

Corso di Laboratorio di Programmazione

Laboratorio 2 – Classi & overloading

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Nota: i quesiti e gli esercizi seguenti sono tratti (ma non tradotti) dal libro di testo.

Discussione

A coppie, rispondete alle seguenti domande (Review, cap. 9, p. 338 sgg.):

1. What are the two parts of a class?
2. What is the difference between the interface and the implementation in a class?
3. Why is a constructor used for the Date type instead of an `init_day()` function?
4. What is an invariant? Give examples.
5. When should functions be put in the class definition, and when should they be defined outside the class? Why?

Esercizio (#13, pp. 340-341)

Design and implement a rational number class, Rational. A rational number has two parts: a numerator and a denominator, for example 5/6 (five-sixths, also known as approximately 0.83333). Look up the definition if you need to.

Provide:

- a. a default constructor initializing the Rational number to 0,
- b. a constructor accepting an int argument (representing an integer value that should be represented in Rational form),
- c. a constructor accepting two ints for numerator and denominator,
- d. assignment,
- e. addition,
- f. subtraction,
- g. multiplication,
- h. division,
- i. equality (`==`), greater than (`>`) and less than (`<`), and
- j. output to stream (`<<`) operators. Also, provide a conversion to double via a `to_double` function.

Test all the overloaded operations in the main function.

Regarding the addition operation, try overloading:

- a. the sum of two Rationals, and
- b. the sum of a Rational and an int

Both overloads shall be implemented in two ways: using a member function and a helper function (they should not be implemented at the same time!). What are the differences if you sum `int + rational` vs `rational + int`?

You should also pay strong attention to the type returned, and whether it should be a variable or a reference.