

# C++ Programming I

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```
1 // Prototypes
2 double area(double radius); // for circle
3 double area(double radius, double height); // overloaded cylinder
```



```
4
5
6 // Definition for circle
7 double area(double radius)
8 {
9     return Pi * radius * radius;
10 }
11
12 // Definition Overloaded for cylinder
13 double area(double radius, double height)
14 {
15     // reuse the area of circle
16     return 2 * area (radius) + 2 * Pi * radius * height;
17 }
```

- ▶ The the compiler determines the most appropriate definition to use by comparing the argument types you have used to call the function
- ▶ The process of selecting the most appropriate overloaded function is called **overload resolution or signature matching**



In C++ there are three different ways to pass data to a function.

Passing:

1. **by value:**

```
void passByValue(int value);
```



2. **by reference:**

```
void passByReference(int& valueRef);
```

3. **by pointer:**

```
void passByPointer(int* valuePtr);
```

- ▶ All have different characteristics when it comes to efficiency, storage and behaviour
- ▶ We'll focus on 1 & 2
- ▶ Passing by pointer is a legacy method used by C-style programs (or function pointers)

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# Passing by Value

## Passing a Copy

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
11         << square(x) << endl;
12
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 int square(int x)
17 {
18     return x * x;
19 }
```

- ▶ The underlying object is copied using its copy constructor
- ▶ Additional memory allocated
- ▶ Function works on the copy only!
- ▶ For large objects there will be a performance impact

# Passing by Reference

## Reference

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(int& x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << x << "^2 is " << square(x) << endl;
11
12     cout << x << "^2 is " << square(x) << endl;
13
14     return 0;
15 }
16
17 int square(int& x)
18 {
19     return x *= x;
20 }
```

- ▶ Underlying object not copied
- ▶ The function is given the memory address of the object itself
- ▶ Original object can be modified! **Possibility of bugs!**



# Passing by Reference to Const

## Const Reference

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  int square(const int& x);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9
10     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
11          << square(x) << endl;
12
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 int square(const int& x)
17 {
18     //x *= x; // compilation error! x-cant be changed
19     return x * x;
20 }
```

- ▶ No copy AND no modification
- ▶ Interface is precise about its intent
- ▶ Efficient and safe

# Use Reference

## Fetching the Result of a function as Reference Parameter

### Result as Reference Parameter

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3
4  void square(const int& x, int& result);
5
6  int main()
7  {
8      int x = 2;
9      int result = 0;
10
11     square(x, result);
12     cout << "The square of " << x << " is "
13          << result << endl;
14
15     return 0;
16 }
17
18 void square(const int& x, int& result)
19 {
20     result = x * x;
21 }
```



# Pointers, References, Arrays and Dynamic Memory

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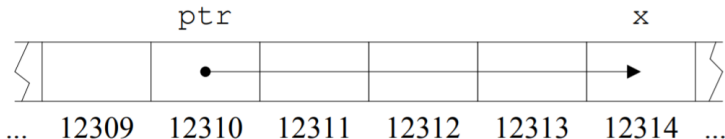
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# Variables and Memory

## Background I



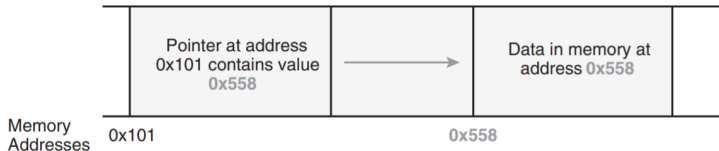
- ▶ When you define a variable, the computer associates the variable name with a particular location in memory and stores a value there. When you refer to the variable by name in your code, the computer must take two steps:
  1. Look up the address that the variable name corresponds to
  2. Go to that location in memory and retrieve or set the value it contains
- ▶ C++ allows us to perform either one of these steps independently on a variable with the `&` and `*` operators:
  1. `&x` evaluates to the address of `x` in memory.
  2. `* ( &x )` takes the address of `x` and dereferences it - it retrieves the value at that location in memory. `* ( &x )` thus evaluates to the same thing as `x`



# Variables and Memory

## Background II

- ▶ A pointer is also a variable storing an **address** in memory. Just the same way as a variable of type `int` is used to contain an integer value, a pointer variable is used to contain a memory address



- ▶ A pointer occupies space in memory, e.g. `0x101`, equal to a `int` variable
- ▶ The value contained in a pointer, e.g. `0x558` is interpreted as a memory address
- ▶ A pointer is a special variable that points to a location in memory
- ▶ A pointer that stores the address of some variable `x` is said to **point to** `x`

- ▶ There are two places the `const` keyword can be placed within a pointer variable declaration. This is because there are two different variables whose values you might want to forbid changing: the pointer itself and the value it points to.

1. `const int * ptr;`

Declares a changeable pointer to a **constant integer**. The integer value cannot be changed through this pointer, but the pointer may be changed to point to a different constant integer.

2. `int * const ptr;`

Declares a **constant pointer** to changeable integer data. The integer value can be changed through this pointer, but the pointer may not be changed to point to a different constant integer.

3. `const int * const ptr;`

Declares a **constant pointer** to a **const integer**



# Memory Allocation

C++ supports three basic types of memory allocation:

1. **Static memory** allocation happens for static and global variables. Memory for these types of variables is allocated once when your program is run and persists throughout the life of your program.
  2. **Automatic memory** allocation happens for function parameters and local variables. Memory for these types of variables is allocated when the relevant block is entered, and freed when the block is exited
  3. **Dynamic memory** allocation is done by the programmer!
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```
1 int globalVar = 100; // static memory
2
3 int main()
4 {
5     if(true)
6     {
7         int autoVar = 23; // automatic memory
8     } // autoVar freed
9
10    int* dynArray = new int[100]; // dynamic array
11    delete [] dynArray; // free manually
12    return 0;
13 } // globalVar freed
```



# Dynamic Memory Allocation

Keywords `new` and `delete`

- ▶ C++ supplies you two operators, `new` and `delete`, for the management of the memory consumption of your application

```
1 Type* ptr = new Type; // allocate memory
2 delete ptr; // release memory allocated above
3
4 Type* ptr = new Type[numElements]; // allocate a block
5 delete[] ptr; // release block allocated above
```

- ▶ Allocate objects with `new` **and** free with `delete`
- ▶ When declaring an array, the array **is** a pointer to the first element!
- ▶ Free arrays with `delete[]`

## C++ is not C

Use `new` and `delete` and not C-style `malloc` and `free`

# References

## References vs Pointers

- ▶ When we write `void f(int &x) ...` and call `f(y)`, the reference variable `x` becomes another name - an alias - for the value of `y` in memory. We can declare a reference variable locally, as well:

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- ▶ References are similar to pointers but are dereferenced every time they are used. The only differences between using pointers and using references are:
  - ▶ References are sort of **pre-dereferenced** – you do not dereference them explicitly
  - ▶ You cannot change the location to which a reference points, whereas you can change the location to which a pointer points. Because of this, **references must always be initialized** when they are declared
  - ▶ `nullptr` references are not possible

- ▶ The usage of the \* and & operators with pointers/references can be confusing. The \* operator is used in two different ways:
  1. When **declaring a pointer**, \* is placed before the variable name to indicate that the variable being declared is a pointer and not a value
  2. When using a pointer that has been set to point to some value, \* is placed before the pointer name to **dereference** it - to access or set the value it points to (**indirection operator**)
  
- ▶ A similar distinction exists for &, which can be used either:
  1. to indicate a **reference data type** (as in `int &x;`), or
  2. to take the **address of** a variable (as in `int *ptr = &x;`).

# Pointers and Arrays

## Arrays are Pointers, that means:

1. When declaring an array `int a[n]`, the array, i.e. `a` is of type `int*` `a` and the value of `a` is the address of the first element
2. When dereferencing the array with `*a` one gets the value of the first element.

► `a` is a pointer and not the full array - `a[0]` and `*a` are equivalent

```
1 int* a = new int[n]; // a is adress of first element
2
3 int firstValue = *a; // is the value of the first element
4
5 // Number elements is unknown!
6 int aSize = sizeof(a)/sizeof(*a); // aSize = 1!
7 // Prefer vector or save size
```

# Pointers and Arrays

## Array-Pointer Dualism

```
1 // Static Allocation – Size set at compile time
2 // -----
3
4 int x[10] = {0}; // 10 elements of type int initialized to 0
5 int first = x[0]; // indexing first element
6 int last = x[9]; // indexing last element
7
8 int x[n]; // Compile error – size must be known
9
10 // Dynamic Allocation – Size set at runtime
11 // -----
12
13 int* x = new int[n];
14
15 // Access – Arrays are pointers!
16 // -----
17
18 int x = *(a+index); // pointer access is the same as
19 int x = a[index]; // index access
```

- ▶ The name of an array is actually a pointer to the first element in the array
- ▶ Array indices start at 0: the first element of an array is the element that is 0 away from the start of the array





# OOP - Classes and Objects

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```
1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <string>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 class Human
6 {
7 private:
8     string m_name;
9     int m_age;
10
11 public:
12     Human(string name = "Adam", int age = 25)
13         :m_name(name), m_age(age)
14     {
15         cout << "Constructed a human called " << m_name;
16         cout << ", " << m_age << " years old" << endl;
17     }
18 };
```

- ▶ Destructor
- ▶ Copy Constructor
- ▶ Move Constructor



## Note!

The compiler generates default constructors and operators for you!

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```
1 class Demo
2 {
3 public:
4     Demo();           // Constructor
5     ~Demo();          // Destructor
6     Demo(const Demo& copySrc); // Copy constructor
7     Demo(Demo&& copySrc);    // Move constructor
8
9 };
```

- ▶ The compiler can be forced to create a constructor  
Demo() = default;
- ▶ The compiler can be forced to delete a constructor  
Demo() = delete;

## Note!

In the best case youn don't have to provide any constructor! Let the compiler do the work!

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# Basic Inheritance

## Overriding Base Class's Methods

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 class Fish
5 {
6 private:
7     bool m_isFreshWaterFish; // not accessible by
8                             // derived class
9 public:
10    // Fish constructor
11    Fish(bool isFreshWater) : m_isFreshWaterFish(isFreshWater){}
12
13    void swim() // base class method
14    {
15        if (m_isFreshWaterFish)
16            cout << "Swims in lake" << endl;
17        else
18            cout << "Swims in sea" << endl;
19    }
20 };
```

- Make members private and use initialization lists and overloaded constructors of base class

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# Basic Inheritance

## Overriding Base Class's Methods

- If the derived classes implements the same methods with the same signatures as in the base class it inherits from, it **overrides** those methods

```
1 class Tuna : public Fish
2 {
3 public:
4     Tuna() : Fish(false) {}
5
6     void swim() // Overriding base class method
7     {
8         cout << "Tuna swims fast" << endl;
9     }
10 };
11
12 class Carp : public Fish
13 {
14 public:
15     Carp() : Fish(true) {}
16
17     void swim() // Overriding base class method
18     {
19         cout << "Carp swims slow" << endl;
20     }
21 };
```



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# Basic Inheritance

## Overriding Base Class's Methods

```
1 int main()
2 {
3     Carp carpFish;
4     Tuna tunaFish;
5
6     carpFish.swim(); // -> Carp swims slow
7     tunaFish.swim(); // -> Tuna swims fast
8
9     return 0;
10 }
```

- ▶ The method `swim()` of the appropriate base class is called
- ▶ The only way to invoke `Fish::Swim()` is by having `main()` use the scope resolution operator `::` in explicitly invoking `Fish::Swim()`

```
1 Tuna tunaFish;
2
3 tunaFish.swim();           // will invoke Tuna::swim()
4
5 tunaFish.Fish::swim();     // invokes Fish::swim()
6                           // using instance of Tuna
```

# Basic Inheritance

## Order of Construction & Destruction

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 class FishMember
5 {
6 public:
7     FishMember(){cout << "FishMember constructor" << endl;}
8     ~FishMember(){cout << "FishMember destructor" << endl;}
9 };
10
11 class Fish // is base class
12 {
13 protected:
14     FishMember m_fishMember; // composition with FishMember class
15
16 public:
17     // Fish constructor
18     Fish(){cout << "Fish constructor" << endl;}
19     ~Fish(){cout << "Fish destructor" << endl;}
20 };
```

- ▶ This example show the order of construction and destruction when **inheritance and composition** is involved

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```
1 class TunaMember // member of derived
2 {
3 public:
4     TunaMember() {cout << "TunaMember constructor" << endl;}
5     ~TunaMember() {cout << "TunaMember destructor" << endl;}
6 };
7
8 class Tuna: public Fish // derives from base
9 {
10 private:
11     TunaMember m_tunaMember;
12
13 public:
14     Tuna() {cout << "Tuna constructor" << endl;}
15     ~Tuna() {cout << "Tuna destructor" << endl;}
16 };
17
18 int main()
19 {
20     Tuna tuna;
21 }
22
23 // FishMember constructor
24 // Fish constructor      --> base class finished
25 // TunaMember constructor
26 // Tuna constructor      --> derivate class finished
27 // Tuna destructor
28 // TunaMember destructor --> derived class destructed
29 // Fish destructor
30 // FishMember destructor --> base class destructed
```



- ▶ So far we have always used the most common access specifier *public* to to derive from base class, thus called *public*-inheritance
- ▶ Recap **Access Levels of components:**
  1. **public:** accessible everywhere
  2. **private:** accessible only in methods of the own class
  3. **protected:** accessible only in methods of the own class or derived class
- ▶ Using inheritance the **access levels** or visibility of the derived components in the derived classes can be changed:
  1. `class A: public B`  
access level not changed
  2. `class A: protected B`  
access level changed from `public` to `protected`
  3. `class A: private B`  
access level `public` and `protected` changed to `private`

```
1 class Base
2 {
3     // ... base class members and methods
4 };
5 class Derived : private Base // or protected Base
6     // private inheritance
7 {
8     // ... derived class members and methods
9 };
```

# Basic Inheritance

## Access Specifier

- ▶ The following table summarizes the possible access level modifications

| Access Specifier<br>In base class | Access Specifier when<br>inherited publicly | Access Specifier when<br>inherited privately | Access Specifier when<br>inherited protectedly |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Public                            | Public                                      | Private                                      | Protected                                      |
| Private                           | Inaccessible                                | Inaccessible                                 | Inaccessible                                   |
| Protected                         | Protected                                   | Private                                      | Protected                                      |

- ▶ `private` and `protected` inheritance describe a **has-a** relationship
- ▶ For simplicity, prefer composition over `private` and `protected` inheritance!



# Polymorphism



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# Polymorphic Behavior

## The keyword `virtual`



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```
1 class Animal
2 {
3 protected:
4     std::string m_name;
5     Animal(std::string name) : m_name(name) {}
6
7 public:
8     std::string getName() { return m_name; }
9     virtual std::string speak() { return "???" ; }
10 };
11
12 class Cat: public Animal
13 {
14 public:
15     Cat(std::string name) : Animal(name) {}
16     virtual std::string speak() { return "Meow"; } // virtual
17 };
18
19 class Dog: public Animal
20 {
21 public:
22     Dog(std::string name) : Animal(name) {}
23     virtual std::string speak() { return "Woof"; } // virtual
24 };
25
26 void report(Animal &animal)
27 {
28     std::cout << animal.getName() << " says " << animal.speak();
29 }
```

# Polymorphic Behavior

## The keyword `virtual`

```
1 int main()
2 {
3     Cat cat("Fred");
4     Dog dog("Garbo");
5
6     report(cat);
7     report(dog);
8 }
```

► Output?

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### ► Output?

```
1 Output:
2
3 Fred says Meow
4 Garbo says Woof
```

### ► It works!



# Polymorphic Behavior

## The keyword `virtual`

- ▶ Similarly, the following example works

```
1 Cat fred("Fred"), misty("Misty"), zeke("Zeke");
2 Dog garbo("Garbo"), pooky("Pooky"), truffle("Truffle");
3
4 // Set up an array of pointers to animals, and set those
5 // pointers to our Cat and Dog objects
6 Animal *animals[] = { &fred, &garbo, &misty, &pooky, &truffle,
7                       &zeke };
8 for (int i=0; i < 6; ++i)
9 {
10     cout << animals[i]->getName() << " says " <<
        animals[i]->speak() << endl;
11 }
```

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```
1 Output:
2
3 Fred says Meow
4 Garbo says Woof
5 Misty says Meow
6 Pooky says Woof
7 Truffle says Woof
8 Zeke says Meow
```

- ▶ The signature of the derived class function must exactly match the signature of the base class virtual function





# Polymorphic Behavior

## override Specifier

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```
1 class A
2 {
3 public:
4     virtual const std::string getName1(int x) { return "A"; }
5     virtual const std::string getName2(int x) { return "A"; }
6 };
7
8 class B : public A
9 {
10 public:
11     virtual const std::string getName1(short int x)
12     { // note: parameter is a short int
13         return "B";
14     }
15     virtual const std::string getName2(int x) const
16     { // note: function is const
17         return "B";
18     }
19 };
20
21 int main()
22 {
23     B b;
24     A &BaseRef = b;
25     std::cout << BaseRef.getName1(1) << std::endl; // -> A
26     std::cout << BaseRef.getName2(2) << std::endl; // -> A
27
28     return 0;
29 }
```



# Polymorphic Behavior

## override Specifier

```
1 class A
2 {
3 public:
4     virtual const std::string getName1(int x) { return "A"; }
5     virtual const std::string getName2(int x) { return "A"; }
6     virtual const std::string getName3(int x) { return "A"; }
7 };
8
9 class B : public A
10 {
11 public:
12     virtual const std::string getName1(short int x) override {
13         return "B"; } // compile error, not an override
14
15     virtual const std::string getName2(int x) const override {
16         return "B"; } // compile error, not an override
17
18     virtual const std::string getName3(int x) override {
19         return "B"; } // okay, is an override
20 };
```

- There is no performance penalty for using the override specifier.

### Tipp

Apply the override specifier to every intended override function you write.



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# Polymorphic Behavior

## final Specifier

- Use the `final` specifier to prohibit overriding a function

```
1 class A
2 {
3 public:
4     virtual const std::string getName() { return "A"; }
5 };
6
7 class B : public A
8 {
9 public:
10     // final specifier makes this function no longer overridable
11     virtual const std::string getName() override final
12     {
13         return "B";
14     } // okay, overrides A::getName()
15 };
16
17 class C : public B
18 {
19 public:
20     virtual const std::string getName() override
21     {
22         return "C";
23     } // compile error: overrides B::getName(), which is final
24 };
```



# Virtual Destructors

## Why we need Virtual Destructors?

- ▶ Similarly, as for other virtual function, calling a function using a pointer of type `Base*` that actually points to `derived*` will call the Base's class function if not marked as `virtual`
- ▶ The same holds for the destructor
- ▶ Check next example

# Virtual Destructors

## Why we need Virtual Destructors?

```
1 #include <iostream>
2 class Base
3 {
4 public:
5     ~Base() // note: not virtual
6     {
7         std::cout << "Calling ~Base()" << std::endl;
8     }
9 };
10
11 class Derived: public Base
12 {
13 private:
14     int* m_array;
15
16 public:
17     Derived(int length)
18     {
19         m_array = new int[length];
20     }
21
22     ~Derived() // note: not virtual
23     {
24         std::cout << "Calling ~Derived()" << std::endl;
25         delete[] m_array;
26     }
27 };
```

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# Virtual Destructors

## Why we need Virtual Destructors?

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8

```
int main()
{
    Derived *derived = new Derived(5);
    Base *base = derived ;
    delete base;

    return 0;
}
```

- Output? What constructors and destructors are called?



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```

- Hoppla! Again a memory leak!

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### ► Output?

```
1 Output:
2
3 Calling ~Derived()
4 Calling ~Base()
```

### ► It works!

# Operators & Casts

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- ▶ As the name suggests, operators that function on a single operand are called unary operators
- ▶ As a static function or implemented in the global namespace, the structure is given by:

```
1 return_type operator operator_type (parameter_type)
2 {
3     // ... implementation
4 }
```

- ▶ As a class member, the structure is missing in parameters, because the single parameter that it works upon is the instance of the class itself (\*this):

```
1 return_type operator operator_type ()
2 {
3     // ... implementation
4 }
```



# Binary Operators

## Declaration of Binary Operators

- ▶ Operators that function on two operands are called `binary operators`
- ▶ The definition of a binary operator implemented as a global function or a static member function is the following:

```
1 return_type operator operator_type (parameter1, parameter2)
2 {
3     // ... implementation
4 }
```

- ▶ Since one parameter is given by class instance itself (`*this`) definition of a binary operator implemented as a class member is:

```
1 return_type operator operator_type (parameter)
2 {
3     // ... implementation
4 }
```

# Binary Operators

## Copy & Move Assignment =

### ► Copy Assignment:

```
1 ClassType& operator=(const ClassType& copySource)
2 {
3     if(this != &copySource) // protection against copy into self
4     {
5         // copy assignment operator implementation
6     }
7     return *this;
8 }
```

### ► Move Assignment:

```
1 ClassType& operator=(ClassType&& moveSource)
2 {
3     // check if valid
4     if(this != &moveSource && moveSource.m_Ptr != nullptr)
5     {
6         // move assignment operator implementation
7     }
8     return *this;
9 }
```

### Note:

Only provide own versions if your class encapsulates raw pointers!



# Casting Operators

supplied by C++

► C++ supplies four casting operators:

1. `static_cast`
2. `dynamic_cast`
3. `reinterpret_cast`
4. `const_cast`



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► Explicit & implicit casting

► Up & down casting

► Run-time casting (RTTI)

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# Template Functions

## Using Template Syntax

- ▶ A template function is capable of adapting itself to suit parameters of different types.
- ▶ Lets implement the `MAX` macro with templates:

```
1 template <typename T>  
2 const T& getMax(const T& value1, const T& value2)  
3 {  
4     return (value1 > value2) ? value1 : value2; // Ternary op.  
5 }
```

# Template Functions

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5 }
```

- ▶ The function can then be called like this:

```
1 int num1 = 25;
2 int num2 = 40;
3 int maxVal = getMax<int>(num1, num2);
4 int maxVal = getMax(num1, num2);
5
6
7 double double1 = 1.1;
8 double double2 = 1.001;
9 double maxVal = getMax<double>(double1, double2);
10 double maxVal = getMax(double1, double2);
```

## Templates

The `<int>` used in the call `getMax` defines the template parameter `T`, but is not necessary for template functions

- ▶ Template classes are the templatised versions of C++ classes!
- ▶ For example `std::vector<int>` is a class holding integers as type



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- ▶ Template classes are the templatised versions of C++ classes!
- ▶ For example `std::vector<int>` is a class holding integers as type
- ▶ A simple template class that uses a single parameter T to hold a member variable can be written as the following:

```
1 template <typename T>
2 class TemplateClass
3 {
4 private:
5     T value;
6 public:
7     void setValue(const T& newValue) { value = newValue; }
8     T& getValue() { return value; }
9 };
```

- ▶ The type T of variable `value` is *instantiated* when the template is used



# C++11 Smart Pointers

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# Smart Pointers

Existing Smart Pointers: `#include <memory>`

- ▶ `std::unique_ptr`
- ▶ `std::shared_ptr`
- ▶ `std::weak_ptr`
- ▶ `std::auto_ptr`



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Existing Smart Pointers: `#include <memory>`

- ▶ `std::unique_ptr`
- ▶ `std::shared_ptr`
- ▶ `std::weak_ptr`
- ▶ ~~`std::auto_ptr`~~ (depriciated since C++ 11, removed in C++ 17)

## Garbage Collection

Using Smart pointers is the simplest garbage collector we could think of!



# STL

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Sequential containers are characterized by a **fast insertion time**, but are relatively **slow in find operations**.

- ▶ `std::vector` - Operates like a dynamic array and grows only at the end
- ▶ `std::deque` - Similar to `std::vector` except that it allows for new elements to be inserted or removed at the beginning, too
- ▶ `std::list` - Operates like a double linked list. Like a chain where an object is a link in the chain. You can add or remove links, *i.e.* objects at any position
- ▶ `std::forward_list` Similar to a `std::list` except that it is a singly linked list of elements that allows you to iterate only in one direction



# STL - Containers

## Associative Containers

Associative containers store data in a sorted fashion. This results in **slower insertion times**, but **optimized search performance**

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Associative containers store data in a sorted fashion. This results in **slower insertion times**, but **optimized search performance**

- ▶ `std::set` - Stores unique values sorted on insertion in a container featuring logarithmic complexity  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$
- ▶ `std::unordered_set` - Stores unique values sorted on insertion in a container featuring near constant complexity  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ . Available starting C++ 11
- ▶ `std::map` - Stores key-value pairs sorted by their unique keys in a container with logarithmic complexity  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$
- ▶ `std::unordered_map` - Stores key-value pairs sorted by their unique keys in a container with near constant complexity  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  (since C++ 11)
- ▶ `std::multiset` - Like `set`. Additionally, supports the ability to store multiple items having the same value; that is, the value doesn't need to be unique  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$
- ▶ `std::unordered_multiset` - Like `unordered_set`. Additionally, supports the ability to store multiple items having the same value; that is, the value doesn't need to be unique  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  (since C++ 11)
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Container adapters are variants of sequential and associative containers that have limited functionality and are intended to fulfill a particular purpose

- ▶ `std::stack` - Stores elements in a LIFO (last-in-first-out) fashion, allowing elements to be inserted (pushed) and removed (popped) at the top
- ▶ `std::queue` - Stores elements in FIFO (first-in-first-out) fashion, allowing the first element to be removed in the order they're inserted
- ▶ `std::priority_queue` - Stores elements in a sorted order, such that the one whose value is evaluated to be the highest is always first in the queue



# Thank You

## Questions

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