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## [Ch13] Copy Control

### 13.4 A Copy-Control Example

As an example of a class that needs copy control in order to do some bookkeeping, we'll sketch out two classes that might be used in a mail-handling application.

These classes, Message and Folder, represent, respectively, email message and directories in which a message might appear. Each Message can appear in multiple Folders. However, there will be only one copy of the contents of any given Message.

To keep track of which Messages are in which Folders, each Message will store a set of pointers to the Folders in which it appears, and each Folder will contain a set of pointers to its Message S.

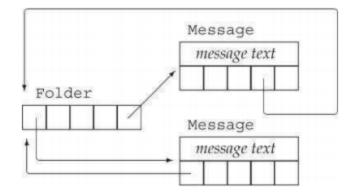


Figure 13.1. Message and Folder Class Design

Our Message class will provide save and remove operations to add or remove a Message from a specified Folder. To create a new Message, we will specify the contents of the message but no Folder. To put a Message in a particular Folder, we must call save.

#### The Message Class

```
class Message {
  friend class Folder;
public:
  // folders implicitly initializers to the empty set
  explicit Message(const string& str = "") : contents(str) {}
  // copy control to manage pointers to this Message
 Message(const Message&);
 Mesage& operator=(const Message&);
 ~Message();
 // add/remove this Meesage from the specified Folder's set of messages
 void save(Folder&);
 void remove(Folder&);
private:
  string contents; // actual message
  set<Folder*> folders; // Folders that have this Message
 // utility functions used by copy constructor, assignment, and destructor
 // add this Message to the Folders that point to the parameter
 void add_to_Folders(const Message&);
 // remove this Message from every Folder in folders
 void remove_from_Folders();
};
```

#### The save and remove Members

```
void Message::save(Folder &f) {
  folders.insert(&f); // add the given Folder to our list of Folders
  f.addMsg(this); // add this Message to f's set of Messages
}

void Message::remove(Folder &f) {
  folders.erase(&f); // take the given Folder out of our list of Folders
  f.remMsag(this); // remove this Message to f's set of Messages
}
```

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#### Copy Control for the Message Class

When we copy a Message, the copy should appear in the same Folders as the original Message. As a result, we must traverse the set of Folder pointers adding a pointer to the new Message to each Folder that points to the original Message.

```
// add this Message to Folders that point to m
void Message::add_to_Folders(const Message &m) {
  for(auto f : m.folders)
    f->addMsg(this); // add a pointer to this Message to that folder
}
```

The Message copy constructor copies the data members of the given object:

```
Message::Message(const Message &m) : contents(m.contents), folders(m.folders) {
   add_to_Folders(m);
}
```

#### The Message Destructor

When a Message is destroyed, we must remove this Message from the Folders that point to it.

```
// remove this Message from the corresponding Folders
void Message::remove_from_Folders() {
  for(auto f : folders)
    f->remMsg(this);
}

Message::~Message() {
  remove_from_Folders
}
```

#### Message Copy-Assignment Operator

```
Message& Message::operator=(const Message &rhs) {
  remove_from_Folders(); // update existing Folders
  contents = rhs.contents;
```

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```
folders = rhs.folders; // copy Folder pointers from rhs
  add_to_Folders(rhs); // add this Message to those Folders in rhs
  return *this;
}
```

#### Define swap

```
void swap(Message &m1, Message &m2) {
  for(auto f : m1.folders)
    f->remMsg(&m1);
  for(auto f : m2.folders)
    f->remMsg(&m2);

swap(m1.contents, m2.contents);
  swap(m1.folders, m2.folders);

for(auto f : m1.folders)
    f->addMsg(&m1);
  for(auto f : m2.folders)
    f->addMsg(&m2);
}
```

#### Exercise

Exercise 13.34: Write the Message dass as described in this section.

**Exercise 13.35:** What would happen if Message used the synthesized versions of the copy-control members?

**Exercise 13.36:** Design and implement the corresponding Folder class. That class should hold a set that points to the Messages in that Folder.

**Exercise 13.37:** Add members to the Message class to insert or remove a given Folder\* into folders. These members are analogous to Folder's addMsg and remMsg operations.

See 13\_34 for code

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