

Lab 01

Data Structures

BS DS Fall 2024 Morning/Afternoon

Objective

- Reinforcing the concepts of pointers and Problem-Solving Guidelines and Focusing on Exception Handling Mechanism.
- For a refresher of OOP, Array of Objects, Dynamic Memory Allocation, Shallow/Deep Copy phenomena.

Task 1: Polynomial ADT in C++

A polynomial is an equation of the form: $P(x) = a_0x^{e_0} + a_1x^{e_1} + \dots + a_nx^{e_n}$ where a_i belongs to Coefficient e_i belongs to Exponent. Your target is to store this form of equation in Computer and be able to perform the operations listed below.

Selection of data members for this ADT is upto you but you should be able to justify the need of all data members.

You should always implement the Def-Ctor/Copy-Ctor/Dtor/= methods in case of dynamic memory allocation to class data members.

While coding keep in mind the concept behind Problem Solving Guidelines and basic principles that we studied in OOP and also take care of Coding Convention. You must also use exception handling mechanism wherever needed.

Public Functions

1. Ctor

Constructor method to initialize the Polynomial object.

2. addTerm(coefficient, power)

Add a new term xpower term in the polynomial and set its coefficient.

3. getDegree()

Returns the degree of a polynomial. For example, when $p1 = 4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + 9$, p1 degree is 5.

4. getCoefficient(power)

Returns the coefficient of the x power term. For example, when $p1 = 4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + 9$ p1.getCoefficient (3) is 7

5. operator(value)

For example, given a polynomial in "p1", p1(x) will evaluate the polynomial for the given value of x.

6. Dtor / Copy-Ctor / =

7. Arithmetic Operation +

Add two polynomials. For instance, assuming $p1 = 4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + 9$ and $p2 = 6x^4 + 3x^2 + 2x$, then the answer of $p1 + p2$ must be $4x^5 + 6x^4 + 7x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 9$.

8. derivative()

Return a polynomial that is the derivative of the given polynomial. For instance, assuming $p1 = 4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + 9$, the derivative polynomial would be $20x^4 + 21x^2 - 2x$.

9. antiDerivative()

Return a polynomial that is the anti-derivative of the given polynomial. For instance, assuming $p1 = 20x^4 + 21x^2 - 2x$, the derivative polynomial would be $4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + C$, Where C is a random constant value.

10. addToCoefficient(coefficient, power)

Adds the given amount to the coefficient of the xpower term. For example, if $p1 = 20x^4 + 21x^2 - 2x$, then $p1.addToCoefficient(2.5, 3)$ changes the coefficient of x^3 to 9.5

11. clear()

Set the coefficient of all terms in the polynomial to zero.

12. setCoefficient(newCoefficient, power)

Sets the coefficient of the xpower term with newCoefficient. For instance, $p1.setCoefficient(-3, 7)$ produces the polynomial $p1 = -3x^7 + 4x^5 + 7x^3 - x^2 + 9$. Note that if the term does not exist in the polynomial, it is added.

13. Arithmetic Operations *, -

Perform multiplication and subtraction of two polynomials.

14. ostream& operator<<(ostream &out, const Polynomial &p)

Used with Polynomial objects to display their string representations. For example $20x^4 + 21x^2 - 2x$ will be displayed in the following format **$20x^4 + 21x^2 + -2^x$**