HIGH-LEVEL PROGRAMMING 2

Useful C++ ADTs by Prasanna Ghali

Abstraction and Encapsulation

- Abstraction: technique for reducing complexity that identifies which specific information should be visible [the interface] and which should be hidden [the implementation]
- Encapsulation: packaging technique to hide implementation and to make visible interface

Abstract Data Types

- Interface created using data abstraction and encapsulation that defines high-level data type and operations on values of that type
- Clients only need to worry about how to use
 ADT interface and not on ADT implementation

Plan For This Week

Look at useful ADTs provided by C++ standard library such as: std::array, std::initializer_list, std::pair, std::string, std::vector,...

Static Array Usage in C And C++

```
double average(double arr[], std::size t size) {
  if (!size) { // avoid later division by 0
    return 0.;
  double sum {};
  for (std::size_t i{}; i < size; ++i) {</pre>
    sum += arr[i];
  return sum/size;
int main() {
  int const MAX STUDENTS {5};
  double grades[MAX STUDENTS] {11.1, 22.2, 33.3, 44.4, 55.5};
  std::cout << "Average: " << average(grades, MAX_STUDENTS);</pre>
}
```

Problems With Static Arrays

- No runtime boundary checking occurs when reading from and writing to array!!!
 - Reading/writing past array bounds results in undefined behaviour
 - C/C++ compilers don't provide help in detecting reading/writing past array bounds

```
double grades[5] = {11.1, 22.2, 33.3, 44.4, 55.5};
int i = 5000;
// this call to crashes the program on my PC ...
std::cout << "grades[" << i << "]: " << grades[i] << "\n";</pre>
```

Problems With Static Arrays

□ Another insidious error ...

insidious because some other variable is inadvertently getting updated ...

```
double grades[5] = {11.1, 22.2, 33.3, 44.4, 55.5};
int i = -5;
// writing to and reading from outside array ...
grades[i] = 66.6;
```

Problems With Dynamic Arrays

□ Things are worse when we don't know array size at compile-time!!!

```
int student_count;
// read input file to determine number of students ...
// allocate appropriate memory on free store ...
int *grades = new [student_count];

// read grades from input file into dynamic array ...
// process grades ...
// don't forget to return memory back to free store ...
```

Pointers Are Error Prone

- Dereferencing uninitialized pointers
- Dereferencing nullptrs
- Reading uninitialized objects that are dynamically allocated
- Failing to delete [or delete[]] allocated memory causing memory leak
- Calling delete rather than delete[] and vice versa
- Accessing deleted memory
- Double deleteing dynamically allocated objects
- Premature deletion causes dangling pointers
- Off-by-one array subscripting

Modern C++ Alternatives

- □ In modern C++, best to avoid C-style arrays!!!
- □ Instead use C++ standard library functionality:

```
std::array, std::initializer_list,
```

std::string, std::vector, ...

It is easy to use these types correctly to avoid problems related to C-style arrays and C-strings and hard to use these types incorrectly to make mistakes common to Cstyle arrays and C-strings

std::array<T,N>

Modern C++ provides C++ standard library type std::array<T,N> as replacement for static C-style arrays!!!

```
#include <limits>
#include <array>
int largest(std::array<int, 1'000'000> const& value) {
  int large_val {std::numeric_limits<int>::min()};
  for (int x : value) {
    large_val = (x > large_val) ? x : large_val;
  return large val;
int main() {
  std::array<int, 1'000'000> big_array;
  // fill big_array with values ...
  int largest value = largest(big array);
```

Initializer Lists

- initializer list is standard library type that represents array of values of specified type but without array interface!!!
- Useful when you want to define function that takes an unknown number of values of same type

initializer_list Operations

```
// default initializer: empty list of elements of type T
std::initializer list<T> lst;
// lst2 has as many elements as there are initializers;
// elements are copies of corresponding initializers
// Elements in list are immutable and hence const
std::initializer_list<T> lst2 {a, b, c ...};
// lst3 doesn't make copies of elements of lst2!!!
// Instead, both lst2 and lst3 share elements
std::initializer_list<T> lst3(lst2);
// same as above: both lst and lst2 share elements
lst = lst2;
// cannot use braces ...
std::initializer_list<T> lst4 {lst2}; // ERROR
```

initializer_list Operations

```
std::initializer list<T> lst {a, b, c ...};
lst.size(); // number of elements in list lst
// member function returns pointer to 1st element in lst
lst.begin();
// global function returns pointer to 1st element in lst
std::begin(lst);
// member function returns pointer to one past last element
lst.end();
// global function returns pointer to one past last element
std::end(lst);
```

Initializer Lists

- Can iterate thro' elements using range-for statement
- □ See initializer-list.cpp ...

<utility>

In <utility>, standard library provides a few "utility components" such as std::pair and std::tuple

 Class std::pair treats two values of arbitrary types as single unit

```
#include <utility>
int main() {
  // make a pair of C-string and double:
  std::pair<char const*, double> p1{"pi", 3.14};
  std::cout << p1.first << ' ' << p1.second << '\n';</pre>
  std::cout << std::get<0>(p1) << ' ' << std::get<1>(p1) << '\n';
  // make a pair of a pair < char, int > and double ...
  using PCI = std::pair<char, int>;
  std::pair<PCI, float> p2{PCI{'a', 1}, 1.21f};
  std::cout << std::get<0>(p2).first <<</pre>
            << p2.first.second << ' ' << p2.second << '\n';
```

- cutility> provides convenience function std::make_pair to make pairs from values without writing types explicitly
- □ See pair-intro.cpp ...

```
int main() {
    std::pair<int, double> p4 = std::make_pair(12, 12.123);
    std::cout << std::get<0>(p4) << ' ' << std::get<1>(p4) << '\n';

int i{12};
    double d{12.123};
    // ERROR: i and d are lvalues!!!
    std::pair<int, double> p5 = std::make_pair(i, d); // ERROR
}
```

- "Quick and dirty" data structure to combine two values into single value
- Used in many places in standard library [which we'll look at later]
- Useful when we want to combine two pieces of data into single value but don't want to both to define a structure to represent these data
- We can use std::pair to return two values from function

Usual way to return more than two values is to either use two "in/out" reference parameters or one "in/out" reference parameter and function return value

Can rewrite function to return value of type std::pair: see div-rem.cpp ...

```
#include <utility>
std::pair<int, int> divide_remainder(int dividend, int divisor) {
  int q = dividend/divisor, r = dividend-divisor*q;
  return std::pair<int, int>{q, r};
int main() {
  std::pair<int, int> result = divide_remainder(7, 3);
  std::cout << "quotient: " << result.first << " | "</pre>
            << "remainder: " << result.second << "\n";</pre>
  std::cout << "quotient: " << std::get<0>(result) << " | "</pre>
            << "remainder: " << std::get<1>(result) << "\n";
```

Function to return both sum and average: see sum-avg.cpp ...

```
#include <utility>
// return both sum and average as std::pair<int, double> value ...
std::pair<int, double> sum_avg(std::initializer_list<int> values) {
  if (!values.size()) {
    return std::make pair(0, 0.0);
  int sum {};
  for (int x : values) { sum += x; }
  double average = static_cast<double>(sum)/values.size();
  return std::pair<int, double>{sum, average};
```

Class std::tuple

- Another "quick and dirty" data structure to combine two multiple values into single value
- Useful when we want to combine two multiple pieces of data into single value but don't want to both to define a structure to represent these data
- We are not concerned with <u>std::tuple</u> this semester

using Keyword [1st Use]

- using declaration makes specific names declared in a namespace accessible without requiring namespace and :: operator
- Hides previous meaning that name had in outer scope!!!

```
#include <iostream>
int cout {1};

int main() {
  using std::cout; // using declaration
  cout << "hello world: " << ::cout << "\n";
}</pre>
```

- using directive makes specific all names declared in a namespace accessible without requiring namespace and :: operator
- Worst possible C++ feature!!!
- □ Why?
- Simply assume this feature doesn't exist and you'll never have any trouble with it!!!

Suppose you've the following situation [where everything works as expected]

```
// from graphics.hpp ...
namespace Graphics {
  void foo(int);
  // other stuff ...
}

// from ai.hpp ...
namespace AI {
  void bar();
  // other stuff ...
}
```

```
// this is your source ...
using namespace Graphics;
using namespace AI;
// suppose you're authoring function baz
void baz() {
  // some other functions are called ...
  bar(); // do some AI stuff ...
  foo(10.1); // do some graphics stuff ...
 // some other functions are called ...
```

Now, interface in namespace AI is expanded
 [causing your code to insidiously go wrong]

```
// from graphics.hpp ...
namespace Graphics {
  void foo(int);
  // other stuff ...
}

// from ai.hpp ...
namespace AI {
  void bar();
  void foo(double);
  // other stuff ...
}
```

```
// this is your source ...
using namespace Graphics;
using namespace AI;
// suppose you're authoring function baz
void baz() {
  // some other functions are called ...
  bar(); // do some AI stuff ...
  foo(10.1); // which foo?
 // some other functions are called ...
```

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using alias declaration introduces a C style typedef name any built-in or derived type existing-type typedef IDENTIFIER; new name for existing type keyword any built-in or derived type IDENTIFIER = existing-type; using new name for existing type keyword

```
int incr(int val) {
  return val+1;
}

typedef int INTC;
typedef int (*PFC)(int);
typedef int (&RFC)(int);

using INTCPP = int;
using PFCPP = int(*)(int);
using RFCPP = int(&)(int);
```

```
int main() {
  INTC x \{-1\};
  PFC pfc_incr = incr;
  RFC rfc incr = incr;
  INTCPP y \{-1\};
  PFCPP pfcpp_incr = incr;
  RFCPP rfcpp incr = incr;
  std::cout << pfc incr(++x) << '\n';</pre>
  std::cout << rfc_incr(++x) << '\n';</pre>
  std::cout << pfcpp_incr(++y) << '\n';</pre>
  std::cout << rfcpp_incr(++y) << '\n';</pre>
```

- For C++ language technical reasons, always use using keyword to define type aliases
- Forget about keyword typedef in C++
- Use keyword typedef only in C code and for maintaining legacy code ...

C-Style Strings In C++

- String is array [sequence] of chars
- C-style string is an array of chars terminatedby null character '\0'
- C++ inherits C-string functions from C and they're declared in <cstring>
- C++ standard library has type Std::string that provides much improved implementation of concept of string
- Why std::string?

C-Strings: The Good

- Simple and basic entity: makes use of char type and array structure
- Lightweight: minimal memory requirements
- Low level: Can be easily manipulated and copied
- If you're C programmer, why learn anything else?

C-Strings: The Bad

- Not a first class data type: cannot write intuitive expressions similar to built-in types
- Low level 1: susceptible to hard to find memory and security bugs
- Low level 2: programmers must have knowledge of underlying representation

C++ Strings

- Programs dealing with text are simpler if they use C++ class type std::string because std::string is implemented as abstract data type
 - We don't know nor care about implementation
 - Instead, we only care about interface [behavior]

C++ Strings: Include <string>

```
#include <string>
// now you can use objects of type std::string
#include <cstring>
// avoid including <cstring> so that you
// don't use Legacy C mechanisms ...
```

C++ Strings: Definition

□ Lots of <u>constructors</u> to initialize string objects

Constructor	Examples
string name;	string s0; or string s0{};
<pre>string name(str-literal); string name(str-literal, n);</pre>	<pre>string s1 = {"Bart Simpson"}; string s2 = {"Bart Simpson", 4);</pre>
<pre>string name(cstr-variable); string name = cstr-variable; string name{cstr-variable}; string name(cstr-variable, n);</pre>	<pre>char const *ps {"Hello World"}; string s3(ps); string s3 = ps; string s3{ps}; string s4(ps, 5); // "Hello"</pre>
<pre>string name(str-variable); string name = str-variable; string name{str-variable};</pre>	<pre>string s5(s1); string s5 = s1; string s5{s1};</pre>
<pre>string name(str-variable, pos, n);</pre>	string s6(s1, 5, 3); // "Sim"
<pre>string name(n, ch);</pre>	string s7(5, '+'); // "+++++"

C++ Strings: String Literals

□ See <u>here</u> for more examples

output of above code fragment:

```
a b c
a "b" c
"a ""b """c
```

C++ Strings: Input and Output

std::string implements non-member overloads of operator<<, operator>>, and function getline to read line of text

C++ Strings: Assignment and Concatenation

std::string overloads =, += and +
operators

```
std::string s1{"Lisa"};
s1 += " ";
s1 += "Simpson"; // "Lisa Simpson"
std::cout << s1 << '\n';
std::string s2{"is a fictional character"};
s1 = s1 + " " + s2;
std::cout << s1 << '\n';</pre>
```

C++ Strings: Comparisons

std::string <u>overloads</u> entire gamut of comparison and relational operators

C++ Strings: Size and Capacity

std::string provides variety of ways to query number of characters ...

```
std::string s{"Lisa"};
std::cout << s.length() << '\n';
std::cout << s.size() << '\n';
std::cout << s.capacity() << '\n';</pre>
```

capacity 16

name

C++ Strings: Possible Memory Representation

Possible definition of class std::string ...

```
class string {
private:
  char *ptr;
                              std::string name{"Clint"};
  size_t length;
  size t capacity;
public:
                             name's memory representation:
  // rich interface ...
};
                    'i' 'n' 't'
   ptr
                                  [6]
                                            [9] [10] [11] [12] [13] [14] [15]
                              [5]
                                         [8]
length 5
```

C++ Strings: Indexing

std::string overloads subscript operator [no runtime index check] and member function at [throws exception when argument is out-ofrange]

```
std::string s{"abcdef"};

std::cout << s[2] << '\n'; // 'c'
std::cout << s[s.length()-1] << '\n'; // 'f'
std::cout << s[s.length()*2] << '\n'; // undefined behavior

std::cout << s.at(3) << '\n'; // 'd'
// std::out_of_range exception thrown
std::cout << s.at(s.length()*2) << '\n';</pre>
```

C++ Strings: Indexing

Indexing not recommended!!!

```
std::string capitalize(std::string s) {
   for (std::string::size_type i{}; i < s.length(); ++i) {
      s[i] = (s[i] >= 'a' && s[i] <= 'z') ? s[i]-'a'+'A' : s[i];
   }
   return s;
}</pre>
```

C++ Strings: Ranging

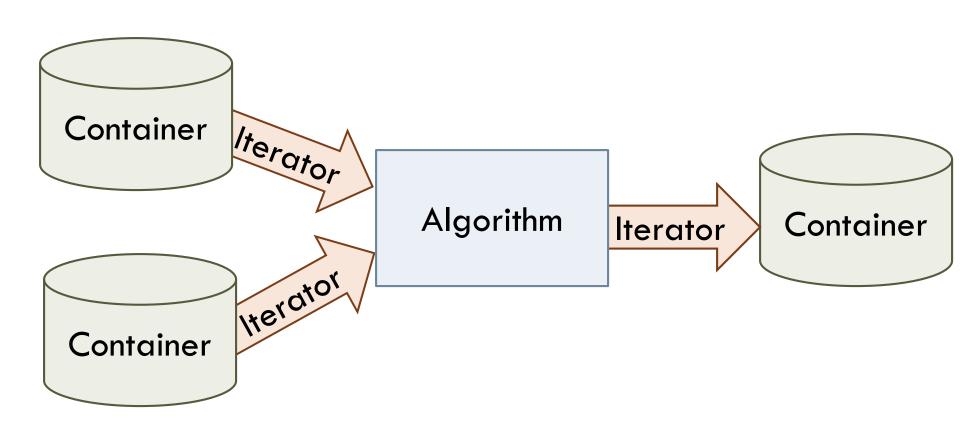
Instead, use range-for statement!!!

```
std::string capitalize(std::string s) {
  for (char& ch : s) {
    ch = (ch >= 'a' && ch <= 'z') ? ch-'a'+'A' : ch;
  }
  return s;
}</pre>
```

Handout

See handout on strings for more examples ...

Introduction to Standard Template Library Through std::vector<T>



Handout

See handout on vectors for more examples ...