



**CS-202**

# C++ Classes – Operator(s) (Pt.2)

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# Course Week

Course , Projects , Labs:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sunday
			Lab (8 Sections)		
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PASS Session	PASS Session	Project DEADLINE	NEW Project	PASS Session	PASS Session



Your 4<sup>th</sup> Project Deadline is next Wednesday 2/27.

- PASS Sessions held Friday-Sunday-&-Monday-Tuesday, get all the help you need!

# Today's Topics

## C++ Classes Cheatsheet

- Declaration
- Members, Methods, Interface
- Implementation – Resolution Operator ( `::` )
- Instantiation – Objects
- Object Usage – Dot Operator ( `.` )
- Object Pointer Usage – Arrow Operator ( `->` )
- Classes as Function Parameters, Pass-by-Value, by-(`const`)-Reference, by-Address
- Protection Mechanisms – `const` Method signature
- Classes – Code File Structure
- Constructor(s), Initialization List(s), Destructor
- `static` Members – Variables / Functions
- Operator Overloading

Class `friend`(s)

Keyword `this`

Operator Overloading (continued)

## Class Cheatsheet

Operator Overloading – **non-Member** of Class.

➤ Unary Operator(s):

```
const Money operator-(const Money & mn)
{ return Money(-mn.getD(), -mn.getC()); }
```

```
Money myMoney(99,25), notMyMoney = - myMoney;
```

➤ Binary Operator(s):

```
bool operator==(const Money & mn1, const Money & mn2)
{ return mn1.getD()==mn2.getD() && mn1.getC() == mn2.getC(); }
```

```
const Money operator+(const Money& mn1, const Money& mn2)
{ return Money(mn1.getD()+mn2.getD(), mn1.getC()+mn2.getC()); }
```

```
Money myMoney(99,25), yourMoney(0,75);
```

```
bool ourMoneyEqual = myMoney == yourMoney;
```

```
Money ourMoney = myMoney + yourMoney;
```

**return:** a **const** *Unnamed* Class Object

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int dollars,
          int cents=0);
    Money(const Money & m);
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars;
    int m_cents;
};
```

Note:

Operator(s) should handle Class specifications  
(e.g. prevent **m\_cents** rollover)

## Class Cheatsheet

### Operator Overloading – Class Member Function.

➤ Assignment Operator (half the story, the rest for later) :

```
void Money::operator=(const Money & mn)
{ m_dollars = mn.m_dollars; m_cents = mn.m_cents; }

Money myMoney(99,25), myMoneyAgain = myMoney;
```

A Class method, like saying: `myMoneyAgain.operator=(myMoney);`

Note: If none specified, compiler creates a default Assignment Operator (*Member-Copy*) for Class Objects. Remember: **Shallow-Copy** vs *Deep-Copy*.

➤ Binary Operator(s):

```
const Money Money::operator+(const Money & mn) const
{ return Money(m_dollars+mn.m_dollars, m_cents+mn.m_cents); }

Money myMoney(99,25), yourMoney(0,75);
Money ourMoney = myMoney + yourMoney;
```

Calling Object is like 1<sup>st</sup> parameter: `myMoney.operator+(yourMoney);`

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int dollars,
           int cents=0);
    Money(const Money & m);

    void Money operator=
    (const Money & m);

    const Money operator+
    (const Money & m) const;

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars;
    int m_cents;
    char * m_owner;
};
```

## Class Cheatsheet

- Operator Overloading – Both versions (*Ambiguous*):

```
const Money operator+(const Money &a, const Money &b)
{ return Money(1); } //Non-class Method

const Money Money::operator+(const Money &b) const
{ return Money(2); } //Class Method
```

**warning:** ISO C++ says that these are ambiguous ...

```
Money m1, m2, m3 = m1 + m2;
Money m4 = m1 .operator+ ( m2 );
```

Result: 1

Result: 2

- Operator Overloading – Both versions (*Different Calls*):

```
const Money operator-(const Money &mn)
{ return Money(-mn.getD(), -mn.getC()); }

const Money Money::operator-(const Money &m) const
{ return Money(m_dollars-mn.m_dollars, m_cents-mn.m_cents); }
```

```
Money m5 = - m1 ; //Unary call - Non-class Method
Money m6 = m1 - m2 ; //Binary call - Class Method
```

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int dollars,
           int cents=0);
    Money(const Money & m);

    const Money operator+
    (const Money & m) const;
    const Money operator-
    (const Money & m) const;

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars;
    int m_cents;
};
```



## Class Cheatsheet

### Operator Overloading

#### ➤ Return by-**const**-Value

```
const Money Money::operator+(const Money & mn) const{  
    return Money(m_dollars + mn.m_dollars,  
                  m_cents    + mn.m_cents);  
}
```

#### Why **const**-Value ?

```
Money a(4, 50), b(3, 25), c(2, 10);
```

```
(a + b);
```

Evaluates to: *Unnamed* Object

```
c = (a + b);
```

OK...

```
(a + b) = c;
```

No !!!

Prevents (&protects) us from  
altering the returned value...

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int dollars,  
           int cents=0);  
    Money(const Money & m);  
    void operator=  
        (const Money & m);  
    const Money operator+  
        (const Money & m) const;  
  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars;  
    int m_cents;  
};
```

## Class Cheatsheet

### Operator Overloading

- Return by-**const**-Reference (?)

```
const Money& Money::operator+(const Money& mn) const
{ return Money(m_dollars + mn.m_dollars,
               m_cents + mn.m_cents); }
```

**warning:** returning reference to temporary.

- Makes a temporary Object, which goes out of scope!

```
Money a(4, 50), b(3, 25);
```

```
const Money * ab_Pt = &(a + b);
```

```
cout << ab_Pt->getD()
<<" , "<< ab_Pt->getC();
```

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No !

This is UNSAFE !

Function **return** does not guarantee an immediate *Stack* frame wipe!

Note: Especially if the return type is *not* a **const**-Reference ! (...)

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int dollars,
          int cents=0);
    Money(const Money & m);
    void Money operator=
    (const Money & m);
    const Money & operator+
    (const Money & m) const;

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
};
```



## Class Cheatsheet

### Operator Overloading

- Return by-Reference – Operator ( `[]` )

Returned: `<type_id> &`, internal Member Reference.

```
int & Money::operator[](unsigned int index)
{ return m_transID [ index ]; }
```

- Accessing (`private`) Data Member by-Reference:

```
Money hugeCheck(1000000);
unsigned int transCnt = 0;
hugeCheck [ transCnt++ ] = BANK_TRANS;
hugeCheck [ transCnt++ ] = BRIBE_TRANS;
hugeCheck [ transCnt++ ] = BANK_TRANS;
if (hugeCheck [ 1 ] == BRIBE_TRANS)
{ cout << "Illegal Activity!"; }
```

Write-to

Read-from

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int dollars,
          int cents=0);
    Money(const Money & m);
    int & operator[] (
        unsigned int index);
    const Money& operator+
    (const Money & m) const;
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;
private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
    int m_transID[T_HIST];
};
```

## Friend Functions

*Remember.* Operator Overloads as no-Member function:

- Access of data through *Accessor* and *Mutator* functions.
- Very inefficient (call overhead).

Class **friend**(s) can directly access **private** Class data.

- Any function can be a Class **friend**.
- Make non-Member Operator Overloads **friend**(s) (no overhead, more efficient).

Operator Overloads as non-Member Class **friend**(s).

- Most common use (avoids need to go through Setter / Getter functions interface).
- Need data access anyway.

# Class Friend(s)

## Friend Functions

A **friend** Function of a Class is:

- *Not* a Member Function, but still has direct access to **private** members.
- Specified in Class Declaration (keyword **friend**) but still isn't a Member Function.

Friends and *Purity*:

- “Spirit” of OOP dictates all Operators and Functions must be Member Functions.  
(many believe **friend**(s) violate basic OOP principles.)

However: Very advantageous for Operators:

- Allow automatic type conversion.
- Encapsulation is retained – **friend** is in Class Declaration.
- Improves efficiency.

# Class Friend(s)

## Friend Classes

A **friend** Class of another Class:

- Has direct access to **private** members.
- Is specified in Class Declaration (keyword **friend**).

Example: **class F** is **friend** of **class C**

- All **class F** Member Functions are **friends** of **class C**.
- Not reciprocated relationship, **friendship** granted, not taken!

```
class C {  
    friend bool operator==(const C& c1, const C& c2); //A friend regular function  
    friend class F; //A friend class (all its member functions are friends)  
    ...  
}
```

Functions have direct access to any private Members  
(Data and Functions of **class C**)

# Cascading

## Return by-Reference – Cascading

*Remember:* Overloading Operator ( `[]` )

Get `<type_id>&`, internal Member Reference:

```
int & Money::operator[](unsigned int index) {  
    return m_transID[index];  
}
```

Another utility for Operator Overloading:

➤ Cascading (daisy-chaining):

```
double & chainableFun(double & var) {  
    var += 1.0;  
    return var;  
}
```

```
double x;
```

```
chainableFun(chainableFun(...(chainableFun(x))...));
```

```
class Money{  
    int & operator[](unsigned int i);  
    int m_transID[T_HIST];  
};
```

Note: Cannot do `return var+1.0;`

`double&+double` has no Reference!

(it's a **rvalue** – and that's our limit – for now ...)

**error:** invalid initialization of non-const reference of type 'double&' from an rvalue of type 'double'

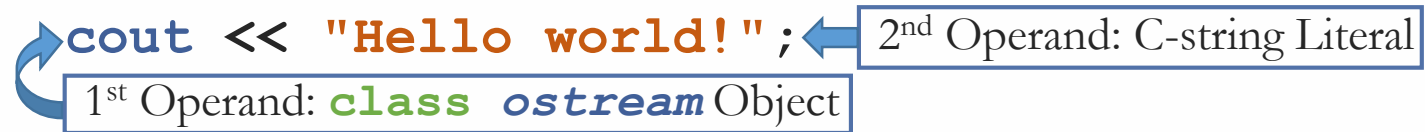
# Operator Overloading

## Return by-Reference – Cascading

Overloading Operator ( << ):

- Insertion (*Binary*) Operator.
- Used with `cout` Object (from `<iostream>` library).

Example:

The diagram shows the code `cout << "Hello world!";`. A blue curved arrow points from the `cout` identifier to a box labeled "1<sup>st</sup> Operand: `class ostream` Object". Another blue straight arrow points from the `"Hello world!"` string literal to a box labeled "2<sup>nd</sup> Operand: C-string Literal".

```
cout << "Hello world!";
```

1<sup>st</sup> Operand: `class ostream` Object

2<sup>nd</sup> Operand: C-string Literal



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Instead of:

`hugeCheck.output();`

We can overload it for a `class Money` type 2<sup>nd</sup> operand:

`Money hugeCheck(1000000,0);`

`cout << hugeCheck;`

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);

    friend ostream &
    operator<<(ostream & os,
               const Money & m);

    void output();
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
};
```

# Operator Overloading

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- Used with `cout` Object (from `<iostream>` library).

Cascading how-to: Return by-1<sup>st</sup>-operand-Reference.

```
ostream& operator<<(ostream& os, const Money& mn) {  
    os << "$" << mn.m_dollars << "." << mn.m_cents;  
    return os;  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
  
    friend ostream &  
    operator<<(ostream & os,  
               const Money & m);  
  
    void output();  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
  
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};
```

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```
ostream& operator<<(ostream& os, const Money& mn) {  
    os << "$" << mn.m_dollars << "." << mn.m_cents;  
    return os;  
}
```

```
Money myMoney(99,25), yourMoney(0,75);  
cout << "Mine:" << myMoney << " Yours:" << yourMoney;
```

Like calling:

```
operator<<(operator<<(operator<<(operator<<(cout  
, "Mine:") , myMoney) , " Yours:") , yourMoney);
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
  
    friend ostream &  
    operator<<(ostream & os,  
               const Money & m);  
  
    void output();  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
  
private:  
    int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

# Operator Overloading

## Return by-Reference – Cascading

Overloading Operator ( `>>` ):

- Extraction (*Binary*) Operator.
- Used with `cin` Object (from `<iostream>` library).

Overloading and Cascading (return by-1<sup>st</sup>-operand-Ref).

```
istream& operator>>(istream& is, Money& mn) {  
    char dollarChar;  
    is >> dollarChar;  
    if (dollarChar=='$') {  
        double dollarsDouble;  
        is >> dollarsDouble;  
        mn.m_dollars = dollarsDouble;  
        mn.m_cents = 100*(dollarsDouble-mn.m_dollars);  
    }  
    return is;  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    friend ostream &  
    operator<<(ostream & os,  
               const Money& m);  
    friend istream &  
    operator>>(istream & is,  
               Money& m);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

# Operator Overloading

## Overloading Operators ( << ), ( >> )

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <cstdlib>
3  #include <cmath>
4  using namespace std;

5  //Class for amounts of money in U.S. currency
6  class Money
7  {
8  public:
9      Money( );
10     Money(double amount);
11     Money(int theDollars, int theCents);
12     Money(int theDollars);
13     double getAmount( ) const;
14     int getDollars( ) const;
15     int getCents( ) const;
16     friend const Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
17     friend const Money operator -(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
18     friend bool operator ==(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
19     friend const Money operator -(const Money& amount);
20     friend ostream& operator <<(ostream& outputStream, const Money& amount);
21     friend istream& operator >>(istream& inputStream, Money& amount);
22 private:
23     int dollars; //A negative amount is represented as negative dollars and
24     int cents; //negative cents. Negative $4.50 is represented as -4 and -50.
25     int dollarsPart(double amount) const;
26     int centsPart(double amount) const;
27     int round(double number) const;
28 };
```

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);

    friend ostream &
    operator<<(ostream & os,
               const Money& m);
    friend istream &
    operator>>(istream & is,
               Money& m);

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars,m_cents;
};
```



# Operator Overloading

## Overloading Operators ( << ), ( >> )

```
49 ostream& operator <<(ostream& outputStream, const Money& amount)
50 {
51     int absDollars = abs(amount.dollars);
52     int absCents = abs(amount.cents);
53     if (amount.dollars < 0 || amount.cents < 0)
54         //accounts for dollars == 0 or cents == 0
55         outputStream << "$-";
56     else
57         outputStream << '$';
58     outputStream << absDollars;
59     if (absCents >= 10)
60         outputStream << '.' << absCents;
61     else
62         outputStream << '.' << '0' << absCents;
63     return outputStream;
64 }
65
66 //Uses iostream and cstdlib:
67 istream& operator >>(istream& inputStream, Money& amount)
68 {
69     char dollarSign;
70     inputStream >> dollarSign; //hopefully
71     if (dollarSign != '$')
72     {
73         cout << "No dollar sign in Money input.\n";
74         exit(1);
75     }
76     double amountAsDouble;
77     inputStream >> amountAsDouble;
78     amount.dollars = amount.dollarsPart(amountAsDouble);
79     amount.cents = amount.centsPart(amountAsDouble);
80     return inputStream;
81 }
```

*In the main function, cout is plugged in for outputStream.*

*For an alternate input algorithm, see Self-Test Exercise 3 in Chapter 7.*

*Returns a reference*

*In the main function, cin is plugged in for inputStream.*

*Since this is not a member operator, you need to specify a calling object for member functions of Money.*

*Returns a reference*

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);

    friend ostream &
    operator<<(ostream & os,
               const Money& m);
    friend istream &
    operator>>(istream & is,
               Money& m);

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars,m_cents;
};
```



# Operator Overloading

## Overloading Operators ( << ) , ( >> )

```
29 int main( )
30 {
31     Money yourAmount, myAmount(10, 9);
32     cout << "Enter an amount of money: ";
33     cin >> yourAmount;
34     cout << "Your amount is " << yourAmount << endl;
35     cout << "My amount is " << myAmount << endl;
36
37     if (yourAmount == myAmount)
38         cout << "We have the same amounts.\n";
39     else
40         cout << "One of us is richer.\n";
41
42     Money ourAmount = yourAmount + myAmount;
43     cout << yourAmount << " + " << myAmount
44         << " equals " << ourAmount << endl;
45
46     Money diffAmount = yourAmount - myAmount;
47     cout << yourAmount << " - " << myAmount
48         << " equals " << diffAmount << endl;
49
50     return 0;
51 }
```

Since << returns a reference, you can chain << like this.  
You can chain >> in a similar way.

### SAMPLE DIALOGUE

```
Enter an amount of money: $123.45
Your amount is $123.45
My amount is $10.09.
One of us is richer.
$123.45 + $10.09 equals $133.54
$123.45 - $10.09 equals $113.36
```

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);

    friend ostream &
    operator<<(ostream & os,
               const Money& m);
    friend istream &
    operator>>(istream & is,
               Money& m);

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
};
```

# Operator Overloading

Operators ( `++` ), ( `--` ) (half the story, the rest for later)

Overloading Pre-Increment Operator(s):

➤ No arguments (for compiler *disambiguation*).

```
Money Money::operator++() {  
    m_cents++;  
    if (m_cents...) { m_dollars=...; m_cents=...; } //and fix  
    return Money(m_dollars, m_cents);  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money operator++();  
    Money operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
    Money operator--(int);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

# Operator Overloading

Operators ( **++** ) , ( **--** ) (half the story, the rest for later)

Overloading Pre-Increment Operator(s):

➤ No arguments (for compiler *disambiguation*).

```
Money Money::operator++() {  
    m_cents++;  
    if (m_cents...) { m_dollars=...; m_cents=...; } //and fix  
    return Money(m_dollars, m_cents);  
}
```

Note:

Modifies calling Object and **returns** a Copy of it.

```
Money myMoney(0,99);
```

```
Money myMoreMoney = ++ myMoney;
```

{1,0}

{1,0}

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money operator++();  
    Money operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
    Money operator--(int);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars,m_cents;  
};
```

# Operator Overloading

**Operators** ( **++** ) , ( **--** ) (half the story, the rest for later)

Overloading Post-Increment Operator(s):

➤ A dummy **int** argument (for compiler *disambiguation*).

```
Money Money::operator++(int dummy) {  
    Money moneyCopy(m_dollars, m_cents);  
    m_cents++;  
    if (m_cents...) { m_dollars=...; m_cents=...; } //fix  
    return moneyCopy;  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money operator++();  
    Money operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
    Money operator--(int);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

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    Money moneyCopy(m_dollars, m_cents);  
    m_cents++;  
    if (m_cents...) { m_dollars=...; m_cents=...; } //fix  
    return moneyCopy;  
}
```

Note: Keeps a Copy of calling Object to **return** and then modifies calling Object.

```
Money myMoney(0,99);  
Money mySameMoney = myMoney ++;
```

{0,99}

{1,0}

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money operator++();  
    Money operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
    Money operator--(int);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
    int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

# This

## Keyword **this**

A Pointer to the Calling Object.

- Inside a Class Member Function, we can address the Calling Object itself (and its members) “by-name” !
- Keyword **this** provides a way to address the entire Calling Object inside a Member Function call.

```
Money & Money::thisFunction() {  
    this -> m_dollars = 1000; //access data  
    this -> setC(99);         //call a method  
    return *this;  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money & thisFunction();  
    Money operator++();  
    Money operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
    Money operator--(int);  
    void setD/C(int dc);  
    int getD/C() const;  
private:  
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```



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- Keyword **this** provides a way to address the entire Calling Object inside a Member Function call.

```
Money & Money::thisFunction() {  
    this -> m_dollars = 1000; //access data  
    this -> setC(99);        //call a method  
    return *this;  
}
```

Note: A Member Function can return a Reference to the Calling Object that invoked it.

```
class Money{  
    public:  
        Money();  
        Money(int d, int c=0);  
        Money(const Money &m);  
        Money & thisFunction();  
        Money operator++();  
        Money operator--();  
        Money operator++(int);  
        Money operator--(int);  
        void setD/C(int dc);  
        int getD/C() const;  
    private:  
        int m_dollars, m_cents;  
};
```

## Keyword **this**

Overloading Pre-Increment Operator(s) (now for the rest):

- No arguments (for compiler *disambiguation*).

```
Money & Money::operator++ () {
    m_cents++; ... //mutates calling object
    return *this;
}
```

Note:

Modifies calling Object and **returns** a Reference to it.  
No Object Copy operation!

```
Money myMoney(0,99);
Money myMoreMoney = ++ myMoney;
                    {100,0}      {100,0}
```

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);
    Money & operator++ ();
    Money & operator-- ();
    Money operator++(int);
    Money operator--(int);
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;
private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
};
```

## Keyword **this**

Overloading Post-Increment Operator(s) (now for the rest) :

- A dummy **int** argument (for compiler *disambiguation*).

```
Money Money::operator++(int dummy) {
    Money moneyCopy(*this);
    this->m_cents++; ... //mutates calling object
    return moneyCopy;
}
```

Note: Keeps a Copy of calling Object to **return** and then modifies calling Object (same as before).

```
Money myMoney(0, 99);
Money mySameMoney = myMoney ++;
```

{99, 0}

{100, 0}

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);
    Money & operator++();
    Money & operator--();
    Money operator++(int);
    Money operator--(int);
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;
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};
```

## Keyword **this**

Checking if the Calling Object is *exactly* the same as the Object passed as argument!

```
bool Money::thisCheck(const Money & m) {
    if (this == &m)
        return true;
    else
        return false;
}
```

➤ Example: To protect from (unwillingly) tampering with own self:

```
Money cashiers[100];
Money* active_desk = cashiers;
active_desk += rand_desk_offset;
```

```
for (int i=0; i<100; ++i)
    active_desk->accum(cashiers[i]);
```

Sums contents of all onto itself, but should avoid adding its own data twice (skip if Calling Object active\_desk is the same as cashiers[i])

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);

    bool thisCheck(const
                    Money & m);

    void accum(const
                Money & m);

    Money & operator++();
    Money & operator--();
    Money operator++(int);
    Money operator--(int);

    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;

private:
    int m_dollars, m_cents;
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```

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Overloading Assignment Operator ( = ) (now for the rest) :

- **return** Reference to Calling Object, maintain Assignment Operator sequencing:

```
Money & Money::operator=(const Money & rhs) {  
    m_dollars = rhs.m_dollars;  
    m_cents = rhs.m_cents;  
    return *this;  
}
```

```
class Money{  
public:  
    Money();  
    Money(int d, int c=0);  
    Money(const Money &m);  
    Money & operator=(const  
        Money & rhs);  
    Money & operator++();  
    Money & operator--();  
    Money operator++(int);  
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- Maintain Assignment Operator sequencing:

```
Money a(4, 50), b(3, 25), c(2, 10);
```

```
a = b = c; ← Can now do this too!
```

```
class Money{  
    public:  
        Money();  
        Money(int d, int c=0);  
        Money(const Money &m);  
        Money & operator=(const  
                        Money & rhs);  
        Money & operator++();  
        Money & operator--();  
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```



## Keyword **this**

Overloading Assignment Operator ( = ) (now for the rest) :

- Check if calling object is trying to assign from itself (right-hand-side (**rhs**) argument is the same Object) :

```
Money & Money::operator=(const Money & rhs) {
    if (this != &rhs) {
        m_dollars = rhs.m_dollars;
        m_cents = rhs.m_cents;
    }
    return *this;
}
```

- Protect from Self-Assignment:

```
Money a(4, 50);
```

```
a = a;
```

- Avoid unnecessary assignments.
- Protect dynamically allocated data ...

```
class Money{
public:
    Money();
    Money(int d, int c=0);
    Money(const Money &m);
    Money & operator=(const
                        Money & rhs);
    Money & operator++();
    Money & operator--();
    Money operator++(int);
    Money operator--(int);
    void setD/C(int dc);
    int getD/C() const;
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};
```



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Time for Questions !