Week 5

Exercise 40

../40/40.txt

- 1. Pointer variables and arrays
- Pointers and arrays are similar and can sometimes be used in place of the other, but are not the same. An array name will decay to a constant pointer to the location of the first element of the array, so it can be used in some pointer-like notation (i.e. << *(array + 5) = 10 >>). However, an array is a block of memory sized to fit the amount of objects matching its dimensions. In other words, declaring << int array[5]; >> allocates a block in memory that can hold 5 integers. As it is not initialised, for now that memory still contains the things that were there before. A pointer, on the other hand, is just that: a variable that stores the address of a memory location, i.e. it points towards a location. So although they are related concepts in C/C++, they are also very different.
- 2. Pointer variables and reference variables See the drawing below (Figure 1).
- 3. Pointer arithmetic
- It refers to the fact that as pointers store a memory location, which is just a numerical value, they can be used in calculations to traverse the memory. As such , the locations (i.e. values) in their close proximity may be relevant. For example, as explained, an array takes up a block of consecutive memory. So, incrementing a pointer will move it over the amount that is the size of its type (i.e. if p is a pointer to an integer, ++p will move it over the size of a single integer). An example of this can be found in Figure 1, part b, as well as in other exercises of this week. In the figure, << *(pointer[3] + 2) >> isequivalent to << array[3][2] >>, as well as << *(*(array + 3) + 2) >>, at least in their usage here. << *(array + 3) >> dereferences the location of the fourth row (i.e. accesses its actual value), and thus dereferencing that plus two accesses the third value within that row. As can be seen, these are pointers to the start of a block of memory, and knowing the type that is contained therein allows us to access specific elements in that block. In short, realising that pointers simply represent numerical values allows us to perform useful arithmetic with them.
- 4. Accessing an element in an array using only a pointer vs. index expression
 Using a pointer will skip a step when accessing an element, which is to determine the size of the array element and add that to the address of the first element, which it also has to determine again and again. Since the index notation is simply a representation of operations that are actually performed, that is one reason to 'skip the middleman', as it were. Furthermore, adding another variable that has to be stored, used and incremented, namely a size_t as per the example in the exercise, further and unnecessarily adds to the size and weight of the program. Furthermore, given that an array name can decay to a pointer can add confusion to what kind of variable is actually being passed / used. Lastly, and similarly, using pointer notation makes it clear that the original data can be modified, rather than it being passed by value. However, as of yet, I still think index notation is more intuitive, but perhaps that will change over time.

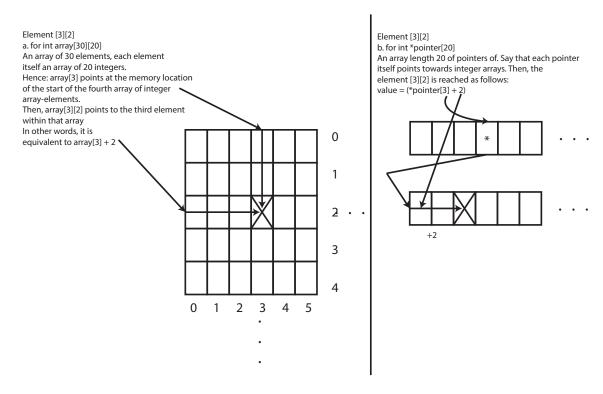


Figure 1: Illustration

../41/main.cc

```
// Main file
1
 2
3 #include "main.ih"
4
5
   int main(int argc, char **argv)
6
7
     char **temporary = argv; // Create a new pointer to the memory that argv points to
                                // Point argv to the memory that environ points to
 8
     argv = environ;
     environ = temporary;
                                // Point environ to where temporary points
 9
                                // (previously where argv was pointing)
10
11
     for (size_t index = 0; argv[index] != 0; ++index) // Loop through "argv"
12
       cout << argv[index] << '\n';</pre>
                                                         // And print elements
13
14
     for (size_t index = 0; environ[index] != 0; ++index) // Loop through "environ"
15
       cout << environ[index] << '\n';</pre>
                                                             // And print elements
16
17 }
```

```
../42-3/main.ih
   #include <iostream>
1
2
   #include "charcount/charcount.h"
3
4
5
   using namespace std;
6
7
   void showChar(CharCount input);
                                            ../42-3/main.cc
1
   #include "main.ih"
2
3
   int main(int argc, char **argv)
4
   {
5
6
     CharCount charObject(cin); //constructing the object
7
     showChar(charObject); //printing the values of the object
8
9
   }
                                             ../42-3/42.ih
   #include <iostream>
2
3
   #include "charcount/charcount.h"
4
5
   using namespace std;
                                         ../42–3/showChar.cc
1
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5
   #include "42.ih"
6
7
8
   void showChar(CharCount input)
9
10
     for (size_t index = 0; index < input.nChar(); ++index)</pre>
11
12
        char character = input.getChar(index);
          switch (character)
13
14
          {
15
            case '\t':
16
            {
              cout << "\'\\t\'" << ':' << '\t';</pre>
17
18
              break;
            }
19
            case '\n':
20
21
            {
              cout << "\'\\n\'' << ':' << '\t';</pre>
22
23
              break;
24
            }
          }
25
26
27
          if (isprint(character)) //printing printable characters
            cout << "\'" << character << "\'" << ':' << '\t';</pre>
28
          else if (character != '\n' && character != '\t')
29
            cout << static_cast<int>(character) << ':' << '\t';</pre>
30
```

```
31
            //printing the other characters, checking for \n and \t
32
            //so they arent printed twice, as a value between 0 and 255
33
          cout << input.Count(index) << '\n';</pre>
34
          //printing the number of occurence of each char
35
36
   }
37
   //printing output
                                    ../42–3/charcount/charcount.h
   #ifndef INCLUDED_CHARCOUNT_
2
   #define INCLUDED_CHARCOUNT_
3
4
   #include <iosfwd>
5
6
7
   class CharCount
8
   {
9
     public:
10
       struct Char
11
12
                       //the character
         char ch;
13
         size_t count = 0; //number of occurences
14
15
16
       struct CharInfo
17
18
          Char *ptr = new Char[1]; //field ptr pointing to struct char objects
19
          size_t nChar = 0; //nr char objects stored
20
       };
21
22
     private:
23
       CharInfo d_charObject;
24
25
     public:
26
       CharCount(std::istream &stream);
27
28
       Char *enlarge(Char *old, size_t oldsize, size_t newsize);
29
       //increasing the size of the array of Chars
30
       char const getChar(size_t index) const; //getChar since just Char as a
       //function name confused the compiler
31
        //returns the character stored in Char[index]
32
33
        size_t const nChar() const;
34
        //returns the total number of different characters stored
35
        size_t const Count(size_t index) const;
36
        //returns the number of times the character stored in Char[index] occured
37
       CharInfo const *info() const;
38
        //returns a reference to the charInfo object
39
       void add(char character, size_t index);
40
        //increases the number of occurences of the character stored at Char[index]
41
        //by 1
42
        void append(char character, size_t index);
43
        //Calls enlarge and then adds the character at the highest index of
44
        //Char[index]
45
        void insert(char character, size_t index);
        //Calls enlarge, moves all characters at index and higher one to the right
46
47
        //then places the new character at the current index
        size_t locate(char character);
48
49
        //Finds where to insert the current character
50
51
   };
52
   inline char const CharCount::getChar(size_t index) const
54
   {
55
     return d_charObject.ptr[index].ch;
56
   }
```

```
57
   //returns the character stored at Char[index]
58
59
   inline size_t const CharCount::Count(size_t index) const
60
   {
     return d_charObject.ptr[index].count;
61
62
   }
63
   //returns the number of times the character stored at Char[index] occured
64
65
   inline size_t const CharCount::nChar() const
66
67
     return d_charObject.nChar;
   }
68
   //returns the total number of different characters stored
69
70
   inline CharCount::CharInfo const *CharCount::info() const
71
72
   {
     return &d_charObject;
73
   }
74
75
   //returns a reference to the charInfo object
                                    ../42-3/charcount/charcount.ih
   #include "charcount.h"
2
   #include <iostream>
3
4
   using namespace std;
                                       ../42-3/charcount/add.cc
   #include "charcount.ih"
1
2
3
   void CharCount::add(char character, size_t index)
4
   {
5
      //convenience references
6
     Char *charObj = &d_charObject.ptr[index];
7
           ((*charObj).ch == character)
8
9
            ++(*charObj).count; //increasing count by 1
10
   }
                                     ../42-3/charcount/append.cc
   #include "charcount.ih"
1
2
3
   void CharCount::append(char character, size_t index)
4
   {
5
     //convenience references:
6
     size_t &Obj_nChar = d_charObject.nChar;
7
     Char *&Obj_ptr = d_charObject.ptr;
8
9
     if (index == Obj_nChar)
10
     {
11
        if
           (0bj_nChar > 0)
12
          Obj_ptr = enlarge(Obj_ptr, Obj_nChar, Obj_nChar + 1);
13
14
        Obj_ptr[index].ch = character;
15
        Obj_ptr[index].count = 1;
16
        ++Obj_nChar;
17
   }
18
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10
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11
12
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13
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15
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18
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21
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36
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44
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46
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47
        //then places the new character at the current index
48
        size_t locate(char character);
49
        //Finds where to insert the current character
50
51
   };
52
53
   inline char const CharCount::getChar(size_t index) const
54
55
     return d_charObject.ptr[index].ch;
   }
56
   //returns the character stored at Char[index]
57
58
59
   inline size_t const CharCount::Count(size_t index) const
60
61
     return d_charObject.ptr[index].count;
62
   //returns the number of times the character stored at Char[index] occured
63
64
65
   inline size_t const CharCount::nChar() const
66
     return d_charObject.nChar;
67
```

```
68
   }
69
   //returns the total number of different characters stored
70
71
   inline CharCount::CharInfo const *CharCount::info() const
72
   {
73
     return &d_charObject;
74
75
   //returns a reference to the charInfo object
76
   #endif
                                    ../42 – 3/charcount/constructor.cc\\
   #include "charcount.ih"
1
2
   CharCount::CharCount(std::istream &stream)
3
4
5
     char character;
6
7
     while (stream.get(character))
8
9
        size_t index = locate(character);
10
11
        add(character, index);
12
13
        append(character, index);
14
15
        insert(character, index);
16
17
     }
18
19
                                     ../42–3/charcount/enlarge.cc
   #include "charcount.ih"
1
2
   CharCount::Char *CharCount::enlarge(Char *old, size_t oldsize, size_t newsize)
3
4
5
     Char *tmp = new Char[newsize];
6
7
     for (size_t idx = 0; idx != oldsize; ++idx)
8
        *(tmp + idx) = *(old + idx);
9
10
     delete[] old;
11
12
     return tmp;
13
   }
                                      ../42-3/charcount/insert.cc
1
   #include "charcount.ih"
2
3
   void CharCount::insert(char character, size_t index)
4
5
      //convenience characters
6
     size_t &Obj_nChar = d_charObject.nChar;
7
     Char *&Obj_ptr = d_charObject.ptr;
8
9
         (index < Obj_nChar && Obj_ptr[index].ch != character)</pre>
10
     { //makign sure we are not at the end of the string and the character
11
        //does not equal the character at the current index
12
        Obj_ptr = enlarge(Obj_ptr, Obj_nChar, Obj_nChar + 1);
13
        //increasing size of object array by one
14
15
             (size_t counter = Obj_nChar; index < counter; --counter)</pre>
```

```
16
          Obj_ptr[counter] = Obj_ptr[counter - 1];
17
       //moving all objects at index or past index to the right by one
18
19
       Obj_ptr[index].ch = character;
20
       Obj_ptr[index].count = 1;
21
       ++Obj_nChar;
22
       //assigning new values
23
24
25
   }
                                     ../42-3/charcount/locate.cc
   #include "charcount.ih"
1
2
3
   size_t CharCount::locate(char character)
4
5
     if (d_charObject.ptr[0].ch == 0)
6
       return 0;
7
     //for initial assignment
9
     size_t index = 0;
10
     while (d_charObject.ptr[index].ch < character && index <= d_charObject.nChar)
11
       ++index;
12
     return index;
13
     //finding where to insert the current character
14
   }
```

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```
rewrite:
 definition:
 int x[8]:
                 x[3] = x[2];
pointer notation:
                 *(x + 3) = *(x + 2)
     semantics:
                 x + 3 points to the location of the 3th int beyond x.
                 Which is set to be equal to x + 2 which is the location
                 of the 2nd int beyond x.
______
                  cout << argv[2];</pre>
 char *argv[8];
pointer notation:
                 cout << *(argv + 2);
                argv + 2 points to the location of the 2nd argument
     semantics:
                 beyond the first argument which is the programs name.
                  Which is then passed to cout.
______
 int x[8];
                 &x[10] - &x[3];
pointer notation:
                 &*(x+10) - &*(x+3) = 7
     semantics:
                  *(x+10) points to the the 10th int beyond x. Then
                  the reference & makes it instead return its location.
                  The same happens for \&*(x+3). Since one points to the
                  3rd int beyond \boldsymbol{x} and the other points to the 10th int
                  beyond x the result is the difference 10 - 3 = 7.
_____
                 argv[0]++;
 char *argv[8];
pointer notation:
                 (*argv)++;
                  (*argv)++ points to the start of the programs name. Which
     semantics:
                  is a null terminated byte string. Which is dereferenced to
                  char values. Then by adding 1 to it, it still points to
                  the programs name. But now it points to 1 byte beyond the
                  start of the programs name. Such that the programs name
                  would be /45 instead of the initial ./45 if it were passed
                  to cout.
______
                        char *argv[8];
                 argv++[0];
pointer notation:
                  *(argv++)
     semantics:
                  *(argv++) points to the first argument beyond the
                  programs name. Which is a null terminated byte string that
                  is dereferenced to a char.
______
 char *argv[8];
                  ++argv[0];
pointer notation:
                  ++(*argv)
                  ++(*argv) points to the start of the programs name. Which
     semantics:
                  is a null terminated byte string. Which is dereferenced to
                  char values. Then by adding 1 to it, it still points to
                  the programs name. But now it points to 1 byte beyond the
                  start of the programs name. Such that the programs name
                  would be /45 instead of the initial ./45 if it were passed
                  to cout.
______
 char **argv;
                  ++argv[0][2];
pointer notation:
                  ++*(*argv + 2)
     semantics:
                  First the outer pointer (the 2) points to the 2nd
                  column. Then the inner pointer
                  points the the Oth element in the 2nd row. Then 1 is
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added to its contents. Which is of type char.

```
../44/main.ih
   // Main: internal header file
1
2
3
   using namespace std;
4
5
   #include <cstddef>
6
7
   enum FIXEDVARS
8
9
     DIM = 10
10
   };
11
   void inv_identity(int (*entryRow)[DIM]);
12
   void allOnes(int (*entryRow)[DIM]);
13
   void diagZeroes(int (*entryRow)[DIM]);
14
15
   void printArray(int const (*square)[DIM]); // Testing purposes
16
17
   // It does seem nicer to write a separate header file for these functions.
18
   // Would it suffice to move them to a subdirectory and include a /matrixF/matrixF.h
20
   // or /matrixF/matrixF.ih in main.ih?
                                           ../44/main.cc
1
   // Main file
2
3
   #include "main.ih"
4
5
   int main()
6
7
     int square[DIM][DIM]; // Declare square 2D array
8
9
     int (*row)[DIM] = square; // Define row as pointing to rows of 2D array
10
     inv_identity(row); // Pass row to function
11
     // printArray(square); // Only for testing purposes
12
   }
13
                                        ../44/inv_identity.cc
1
   // Matrix function: make array into inverted identity matrix
3
   #include "main.ih"
4
   void inv_identity(int (*entryRow)[DIM])
5
6
     allOnes(entryRow);
                           // Make all entries ones
7
8
     diagZeroes(entryRow); // Make diagonal zeroes
9
   };
                                         ../44/allOnes.cc
1
   // Matrix function: make 2D array into matrix of ones
3
   #include "main.ih"
4
   void allOnes(int (*entryRow)[DIM])
5
6
7
     for (int (*row)[DIM] = entryRow; row != entryRow + DIM; ++row)
8
9
       for (int *column = *row, *end = column + DIM; column != end; ++column)
```

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```
10
        (*column) = 1;
11
   }
12 };
13 // Loop through all the rows, then within those rows the columns (now individual
14 // elements) and set them all to one.
                                  ../44/diagZeroes.cc
1
  // Matrix function: make diagnonal zeroes
2
3 #include "main.ih"
4
5
  void diagZeroes(int (*entryRow)[DIM])
6
7
    for (int *entry = *entryRow, index = 0; index != DIM; ++index, entry += DIM + 1)
8
      (*entry) = 0;
9 };
```

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Exercises 45 & 47

```
../45-47/\text{main.ih}
   // Main file: internal header
2
3
   #include "strings/strings.h"
4
   #include <string>
5
6
   #include <iostream>
7
8
   extern const char **environ;
9
10 using namespace std;
                                         ../45-47/main.cc
1 // Main file
2 // This is just an example main file to demonstrate the workings of the Strings class
3 // The constructors will also work for other NTBSs, but environ and argc/argv
  // are convenient examples to use.
6
  #include "main.ih"
7
8
   int main(int argc, char const **argv)
9
                                         // Create Strings using cin
10
     Strings objectA = Strings(cin);
     Strings objectB = Strings(environ); // Create Strings using environ
11
     Strings objectC = Strings(argc, argv); // Create Strings based on argc, argv
12
13
14
     Strings::stringsSwap(objectA, objectB); // Swap environ and istream Strings
15
16
     // objectA.printStrings(); // Print what is now environ Strings
17
     // objectB.printStrings(); // Print what is now istream Strings
     // objectC.printStrings(); // Print the unchanged objectC
18
     \ensuremath{//} These are for testing purposes
19
20
   }
                                      ../45–47/strings/strings.h
1 #ifndef INCLUDED_STRINGS_
2 #define INCLUDED_STRINGS_
3
4 #include <cstddef>
5 #include <string>
6
   // #include <ioforward>
7
8
   class Strings
9
   {
10
     size_t d_size = 0;
                             // Number of elements in d_str
     std::string *d_str = 0; // Stored strings
11
12
13
     public:
       Strings(size_t numStrings, char const **strings); // argc, argv constructor
14
                                                            // environ constructor
       Strings(char const **strings);
15
                                                            // istream constructor
16
       Strings(std::istream &input);
                                                            // default constructor
       Strings();
17
18
19
       void printStrings() const;
                                                            // Just for testing
20
21
       // 46
22
       size_t size() const;
```

// std::string* data(); // Not implemented

```
24
        // std::string* at(size_t index, bool) const; // Not implemented
25
        // std::string* at(size_t index); // Not implemented
26
27
28
        static void stringsSwap(Strings &objectA, Strings &objectB);
29
30
     private:
31
        void add(char const *novelString);
                                                     // Add char array to d_str
   };
32
33
34
   #endif
                                      ../45–47/strings/strings.ih
   #include "strings.h"
1
  #include <iostream>
   //#define CERR std::cerr << __FILE__": "</pre>
3
4
5 using namespace std;
                                     ../45–47/strings/addChar.cc
1
   #include "strings.ih"
2
3
   void Strings::add(char const *novelString)
4
5
     std::string *temporary = new string[d_size + 1];
6
     // Create a pointer temporary that points towards a newly allocated
7
     // piece of memory in which an array of
8
     // d_size + 1 initialised strings are held
9
10
     for (size_t index = 0; index != d_size; ++index)
11
       temporary[index] = d_str[index];
12
     // Transfer over the current array of strings to temporary
13
     temporary[d_size] = novelString;
14
15
     // Add the new element to the end of temporary
16
     delete[] d_str;
17
     // Delete/deallocate the memory currently pointed at by d_str
18
19
     d_str = temporary;
20
21
     // Point d_str to the memory pointed at by temporary
22
23
     ++d_size;
24
      // Increment d_size
25
   }
                                    ../45–47/strings/c_argcargv.cc
   #include "strings.ih"
1
2
3
   Strings::Strings(size_t numStrings, char const **strings)
4
     std::cout << "Argc / argv constructor called. \n";</pre>
5
6
     for (size_t index = 0; index != numStrings; ++index)
7
8
        add(strings[index]);
      // For NTBSs 0 to numStrings within strings, pass them to the add function
9
10
                                     ../45-47/strings/c_default.cc
1 #include "strings.ih"
```

```
2
   Strings::Strings()
4
5
     std::cout << "Default constructor called. \n";</pre>
6 };
                                    ../45–47/strings/c_environ.cc
1
   #include "strings.ih"
3
   Strings::Strings(char const **strings)
4
     std::cout << "environ constructor called. \n";</pre>
5
6
     for (size_t index = 0; strings[index] != 0; ++index)
7
8
       add(strings[index]);
     // For NTBSs 0 to when a null char is encountered, pass them to the add function
9
10
   }:
                                    ../45–47/strings/c_istream.cc
   #include "strings.ih"
2
3
   Strings::Strings(std::istream &input)
4
     std::cout << "istream constructor called. \n"</pre>
5
6
                << "Enter an empty line (enter/return) to hault input. \n";
7
     std::string newEntry; // Define string newEntry
8
     while (getline(input, newEntry)) // Loop while getline works, setting
9
10
                                         // newEntry to the new line
11
       if (newEntry.empty()) // If getline creates an empty string
12
         break; // Break out of the whie loop (happens when enter/return is pressed)
13
       add(newEntry.c_str()); // Call the add using the newly entered string.
14
       // Note that the string is converted to a NTBS to work with the add
15
16
       // function. Alternatively another add function could be written.
     }
17
   }
18
                                   ../45–47/strings/stringsSwap.cc
1
   #include "strings.ih"
3
   void Strings::stringsSwap(Strings &objectA, Strings &objectB)
4
   {
5
     Strings temporary = objectA;
     // First, a Strings object temporary is created using an implicit (i.e. non-user
6
     // defined) / trivial copy constructor. In other words, temporary is constructed
7
8
     // based on a constant reference to objectA and temporary is now a copy of objectA
9
     // (in a new location in memory). Strings temporary(objectA); would do the same.
10
     objectA = objectB;
     // This a default class assignment. Now, both objectA and objectB point to the same
11
12
     // memory, which must be remedied.
13
     objectB = temporary;
     // This assigns objectB to the same memory as temporary.
14
15
     // Since temporary is not destroyed, this solution works fine, but really an
     // overloaded assignment operator and copy constructor should be written.
16
17
   };
```