

CSE 165/ENGR 140

Intro to Object Orient

Program

Lecture 15 – Dynamic Object Creation

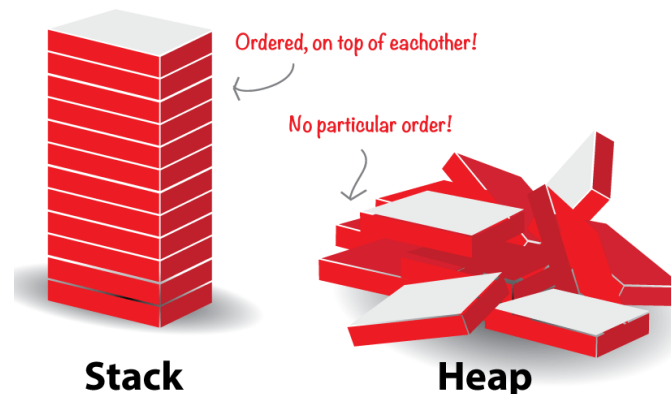


Announcement

- ▶ Reading assignment
 - Ch. 10

Object creation

- ▶ Object creation has two main parts:
 - allocates needed memory to store object(s)
 - memory can be in static (global) area
 - memory can be allocated on the stack (temporary variables)
 - memory can be allocated dynamically from the “heap”
 - calls constructor(s) to initialize the storage



new and delete

- ▶ Low-level memory allocation
 - malloc() : allocates a given number of bytes
 - free() : releases allocated memory
- ▶ Object allocation in C++
 - new
 - allocates needed memory to hold object(s)
 - automatically calls constructors
 - delete
 - releases memory used for the object
 - automatically calls destructors
 - Important for proper object initialization!

Examples

```
// standard way of using malloc/free:
int main() {
    Obj* obj = (Obj*)malloc(sizeof(Obj)); // no obj constructors are called here
    if ( !obj ) error("No Memory!"); // check if call was successful
    obj->initialize(); // requires explicit obj initialization
    ...
    obj->destroy(); // prepare obj for destruction
    free(obj); // free used memory
}
```

```
// using new/delete:
int main() {
    Obj* obj1 = new Obj; // default constructor is called!
    Obj* obj2 = new Obj(2); // integer constructor called
    // we will see how to check success of allocation later
    ...
    delete obj1; // calls destructor and frees used memory
    delete obj2; // calls destructor and frees used memory
}
```

Delete with inheritance

```
class Shape {
    public:
        virtual ~Shape() {cout<<"~Shape"<<endl;};
};
class Rectangle : public Shape {
    public:
        virtual ~Rectangle() {cout<<"~Rectangle"<<endl;};
};
class Square : public Rectangle {
    public:
        virtual ~Square() {cout<<"~Square"<<endl;};
};

int main() {
    Square* s = new Square();
    delete s;
}
```

new and delete with arrays

```
class A {
public:
    int i;
    A ( int k ) { i=k; cout<<"A"<<i<<" Integer Constructor\n"; }
    A () { i=0; cout<<"A"<<i<<" Default Constructor\n"; }
    ~A () { cout<<"A"<<i<<" Destructor\n"; }
};

int main() {

A* a1 = new A[5]; // creates 5 objects initialized with default constructors
delete[] a1;      // 5 destructors will be called (note that you have to use
                  // "delete[]")

A* a2 = new A(5); // creates 1 object initialized with integer constructor
delete a2;        // 1 destructor is called

return 1;
}
```

Checking successful allocation

- ▶ Running out of memory
 - When there is no more memory available, your program will “throw an exception”.
 - You can customize this behavior by defining your own “handler”.

Examples

```
// The following is WRONG:
p = new X;
if (!p) //not to be used under ISO compliant compilers
{
    cout<<"allocation failure!"
    exit(1);
}
```

```
// A standard compliant version of this code should look like this:
try
{
    p = new DerivedWind;
}
catch (std::bad_alloc &ba)
{
    cout<<"allocation failure!"
    //...additional cleanup
}
```

Examples

```
//: C13:NewHandler.cpp
// Changing the new-handler
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <new>
using namespace std;

int count = 0;

void out_of_memory() {
    cerr << "memory exhausted after " << count << " allocations!" << endl;
    // For example here you could free some "reserve" memory
    // previously allocated for emergencies etc
}

int main() {
    set_new_handler ( out_of_memory ); //handler function when new fails
    while(1) {
        count++;
        new int[1000]; // Exhausts memory
    }
}
```

Wake up!

- ▶ <https://youtu.be/2RnW6Oxo45M>

Overloading

- ▶ ***new*** and ***delete*** can be overloaded
 - globally
 - per class
 - special versions exist for single object
 - for creating an array of objects
- ▶ constructors and destructors are always called
 - your overloaded method/function just decides how to allocate/free memory.

Overloading global *new* & *delete*

```
//: C13:GlobalOperatorNew.cpp
#include <cstdio>      //Do not use iostream because cout calls new to
#include <cstdlib>      // allocate memory.
using namespace std;
void* operator new(size_t sz) {
    printf("operator new: %d Bytes\n", sz);
    void* m = malloc(sz);
    if(!m) puts("out of memory");
    return m;
}
void operator delete(void* m) {
    puts("operator delete");
    free(m);
}

class S {
    int i[100];
public:
    S() { puts("S::S()"); }
    ~S() { puts("S::~S()"); }
};

int main() {
    puts("creating & destroying an int");
    int* p = new int(47);
    delete p;
    puts("creating & destroying an s");
    S* s = new S;
    delete s;
    puts("creating & destroying S[3]");
    S* sa = new S[3];
    delete []sa;
}
```

Overloading global *new* & *delete*

Output: creating & destroying an int
 operator new: 4 Bytes
 operator delete
 creating & destroying an s
 operator new: 400 Bytes
 S::S()
 S::~~S()
 operator delete
 creating & destroying S[3]
 operator new: 1204 Bytes
 S::S()
 S::S()
 S::S()
 S::~~S()
 S::~~S()
 S::~~S()
 operator delete

Overloading *new* & *delete* for a class

```
class A {
public:
    int i;
    A ( int k ) { i=k; cout<<"A"<<i<<" Integer Constructor\n"; }
    A () { i=0; cout<<"A"<<i<<" Default Constructor\n"; }
    ~A () { cout<<"A"<<i<<" Destructor\n"; }

    void* operator new (size_t sz) {
        cout << "==>new: " << sz << " bytes" << endl;
        return ::new char[sz]; // call global new
    }
    void operator delete(void* p) {
        cout << "==>delete" << endl;
        ::delete []p; // call global delete
    }
    void* operator new[](size_t sz) {
        cout << "==>new[]: " << sz << " bytes" << endl;
        return ::new char[sz]; // call global new
    }
    void operator delete[](void* p) {
        cout << "==>delete[]" << endl; // call global delete
        ::delete []p;
    }
};
```

Overloading *new* & *delete* for a class

// overloaded new/delete can be tested with:

```
int main() {  
  
    A* a1 = new A[5]; // creates 5 objects initialized with default  
                    // constructors  
    cout<<a1->i<<endl;  
    delete[] a1;      // 5 destructors will be called (note that you have to  
                    // use "delete []")  
  
    A* a2 = new A(5); // creates 1 object initialized with integer constructor  
    cout<<a2->i<<endl;  
    delete a2;        // 1 destructor called  
  
    return 0;  
}
```


Overloading *new* & *delete* for a class

Output:

```
==>new[]: 24 bytes
A0 Default Constructor
A0 Default Constructor
A0 Default Constructor
A0 Default Constructor
A0 Default Constructor
A0
A0 Destructor
A0 Destructor
A0 Destructor
A0 Destructor
A0 Destructor
==>delete[]
==>new: 4 bytes
A5 Integer Constructor
5
A5 Destructor
==>delete
```

Explicit constructor/destructor calls

- ▶ explicit calls to constructors and destructors are possible, ex:

`x.X::X();` or `xpt->X::X();`

`x.X::~~X();` or `xpt->X::~~X();`