
 std:cout << "# dati:: " << data.size() << std::endl;</pre>
  // using traditional loop on an array
  int i=0;
  std::cout << "Using [] operator on vector" << std::endl;</pre>
  for(i=0; i< data.size(); ++i) {</pre>
    std::cout << "i: " << i
                     << "\t data: " << data[i].value() << " +/- " << data[i].error()
                     << std::endl;
  // using vector iterator
  std::cout << "std::vector<T>::iterator " << std::endl;</pre>
  for(std::vector<Datum>::iterator d = data.begin(); d != data.end(); d++) {
    //std::cout << "d: " << d << std::endl;
    std::cout << "i: " << i
                     << "\t data: " << d->value() << " +/- " << d->error()
                     << std::endl;
  }
    // using vector iterator
  i=0;
  std::cout << "C+11 extension feature " << std::endl;</pre>
  for(Datum dit : data) {
    std::cout << "i: " << i
                     << "\t data: " << dit.value() << " +/- " << dit.error()
                     << std::endl;
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o app.exe vector1.cc Datum.cc
vector1.cc:45:17: warning: range-based for loop is a C++11 extension
      [-Wc++11-extensions]
  for(Datum dit : data) {
1 warning generated.
$ ./app.exe
# dati:: 2
Using [] operator on vector
                data: 1.3 +/- 0.2
                data: -2.1 + / - 0.3
std::vector<T>::iterator
                data: 1.3 +/- 0.2
i: 1
i: 2
                data: -2.1 + / - 0.3
C+11 extension feature
                data: 1.3 +/- 0.2
i: 1
                data: -2.1 +/- 0.3
i: 2
```

Interface of std::vector<T>

http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/vector/vector/
https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/vector

Member functions

Member runc	LIOIIS
(constructor)	constructs the vector (public member function)
(destructor)	destructs the vector (public member function)
operator=	assigns values to the container (public member function)
assign	assigns values to the container (public member function)
get_allocator	returns the associated allocator (public member function)
Element access	
at	access specified element with bounds checking (public member function)
operator[]	access specified element (public member function)
front	access the first element (public member function)
back	access the last element (public member function)
data (C++11)	direct access to the underlying array (public member function)
Iterators	
begin cbegin	returns an iterator to the beginning (public member function)
end cend	returns an iterator to the end (public member function)
rbegin crbegin	returns a reverse iterator to the beginning (public member function)
rend crend	returns a reverse iterator to the end (public member function)
Capacity	
empty	checks whether the container is empty (public member function)
size	returns the number of elements (public member function)
max_size	returns the maximum possible number of elements (public member function)
reserve	reserves storage (public member function)

Using std::vector<T> in functions

```
#include <vector>
Using std::vector;

Datum average(vector<float>& val,
vector<float>& err) {
  double mean = 0.;
  double meanErr(0.); // same as = 0.

// loop over data
  // compute average

Datum res(mean, meanErr);
  return res;
}
```

Constructor is called with arguments
Same behavior for double and Datum

Object res is like any other variable mean or meanErr
res simply returned as output to caller

```
#include <vector>
Using std::vector;

Datum average(vector<float>& val,
vector<float>& err) {
  double mean = 0.;
  double meanErr(0.); // same as =
0.

// loop over data
  // compute average

return Datum(mean, meanErr);
}
```

```
#include <vector>
Using std::vector;

double average(vector<float>& val) {
   double mean = 0.;
    // loop over data
    // compute average

return mean;
}
```

Since **res** not really needed within function we can just create it while returning the function output

Dynamic Memory Allocation: new and delete

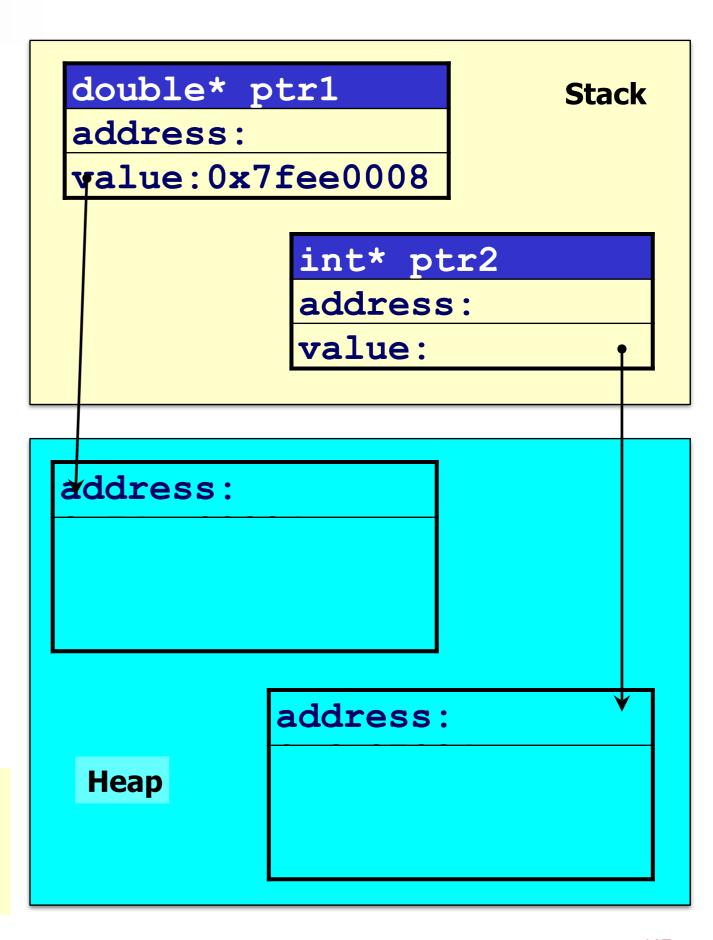
C++ allows dynamic management memory at run time via two dedicated operators: new and delete

- new: allocates memory for objects of any built-in or user-defined type
 - The amount of allocated memory depends on the size of the object
 - For user-defined types the size is determined by the data members
- Which memory is used by new?
 - new allocated objects in the free store also known as heap
 - This is region of memory assigned to each program at run time
 - Memory allocated by new is unavailable until we free it and give it back to system via delete operator
- ■delete: de-allocates memory used by new and give it back to system to be re-used

Stack and Heap

```
// app7.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    double* ptr1 = new double[100000];
    ptr1[0] = 1.1;
    cout << "ptr1[0]: " << ptr1[0]</pre>
         << endl;
    int* ptr2 = new int[1000];
    ptr2[233] = -13423;
    cout << "&ptr1: "<< &ptr1</pre>
     << " sizeof(ptr1): " << sizeof(ptr1)</pre>
     << " ptr1: " << ptr1 << endl;
    cout << "&ptr2: "<< &ptr2
     << " sizeof(ptr2): " << sizeof(ptr2)</pre>
     << " ptr2: " << ptr2 << endl;
    delete[] ptr1;
    delete[] ptr2;
    return 0;
}
```

```
$ g++ -Wall -o app7 app7.cpp
$ ./app7
ptr1[0]: 1.1
&ptr1: 0x22cce4 sizeof(ptr1): 4 ptr1: 0x7fee0008
&ptr2: 0x22cce0 sizeof(ptr2): 4
ptr2: 0x6a0700
```

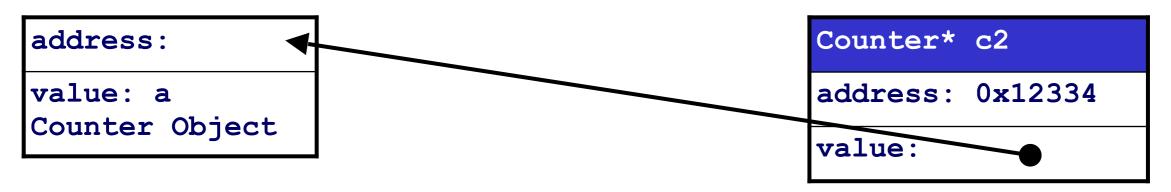


What does new do?

Dynamic object in the heap

```
Counter* c2 = new Counter("c2");
delete c2; // de-allocate memory!
```

Automatic variable in the stack



- new allocates an amount of memory given by sizeof (Counter) somewhere in memory
- returns a pointer to this location
- we assign c2 to be this pointer and access the dynamically allocated memory
- delete de-allocates the region of memory pointed to by c2 and makes this memory available to be re-used by the program

Memory Leak: Killing the System

Perhaps one of the most common problems in C++ programming

 User allocates memory at run time with new but never releases the memory – forgets to call delete!

- Golden rule: every time you call **new** ask yourself
 - Do I really need to use new?
 - where and when delete is called to free this memory?

- Even small amount of leak can lead to a crash of the system
 - Leaking 10 kB in a loop over 1M events leads to 1 GB of allocated and unusable memory!

Simple Example of Memory Leak

```
// app6.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
  for(int i=0; i<10000; ++i){
    double* ptr = new double[100000];
    ptr[0] = 1.1;
    cout << "i: " << i
         << ", ptr: " << ptr
         << ", ptr[0]: " << ptr[0]
         << endl;
    // delete[] ptr; // ops! memory
leak!
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o leak1 leak1.cpp
$ ./leak1
i: 0, ptr: 0x4a0280, ptr[0]: 1.1
i: 1, ptr: 0x563bf8, ptr[0]: 1.1
...
i: 1381, ptr: 0x4247e178, ptr[0]: 1.1
i: 1382, ptr: 0x42541680, ptr[0]: 1.1
Abort (core dumped)
```

- At each iteration ptr is a pointer to a new (and large) array of 100k doubles!
- This memory is not released because we forgot the delete operator!
- At each turn more memory becomes unavailable until the system runs out of memory and crashes!

Advantages of Dynamic Memory Allocation

- No need to fix size of data to be used at compilation time
 - Easier to deal with real life use cases with variable and unknown number of data objects
 - No need to reserve very large but FIXED-SIZE arrays of memory
 - Example: interaction of particle in matter
 - Our How many particles are produced due to particle going through a detector?
 - Number not fixed a priori
 - Use dynamic allocation to create new particles as they are generated
- Disadvantage: correct memory management
 - Must keep track of ownership of objects
 - If not de-allocated can cause memory leaks which leads to slow execution and crashes
 - Most difficult part specially at the beginning or in complex systems

Destructor Method of a Class

- Constructor used by compiler to initialise instance of a class (an object)
 - Assign proper values to data members and allocate the object in memory
- Destructors are special member function doing reverse work of constructors
 - Do cleanup when object goes out of scope
- Destructor performs termination house keeping when objects go out of scope
 - No de-allocation of memory
 - Tells the program that memory previously occupied by the object is again free and can be re-used
- Destructors are FUNDAMENTAL when using dynamic memory allocation

Special Features of Destructors

Destructors have no arguments

- Destructors do not have a return type
 - Similar to constructors

Destructor of class Counter
 MUST be called ~Counter()

```
#ifndef Counter h
#define Counter h
// Counter.h
#include <string>
class Counter {
 public:
    Counter(const std::string& name);
    ~Counter();
    int value();
    void reset();
    void increment();
    void increment(int step);
    void print();
 private:
    int count ;
    std::string name ;
#endif
```

Trivial Example of Destructor

Constructor initializes data members

```
#ifndef Counter h
#define Counter h
// Counter.h
#include <string>
class Counter {
 public:
    Counter(const std::string& name);
    ~Counter();
    int value();
    void reset();
    void increment();
    void increment(int step);
    void print();
 private:
    int count ;
    std::string name ;
#endif
```

Destructor does nothing

```
#include "Counter.h"
#include <iostream> // needed for input/output
using std::cout;
using std::endl;
Counter::Counter(const std::string& name) {
  count = 0;
  name = name;
  cout << "Counter::Counter() called for Counter "</pre>
       << name << endl;
};
Counter::~Counter() {
  cout << "Counter::~Counter() called for Counter "</pre>
       << name << endl;
};
int Counter::value() {
  return count ;
void Counter::reset() {
  count = 0;
void Counter::increment() {
  count ++;
void Counter::increment(int step) {
  count = count +step;
void Counter::print() {
  cout << "Counter::print(): name: " << name</pre>
       << " value: " << count << endl;
```

Who and When Calls the Destructor?

Constructors are called by compiler when new objects are created

```
// app1.cpp
#include "Counter.h"
#include <string>
int main() {
  Counter c1( std::string("c1") );
  Counter c2( std::string("c2") );
  Counter c3( std::string("c3") );
  c2.increment(135);
  c1.increment(5677);
  c1.print();
  c2.print();
  c3.print();
  return 0:
```

Destructors are called implicitly by compiler when objects go out of scope!

Destructors are called in reverse order of creation

```
$ g++ -c Counter.cc
$ g++ -o app1 app1.cpp Counter.o
$ ./app1
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c1
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c2
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c3
Counter::print(): name: c1 value: 5677
Counter::print(): name: c2 value: 135
Counter::print(): name: c3 value: 0
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c3
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c2
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c1
```

Create in order objects c1, c2, and c3

Another Example of Destructors

```
// app2.cpp
#include "Counter.h"
#include <string>
int main() {
  Counter c1( std::string("c1") );
  int count = 344;
  if( 1.1 <= 2.02 ) {
    Counter c2( std::string("c2") );
    Counter c3( std::string("c3") );
    if( count == 344 ) {
      Counter c4( std::string("c4") );
    Counter c5( std::string("c5") );
    for(int i=0; i<3; ++i) {
      Counter c6( std::string("c6") );
  return 0;
```

```
$ g++ -o app2 app2.cpp Counter.o
$ ./app2
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c1
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c2
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c3
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c4
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c4
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c5
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c6
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c5
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c3
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c2
Counter::~Counter() called for Counter c1
```