

Recitation Class

Week 3

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- hw2 multiple choices
- quiz (six multiple-choice questions, about 15 mins)
- check

Homeworks

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Destructors

```
1  class ResourceHolder {
2      int* ptr;
3      public:
4      ~ResourceHolder() { delete ptr; }
5      ResourceHolder(ResourceHolder&& other) : ptr(other.ptr) { other.ptr =
6      nullptr; }
7      };
```

Which statements are true?

- ☐ A. The destructor ensures no memory leak occurs.
- ☒ B. The move constructor leaves the source object in a destructible state.
- ☒ C. Since we define the move operation, the compiler will delete copy operations.
- ☐ D. The class follows the Rule of Five.
- ☐ E. `ptr` should be checked for `nullptr` before deletion in destructor.

B.E. The C++ standard guarantees that calling `delete` on a null pointer is safe (do nothing).

C. (PPT p131) The copy constructor or copy assignment operator, if not provided by the user, will be implicitly deleted if the class has a user-provided move operation.

D. (PPT p132) The Rule of Five: Define zero or five of them.

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5. Which statements about rvalue references are correct?

- ✓ A. `std::move` converts an lvalue to an rvalue reference.
- ☐ B. An rvalue reference parameter can bind to lvalues.
- ✓ C. `int&& x = 5;` is valid.
- ✓ D. After moving an object, its state is unspecified.
- ☐ E. Rvalue references always extend the lifetime of temporary objects.

A.

`std::move(x)` performs an lvalue to rvalue cast:

```
int ival = 42;
int &&rref = ival; // Error
int &&rref2 = std::move(ival); // Correct
```

B. (PPT p115) Rvalue reference cannot be bound to lvalue.

C. (PPT p115)

D. (PPT p132) A call to `std::move` is usually followed by a call to some function that moves the object, after which we **cannot make any assumptions about the value of the moved from object**.

E. “always”

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Const-Correctness

```
1  class Library {  
2      public:  
3      void displayAllBooks() const;    //(1)  
4      bool loadSampleData();          //(2)  
5  };  
6
```

Which statements are true?

- ✓ A. (1) can be called on a `const Library&` object because the trailing `const` converts the implicit `this` pointer to `const Library *`.
- ✓ B. Inside (1) it is forbidden to modify data member.
- ☐ C. A `const` and a `non-const` overload of the same member function cannot coexist in the same class.
- ✓ D. (2) cannot be declared `const` because it changes the contents of the `books` container, violating the object's state invariants.
- ✓ E. Appending `const` to a member function only affects access to data members within the function body; it does not change the type of the object itself.

A.B. A `const Library*` guarantees that its members won't be modified.

D. The function name *bool loadSampleData()* strongly suggests that it modifies the object's state. It loads book information from a file and populates an internal data member in the class (`std::vector<Book> books`).

E. Inside a `const` function, you cannot modify any data members of the object. An `non-const` object (e.g. *Library non_const_lib*) can also call `const` member function.

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Initializer Lists

```
1  class Library {
2      std::string libraryName;
3      const std::string booksDataFile;
4      public:
5      explicit Library(const std::string& name)
6          : libraryName(name),          //(1)
7          booksDataFile("data/books.txt") { } //(2)
8  };
9
```

Which statements are true?

- ✓ A. Lines (2) and (1) are part of the constructor's member initializer list, used to directly construct data members before entering the function body.
- ✓ B. booksDataFile is const, so it can only be assigned in the initializer list and remains read-only thereafter.

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D. (PPT p22) Data members are initialized in order in which they are declared, not the order in the initializer list.

E. (PPT p56) If the class does not have a user-declared copy constructor, the compiler will try to synthesize one:

Which statements are true?

- ☐ C. If the member initializer list is omitted, the code will still compile and achieve exactly the same efficiency as above.
- ☐ D. The initialization order of data members is determined by the order written in the initializer list(booksDataFile → libraryName).
- ✓ ☒ E. If the compiler does not see explicit move/copy constructors, it will synthesize default versions; copying booksDataFile remains legal because std::string itself is copyable.

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Lifetime

```
1  Book* Library::findBookByIsbn(const std::string& isbn) {
2      auto it = std::find_if(books.begin(), books.end(),
3          [&isbn](const Book& b){ return b.getIsbn() == isbn; });
4      return (it != books.end()) ? &(*it) : nullptr;  //(1)
5  }
6
7  bool Library::loadBooksFromFile(const std::string& filename){
8      ...
9      books.push_back(std::move(book));                //(2)
10 }
11
```

A.B. When a vector reallocation occurs, causing all elements to be **moved** to a new memory address, the original pointer became invalid.

C.D. After moving operation, the object book remains unspecified state. Its destructor will be called at the end of its lifetime.

Which statements are true?

- ☒ A. Pointer (1) points to an element inside `std::vector<Book>`; its validity lasts as long as that element remains alive in the container.
- ☒ B. Once books reallocation occurs (e.g., `push_back` triggers capacity growth), all pointers previously returned by (1) become invalid.
- ☒ C. After (2), the object book remains in a valid but unspecified state; only limited operations such as destruction or reassignment are allowed.
- ☐ D. After moving book into books, its destructor is called immediately, causing a dangling pointer risk.