VE280 Programming and Elementary Data Structures

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Final Review







Final Exam

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- Closed book

No electronic devices

Read carefully the instructions and the questions

Final Exam

- Written exam
 - Like previous years
 - A number of questions which only require you to provide a very short answer
 - A few questions which require you to write code on the paper
- Abide by the **Honor Code**!

Final Exam Topics

- Subtype and inheritance
- Virtual function
- Abstract base class (interface)
- Representation invariants
- Dynamic memory management and dynamic array
- Constructor taking default arguments and destructor
- Deep copy: copy constructor, overloaded assignment operator

Range: Everything after Midterm

- Linked list
- Template
- Container of pointers: one invariant and three rules
- Operator overloading
- Stack and queue
- STL

Subtypes

Creating

- Subtype: satisfying "substitution principle"
- In an Abstract Data Type, there are three ways to create a subtype from a supertype:
- 1. Add one or more operations. E.g. IntSet -> MaxIntSet
- 2. Strengthen the postcondition of one or more operations. E.g., MaxIntSet -> SafeMaxIntSet
- 3. Weaken the precondition of one or more operations. E.g., MaxIntSet -> SafeMaxIntSet

Inheritance

• C++ has a mechanism to enable subtyping, called inheritance.

```
class bar : public foo {
    ...
};
```

- bar is a derived class of foo
- Legal to have
 bar b;
 foo &fr = b;
 foo *fp = &b;
- **Protected** data members
 - Versus private data members

Virtual Functions

```
class IntSet {
    ...
public:
    ...
    virtual void insert(int v);
    ...
};
```

- This makes it possible to run the function based on the actual type.
- "virtualness" is inherited.

Virtual Functions

```
class foo {
public:
   void f(); non-virtual
   virtual void g();
               virtual
class bar: public foo {
public:
   void f();
                  bar b;
                  foo *fp = \&b;
   void g();
                  fp->f(); //Call foo::f()
};
                  fp->g(); //Call bar::g()
```

Abstract Base Classes

- An "interface-only" class, from which an implementation can be **derived**.
- Cannot be instantiated, because there is no implementation.
- Define pure virtual functions for abstract base classes.
 virtual void insert(int v) = 0;
- Put the implementation in a derived class.
 class IntSetImpl: public IntSet
- Create instance using pointers/references.
 IntSet *getIntSet();

Representation Invariants

- A <u>representation invariant</u> applies to the data members of ADT.
- It describes the conditions that must hold on those members for the representation to correctly implement the abstraction.
- Essentially, for each method, you should:
 - Do the work of the method (i.e. insert)
 - Repair the invariants you broke
- Invariants can be coded, to check the sanity of the structure.
 - To check: assert (repOK());

Dynamic Memory Allocation

- Dynamic objects, about which the compiler doesn't know
 - How big it is.
 - How long it lives.
- Dynamic storage management: new and delete
- Memory leak problem
- Checking memory leak: valgrind
- Dynamic Arrays

```
int *ia = new int[5];
delete[] ia;
```

• Note: difference between delete and delete []

IntSet with Dynamic Array

Overloaded Constructor

```
IntSet();IntSet(int size);
```

Calling constructor

```
IntSet is1;
IntSet is2(200);
```

IntSet with Dynamic Array

• Function with Default Argument

```
IntSet(int size = MAXELTS);
```

```
int f(int a, int b = 3, int c = 4);
f(2, 5); a = 2, b = 5, c = 4
```

• There could be multiple default arguments in a function, but they must be the last arguments.

```
int add(int a, int b = 0, int c = 1) // OK int add(in a, int b = 1, int c) // Error
```

- Destructor
 - ~IntSet();
 - Automatically called

Deep Copy

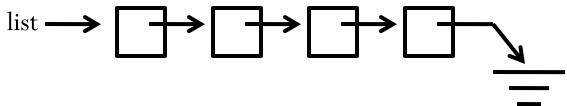
- Shallow Copy versus Deep Copy
 - We need to copy the dynamic array, not just the array pointer.
- Copy ConstructorIntSet(const IntSet &is);
- Assignment Operator

```
IntSet &operator=(const IntSet &is);
```

- Assignment returns a **reference** to the left-hand-side object.
- Can handle self-assignment correctly by first checking
 if (this != &is)
- return *this;
- The Rule of the Big Three
 - destructor, copy constructor, and assignment operator

Linked List

• A linked list is one with a series of zero or more data containers, connected by pointers from one to another, like:



Implementation of Linked List

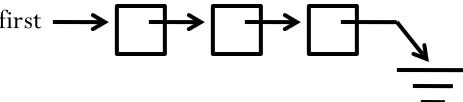
Linked Lists

```
class IntList {
  node *first;
public:
  bool isEmpty();
  void insert(int v);
  int remove();
  IntList();
                              // default ctor
  IntList(const IntList& 1); // copy ctor
                              // dtor
  ~IntList();
  // assignment
  IntList &operator=(const IntList &1);
};
```

• Variations of linked lists.

Linked List Traversal

• With the "first" pointer, we can traverse the linked list.



```
int IntList::getSize() {
  int count = 0;
  node *current = first;
 while(current) {
    count++;
    current = current->next;
  return count;
```

Polymorphism and Templates

- Things like IntSet and IntList are often called containers or container classes.
 - We can also define CharList.
- Reusing code for different types is called **polymorphism**.

```
template <class T>
class List {
    ...
};
```

Templates

• Each **method** must also be declared as a "**templatized**" method.

```
template <class T>
void List<T>::isEmpty() {
  return (first == NULL);
}
```

• To use templates, you specify the type T when creating the container object.

```
List<int> li;
```

Container of Pointers

• Instead of copying large types by value, we usually insert and remove them **by reference**.

```
void insert(BigThing *v);
BigThing *remove();
```

- At-most-once invariant.
- Existence, ownership, and conservation rules.

Containers

Destructor

```
template <class T>
List<T>::~List() {
  while (!isEmpty()) {
    T *op = remove();
    delete op;
}
```

Container of Pointers

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```
template <class T>
void List<T>::copyList(node *list) {
  if (!list) return;
  copyList(list->next);
  T *o = new T(*list->value);
  insert(o);
}
```

Operator Overloading

- C++ lets us **redefine** the meaning of the operators when applied to objects of **class type**.
- Most overloaded operators may be defined as ordinary **nonmember** functions or as class **member** functions.

```
A operator+(const A &1, const A &r);
// returns l "+" r
A A::operator+(const A &r);
// returns *this "+" r
```

Friend

• A mechanism to make a function/class as a "friend" of another class, so the function/class can directly visit the private members of the other class

```
class foo {
  friend class bar;
  friend void baz();
  int f;
};
class bar { . . . . };
void baz() { . . . . }
```

Friendship of both class and function.

Stack

- A "pile" of objects where new object is put on **top** of the pile and the top object is removed first.
- Five operations
 - size(), isEmpty(), push(), pop(), top()
- Can be implemented using either array or linked list
- Applications
 - Web browser's "back" feature
 - Parentheses matching

Queue

- A "line" of items in which the **first** item inserted is the **first** one out.
 - Insert to the back and remove from the front
- Six operations
 - size(), isEmpty(), enqueue(), dequeue(), front(), rear()
- Can be implemented using either linked list or array
 - What kind of linked list?
 - What kind of array?
- Application: wire routing in electronic design automation

Standard Template Library

- Sequential container: store and retrieve elements by position
 - vector, deque, list
- Associative container: store and retrieve elements based on their **keys**. We focus on two associative containers where the order depends on the keys of the elements:
 - map, set
- Iterators: companion type of a container
 - Iterators are more general than subscripts: All of the library containers define iterator types, but only a few of them support subscripting.
 - Operations: ++iter, --iter, iter1 == iter2, iter1 != iter2, *iter
 - const_iterator: cannot change the element referred to

Sequential Container: vector

- Contructor
 - vector<T> v1; vector<T> v2(v1);
 - vector<T> v3(n, t);
 - vector<T> v4(b, e);
 - Iterator range. Can even use another container type / built-in array to initialize
- Random access through subscripting: d [k]
- size(), empty(), push_back(), pop_back(), front(), back(), begin(), end(), clear()
- Supports iterator arithmetic (iter+3) and relational operations on iterator (iter1 </<=/>>= iter2)

Differences between vector, deque, list

- deque and list support push_front() and pop_front(); vector does not support
- list does not support subscripting

```
list<string> li(10, "hi");
li[1] = "hello"; // Error!
```

• No iterator arithmetic for **list**

```
list<int>::iterator it;
it+3; // Error!
```

• No relational operation <, <=, >, >= on iterator of **list**

```
list<int>::iterator it1, it2;
it1 < it2; // Error!</pre>
```

Which Sequential Container to Use?

- vector and deque are fast for random access, but are not efficient for inserting/removing at the middle
- list is efficient for inserting/removing at the middle, but not efficient for random access
- Choose based on the required operations and their frequencies
 - Use vector, unless you have a good reason to prefer another container.

Associative Container: map

- It stores (key, value) pair
- map<string,int> word_count;
- We can use subscripting to add elements to a map

```
word count["Anna"] = 1;
```

- If key exists, subscripting return the value
- If not existing, adds an element with that index to the map
- How can we determine if a key is present without causing it to be inserted?
 - m.find(k)
- Iterator for map elements
 - iter->first; iter->second;

Good Luck to Everyone!

Questions?

Sample Question 1

• Consider the following class Foo:

```
class Foo{
    IntSet set;
public:
    Foo(){
        set = IntSet();
    }
    // other members are omitted
};
```

• How many times is the constructor of IntSet called when the default constructor of Foo is called?

Sample Question 2

• For the following code, there is **at most one** major problem. If there is one, write down the problem. You don't need to tell us how to fix it. If there is none, write "None".

```
vector<string> ds;
ds.push_back("toto");
ds.push_back("tata");
stack<string> s(ds);
s.pop();
```

Sample Question 3

• A circular list can be defined as follows:

```
template<class T> class CircularList { // OVERVIEW: a circular singly-linked list
    struct Node{
                                                           class ListEmpty {
        Node *next; // next node, NULL if empty
                                                                // OVERVIEW: an exception class
        T val; // value contained by this node
                                                          };
    };
    node *last; // pointer to the last node of the list
public: /* Other member functions are omitted */
    void insert(T v);
    // MODIFIES: this
    // EFFECTS: Add the value v to the front of the list.
    T remove();
    // MODIFIES: this
    // EFFECTS: If the list is empty, throws a ListEmpty exception.
    //
                  Otherwise, remove the first node of the list and
                  return its value
    unsigned int size() const;
    // EFFECTS: Return the number of elements in the list.
};
```

- Why do we keep a pointer to the last node (instead of the first)?
- Give the representation invariant
- Implement the insert and remove methods