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PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

# Chapter 11

## Abstract Data Types and Encapsulation Concepts



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# Chapter 11 Topics

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# The Concept of Abstraction

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- *Abstraction:*

- a view or representation of an entity that includes only the most significant attributes
- **Bird** : two wings, two legs, one tail, able to fly
- E.g., Crows, robins, sparrows

- *Data Abstraction:*

- almost all programming languages designed since 1980 support *data abstraction*

# Introduction to Data Abstraction

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- *Abstract Data Type* (ADT)
  - **user-defined data type** satisfies the following **two** conditions:
    - The *data representation* of the object type is **hidden** from the program using the object; **only operations** are provided in the type's definition
    - The *declarations* of the **type** and the *protocols* of the operations in the object type are contained in a **single syntactic unit** (e.g., a C++/Java class).
  - Other programs are allowed to **create variables** of the defined type.

# An Example in C++

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```
class Stack {  
    private:  
        int *stackPtr, maxLen, topPtr;           // data members  
    public:  
        Stack() { // constructor  
            stackPtr = new int [100];  
            maxLen = 99;  
            topPtr = -1;  
        };  
        ~Stack () {delete [] stackPtr;};         // destructor  
        void push (int number) {  
            if (topSub == maxLen)  
                cerr << "Error in push - stack is full\n";  
            else stackPtr[++topSub] = number;  
        };  
        void pop () {...};                       // member functions  
        int top () {...};  
        int empty () {...};  
}
```

# Advantages of Data Abstraction

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- Advantages of the first condition
  - Reliability--by hiding the data representations,
    - user code cannot directly access objects of the type
    - allow the representation to be changed without affecting user code
  - Reduces the range of code and variables of which the programmer must be aware
  - Name conflicts are less likely
- Advantages of the second condition
  - Provides a method of program organization
  - Aids modifiability (everything associated with a data structure is together)
  - Separate compilation

# Language Requirements for ADTs

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- Information Hiding
  - A **method** of **type names** and **subprogram headers visible to clients**, while **hiding actual definitions**
  - e.g., Java Interface; C++ header file
- Encapsulation
  - A **syntactic unit** **encapsulates** the **type definition**

# Design Issues

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- Can abstract types be parameterized?
- What access controls are provided?
- Is the specification of the type physically separate from its implementation?



# Language Examples: C++

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- **class** is the **encapsulation device** in C++
- A **class** is a **type**
- All of the **class** instances of a class **share a single copy of the member functions**
- Each instance of a class—Object, **has its own copy of the data members**
- **Class Instances** can be:
  - **static**: e.g., `int CSCI_6221[8];`
  - **stack dynamic**: referred by variable; e.g. **pass-by-reference**
  - **heap dynamic**: **using new()**, referred by a pointer

# An Example in C++

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    public:
        Stack() { // constructor
            stackPtr = new int [100];
            maxLen = 99;
            topPtr = -1;
        };
        ~Stack () {delete [] stackPtr;};         // destructor
        void push (int number) {
            if (topSub == maxLen)
                cerr << "Error in push - stack is full\n";
            else stackPtr[++topSub] = number;
        };
        void pop () {...};                       // member functions
        int top () {...};
        int empty () {...};
}
```

# Language Examples: C++

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- Information Hiding

- *Private* clause for hidden entities (default)
- *Public* clause for interface entities
- *Protected* clause for inheritance

- E.g., class CSCI {

```
public:      int publicCSCIMember;  
protected: int protectedCSCIMember;  
private:    int privateCSCIMember;  
};
```

# Language Examples: C++

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- Constructors:

- Functions to initialize the data members of instances (they *do not create* the objects)
- May allocate storage if part of the object is heap-dynamic
- Can include parameters to provide parameterization of the objects
- Implicitly called when an instance is created
- Can be explicitly called (a public function)
- Name is the same as the class name

# Language Examples: C++

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- **Destructors**

- Functions to **cleanup** after an instance is **destroyed**; usually just to **reclaim heap storage**
- **Implicitly called** when the object's **lifetime ends**
- Can be **explicitly called**
- Name is the class name, preceded by a tilde (~)
- The destructor of a class will run when its lifetime is over. If you want its memory to be freed and the destructor run, you have to **delete** it if it was allocated on the **heap**. If it was allocated on the **stack** this happens automatically (i.e. when it goes out of scope.). If it is a member of a class (not a pointer, but a full member), then this will happen when the containing object is destroyed.
- Ref: <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/677653/does-delete-call-the-destructor>

# A Stack class header file

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```
// Stack.h - the header file for the Stack class
#include <iostream.h>

class Stack {
private: /** These members are visible only to other
           /** members and friends (see Section 11.6.4)
    int *stackPtr;
    int maxLen;
    int topPtr;
public: /** These member functions are visible to clients
    Stack(); /** constructor
    ~Stack(); /** destructor
    void push (int);
    void pop();
    int top();
    int empty();
}
```

# The code file for Stack

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```
// Stack.cpp - the implementation file for the Stack class
#include <iostream.h>
#include "Stack.h"
using std::cout;
Stack::Stack() { /** constructor
    stackPtr = new int [100];
    maxLen = 99;
    topPtr = -1;
}
Stack::~~Stack() {delete [] stackPtr;}; /** destructor
void Stack::push(int number) {
    if (topPtr == maxLen)
        cerr << "Error in push--stack is full\n";
    else stackPtr[++topPtr] = number;
}
...
```

# Language Examples: C++

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- Friend functions or classes – to provide access to private members to some unrelated units or functions
  - Necessary in C++



# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Interface container // class definition

```
@interface class-name: parent-class {  
    instance variable declarations  
}  
    method prototypes  
@end
```

- Implementation container

```
@implementation class-name  
    method definitions  
@end
```

- Classes are types

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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```
// stack.m - interface and implementation for a simple stack
#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>

@interface Stack: NSObject {
    int stackArray[100], *stackPtr, maxLen, topSub;
    -(Stack *) initWith;           // constructor
    -(void) push: (int) number;    // - xxx : instance method
    -(void) pop;
    -(int) top;
    -(int) empty;
@end

@implementation Stack
    -(Stack *) initWith {
        maxLen = 100;
        topSub = -1;
        stackPtr = stackArray;
        return self;    }
@end
```

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Method prototypes form

(+ | -) (return-type) method-name [: (formal-parameters)];

- **Plus** (+) indicates a class method
- **Minus** (-) indicates an instance method
- Parameter list format is different

- No parameter (method name is `meth0`)

– (void) `meth0`;

- One parameter (method name is `meth1:`)

– (void) `meth1:` (int) x;

- Two parameters: (method name is `meth2:second:`)

– (int) `meth2:` (int) x `second:` (float) y;

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Method call syntax

`[object-name method-name];`

Examples:

```
[myAdder add1: 7];           // 1 parameter
```

```
[myAdder add1: 7: 5: 3];    // 3 parameters
```

– For the method:

```
-(int) meth2: (int) x second: (float) y;
```

the call would be like the following:

```
[myObject meth2: 7 second: 3.2];
```

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Constructors:

- are called *initializers* – all they do is *initialize variables*
- Initializers can have any name – they are always called explicitly
- Initializers always return `self`

- Objects:

- are created by calling `alloc` and the constructor

```
Adder *myAdder = [[Adder alloc] init];
```

- All class instances are heap dynamic

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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```
// stack.m - interface and implementation for a simple stack
#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>

@interface Stack: NSObject {
    int stackArray[100], stackPtr, maxLen, topSub;}
- (Stack *) initWith;           // constructor
- (void) push: (int) number;
- (void) pop;
- (int) top;
- (int) empty;
@end

@implementation Stack
- (Stack *) initWith {
    maxLen = 100;
    topSub = -1;
    stackPtr = stackArray;
    return self; } ...
```

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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```
// stack.m - continued
-(void) push: (int) number {
    if (topSub == maxLen)
        NSLog(@"Error in push - stack is full");
    else
        stackPtr[++topSub] = number;
    ...
}

...

@end
```

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- An example of using of `stack.m`

- Placed in the `@implementation` of `stack.m`

```
int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
    int temp;
    NSAutoreleasePool *pool = [[NSAutoreleasePool alloc] init];
    Stack *myStack = [[Stack alloc] initWith];
    [myStack push: 5];
    [myStack push: 3];
    temp = [myStack top];
    NSLog(@"Top element is: %i", temp);
    [myStack pop];
    temp = [myStack top];
    NSLog(@"Top element is: %i", temp);
    [myStack pop];
    [myStack release]; // give up the ownership of an object
    [pool drain];
    return 0;
}
```



# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- To import standard prototypes (e.g., i/o)

```
#import <Foundation/Foundation.h>
```

- The first thing a program must do is allocate and initialize a pool of storage for its data (pool's variable is `pool` in this case)

```
NSAutoreleasePool * pool =  
    [[NSAutoreleasePool alloc] init];
```

- At the end of the program, the pool is released with:

```
[pool drain];
```

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Information Hiding

- The directives `@private` and `@public` are used to specify the access of **instance variables**.
- The default access is **protected** (**private** in C++)
- There is **no way to restrict access to methods**
- The name of a *getter* method is always the name of the instance variable
- The name of a *setter* method is always the word **set** with the capitalized variable's name attached

# Language Examples – Objective-C

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- Getter & Setter

```
- @interface MyClass : NSObject {
    NSString *finalGrade; } // variable

- (NSString*) finalGrade; // getter & setter
- (void) setFinalGrade: (NSString *) gradeValue;
@end

- @interface MyClass : NSObject {
    @property NSString *finalGrade; }
@end

@implementation MyClass
    @synthesize finalGrade;
    // create the same getter & setter above
@end
```

# Language Examples: Java

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- Similar to C++, except:
  - All user-defined types are classes
  - All objects are allocated from the **heap** and accessed through reference variables
  - Individual entities in classes have **access control modifiers** (**private** or **public**), rather than clauses (e.g., **private:** )
  - **Implicit** garbage collection of **all objects**
  - Java has a second scoping mechanism, **package scope**, which can be used in place of friends
    - All entities in all classes in a package that do **not** have access control modifiers are **visible** throughout the package

# An Example in Java

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```
class StackClass {  
    private int [] *stackRef;  
    private int [] maxLen, topIndex;  
    public StackClass() { // constructor  
        stackRef = new int [100];  
        maxLen = 99;  
        topPtr = -1;  
    };  
    public void push (int num) {...};  
    public void pop () {...};  
    public int top () {...};  
    public boolean empty () {...};  
}
```

# Language Examples: C#

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- Based on C++ and Java
- Adds two more access modifiers, *internal* and *protected internal*
- Ref: <https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/7c5ka91b.aspx>
- All class instances are heap dynamic
- Default constructors are available for all classes
- Garbage collection is used for most heap objects, so destructors are rarely used
- **structs** are lightweight classes that do not support inheritance

# Language Examples: C#

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- Common solution for accessing to data members: accessor methods (getter and setter)
- C# provides *properties* as a way of implementing getters and setters without requiring explicit method calls

# C# Property Example

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```
public class Weather {
    public int DegreeDays { /** DegreeDays is a property
        get {return degreeDays;}
        set {
            if (value < 0 || value > 30)
                Console.WriteLine(
                    "Value is out of range: {0}", value);
            else degreeDays = value;}
        }
    private int degreeDays;
    ...
}

...
Weather w = new Weather();
int degreeDaysToday, oldDegreeDays;
...
w.DegreeDays = degreeDaysToday;
...
oldDegreeDays = w.DegreeDays;
```



# Language Examples: Ruby

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- Class:
  - Encapsulation construct; are dynamic
  - Class members can be marked private or public, with public being the default
- Variables:
  - Local variables have “normal” names
  - Instance variable names begin with “at” signs (@)
  - Class variable names begin with two “at” signs (@@)
- Instance methods:
  - have the syntax of Ruby *functions* (*def ... end*)
- Constructors:
  - are named `initialize` (only one per class)
  - implicitly called when `new` is called
  - If more constructors are needed, they must have different names and they must explicitly call `new`

# Language Examples: Ruby

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```
class StackClass
  def initialize                    # constructor
    @stackRef = Array.new         # @xyz : instance variable
    @maxLen = 100
    @topIndex = -1
  end
  def push(number)
    temp = nil;
    if @topIndex == @maxLen
      puts "Error in push - stack is full"
    else
      @topIndex = @topIndex + 1
      @stackRef[@topIndex] = number
    end
  end
  def pop ... end
  def top ... end
  def empty ... end
end
```

# Parameterized Abstract Data Types

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- Parameterized ADTs
  - allow designing an ADT that can store any type elements
  - also known as generic classes
- C++, Java 5.0, and C# 2005 support for parameterized ADTs

# Parameterized ADTs: C++

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- Classes:
  - can be somewhat **generic** by writing **parameterized constructor** functions

```
Stack (int size) {  
    stk_ptr = new int [size];  
    max_len = size - 1;  
    top = -1;  
};
```

A declaration of a stack object:

```
Stack stk(150);
```

# Parameterized ADTs: C++

- The stack element type can be parameterized by making the class a **template class**

```
template <class Type>
class Stack {
    private:
        Type *stackPtr;
        const int maxLen;
        int topPtr;
    public:
        Stack() { // Constructor for 100 elements
            stackPtr = new Type[100];
            maxLen = 99;
            topPtr = -1;
        }
        Stack(int size) { // Constructor for a given number
            stackPtr = new Type[size];
            maxLen = size - 1;
            topSub = -1;
        }
        ...
}
```

– **Instantiation:** Stack<int> myIntStack;

# Parameterized Classes: Java

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- Generic parameters must be **classes**
- Most common generic types are the **collection types**, such as ***LinkedList*** and ***ArrayList***
- Users can define generic classes
- *Generic collection classes* **cannot** store **primitives** data types
- Indexing is not supported
- Example of the use of a predefined generic class:

```
ArrayList <Integer> myArray = new ArrayList <Integer> ();  
myArray.add(0);    // Put an element
```

# Parameterized Classes: Java

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```
import java.util.*;

public class Stack2<T> {
    private ArrayList<T> stackRef;
    private int maxLen;
    public Stack2() {
        stackRef = new ArrayList<T> ();
        maxLen = 99;
    }
    public void push(T newValue) {
        if (stackRef.size() == maxLen)
            System.out.println("Error in push - stack is full");
        else
            stackRef.add(newValue);
        ...
    }
}
```

– **Instantiation:** `Stack2<String> myStack = new Stack2<String> ();`

# Parameterized Classes: C#

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- Similar to Java, except **no wildcard** classes
- Predefined for Array, List, Stack, Queue, and Dictionary
- Elements of parameterized structures can be accessed through indexing
  - Ref: <https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/6x16t2tx.aspx>

e.g., class List<T> { ... }

List<String> stringList = new List<String>();



# Encapsulation Constructs

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- Large programs have two special needs:
  - organization, other than simply division into subprograms
  - partial compilation (compilation units that are smaller than the whole program)
- Obvious solution: a grouping of subprograms that are logically related into a unit that can be separately compiled (compilation units)
- Such collections are called *encapsulation*

# Encapsulation in C

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- Files containing one or more subprograms can be independently compiled
- The interface is placed in a *header file*
- `#include` preprocessor specification – used to include header files in applications

# Encapsulation in C++

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- Can define header and code files, similar to those of C
- Or, classes can be used for encapsulation
  - The class is used as the interface
  - The member definitions are defined in a separate file
- *Friends* provide a way to grant access to private members of a class

# Sample C++ Code

---

// header: test.h

```
#ifndef _test_h_
#define _test_h_
class test {
    private:
        int t;
    public:
        int getT();
        void setT(int);
};
#endif
```

// implementation: test.cc

```
#include "test.h"
void test::setT(int y) {
    t=y;
};

int test::getT() {
    return t;
};
```

// main.cc

```
#include <iostream.h>
#include "test.h"

int main() {
    test aTest = test();
    aTest.setT(3);
    cout << aTest.getT()
    << "\n";
};
```

# C# Assemblies

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- A collection of files that appears to application programs to be a **single dynamic link library (DLL)** or executable
- Each file contains a **module** that can be separately compiled
- A DLL is a **collection of classes and methods** that are individually linked to an executing program
- C# has an access modifier called `internal`; **an internal member of a class is visible to all classes** in the assembly in which it appears

# Naming Encapsulations

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- Large programs define many global names; need a way to divide into logical groupings
- A *naming encapsulation* is used to create a new scope for names
- C++ Namespaces
  - place each library in its own namespace and qualify names used outside with the namespace
  - C# also includes namespaces

# Naming Encapsulations

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- Java Packages
  - Packages can contain more than one class definitions
  - Classes in a package are *partial* friends
  - Clients of a package can use *fully qualified name* or use the *import* declaration

# Naming Encapsulations

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- Ruby classes are name encapsulations, but Ruby also has modules.
- Ruby Modules:
  - encapsulate collections of constants & methods
  - cannot be instantiated or subclassed
  - cannot define variables
  - methods defined in a module must include the module's name
  - access to the contents of a module is requested with the `require` method to load the module.