# COP 3331 OBJECT ORIENTED DESIGN SUMMER 2017

WEEK 3 – WEDNESDAY (MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> ):

- -//MORE ON CLASSES
  - OPERATOR OVERLOADING



## MORE ON CLASSES AND OBJECTS

#### THE INCLUDE GUARD

- When your main program file has an #include directive for a header file, there's a possibility that the header file will have an #include directive for a second header file
- If the main file also has an #include directive for the second header file, then the preprocessor will include the second header file twice
- You can use an include guard to prevent this
  - It prevents the header file from accidentally being included more than once

#### THE INCLUDE GUARD & DEFINE DIRECTIVE

The syntax for an include guard is

```
#ifndef CONSTANT
#define CONSTANT
...
#endif
```

- ifndef means "if not defined"
- The constant represents a version of the class that has already been loaded
- If the constant is not defined, then we use the #define directive to define it
- The #endif directive is used to enclose the definition of the class (from the #ifndef directive)
  - In other words, if not defined, create the class enclosed between the directive

#### **INCLUDE GUARD EXAMPLE**

```
// Specification file for the Rectangle class.
#ifndef RECTANGLE H
#define RECTANGLE H
// Rectangle class declaration.
class Rectangle
  private:
      double width;
      double length;
  public:
      void setWidth(double);
      void setLength(double);
      double getWidth() const;
      double getLength() const;
      double getArea() const;
};
#endif
```

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- When we instantiate an object, each object has its own copies of the class variables.
- If a member variable is declared static, all instances of the class has access to that variable.
  - Remember, the static modifier 'preserves' the memory space
  - Even though static member variables are declared in a class, they are actually defined outside the class declaration.

#### STATIC CLASS VARIABLE EXAMPLE

```
// Tree class
class Tree
private:
   static int objectCount;  // Static member variable.
public:
   // Constructor
   Tree()
      { objectCount++; }
   // Accessor function for objectCount
   int getObjectCount() const
      { return objectCount; }
};
// Definition of the static member variable, written
// outside the class.
int Tree::objectCount = 0;
```

#### STATIC CLASS VARIABLE EXAMPLE

```
// This program demonstrates a static member variable.
#include <iostream>
#include "Tree.h"
using namespace std;
                                         Program Output
                                         We have 3 trees in our program!
int main()
   // Define three Tree objects.
   Tree oak;
   Tree elm;
   Tree pine;
   // Display the number of Tree objects we have.
   cout << "We have " << pine.getObjectCount()</pre>
        << " trees in our program!\n";
   return 0;
```

#### STATIC MEMBER FUNCTIONS

- A function that is a static member of a class can not access any non-static data in its class
- If a member function is declared static, it may be called without any instances of the class being defined.

#### STATIC MEMBER FUNCTIONS

- Why is it useful?
  - A class's static member functions can be called before any instances of the class are created
  - This means that the static member functions can access the static member variables of the class before any instances are defined.
  - This allows existence of static variables before objects creation.
  - Thus, allows us to create very specialized setup routines for class objects

```
#ifndef BUDGET H
#define BUDGET H
// Budget class declaration
class Budget
private:
   static double corpBudget; // Static member variable
   double divisionBudget;  // Instance member variable
public:
   Budget ()
      { divisionBudget = 0; }
   void addBudget(double b)
      { divisionBudget += b;
        corpBudget += b; }
   double getDivisionBudget() const
      { return divisionBudget; }
   double getCorpBudget() const
      { return corpBudget; }
   static void mainOffice(double); // Static member function
};
#endif
```

```
#include "Budget.h"
// Definition of corpBudget static member variable
double Budget::corpBudget = 0;
// Definition of corpBudget static member function
void Budget::mainOffice(double moffice)
   corpBudget += moffice;
```

```
// This program demonstrates a static member function.
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
#include "Budget.h"
using namespace std;
int main()
  int count;
                           // Loop counter
  const int NUM DIVISIONS = 4; // Number of divisions
  // Get the main office's budget request.
  // Note that no instances of the Budget class have been defined.
  cout << "Enter the main office's budget request: ";</pre>
  cin >> mainOfficeRequest;
  Budget::mainOffice(mainOfficeRequest);
  Budget divisions[NUM DIVISIONS]; // An array of Budget objects.
```

```
// Get the budget requests for each division.
   for (count = 0; count < NUM DIVISIONS; count++)</pre>
      double budgetAmount;
      cout << "Enter the budget request for division ";</pre>
      cout << (count + 1) << ": ";
      cin >> budgetAmount;
      divisions [count].addBudget (budgetAmount);
   // Display the budget requests and the corporate budget.
   cout << fixed << showpoint << setprecision(2);</pre>
   cout << "\nHere are the division budget requests:\n";</pre>
   for (count = 0; count < NUM DIVISIONS; count++)</pre>
      cout << "\tDivision " << (count + 1) << "\t$ ";</pre>
      cout << divisions[count].getDivisionBudget() << endl;</pre>
   cout << "\tTotal Budget Requests:\t$ ";</pre>
   cout << divisions[0].getCorpBudget() << endl;</pre>
```

## MEMBERWISE ASSIGNMENT AND COPY CONSTRUCTORS

- The = operator can be used to assign one object to another, or to initialize an object with other's data
- Given two objects, obj2 = obj1; copies all member values from obj1 and assigns to the corresponding members variables of obj2

Example: consider the following class definition:

```
#ifndef RECTANGLE H
#define RECTANGLE H
class Rectangle
   private:
      double width;
      double length;
   public:
      Rectangle (double, double); // Constructor
      void setWidth(double);
      void setLength(double);
      double getWidth() const { return width; }
      double getLength() const { return length; }
      double getArea() const { return width * length; }
};
#endif
```

Declaring two objects of type Rectangle:

```
Rectangle box1(10.0, 10.0);
Rectangle box2(20.0, 20.0);
```

Performing member assignment

```
box2 = box1;
```

 Can also perform memberwise assignment during initialization:

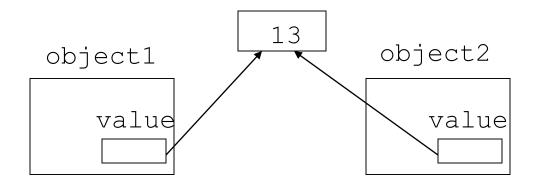
```
Rectangle box2 = box1;
```

- Memberwise assignment works well in most cases, except for one:
- Consider this class definition consisting of a pointer:

```
class SomeClass
{
    private:
        int *value;
    public:
        SomeClass(int val = 0)
        {value=new int; *value = val;}
        int getVal();
        void setVal(int);
}
```

When we perform memberwise copy with objects containing dynamic memory

```
SomeClass object1(5);
SomeClass object2 = object1;
object2.setVal(13);
cout << object1.getVal(); // also 13</pre>
```



#### **COPY CONSTRUCTORS**

- The solution to this problem is to create a copy constructor
- A copy constructor is a special constructor that is called when an object is initialized with another object's data.
- It has the same form as other constructors, except it has a <u>reference parameter</u> of the same type as the object itself
  - reference parameters MUST be used by copy constructors

#### **COPY CONSTRUCTORS**

Syntax:

```
className(const className& otherObject);
```

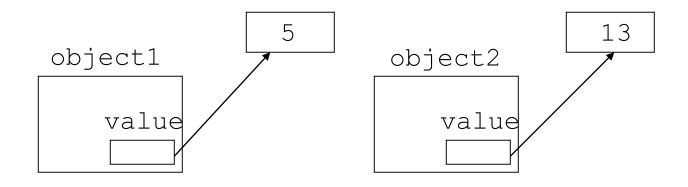
- Since copy constructors are required to use reference parameters, the const prevents the constructor from modifying the arguments data
- Example:

```
SomeClass::SomeClass(const SomeClass &obj)
{
   value = new int;
   *value = obj.value;
}
```

#### **COPY CONSTRUCTORS**

 Each object now points to separate dynamic memory:

```
SomeClass object1(5);
SomeClass object2 = object1;
object2.setVal(13);
cout << object1.getVal(); // still 5</pre>
```



#### **EXAMPLE:**

```
const double DEFAULT SCORE = 0.0;
class StudentTestScores
private:
    string studentName; // The student's name
double *testScores; // Points to array of test scores
int numTestScores; // Number of test scores
    // Private member function to create an
    // array of test scores.
    void createTestScoresArray(int size)
    { numTestScores = size;
         testScores = new double[size];
         for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)
              testScores[i] = DEFAULT SCORE; }
public:
    // Constructor
    StudentTestScores(string name, int numScores)
    { studentName = name;
         createTestScoresArray(numScores); }
```

#### **EXAMPLE:**

```
// Copy constructor
StudentTestScores(const StudentTestScores &obj)
{ studentName = obj.studentName;
    numTestScores = obj. numTestScores;
    testScores = new double[numTestScores];
    for (int i = 0; i < numTestScores; i++)
        testScores[i] = obj.testScores[i]; }</pre>
```

### **OPERATOR OVERLOADING**

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- C++ allows you to redefine standard operators when used with class objects
- Why is this necessary?
  - Assignment and member selections are the only builtin operations on classes
  - Therefore, other operators can't be applied directly to class objects
- Operator overloading provides a way to create more intuitive code

#### **OPERATOR OVERLOADING...**

- Consider:
  - Which would be preferable? (Suppose today is an object)

```
today.add(5); OR today += 5;
```

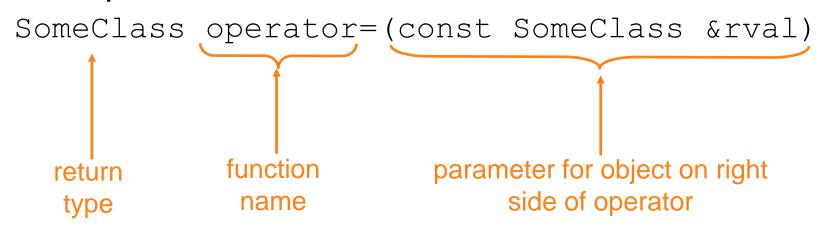
- Most existing C++ operators can be overloaded to manipulate class objects
- The operator function is used to overload the operator

#### **OPERATOR OVERLOADING...**

Syntax:

returnType operator operatorSymbol(formal parameter list)

• Example:



Operator is called via object on left side

#### **OPERATOR OVERLOADING...**

- To overload an operator for a class:
  - Include operator function in the class definition
  - Write the definition of the operator function
- To call the overloaded operator function you could write:

```
object1.operator=(object2);
```

 However, you can call the overloaded operator in a more conventional form

```
object1 = object2;
```

#### OPERATOR OVERLOADING EXAMPLE...

- See "Student Test Score" Example on Canvas
  - Under "Code Examples" for Week 3

#### THE "THIS" POINTER

 Every object of a class maintains a (hidden) predefined pointer to itself called this

 When an object calls a member function, the this pointer is referenced by the member function

 The this pointer always points to the object of the class whose function is being called

- There are several rules/restrictions to consider when using operator overloading:
- C++ does NOT allow new operators to be created
  - This is why operator overloads are an option!
- Operator overloading is NOT automatic
  - Functions must be written to overload an operator

- Operator overloaded functions must be nonstatic, because they must be called on an object of the class and must operate on that object
- You do not have to perform overloaded operations on:
  - = (if you are performing memberwise assignment)
    - If you have a class with a pointer member, you should overload the operator (as shown in the example)
  - & (can return a pointer to the object)

Most of C++'s operators can be overloaded:

```
+ - * / % ^ & | ~ ! = <

> += -= *= /= %= ^= &= |= << >> >>=

<<= == != <= >= && || ++ -- ->* , ->

[] () new delete
```

The following operators cannot be overloaded:

```
. .* :: ?: sizeof
```

 You cannot change an operators precedence, associativity or "arity" (e.g. binary, unary)

- Overloading Math Operators are very useful in classes
- ++, -- operators overloaded differently for prefix vs. postfix notation
- Overloaded relational operators should return a bool value
- Overloaded stream operators must return reference to istream, ostream and take istream, ostream objects as parameters

### MATH OPERATOR OVERLOADING EXAMPLE

See FeetInches code on canvas

#### PROJECT 2

 Programming assignment 2 will be posted today (Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>) on Canvas.