

CENG 112 – Data Structures

Structures and Classes

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Example Names of people can be stored in variables of type string or we can store the name and the surname into two strings and store them in a compound data type.

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In C/C++, we can create a compound data type using a **struct** declaration as follows:

```
1 struct ContactEntry {  
2     std::string name;  
3     std::string surname;  
4     std::string tel;    // formatted telephone number  
5                         // such as "+90(555)5555555"  
6 };                      // note the obligatory semi-colon at the end
```

Compound Data Types

Fields can be compound data types

```
1 struct PhoneNumber {  
2     std::string country_code;  
3     std::string area_code;  
4     std::string tel_number;  
5 };  
6  
7 struct ContactEntry {  
8     std::string name;  
9     std::string surname;  
10    PhoneNumber tel;  
11 };
```

Using Compound Data Types

We can statically allocate variables of type `ContactEntry` or arrays of them in a similar way to primitive types. We use the `.` notation to access the fields. **Note:** We use the simpler `ContactEntry` below with a `tel` field of type `std::string`

```
10     ContactEntry c;  
11  
12     cout << "Enter contact name: ";  
13     cin >> c.name;  
14     cout << "Enter contact surname: ";  
15     cin >> c.surname;  
16     cout << "Enter contact telephone number: ";  
17     cin >> c.tel;  
18  
19     print_contact(c);
```

Using Compound Data Types

We can also pass structures to functions. It more efficient to pass a pointer or reference, otherwise a copy of the whole structure is needed for the variable local to the function.

```
8 void print_contact(const ContactEntry &contact)
9 {
10     cout << "(" << contact.name << " "
11         << contact.surname << ", "
12         << contact.tel << ")" << endl;
13 }
```

Allocating Structures Dynamically

`read_contact()` creates a new structure and returns a pointer to it.

```
24 ContactEntry *c = read_contact();
25 print_contact(*c);
26 delete c;
```

The following **DOES NOT** work since the statically allocated variable does not exist after the function returns:

```
1 ContactEntry *read_contact()
2 {
3     ContactEntry c;
4     ... code to read from cin ...
5     return &c; // This pointer is not valid after function returns.
6 }
```

Allocating Structures Dynamically

`read_contact()` should dynamically allocate with `new`:

```
8 ContactEntry *read_contact()
9 {
10     ContactEntry *c = new ContactEntry;
11     // c->name is shorthand for (*c).name
12     cout << "Enter contact name: ";
13     cin >> c->name;
14     cout << "Enter contact surname: ";
15     cin >> c->surname;
16     cout << "Enter contact telephone number: ";
17     cin >> c->tel;
18
19     return c;
20 }
21
22 int main(int argc, char** argv)
23 {
24     ContactEntry *c = read_contact();
25     print_contact(*c);
26     delete c;
27
28     return EXIT_SUCCESS;
29 }
```

Classes (C++ only)

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More importantly, C++ let's you hide data and function members so that you can change them later. This is called encapsulation and will be a major theme in CENG211. We will simply put the user visible data and functions under the `public` interface and the rest in the `private` section.

ContactItem class

We can put the implementation of short function into the class declaration

```
6 class ContactItem {
7 public:
8     std::string name()    { return m_name; }
9     std::string surname() { return m_surname; }
10    std::string tel()     { return m_tel; }
11
12    void print();
13    void read();
14 private:
15    std::string m_name;
16    std::string m_surname;
17    std::string m_tel;
18 };
```

ContactItem class

We put the implementation of longer functions in a separate source file

```
9 void ContactItem::read()
10 {
11     cout << "Enter contact name: ";
12     cin >> m_name;
13     cout << "Enter contact surname: ";
14     cin >> m_surname;
15     cout << "Enter contact telephone number: ";
16     cin >> m_tel;
17 }
18
19 void ContactItem::print()
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Using this class is simpler

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- Size will always be less than or equal to capacity.

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- Both of them have an empty return type.

Public Section

Let's start with the public functions that users of this data type will call

```
1  class IntArray {
2      public:
3          IntArray(); // constructor
4          ~IntArray(); // destructor
5
6          int size();
7          int capacity();
8          void insert(int item);
9          int item_at(int index);
10         void clear(); // removes all items
11     };
```

Private Section

The private section will store the array and information on size and capacity

```
1  class IntArray {  
2      public:  
3          .....  
4  
5      private:  
6      int *m_items;  
7      int m_size;  
8      int m_capacity;  
9  };
```

Implementing Constructor and Destructor

We need to allocate and deallocate the array

```
3 IntArray::IntArray()  
4 {  
5     const int INITIAL_CAPACITY = 8;  
6  
7     m_items = new int[INITIAL_CAPACITY];  
8     m_capacity = INITIAL_CAPACITY;  
9     m_size = 0;  
10 }  
11  
12 IntArray::~IntArray()  
13 {  
14     delete [] m_items;  
15 }
```

Implementing Helper Functions

```
17 int IntArray::size()
18 {
19     return m_size;
20 }
21
22 int IntArray::capacity()
23 {
24     return m_capacity;
25 }
26
27 int IntArray::item_at(int index)
28 {
29     return m_items[index];
30 }
31
32 void IntArray::clear()
33 {
34     m_size = 0;
35 }
```

Implementing Insertion

Insertion needs to check capacity and grow the array if necessary

```
37 void IntArray::insert(int item)
38 {
39     if (m_size >= m_capacity) {
40         int new_cap = 2*m_capacity;
41         int *new_items = new int[new_cap];
42         for (int i = 0; i < m_size; ++i)
43             new_items[i] = m_items[i];
44         delete [] m_items;
45         m_items = new_items;
46         m_capacity = new_cap;
47     }
48
49     m_items[m_size] = item;
50     m_size++;
51 }
```

IntArray In Action

```
11 IntArray ia;
12 cout << "Capacity/Size at creation = " << ia.capacity()
13     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
14
15 for(int i = 0; i < 10; ++i)
16     ia.insert(i);
17 cout << "Capacity/Size after insertions = " << ia.capacity()
18     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
19 cout << "Items: ";
20 for(int i = 0; i < ia.size(); ++i)
21     cout << ia.item_at(i) << " ";
22 cout << endl;
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24 ia.clear();
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22 cout << endl;
23
24 ia.clear();
25 cout << "Capacity/Size after clearing = " << ia.capacity()
26     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
```

```
Capacity/Size at creation = 8/0
Capacity/Size after insertions = 16/10
Items: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Capacity/Size after clearing = 16/0
```

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- We will also put our classes into the `ceng112` namespace to avoid name clashes.

Array Usage

We want to use the new Array class like this, note the way we index

```
13 Array<int> ia;
14 cout << "Capacity/Size at creation = " << ia.capacity()
15     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
16
17 for(int i = 0; i < 10; ++i)
18     ia.insert(i);
19 cout << "Capacity/Size after insertions = " << ia.capacity()
20     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
21 cout << "Items: ";
22 for(size_t i = 0; i < ia.size(); ++i)
23     cout << ia[i] << " ";
24 cout << endl;
25
26 ia.clear();
27 cout << "Capacity/Size after clearing = " << ia.capacity()
28     << "/" << ia.size() << endl;
```

Array Usage

We should be able to work with `float` arrays, it would be nice if we could directly print the arrays

```
31 Array<float> fa;
32 cout << fa << endl;
33
34 for(float i = 0.1f; i < 10.1f; ++i)
35     fa.insert(i);
36 cout << fa << endl;
37
38 fa.clear();
39 cout << fa << endl;
```

```
[(C/S=0/0)]
[0.1 1.1 2.1 3.1 4.1 5.1 6.1 7.1 8.1 9.1 (C/S=16/10)]
[(C/S=16/0)]
```

Array Declaration

```
8  template <typename T>
9  class Array {
10 public:
11     Array() { m_items = 0; m_size = 0; m_capacity = 0; }
12     ~Array() { delete [] m_items; }
13
14     size_t size() const { return m_size; }
15     size_t capacity() const { return m_capacity; }
16     void clear() { resize(0); }
17
18     void resize(int new_size);
19     void insert(T item);
20
21     T& operator[](size_t index) { return m_items[index]; }
22     const T& operator[](size_t index) const { return m_items[index]; }
23 private:
24     T *m_items;
25     size_t m_size;
26     size_t m_capacity;
27 };
```

Array insert Implementation

Important Note: This also goes into the header since the compiler needs to see the definition to create versions (Array<int>, Array<float>, ...) as necessary.

```
47 template <typename T>
48 void Array<T>::insert(T new_item)
49 {
50     resize(m_size+1);
51     m_items[m_size-1] = new_item;
52 }
```

Array resize Implementation

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```
29 template <typename T>
30 void Array<T>::resize(int new_size)
31 {
32     if (new_size > m_capacity) {
33         size_t new_cap = (m_capacity > 0) ? m_capacity : 1;
34         while (new_size > new_cap)
35             new_cap *= 2;
36         T * new_items = new T[new_cap];
37         for (size_t i = 0; i < m_size; ++i)
38             new_items[i] = m_items[i];
39         delete [] m_items;
40         m_items = new_items;
41         m_capacity = new_cap;
42     }
43
44     m_size = new_size;
45 }
```

Printing for Your Classes

We can use `cout <<` to print our classes if we implement a function taking an `std::ostream &` and a constant reference to an object of our class. **Important Note:** This also goes into the header

```
54 template <typename T>
55 std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream& os, const Array<T>& arr)
56 {
57     os << "[";
58     for (size_t i = 0; i < arr.size(); ++i)
59         os << arr[i] << " ";
60     os << "(C/S=" << arr.capacity() << "/" << arr.size();
61     os << ")]";
62     return os;
63 }
```
