# **Operator Overloading**

## **Operators Cannot be Overloaded**

- Ternary operator (?)
- Scope resolution operator (::)
- Size of operator
- Pointer to member operator (.\*)

## **Unary Arithmetic Operators**

### **Ex: Negative Operator**

Continued on previous myString class

```
//Unary (Negative) operator overloading
myString operator-(){
    //allocate memory for the new string
    char *buffer = new char[strlen(str)+1];
    //copy the string to the buffer string
    strcpy(buffer,str);
    //convert the string to lowercase
    for(int i=0;i<strlen(buffer);i++){
        buffer[i] = tolower(buffer[i]);
    }
}</pre>
```

```
}
//return the new string
return myString(buffer);
}
```

main

```
int main(void)
{
    myString str1{"SAFIA"};
    myString str2;
    str2 = -str1; //Convert the string to lowercase
    str1.display();
    str2.display();
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
safia@safia:~/CPP/Learning-CPP/SessionLabs/Session4$ ./Lab1
SAFIA
safia
```

# **Binary Operator**

### **Ex: Concatenation**

```
str1 + str2
```

```
myString operator+(const myString &source){
    //allocate memory for the new string
    char *buffer = new char[strlen(str)+strlen(source.str)+1];
    //copy the string to the buffer string
    strcpy(buffer,str);
    //concatenate the source string to the buffer string
    strcat(buffer,source.str);
    myString temp = myString(buffer);
    delete [] buffer;
    //return the new string
    return temp;
}
```

main

```
int main(void)
{
    myString str1{"SAFIA"};
    myString str2;
    str2 = -str1; //Convert the string to lowercase
    str1.display();
    str2.display();
    myString str3;
    str1 = " Hany";
    str3 = str2 + str1; //Concatenate the strings
    str3.display();
    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
safia@safia:~/CPP/Learning-CPP/SessionLabs/Session4$ ./Lab1
SAFIA
safia
safia Hany
```

## **Compersion Overloading**

### **Ex: Equal equal == operator**

```
//Compersion operator overloading == operator
bool operator==(const myString &source){
    return (std::strcmp(str,source.str) == 0);
}
```

main

```
int main(void)
{
    myString str1{"SAFIA"};
    myString str2;
    str2 = -str1; //Convert the string to lowercase
    str1.display();
    str2.display();
    myString str3;
    str1 = " Hany";
    str3 = str2 + str1; //Concatenate the strings
    str3.display();
    if(str1 == str2){
        std::cout << "Strings are equal" << std::endl;
    }
}</pre>
```

```
else{
    std::cout << "Strings are not equal" << std::endl;
}
return 0;
</pre>
```

#### Output:

```
safia@safia:~/CPP/Learning-CPP/SessionLabs/Session4$ ./Lab1
SAFIA
safia
safia Hany
Strings are not equal
```

#### If implementing outside the class

```
// Implementing outside the class
//Binary (+) operator overloading for concatenation
//Glopbal function not related to any class
//We have to make it friend to the class to access the private member str
myString operator+(const char *lhs, const myString &rhs){
    //allocate memory for the new string
    char *buffer = new char[strlen(lhs)+strlen(rhs.str)+1];
    //copy the string to the buffer string
    std::strcpy(buffer,lhs);
    //concatenate the source string to the buffer string
    std::strcat(buffer,rhs.str);
    myString temp = myString(buffer);
    delete [] buffer;
    //return the new string
    return temp;
}
```

## **Full Example**

Lab1.hpp file

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
// Define the class Integer
class Integer
private:
    int *m pInt; // Pointer to an integer in the heap
public:
    // Default constructor
    Integer();
    // Parameterized constructor
    Integer(int value);
    // Copy constructor
    Integer(const Integer &obj);
    // Move constructor
    Integer(Integer &&obj);
    // Destructor
    ~Integer();
    // Set the value of the integer
    void Set Value(int value);
    // Get the value of the integer
    int Get Value() const;
    // Copy assignment operator
    Integer &operator=(const Integer &obj);
    // Move assignment operator
    Integer &operator=(Integer &&obj);
    // Addition operator
```

```
Integer operator+(const Integer &obj);
    // Subtraction operator
    Integer operator-(const Integer &obj);
    // Multiplication operator
    Integer operator*(const Integer &obj);
    // Pre-increment operator
    Integer &operator++();
    // Post-increment operator
    Integer operator++(int);
    // Pre-decrement operator
    Integer &operator--();
    // Post-decrement operator
    Integer operator--(int);
    // Greater than operator
    bool operator>(const Integer &obj);
    // Not equal to operator
    bool operator!=(const Integer &obj);
    // Insertion operator
    friend ostream &operator<<(ostream &out, const Integer &obj);</pre>
    // Extraction operator
    friend istream & operator>>(istream & in, Integer & obj);
};
```

#### Lab1.cpp file

```
#include "Lab1.hpp"
#include <iostream>
//Default Constructor
Integer::Integer()
{
    std::cout << "Default constructor: Integer() " << std::endl;
    m_pInt = new int(0);
}</pre>
```

```
//Parameterized Constructor
Integer::Integer(int value)
    std::cout << "Parameterized constructor: Integer(int value) " << std::endl;</pre>
    m_pInt = new int(value);
//Copy Constructor
Integer::Integer(const Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Copy constructor: Integer(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    m pInt = new int(*obj.m pInt);
//Move Constructor
Integer::Integer(Integer &&obj)
    std::cout << "Move constructor: Integer(Integer &&obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    m pInt = obj.m pInt;
    obj.m_pInt = nullptr;
//Destructor
Integer::~Integer()
    std::cout << "Destructor: ~Integer() " << std::endl;</pre>
    delete m pInt;
//Copy Assignment Operator
Integer &Integer::operator=(const Integer &obj)
    if (this != &obj)
    {
        delete m_pInt;
        m_pInt = new int(*obj.m_pInt);
        std::cout << "Copy assignment operator: Integer &operator=(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
```

```
return *this;
//Move Assignment Operator
Integer &Integer::operator=(Integer &&obj)
    if (this != &obj)
        delete m_pInt;
        m pInt = obj.m pInt;
        obj.m_pInt = nullptr;
        std::cout << "Move assignment operator: Integer &operator=(Integer &&obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    return *this;
//Overloading + operator
Integer Integer::operator+(const Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Overloading + operator: Integer operator+(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    Integer temp;
    *temp.m pInt = *m pInt + *obj.m pInt;
    return temp;
//Overloading - operator
Integer Integer::operator-(const Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Overloading - operator: Integer operator-(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    Integer temp;
    *temp.m pInt = *m pInt - *obj.m pInt;
    return temp;
//Overloading * operator
Integer Integer::operator*(const Integer &obj)
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std::cout << "Overloading * operator: Integer operator*(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    Integer temp;
    *temp.m pInt = *m pInt * *obj.m pInt;
    return temp;
//Overloading ++ operator for prefix
Integer &Integer::operator++()
    std::cout << "Overloading ++ operator for prefix: Integer &operator++() " << std::endl;</pre>
    ++(*m pInt);
    return *this;
//Overloading ++ operator for postfix
// ++(int) is a dummy parameter to differentiate between prefix and postfix
Integer Integer::operator++(int)
    std::cout << "Overloading ++ operator for postfix: Integer operator++(int) " << std::endl;</pre>
    Integer temp(*this);
    ++(*m pInt);
    return temp;
//Overloading -- operator for prefix
Integer &Integer::operator--()
    std::cout << "Overloading -- operator for prefix: Integer & operator--() " << std::endl;</pre>
    --(*m pInt);
    return *this;
//Overloading -- operator for postfix
// --(int) is a dummy parameter to differentiate between prefix and postfix
Integer Integer::operator--(int)
    std::cout << "Overloading -- operator for postfix: Integer operator--(int) " << std::endl;</pre>
    Integer temp(*this);
```

```
--(*m pInt);
    return temp;
//Overloading > operator
bool Integer::operator>(const Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Overloading > operator: bool operator>(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    return *m_pInt > *obj.m_pInt;
//Overloading != operator
bool Integer::operator!=(const Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Overloading != operator: bool operator!=(const Integer &obj) " << std::endl;</pre>
    return *m pInt != *obj.m pInt;
//Set Value
void Integer::Set Value(int value)
    std::cout << "Set_Value() " << std::endl;</pre>
    *m pInt = value;
int Integer::Get_Value() const
    std::cout << "Get Value() " << std::endl;</pre>
    return *m_pInt;
int main()
    Integer i1(10);
    Integer i2(20);
    Integer i3;
    cout << "The value of i1 is:" << endl;</pre>
    cout << i1.Get Value() << endl;</pre>
```

```
cout << "The value of i2 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i2.Get_Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = i1 + i2;
cout << "The value of i1+i2 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get_Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = i1 - i2;
cout << "The value of i1-i2 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get_Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = i1 * i2;
cout << "The value of i1*i2 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get_Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = ++i1;
cout << "The value of ++i1 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = i1++;
cout << "The value of i1++ is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = --i1;
cout << "The value of --i1 is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get Value() << endl;</pre>
i3 = i1 - -;
cout << "The value of i1-- is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << i3.Get Value() << endl;</pre>
cout <<"The result of i1>i2? is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << (i1 > i2) << endl;
cout <<"The result of i1!=i2? is:" << endl;</pre>
cout << (i1 != i2) << endl;</pre>
return 0;
```

Output:

```
safia@safia:~/CPP/Learning-CPP/ToBeDelivered/Session5/Lab1$ ./Lab1
Parameterized constructor: Integer(int value)
Parameterized constructor: Integer(int value)
Default constructor: Integer()
The value of il is:
Get Value()
10
The value of i2 is:
Get Value()
20
Overloading + operator: Integer operator+(const Integer &obj)
Default constructor: Integer()
Move assignment operator: Integer &operator=(Integer &&obj)
Destructor: ~Integer()
The value of i1+i2 is:
Get Value()
30
Overloading - operator: Integer operator-(const Integer &obj)
Default constructor: Integer()
Move assignment operator: Integer & operator=(Integer & & obj)
Destructor: ~Integer()
The value of i1-i2 is:
Get Value()
- 10
Overloading * operator: Integer operator*(const Integer &obj)
Default constructor: Integer()
Move assignment operator: Integer & operator=(Integer & & obj)
Destructor: ~Integer()
The value of i1*i2 is:
Get Value()
200
Overloading ++ operator for prefix: Integer & operator++()
Copy assignment operator: Integer & Operator = (const Integer & Obj)
```

```
The value of ++il is:
Get_Value()
11
Overloading ++ operator for postfix: Integer operator++(int)
Copy constructor: Integer(const Integer &obj)
Move assignment operator: Integer & operator=(Integer & & obj)
Destructor: ~Integer()
The value of i1++ is:
Get_Value()
11
Overloading -- operator for prefix: Integer & Operator -- ()
Copy assignment operator: Integer & Operator = (const Integer & Obj)
The value of --il is:
Get Value()
11
Overloading -- operator for postfix: Integer operator--(int)
Copy constructor: Integer(const Integer &obj)
Move assignment operator: Integer & operator=(Integer & & obj)
Destructor: ~Integer()
The value of i1-- is:
Get_Value()
11
The result of i1>i2? is:
Overloading > operator: bool operator>(const Integer &obj)
0
The result of il!=i2? is:
Overloading != operator: bool operator!=(const Integer &obj)
1
Destructor: ~Integer()
Destructor: ~Integer()
Destructor: ~Integer()
```

```
Class Integer
        // Insertion operator
    friend ostream &operator<<(ostream &out, const Integer &obj);</pre>
    // Extraction operator
    friend istream &operator>>(istream &in, Integer &obj);
};
//Insertion Operator
std::ostream &operator<<(std::ostream &out, const Integer &obj)</pre>
    out << "Insertion Operator" << *obj.m pInt << std::endl;</pre>
    return out;
//Extraction Operator
std::istream &operator>>(std::istream &in, Integer &obj)
    std::cout << "Extraction Operator" << std::endl;</pre>
    in >> *obj.m pInt;
    return in;
```

main

```
cout << "Please enter a number to be added as object from class" << endl;
cin >> i3;
cout << "The number you have entered after being saved as object" << endl;
cout << i3;</pre>
```

Please enter a number to be added as object from class
Extraction Operator

5
The number you have entered after being saved as object
Insertion Operator5