

Basics of dynamic classes (classes that use dynamic memory)

Always need

- ① copy constructor
- ② Assignment operator
- ③ destructor.

Why ①? `vector2(const vector2&);`
used to make copies of existing objects.
called "behind the scenes" e.g. when
you call by value with a vector:

```
void f(vector2 w) {  
    cout << "oh nooo";  
}
```

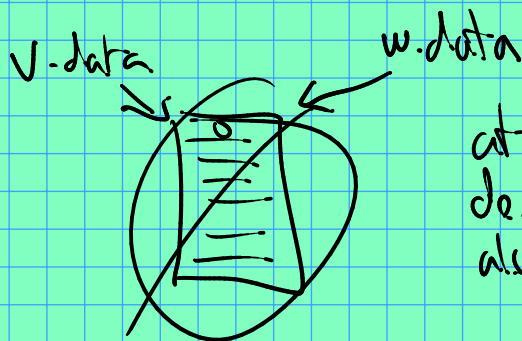
← w goes out of scope.

```
void main() {  
    vector2 v;  
    v.push_back(0);  
    ⋮  
    f(v);  
    // X-X  
}
```

Default copy constructor:
member-wise copying.

```
E.g., vector2(const vector2& v) {  
    size = v.size;  
    capacity = v.capacity;  
    data = v.data;  
}
```

only copies the pointer



at end of `f(...)`, w's
destructor is called, which
also deletes `v.data` :-

② Default assignment operator is similar to the
default copy const.: member wise copy:

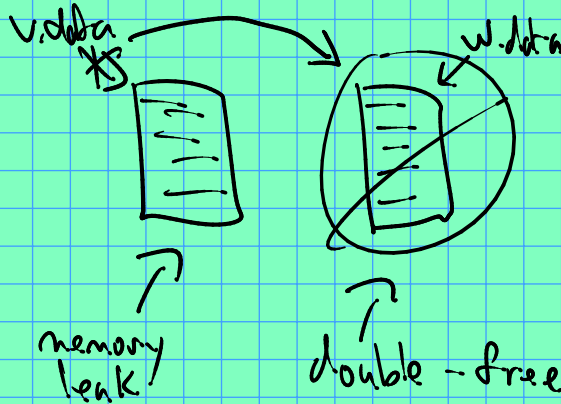
```
operator = (const vector2 & W) {
```

```
    size = W.size;  
    capacity = W.capacity;  
    data = W.data;
```

```
}
```

This will almost always break:

```
void f() {  
    vector2 V;  
    vector2 W;  
    V = W;  
}
```



```
void f (vector2 & W) {  
    vector2 X;  
    X = W;  
}
```

Similar issues...

```
main() {  
    vector2 V;  
    f(V);  
}
```

← X & V will have
different scopes.
So seg fault might happen
before the double free...