

C++ Runtime polymorphism example : By using two derived classes (41)

Below is an example with virtual keyword.

eg.

```
class Shape { // base class
public:
    virtual void draw() {
        cout << "drawing." << endl; // virtual function
    }
};
```

```
class Rectangle : public Shape { // inheriting shape class
public:
    void draw() {
        cout << "drawing rectangle..." << endl;
    }
};
```

```
class Circle : public Shape {
public:
    void draw() {
        cout << "drawing circle..." << endl;
    }
};
```

```
int main() {
    Shape * s ; // base class pointer
    Shape sh ; // base class object
}
```

Rectangle rec;

Circle cir;

s = &sh;

s → draw();

s = &rec

s → draw();

s = &cir

s → draw();

}

output

drawing...

drawing rectangle...

drawing circle...

Runtime Polymorphism with Data Members

Runtime polymorphism can be achieved by data members in C++. Below is an example where we access the field by reference variable which refers to the instance of derived class.

eg.

```
class Animal {
```

```
public:
```

```
    string color = "Black";
```

```
};
```

```
class Dog : public Animal {
```

```
public:
```

```
    string color = "grey";
```

```
};
```

int main () {

Animal d = Dog();

cout << d.color;

}

Output

Black.

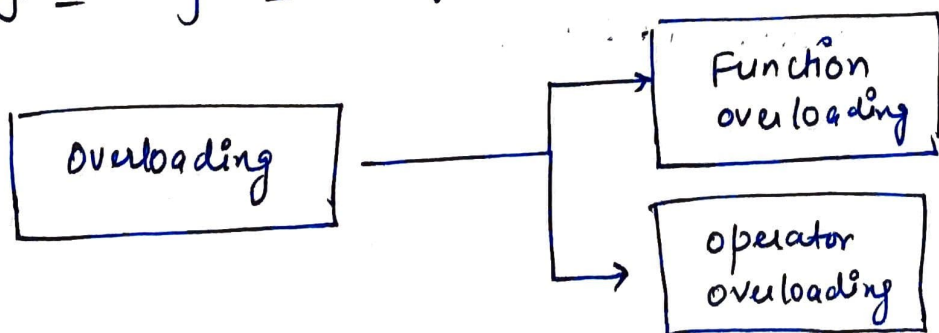
C++ Overloading (Function and operator)

If we create two or more members having the same name but different in number or type of parameters, it is known as C++ overloading. In C++, we can overload:

- (i) methods
- (ii) constructors
- (iii) indexed properties

It is because these members have parameters.

⇒ Types of overloading in C++



⇒ C++ Function overloading

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Function overloading is defined as the process of having two or more function with the same name, but different parameters.

A function is redefined by using either different types of arguments or a different number of arguments.

It is only through these differences compiler can differentiate between the functions.

Advantage of function overloading is that it increases the readability of the program - because you don't need different function names for same action.

eg. Number of arguments vary.

```
class Cal {  
    public:  
        static int add (int a, int b) {  
            return a + b;  
        }  
        static int add (int a, int b, int c) {  
            return a + b + c;  
        }  
};
```

```
int main() {
```

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```
    cal c;
```

```
    cout << c.add(10,20) << endl;
```

```
    cout << c.add(12,20,23) << endl;
```

```
}
```

output

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→ eg. overloading with diff types of arguments

```
int mul (int a, int b) {
```

```
    return a * b;
```

```
}
```

```
float mul (double x, int y) {
```

```
    return x * y;
```

```
}
```

```
int main() {
```

```
    int r1 = mul(6,7);
```

```
    float r2 = mul(0.2,3);
```

```
    cout << " r1 " << r1 << endl;
```

```
    cout << " r2 " << r2 << endl;
```

```
}
```

output

r1 42

r2 0.6