EEE102

C++ Programming and Software Engineering II

Lecture 3 Classes and Objects

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Outline

- From structure to object
- Objects and classes
- CRC method for Object-orient Programme Design
- Class Definition
- Declare objects
- Initialisation of data members
- Destructor



START FROM

EXAMPLE

- Write a programme that can be used to keep information of 5 members in a team and display required information on the screen at the user's request.
 - The information for each member includes:

ID number,

Name,

DoB (Date of Birth),

Office number,

Total hours of work per day.



Holding information – by arrays

Data

```
long ID[5];
char name[5,50];
long dob[5];
int office[5];
int workhour[5];
```

Each array contains information of all five employees. We use arrays mainly to hold information.

The arrays are not related to each other, and the operations to them have to be defined in the program.

Holding information – by structure

• Define structure type
struct employee
{
 long ID;
 char name[50];
 long dob;
 int office;
 int workhour;

Declare structure variable

```
employee group1[5];
employee *ptrstr=&group1[0];
```

Defining the structure **employee** to hold the information of each person, and structure array **group1** carrying the information of the 5 persons.

The structure members are logically related to each other, but the operations on them have to be defined in the programme.

```
Declaration of the structure student
                                   Using student to declare variables
                                          student henry;
      struct student
                                   2 1
                                   22
                                          student tom, jerry;
1 3
                                          student *stPtr;
          int age;
                                   24
1 4
          char name[20];
                                          student Y1[10];
1 5
     };
```

```
1. struct typename
                        // definition
      datatype member1;
      datatype member2;
      . . . . . .
  };
2. typename var1; // declare a single variable
  typename arr1[5];  // declare an array
  typename *ptrstr; // declare a structure pointer
```



Structure (II)

- Initialisation of structures:
 - values on the same line
 student henry = {20, "henry"};
- Access the members of a structure
 - Use a dot (.) inserted between the structure variables name and the member name.
 For example:

```
cout <<"Name: " <<henry.name <<"Age: " <<henry.age <<endl;</pre>
```

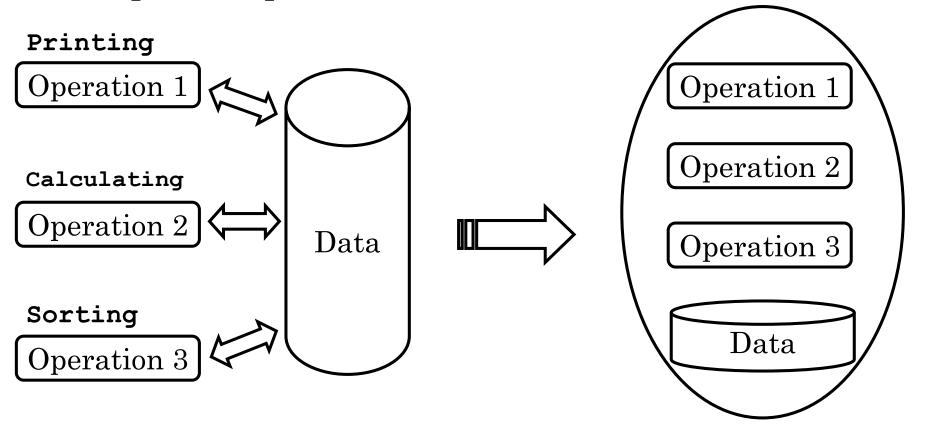
Access through a pointer which points to the structure variable. For example:

```
student *stPtr;
stPtr = &henry;
cout <<"Name: " <<stPtr->name <<"Age: " << stPtr->age <<endl;</pre>
```



CAN WE ...

• Encapsulate operations with structure?



Data and operations as separated entities

Data and operations bound as single unit



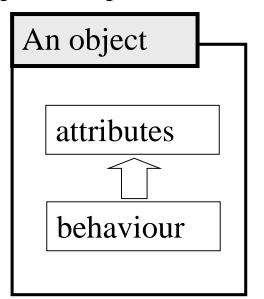
The idea of OBJECT-ORIENTED Design

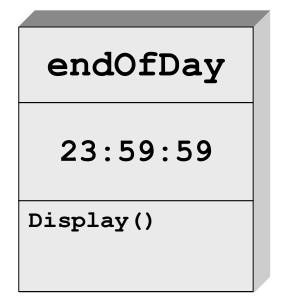
- In the example, each *employee* can be regarded as an entity or object.
 - Each object (employee) has several pieces of information.
 - Each object (employee) can perform some actions, such as tell or change its information.
- An object has:
 - Data ---- Information about an object;
 - Methods ---- Actions that an object can perform on its data.
- An object in OOD is a component in the real or conceptual world that is mapped into the programme domain.



Objects

- An object in OOD is a component in the real or conceptual world that is mapped into the programme domain.
- Properties or attributes or data members:
 - Necessary information required to describe the state of an object.
- Methods or behaviour or function members:
 - All possible actions that an object should perform in order to describe its behaviour in the problem specification.

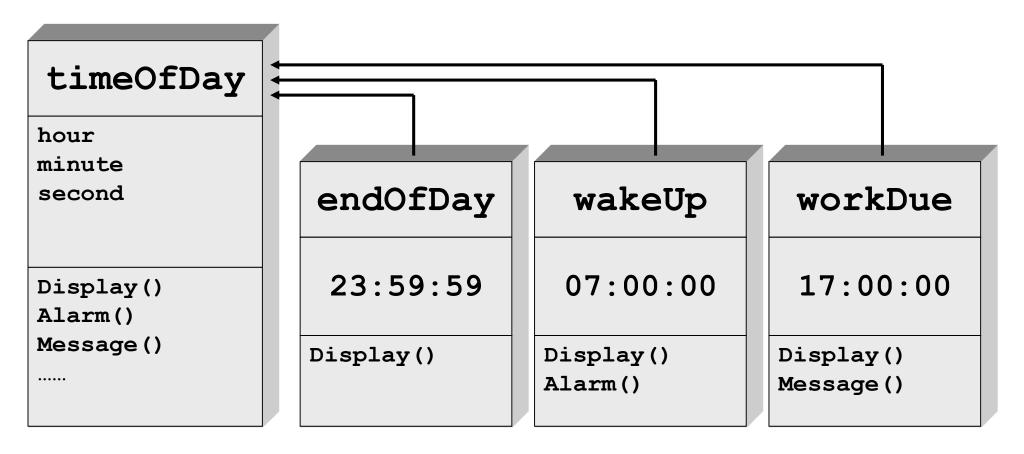






Object -> Class

• A class is an abstraction of all objects that have similar property structures and methods.





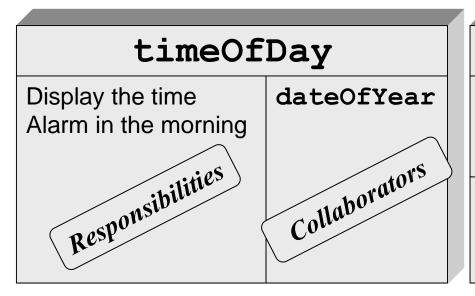
Class

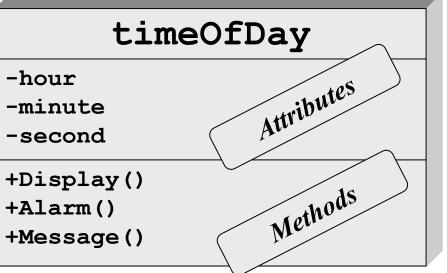
- A class defines the structure of a group of similar objects (the properties and methods).
- An object is an instance of a class.
- Class is the basic structure in object-oriented programme design
- Abstraction can be easily achieved by using different classes.
- Modularity is automatically realised in programming based on classes since a class has data and actions encapsulated in it.
- **Information hiding** is realised by only allowing a class' method to access its data.
- Once defined, a class definition can be put into a header file and repeatedly used in any programme.



CRC Method

- 1) From specifications, identify typical objects and possible classes (C Class).
- 2) Identify the responsibilities (actions) for each class (R Responsibilities).
- 3) For each of the classes, identify the relevant classes that are involved in the actions of that class (C Collaborators).
- 4) Refining the design by using use-cases.







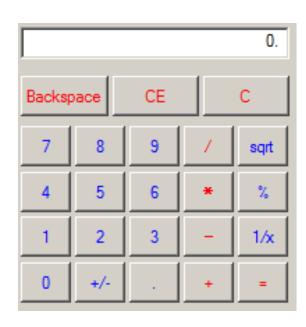
Example

• Problem:

- To design a calculator that can perform addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of two numbers. Such as:
 - -1+11=
 - $8 \times 12 =$

Class: button

Class: display Class: control unit



Class: button

Responsibilities:

Inform the control unit when a key is pressed and tell control WHAT it represents

Control unit

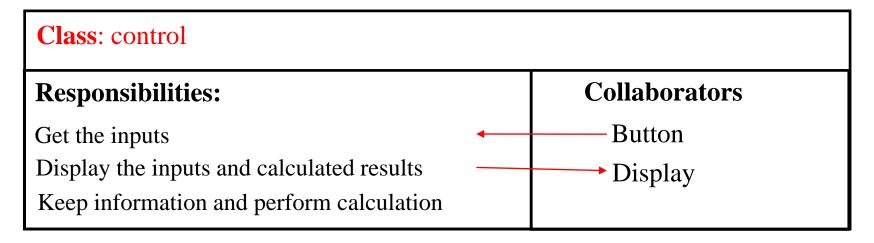
Control unit

Class: display

Responsibilities:

Display the graphic interface of the calculator
Display the input and result

Control unit



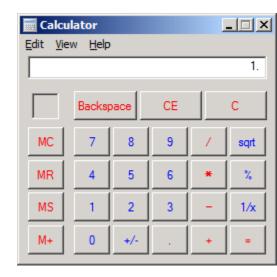


Walk through using USE-CASES

- Prepare a set of typical cases
- Go through each case.
- Use-cases attempt to identify
 - All objects involved in a typical case
 - The information passed between objects
 - The flow of control

TRACE THE USE-CASE "10 + 1 ="

- First press 1. The 1_button tells the control unit it has been pressed. The control unit stores 1 and tells the display to show 1.
- Next press 0. The 0_button tells the control unit it has been pressed. The control unit stores 0, appending it to the previous digit, and tells the display to append 0 to display.
- Next press +. The + button tells the control unit it has been pressed. The control unit stores the operator but do not display it.

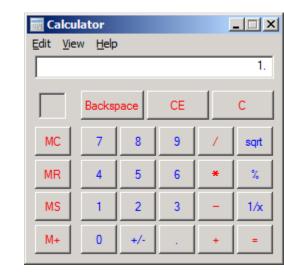


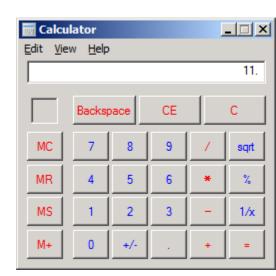


 Next press 1 again. The 1_button tells the control unit it has been pressed. The control unit stores 1 in an area separate from the first number, and tells the display to show 1.

Implications --- The calculator clearly has to be able to store *operand1*, *operator* and *operand2*.

• Finally press =. The =_button tells the control unit it has been pressed. The control unit then performs the calculation "operand 1 operator operand2" and tells the display to show the answer.





Highlighted important aspects

- The button must be able to get the input from user and inform the control unit of what the input is;
- The control unit class must keep track of two operands and an operator, and do the calculation;
- The display must be able to display the input (as a string), and append a string to the current display;
- The interface protocol for various classes has been established

Class definition

- Syntax
 - Data member & function member
 - Private & public

```
class class_name
{
  private:
    datatype variable_name;
    returntype function_name(parameter list);

public:
    datatype variable_name;
    returntype function_name(parameter list);
};
```

Declaration and definition of function members

- The *declaration* of function members has be to placed in the class body;
- The *definition* of member functions can be placed outside the class body.

```
class time
private:
       //data members;
       int hour, minute, second;
public:
       //declaration of the method
       void setTime(int H, int M, int S);
};
//definition of the method
void time :: setTime(int H, int M, int S)
{
    hour=H;
    minute=M;
    second=S;
```

Declaration and definition of function members

- The member functions can also be defined inside the class body.
- In this case, it's called *inline function*.
- During the compiling of program, the compiler replaces the function call with the corresponding function code. It's faster than regular functions, but coming with a memory penalty.

```
class time
private:
       //data members;
       int hour, minute, second;
public:
       //declaration and definition
       void setTime(int H, int M, int S);
           hour=H;
           minute=M;
           second=S;
```

```
class person
                                   void main()
private:
    int
           id;
                                       person John;
    string name;
                                        John.set hour("John", 20);
    int office;
                                        John.show nowhour();
    int nowhour
public:
    void show nowhour(void);
    void set hour(string Name, int workHour);
};
void person::show nowhour()
    cout<<"Name: "<<name<<endl;</pre>
    cout<<"Worked "<<nowhour<< " hours.";</pre>
    cout<<end1;
void person::set hour(string Name, int workHour)
      name = Name;
       nowhour = workHour;
```

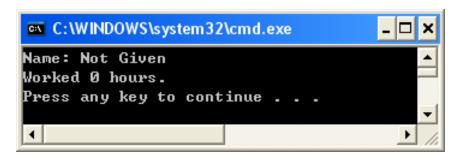
Declaration and initialisation of an object

```
void main()
{
    person John;
    John.set_hour("John", 20);
    John.show_nowhour();
}
```

- Question: Can we initialise the data members when an object is declared? How?
 - A class constructor is needed to initialise all data members when an object of a class is declared.
 - A class constructor is a member function.

Default constructor

- Use the class name as the function name
- No return type
- Automatically called when an object of the class is declared

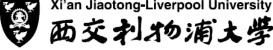


No parameter need to be specified

--- default constructor.

```
class person
    private:
         int
                id:
         string name;
         int
                office;
         int
                nowhour;
    public:
        person()
         void show nowhour(void);
};
```

```
person::person()
         id=0;
         name="Not Given";
         office=0;
         nowhour=0;
void main()
         person John;
         John.show nowhour();
```



Normal constructor

- Use the class name as the function name
- No return type
- Automatically called when an object of the class is declared
- Parameter need to be specified
 - It differs from the default constructor by have parameters to accept information.

```
class person
{
    private:
        int id, office, nowhour;
        string name;

    public:
        person(int ID, string firstName,
        int officeNumber, int workHour);
        void show_nowhour(void);
};
```

```
Name: John
Worked 20 hours.
Press any key to continue . . .
```

```
person::person(int ID, string firstName,
int officeNumber, int workHour)
{
    id=ID;
    name=firstName;
    office=officeNumber;
    nowhour=workHour;
}
```

```
void main()
{
    person John(1234, "John", 501, 20);
    John.show_nowhour();
}
```

Example of calling methods

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
/*CLASS DECLARATION GOES
BEFORE MAIN FUNCTION*/
void main( )
{
   person p1;
   person p2(1, "James Bond", 107, 8);
   p1.show nowhour();
   p2.show nowhour();
```

Learn how to ask an object to do things --- calling its function by objectName.memberFunction();

```
class person
    private:
                  id, office, nowhour;
          int
          string name;
    public:
          person();
          person(int ID, string firstName, int
officeNumber, int workHour);
          void show nowhour(void);
};
person::person()
          id=0; office=0; nowhour=0;
          name="Not Given";
person::person(int ID, string firstName, int
officeNumber, int workHour)
          id=ID;
          name=firstName:
          office=officeNumber:
          nowhour=workHour;
void person::show nowhour()
    cout<<"Name: "<<name<<endl;</pre>
    cout<<"Worked "<<nowhour<< " hours.";</pre>
    cout<<endl;</pre>
```



Example of ordinary function member

```
// Example of ordinary member functions
// A member function changes the working
hour
// Without any input argument
void person::change nowhour(void)
   int value;
   cout<<"Please input new value</pre>
for nowhour for "<<name<<endl;</pre>
   cin>>value:
   nowhour=value;
   cout<<"Action finished with "
<<name<<", Thank you!"<<endl;
```

```
// Example of ordinary member functions
// A member function changes the person's
name
// With a string type argument
void person::change name(string
newName)
  name∓newName;
   cout << "Name is changed to "
<<name<<<", Thank you!"<<endl;
```

In class's member function, private data members of the class doesn't need to be declared in the function member. They can be directly used.

Building up Functionality gradually

```
// A member function to ask the user what to be done
// acting as the central control for all possible methods.
void person::action(void)
{
       int choice;
       string newName;
       cout<<"what do you want to do with "<<name<<endl;</pre>
       cout<<"1 for display, 2 for changing working hours, 3 for
changing name: ";
       cin>>choice;
       if (choice==1)
               show nowhour();
       else if(choice==2)
               change nowhour();
               show nowhour();
       else if(choice==3)
               cout<<"Please input the new name: ";</pre>
               cin>>newName:
               change name(newName);
```

Destructor

- To free the memory allocated for an object when it goes out of its scope (the programme finishes using it) ---- especially important when using dynamic memory allocation.
- A special function member of a class
- With the name of a class
- with the sign "~" in front of its name
- No type needed in front of the function name
- No parameter
- Called automatically when an object goes out of its scope

```
class person
    private:
                id, office, nowhour;
        int
        string name;
    public:
        person();
        person (person &pp);
        ~person();
        void show nowhour(void);
};
person::~person()
        cout<<"Destructor called!"<<endl;</pre>
```