Object Oriented Programming I

Topics today:

- File Input
- Functions

File Input

File Input

- File input needs **#include<fstream>**
- An input stream that reads from the file fileName is created by

```
ifstream streamName(fileName);
```

- After this, streamName can be used completely similar to **cin**
- fileName can be an absolute path, e.g. "**C:test.txt**",
  or a path relative to the directory of the executable C++ program,
  e.g. "**input.txt**"

Example 1

- Create a textfile **input1.txt** with the content shown below
- Read the values contained in the file into an array with entries of type double
- Print the entries of the array to the screen

```
2342234.02384
3424.340
340349.29347
923482.23784
92347.347
20342.234234
820482.03284
```

Solution

Assume that the file **input1.txt** with the content on the last slide has been created already. Then the following program does the job.

```
1  #include <cstdlib>
2  #include <iostream>
3  #include <fstream>
4  using namespace std;
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      ifstream in("C:\\Lecture5\\input1.txt");
9      double A[7];
10     for(int i=0;i<7;i++)
11        in >> A[i];
12     for(int i=0;i<7;i++)
13        cout << A[i] << endl;
14     system("PAUSE");
15 }
```

Useful Functions for File Input

- Assume an input stream **in** has been declared, e.g. with **ifstream in(“input.txt”);**
- **in.eof()** returns true if the end of the file has been reached, otherwise false
- **in.fail()** returns true if the last input failed (e.g. string is attempted to be read into an integer), otherwise false
- **in.clear()** resets the input stream to its original state after an input failed

Using a while-loop for File Input

- Often we do not know how many data values a file contains
- Need to know when the end of the file is reached
- Solution:
  - create a temporary variable, say "**buffer**"
  - create an input stream, say "**in**"
  - use **while(in>>buffer)** or **while(!in.eof())**
  - in the while-loop, append the values to a vector
- Why it works: **(in>>buffer)** will be false if and only if the end of the input is reached or an input error is encountered

Problem 2

- Create a textfile **input1.txt** with the content shown below
- Read the values contained in the file into a vector using a loop **while(!in.eof())** and the **push_back** function for vectors
- Print the entries of the vector to the screen

```
2342234.02384
3424.340
340349.29347
923482.23784
92347.347
20342.234234
820482.03284
```

Example 2 (extract numbers from a file)

- Create a textfile **input2.txt** with the content shown below
- Read the numbers from the file into a C++ program and print their sum to the screen.

```
jjsf
3444
&*^*&(
3234
abc
def
123
xyz
```

Solution

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  using namespace std;
4
5  int main()
6  {
7      ifstream in("input2.txt");
8      string s;
9      int y;
10     int sum=0;
11     while(!in.eof())
12     {
13         in >> y;
14         if(in.fail())    // i.e. if input is not an integer
15         {
16             in.clear();
17             in >> s;     // read into string to get rid of it
18             continue;    // proceed to next input
19         }
20         cout << y << endl;
21         sum+=y;
22     }
23     cout << "sum: " << sum << endl;
24     system("PAUSE");
25 }
```

“Messy” Input Files

- Often the data in input files are not arranged in a good way for C++ input
- Still we need to be able to extract the information we need
- The next problem is a simple example for this

Problem 3

- Download the file **NasdaqCompsiteIndex.txt** from edventure
- Write a program that reads the data from this file
- Note that only the numbers in the second column need to be read (corresponding year and month can be determined without reading it from the file)
- After the data are read, the program should ask the user to input a year and month on the keyboard
- The Nasdaq index for this year and month should be printed to the screen

Problem 4 (Reading Text from File)

- Create a textfile **input3.txt** with this content:

```
This is a textfile
containing text.
```

- Read the symbols in this file into a vector with entries of type char
- Print the symbols which were read (entries of the vector) on the screen
- Note that spaces are gone
- To read spaces, try **ifstream in(“input3.txt); string s; getline(in, s);** etc. as an alternative

Functions

Purpose of Functions

- We have learned about variables, loops, conditions, and vectors
- In principle, this is enough to do any kind of computation efficiently
- But what is missing?
- A good way to structure programs
- The most useful feature of C++ for structuring programs is functions

Why should we use functions?

History

- A programming project can involve millions of lines of source code
- Programming breakthrough in the 1950s:
  Use functions to divide a complex task into smaller, simpler tasks
- C and Fortran (1960s to 80s) massively use functions
- That’s why they are called procedural programming languages (procedure=function)
- In C++, functions are still fundamental

Main Ideas Behind Functions

- A function is a small, almost complete program inside a bigger program which is supposed to be independent from the rest of the program
- Each function is supposed to contribute one step to achieving the goal of the complete program
- It is much easier to solve a problem in small steps than by a single chunk of code inside the main function
- Separating a problem into small, easy steps naturally gives rise to application of functions
- A small step (e.g. printing all entries of a vector to the screen) which has to carried out repeatedly is best implemented by a function

Example Demonstrating Advantages of Functions

- Create four vectors with random entries of type **int** of length 3,6,9,12, respectively
- Print all entries of these vectors to the screen

Solution Without Functions

```
1  vector<int> A(3), B(6), C(9), D(12);
2  for(int i=0;i<A.size();i++)
3      A[i] =rand();
4  for(int i=0;i<B.size();i++)
5      B[i] =rand();
6  for(int i=0;i<C.size();i++)
7      C[i] =rand();
8  for(int i=0;i<D.size();i++)
9      D[i] =rand();
10
11 for(int i=0;i<A.size();i++)
12     cout << A[i] << endl;
13 for(int i=0;i<B.size();i++)
14     cout << B[i] << endl;
15 for(int i=0;i<C.size();i++)
16     cout << C[i] << endl;
17 for(int i=0;i<D.size();i++)
18     cout << D[i] << endl;
```

Solution With Functions

Suppose we have a function **RandVector(n)** which returns a random vector of length **n** and a function **PrintVector()** which prints all entries of a vector to the screen.

Solution:

```
1 vector<int> A = RandVector(3);
2 vector<int> B = RandVector(6);
3 vector<int> C = RandVector(9);
4 vector<int> D = RandVector(12);
5
6 PrintVector(A);
7 PrintVector(B);
8 PrintVector(C);
9 PrintVector(D);
```

Without functions

```
1  vector<int> A(3), B(6), C(9), D(12);
2  for(int i=0;i<A.size();i++)
3      A[i] =rand();
4  for(int i=0;i<B.size();i++)
5      B[i] =rand();
6  for(int i=0;i<C.size();i++)
7      C[i] =rand();
8  for(int i=0;i<D.size();i++)
9      D[i] =rand();
10
11 for(int i=0;i<A.size();i++)
12     cout << A[i] << endl;
13 for(int i=0;i<B.size();i++)
14     cout << B[i] << endl;
15 for(int i=0;i<C.size();i++)
16     cout << C[i] << endl;
17 for(int i=0;i<D.size();i++)
18     cout << D[i] << endl;
```

With functions

```
1 vector<int> A = RandVector(3);
2 vector<int> B = RandVector(6);
3 vector<int> C = RandVector(9);
4 vector<int> D = RandVector(12);
5
6 PrintVector(A);
7 PrintVector(B);
8 PrintVector(C);
9 PrintVector(D);
```

Which functions are available already?

Built-in Functions

- Some functions, like **rand()**, are already provided in C++
- These are called built-in functions
- See http://www.cppreference.com/wiki/ under “Standard C library” for the available built in functions, e.g. **sin, cos, exp, tan, time, assert, exit,…**
- To use them in C++, we need appropriate include statements, e.g. **#include<cmath>** for math functions

Problem 5 (built-in functions)

Write a C++ program which prints a table of values of the function

$$f(x) = \sin(x)^2 + e^{-x^2} + x^3 \log(x+1)$$

to the screen. It should print the values $f(x)$ for $x = 0,\ 0.1,\ 0.2,\ \ldots,\ 9.9,\ 10.0$. The output should look as follows.

```
x=     0     f(x)= 1
x=   0.1     f(x)=1.00011
x=   0.2     f(x)=1.00172
...
```

- To align the output nicely, you can use the `setw` command. For instance,

```
cout << setw(5) << x;
```

outputs `x` right-justified in a box of length `5`. The use of `setw` requires `#include<iomanip>`.

User Defined Functions

- If we need functions which are not built-in, we need to write them ourselves
- Such functions are called user defined functions
- Most functions we use will be user defined (the set of built-in functions is minimal)

How does a C++ function compare with a mathematical function?

Mathematical Functions

Mathematical functions have a name,

input parameters, and return value.

Typical example:

$$p(n) = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{8}}\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\left\{k^{1/2}\left(n-\frac{1}{24}\right)^{-3/2}\left(\sum_{\substack{h=1\\ \mathrm{ggT}(h,k=1)}}^{k}\exp\left(-2\pi ih/k+\pi i\sum_{r=1}^{k-1}\frac{r}{k}\left(\frac{hr}{k}-\left[\frac{hr}{k}\right]-\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)\right)\right.$$
$$\left.\left(\sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2}{3k^2}\left(n-\frac{1}{24}\right)}\cosh\sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2}{3k^2}\left(n-\frac{1}{24}\right)}-\sinh\sqrt{\frac{2\pi^2}{3k^2}\left(n-\frac{1}{24}\right)}\right)\right\}$$

Name: p
Parameter: n
Return value: complicated (the complex number on the right side)

C++ Functions

- C++ functions are similar to mathematical functions (name, input parameters, return value). But:
- They can have a task aside from returning a value (destroying the operating system, for instance)
- They may have no input parameters
- They may have no return value

How to create a C++ function?

Function Definition

- To create a user defined function, we must provide the necessary C++ commands
- This is called the function definition
- Function definition consists of a function head and a function body
- Function head contains information on function name, input parameters, and return value
- Function body contains the C++ commands which fulfill the purpose of the function

Function Head

```
returnType FunctionName(parameters)
```

- This is the head of a function with name FunctionName
- The parameters consist of a comma separated list of variables declarations
- The returnType is the type of the value returned by the function
- If the function has no return value, the return type is **void**

Function Heads, Example 1

```
double pow(double a, double b)
```

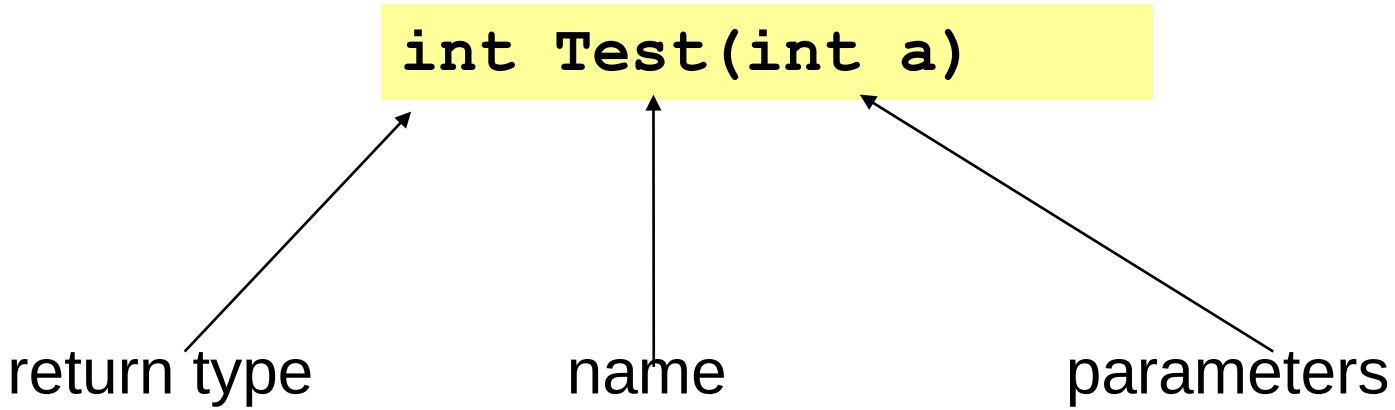
- Function head of the built-in function **pow**
- Has two input parameters of type double
- Returns a value of type double

Function Heads, Example 2

What is the head of a function with:

- Name: **Test**
- Input parameters: one variable **a** of type **int**
- Return value: of type **int**

Solution



Function Heads, Example 3

What is the head of a function with:

- Name: **DestroyWindows**
- No input parameters
- No return value

```
void DestroyWindows()
```

Function Heads, Example 4

What is the head of a function with:

- Name: **BoxVolume**
- 3 input parameter of type double
- Return type double

```
double BoxVolume(double a, double b, double c)
```

Function Heads, Example 5

What is the head of a function with:

- Name: **PrintVector2Screen**
- One input parameter: vector with entries of type **int**
- No return value

```
void PrintVector2Screen(vector<int> v)
```

Function Definition and Function Body

```
returnType FunctionName(parameters) // function head
{
    statements
}
```

- The function definition consists of the function head followed by the C++ statements which fulfill the purpose of the function
- These statements are enclosed in curly braces and are called the function body
- A function usually is defined at global scope, i.e. outside any other function (especially outside the `main` function)

Function Definition: Example 1

Write down the definition of a function that adds up three integers and returns the result.

Function Definition: Example 1

```
int Add(int a,int b,int c)
{
    return a+b+c;
}
```

Return type	**int**
Function name	**Add**
Parameters	**a,b,c,** all of type **int**
Function head	**int Add(int a,int b,int c)**
Function body	**{ return a+b+c; }**
Task	Add 3 integers and return result

Function Definition: Example 2

- Write down the definition of a function that adds up the entries of a vector with entries of type double and returns the result

Solution

```
1 double AddUpVector(vector<double> v)
2 {
3     double trouble=0;
4     for(int i=0;i<v.size();i++)
5         trouble+=v[i];
6     return trouble;
7 }
```

Return Values Must be Returned

- If a function has return type **void**, it does not return a value
- In all other cases, we must make sure in the function body that a value of the correct type is returned under any circumstances
- For instance, **if(condition) return x;** usually will be wrong if we don’t make sure that a value is returned when the condition is false

Return Statements

```
return expression;
```

- Functions return values by such return statements
- From the function head, we know the return type of the function. The expression must have same type
- A return statement immediately stops the execution of the function
- **return;** stops the execution of the function without returning a value (only allowed if the return type is **void**)

Question: What is wrong with the following function?

```
1 int  Search()
2 {
3     for(int i=0;i<100;i++)
4        if(rand()%55==0)
5          return i;
6 }
```

If no random number is divisible by 55, no value is returned.
Correct version (for instance):

```
1 int  Search()
2 {
3     for(int i=0;i<100;i++)
4        if(rand()%55==0)
5          return i;
6     return -1;  // result -1 means that
7                 // no number was divisible by 55
8 }
```

Question: What is wrong with the following function?

```
1 double  test()
2 {
3     cout << "hello" << endl;
4 }
```

The return type is double, so there must be a return statement which returns a double value. Correct version:

```
1 void  test()
2 {
3     cout << "hello" << endl;
4 }
```

Return type **void** means the functions does not return a value

Problem 6

- Write down the definition of a function that multiplies two **int**'s and returns the result
- Hint: to avoid integer overflow, you can use return type **long long** which has range

$$-2^{63},...,2^{63}-1$$

Problem 7

- Write down the definition of a function that checks if two integers have the same parity (both even or both odd) and returns the answer as a bool value

How to use a C++ function: function call

Using a Function = Function Call

- Functions which are defined already can be used (repeatedly if necessary)
- To use a function, we call the function
- This is called a functions call
- Function definition and function call are two completely different things

Most Functions Need Input Information

Examples:

- **IsPrime(int n):** needs a number to test
- **PrintVector2Screen(vector<int> v):** needs a vector to print

Input information is passed to functions through the function parameters

How is Input Information Passed to a Function?

As a comma separated list in parenthesis after the function name.

Examples of function calls:

- **IsPrime(1001)**
- **AreEqual(v,w)**

Attention: if we use variables as parameters in a function call, we must declare and initialize them first!

Function Call

A function call consists of the function name followed by a comma separated list of values for the parameters enclosed in parenthesis

- Purpose:
- Passes the values of the parameters to the function
- Executes the function with this input

Function Call: Example 1

Function contained in **<cmath>**

pow(a,b): takes two parameters of type double and returns **a** to the power **b** in type double

Possible function call:

```
pow(2.0,31.0)
```

(function name followed by a comma separated list of values for the parameters)

What Happens in a Function Call?

The program reaches `pow(2.0,31.0)`
What happens?

- The parameter values 2.0 and 31.0 are passed to the function
- The function is executed with this input and computes the result 2147483648
- The function call is replaced by the result (!)
- Hence, **cout << pow(2.0,31.0);** has the same effect as **cout << 2147483648;**

Rules for Function Calls

- **Treat a function call like a value –** except it has no return value
- Functions with return type void:
  cannot treat function call as a value – functions call must be single command, not inside any expression
- The values of function parameters can be specified by any expressions of the correct type
- Unlike function definitions, function calls are done inside other functions (often inside the main function)

Function Call: Example 2

Task:

- Show that we can use any expression with return value of type double as parameters in a call of the function pow

- Show that with a function call of the function **pow**, we can do exactly the same things as with a value of type double:
  - print to the screen,
  - use in other expressions,
  - write to a file etc.

Solution

```
1  // double literals can be used as parameters:
2  cout << pow(2.0,5.0) << endl;
3  double x = 2.0;
4  double y= 5.0;
5  // variables can be used as parameters:
6  cout << pow(x,y) << endl;
7  // more complicated expressions, too:
8  cout << pow((x-y)*5,x*x*y) << endl;
9  // even a result of a function call can be a parameter:
10 cout << pow(pow(2.0,5.0),3.0) << endl;
11
12 // a function call can be the right hand side of assignment:
13 double z = pow(2.0,5);
14 // result of a function call can be printed
15 cout << pow(2.0,20) << endl;
16 // a function call can be part of an expression:
17 cout << z*100/pow(10.0,5) << endl;
18 // result of a function call can be written to a file:
19 ofstream out("C:\\test.txt");
20 out << pow(2.0,10) << endl;
```

Additional Problems

Problem 8

Use the C++ built-in mathematical functions to find out which of the following identities are correct and which are incorrect. "Find out" means finding out *by experiment*; no mathematical proof is sought!

$$2\,(\cos(x))^2 - 1 = \cos(2\,x)$$

$$(\sin(x))^4 + 2\,(\cos(x))^2 - 2\,(\sin(x))^2 - \cos(2\,x) = (\cos(x))^4$$

$$4\,(\cos(x))^3 + 3\,\cos(x) = \cos(3\,x)$$

$$\pi = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^k 3^{-k+1/2}}{2k+1}.$$

Problem 9

Write and test a function with function head

```
void PrintVector(vector<int> v)
```

that prints the entries of the vector `v` on the screen (separated by spaces).

Problem 10

Write and test a function with function head

```
bool IsStrictlyOrdered(vector<int> v)
```

which returns `true` if the entries of `v` are *strictly increasing* (this means `v[0]` is strictly smaller than `v[1]`, `v[1]` is strictly smaller than `v[2]` etc.) and `false` otherwise.

Problem 11

Write and test a function with function head

```
void Write2File(vector<double> v, string filename)
```

that writes the entries of `v` to the file `filename`. Here we use a relative path, i.e. the file will be written to the directory which contains the C++ program.

Hint: Declare the filestream with

```
ofstream out(filename.c_str());
```

(".c_str()" converts the string to type char[] which is required for the ofstream declaration)

Problem 12

Write and test a function with function head

```
int nthPrime(int n)
```

that returns the nth prime number. For instance, `nthPrime(1)` should return 2 and `nthPrime(5)` should return 11.

It is ok if the function only works for n up to 100,000