



# CS32: Introduction to Computer Science II **Discussion Week 5**

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# **Announcements**



• Homework 3 is due on 11PM Wednesday, May 8.

# **Outline Today**



- Inheritance and polymorphism
- Recursion (Preview)
- Homework 3: Guide

# **Inheritance & Polymorphism**

#### From last discussion



#### Inheritance

- Motivation & Definition: Deriving a class from another
- Reuse, extension, specification (override)
- Construction & Destruction
- Override a member function

#### Polymorphism

- Virtual functions
- Examples of polymorphism
- Abstract base class

#### Motivation & Review



- The basis of all Object Oriented Programming. And you'll almost certainly get grilled on it! --- From: Nachenberg, Slides L6P3
- The process of deriving a new class using another class as base.
- Difference of "is a"(class hierarchy) and "has a"(has member/properties)

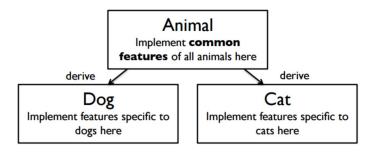
```
class Person {
public:
    string getName(void);
    void setName(string & n);
    int getAge(void);
    void setAge(int age);
private:
    string m_sName;
    int m_nAge;
};
```

```
class Student {
public:
    string getName(void);
    void setName(string & n);
    int getAge(void);
    void setAge(int age);
    int getStudentID();
    void setStudentID();
    float getGPA();
private:
    string m_sName;
    int m_nAge;
    int m_nStudentID;
    float m_GPA;
};
```

```
class Professor {
public:
    string getName(void);
    void setName(string & n);
    int getAge(void);
    void setAge(int age);
    int getProfID();
    void setProfID();
    bool getIsTenured();
private:
    string m_sName;
    int m_nAge;
    int m_nStudentID;
    bool isTenured;
};
```

### Example: Reuse and Extension





```
class Animal
{
  public:
    Animal();
    ~Animal();
    int getAge() const;
    void speak() const;
  private:
    int m_age;
};
base class
```

```
class Dog : public Animal
{
  public:
    Dog();
    ~Dog();
    string getName() const;
    void setName(string name);
  private:
    string m_name;
};

  derived class
```

```
getAge(), speak()
    m_age

setName(), getName()
    m_name

Dog

Animal a1;
d1.setName("puppy");
d1.getAge();
d1.speak();
d1.speak();
```

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### Summary of Reuse and Extension

#### Reuse

- Every public method in the base class is automatically reused/exposed in the derived class (just as if it were defined).
- Only public members in the base class are exposed/reused in the derived class(es)! Private members in the base class are hidden from the derived class(es)!
- Special case for protected members.

#### Extension

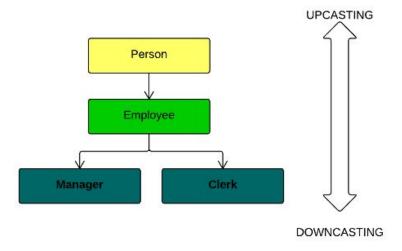
- All public extensions may be used normally by the rest of your program.
- Extended methods or data are unknown to your base class.

What about overriding a member function from base classes?



### Automatic conversion, **Upcasting**, **Downcasting**

- Upcasting: A derived class pointer (or reference) to be treated as base class pointer
- Downcasting: Converting base class pointer (or reference) to derived class pointer.







- Overriding: same function name, return type and parameter list, defined again in derived classes and different from the base class.
- Different from overloading (same function name, different return type and/or different set of arguments)
- You can still call the member function of base classes, but it seems very rare.

```
Dog d1;
d1.Animal::speak();
```

 Consider how to apply virtual keyword in overriding member functions

```
void Animal::speak() const
{
  cout << "..." << endl;
}</pre>
```

```
class Dog : public Animal
{
  public:
    Dog();
    ~Dog();
    string getName() const;
    void setName(string name);
    void speak() const;
    private:
        string m_name;
};

void Dog::speak() const
{
    cout << "Woof!" << endl;
}</pre>
```

#### Construction



Animal

Initialized

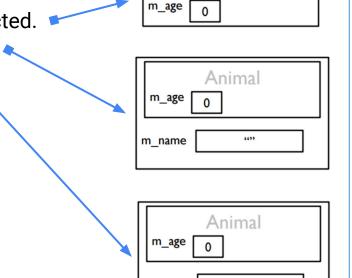
- How to construct a Dog, which is a derived class from Animal?
- Steps:
  - The base part of the class (Animal) is constructed.
  - The member variables of Dog are constructed.
  - The body of constructor (Dog) is executed.

```
class Animal
{
  public:
    Animal();
    ~Animal();
    int getAge() const;
    void speak() const;
  private:
    int m_age;
};

base class
```

```
class Dog : public Animal
{
  public:
    Dog();
    ~Dog();
    string getName() const;
    void setName(string name);
  private:
    string m_name;
};

derived class
```



m name

#### **Overload Constructor**



How to overload Dog's constructor to create

```
Dog::Dog(string initName, int initAge) ?
```

```
// Wrong:
Dog::Dog(string initName, int initAge)
:m_age(initAge), m_name(initname)
{}
```

```
// Correct:
Dog::Dog(string initName, int initAge)
:Animal(initAge), m_name(initname)
{}

class Animal{
  public:
    Animal(init initAge);
    ...
}
```

#### Destruction



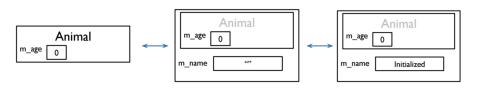
The order of destruction of a derived class: Just reverse the order of construction.

#### **Order of construction:**

- Construct the base part, consulting the member initialization list (If not mentioned there, use base class's default constructor)
- 2. Construct the data members, consulting the member initialization list.(If not mentioned there, use member's default constructor if it's of a class type, else leave uninitialized.)
- 3. Execute the body of the constructor.

#### Order of destruction:

- Execute the body of the destructor.
- 2. Destroy the data members (doing nothing for members of builtin types).
- Destroy the base part.



# **Inheritance: Test Now!**

Example: Worksheet 4 Question 7



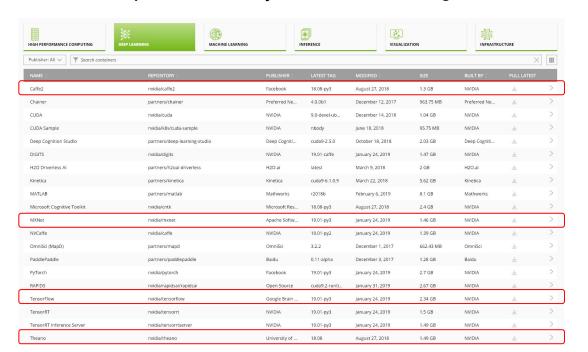
- Pay attention to:
  - Construction and destruction of derived classes and base classes
  - Difference of inherited class and data members

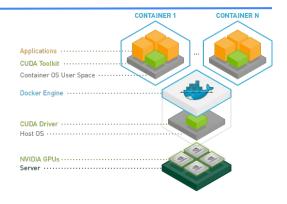
# \*Philosophy/Inheritance

# Another "not-so-related" example



- There are many examples and applications of "inheritance".
- One example: Commonly-used Docker Images





Inheritance does not exactly just means base/derived class in C++ programming. It is everywhere.

#### **Motivation & Definition**



- Polymorphism is how you make Inheritance truly useful.
- Think about example of dogs and animals. Once I define a function that accepts a
   (reference or pointer to a) Animal, not only can I pass Animal variables to that class,
   But I can also pass any variable that was derived from a Animal(such as Dogs)!

### Virtual Functions: Examples



```
class Shape {
  public:
    virtual double getArea()
    { return (0); }
    ...
  private:
    ...
};
```

```
class Square: public Shape {
  public:
    Square(int side){ m_side=side; }
    virtual double getArea()
    { return (m_side*m_side); }
    ...
  private:
    int m_side;
};
```

```
class Square: public Shape {
  public:
    Circle(int rad){ m_rad=rad; }
    virtual double getArea()
    { return (3.14*m_rad*m_rad);}
    ...
  private:
    int m_rad;
};
```

```
void PrintPrice(Shape &x)
{
  cout << "Cost is: $";
  cout << x.getArea()*3.25;
}
int main() {
  Square s(5);
  Circle c(10);
  PrintPrice(s);
  PrintPrice(c);
}</pre>
```

When you use the virtual keyword, C++ figures out what class is being referenced and calls the right function.

Polymorphism works with pointers too.

I will not forget to add virtual in front of my destructors when I use inheritance/polymorphism.  $\rightarrow$  What is the problem if not?

#### Pure Virtual Functions & Abstract Base Class



- Sometimes we have no idea what to implement in base functions. For example, without knowing what the animal is, it is difficult to implement the speak() function.
- Solution: Pure virtual functions
- Note:
  - Declare pure virtual functions in the base class. (=0!)
  - Considered as dummy function.
  - The derived class MUST implement all the pure virtual functions of its base class.
- If a class has at least one pure virtual function, it is called abstract base class.

```
class Animal
{
  public:
    Animal();
    virtual ~Animal();
    int getAge() const;
    virtual void speak() const = 0;
  private:
    int m_age;
};
```

# Cheatsheet from Carey's slides



### You can't access private members of the base class from the derived class:

```
// BAD!
class Base
public:
private:
  int v;
class Derived: public Base
public:
  Derived(int a)
     v = q: // ERROR!
  void foo()
    v = 10: // ERROR!
```

```
// GOOD!
class Base
public:
  Base(int x)
    \{v = x; \}
  void setV(int x)
    \{v = x;\}
private:
  int v;
class Derived: public Base
public:
  Derived(int a)
     Base(q) // GOOD!
  void foo()
     setV(10): // GOOD!
```

## Always make sure to add a virtual destructor to your base class:

```
// BAD!
class Base
{
public:
   ~Base() { ... } // BAD!
};
class Derived: public Base
{
...
};
```

```
// GOOD!
class Base
{
public:
virtual ~Base() { ... } // GOOD!
};
class Derived: public Base
{
...
};
```

```
class Person
{
public:
    virtual void talk(string &s) { ... }
}

class Professor: public Person
{
public:
    void talk(std::string &s)
{
        cout < "I profess the following: ";
        Person::talk(s): // uses Person's talk
}
```

Don't forget to use virtual to define methods in your base class, if you expect to redefine them in your derived class(es)

To call a baseclass method that has been redefined in a derived class, use the base:: prefix!

# Cheatsheet from Carey's slides (Cont'd)



```
class SomeBaseClass
public:
  virtual void aVirtualFunc() { cout << "I'm virtual"; } // #1
  void notVirtualFunc() { cout << "I'm not"; }
                                                     // #2
                                                     // #3
  void tricky()
                                                     // ***
     aVirtualFunc();
     notVirtualFunc();
class SomeDerivedClass: public SomeBaseClass
public:
  void aVirtualFunc() { cout << "Also virtual!"; }
                                                     11 #4
  void notVirtuaFuncl() { cout << "Still not"; }
                                                     // #5
int main()
  SomeDerivedClass d:
  SomeBaseClass *b = &d; // base ptr points to derived obj
  // Example #1
  cout << b->aVirtualFunc();
                                // calls function #4
  // Example #2
  cout << b->notVirtualFunc(); // calls function #2
  // Example #3
                   // calls func #3 which calls #4 then #2
  b->tricky();
```

Example #1: When you use a BASE pointer to access a DERIVED object, AND you call a VIRTUAL function defined in both the BASE and the DERIVED classes, your code will call the DERIVED version of the function.

Example #2: When you use a BASE pointer to access a DERIVED object, AND you call a NON-VIRTUAL function defined in both the BASE and the DERIVED classes, your code will call the BASE version of the function.

Example #3: When you use a BASE pointer to access a DERIVED object, all function calls to VIRTUAL functions (\*\*\*) will be directed to the derived object's version, even if the function (tricky) calling the virtual function is NOT VIRTUAL itself.

#### Basics



- Function-writing technique where the functions refers to itself.
- Let's talk about the factorial example again!
  - Similar to mathematical induction  $\rightarrow$  Prove k=1 is valid and prove k=n is valid when k=n-1 is valid.
  - Base cases are important and need to be carefully considered.

```
int factorial(int n)
{
    int temp = 1;
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++)
        temp *= i;
    return temp;
}</pre>
```

```
int factorial(int n)
{
   if (n <= 1)
      return 1;

   return n * factorial(n - 1);
}</pre>
```

Without explicit loops!

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#### Pattern: How to write a recursive function

- Step 1: Find the base case(s).
  - What are the trivial cases? Eg. empty string, empty array, single-item subarray.
  - When should the recursion stop?
- Step 2: Decompose the problem.
  - Take tail recursion as example.
    - $\rightarrow$  Take the first (or last) of the *n* items of information
    - $\rightarrow$  Make a recursive call to the rest of (n-1) items. The recursive call will give you the correct results.
    - → Given this result and the information you have on the first (or last item) conclude about current *n* items.
- Step 3: Just solve it! (Well, easier said than done~)

### Examples



- Problem 1: Given an integer array a and its length n, return whether the array contain any element that is smaller than 0.
- Problem 2: Given an integer array a and its length n, count the number of elements that are smaller than 0.
- Problem 3: pathExists() function in Homework 2 without stack or queue but with recursion.

```
// a simple function with for loop
bool anyTrue(const double a[], int n)
{
  for (int k = 0; k < n; k++)
  {
    if (a[k] < 0)
      return true;
  }
  return false;
}</pre>
```

```
// try: without for loop
bool anyTrue(const double a[], int n)
{
   // recursion implementation
}
```

### Practice Examples



Practice: Print out the permutations of a given vector (Difficulty: Hard).

```
Input: [1,2,3]
Output: [1,2,3], [1,3,2], [2,1,3], [2,3,1], [3,1,2], [3,2,1]
Implement: void permutation(vector<int>& nums, int start);
```

 Note: Some data structures are easy to implement recursive technique: arrays, trees (will be discussed later).

#### **Some Notes**



- ❖ Construction and destruction order. → Very Important!
- Understand:
  - Base class and derived class (data members, public functions)
  - Reuse, extension and override
  - Virtual functions, pure virtual functions
- Do some exercise on recursion!

# **Hints for Homework 3**



Task: Problem 2, 3 and 4 (about recursion) will appear later.

```
class Medium
{
public:
    ...
private:
    ...
}
```

```
class TwitterAccount
{
public:
    ...
private:
    ...
}
```

```
class Phone
{
public:
    ...
private:
    ...
}
```

```
class EmailAccount
{
public:
    ...
private:
    ...
}
```

#### **Note & Reminders:**

- 1. Decide the data members for each class.
- 2. Decide which function(s) should be pure virtual, which should be non-pure virtual, and which could be non-virtual.
- 3. Must NOT use default constructors for Medium. Instead, declare constructors with have exactly one parameter.
- 4. All member functions must be **const** member functions except constructors and destructors.
- 5. All data members are private.
- 6. Cannot new Medium("ethel")  $\rightarrow$  Compile Error!





# **Break Time! (5 minutes)**

Q&A

# **Group Exercises: Worksheet**



- Exercise problems from Worksheet 4 (see "LA worksheet" tab in CS32 website). Answers will be posted next week.
- Questions for today:
  - $\circ$  TBA





# Thank you!

Q&A