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### **TEMPLATES**

Problem Solving with Computers-I

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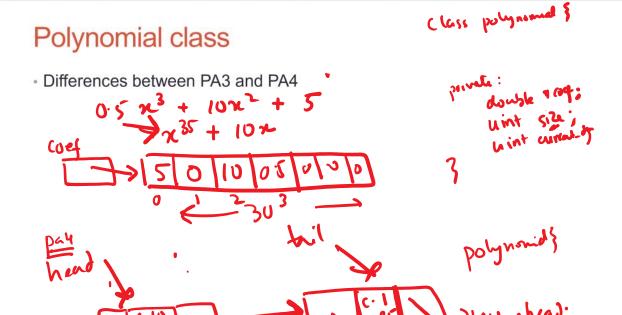
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# How is PA3 going?

- A. Done!
- B. Done with part 1. On-track to finish part2
- C. Half way through both part 1 and part 2
- D. Long way to go
- E. Haven't started

### **Announcements**

- PA3 is due today (5/8)
- PA4 is due in a week (5/15)
- PA4 must be done individually



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### Finding the Maximum of Two Integers

Here's a small function that you might write to find the maximum of two integers.

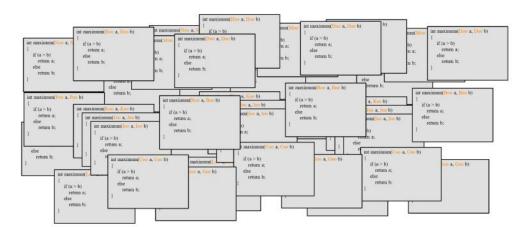
```
int maximum(int a, int b)
{
    if (a > b)
      return a;
    else
      return b;
}
```

# Finding the Maximum of Two Points

```
Point maximum(Point a, Point b)
   if (a > b)
     return a;
   else
     return b;
```

### One Hundred Million Functions...

 Suppose your program uses 100,000,000 different data types, and you need a maximum function for each...



## A Template Function for Maximum

 When you write a template function, you choose a data type for the function to depend upon...

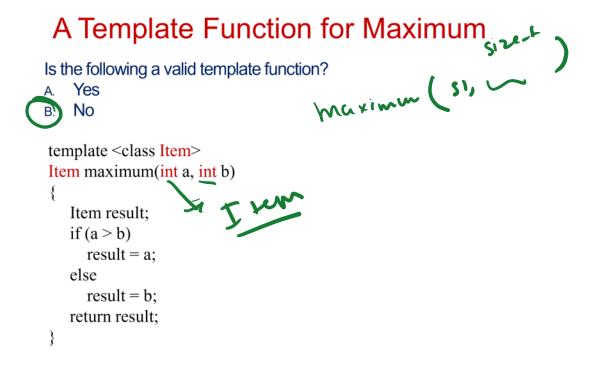
```
template <class Item>
Item maximum(Item a, Item b)
{
    if (a > b)
        return a;
    else
        return b;
}
```

# What are the advantages over typedef?

```
template <class Item>
Item maximum(Item a, Item b)
   if (a > b)
     return a;
   else
     return b;
```

```
typedef int item;
item maximum(item a, item b)
   if (a > b)
     return a;
   else
     return b;
```

Demo maximal.cxx



### Template classes

### Using a Typedef Statement:

```
class bag
{
public:
   typedef int value_type;
   . . .
```

#### **Using a Template Class:**

```
template <class Item>
class bag
{
public:
   typedef Item value_type;
```

### Template classes: Non-member functions

bag operator +(const bag& b1, const bag& b2)...

template <class Item>
bag<Item> operator +(const bag<Item>& b1, const bag<Item>& b2)...

### Template classes: Member function prototype

Rewrite the prototype of the member function "count" using templates
 Before (without templates)

```
class bag{
    public:
        typedef std::size_t size_type;
        ....
        size_type count(const value_type& target) const;
        ....
};
```

### Template classes: Member function definition

```
bag::size_type bag::count(const value_type& target) const ...
```

The function's return type is specified as bag::size\_type. But this return type is specified before the compiler realizes that this is a bag member function. So we must put the keyword *typename* before bag<Item>::size\_type. We also use Item instead of value\_type:

```
template <class Item>
typename bag<Item>::size_type bag<Item>::count
  (const Item & target) const ...
```

## Template classes: Including the implementation

#include "bag4.template" // Include the implementation.

#### How to Convert a Container Class to a Template

- 1. The template prefix precedes each function prototype or implementation.
- Outside the class definition, place the word <Item> with the class name, such as bag<Item>.
- Use the name Item instead of value\_type.
- 4. Outside of member functions and the class definition itself, add the keyword typename before any use of one of the class's type names. For example:

typename bag<Item>::size\_type

- 5. The implementation file name now ends with .template (instead of .cxx), and it is included in the header by an include directive.
- 6. Eliminate any using directives in the implementation file. Therefore, we must then write std:: in front of any Standard Library function such as std::copy.
- 7. Some compilers require any default argument to be in both the prototype and the function implementation.

  Review and demo bag4

### Using a template class

```
bag<string> adjectives; // Contains adjectives typed by user
bag<int> ages; // Contains ages in the teens
bag<string> names; // Contains names typed by user
```