

C/C++ Program Design

LAB 7

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2.1 Reference in function

A **reference** defines an alternative name (or **alias**) for an object. A reference type “refer to” another variable. Using “**&**” to declare a reference.

```
int ival = 1024;
int &refVal = ival; // refVal refers to (is another name for) ival
int &refVal2;      // error:a reference must be initialized
```

Once initialized, a reference remains bound to its initial object. There is no way to rebind a reference to refer to a different object.

After a reference has been defined, all operations on that reference are actually operations on the object to which the reference is bound.

```
refVal = 2; // assign 2 to the object to which refVal refers, i.e., to ival
int ii = refVal; // same as ii = ival

int &refVal2 = 10; // error:initializer must be an object
double dval = 3.14;
int &refVal3 = dval; // error:initializer must be an int object
```

Reference as function parameters –passing by reference

```
passreference.cpp > ...
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void swap(int &x, int &y)
5 {
6     int temp;
7     temp = x;
8     x = y;
9     y =temp;
10 }
11
12 int main()
13 {
14     int a = 45, b = 35;
15     cout << "Before swap:" << endl;
16     cout << "a = " << a << ", b = " << b << endl;
17
18     swap(a, b);
19
20     cout << "After swap:" << endl;
21     cout << "a = " << a << ", b = " << b << endl;
22
23     return 0;
24 }
```

Only by checking the function prototype or function definition can you tell whether the function passing by value or by reference. In the called function's body, the reference parameter actually refers to **the original variable** in the calling function, and the original variable can be **modified** directly by the called function.

The style of the arguments are like common variables

```
Before swap:
a = 45, b = 35
After swap:
a = 35, b = 45
```

6 differences between pointer and reference.

Use references when you can, and pointers when you have to.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
struct demo
{
    int a;
};

int main()
{
    int x = 5;
    int y = 6;
    demo d;

    int *p;
    p = &x; //1. Pointer reinitialization allowed
    p = &y;

    int &r = x;
    // &r = y; //2.Compile Error
    r = y; //2. x value becomes 6

    p = NULL;
    // &r = NULL; //3.Compile error
    p++; //3.Points to next memory location
    r++; //3. x value becomes 7;
    cout << &p << " " << &x << endl; //4.Different address
    cout << &r << " " << &x << endl; //4.Same address

    demo *q = &d;
    demo &qq = d;
    q->a = 8;
    //q.a = 8; //5.Compile Error
    qq.a = 8;
    //qq->a = 8; //5. Compile Error

    cout << p << endl; //6.Prints the address
    cout << r << endl; //6.Prints the value of x
    return 0;
}
```

const reference: reference that refers to a const type. A reference to const cannot be used to change the object to which the reference is bound.

```
const int ci = 100;
const int &r1 = ci;    // OK: both reference and underlying object are const
r1 = 42;              // error: r1 is a const reference
int &r2 = ci;         // error: non const reference to a const object
```

The type of a reference must match the type of the object to which it refers. But there are two exceptions to the rule. The one is that a const reference can refer to an non const object. The other is that we can initialize a const reference from any expression that can be converted to the type of the reference.

```
int i = 42;
int &r1 = i;          // OK: r1 bound to i
const int &r2 = i;    // OK: r2 is const reference, bound to non const object
const int &r3 = 99;   //OK: r3 is const reference
const int &r4 = r1 * 2; //OK: r4 is const reference
int &r5 = r1 * 3;    // error: r5 is non const reference
r1 = 0;              //OK: r1 is non const reference, it might be changed
r2 = 5;              // error: r2 is const reference, it can not be used to change i
```

const References

```
cubes.cpp > refcube(const double &)
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 double refcube(const double &ra);
```

```
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     double side = 3.0;
9     double *pd = &side;
10    double &rd = side;
11
12    long edge = 5L;
13    double lens[4] = {2.0, 5.0, 10.0, 12.0};
14
15    double c1 = refcube(side);
16    double c2 = refcube(lens[2]);
17    double c3 = refcube(rd);
18    double c4 = refcube(*pd);
19    double c5 = refcube(edge);
20    double c6 = refcube(7.0);
21    double c7 = refcube(side + 10.0);
22
23    cout << c1 << " " << c2 << " " << c3 << " "
24    << c4 << " " << c5 << " " << c6 << " " << c7 << endl;
25
26
27    return 0;
28}
```

```
29
30 }
```

It is more efficient to pass a large object by reference than to pass it by value. Using **const** to specify a reference parameter should **not be allowed** to modify the corresponding argument. **Use const when you can.**

Reference variables **must** be initialized in the declaration and **cannot** be reassigned as aliases to other variables.

The variable **edge** is of wrong type, the compiler generates a temporary, anonymous variable and makes **ra** refer to it.

For the const reference parameters, the arguments can be literals or expressions.

```
passparameter.cpp > main()
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 void passbyval(int n)
5 {
6     cout << "Pass by value---the operation address of the function is:" << &n << endl;
7     n++;
8 }
9
10 void passbypoi(int *n)
11 {
12     cout << "Pass by pointer---the operation address of the function is:" << n << endl;
13     *n++;
14 }
15
16 void passbyref(int &n)
17 {
18     cout << "Pass by reference---the operation address of the function is:" << &n << endl;
19     n++;
20 }
21
22 int main()
23 {
24     int n = 10;
25
26     cout << "The address of the argument is:" << &n << endl << endl;
27
28     passbyval(n);
29     cout << "After calling passbyval(), n = " << n << endl << endl;
30
31     passbypoi(&n);
32     cout << "After calling passbypoi(), n = " << n << endl << endl;
33
34     passbyref(n);
35     cout << "After calling passbyref(), n = " << n << endl << endl;
36
37     return 0;
38 }
```

Pass by value

Pass by pointer

Pass by reference

Passing by value, the address that the function operates is not that of the argument; but **passing by reference(or pointer)**, the function operates the address of argument.

The address of the argument is:**0x7ffd31914e04**

Pass by value---the operation address of the function is:**0x7ffd31914dec**
After calling **passbyval()**, n = **10**

Pass by pointer---the operation address of the function is:**0x7ffd31914e04**
After calling **passbypoi()**, n = **10**

Pass by reference---the operation address of the function is:**0x7ffd31914e04**
After calling **passbyref()**, n = **11**

different

the same

the same

Return a Reference

```
pointstructure.cpp > main()
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 struct point
5 {
6     double x;
7     double y;
8 };
9 point mid1(const point &, const point &);
10 point* mid2(const point &, const point &);
11 void mid3(const point &, const point &, point &);
12 point& mid4(const point &, const point &);
13
```

```
61 point& mid4(const point &p1, const point &p2)
62 {
63     point p;
64     p.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
65     p.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
66
67     return p;
68 }
```

```
14 int main()
15 {
16     point p1{1,1};
17     point p2{3,3};
18     point pv, pr, prr;
19     point *pp = NULL;
20
21     pv = mid1(p1, p2);
22     pp = mid2(p1, p2);
23     mid3(p1, p2, pr);
24     prr = mid4(p1, p2); // Line 24 circled in red
25
26     cout << "Calling mid1,the middle point is:(<< pv.x << "," << pv.y << ")" << endl;
27     cout << "Calling mid2,the middle point is:(<< pp->x << "," << pp->y << ")" << endl;
28     cout << "Calling mid3,the middle point is:(<< pr.x << "," << pr.y << ")" << endl;
29     cout << "Calling mid4,the middle point is:(<< prr.x << "," << prr.y << ")" << endl;
30
31     delete pp;
32
33     return 0;
34 }
35 }
```

```
maydlee@LAPTOP-U1M00N2F:/mnt/d/mycode/CcodeVS/lab07_examples$ g++ pointstructure.cpp
pointstructure.cpp: In function ‘point& mid4(const point&, const point&)’:
pointstructure.cpp:67:12: warning: reference to local variable ‘p’ returned [-Wreturn-local-addr]
67 |     return p;
|     ^
pointstructure.cpp:63:11: note: declared here
63 |     point p;
|     ^
```

```
maydlee@LAPTOP-U1M00N2F:/mnt/d/mycode/CcodeVS/lab07_examples$ ./a.out
Segmentation fault
```

The program can not be executed.

**Do not return a reference of a local variable.
You can return a reference parameter.**

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◀ VARIABLES

Locals

- ✓ p1: {...}
 - x: 1
 - y: 1
- ✓ p2: {...}
 - x: 3
 - y: 3
- ✓ pv: {...}
 - x: 9.8813129168249309e-324
 - y: 4.635570538586297e-310
- ✓ pr: {...}
 - x: 6.95334906589939e-310
 - y: 4.6355705385824927e-310
- ✓ prr: {...}
 - x: 0
 - y: 4.6355705385050232e-310

WATCH + ⌂ ⌃ ⌇

CALL STACK PAUSED ON BREAKPOINT main() pointstructure.cpp

pointstructure.cpp > main()

```
1<     POINT* mid1(const POINT &, const POINT &),  
13  
14     int main()  
15     {  
16         point p1{1,1};  
17         point p2{3,3};  
18         point pv, pr, prr;  
19         point *pp = NULL;  
20  
21         pv = mid1(p1, p2);  
22         pp = mid2(p1, p2);  
23         mid3(p1, p2, pr);  
24         prr = mid4(p1, p2);  
25  
26         cout << "Calling mid1,the middle point is:(<< pv.x << "," << pv.y << ")" << endl;  
27         cout << "Calling mid2,the middle point is:(<< pp->x << "," << pp->y << ")" << endl;  
28         cout << "Calling mid3,the middle point is:(<< pr.x << "," << pr.y << ")" << endl;  
29         cout << "Calling mid4,the middle point is:(<< prr.x << "," << prr.y << ")" << endl;  
30  
31         delete pp;  
32  
33         return 0;  
34     }
```

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◀ VARIABLES

Locals

- ✓ p1: {...}
 - x: 1
 - y: 1
- ✓ p2: {...}
 - x: 3
 - y: 3
- ✓ pv: {...}
 - x: 2
 - y: 2
- ✓ pr: {...}
 - x: 2
 - y: 2
- ✓ prr: {...}
 - x: 0
 - y: 4.6355705385050232e-310

pointstructure.cpp > main()

```
1<     point mid1(const point &, const point &),
13
14     int main()
15     {
16         point p1{1,1};
17         point p2{3,3};
18         point pv, pr, prr;
19         point *pp = NULL;
20
21         pv = mid1(p1, p2);
22         pp = mid2(p1, p2);
23         mid3(p1, p2, pr);
24         prr = mid4(p1, p2); D 24
25
26         cout << "Calling mid1,the middle point is:(<< pv.x << "," << pv.y << ")" << endl;
27         cout << "Calling mid2,the middle point is:(<< pp->x << "," << pp->y << ")" << endl;
28         cout << "Calling mid3,the middle point is:(<< pr.x << "," << pr.y << ")" << endl;
29         cout << "Calling mid4,the middle point is:(<< prr.x << "," << prr.y << ")" << endl;
30
31         delete pp;
32
33         return 0;
34     }
35 }
```

▼ WATCH

PAUSED ON STEP

main() pointstructure.cpp

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◀ passreference.cpp ▶ returnconstref.cpp ▶ strc_re... :: ID ⌂ ⌄ ⌅ ⌆ ⌈ ⌉ ⌋

◀ VARIABLES ▶

◀ Locals ▶

◀ p: {...} ▶

x: 6.953355807388369e-310
y: 6.95335580738995e-310

◀ p1: {...} ▶

x: 1
y: 1

◀ p2: {...} ▶

x: 3
y: 3

▶ Registers

◀ WATCH ▶

◀ pointstructure.cpp > mid4(const point &, const point &) ▶

50 pp->y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;

51

52 return pp;

53 }

54

55 void mid3(const point &p1, const point &p2, point &pr)

56 {

57 pr.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;

58 pr.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;

59 }

60

61 point& mid4(const point &p1, const point &p2)

62 {

63 point p;

64 p.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;

65 p.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;

66

67 return p;

68 }

R.. ▶ g++ - Build ar ▾ ⚙ ...

passreference.cpp returnconstref.cpp strc_re

Variables

Locals

p: {...}
x: 2
y: 2

p1: {...}
x: 1
y: 1

p2: {...}
x: 3
y: 3

Registers

WATCH

pointstructure.cpp > mid4(const point &, const point &)

```
50     pp->y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
51
52     return pp;
53 }
54
55 void mid3(const point &p1, const point &p2, point &pr)
56 {
57     pr.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
58     pr.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
59 }
60
61 point& mid4(const point &p1, const point &p2)
62 {
63     point p;
64     p.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
65     p.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
66
67     return p;
68 }
```

R. ▶ g++ - Build at … ⚙ …

passreference.cpp returnconstref.cpp strc_re…

VARIABLES

Locals

p: {…} x: 2 y: 2

p1: {…} x: 1 y: 1

p2: {…} x: 3 y: 3

Registers

WATCH

pointstructure.cpp > mid4(const point &, const point &)

```
55     void mid4(const point &p1, const point &p2, point &pr)
56     {
57         pr.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
58         pr.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
59     }
60
61     point& mid4(const point &p1, const point &p2)
62     {
63         point p;
64         p.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
65         p.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
66
67         return p;
68     }
69
70
71
```

PROBLEMS 1 OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL

pointstructure.cpp 1

⚠ reference to local variable 'p' returned [-Wreturn-local-addr] gcc [67, 12]

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◀ VARIABLES

◀ Locals

▶ p1: {…}

 x: 1

 y: 1

▶ p2: {…}

 x: 3

 y: 3

> pv: {…}

> pr: {…}

> prr: {…}

> pp: 0x55555556aeb0

> Registers

◀ WATCH

▶ pointstructure.cpp > main()

16 point p1{1,1};

17 point p2{3,3};

18 point pv, pr, prr;

19 point *pp = NULL;

20

● 21 pv = mid1(p1, p2);

22 pp = mid2(p1, p2);

23 mid3(p1, p2, pr);

▷ 24 prr = mid4(p1, p2);

Exception has occurred. ×

Segmentation fault

25

26 cout << "Calling mid1,the middle point is:(<< pv.x << "," << pv.y << ")" << endl;

27 cout << "Calling mid2,the middle point is:(<< pp->x << "," << pp->y << ")" << endl;

28 cout << "Calling mid3,the middle point is:(<< pr.x << "," << pr.y << ")" << endl;

29 cout << "Calling mid4,the middle point is:(<< prr.x << "," << prr.y << ")" << endl;

PROBLEMS 1 OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL

```
36 point mid1(const point &p1, const point &p2)
37 {
38     point pv;
39     pv.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
40     pv.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
41
42     return pv;          return a local structure variable
43 }                      is ok, but less efficient
44
45 point* mid2(const point &p1, const point &p2)
46 {
47     point* pp = new point;
48     pp->x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
49     pp->y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
50
51     return pp;          return a local structure pointer
52 }                      which is allocated memory by
53                                         new, is ok.
54 void mid3(const point &p1, const point &p2, point &pr)  The function does not return anything.
55 {
56     pr.x = (p1.x + p2.x)/2;
57     pr.y = (p1.y + p2.y)/2;
58 }
59
```

The third parameter is a reference parameter, modifying the value of the parameter is exactly changing that of the argument.

Return a Reference

```
git: strc_ref.cpp > ...
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <string>
3 struct free_throws
4 {
5     std::string name;
6     int made;
7     int attempts;
8     float percent;
9 };
10
11 void display(const free_throws & ft);
12 void set_pc(free_throws & ft);
13 free_throws & accumulate(free_throws & target, const free_throws & source);
14
15 int main()    return a structure reference
16 {
17     // partial initializations - remaining members set to 0
18     free_throws one = {"Ifelsa Branch", 13, 14};
19     free_throws team = {"Throwgoods", 0, 0};
20
21     free_throws dup;
22     dup = accumulate(team,one);      // use return value in assignment
23
24     std::cout << "Displaying team:\n";
25     display(team);
26     std::cout << "Displaying dup after assignment:\n";
27     display(dup);
28
29     return 0;
30 }
```

pass by structure references
const means the value of the
reference can not be modified

```
33 void display(const free_throws & ft)
34 {
35     using std::cout;
36     cout << "Name: " << ft.name << '\n';
37     cout << "Made: " << ft.made << '\t';
38     cout << "Attempts: " << ft.attempts << '\t';
39     cout << "Percent: " << ft.percent << '\n';
40 }
41
42 void set_pc(free_throws & ft)
43 {
44     if (ft.attempts != 0)
45         ft.percent = 100.0f *float(ft.made)/float(ft.attempts);
46     else
47         ft.percent = 0;
48 }
49
50 free_throws & accumulate(free_throws & target, const free_throws & source)
51 {
52     target.attempts += source.attempts;
53     target.made += source.made;
54     set_pc(target);
55
56     return target;           return a structure reference,
57 }                         more efficient
```

Do not return a reference of a local variable
Return the reference parameter

Return a Reference

Whether a function call is an **lvalue** depends on the return type of the function. Calls to functions that **return references** are **lvalues**; other return types yield rvalues. We can assign to the result of a function that returns a reference to **non-const**.

```
G: returnref.cpp > ...
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  char &get_val(string &str, string::size_type ix)
5  {
6      return str[ix]; // get_val assumes the given index is valid
7  }
8  int main()
9  {
10     string s("a value");
11     cout << s << endl; // prints a value
12
13     get_val(s, 0) = 'A'; // changes s[0] to A
14
15     cout << s << endl; // prints A value
16
17     return 0;
18 }
```

The return value is a reference, so the call is an lvalue. Like any other lvalue, it may appear as the left-hand operand of the assignment operator.

```
returnconstref.cpp > main()
```

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <string>
3 struct free_throws
4 {
5     std::string name;
6     int made;
7     int attempts;
8     float percent;
9 };
10 void display(const free_throws & ft);
11 const free_throws & clone(free_throws & ft);
```

const means you
don't want to
permit behavior
such as assigning a
value to clone()

Such as:

```
clone(dup2) = three; // not allowed for const
                     // reference return
```

```
41 void display(const free_throws & ft)
42 {
43     using std::cout;
44     cout << "Name: " << ft.name << '\n';
45     cout << "Made: " << ft.made << '\t';
46     cout << "Attempts: " << ft.attempts << '\t';
47     cout << "Percent: " << ft.percent << '\n';
48 }
49
50
51 const free_throws & clone(free_throws & ft)
52 {
53     ft.percent = 5;
54
55     return ft; ←
56 }
```

return a reference
parameter

```
14 int main()
15 {
16     // partial initializations - remaining members set to 0
17     free_throws one = {"Ifelsa Branch", 13, 14};
18     free_throws two = {"Andor Knott", 10, 16};
19     free_throws three = {"Minnie Max", 7, 9};
20
21     std::cout << "The original one is: " << std::endl;
22     display(one);
23
24     free_throws dup1 = clone(one);
25
26     std::cout << "The dup1 is: " << std::endl;
27     display(dup1);
28     std::cout << "After calling clone(), the one is: " << std::endl;
29     display(one);
30
31     free_throws dup2 = clone(two);
32
33     std::cout << "The dup2 is " << std::endl;
34     display(dup2);
35     std::cout << "After calling clone(), the two is: " << std::endl;
36     display(two);
37
38     return 0;
39 }
```

Difference between reference and pointer

- The **reference must be initialized when it is created**; the pointer can be assigned later.
- The **reference can not be initialized by NULL**; the pointer can.
- Once **the reference is initialized, it can not be reassigned to other variable**; a pointer can be changed to point to other object.
- **`sizeof(reference)`** operation returns the size of the variable; **`sizeof(pointer)`** operation returns the size of pointer itself.

2.2 Inline Function

C++ provides **inline functions** to help reduce function-call overhead(to avoid a function call).

```
c: inline.cpp > ...
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 inline double cube(double side);
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     double sideValue;
9     cout << "Enter the side of your cube:";
10    cin >> sideValue;
11
12    cout << "Volume of cube with side " << sideValue << " is " << cube(sideValue) << endl;
13
14    return 0;
15 }
16
17 inline double cube(double side)
18 {
19     return side * side * side;
20 }
```

Place the qualifier **inline** before return type in the function prototype

The qualifier **inline** can be omitted in the function definition if it is in the function prototype.

2.3 Default Arguments

```
default_arg.cpp > ...
1 #include <iostream>
2 const int ArSize = 80;
3
4 char * left(const char *str, int n = 1);
5
6 int main()
7 {
8     using namespace std;
9     char sample[ArSize];
10    cout << "Enter a string:";
11    cin.get(sample,ArSize);
12
13    char *ps = left(sample,4);
14    cout << ps << endl;
15    delete []ps;      //free string
16
17    ps = left(sample);
18    cout << ps << endl;
19    delete []ps;      //free string
20
21    return 0;
22 }
23
24 // This function returns a pointer to a new string
25 // consisting of the first n characters in the string.
26 char * left(const char *str, int n)
27 {
28     if(n < 0)
29         n = 0;
30
31     char *p = new char[n+1];
32     int i;
33     for(i = 0; i < n && str[i]; i++)
34         p[i] = str[i];      // copy characters
35
36     while(i <= n)
37         p[i++] = '\0';    // set rest of string to '\0'
38
39     return p;
40 }
```

Default arguments must be specified in the function prototype and must be **rightmost(trailing)**.

Enter a string:C++ is funny.

C++
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2.4 Function Overloading

Function overloading is a feature in C++ where two or more function can have the same name but different parameters.

Function overloading is used to create several functions of the same name that perform similar tasks, but on different data types. The C++ compiler selects the proper function to call by examining the number, types and order of the arguments.

- 1.the same fuction name
- 2.different parameter list

Example: function overloading

```
overload_add.cpp > ...
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 //overloaded function prototypes
5 void add(int i, int j);
6 void add(int i, double j);
7 void add(double i, int j);
8 void add(int i, int j, int k);
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     int a = 1, b = 2, c = 3;
13     double d = 1.1;
14
15     // overloaded functions with difference type
16     // and number of parameters
17     add(a,b);      // 1 + 2 => add prints 3
18     add(a,d);      // 1 + 1.1 => add prints 2.1
19     add(d,a);
20     add(a, b, c); // 1+ 2 +3 => add prints 6
21
22     return 0;
23 }
24
```

The same function name but different parameter list

```
25 void add(int i, int j)
26 {
27     cout << "Result: " << i + j << endl;
28 }
29 void add(int i, double j)
30 {
31     cout << "Result: " << i + j << endl;
32 }
33 void add(double i, int j)
34 {
35     cout << "Result: " << i + j << endl;
36 }
37 void add(int i, int j, int k)
38 {
39     cout << "Result: " << i + j + k << endl;
40 }
```

Output:

```
Result: 3
Result: 2.1
Result: 2.1
Result: 6
```

we can overload based on whether the parameter is a reference (or pointer) to the **const** or **non-const** version of a given type.

```
Record lookup(Account &);           // function that takes a reference to Account
Record lookup(const Account &); // new function that takes a const reference
```

```
Record lookup(Account *);          // new function, takes a pointer to Account
Record lookup(const Account *); // new function, takes a pointer to const
```

In these cases, the compiler can use the constness of the argument to distinguish which function to call.

2.5 Function Templates

Overloaded functions are normally used to perform similar operations that involve different program logic on different data types. If the program logic and operations are identical for each data type, overloading may be performed more compactly and conveniently by using **function templates**.

```
overload_diff_logic.cpp > ...
1 // This function returns the first ct digits of the number num
2 unsigned long left(unsigned long num, unsigned ct)
3 {
4     unsigned digits = 1;
5     unsigned long n = num;
6     if(ct == 0 || num == 0)
7         return 0;    //return 0 if no digits
8
9     while(n /= 10)
10        digits++;
11
12     if(digits > ct)
13     {
14         ct = digits -ct;
15         while(ct--)
16             num /= 10;
17         return num;    //return left ct digits
18     }
19     else    // if ct >= number of digits
20         return num;    //return the whole number
21
22 }
```

These two functions are overloaded functions that involve different logic different data types.

```
25 // This function returns a pointer to a new string
26 // consisting of the first n characters in the string.
27 char * left(const char *str, int n)
28 {
29     if(n < 0)
30         n = 0;
31
32     char *p = new char[n+1];
33     int i;
34     for(i = 0; i < n && str[i]; i++)
35         p[i] = str[i];    // copy characters
36
37     while(i <= n)
38         p[i++] = '\0';    // set rest of string to '\0'
39
40     return p;
41 }
```

Example for function template:

1. Write a function to calculate the maximum of two integers .

```
int Max(int x, int y)
{
    return (x > y? x : y);
```

These two functions are overloaded functions
Their program logic and operations are identical
for each data type .

2. Write a function to calculate the maximum of two doubles.

```
double Max(double x, double y)
{
    return (x > y? x : y);
```

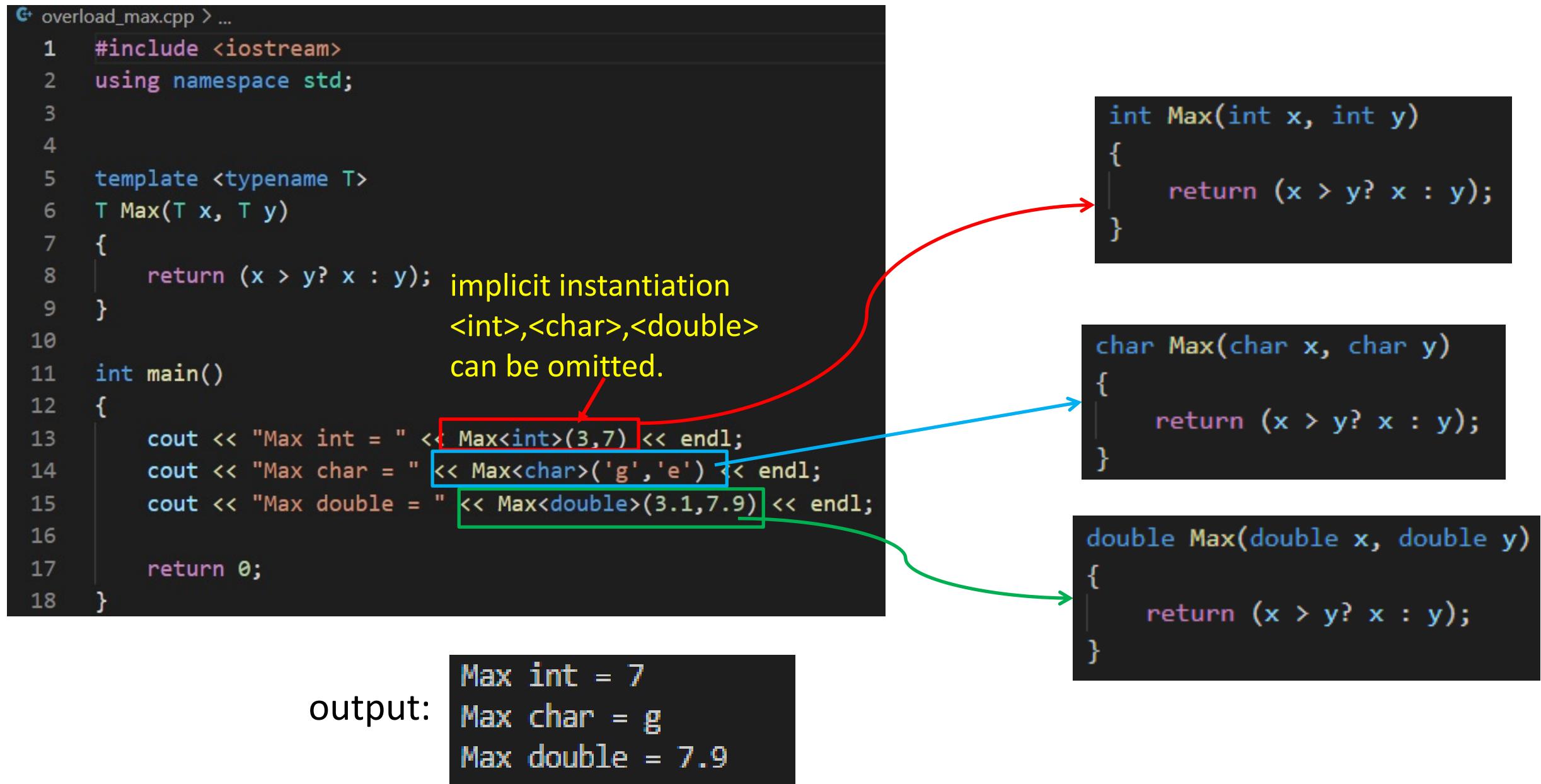
Note that the code for the implementation of the double version of max() is exactly the same as for the int version of max()! !

The syntax of templates:

```
template <typename T> // This is the template parameter declaration
T Max(T x, T y)
{
    return (x > y? x : y);
```

- Starts with the keyword **template**
- You can also use keyword **class** instead of **typename**
- **T** is a template argument that accepts different data types

When we call a function template, the compiler (ordinarily) uses the arguments of the call to deduce the template argument(s) for us. These compiler-generated functions are generally referred to as an **instantiation of the template**.



```
template_swap.cpp > Swap<T>(T &, T &)
```

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // function template prototype
5 template <typename T> // or class T
6 void Swap(T &a, T &b);
7
```

explicit instantiation

```
8 template void Swap<int>(int &, int &);
9 template void Swap<double>(double &, double &);
```

```
10
11
12 int main()
13 {
14     int i = 10, j = 20;
15     cout << "Before swap: i = " << i << ",j = " << j << endl;
16     cout << "Using compiler-generated int swap:\n";
17     Swap(i,j); // generates void swap(int &, int &)
18     cout << "After swap: i = " << i << ",j = " << j << endl;
19
20     double x = 34.5, y = 78.2;
21     cout << "Before swap: x = " << x << ",y = " << y << endl;
22     cout << "Using compiler-generated double swap:\n";
23     Swap(x,y); // generates void swap(double &, doufbe &)
24     cout << "After swap: x = " << x << ",y = " << y << endl;
25
26     return 0;
27 }
```

```
28
29 // template functin definition
30 template <typename T>
31 void Swap(T &a, T &b)
32 {
33     T temp;
34     temp = a;
35     a = b;
36     b = temp;
37 }
```

The function template instantiation creates for type **int** replaces each current of **T** with **int** as follows

```
void Swap(int &a, int &b)
{
    int temp;
    temp = a;
    a = b;
    b = temp;
}
```

The function template instantiation creates for type **double** replaces each current of **T** with **double** as follows

```
void Swap(double &a, double &b)
{
    double temp;
    temp = a;
    a = b;
    b = temp;
}
```

Output:

```
Before swap: i = 10,j = 20
Using compiler-generated int swap:
After swap: i = 20,j = 10
Before swap: x = 34.5,y = 78.2
Using compiler-generated double swap:
After swap: x = 78.2,y = 34.5
```

Overloaded template functions

```
35 template <typename T>
36 void Swap(T &a, T &b)
37 {
38     T temp;
39     temp = a;
40     a = b;
41     b = temp;
42 }
43
44 template <typename T>
45 void Swap(T a[], T b[], int n)
46 {
47     T temp;
48     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
49     {
50         temp = a[i];
51         a[i] = b[i];
52         b[i] = temp;
53     }
54 }
55
56 void show(int a[])
57 {
58     using namespace std;
59     cout << a[0] << a[1] << "/";
60     cout << a[2] << a[3] << "/";
61     for (int i = 4; i < Lim; i++)
62         cout << a[i];
63
64     cout << endl;
65 }
```

Overloaded
template
functions

```
overload_template.cpp > Swap<T>(T [], T [], int)
// using overloaded template functions
#include <iostream>
template <typename T> // original template
void Swap(T &a, T &b);

template <typename T> // new template
void Swap(T *a, T *b, int n);

void show(int a[]);

const int Lim = 8;

int main()
{
    using namespace std;
    int i = 10, j = 20;
    cout << "i, j = " << i << ", " << j << ".\n";
    cout << "Using compiler-generated int swapper:\n";
    Swap(i,j); // matches original template
    cout << "Now i, j = " << i << ", " << j << ".\n";

    int d1[Lim] = {0,7,0,4,1,7,7,6};
    int d2[Lim] = {0,7,2,0,1,9,6,9};
    cout << "Original arrays:\n";
    show(d1);
    show(d2);

    Swap(d1,d2,Lim); // matches new template
    cout << "Swapped arrays:\n";
    show(d1);
    show(d2);
}

return 0;
```

Function
prototype

Output:

```
i, j = 10, 20.
Using compiler-generated int swapper:
Now i, j = 20, 10.
Original arrays:
07/04/1776
07/20/1969
Swapped arrays:
07/20/1969
07/04/1776
```

Function template specialization

If a function template for the general definition is not appropriate for a particular type, you can define a **specialized version** of the function template.

```
template_specialization.cpp > ...
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  template<typename T>
5  T sum(T x, T y)
6  {
7      return x + y;
8  }
9
10 struct Point
11 {
12     int x;
13     int y;
14 };
15
16 // Specialization for sum Point
17 template<>
18 Point sum<Point>(Point pt1, Point pt2)
19 {
20     Point pt;
21     pt.x = pt1.x + pt2.x;
22     pt.y = pt1.y + pt2.y;
23     return pt;
24 }
```

```
27  int main()
28  {
29      //Implicit instantiated functions
30      cout << "sum = " << sum(1, 2) << endl;
31      cout << "sum = " << sum(1.1, 2.2) << endl;
32
33      Point pt1 {1, 2};
34      Point pt2 {2, 3};
35
36      //template specialization
37      Point pt = sum(pt1, pt2);
38
39      cout << "pt = (" << pt.x << ", " << pt.y << ")" << endl;
40      return 0;
41 }
```

```
sum = 3
sum = 3.3
pt = (3, 5)
```

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8  }
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10 struct Point
11 {
12     int x;
13     int y;
14 };
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16 // Specialization for sum Point
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18 Point sum<Point>(Point pt1, Point pt2)
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21     pt.x = pt1.x + pt2.x;
22     pt.y = pt1.y + pt2.y;
23     return pt;
24 }
```

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27  int main()
28  {
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40      return 0;
41 }
```

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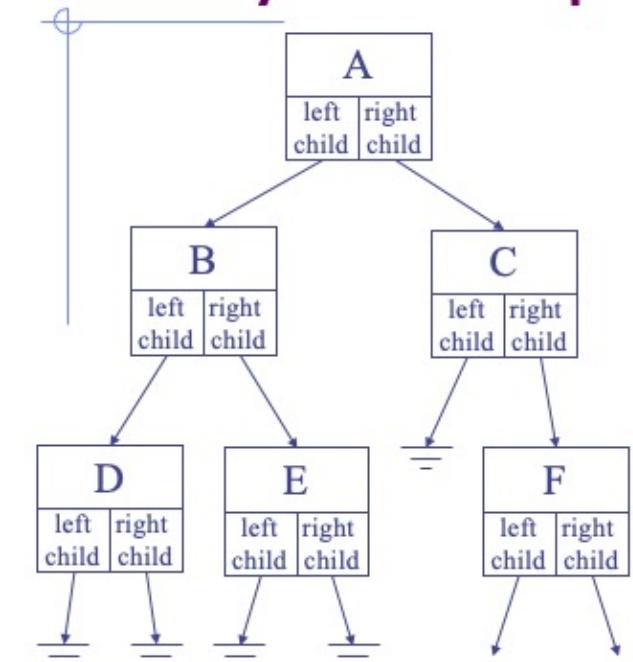
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2  using namespace std;
3
4  template<typename T>
5  T sum(T x, T y)
6  {
7      return x + y;
8  }
9
10 struct Point
11 {
12     int x;
13     int y;
14 };
15
16 // Specialization for sum Point
17 template<>
18 Point sum<Point>(Point pt1, Point pt2)
19 {
20     Point pt;
21     pt.x = pt1.x + pt2.x;
22     pt.y = pt1.y + pt2.y;
23     return pt;
24 }
```

```
27  int main()
28  {
29      //Implicit instantiated functions
30      cout << "sum = " << sum(1, 2) << endl;
31      cout << "sum = " << sum(1.1, 2.2) << endl;
32
33      Point pt1 {1, 2};
34      Point pt2 {2, 3};
35
36      //template specialization
37      Point pt = sum(pt1, pt2);
38
39      cout << "pt = (" << pt.x << ", " << pt.y << ")" << endl;
40      return 0;
41 }
```

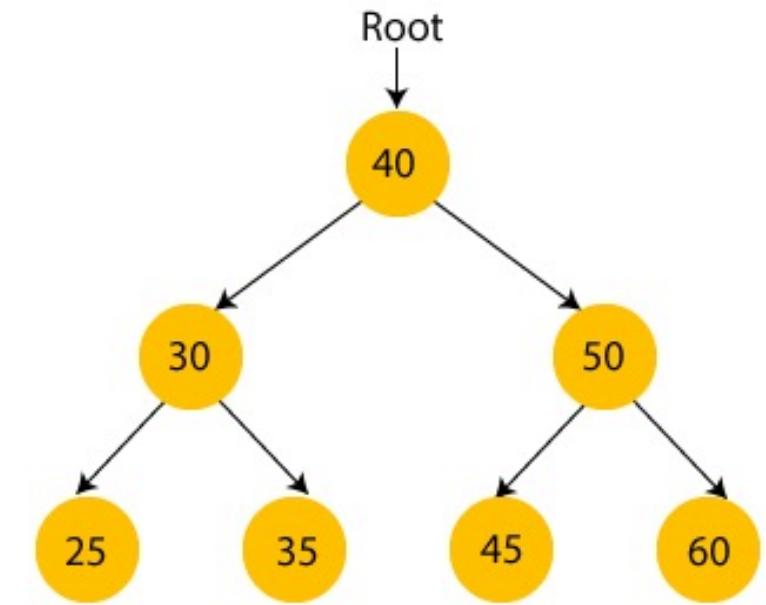
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sum = 3.3
pt = (3, 5)
```

Binary Search tree

Tree is a kind of data structure that is used to represent the data in hierarchical form. It can be defined as a collection of objects or entities called as nodes that linked together to simulate a hierarchy.



Binary Search tree follows some order to arrange the elements. In a Binary search tree, the value of **left node must be smaller** than the parent node, and the value of **right node must be greater** than the parent node.



Extracurricular Reading:

BST: <https://www.jianshu.com/p/a42ed72b6022>

Splay tree: https://blog.51cto.com/u_15067223/4277877

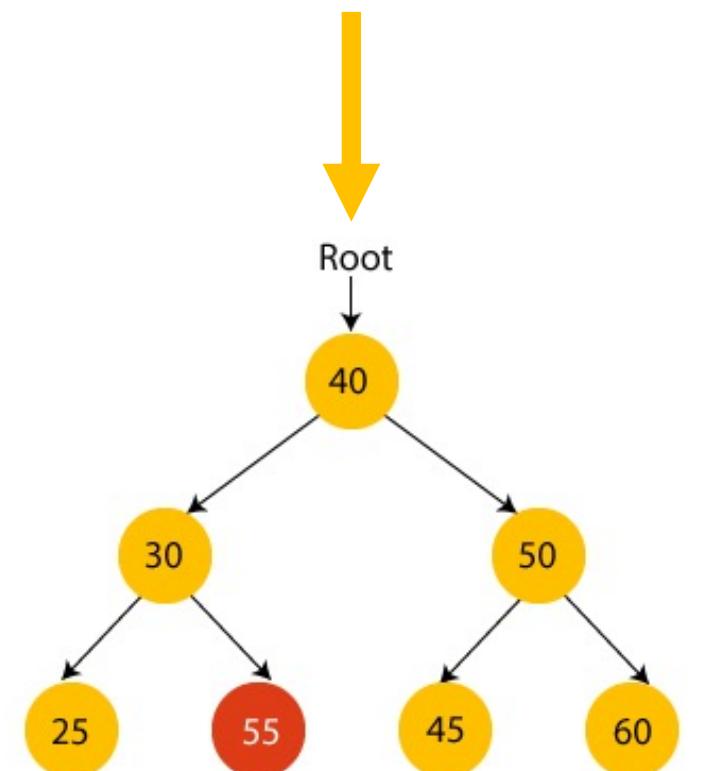
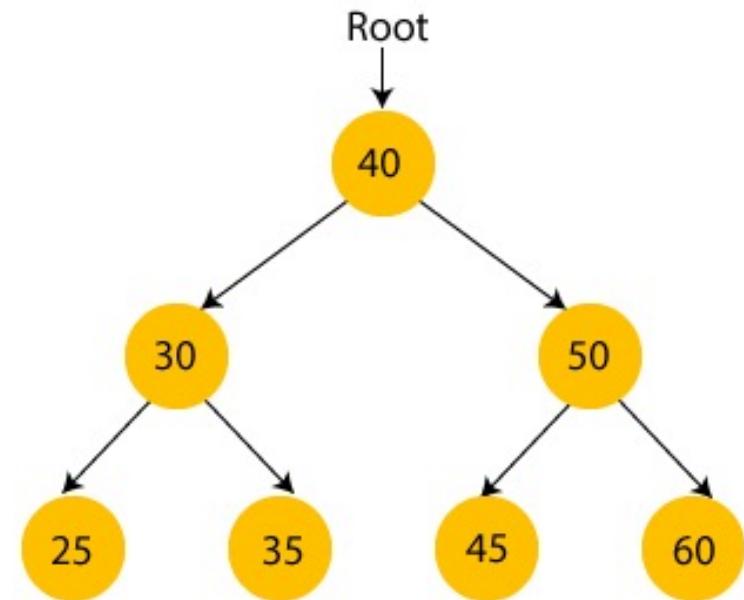
Binary Search tree

Suppose if we change the value of node 35 to 55 in the right tree, check whether the tree will be binary search tree or not.

Answers: No!

Why

In the right bottom tree, the value of root node is 40, which is greater than its left child 30 but smaller than right child of 30, ie. 55. Thus the tree does not satisfy the property of Binary search tree.

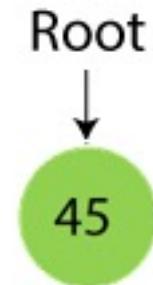


Binary Search tree

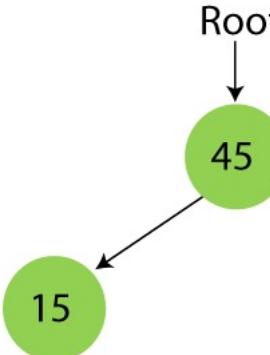
An example about the creation of binary search tree.

Suppose the data elements are 45,15,79,90,10,55,12, 20, 50.

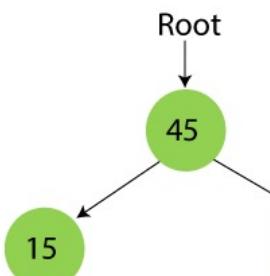
Step 1 - Insert 45.



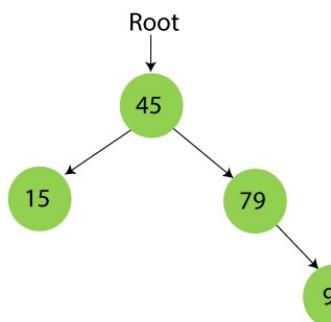
Step 2 - Insert 15.



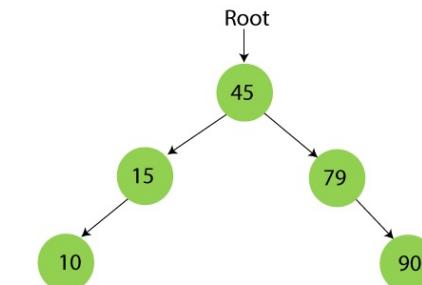
Step 3 - Insert 79.



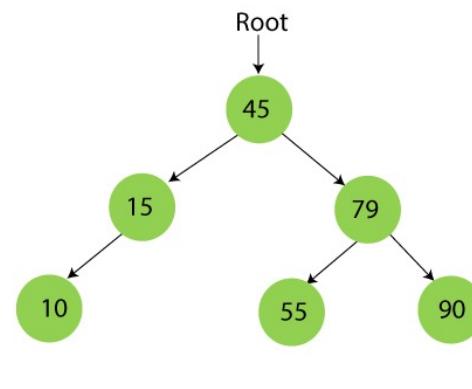
Step 4 - Insert 90.



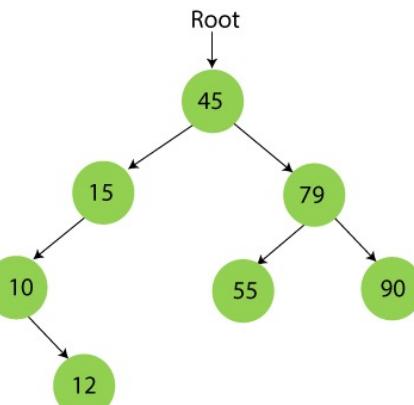
Step 5 - Insert 10.



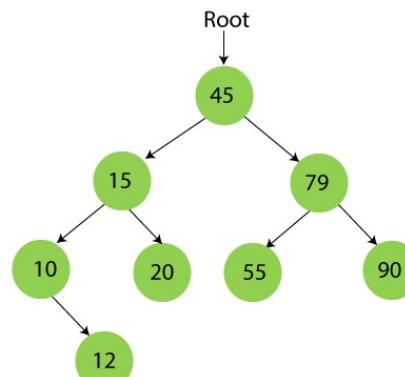
Step 6 - Insert 55.



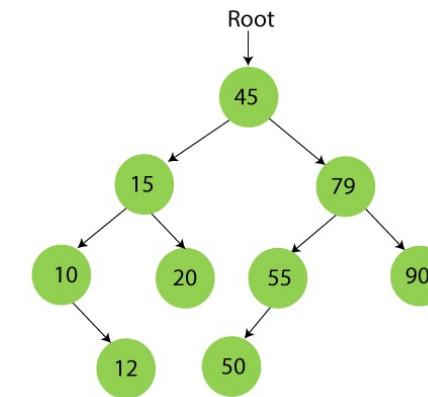
Step 7 - Insert 12.



Step 8 - Insert 20.



Step 9 - Insert 50.

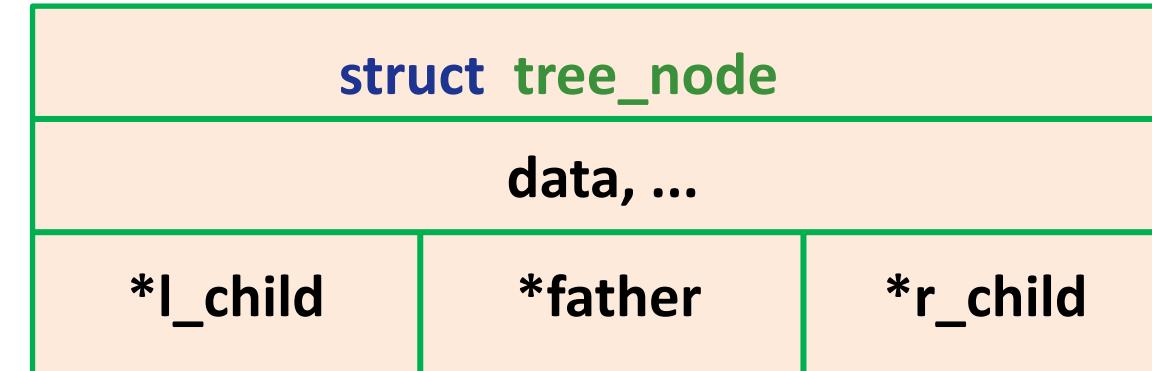


add_node(tree_node *father, tree_node *child, int child_direction);

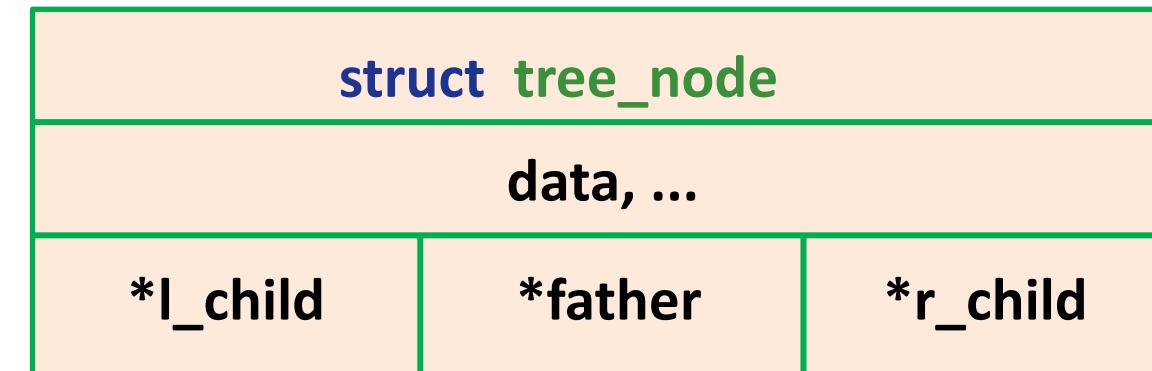
assign2_tree.hpp ●

```
Ass2 > assign2_tree.hpp > ...
1 #pragma once
2
3 #include <cstdint>
4
5 struct tree_node {
6     tree_node *father;
7     tree_node *l_child, *r_child;
8
9     uint32_t node_count; //< the number of occurrences of a certain data (repet)
10    uint32_t tree_count; //< the size of the subtree (including the root)
11
12    uint64_t data; //< only save 8-bytes width memory for the data of any repres
13 };
14
15 struct BST {
16     tree_node *root;
17
18     /**
19      * (pointer to a function) compare two data, represented by uint64_t, mentioned
20      *
21      * @attention receiving two uint64_t doesn't promise you can straightly compa
22      * @returns (0) if two data fields equal
23      * @returns (int > 0) if the first data field is greater than the second one
24      * @returns (int < 0) if the first data field is smaller than the second one
25      */
26     int (*comp)(uint64_t, uint64_t);
27 };
```

father

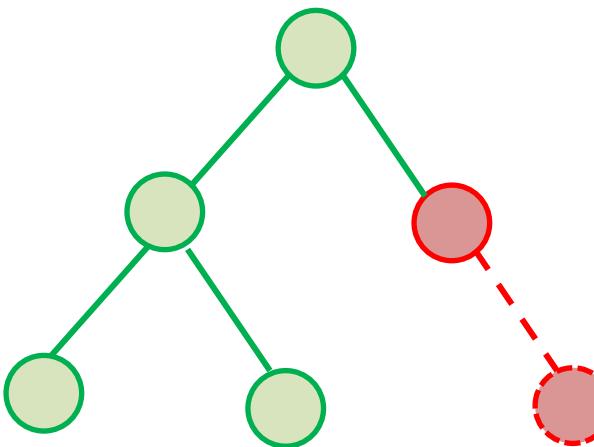


child



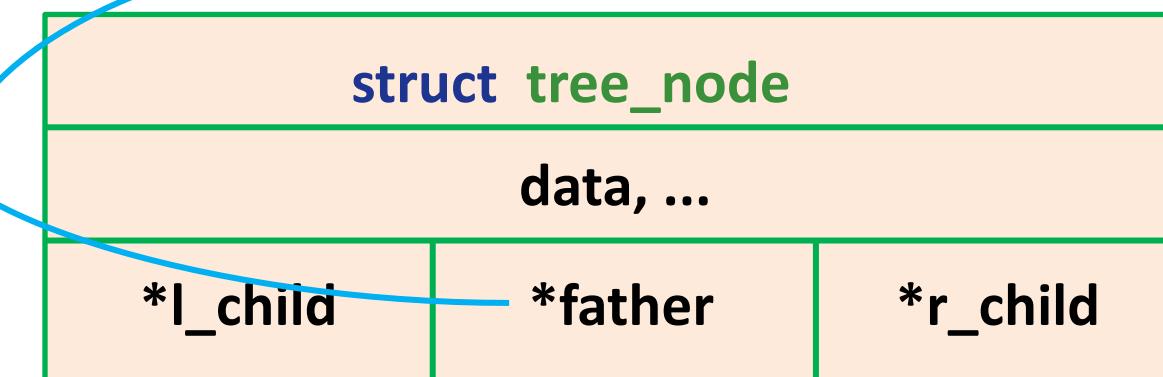
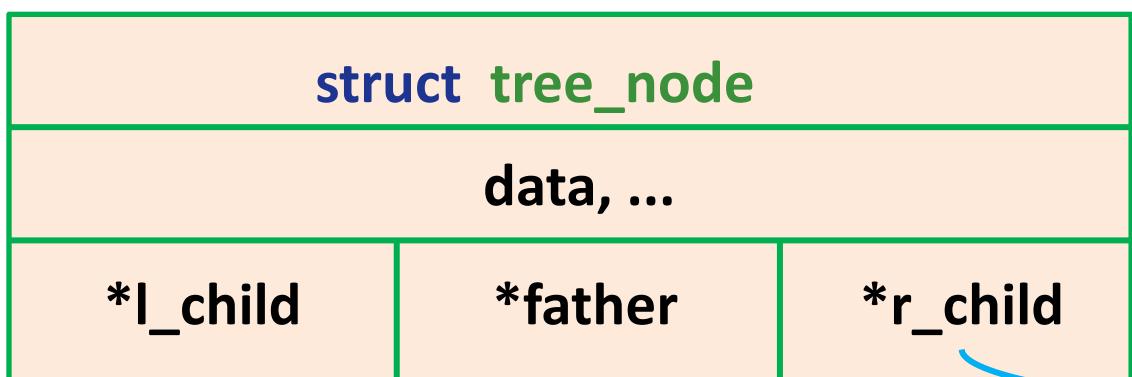
```
add_node(tree_node *father, tree_node *child, int child_direction);
```

Left, or Right



tree_node *father

tree_node *child



```
add_node(tree_node *father, tree_node *child, int child_direction);
```

tree_node *father ←

struct tree_node

data, ...

*l_child

*father

*r_child

tree_node *child →

struct tree_node

data, ...

*l_child

*father

*r_child

```
father->r_child = child;  
child->father = father;
```

```
if (father->r_child != NULL):  
    return DUPLICATED..._EXCEPTION;
```

Exceptions you **SHOULD** handle:

- NULL_POINTER_EXCEPTION
- DUPLICATED_LEFT_CHILD_EXCEPTION
- DUPLICATED_RIGHT_CHILD_EXCEPTION
- DUPLICATED_FATHER_EXCEPTION
- INVALID_CHILD_DIRECTION_EXCEPTION

3 Exercises

1. The following is a program skeleton:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <cstring>    //for strlen(), strcpy()

struct stringy{
    char * str;    // points to a string
    int ct;        // length of string(not counting '\0')
};

// prototypes fo set(), show() and show() go here

int main()
{
    stringy beany;
    char testing[] = "Reality isn't what it used to be.";

    set(beany,testing);    // first argument is a reference,
                           // allocates space to hold copy of testing,
                           // sets str member of beany to point to the
                           // new block, copies testing to new block,
                           // and sets ct member of beany
    show(beany);          //print member string once
    show(beany, 2);       //prints member string twice

    testing[0] = 'D';
    testing[1] = 'u';
    show(testing);        //prints testing string once
    show(testing, 3);     //prints test string thrice
    show("Done!");

    return 0;
}
```

Complete this skeleton by providing the described functions and prototypes. Note that there should be two **show()** functions, each using default arguments. Use **const** arguments when appropriate. Note that **set()** should use **new** to allocate sufficient space to hold the designated string.

A sample runs might look like this:

```
Reality isn't what it used to be.  
Reality isn't what it used to be.  
Reality isn't what it used to be.  
Duality isn't what it used to be.  
Done!
```

2. Write a template function max5() that takes as its argument an array of five items of type T and returns the largest item in the array. Test it in a program that uses the function with an array of five int values{1, 2, 3, 4 ,5}) and an array of five double values{1.1, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.5}.

A sample runs might look like this:

```
Max int = 5  
Max double = 5.5
```