Modern C++ Notes:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F_vIB3yjxaM&list=PLgnOpOtFTOGR50iIOtO36nK6aNPtVq98C

Lecture 0:

LINUX:

- UNIX based OS
- By Linus Torvalds
- LINUX file directory
 - o Starts with root: /
 - O User can only use Home and folders under it
- Paths
 - o Paths are case sensitive
 - Absolute path
 - /home/denimpatel/abc/def/
 - \circ Relative path
 - abc/def
- Terminal commands
 - o pwd: print working directory
 - o cd: change directory
 - o ls: list content of a directory
 - /: root folder
 - ~: home folder
 - o .: current folder
 - \circ ..: parent folder
- Structure of LINUX commands
 - o \$ command [options] [parameters]
 - o TAB completion
- mkdir -p to create a chain of folders
- rm -r remove recursively
- cp -r <source> <destination>
- mv <source> <destination>
- Placeholders- can be used with most of the Linux commands
 - o *: any set of characters
 - ?: any single character
 - o [a-f]: characters range
 - o [^a-c]: any characters not in range

- Chaining commands
 - Ocommand 1; command 2: command 3
 - It won't stop if the command fails
 - Command 1 & command 2 & command 3
 - Stops if a command fails
- htop command for process manager
- Navigation
 - o Use up-down key
 - O Ctrl+R for backward search
 - o less .bash history

C++

- Comments
 - // single line
 - o /* */ multi-line comment
 - Simply discarded by compilers
- Programs are meant to be read by humans and only incidentally for computers to execute
- Clang format to format the code
- cpplint to check the style

MAIN:

```
Primary thing and every c++ code contains it
```

```
#include<> : check for files in system folders
#include" " checks for files in current folders
```

I/O streams

stdin, stdout and stderr

std::cout<<" this is going into the output"<<std::endl;</pre>

Compilers

- Windows
- GCC
- Clang

To Compile: c++ -std=c++11 -o hello_world test.cpp

Lecture 1: Variables, types, control structure

Variables

- DO INITIALIZE YOUR VARIABLES
 - o Hard to catch in bigger programs
- Naming
 - use snake case google style
 - O Give meaningful variables
 - o Don't use negation in names
 - o Don't include type in names

Datatypes: https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/type

- Bool 0 or 1
- Char
- Int
- Short
- Long
- Float
- Double
- Auto
 - O Based on assignment
- Arithmatic operators: +-*/
- O Bollean opearators: && and , || or, ! not
- o String:
 - #include<string>
 - std::string message = "hello world";
 - Concatenate with +
 - str.empty()
- o Arrays:
 - #include<array>
 - std::array<float, 3> arr
 - Access with arr[0]
 - Number of stored iterms: arr.size()
 - Remove all elements: arr.clear()
 - arr.front()
 - arr.back()
- o Vectors:
 - #include<vector>
 - Std::vector vec
 - Use when number of item is unknown beforewise

```
■ vec.push back(val) - add a new item
             \blacksquare vec.emplace back(val) - same as push back - c++11
             ■ Many push back operations force vector to resize many
                times
                   • vec.reserve(2000);
  • Variables live in scopes- { }
  • Constant variables
        o Use camelCase - google-style
        o const float importantVariable = 5;
  • References to variables
        0 &
        o float& ref = origional variable
             ■ ref and origional variable points to same location
        O Const with reference
             ■ const float& ref = origional reference
Control Structures:
  • If statement
        o if(statement){// will be executed if statement is true }
        o break exits
  • Switch
        o switch(num){
           case 1:
                std::cout<<"is number 1"<<std::endl;</pre>
                Break:
           case 2:
                std::cout<<"is number 2"<<std::endl;</pre>
  • While
     while(condition) {
          //change condition
     }
        O Useful when unsure how many iterations needed
        o It's a curse too! Infinite loop
     for (int i=0; i < max num; i++) {
     }
     for(float number:vec) {
          std::cout<<number<<std::endl;</pre>
     }
```

■ Vector is implemented as a dynamic table

```
A better way to do this:
for(const auto& number: vec) {
    std::cout<<number<<std::endl;
}</pre>
```

- USE GIT: https://rogerdudler.github.io/git-guide/
 - o git clone <repo_url> <local_folder>
 - o In local folder
 - git add <files>
 - ullet -a for all
 - git commit -m "description message"
 - Git push origin master

Lecture 2: Compilation, Debugging, Functions, Libraries, CMake

To make the file executable
- chmod +x filename
+x means executable

Compilation flags

- std=c++1
- -o to rename the executable
- ullet -Wall to show all the warnings
- -Werror make every warning the errors
- -00 no optimization
- -03 or -Ofast for full optimization
- -g for debugging ??

Debugging

- The best option is to use gdb
- Use GDBGUI comes with a user-friendly interface
- C++ -std=c++11 -g first.cpp
- gdb a.out to start code in debug mode
- COMMANDS
 - o print variable_name
 - o s to step one line
- gdbgui a.out to open it with an interface

Functions

- Only a single return value
- As many parameters of any type
- Naming of function: Google-style CamelCase
 - o for paramerts use snake case
- Google-style: write small-sized functions
- Function declaration

```
int sum (int a, int b);
```

• Function implementation
Int sum(int a, int b) {
 return a+b;

• Passing big objects by reference

- void DoSomething(std::string& input string)
 - o but function implementation can change the value!!
 - \circ To prevent this from happening, put const

void DoSomething(const std::string& input_string)

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- Function overloading
 - The compiler infers a function from the arguments
 - Return-types plays no role at all
- Default arguments: int sum(int a, int b = 10)
- Don't reinvent the wheels
 - o #include <algorithm>
 - Highly optimized ones than self-implemented
- Header/Source separation
 - Move all declaration to header files(utils.h)
 - #include "utils.h" for linking
 - Implementation goes to utils.cpp
 - O Compiling multiple files is not trivial
 - Make object files from cpp files (utils.o)
 - c++ main.cpp utils.o -o main

Libraries

- Multiple object files that are logically connected
- Types
 - Static: becomes part of your code, fast, takes a lot of space, named as lib.o
 - O Dynamic: slower, can be copied, named as lib.so
- Library is a binary object that contains compiled implementation of some methods
- **Linking** is a process of linking compiled implementation to function declaration

Use **CMake** to simplify the build add_library(tools tools.cpp) add_executable(main main.cpp) target link library(main tools)

Typical project structure

□ Project_name/
□ CMakeLists.txt
□ build/
□ bin/

```
☐ Tools demo
        ☐ lib/
             ☐ Libtools.a
        □ src/
             ☐ CMakeLists.txt
             ☐ Project name/
                   ☐ CMakeLists.txt
                   ☐ Tools.h
                   ☐ Tools.cpp
                   ☐ Tools demo.cpp
        □ tests/
             ☐ Test tools.cpp
             ☐ CMakelists.txt
        ☐ Readme.md
Build process:
CMakeLists.txt files define the whole build
     cd <project folder>
     mkdir build
     cd build
     cmake ..
     make -j2
Working with CMakeLists.txt
#mendatory lines
project(first project)
cmake minimum required(VERSION 3.1)
#to use c++11
set (CMAKE CXX STANDARD 11)
set(EXECUTABLE OUTPUT PATH ${PROJECT SOURCE DIR}/bin)
set(LIBRARY OUTPUT PATH ${PROJECT SOURCE DIR}/lib)
Another useful commands:
#to set additional flags
set(CMAKE CXX FLAGS DEBUG "-g -00)
set(CMAKE CXX FLAGS RELEASE "-03)
```

To clean the build

cd project/build
make clean
rm -r *

Lecture 3: Google Test, Namespaces, classes

```
project(cmake test project)
cmake minimum required(VERSION 3.0)
# to use headers containing in specific folders
include directories(${PROJECT SOURCE DIR}/src)
## to use Cmake of src folder
add subdirectory($(PROJECT SOURCE DIR)/src)
In Terminal type tree to visualize the project structure
UNIT TEST - Google test:
  • For every function write at least two tests
        o One for normal cases
        One for extreme cases
  • Make writing tests a habit
  • Single dummy google test
     TEST(TestModule, FunctionName) {
       EXPECT EQ(4, FunctionName())
     }
Add GTest with CMake
To install
sudo apt install libgtest-dev
enable testing()
add subdirectory(tests)
Run your tests
cd <Project folder>
mkdir build
cd build
cmake ..
make
```

```
ctest -VV (very verbose)
```

Namespaces

- Helps avoid name conflicts
- To group the project into logical modules
- Avoid: using namespace name in the header files
- Nested namespaces are possible

```
namespace fun{
    int GetMeaningOfLife() {
        return 42;
    }
}

namespace boring{
    int GetMeaningOfLife() {
        Return 0;
    }
}

int main() {
    std::cout<<"fun way" <<fun::GetMeaningOfLife<<"voring way" << boring::GetMeaningOfLife <<std::endl;
}

• Nameless namespaces</pre>
```

```
O To define constants only available within current cpp file
Namespace{
const int localVariable = 10;
}
```

Create new types with classes and structs

```
Class ClassName{
Public: //anybody can use this part
        Image(const std::string& file_name);
        Void Draw();

private: //nobody can access this part
        int rows_ = 0;
        int cols_ = 0;
}; //semicolon in the end

int main(){
```

```
Image image(some-image.jpg);
     image.Draw();
     return 0;
}
  • Access modifiers
        o Private //by default
        o Protected
        o Public
Structs:
struct NamedInt{
int num;
string name;
}
void PrintStruct(const NamedInt& s) {
cout<<s.name<<""<<s.num<<endl;</pre>
}
int main(){
// initializing stucts using braced initialization
PrintStruct({10, "world"})
retutn 0;
```

- Classes can store data of any type
- Google-style all data must be private
- Use snake case with a trailing " " for private members
- Set data in the constructor classes have at least one constructor
- Clean up data in destructor- classes have only one destructor
- Use initializer list to initialize data

Const correctness

• Const after function name state that it won't change the object variables

Use classes as modules and use header file for class declaration CPP files for the class implementation.

Lecture 4: Move Semantics, Classes

• These are relatively advanced topics

Move semantics

The intuition of lvalue and rvalue:

- lvalues can be written on the left of assignment operator(=)
- rest all are an rvalue
- It is possible to convert lvalue to rvalue
- int&& a =2; //now a can only be used as rvalue
- int b = std::move(a); //never access values after move

Classes:

```
Operator overloading
Class Human{
public:
    bool operator < (const Humnan& other) const{
    return height_< other.height_;
    }
};</pre>
```

Copy constructor:

- Initialize object with new object
- MyClass b(a);
- MyClass c = a;

Copy assignment operator

- NO NEW OBJECT IS CREATED, JUST VALUES ARE PASSED
- \bullet b = a
- Myclass& operator = (const MyClass& other) const{...}

Move Constructor

- MyClass operator = (MyClass&& other) {...}
- B = std::move(c);
- MyClass a = std::move(c);

Rule of all or nothing

- Define all of constructors or none.
- use =default to use default implementation
- MyClass() = default
- MyClass(MyClass&& var) = default
- MyClass(const MyClass& var) = default
- MyClas operator = (const Myclass& other) = default

Deleted functions

- void SomeFunction(...) = delete;
- Calling such functions will result in compilation error
- EX: if a class has a constant data member, the copy/move constructors and assignment operators are implicitly deleted.

Inheritance:

- Classes and structs can inherit data and functions from other classes
- 3 types of inheritance in c++:
 - o Public
 - o Protected
 - o Private

Public Inheritance:

- Public inheritance keeps all access specifiers of the base class
- Public inheritance stands for "is a" relationship.
- Derived is kind of a Base class
- Allows Derived to use all public and protected members of a base
- Derived gets its own special functions
 - o Constructors
 - o Destructors
 - Assignment operators

```
Initializer list:
Class Rectangle{
public:
    Rectangle(int w, int h): width_(w), height_(h){}
Protected:
    int width_ = 0;
    int height_ = 0;
}
```

Function Overriding

- A function can be declared virtual
- If a function is *virtual* in Base class it can be overridden in Derived class
- Base can force all Derived classes to override a function by making it *pure virtual*
 - O Such Base class is called interface

Function overloading <> Function overriding
overloading:

- Pick from all functions with the same name but different params
- Pick function at compile time
- No class implementation is necessary

Overriding:

- Pick a function of same name and params but from a class hierarchy
- Pick at runtime

Abstract Classes: classes that have at least one pure virtual function

Interface: class that has only pure virtual functions and no data members

How virtual works: (runtime polymorphism)

- A class with virtual functions has a virtual table
- When calling a function the class checks which of the virtual functions that match the signature should be called

Lecture 5: Polymorphism, IO, stringstreams, CMake find package

Polymorphism:

- Allows morphing derived classes into their base class type:
- Const Base& base = Derived(...)

When to decide you need a hierarchical structure? Do "is a" and "has a" test.

```
Square is a shape: can inherit from shape
Student is a human: can inherit form human
Car has a wheel: should not inherit each other
```

```
Explicit: to stop the implicit conversion
explicit Square(int size): Rect(size, size){ }
Now square will ONLY accept integers not even float.
```

Interface:

If you decide every class should be printable in your codebase. So make pure virtual function and force all classes to implement it.

Reading and writing to files:

```
#include<fstream>
using std::string;
using Mode = std::ios_base::openmode;

std::ifstream f_in(string& file_name, Mode mode);
Std::ofstream f_out(string& file_name, Mode mode);
Std::fstream f_in_out(string& file_name, Mode mode);
Stringstream
combine int, double, string into a single string
Breakup strings into int, double, string etc.

CMake find_path and find_library

To use header files, use find path
```

To find libraries, use find_library

find_library(SOME_LIB
NAMES <lib_name>
PATHS <path1> <path2>)

Find_package - calls multiple find_path and find_library functions

Chapter 6: Static, Numbers, Arrays, Non-owning pointers, classes

```
• Static member variables of a class
        • Exist exactly once per class, not per object
        • This value is equal across all instances
        o Must be defined in *.cpp file
  • Static member function of a class
        O Do not need an object to call the function
        o className::MethodName(<params>)
EX: static variable
#include<iostream>
using std::cout; using std::endl;
struct Counted{
     Counted() {Counted::count++;}
     ~Counted() {Counted::count--;}
     static int count;
};
int Counted::count = 0; //static variables must be initialized this
way
int main(){
     Counted a,b;
     cout<<"Count: "<<Counted::count<< endl;</pre>
     Counted c;
     cout<<"Count: "<<Counted::count<< endl;</pre>
     return 0;
}
EX: static functions
#include <math.h>
#include <iostream>
using std::cout; using std::endl;
Class Point{
     public:
           Point(int x, int y): x \{x\} y \{y\} \{\}
           static float dist(const Points& a, const Points& b) {
```

```
int diff_x = a.x_ -b.x_;
int diff_y = a.y_ -b.y_;
return sqrt(diff_x + diff_x + diff_y * diff_y);
}
private:
    int x_ = 0; int y_ = 0;
};
int main() {
    Point a(2,2), b(1,1);
    cout<<"Dist is "<<Point::dist(a,b)<<endl;
return 0;
}</pre>
```

P.S.: Not discussed static usage outside the class

Variable Declaration:

- Number representation
 - Alphanumeric char 1 byte
 - o Numerical
 - Floating Point
 - Single precision float 4 byte
 - Double precision double 8 byte
 - Integers int 4 byte

unsigned short Integer (2 byte) representation in memory



Which represents 37 in memory

Floating point number representation - 4 bytes Using sign, exponent, mantissa

C style arrays

- The base for std::array, std::vector, std::string
- Length of array is fixed
- Stored in Continuous memory
- sizeof(arrayName)

Pointer

```
<TYPE>* defines a pointer of type <TYPE>
always initialize pointers to an address or a nullptr
int* a = nullptr;
```

Non-owning pointers:

The memory pointed to by a raw pointer is not removed when pointer goes out of scope

Address operator&:

Operator & returns the address of the variable in memory.

```
int a = 42;
int* a ptr = &a;
```

Pointer dereferencing:

Operator * returns the value of the variable to which the pointer points

```
int a = 42;
int* a_ptr = &a;
int b = *a_ptr;
```

*a ptr = 13;

- Dereferencing of nullptr: segmentation fault
- Dereferencing of uninitialized pointer: undefined behaviour

Storing function in memory:

- Usually, all are stored sequentially but the compiler can optimize it.
- The concept is called "padding and packing"
- I I I I 0 0 0 0 D D D D D D D

Lecture 7: Pointers, const with pointers, Stack and Heap, Memory Leaks, Smart Pointers

```
Pointers can be used with classes
     Myclass* obj ptr = &obj;
     obj ptr->MyFunc();
Use pointers for polymorphism
  • Derived derived;
  • Base* base = &derived;
Pointers are just like references, but have additional useful
properties:
  • Can be reassigned
  • Can point to nothing
  • Can be stored in a vector or an array
#include<iostream>
#include<vector>\
Using std::cout;
struct AbstractShape{
     virtual void Print() const = 0;
struct Square: public AbstractShape{
     void Print() const override { cout<<"square \n"}</pre>
}
struct Triangle: public AbstractShape{
     void Print() const override { cout<<"triangle \n"}</pre>
int main(){
     std::vector<AbstractShape*> shapes;
     Square square;
     Triangle triangle;
     shapes.push back(&square);
     shapes.push back(&triangle);
     for(auto shape:shapes) {
     shape->print();
     return 0;
}
```

NOTE:* or & after the datatype represents the type

this pointer

• Every object of a class or a struct holds a pointer to itself

>> Using const with pointers:

HINT: read from right to left to see which const refers to what

- Pointer can point to a const variables
 const MyType* const_var_ptr = &var;
 const_var_ptr = &other_var;

 //But you can not dereference and change the value as
 *const var ptr.some variable = 10 //error
- pointers can be const:
 MyType* const var_const_ptr = &var;
 var const ptr->a = 10 //this is allowed
- Pointers can do both at the same time
 const MyType* const const var const ptr = &var;

Memory management structure:

Working memory is divided into two parts: Stack and Heap

Stack:

- Static memory
- Available for short term usage(scope)
- small/limited
- Memory allocation is fast
- LIFO
- Items can be added to the top of the stack with push

• Items can be removed from the top with pop

Heap:

- Dynamic memory
- Available for long time
- Raw modifications possible with new and delete (but usually encapsulated with class)
- Allocation is slower than stack allocation

>> Operators new and delete:

- User controls memory allocation
- Use new to allocate the data

```
new operator:
int* int ptr = nullptr;
int ptr = new int;
float * float ptr = nullptr;
Float ptr = \frac{\text{new}}{\text{float}} [6]
new returns an address of the variable on heap
P.S.: Prefer using smart pointers!!
delete operator:
   • User has to free the memory allocated by new
   • Use delete delete[] to free memory
```

```
int* int ptr = nullptr;
int ptr = new int;
delete int ptr;
float * float ptr = nullptr;
float ptr = new float[6]
}//heap memory doesn't go out of scope
delete[] float ptr;
```

Memory Leak:

• Lost access to data available on the heap

```
Dangling pointer:
int* ptr 1 = some heap address;
int* ptr 2 = some heap address;
```

```
delete ptr 1;
ptr 1 = nullptr;
Yet, the ptr 2 has the address, accessing through ptr 2 would result
in an error.
Also, you can not delete the same memory twice
Memory leak if nobody has freed the memory, and Dangling pointer if
somebody has freed the memory in function.
RAII
Resource Allocation IS Initialization
New object -> allocate memory
Remove object -> free memory
Object OWN their data
class MyClass{
public:
     Myclass() {
     data = new someType;
     ~MyClass(){
     delete data ;
     Data = nullptr;
     }
private:
     someType* data ;
};
With this approach still, you can make a copy of the object!!
shallow vs deep copy
  • shallow copy: just copy pointers and not data
  • Deep copy: copy data and creates new pointers
  • Default copy constructor and assignment operator implement
     shallow copying
P.S.: use smart pointers!!
```

Smart Pointers:

- Wraps a raw pointer into a class and manage its lifetime (RAII)
- All about ownership (for heap memory, should not be used for stack)

- #include<memory>
- Std::unique_ptr;
- Std::shared_ptr;

Lecture 9: smart-unique/shared pointers, associative con., Enumeration

Smart pointers:

- They behave exactly as raw pointers
- Can be set to nullptr
- Use *ptr to dereference ptr
- Use ptr-> to access methods
- Smart pointers are polymorphic
- Additional functionalities
 - o ptr.get() returns a raw pointer that the smart pointer
 manages
 - ptr.reset(raw_ptr) stops using currently managed pointer, freeing its memory if needed, sets ptr to raw ptr

Unique pointer(confusing for beginners):

• No runtime overhead over a raw pointer

```
#include<memory>
auto p = std::unique_ptr<Type> (new Type);
Auto p = std::unique ptr<Type> (new Type(<params))</pre>
```

From c++14 on:

auto p = std::make_unique<Type> (<params>) //RECOMMENDED
What makes it unique?

- Unique pointer has no copy constructor
 - o Intentionally to "make it unique"
- Can not be copied, can be moved
- Guarantees that memory is always owned by a single unique pointer

```
#include<iostream>
#include<memory>

Struct A{
    int a = 10;
};
int main() {
    auto a_ptr = std::unique_ptr<A>(new A);
    std::cout<<a ptr->a <<std::endl;</pre>
```

```
auto b ptr = std::move(a ptr); // now responsibility of managing
memory is os b ptr and even if a ptr goes out of scope it won't free
memory
     std::cout<<b ptr->a<<std::endl;</pre>
     return 0;
}
Shared pointer: (overused)
  • Constructed just like a unique ptr
   • Can be copied
   • Store a usage counter and a raw pointer
        o Increases usage counter when copied
        O Decreases usage counter when destructed
   • Frees memory when the counter reaches 0
  • Can be initialized from a unique ptr
#include<memory>
auto p = std::share ptr<Type> (new Type);
auto p = std::shared ptr<Type> ();  //RECOMMMENDED WAY
auto p = std::shared ptr<Type> (new Type(<Parmas>));
auto p = std::make shared<Type> (<Params>);
Ex:
#include<iosteam>
#include<memory>
class A{
     A(int a) { std::cout<< "I am alive! \n"; }
     ~A() { std::cout<<"I am dead!! \n";
};
int main(){
     auto a ptr = std::make shared<A>(10);
     std::cout<<a ptr.use count()<<std::endl;</pre>
           auto b ptr = a ptr;
           std::cout<<a ptr.use count()<<std::endl;</pre>
     std::cout<<"Back to main scope!! \n"<<std::endl;</pre>
     std::cout<<a ptr.use count()<<std::endl;</pre>
```

return 0;

} // pointer is deleted here automatically!!

When to use what?

- By default use unique ptr
- If multiple objects must share ownership over something, use share ptr
- Using smart pointers allows avoiding having destructors in your own class
- Think of any freestanding *new* or *delete* as a memory leak or a dangling pointer.
 - o Don't use delete
 - o Allocate memory with make unique, make shared
 - Only use new in smart pointer constructor if cannot use the functions above

```
#include<iostream>
#include<vector>
#include<memory>
Using std::cout; using std::unique ptr;
struct AbstractShape{
     virtual void Print() const =0;
} ;
struct Triangle: public AbstractShape{
     void Print() const override { cout<<"Triangle \n"; }</pre>
} ;
struct Square: public AbstractShape{
     void Print() const override { cout<<"Square \n"; }</pre>
};
int main(){
     std::vector<unique ptr<AbstractShape>> shapes;
     shapes.emplace back(new Square);
     auto triangle = unique ptr<Triangle> (new Triangle);
     shapes.emplace back(std::move(triangle));
     for(const auto& shape: shapes)
           shape->Print();
     }
```

```
return 0;
Associative containers:
Std::map
  #include<map>
       o std::map
  • Store items under unique keys
  • Implemented usually as red-black tree
  • Create from data:
        \circ std::map<key T, Value T> m = {{key, value}, {key,
          value}, {key, value}};
  • Add items to map: m.emplace(key, value)
  • Modify or add item m[key] = value
  • Get ref to an item m.at(key)
  • Check if key present m.count(key) >0;
  • Check size m.size();
Std::unordered map
#include<unordered map> to use std::unordered map
  • Serves the same purpose as std::map
  • Implemented as hash table
  • Key types have to be hashable
  • Typically used with int, string as a key
  • Exactly same interface as std::map
Iterating over maps
for(const auto &kv: m) {
     const auto & key = kv.first;
     const auto & value = kv.second;
}
Typecasting:
  • Every variable has a type
  • Types can be converted from one to another
  • Type conversion is called type casting
  • There are 3 ways of typecasting
        o static cast
        o reinterpret cast
        O Dynamic cast
Static cast:
```

- static cast<New Type> (variable);
- Conversion happens compile time
- Rarely needed explicitly
- Pointer to an object of a derived class can be upcast to a pointer of a base class

reinterpret cast:

- reinterpret cast<new Type> ()variable;
- Reinterpret the bytes of a variable as another type
- We must know what we are doing
- Mostly used when writing binary data

Dynamic cast:

- dynamic_cast<Base*> (derived ptr);
- Used to convert a pointer to a variable of Derived type to a pointer of a base type
- Conversion happens runtime
- If derived ptr can not be converted to Base* returns a nullptr
- Google-style: Avoid using dynamic casting

```
Enumeration classes:
enum class EnumType { OPTION 1, OPTION 2};
Use values as EnumType::OPTION 1
#include<iostream>
#include<string>
using namespace std;
enum class Channel {STDCOUT, STDERR};
Void Print(Channel print style, const string& msg) {
     switch(print style){
     case Channel::STDOUT;
           cout<<msg<<endl;</pre>
           break;
     case Channel::STDERR;
           cerr<<msg<<endl;</pre>
           Break;
     Default:
           cerr<<"skipping"<<endl;</pre>
}
```

```
int main(){
     Print(Channel::STDOUT, "hello");
     Print(Channel::STDERR, "world");
     return 0;
}
Enum can be defined with explicit values
enum class EnumType{
OPTION 1 = 10,
OPTION 2 = 13
};
Read/write binary files:
  • Write a sequence of bytes
  • Must document a structure well
  • writing/reading is fast
  • No precision loss for floating-point types
  • Substantially smaller than ASCII files
file.write(reinterpret cast(char*)(&a), sizeof(a))
//writing to a file in byte format
#include <fstream > // for the file streams
#include <vector >
using namespace std;
int main () {
     string file name = "image.dat";
     ofstream file(file name,
     ios base :: out | ios base :: binary);
     if (! file) { return EXIT FAILURE ; }
     int r = 2; int c = 3;
     vector <float > vec(r * c, 42);
     file.write(reinterpret cast <char*>(&r), sizeof(r));
     file.write(reinterpret cast <char*>(&c), sizeof(c));
     file.write(reinterpret cast <char*>(& vec.front ()),
     vec.size () * sizeof(vec.front ()));
     return 0;
}
```

//reading from a file

```
#include <fstream >
#include <iostream >
#include <vector >
using namespace std;
int main () {
     string file name = "image.dat";
     int r = 0, c = 0;
     ifstream in(file_name ,
     ios base ::in | ios base :: binary);
     if (!in) { return EXIT FAILURE ; }
     in.read(reinterpret_cast <char*>(&r), sizeof(r));
     in.read(reinterpret cast <char*>(&c), sizeof(c));
     cout << "Dim: " << r << " x " << c << endl;
     vector <float > data(r * c, 0);
     in.read(reinterpret cast <char*>(& data.front ()),
     data.size () * sizeof(data.front ()));
     for (float d : data) { cout << d << endl; }</pre>
return 0;
}
```

Lecture 9: Templates, iterators, exception, program input parameters, OpenCV

Generic Programming:

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• Datatype agnostic programming
Template functions:
Generic programming uses keyword template
Template <typename T, typename S>
T awesome function(const T& var t, const S& var s) {
     T result = var t;
     return result;
}
template<typename T>
T DummyFunction(){
     T result;
     result T;
}
int main(){
     DummyFunction<int>();
     DummyFunction<double>();
     return 0;
}
```

Template meta-programming

- The compiler will generate concrete instances of generic classes based on the classes we want to use
- If we create MyClass<int> MyClass<flaot> the compiler will generate two different classes with appropriate types instead of template parameter

Iterators:

STL uses iterators to access data in containers

- Iterators are similar to pointers
- Allow quick navigation through containers
- The most algorithm in STL uses iterators
- Access current element with *iter

```
• Accepts -> alike to pointer
  • Move to next element in container iter++
  • Prefer range based for loops
  • Compare iterator with ==, !=, <
  • Pre-defined iterators:
        o obj.begin()
        o obj.end()
#include <iostream >
#include <map >
#include <vector >
using namespace std;
int main () {
     // Vector iterator.
     vector <double > x = \{\{1, 2, 3\}\};
     for (auto it = x.begin (); it != x.end (); ++it) {
           cout << *it << endl;</pre>
     }
     // Map iterators
     map <int, string > m = {{1, "hello"}, {2, "world"}};
     map <int, string >:: iterator m it = m.find (1);
     cout << m it ->first << ":" << m it ->second << endl;</pre>
     if (m.find (3) == m.end ()) {
           cout << "Key 3 was not found\n";</pre>
     return 0;
```

Error handling with exceptions

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- We can throw an exception if there is an error
- STL defines classes that represent exceptions.
 - o Base class: exception
- To use exceptions: #include<stdexcept>
- An exception can be "caught" at any point of the program and even "thrown" further
- The constructor of an exception receives a string error message as a parameter
- This string can be called through a member function what()

Google-style: Don't use them!!

Program input parameter

```
int main(int argv, char const *argv[]);
  • argc defines number of input params
  • argv is an array of string params
By default
     Argc = 1
     argv = "<binary path>"
Type aliasing
#include <array >
#include <memory >
template <class T, int SIZE >
struct Image {
     // Can be used in classes.
     using Ptr = std :: unique ptr <Image <T, SIZE >>;
     std ::array <T, SIZE > data;
};
// Can be combined with "template".
template <int SIZE >
using Imagef = Image <float , SIZE >;
int main () {
     // Can be used in a function for type aliasing.
     using Image3f = Imagef <3>;
     auto image ptr = Image3f :: Ptr(new Image3f);
     return 0;
}
OPENCV:
  • OpenCV uses own types
  • OpenCV trusts you to pick the correct type
  • Names of types follow pattern
  • CV <bit count><identifier><num of channel>
  • Ex: CV 8UC3: 8-bit unsigned char with 3 channel for RGB
Basic Matix type
  • Every image is a cv::Mat
  • Mat image(rows, cols, datatype, value)
  • Mat <T> image (rows, cols, value)
  • Initialize with zeros
     cv::Mat image = cv::Mat::zeros(10, 10, CV 8UC3);
     using Matf = cv::Mat <float>;
```

```
Matf image float = Matf::zeros(10, 10);
  • Get type identifiers with image.type();
  • Get size with image.rows, image.cols
  • I/O:
       O Read image with imread
        O Write image with imwrite
        ○ Show image with imshow
        O Detects I/O methods from extension
  • cv::Mat is a shared pointer
        o Performs Shallow copy for fast operations
Ex: imread
#include <opencv2/opencv.hpp >
#include <iostream >
using namespace cv;
int main () {
     Mat i1 = imread("logo opencv.png",CV LOAD IMAGE GRAYSCALE );
     Mat <uint8 t > i2 = imread("logo opencv.png",
     CV LOAD IMAGE GRAYSCALE );
     std :: cout << (i1.type () == i2.type ()) << std :: endl;
     return 0;
}
```