

# Sheet04

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a)

## **member variable:**

a variable (an object) that is part of a class.

## **member function:**

a function that is part of a class.

```
class Class
{
public:
    void memberFunction();
private:
    int memberVariable;
};
```

## **constructor:**

constructor is automatically called whenever a new object of this class is created. This constructor function must have the same name as the class, and cannot have any return type; not even void.

## **destructor:**

The destructor fulfills the opposite functionality. It is automatically called when an object is destroyed. The destructor must have the same name as the class, but preceded with a tilde sign (~) and it must also return no value.

## **default argument:**

a default argument is an argument to a function that a programmer is not required to specify.

## **public:**

public members are accessible from anywhere where the object is visible.

## **private:**

private members of a class are accessible only from within other members of the same class or from their friends.

## **protected:**

protected members are accessible from members of their same class and from their friends, but also from members of their derived classes.

b)

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//////////Assignment 2
construct A: 4
construct A: 2
3 times left
construct A: 1
2 times left
destruct A: -1
1 times left
destruct A: 2
destruct A: 1
```

1. initialise two objects a1(4) and a2(2)
2. for a1: pass the parameter 4 to a, then counter = 4, print it; same as a2
3. object a1(4) calls the member function use(), - -counter = 3, print it: 3 times left.
4. initialise a new object a3, since there is no para for a3 to pass, so using the default parameter a=1, then print it
5. a3 calls the use() function, print nothing (since - -counter = 0)
6. a1 calls the use() function, - -counter=2, print : 2 times left
7. a3 calls the use() function, - - counter = -1, destruct it, and print: destruct A: -1.
8. a1 calls the use() function, - - counter = 1, print: 1 time left.
9. destruct a2. (counter = 2)
10. destruct a1 (counter = 1).