

Classes (Part1)

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- Constructors
- Abstract Data Types

Basics

What Is a Class?

- A class is a **data type** whose variables are **objects**
- Some pre-defined data types you have used are
 - int, char
- A pre-defined class you have used is
 - ifstream
- A class definition includes
 - A description of the **member variables**
 - A description of the **member functions**

A Class Example

- To create a new type named **DayOfYear** as a class
 - Decide the values to represent
 - Example: **dates** such as **July 4**
 - Member variable ***month*** is an int (Jan = 1, Feb = 2, etc.)
 - Member variable ***day*** is an int
 - Decide the member functions needed

```
class DayOfYear
{
    public:
        int month;
        int day;
        void output( );
};
```



Member Function Declaration

Defining a Member Function

- Member functions are declared in the class definition
- Member function definitions need to identify the class in which the function is a member

- Syntax:


Returned_Type **Class_Name::Function_Name**(Parameter_List)

{

Function Body Statements

}

Class name



```
void DayOfYear::output()
{
    cout << "month = " << month
        << ", day = " << day
        << endl;
}
```

The '::' Operator

- **'::'** is the scope resolution operator

- Tells the class a member function is a member of
- void **DayOfYear::output()** indicates that function output is a member of the DayOfYear class

```
void DayOfYear::output()
{
    cout << "month = " << month
        << ", day = " << day
        << endl;
}
```

'::' and '.'

- '::' is used with classes to identify a member

```
void DayOfYear::output( )  
{  
    // function body  
}
```

- '.' is used with variables (Object) to identify a member

```
DayOfYear birthday;  
birthday.output( );
```


Example

```
1 //Program to demonstrate a very simple example of a class.
2 //A better version of the class DayOfYear will be given in Display 10.4.
3 #include <iostream>
4
5 class DayOfYear
6 {
7 public:
8     void output(); ← Member function declaration
9     int month;
10    int day;
11 };
12
13 int main()
14 {
15     using namespace std;
16     DayOfYear today, birthday;
17
18     cout << "Enter today's date:\n";
19     cout << "Enter month as a number: ";
20     cin >> today.month;
21     cout << "Enter the day of the month: ";
22     cin >> today.day;
23     cout << "Enter your birthday:\n";
24     cout << "Enter month as a number: ";
25     cin >> birthday.month;
26     cout << "Enter the day of the month: ";
27     cin >> birthday.day;
28
29     cout << "Today's date is ";
30     today.output(); ← Calls to the member function output
31     cout << "Your birthday is ";
32     birthday.output();
33
34     if (today.month == birthday.month
35         && today.day == birthday.day)
36         cout << "Happy Birthday!\n";
37     else
38         cout << "Happy Unbirthday!\n";
39
40     return 0;
41 }
42
43 //Uses iostream:
44 void DayOfYear::output()
45 {
46     cout << "month = " << month
47         << ", day = " << day << endl;
48 }
49
50 Member function definition
```

Encapsulation

▪ Encapsulation

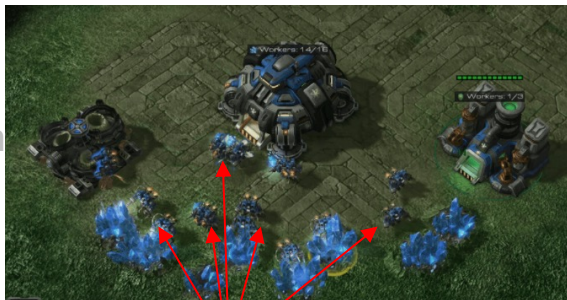
- You can organize related variables and functions into one bundle (called class)

▪ Inheritance

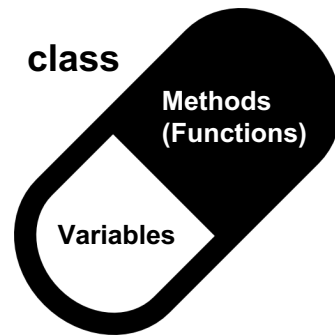
- You can create a class that adds other information to an already existed class

▪ Polymorphism

- You can give the same name to fun



Objects
(Data, Operations)



Problems With DayOfYear

- Changing how the month is stored in the class `DayOfYear` requires changes to the program!
- If we decide to store the month as three characters (JAN, FEB, etc.) instead of an int
 - `cin >> today.month` will no longer work
 - `if(today.month == birthday.month)` will no longer work
- **An ideal class definition of `DayOfYear` could be changed without requiring changes to the program that uses `DayOfYear`!**

Fixing DayOfYear

- To fix DayOfYear

- We need to add member functions to use when changing or accessing the member variables
- If the program never directly references the member variables, changing how the variables are stored will not require changing the program
- We need to be sure that the program does not ever directly reference the member variables

Public Or Private?

- **C++ helps us restrict the program from directly referencing member variables**
 - **Private** members of a class **can only be referenced within** the definitions of **member functions**
 - If the program tries to access a private member, the compiler gives an error message
 - Private members can be variables or functions

Private Variables

- **Private variables cannot be accessed directly by the program**
 - Changing their values requires the use of public member functions of the class
 - Example

```
void DayOfYear::set(int new_month, int new_day)
{
    month = new_month;
    day = new_day;
}
```

Public or Private Members

- The keyword **private** identifies the members of a class that can be accessed only by member functions of the class
 - Members that follow the keyword private are **private members** of the class
- The keyword **public** identifies the members of a class that can be accessed from outside the class
 - Members that follow the keyword public are **public members** of the class

A New DayOfYear

```

1 //Program to demonstrate the class DayOfYear.
2 #include <iostream>
3
4 class DayOfYear
5 {
6 public:
7     void input( );
8     void output( );
9
10    void set(int newMonth, int newDay);
11    //Precondition: newMonth and newDay form a possible date.
12    //Postcondition: The date is reset according to the arguments.
13
14    int getMonth( );
15    //Returns the month, 1 for January, 2 for February, etc.
16
17    int getDay( );
18    //Returns the day of the month.
19 private:
20     void checkDate( ); // Private member function
21     int month; // Private member variables
22     int day;
23 };
24 int main( )
25 {
26     using namespace std;
27     DayOfYear today, bachBirthday;
28     cout << "Enter today's date:\n";
29     today.input( );
30     cout << "Today's date is ";
31     today.output( );
32
33     bachBirthday.set(3, 21);
34     cout << "J. S. Bach's birthday is ";
35     bachBirthday.output( );
36
37     if (today.getMonth( ) == bachBirthday.getMonth( ) &&
38         today.getDay( ) == bachBirthday.getDay( ))
39         cout << "Happy Birthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
40     else
41         cout << "Happy Unbirthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
42     return 0;
43 }
44 //Uses iostream:
45 void DayOfYear::input( )
46 {
47     using namespace std;
48     cout << "Enter the month as a number: ";

```

```

    cin >> month;
    cout << "Enter the day of the month: ";
    cin >> day;
    checkDate( );
}

```

Private members may be used in member function definitions (but not elsewhere).

```

void DayOfYear::output( )
//The definition of output() is the same as in the previous
//example.

void DayOfYear::set(int newMonth, int newDay)
{
    month = newMonth;
    day = newDay;
    checkDate();
}

void DayOfYear::checkDate( )
{
    using namespace std;
    if ((month < 1) || (month > 12) || (day < 1) || (day > 31))
    {
        cout << "Illegal date. Aborting program.\n";
        exit(1);
    }
}

int DayOfYear::getMonth( )
{
    return month;
}

int DayOfYear::getDay( )
{
    return day;
}

```


Using Private Variables

- **It is normal to make all member variables private**
- **Private variables require member functions to perform all changing and retrieving of values**
 - **Accessor (getter) functions** allow you to obtain the values of member variables
 - Example: `getDay()` in class `DayOfYear`
 - **Mutator (setter) functions** allow you to change the values of member variables
 - Example: `set()` in class `DayOfYear`

General Class Definitions

- The syntax for a class definition is

```
class Class_Name
{
    public:
        Member_Specification_1
        Member_Specification_2
        ...
        Member_Specification_3
    private:
        Member_Specification_n+1
        Member_Specification_n+2
        ...
};
```

Declaring an Object

- **Once a class is defined, an object of the class is declared just as variables of any other type**

Example: To create two objects of type Bicycle:

```
class Bicycle
{
    // class definition lines
};
```

```
Bicycle myBike, yourBike;
```

The Assignment Operator

- **Objects and structures can be assigned values with the assignment operator (=)**

- Example:

```
DayOfYear dueDate, tomorrow;
```

```
tomorrow.set(11, 19);
```

```
dueDate = tomorrow;
```

- If the class contains pointers, a **deep copy** is required to copy what the pointers refer to
→ Will be discussed later

Program Example

■ BankAccount Class

- Withdrawal of money at any time
- Storing an account balance
- Storing the account's interest rate

```
1 //Program to demonstrate the class BankAccount.
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 //Class for a bank account:
6 class BankAccount
7 {
8 public:
9     void set(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
10    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.cents;
11    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.
12
13    void set(int dollars, double rate);
14    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.00.
15    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.
16
17    void update( );
18    //Postcondition: One year of simple interest has been
19    //added to the account balance.
20
21    double getBalance( );
22    //Returns the current account balance.
23
24    double getRate( );
25    //Returns the current account interest rate as a percentage.
26
27    void output(ostream& outs);
28    //Precondition: If outs is a file output stream, then
29    //outs has already been connected to a file.
30    //Postcondition: Account balance and interest rate have
31    //been written to the stream outs.
32 private:
33     double balance;
34     double interestRate;
35
36     double fraction(double percent);
37    //Converts a percentage to a fraction. For example, fraction(50.3)
38    //returns 0.503.
39 };
40
41 int main( )
42 {
43     BankAccount account1, account2;
44     cout << "Start of Test:\n";
45     account1.set(123, 99, 3.0);
46     cout << "account1 initial statement:\n";
47     account1.output(cout);
48     account1.set(100, 5.0);
49     cout << "account1 with new setup:\n";
50     account1.output(cout);
51 }
```

The member function `set` is overloaded.

Calls to the overloaded member function `set`

Program Example

■ BankAccount Class

- Withdrawal of money at any time
- Storing an account balance
- Storing the account's interest rate

```
44     account1.update( );
45     cout << "account1 after update:\n";
46     account1.output(cout);
47
48     account2 = account1;
49     cout << "account2:\n";
50     account2.output(cout);
51     return 0;
52 }
53
54 void BankAccount::set(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
55 {
56     if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || (rate < 0))
57     {
58         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
59         return;
60     }
61     balance = dollars + 0.01*cents;
62     interestRate = rate;
63 }
64
65 void BankAccount::set(int dollars, double rate)
66 {
67     if ((dollars < 0) || (rate < 0))
68     {
69         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
70         return;
71     }
72     balance = dollars;
73     interestRate = rate;
74 }
75
76 void BankAccount::update( )
77 {
78     balance = balance + fraction(interestRate)*balance;
79 }
80
81 double BankAccount::fraction(double percentValue)
82 {
83     return (percentValue / 100.0);
84 }
85
86 double BankAccount::getBalance( )
87 {
88     return balance;
89 }
```

Definitions of overloaded member function set

In the definition of a member function, you call another member function like this.

Constructors

Constructors

- **A constructor can be used to initialize member variables when an object is declared**
 - A constructor is a member function that is usually **public**
 - A constructor is **automatically called when an object of the class is declared**
 - A constructor's name must be the **name of the class**
 - A constructor **cannot return a value**

Constructor Declaration


- A constructor for the `BankAccount` class could be declared as:

```
class BankAccount
{
    public:
        BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
        //initializes the balance to $dollars.cents
        //initializes the interest rate to rate percent

};
```

Constructor Definition

- The constructor for the **BankAccount** class could be defined as



```
BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
{
    if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || ( rate < 0 ))
    {
        cout << "Illegal values for money or rate\n";
        exit(1);
    }
    balance = dollars + 0.01 * cents;
    interestRate = rate;
}
```

Note that the class name and function name are the same

Calling A Constructor

- A constructor is not called like a normal member function:

```
BankAccount account1;  
account1.BankAccount(10, 50, 2.0);
```



- A constructor is called in the object declaration

```
BankAccount account1(10, 50, 2.0);
```

- Creates a BankAccount object and calls the constructor to initialize the member variables

Overloading Constructors

- **Constructors can be overloaded by defining constructors with different parameter lists**
 - Other possible constructors for the BankAccount class might be

```
BankAccount (double balance, double interestRate);  
BankAccount (double balance);  
BankAccount ( );
```

The Default Constructor

- A default constructor uses no parameters

Declaration example

```
class BankAccount
{
    public:
        BankAccount( );
        // initializes balance to $0.00
        // initializes rate to 0.0%
};
```

Definition example

```
BankAccount::BankAccount( )
{
    balance = 0;
    rate = 0.0;
}
```

The Default Constructor (Cont.)

- The default constructor is **called during declaration of an object**
 - **An argument list is not used**

```
BankAccount account1;
```

```
// uses the default BankAccount constructor
```

Example

```
1 //Program to demonstrate the class BankAccount.
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 //Class for a bank account:
6 class BankAccount
7 {
8 public:
9     BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
10    //Initializes the account balance to $dollars.cents and
11    //initializes the interest rate to rate percent.
12
13    BankAccount(int dollars, double rate);
14    //Initializes the account balance to $dollars.00 and
15    //initializes the interest rate to rate percent.
16
17    BankAccount( );
18    //Initializes the account balance to $0.00
19    //and the interest rate to 0.0%.
20
21    void set(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
22    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.cents;
23    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.
24
25    void set(int dollars, double rate);
26    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.00.
27    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.
28
29    void update( );
30
31    //Postcondition: One year of simple interest has been added
32    //to the account balance.
33
34    double getBalance( );
35    //Returns the current account balance.
36
37    double getRate( );
38    //Returns the current account interest rate as a percentage.
39
40    void output(ostream& outs);
41    //Precondition: If outs is a file output stream, then
42    //outs has already been connected to a file.
43    //Postcondition: Account balance and interest rate
44    //have been written to the stream outs.
45 private:
46     double balance;
47     double interestRate;
48
49     double fraction(double percent);
50    //Converts a percentage to a fraction. For example, fraction(50.3)
51    //returns 0.503.
52
53 }
```

```
42 int main( )
43 {
44     BankAccount account1(100, 2.3), account2;
45
46     cout << "account1 initialized as follows:\n";
47     account1.output(cout);
48     cout << "account2 initialized as follows:\n";
49     account2.output(cout);
50
51     account1 = BankAccount(999, 99, 5.5);
52     cout << "account1 reset to the following:\n";
53     account1.output(cout);
54     return 0;
55 }
56 BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
57 {
58     if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || (rate < 0))
59     {
60         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
61         return;
62     }
63     balance = dollars + 0.01 * cents;
64     interestRate = rate;
65 }
66 BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, double rate)
67 {
68     if ((dollars < 0) || (rate < 0))
69     {
70         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
71         return;
72     }
73     balance = dollars;
74     interestRate = rate;
75 }
76 BankAccount::BankAccount( ) : balance(0), interestRate(0.0)
77 {
78     //Body intentionally empty
79 }
```

This declaration causes a call to the default constructor. Notice that there are no parentheses.

An explicit call to the constructor
BankAccount::BankAccount

Initialization Sections

- An initialization section in a function definition provides an alternative way to initialize member variables

```
BankAccount::BankAccount( ): balance(0), interestRate(0.0)
{
    // No code needed in this example
}
```

- The values in parenthesis are the initial values for the member variables listed

Parameters and Initialization

- An initialization section in a function definition provides an alternative way to initialize member variables

```
BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
    : balance(dollars + 0.01 * cents), interestRate(rate)
{
    if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || (rate < 0))
    {
        cout << "Illegal values for money or rate\n";
        exit(1);
    }
}
```


Member Initializers

- **C++11 supports a feature called member initialization**

- Simply set member variables in the class

- Ex:

```
class Coordinate
{
    private:
        int x=1;
        int y=2;
        ...
};
```



Creating a Coordinate object will
initialize its x variable to 1 and y to 2

Constructor Delegation

- **C++11 also supports constructor delegation.**
 - This lets you have a constructor **invoke another constructor** in the initialization section
- **For example, make the default constructor call a second constructor that sets X to 99 and Y to 99:**

```
Coordinate::Coordinate() : Coordinate(99,99)
{ }
```

Abstract Data Types

Abstract Data Type

- **ADT** is a kind of user-defined data type composed of
 - A collection of values
 - A set of operations (function) on the values
- **ADT specifies** what the operation do, **not how to implement them**
- **So, ADT hides the internal structure and design of data types from the user**
- **ADT specification consists of**
 - Names of every function, the type of its arguments, type of its result
- **A data type is an Abstract Data Type (ADT) if programmers using the type do not have access to the details of how the values and operations are implemented**

Classes To Produce ADTs

- To define a class so it is an ADT
 - Separate the specification of how the type is used by a programmer from the details of how the type is implemented
 - Make all member variables **private** members
 - Basic operations a programmer needs should be public member functions
 - Fully specify how to use each public function
 - Helper functions should be private members

ADT Interface

- The **ADT interface** tells how to use the ADT in a program
 - The **interface** consists of
 - The **public member functions**
 - The **comments that explain how to use the functions**
 - The interface should be all that is needed to know how to use the ADT in a program



ADT Implementation

- The **ADT implementation** tells how the interface is realized in C++
 - The implementation consists of
 - The **private members** of the class
 - The **definitions of public and private member functions**
 - The implementation is not needed to write the main part of a program or any non-member functions

ADT Benefits

- **Changing an ADT implementation does require changing a program that uses the ADT!**
- **Make it easier to divide work among different programmers**
 - One or more can write the ADT
 - One or more can write code that uses the ADT

Example: The BankAccount ADT

- In this version of the BankAccount ADT

- Data is stored as three member variables
 - The dollars part of the account balance
 - The cents part of the account balance
 - The interest rate
- The public portion of the class definition remains unchanged from the previous version

```

1 //Demonstrates an alternative implementation of the class BankAccount.
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <cmath>
4 using namespace std;

5 //Class for a bank account:
6 class BankAccount
7 {
8 public:
9     BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
10    //Initializes the account balance to $dollars.cents and
11    //initializes the interest rate to rate percent.

12    BankAccount(int dollars, double rate);
13    //Initializes the account balance to $dollars.00 and
14    //initializes the interest rate to rate percent.

15    BankAccount( );
16    //Initializes the account balance to $0.00 and the
17    //interest rate to 0.0%.

18    void set(int dollars, int cents, double rate);
19    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.cents;
20    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.

21    void set(int dollars, double rate);
22    //Postcondition: The account balance has been set to $dollars.00.
23    //The interest rate has been set to rate percent.

24    void update( );
25    //Postcondition: One year of simple interest has been
26    //added to the account balance.

27    double getBalance( );
28    //Returns the current account balance.

29    double getRate( );
30    //Returns the current account interest rate as a percentage.

31    void output(ostream& outs);
32    //Precondition: If outs is a file output stream, then
33    //outs has already been connected to a file.
34    //Postcondition: Account balance and interest rate
35    //have been written to the stream outs.

36 private:
37     int dollarsPart;
38     int centsPart;
39     double interestRate;
40     //Expressed as a fraction, for example, 0.057 for 5.7%

```

```

41     double fraction(double percent);
42     //Converts a percentage to a fraction. For example, fraction(50.3)
43     //returns 0.503.

44     double percent(double fractionValue);
45     //Converts a fraction to a percentage. For example, percent(0.503)
46     //returns 50.3.
47 };

48 int main( )
49 {
50     BankAccount account1(100, 2.3), account2;

51     cout << "account1 initialized as follows:\n";
52     account1.output(cout);
53     cout << "account2 initialized as follows:\n";
54     account2.output(cout);

55     account1 = BankAccount(999, 99, 5.5);
56     cout << "account1 reset to the following:\n";
57     account1.output(cout);
58     return 0;
59 }

60 BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
61 {
62     if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || (rate < 0))
63     {
64         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
65         exit(1);
66     }
67     dollarsPart = dollars;
68     centsPart = cents;
69     interestRate = fraction(rate);
70 }
71 BankAccount::BankAccount(int dollars, double rate)
72 {
73     if ((dollars < 0) || (rate < 0))
74     {
75         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
76         exit(1);
77     }
78     dollarsPart = dollars;
79     centsPart = 0;
80     interestRate = fraction(rate);
81 }
82
83
84
85

```

In the old implementation of this ADT, the private member function `fraction` was used in the definition of `update`. In this implementation, `fraction` is instead used in the definition of constructors and in the `set` function.

```

84 BankAccount::BankAccount( ) : dollarsPart(0), centsPart(0), interestRate(0.0)
85
86 {
87     //Body intentionally empty.
88 }
89 double BankAccount::fraction(double percentValue)
90 {
91     return (percentValue/100.0);
92 }
93 //Uses cmath:
94 void BankAccount::update( )
95 {
96     double balance = getBalance( );
97     balance = balance + interestRate * balance;
98     dollarsPart = staticCast<int>(floor(balance));
99     centsPart = staticCast<int>(floor((balance - dollarsPart)*100));
100 }
101 double BankAccount::getBalance( )
102 {
103     return (dollarsPart + 0.01 * centsPart);
104 }
105 double BankAccount::percent(double fractionValue)
106 {
107     return (fractionValue * 100);
108 }
109 double BankAccount::getRate( )
110 {
111     return percent(interestRate);
112 }
113 //Uses iostream:
114 void BankAccount::output(ostream& outs)
115 {
116     outs.setf(ios::fixed);
117     outs.setf(ios::showpoint);
118     outs.precision(2);
119     outs << "Account balance $" << getBalance( ) << endl;
120     outs << "Interest rate "<< getRate( ) << "%" << endl;
121 }

```

```

122 void BankAccount::set(int dollars, int cents, double rate)
123 {
124     if ((dollars < 0) || (cents < 0) || (rate < 0))
125     {
126         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
127         return;
128     }
129     dollarsPart = dollars;
130     centsPart = cents;
131     interestRate = fraction(rate);
132 }
133 void BankAccount::set(int dollars, double rate)
134 {
135     if ((dollars < 0) || (rate < 0))
136     {
137         cout << "Illegal values for money or interest rate.\n";
138         return;
139     }
140     dollarsPart = dollars;
141     interestRate = fraction(rate);
142 }

```

Interface Preservation

- **To preserve the interface of an ADT so that programs using it do not need to be changed**
 - Public member declarations cannot be changed
 - Public member definitions can be changed
 - Private member functions can be added, deleted, or changed
- It is necessary to carefully determine the public members and their declaration

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