CIS 014 – C++ Programming

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REFERENCES

Optional Textbook:

Programming: Principles and Practice Using C++, 2nd ed, B. Stroustrup, Addison-Wesley, 2014

PDF:

http://www.cplusplus.com/files/tutorial.pdf

Online:

http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/

The C++ Programming Language, 4th ed.

B. Stroustrup, Addison-Wesley, 2013

C++ How to Program, 10th ed

Deitel & Deitel, Pearson Hall, 2016

C++ Primer, 5th ed

S. Lippman, J. Lajoie, and B. Moo, Addison-Wesley, 2012

READING ASSIGNMENTS

ONLINE

- Classes
- C++ Classes and Objects
- Access Specifiers
- <u>C++ Class Member Functions</u>

TEXTBOOK

Chapter 9 (up to 9.4.4 Defining member functions)

READING ASSIGNMENTS

REFERENCES

ASCII http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/ascii/

BOOLEAN http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/boolean/

RAND(): http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/cstdlib/rand/

http://www.cplusplus.com/files/tutorial.pdf (pages 1-94) http://www.cplusplus.com/doc/tutorial/

- ✓ Program Structure
 - Complete all chapters
- Compound Data Types
- Classes
 - Classes (I)

TODAY

- Classes:
 - Idea & Concept
 - What They Are
 - Access Specifiers: Private, Protected, Public
 - Constructors
 - Member Access
 - Member Function Definitions (inside / outside of class)
 - Syntax/Anatomy

CLASSES: IDEA & CONCEPT

A Class:

- Represents a concept in a program
 - Think of "it" as a separate entity an object in memory space
 - Examples: string, vector, matrix, input stream, robot, window screen, picture on screen, dialog box, etc.
- Is a user-defined type with its specific userdefined behaviors
- In C++, it is the building block for large programs

CLASSES: WHAT THEY ARE

- A class is a way of:
 - Encapsulating data
 - Defining abstract data types along with initialization conditions and operations allowed on that data
 - Hiding implementation details
 - Sharing behavior and characteristics

Class declaration:

```
class CRect {
  int x, y;
  public:
    void set_values (int,int);
    int area (void);
};
```

CLASSES: WHAT THEY ARE

- A class is a user-defined data type
- The following class' name is crect

```
class CRect {
  int x, y;
  public:
     void set values (int,int);
     int area (void);
CRect rect; // rect is a variable of type CRect
rect.x = 2; // CANNOT access rect's private member
              // variable x
rect.area(); // access rect's member function area()
```

ACCESS SPECIFIERS: PUBLIC, PRIVATE, PROTECTED

- public: member variables and methods with this access specifier can be directly accessed from outside the class
- private: member variables and methods with this access specifier cannot be directly accessed from outside the class
- protected: member variables and methods with this access specifier cannot be directly accessed from outside the class with the exception of child classes

CLASS: CONSTRUCTORS

- Sometimes we need to ensure that certain variables in our object at run time has certain values before any member functions is called.
- We initialize these variables in the class' constructor:

```
class CRectangle {
  int x, y;
  public:
        CRectangle(int, int);
       void set_values (int,int);
      int area () {return (x*y);}
};
```

// CRectangle(int, int) is only called when a CRectangle instance is created.

CLASS: CONSTRUCTORS

- If a custom constructor is available in a class, you use it.
- When CRectangle rect (3,4) is called in main(), an instance of the CRectangle class is created on the execution stack.
- That instance (or an object) is referred to by rect.
- When rect was created, CRectangle's constructor was called:

```
CRectangle(int, int);
```

 If no constructor is explicitly called the program will invoke the default constructor:

```
CRectangle();
```

CLASS: MEMBER ACCESS

- Members of a class can be of various type.
- Data members (define representation of an object of the class)
- Function members (provide operations on such object)
- In C++:
 - Function members = member functions = methods (in other language context)
- Access to public members of an object access notation:
 - [OBJECT].[MEMBER] if [OBJECT] is the actual instance allocated on stack
 - [OBJECT]->[MEMBER] if [OBJECT] is a pointer

Examples:

CLASS: MEMBER FUNCTION DEFINITION

- When we define a member function OUTSIDE of a class we need to tell which class it is a member of.
- For example, set_values() is a member of the CRect class we previous defined.
- When we define a member outside its class:

```
[CLASS NAME]:: [MEMBER FUNCTION NAME]
```

Example:

```
void CRectangle::set_values (int a, int b) {
   x = a;
   y = b;
}
```

Or you can use a member initializer list:

```
void CRectangle::set_values (int a, int b) :
    x{a}, y{b} { // ... }
```

CLASS: MEMBER FUNCTION DEFINITION

- When we define a member function INSIDE of a class we DON'T need to tell which class it is a member of
- For example, area () is a member of the CRect class we previous defined
- When defined inside a function definition a member function is inline (no function call instructions)
- Inlining a member function is recommended for a block of small expressions; larger code block should be defined outside of class
- Example:

```
class CRectangle {
  int x, y;
  public:
    void set_values (int a, int b) {x=a; y=b;}
};
```

CLASS: ANATOMY

```
// example: one class, two objects
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
                              Class name
class CRectangle < { -----
   int x, y;
                          Class member variable declarations
   public:
   void set_values (int,int); ← Class member function
                                   declarations
   int area () {return (x*y);}
                      Remember the semi-colon
void CRectangle::set values (int a, int b) {
   x = a;
   y = b;
                    Class scope operator
int main() {
```

CLASS: ANATOMY

Using the previously defined CRectangle class, we have

- Recall main() is your program's entry
- We declare two instances of CRectangle, rect and rectb
- Each of rect and rectb is an object
- rect has its own life cycle, so is rectb having its own that is separate from rect's