Administration

- Portfolio marking is starting now
 - I've been either on annual leave and/or ill since submission...
- Programming tests today and tomorrow
 - Same setup as previous tests
- There is lab timetabled after, but nothing to do yet
 - Sahbi will be available for general programming questions
- Lab + portfolio start next week
 - Rewritten a bit to create direct and explicit link
 - Doing lab directly helps to complete portfolio

What you've seen

- Classic "procedural" programming
 - Types and declarations
 - Control structures and operators
 - Functions and lifetimes

- Pointers and linked-data structures
 - Pointers and pointer operations
 - Dynamic memory allocation
 - Linked data-structures

What you can do right now

- Use basic system data-types
- Design your own new data-types
- Write code for embedded systems
- Write command-line programs
- Write an operating system (sort of...)

What comes next

Improving efficiency and managing complexity

- Efficiency: how fast can you create a working solution
- Complexity: how do you split problems up and collaborate?

Most of this will focus on creating and using abstractions

Abstractions

Abstractions allow us to:

- simplify complex systems
- communicate with others
- re-use the work of others
- share our own insight/work with others

Abstractions: simplification

We don't really need most mathematical objects

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx}$$

$$F(\theta)$$

Abstractions: simplification

We don't really need most mathematical objects

$$\cos(x) = abs(e^{ix})$$

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$F(\theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-2\pi ix\theta} dx$$

Abstractions: freedom

One abstraction could have many implementations

$$\cos(x) = \operatorname{abs}(e^{ix})$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$= \sin(x + \pi/2)$$

Abstractions: programming

Built-in types as abstractions:

A type is a set of possible values plus a set of operations on that set

A built-in type comes as part of the language

We have used int without worrying about the details

How big is an int?

How is x+y implemented?

Abstractions: programming

Functions as abstractions:

A function maps a set of input values to a set of output values

We have used functions to_string and sin:

What algorithm does to_string use?

Is sin calculated in hardware or software?

Abstractions: programming

Handle APIs as abstractions (e.g. struct + functions)

APIs allow the user to create new types and a set of associated operations

or

to add functionality to existing types

Operating systems use this approach extensively

Abstractions : objects

Functions provide computation without state

Structs provide state without computation

Functions + structs provide state + computation

Objects provide state + computation

We can capture many useful APIs with objects

A brief API case study

API Design: modelling the world

We often use software to represent "things"

• Circuits, maths, images, sound, controllers, ...

Lot's of things combine computation and state

- Things can change state independently
 - A clock measuring the current time
 - A network connection where data sometimes arrives
- Things can change state due to computation
 - Adding something to a container
 - Changing a pixel in an image

API Design: Requirements

Create an API for describing digital logic circuits

Required operations:

- 1. Create "and", "or" and "not" gates
- 2. Connect gates together
- 3. Print the circuit out to cout

API Design: Representing a circuit

Create an API for describing digital logic circuits

```
// There is some struct that represents a circuit
struct Circuit;

// Creates a new instance of a circuit
Circuit *create();

// Destroys an existing instance of a circuit
void destroy(Circuit *c);
```

API Design : Adding Gates

```
struct Circuit;
```

API Design: Adding Gates V1

```
struct Circuit;

// Other structs to represent gates
struct AndGate;
struct OrGate;
struct NotGate;

// Functions to create a gate within a circuit
AndGate *add_and_gate(Circuit *c);
OrGate *add_or_gate (Circuit *c);
NotGate *add_not_gate (Circuit *c);
```

API Design : Adding Gates V2

```
struct Circuit;

// Struct to represent all gates
struct Gate;

// Function to create a gate within a circuit
// gate_type : "and", "or", "not"
Gate *add gate(Circuit *c, string gate type);
```

API Design : Adding Gates V3

```
struct Circuit;
```

```
// Function to create a gate within a circuit
// gate_type : "and", "or",
// Return value is unique id for that gate in circuit
int add_and_gate(Circuit *c);
int add_or_gate(Circuit *c);
int add_not_gate(Circuit *c);
```

API Design: Connecting Gates

```
struct Circuit;

// Struct to represent all gates
struct Gate;

// Function to create a gate within a circuit
Gate *add_gate(Circuit *c, string gate_type);
```

API Design: Connecting Gates V2a

```
struct Circuit;
// Struct to represent all gates
struct Gate;
// Function to create a gate within a circuit
Gate *add gate(Circuit *c, string gate type);
// Set input destInputIndex on dest to output of src
void set_gate input(Circuit *c,
      Gate *dest, int destInputIndex,
      Gate *src
);
```

API Design: Connecting Gates V2b

```
struct Circuit;

// Struct to represent all gates
struct Gate;

// Function to create a gate within a circuit
Gate *add_gate(Circuit *c, string gate_type);

// Add the output of src to the set of inputs for dst
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, Gate *dst, Gate *src);
```

API Design: Connecting Gates V1a

```
struct Circuit;

// Structs to represent gates
struct AndGate;
struct OrGate;
struct NotGate;
```

API Design: Connecting Gates V1a

```
struct Circuit;
// Structs to represent gates
struct AndGate;
struct OrGate;
struct NotGate;
// Add the output of src to the set of inputs for dst
void add gate input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, AndGate *src);
void add gate input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, OrGate *src);
void add gate input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, NotGate *src)
void add gate input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, AndGate *src);
void add gate input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, OrGate *src);
void add gate input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, NotGate *src);
```

API Design: observations

```
struct AndGate;
struct OrGate;
struct NotGate;

void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, AndGate *src);
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, OrGate *src);
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, AndGate *dst, NotGate *src)
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, AndGate *src);
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, OrGate *src);
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, OrGate *dst, OrGate *src);
```

There could be may different types of gate, but they are all still a type of "gate"

Can be handled using inheritance

API Design: observations

```
Circuit *create();
Gate *add_and_gate(Circuit *c, string gate_type);
void add_gate_input(Circuit *c, Gate *dst, Gate *src);
void print(Circuit *c);
void destroy(Circuit *c);
```

There is something special about the circuit pointer.

It represents a single "thing" being: created, modified, queried, destroyed, ...

API Design: the case for OOP

Many APIs model "things" with state+compute (data + functions)

OOP makes it easier to create such APIs

OOP = Object Oriented Programming

Disclaimer : Objects are *not* magic

OOP is one paradigm: it is **not** the most important one C++ supports objects: but it also supports other paradigms Recent/hot languages don't use objects: Rust, Go, ...

A lot of extremely important projects "ban" objects

• *OS*: Linux, Windows, OSX

• *Transport*: cars, planes, submarines...

• Embedded: routers, satellites, base-stations, ...

OOP is just one useful tool in the programming tool-box

An intro to objects

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
};
void matrix resize(Matrix *mat, int rows, int cols)
    mat->rows=rows;
    mat->cols=cols;
    mat->values.resize(rows*cols);
void matrix_write(Matrix *mat, int r, int c, float v)
    mat->values[r * mat->cols + c] = v;
float matrix read(Matrix *mat, int r, int c)
    return mat->values[r * mat->cols + c];
}
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
};
void matrix resize(Matrix *mat, int rows, int cols)
    mat->rows=rows;
    mat->cols=cols;
   mat->values.resize(rows*cols);
void matrix_write(Matrix *mat, int r, int c, float v)
    mat->values[r * mat->cols + c] = v;
float matrix read(Matrix *mat, int r, int c)
    return mat->values[r * mat->cols + c];
```

```
struct Matrix
                              Move functions inside the class
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(Matrix *mat, int rows, int cols)
        mat->rows=rows;
        mat->cols=cols;
        mat->values.resize(rows*cols);
    void matrix write(Matrix *mat, int r, int c, float v)
        mat->values[r * mat->cols + c] = v;
    float matrix read(Matrix *mat, int r, int c)
        return mat->values[r * mat->cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
                              Call the pointer to instance "this"
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(Matrix *this, int rows, int cols)
        this->rows=rows;
        this->cols=cols;
        this->values.resize(rows*cols);
    void matrix write(Matrix *this, int r, int c, float v)
        this->values[r * this->cols + c] = v;
    float matrix read(Matrix *this, int r, int c)
        return this->values[r * this->cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix_resize(Matrix *this, int rows, int cols)
        this->rows=rows;
        this->cols=cols;
        this->values.resize(rows*cols);
    void matrix write(Matrix *this, int r, int c, float v)
        this->values[r * this->cols + c] = v;
    float matrix read(Matrix *this, int r, int c)
        return this->values[r * this->cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
                             Remove the "this" parameter
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
   void matrix resize(int rows, int cols)
        this->rows=rows;
        this->cols=cols;
        this->values.resize(rows*cols);
    void matrix write(int r, int c, float v)
        this->values[r * this->cols + c] = v;
    float matrix_read(int r, int c)
        return this->values[r * this->cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(int rows, int cols);
    void matrix_write(int r, int c, float v);
    float matrix_read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
                         Create a local matrix instance
   Matrix mat;
    mat.matrix resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.matrix_write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(int rows, int cols);
    void matrix_write(int r, int c, float v);
    float matrix read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
                         Call functions on the instance
    Matrix mat;
    mat.matrix resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){</pre>
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.matrix_write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(int rows, int cols);
    void matrix write(int r, int c, float v);
    float matrix read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat;
    mat.matrix resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.matrix write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void matrix resize(int rows, int cols);
    void matrix_write(int r, int c, float v);
    float matrix read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat;
    mat.matrix resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.matrix_write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat;
    mat.resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                               Can create using new as well
int main()
    Matrix *mat = new Matrix;
    mat->resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){</pre>
            mat->write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
    delete mat;
```

Classes: initial principles

- Classes are structs with methods
 - Move functions inside the data-type
 - A function inside a class is called a method
- The this pointer is special
 - It always points to the current object instance
 - Only works within a method (function inside a class)

- You call call methods using . or ->
 - The rules are the same as for data on structs
 - You've already been doing this: e.g. vectors and cin/cout

```
struct Matrix
                             Remove the "this" parameter
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
   void resize(int rows, int cols)
        this->rows=rows;
        this->cols=cols;
        this->values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
        this->values[r * this->cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return this->values[r * this->cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols)
       this >rows=rows;
       this >cols=cols;
       this >values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
       this >values[r * this->cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return this >values[r * this >cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
                          Member variables are automatically
                          in scope - can omit this->
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
   void resize(int rows, int cols)
       rows=rows;
        cols=cols;
       values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
       values[r * cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
       return values[r * cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols)
        rows=rows;
        cols=cols;
        values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
        values[r * cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return values[r * cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
                             Beware shadowing of member
    int rows;
                             variables by parameters
    int/cols:
    vegtor<float> values;
   void resize(int rows, int cols)
        rows=rows;
        cols=cols;
       values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
       values[r * cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
       return values[r * cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int/cols;
    veqtor<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols)
        this->rows=rows;
        this->cols=cols;
        values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
        values[r * cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return values[r * cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int/cols;
    veqtor<float> values;
    void resize(int _rows, int _cols)
        rows = rows;
        cols= cols;
        values.resize(rows*cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
        values[r * cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return values[r * cols + c];
};
```

```
struct Matrix
    int m rows;
    int/m cols;
    vector<float> m values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols)
        m rows=rows;
        m_cols=cols;
        m_values.resize(m_rows*m_cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v)
        m_values[r * m_cols + c] = v;
    float read(int r, int c)
        return m_values[r * m_cols + c];
};
```

Classes: implicit member access

- Class members are always in scope in methods
 - You don't need to specify this->
 - Applies to both member variables and methods
- Watch out for aliasing of symbols (names)
 - It's easy to end up with parameters shadowing members
 - Can modify names or use to this-> disambiguate
- Some people use naming conventions for members
 - e.g. use m_ prefix on member variables
 - e.g. use suffix on member variables
 - This can be useful, but is a matter of choice

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat;
    mat.resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                                        Create instance,
int main()
                                        then initialise
    Matrix mat;
    mat.resize(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){</pre>
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                                         Create instance,
int main()
                                         then initialise
    Matrix mat;
    mat.resize(10,10);
                                              Is it in a valid state
                                              at this point?
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){</pre>
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){</pre>
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                                   Create and initialise instance
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
                                     Calls class constructor
    Matrix(int rows, int cols)
       resize(rows,cols);
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                                  Create and initialise instance
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    for(int i=0; i<10; i+=1){
        for(int j=0; j<10; j+=1){
            mat.write( i, j, sin(i)+cos(j) );
```

Classes: constructors

- Classes describe a type with state and computation
 - We want to ensure it is always in a valid state
 - Want to avoid "in-between" states: created but not valid
- A constructor is used to setup a new object
 - A constructor is a method with same name as the class
 - Does not have a return type: it "returns" the instance
 - Can have zero or more parameters
- Classes can also have a destructor
 - Method called when an instance is destroyed
 - We don't need them yet: important if using new/delete

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // Code, code, code
   mat.write( 3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
struct Matrix
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
    mat.values.resize(4*5);
    mat.write( 3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
struct Matrix
                            void write(int r, int c, float v)
    int rows;
                                values[r * cols + c] = v;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
   mat.values.resize(4*5);
   mat.write( 3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
void write(int r, int c, float v)
struct Matrix
    int rows;
                             assert(values.size()==rows*cols);
    int cols;
                             values[r * cols + c] = v;
   vector<float> values;
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
   void write(int r, int c, float v);
   float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
   // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
   mat.values.resize(4*5);
                               Class assumptions are broken
   mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
                               due to unconstrained changes
```

```
class Matrix
private:
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
public:
    Matrix(int rows, int cols);
    void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
    Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
    mat.values.resize(4*5);
    mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
}
```

```
class Matrix
                            A class manages its own state,
                            and protects it from modification
private:
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
public:
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
   void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
   mat.values.resize(4*5);
   mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
class Matrix
                            Private members can only be
                            accessed from inside methods
private:
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
public:
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
   void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
   mat.values.resize(4*5);
   mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
class Matrix
private:
    int rows;
                             Public members can be accessed
    int cols;
                             by anyone
   vector<float> values;
public:
   Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
   void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
int main()
   Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
   mat.values.resize(4*5);
   mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
class Matrix
private:
    int rows;
    int cols;
   vector<float> values;
public:
    Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
                        Compiler error : member variable
int main()
                         "values" is inaccessible
    Matrix mat(10,10);
    // HACK: matrix needs to be smaller
    mat.values.resize(4*5);
    mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
```

```
class Matrix
private:
    int rows;
    int cols;
    vector<float> values;
public:
    Matrix(int rows, int cols);
   void resize(int rows, int cols);
    void write(int r, int c, float v);
    float read(int r, int c);
};
int main()
    Matrix mat(10,10);
    // matrix needs to be smaller
    mat.resize(4,5);
    mat.write(3, 4, 2.32);
```

Classes: access modifiers

- Classes can control access to their own members
 - struct: all members are public by default
 - class: all members are private by default
- Class member variables are usually kept private
 - The class wants to avoid directly manipulation of data
 - Need to maintain invariants and assumptions about state
- Class methods may be public or private
 - public: the API for interacting with and using objects
 - *private* : internal helper functions

Classes: terminology

class: a type which combines data and functions

member: named data or function defined in a class

member variable (property): named data defined in a class

method (member function): named function define in a class

object (instance) : an instance of a class

this: pointer to the object a method is running on

constructor: method used to initialize new instances of a class

destructor: method used to destroy instances of a class

access modifiers: used to control access to members of a class

Objects: they're all around us...

Object syntax explains some of the things we've seen

```
    Constructing strings: string s("Hello");
    Resizing vectors: vec.resize(10);
```

- Checking if input is one: cin.fail();
- There are two main things left to explain vector<T>
 - Templates: the ability to specify T
 - Overloading: adding support for array-like indexing
- We're going to stay with "plain" objects for a while
 - Build on and explore the ideas introduced here
 - Polymorphism and inheritance come after