

CS 32 Solutions Week 2

Concepts: Copy constructors, assignment operators

1. (5 minutes) What is the output of the following code?

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class A {
public:
    A() { cout << "DC" << endl; }

    A(const A& other) { cout << "CC" << endl; }

    A& operator=(const A& other) {
        cout << "AO" << endl;
        return *this;
    }

    ~A() { cout << "Destructor!" << endl; }
};

int main() {
    A arr[3];                // default constructs 3 A's
    arr[0] = arr[1];         // assignment operator
    A x = arr[0];            // copy constructor
    x = arr[1];              // assignment operator
    A y(arr[2]);             // copy constructor
    cout << "DONE" << endl; // writes DONE
} // destroys y, x, and the 3 elements of arr
```

Solution:

```
DC
DC
DC
AO
CC
AO
CC
DONE
Destructor!
Destructor!
Destructor!
Destructor!
Destructor!
```

2. (10 minutes) Find the **4 errors** in the following class definitions so the main function runs correctly.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;

class Account {
public:
    Account(int x) { cash = x; }
    int cash;
}; // 1.

class Billionaire {
public:
    Billionaire(string n) : account(10000) { // 2.
        offshore = new Account(1000000000); // 3.
        name = n;
    }

    ~Billionaire() { // 4.
        delete offshore;
    }

    Account account;
    Account* offshore;
    string name;
};

int main() {
    Billionaire jim = Billionaire("Jimmy");
    cout << jim.name << " has " << jim.account.cash + jim.offshore->cash
        << endl;
}
```

Output:

Jimmy has 1000010000

Solution:

1. Classes need a following semicolon in C++!
2. We need to initialize the account's cash to 10,000 to see the correct output. We could also move the initialization of `name` to the initialization list.
3. Since the offshore is a pointer to an Account object, we need to allocate it on the heap using the `new` keyword.
4. Now that we have a dynamically allocated object, we need to free it in the destructor or we'll have a memory leak.

3. (10 minutes) What is the output of the following code:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class B {
    int m_val;

public:
    B(int x) : m_val(x) { cout << "Wow such " << x << endl; }
    B(const B& other) {
        cout << "There's another me???" << endl;
        m_val = other.m_val;
    }
    ~B() { cout << "Twas a good life" << endl; }
};

class A {
    int m_count;
    B* m_b;

public:
    A() : m_count(9.5) {
        cout << "Construct me with " << m_count << endl;
        m_b = new B(m_count + 10);
    }
    A(const A& other) {
        cout << "Copy me" << endl;
        m_count = other.m_count;
        m_b = (other.m_b != nullptr) ? new B(*other.m_b) : nullptr;
    }
    ~A() {
        cout << "Goodbye cruel world" << endl;
        if (m_b) delete m_b;
    }
    int getCount() { return m_count; }
};

int main() {
    A a1, a2; // Construct me with 9 Wow such 19 Construct me with 9 Wow such 19
    A a3 = a2; // copy me, there's another me??
    B b1(a3.getCount()); // Wow such 9
    cout << "Where are we?" << endl;
}
```

Solution:

```
Construct me with 9
Wow such 19
Construct me with 9
Wow such 19
Copy me
There's another me???
Wow such 9
Where are we? // by the main function
Twas a good life // for b1 by B's destructor
Goodbye cruel world // for a3 by A's destructor
Twas a good life // for a3 by B's destructor called by A's dtor's delete
m_b
Goodbye cruel world // for a2
Twas a good life // for a2
Goodbye cruel world // for a1
Twas a good life // for a1
```

4. (15 minutes) Complete the copy constructor, assignment operator, and destructor of the following class. Be careful to avoid aliasing, memory leaks, and other pointer issues!

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class A {
public:
    A(int sz) {
        //...implement this!
    }

    A(const A& other) {
        //...implement this!
    }

    A& operator=(const A& other) {
        //...implement this!
    }

    //...other functions

    ~A() {
        //...implement this!
    }

private:
    B* b; // one dynamically allocated B object; assume B has a
        // default constructor, a copy constructor, and an
        // assignment operator

    int* arr; // dynamically allocated array

    int n; // size of arr (determined by a constructor)

    string str;
};
```

Solution:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <algorithm>
using namespace std;

class A {
public:
    A(int sz) {
        b = new B;
        arr = new int[sz];
        n = sz;
    }

    A(const A& other) {
        b = new B(*other.b);
        n = other.n;
        arr = new int[n];
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
            arr[i] = other.arr[i];
        }
        str = other.str;
    }

    A& operator=(const A& other) {
        if (this != &other) {
            A temp(other);
            swap(b, temp.b);
            swap(arr, temp.arr);
            swap(n, temp.n);
            swap(str, temp.str);
        }
        return *this;
    }

    //...other functions

    ~A() {
        delete b;
        delete[] arr;
    }
}
```



```
private:
    // one dynamically allocated B object; assume B has a
    // default constructor, a copy constructor, and an
    // assignment operator
    B* b;
    // dynamically allocated array
    int* arr;
    // size of arr (determined by a constructor)
    int n;
    string str;
};
```

5. (5 minutes) After being defined by the above code, Jim the Billionaire funded a cloning project and volunteered himself as the first human test subject. Sadly, all his money isn't cloned, so his clone has his name, but has \$0. Add the needed function to the Billionaire class so the following main function produces the following output.

```
int main() {  
    Billionaire jim = Billionaire("Jimmy");  
    Billionaire jimClone = jim;  
    cout << jimClone.name << " has "  
        << jimClone.account.cash + jimClone.offshore->cash << endl;  
    cout << jim.name << " has " << jim.account.cash + jim.offshore->cash  
        << endl;  
}
```

Output:

```
Jimmy has 0  
Jimmy has 1000010000
```

Solution:

```
class Billionaire {
public:
    Billionaire(string n) : account(10000) {
        offshore = new Account(1000000000);
        name = n;
    }

    // added
    Billionaire(const Billionaire& b) : account(0), name(b.name) {
        offshore = new Account(0);
    }

    ~Billionaire() {
        delete offshore;
    }

    Account account;
    Account* offshore;
    string name;
};
```