C++ - Assignment 6

Polymorphism and abstract classes



A set of classes for shapes

- Write a class hierarchy to describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.
- At a minimum, your class hierarchy should contain:
 - An abstract base class used as an interface for all shapes;
 - An abstract derived class for a) 2D shapes and b) 3D shapes;
 - Concrete derived classes for at least 4 2D shapes (rectangle, square, ellipse, circle);
 - Concrete derived classes for at least 4 3D shapes (cuboid,cube,ellipsoid,sphere);
 - Additional inheritance for specialisation ("is a");
 - Constructors and (virtual) destructors;
 - Pure virtual functions to return area and volume (can be zero for 2D shapes).
- Your main program must:
 - Implement an array or vector of at least 8 base class pointers, each pointing to a different shape;
 - Output the area (for 2D case) and volume (for 3D) of each shape;
 - Clean up by deleting objects and array when finished.
- Assignment deadline: Friday April 21st, 19:00



Marking / marking rubric

- The following marks apply if your program contains:
 - An abstract base class for shapes with appropriate pure virtual functions and virtual destructor. [0.5 marks]
 - Eight derived classes (4 2D, 4 3D), each appropriately overriding (pure virtual) functions. [0.5 marks]
 - Correct use of inheritance for specialization. [0.5 marks]
 - Code demonstrates polymorphism using an array or vector of base class pointers, each pointing to different shape. [0.5 marks]
 - Code correctly prints out the area (2D) and area and volume (3D) of each shape. [0.5 marks]
 - Code correctly cleans up, deleting objects and array. [0.5 marks]
- Challenge mark: write an extra prism class (again, a derived class!) whose constructor takes a double (the depth of the prism) and a 2D shape through a base class pointer. Class must contain a function to return volume of the prism (prism depth × area from 2D shape). [1 mark]
- Total: 4 marks



Marking / marking rubric - I

	Not at all	Partially	Completely
Code contains abstract base class for shapes with appropriate pure virtual functions and virtual destructor	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Code contains 8 derived classes (square, rectangle, ellipse, circle, cube, cuboid, ellipsoid, sphere), each appropriately overriding pure virtual functions	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Correct use of inheritance for specialization	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Code demonstrates polymorphism using an array (or vector) of base class pointers, each pointing to different shape	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Code correctly prints out area (2D) and area/volume (3D) of each shape	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Code cleans up, deleting objects and array/clear vector	0 (0.00%)	0.25 (6.25%)	0.5 (12.50%)
Challenge mark: write an extra prism class (a derived class!) whose constructor takes a double (depth of prism) and a base class pointer to any of the 2D shapes. Class must contain a function to return volume of the prism	0 (0.00%)	0.5 (12.50%)	1 (25.00%)

Marking / marking rubric - II

- [total 4 marks] you lose marks if:
- The code generates error messages on compilation. [up to -1 mark]
 - If you want to clear all doubts from differences between your compiler and the demonstrator's compiler, you can also submit a screenshot of the compilation output from one of the lab computers
 - Try to get rid of compilation warnings as well
- Code layout, presentation, comments, variable names not clear (think also of house style here). [up to -1 mark]
- The code does not adequately demonstrate the use and implementation of the class. [up to -1 mark]



You lose all marks if you do not submit the .cpp file(s) (and .h files if used).
You can use a zip file to pack everything

