

CSCI 200: Foundational Programming Concepts & Design

Lecture 35



Safe Programming: Exception Handling

Previously in CSCI 200



- Arrays
 - Stored in a one n -element contiguous block
 - Element access $O(1)$
 - All other operations $O(n)$
- Linked List
 - Stored in n one-element fragmented blocks
 - Element access $O(n)$
 - Some operations $O(1)$
 - Other operations $O(n)$

Data Structure Operations

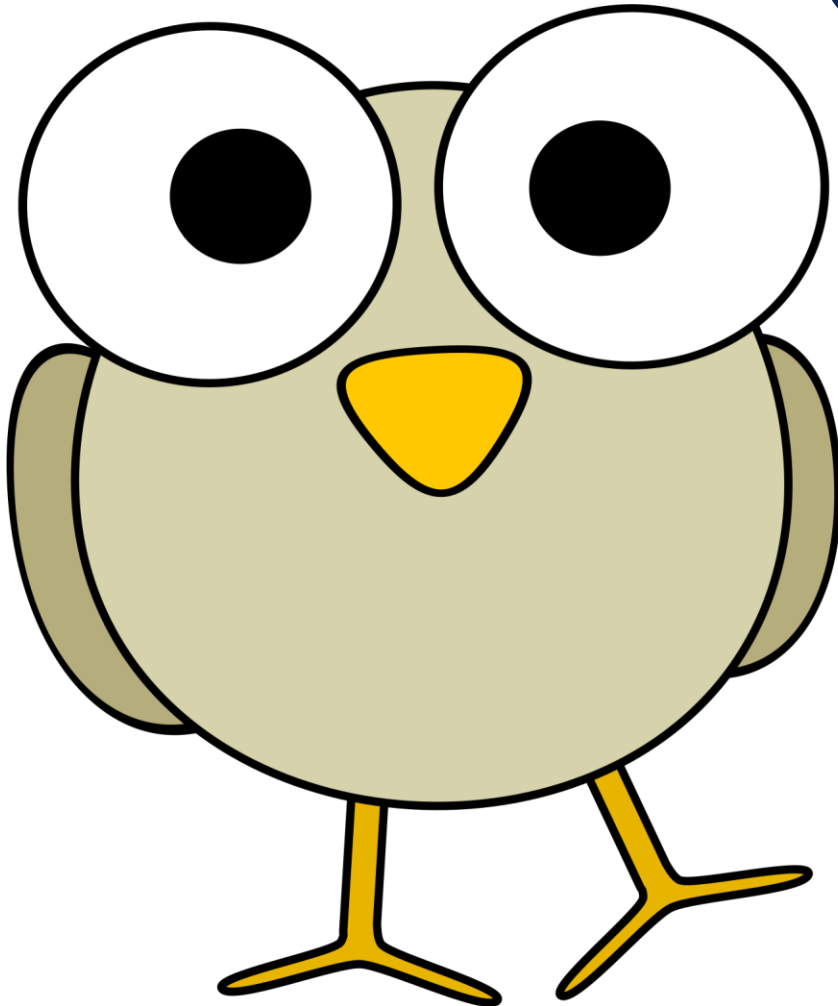
Operation		Array	Singly-Linked List	Doubly-Linked List
Element Access		$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Traversal	Forwards	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
	Backwards		$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
Add	Front	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
	Middle		$O(n)$	$O(n)$
	Back		$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Delete	Front	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
	Middle		$O(n)$	$O(n)$
	Back		$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Search		$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Min / Max		$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Memory		$n * \text{sizeof}(T)$ contiguous	$n * (\text{sizeof}(T) + 8)$ fragmented	$n * (\text{sizeof}(T) + 16)$ fragmented

Previously in CSCI 200



- Linked List operations & Big O complexity
 - Be careful of dangling pointers!
 - Be careful of memory leaks!
 - Be careful of losing the reference to a node or start / end of the list!

Questions?



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Learning Outcomes For Today



- Define what an exception is.
- Discuss why exceptions are thrown, how they are caught, and the benefits of using exceptions.
- Create a program that handles exceptions cleanly and prevents run time errors from occurring.

On Tap For Today



- Exception Handling
- Practice

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- Exception Handling
- Practice

What Happens In Each Case?



```
int var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -3; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

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your results may vary

What Happens In Each Case?



```
int var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl; // prints 0x518 999
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl; // prints 0x514 999
cout << array << endl;                // prints 0x520

for(int i = -3; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

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```

What Happens In Each Case?



```
int var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl; // prints 0x518 999
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl; // prints 0x514 999
cout << array << endl;                // prints 0x520

for(int i = -3; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;                // prints -2
cout << var2 << endl;                // prints -3
```

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What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -6; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

```
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```

What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl; // prints 0x510 999
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl; // prints 0x508 999
cout << array << endl;                // prints 0x520

for(int i = -6; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

```
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```

What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl; // prints 0x510 999
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl; // prints 0x508 999
cout << array << endl;                // prints 0x520

for(int i = -6; i <= 9; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;                // prints NaN --> exp = all 1s
cout << var2 << endl;                // prints NaN
```

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What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -100; i <= 100; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

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What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int array[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -100; i <= 100; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl; // i = -14, bus error
                                                    // stack is corrupted
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

```
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```


What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int *pArray = new int[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -10000000; i <= 10000000; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl;
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

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What Happens In Each Case?



```
double var1 = 999, var2 = 999;
int *pArray = new int[10];

cout << &var1 << " " << var1 << endl;
cout << &var2 << " " << var2 << endl;
cout << array << endl;

for(int i = -10000000; i <= 10000000; i++) {
    array[i] = i;
    cout << &array[i] << " " << array[i] << endl; // seg fault
}

cout << var1 << endl;
cout << var2 << endl;
```

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```

Types of Access



- Read / Get

```
int arr[10], *pArr = new int[10], i;  
cin >> i;  
cout << arr[i] << " " << pArr[i] << endl;
```

- Write / Set

```
int arr[10], *pArr = new int[10], i, x;  
cin >> i >> x;  
arr[i] = x;  
pArr[i] = x;
```

Abstract the Operation



- Read / Get

```
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {  
    return P_ARRAY[POS];  
}
```

- Write / Set

```
void set(T * const P_array, const int SIZE, const int POS, const T VAL) {  
    P_array[POS] = VAL;  
}
```

- No access protection still!

Abstract the Operation



- Read / Get

```
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {  
    return P_ARRAY[POS];  
}
```

- Write / Set

```
void set(T * const P_array, const int SIZE, const int POS, const T VAL) {  
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {  
        P_array[POS] = VAL;  
    }  
}
```

Abstract the Operation



- Read / Get

```
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {  
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {  
        return P_ARRAY[POS];  
    } else {  
        return ??? // what to do?  
    }  
}
```

- Write / Set

```
void set(T * const P_array, const int SIZE, const int POS, const T VAL) {  
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {  
        P_array[POS] = VAL;  
    }  
}
```

What Does `vector/string` Do?



```
vector<int> emptyVec;  
emptyVec[5] = 5;  
cout << emptyVec[-4] << endl;  
emptyVec.at(5) = 5;  
cout << emptyVec.at(-4) << endl;
```

```
string emptyStr;  
emptyStr[5] = '?';  
cout << emptyStr[-4] << endl;  
emptyStr.at(5) = '?';  
cout << emptyStr.at(-4) << endl;
```

What Does `vector/string` Do?



```
vector<int> emptyVec;

emptyVec[5] = 5;           // seg fault
cout << emptyVec[-4] << endl; // seg fault

emptyVec.at(5) = 5;        // exception std::out_of_range vector
cout << emptyVec.at(-4) << endl; // exception std::out_of_range vector

string emptyStr;

emptyStr[5] = '?';         // seg fault
cout << emptyStr[-4] << endl; // seg fault

emptyStr.at(5) = '?';      // exception std::out_of_range basic_string
cout << emptyStr.at(-4) << endl; // exception std::out_of_range basic_string
```


What's the difference?



- Seg Fault
 - Invalid memory access as reported by the OS resulting in a run time error
- Exception
 - **Thrown** programmatically in code by the program
 - Therefore, can **catch** the exception programmatically in code
 - If uncaught, results in a run time error

Throwing an Exception



- Use the **throw** keyword to generate an exception
- Exceptions transfer control up the call stack
 - Halts execution of current stack frame
 - while call stack is not empty
 - If current stack frame does not handle exception, pops current stack frame and passes exception to next stack frame
 - If current stack frame handles exception, continues execution of current stack frame
 - If stack becomes empty, then run time error

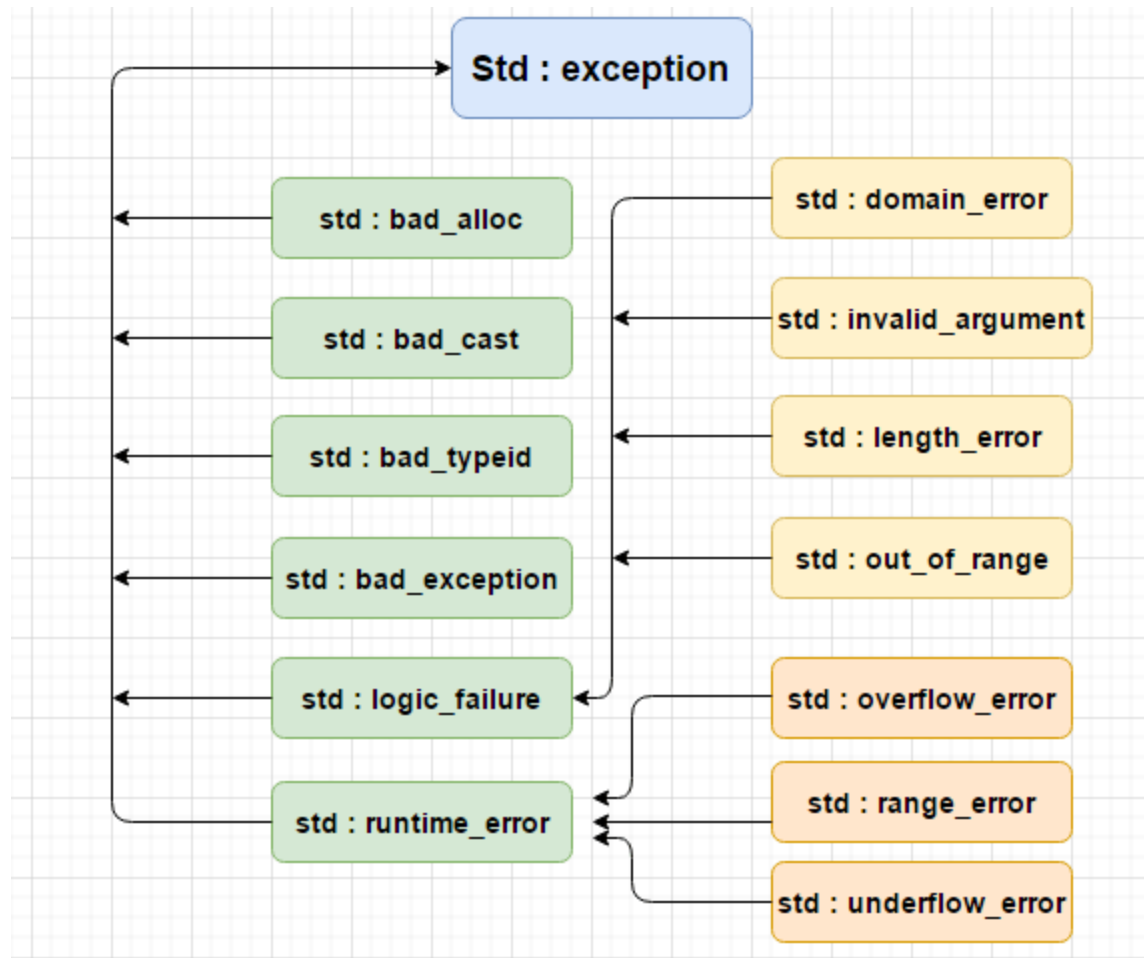
Read / Get Operation



```
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {  
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {  
        return P_ARRAY[POS];  
    } else {  
        throw ??? // what to throw?  
    }  
}
```

- Need to throw a value which signals what type of exception has occurred
 - Have choices of what to do
 - Use standard exception type
 - Generate your own custom value

Standard Exceptions



Read / Get Operation



- Use standard type

```
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {
        return P_ARRAY[POS];
    } else {
        string msg = "invalid access at pos " + to_string(POS)
                    + " for size " + to_string(SIZE);
        throw out_of_range(msg);
    }
}
```

- Use own value

```
const int INVALID_ACCESS = -5;
const int DIVIDE_BY_ZERO = -10;
T get(const T * const P_ARRAY, const int SIZE, const int POS) {
    if(POS >= 0 && POS < SIZE) {
        return P_ARRAY[POS];
    } else {
        throw INVALID_ACCESS;
    }
}
```

Catching Exceptions



- aka Exception Handling
 - Wrap code that may fail in a **try** block followed by a **catch** block for each type of exception that may occur

```
try {  
    // statements that would throw an exception  
} catch (ExceptionType1 e) {  
} catch (ExceptionType2 e) {  
} catch (...) { // generic catch anything that doesn't match above  
}
```

Catching Exceptions



```
vector<int> myVec(5); // has 5 elements
for(int i = -1; i <= 5; i++) {
    try {
        cout << "accessing " << i << "...";
        myVec.at(i);
        cout << "succeeded!" << endl;
    } catch (out_of_range oore) {
        cerr << "out of range exception: " << oore.what() << endl;
    } catch (...) {
        cerr << "another exception occurred" << endl;
    }
}
```

/* output:

```
accessing -1...out of range exception: vector
accessing 0...succeeded!
accessing 1...succeeded!
accessing 2...succeeded!
accessing 3...succeeded!
accessing 4...succeeded!
accessing 5...out of range exception: vector
*/
```

Read / Get Operation



```
try {
    get(pArr, 5, -2)
} catch (out_of_range oore) {
    cerr << "out of range exception: " << oore.what() << endl;
} catch (int exceptionValue) {
    if(exceptionValue == INVALID_ACCESS) {
        cerr << "invalid array access" << endl;
    } else if(exceptionValue == DIVIDE_BY_ZERO) {
        cerr << "divide by zero error" << endl;
    }
} catch (...) {
    cerr << "something else happened that shouldn't have" << endl;
}
```


Exception Handling



- **try - throw - catch** is a conscious choice by the developer to safely handle errors generated at runtime

On Tap For Today



- Exception Handling
- Practice

To Do For Next Time



- Can properly complete L6A

Inheritance + SOLID Quiz



- Make Canvas Full Screen
- Access Code:
- 12 Minutes

