

CSV Reader/Writer \nJacopo Vitale MSc - Computer Science Engineering

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Chapter 1

A very tiny simple CSV file reader

Not for a professional use, but for just visualize, manipulate and print your comma separated data.

1.1 Usage:

First you need to instantiate a reader/writer, suppose you have a `float` file to read:

```
CSVWR<float>* rw = CSVRW::instance(dtype::F)
```

`dtype::F` is an enum variable defined in [CSVWR.h](#) and it needs to manual provide the data type for a better data fetching and memory management (no more needed in C++20).

Once instantiated a reader/writer, a `CSVFile` variable needs to be constructed.

Two examples are needed here.

Suppose we have data to read stored in a local csv file:

```
CSVFile* myfile = new CSVFile() --> empty in this case, it will work as a to-fill-container taking data from our file
```

So now we can call our reader/writer ready to read:

```
'rw->read_file("path/to/file", myfile, true, ',')` --> the reader/writer will fill our container
```

Work in progress

Chapter 2

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2.1 Data Structures

Here are the data structures with brief descriptions:

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Chapter 3

Data Structure Documentation

3.1 CSVFile< T > Class Template Reference

```
#include <CSVFile.h>
```

Public Member Functions

- **CSVFile** (std::vector< std::string > header, T **data, int rows, int cols)
- void **head** (int heads=5)
- std::vector< std::string > **getHeader** ()
- std::vector< std::vector< T > > **getData** ()
- void **appendToHeader** (std::string element)
- void **appendRowToData** (std::vector< T > row)
- int **getDataRows** ()
- int **getDataCols** ()

3.1.1 Detailed Description

```
template<class T>
class CSVFile< T >
```

This is [CSVFile](#) class, use this class for manage or create your CSV file. This class has two attributes:

- **header** (vector<string>) : Usually a CSV File contains an header for Columns Names
- **data** (vector<vector<T>>): The data (numerical) contained in the file.

Constructor:

- No params: Creates empty [CSVFile](#) Object

Constructor with Parameters:

- **vector<string> header**: if you want to build [CSVFile](#) object starting from already existing data
- **T** data** : if you have a matrix of numerical data

Methods:

- **appendToHeader**: Append element to header (kept private)
- **appendRowToData**: Append a vector of values to data matrix (kept private)
- **getters**

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- CSVFile.h

3.2 CSVRW< T > Class Template Reference

```
#include <CSVWR.h>
```

Public Member Functions

- **CSVWR** (CSVWR &other)=delete
- void **operator=** (const CSVWR &)=delete
- void **read_file** (std::string filepath, CSVFile< T > *file, bool header=true, char delim=',')
Read a csv file.
- void **write_file** (std::string filename, CSVFile< T > *file, char delim=',')

Static Public Member Functions

- static CSVWR * **instance** (dtypes dt)
Instantiate a CSVWR class object.

3.2.1 Detailed Description

```
template<class T>
class CSVRW< T >
```

This is the **CSVWR** (CSV Read & Write) This class can help to read and write CSV files just instanciating one single time. A Singleton design Pattern is being used to avoid multiple reader/writer instancing.

A global enum variable is needed for manual data type conversion (not more needed with C++20):

- F for float
- D for double
- I for integer

So this class needs to be instanciased by using this dtype flags. Manual data type control can improve memory space allocation.

Class Methods:

- **read_file**: method for reading a csv file by provinding local path, user can provide custom delimiter
- **write_file**: method for writing data on a csv file, user can provide custom delimiter

Function **read_file** parameters:

- **filepath**: path/to/file (string)
- **CSVFile<T> *file**: CSVFile variable to store fetched data
- **header**: is your file having an header? true/false (default true)
- **delim**: delimiter character (default ',')

Function **write_file** parameters:

- **filename**: path/to/write/ (must .csv extension be provided)
- **file**: pointer to CSVFile variable (can be created starting from numerical matrix)
- **delim**: delimiter (default ',')

3.2.2 Member Function Documentation

3.2.2.1 instance()

```
template<class T >
CSVW< T > * CSVW< T >::instance (
    dtypes dt ) [static]
```

Instantiate a CSVW class object.

Parameters

<i>dt</i>	dtypes::F, dtypes::D, dtypes::I
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Returns

CSVW instance if is not instantiated.

3.2.2.2 read_file()

```
template<class T >
void CSVW< T >::read_file (
    std::string filepath,
    CSVFile< T > * file,
    bool header = true,
    char delim = ',' )
```

Read a csv file.

Parameters

<i>(string)</i>	filepath: path/to/file
<i>(CSVFile*)</i>	file: variable containing csv fetched data
<i>(bool)</i>	header: if the file contains an header (columns names)

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- CSVW.h

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