

ECE220

Honors Lab Section

Lab 10: C++ Access, Inheritance, and Templates

Classes

- Can be constructed in two ways:
 - using class notation
 - defaults to private access
 - using struct notation
 - default to public access
 - backwards compatible with C (to a degree)
- Usually split between a header and a .cpp file
 - Though can have everything in the header

Classes

```
class Point {  
    int x, y;  
  
    public:  
        Point(int x_in, int y_in) : x(x_in), y(y_in) { }  
        ~Point();  
        void set_point(int x_in, int y_in) {  
            x = x_in; y = y_in;  
        }  
        void get_point(int *x_out, int *y_out) {  
            *x_out = x; *y_out = y;  
        }  
};
```

Classes

```
struct Point {  
    Point(int x_in, int y_in) : x(x_in), y(y_in) { }  
    ~Point();  
    void set_point(int x_in, int y_in) {  
        x = x_in; y = y_in;  
    }  
    void get_point(int *x_out, int *y_out) {  
        *x_out = x; *y_out = y;  
    }  
  
    private:  
        int x, y;  
};
```

Constructor/Destructor

- Constructor
 - Called whenever we create a new object
 - Initialization of variables and etc.
 - Initializer list
- Destructor
 - Called whenever the object goes out of scope or call delete on it
 - Releases resources taken up by object
- Defaults
 - Compiler generates default constructors/destructors

Access Specifiers

Public			
Specifier	Derived access specifier	Derived class access	Public access
Public	Public	Yes	Yes
Protected	Protected	Yes	No
Private	Private	No	No

Protected			
Specifier	Derived access specifier	Derived class access	Public access
Public	Protected	Yes	No
Protected	Protected	Yes	No
Private	Private	No	No

Public			
Specifier	Derived access specifier	Derived class access	Public access
Public	Private	Yes	Yes
Protected	Private	Yes	No
Private	Private	No	No

Function Templates

- Allows for generic programming

```
template<typename T>
```

```
T max(T const &a, T const &b){
```

```
    return (a < b) ? b : a;
```

```
}
```

- Calling

```
int i_val = max(1, 2);
```

```
double d_val = max(1.1, 2.2);
```

```
char c_val = max('a', 'b')
```

Class Templates

- Apply templates to classes

```
template<typename T>
```

```
class Point {
```

```
    T x, y;
```

```
    public:
```

```
        Point(Tx_in, T y_in) : x(x_in), y(y_in) { }
```

```
        ~Point();
```

```
        void set_point(T x_in, T y_in) {
```

```
            x = x_in; y = y_in;
```

```
        }
```

```
        void get_point(T *x_out, T *y_out) {
```

```
            *x_out = x; *y_out = y;
```

```
        }
```

```
};
```


Class templates

- Although implementing a templated class is similar to a regular class, you can't simply create a separate .cpp file for it
 - Need to include implementation in the header file
 - Create a separate file with implementation and that file in the header file
 - Lab 10 uses a .hpp (templates++) file to house the implementation code
- Lab 10 demo and concepts application.