

Classes (Part2)

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Agenda

- **Friend Function and Friend Class**
- **Operator Overloading**

Friends

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- **Class operations are typically implemented as member functions**
 - Because nonpublic members cannot be accessed by a global function or other classes

```
class a;  
a.f();
```

- **Some operations are better implemented as ordinary (nonmember) functions**

```
class a, b, c;  
c=f(a, b);
```

- **A class can allow another **class** or **function** to access its nonpublic members by making that class or function a **friend****



DayOfYear class

- The DayOfYear class with an equality function

- **equality function:** tests **two objects of type DayOfYear** to see if their values represent the same date

- The equal() Function

- return **true** if the dates are the same
- requires a parameter for each of the two dates to compare
- **Declaration**

```
bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2);
```

Notice that equal() is not a member of the class DayOfYear!!

DayOfYear class (Cont.)

- **equal() is not a member function**

- must use public accessor functions to obtain the day and month from a DayOfYear object

- **equal() can be defined in this way:**

```
bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2)
{
    return ( date1.getMonth( ) == date2.getMonth( ) &&
            date1.getDay( ) == date2.getDay( ) );
}
```

```

1 //Program to demonstrate the function equal. The class DayOfYear
2 //is the same as in Self-Test Exercises 23-24 in Chapter 10.
3 #include <iostream>
4 using namespace std;

5 class DayOfYear
6 {
7 public:
8     DayOfYear(int theMonth, int theDay);
9     //Precondition: theMonth and theDay form a
10    //possible date. Initializes the date according
11    //to the arguments.

12    DayOfYear( );
13    //Initializes the date to January first.

14    void input( );

15    void output( );

16    int getMonth( );
17    //Returns the month, 1 for January, 2 for February, etc.

18    int getDay( );
19    //Returns the day of the month.
20 private:
21    void checkDate( );
22    int month;
23    int day;
24 };

25
26 bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2);
27 //Precondition: date1 and date2 have values.
28 //Returns true if date1 and date2 represent the same date;
29 //otherwise, returns false.

30
31 int main( )
32 {
33     DayOfYear today, bachBirthday(3, 21);
34
35     cout << "Enter today's date:\n";
36     today.input( );
37     cout << "Today's date is ";
38     today.output( );
39
40     cout << "J. S. Bach's birthday is ";

```

```

41     bachBirthday.output( );
42
43     if (equal(today, bachBirthday))
44         cout << "Happy Birthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
45     else
46         cout << "Happy Unbirthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
47     return 0;
48 }
49
50 bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2)
51 {
52     return ( date1.getMonth( ) == date2.getMonth( ) &&
53             date1.getDay( ) == date2.getDay( ) );
54 }
55
56 DayOfYear::DayOfYear(int theMonth, int theDay)
57     : month(theMonth), day(theDay)
58 {
59     checkDate();
60 }
61
62 int DayOfYear::getMonth( )
63 {
64     return month;
65 }
66
67 int DayOfYear::getDay( )
68 {
69     return day;
70 }
71
72 //Uses iostream:
73 void DayOfYear::input( )
74 {
75     cout << "Enter the month as a number: ";
76     cin >> month;
77     cout << "Enter the day of the month: ";
78     cin >> day;
79 }
80
81 //Uses iostream:
82 void DayOfYear::output( )
83 {
84     cout << "month = " << month
85           << ", day = " << day << endl;
86 }

```

Omitted function and constructor definitions are as in Chapter 10, Self-Test Exercises 14 and 24, but those details are not needed for what we are doing here.

DayOfYear class (Cont.)

▪ A More Efficient equal()

```
bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2)
{
    return (date1.month == date2.month &&
            date1.day == date2.day );
}
```

- The code is **simpler and more efficient**
- Direct access of private member variables is **not legal!**

Friend Functions

- Friend functions are **not members of a class**, but **can access private member variables of the class**
 - A friend function is declared using the keyword **friend** in the class declaration and definition
 - A friend function is not a member function
 - A friend function is a global function
 - A friend function can access nonpublic members of the class

Declaring A Friend

- `equal()` is declared as a friend in the class definition

```
class DayOfYear
{
    public:
        friend bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2);
        // The rest of the public members

    private:
        // the private members
};
```

Using A Friend Function

- A friend function is declared as a friend in the class definition
- A friend function is defined as a **nonmember function without using the scope resolution operator "::"**
- A friend function is **called without using the '.' operator**

```
class DayOfYear
{
public:
    friend bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2);
    //Precondition: date1 and date2 have values.
    //Returns true if date1 and date2 represent the same date;
    //otherwise, returns false.

    DayOfYear(int theMonth, int theDay);
    //Precondition: theMonth and theDay form a
    //possible date. Initializes the date according
    //to the arguments.

    DayOfYear( );
    //Initializes the date to January first.

    void input( );

    void output( );

    int getMonth( );
    //Returns the month, 1 for January, 2 for February, etc.

    int getDay( );
    //Returns the day of the month.
private:
    void checkDate( );
    int month;
    int day;
};
```

```
bool equal(DayOfYear date1, DayOfYear date2)
{
    return (date1.month == date2.month &&
            date1.day == date2.day);
}
```

```
int main( )
{
    DayOfYear today, bachBirthday(3, 21);

    cout << "Enter today's date:\n";
    today.input( );
    cout << "Today's date is ";
    today.output( );

    cout << "J. S. Bach's birthday is ";
    bachBirthday.output( );

    if (equal(today, bachBirthday))
        cout << "Happy Birthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
    else
        cout << "Happy Unbirthday Johann Sebastian!\n";
    return 0;
}
```

Are Friends Needed?

- use a member function if the task performed by the function involves only one class
- use a nonmember function **if the task performed by the function involves more than one classes**
- Friend functions are also used in operator overloading.

Program Example: Money Class

- U.S. currency is represented
- Value is implemented as an integer
- Two friend functions, `equal()` and `add()`, are used

```
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
```

```

//Program to demonstrate the class Money.
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <cctype>
using namespace std;

//Class for amounts of money in U.S. currency.
class Money
{
public:
    friend Money add(Money amount1, Money amount2);
    //Precondition: amount1 and amount2 have been given values.
    //Returns the sum of the values of amount1 and amount2.

    friend bool equal(Money amount1, Money amount2);
    //Precondition: amount1 and amount2 have been given values.
    //Returns true if the amount1 and amount2 have the same value;
    //otherwise, returns false.

    Money(long dollars, int cents);
    //Initializes the object so its value represents an amount with the
    //dollars and cents given by the arguments. If the amount is negative,
    //then both dollars and cents must be negative.

    Money(long dollars);
    //Initializes the object so its value represents $dollars.00.

    Money( );
    //Initializes the object so its value represents $0.00.

    double getValue( );
    //Precondition: The calling object has been given a value.
    //Returns the amount of money recorded in the data of the calling object.

    void input(istream& ins);
    //Precondition: If ins is a file input stream, then ins has already been
    //connected to a file. An amount of money, including a dollar sign, has been
    //entered in the input stream ins. Notation for negative amounts is -$100.00.
    //Postcondition: The value of the calling object has been set to
    //the amount of money read from the input stream ins.

    void output(ostream& outs);
    //Precondition: If outs is a file output stream, then outs has already been
    //connected to a file.
    //Postcondition: A dollar sign and the amount of money recorded
    //in the calling object have been sent to the output stream outs.
private:
    long allCents;
};

```

```

int digitToInt(char c);
//Function declaration for function used in the definition of Money::input:
//Precondition: c is one of the digits '0' through '9'.
//Returns the integer for the digit; for example, digitToInt('3') returns 3.

int main( )
{
    Money yourAmount, myAmount(10, 9), ourAmount;
    cout << "Enter an amount of money: ";
    yourAmount.input(cin);
    cout << "Your amount is ";
    yourAmount.output(cout);
    cout << endl;
    cout << "My amount is ";
    myAmount.output(cout);
    cout << endl;

    if (equal(yourAmount, myAmount))
        cout << "We have the same amounts.\n";
    else
        cout << "One of us is richer.\n";
    ourAmount = add(yourAmount, myAmount);
    yourAmount.output(cout);
    cout << " + ";
    myAmount.output(cout);
    cout << " equals ";
    ourAmount.output(cout);
    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}

Money add(Money amount1, Money amount2)
{
    Money temp;

    temp.allCents = amount1.allCents + amount2.allCents;
    return temp;
}

bool equal(Money amount1, Money amount2)
{
    return (amount1.allCents == amount2.allCents);
}

Money::Money(long dollars, int cents)
{
    if (dollars * cents < 0) //If one is negative and one is positive

```

```

    {
        cout << "Illegal values for dollars and cents.\n";
        exit(1);
    }
    allCents = dollars * 100 + cents;
}

Money::Money(long dollars) : allCents(dollars * 100)
{
    //Body intentionally blank. 96
}

Money::Money() : allCents(0)
{
    //Body intentionally blank. 101
}

double Money::getValue()
{
    return (allCents * 0.01);
}

//Uses iostream, ctype, cstdlib:
void Money::input(istream& ins)
{
    char oneChar, decimalPoint, digit1, digit2;
    //digits for the amount of cents
    long dollars;
    int cents;
    bool negative; //set to true if input is negative.

    ins >> oneChar;
    if (oneChar == '-')
    {
        negative = true;
        ins >> oneChar; //read '$'
    }
    else
        negative = false;
    //if input is legal, then oneChar == '$'

    ins >> dollars >> decimalPoint >> digit1 >> digit2;

    if (oneChar != '$' || decimalPoint != '.' ||
        !isdigit(digit1) || !isdigit(digit2))

```

```

    {
        cout << "Error illegal form for money input\n";
        exit(1);
    }
    cents = digitToInt(digit1) * 10 + digitToInt(digit2);

    allCents = dollars * 100 + cents;
    if (negative)
        allCents = -allCents;
}

//Uses cstdlib and iostream:
void Money::output(ostream& outs)
{
    long positiveCents, dollars, cents;
    positiveCents = labs(allCents);
    dollars = positiveCents / 100;
    cents = positiveCents % 100;

    if (allCents < 0)
        outs << "-$" << dollars << '.';
    else
        outs << "$" << dollars << '.';

    if (cents < 10)
        outs << '0';
    outs << cents;
}

int digitToInt(char c)
{
    return ( static_cast<int> ( c ) - static_cast<int>( '0' ) );
}

```

```

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

```

A call-by-reference parameter for class type

- Call-by-reference parameters would be more better when the parameters are class type

```
//A function declaration with constant parameters
friend Money add(Money& amount1, Money& amount2);

//A function definition with constant parameters
Money add(Money& amount1, Money& amount2)
{
    ...
}
```

- Need to use the modifier “**const**” when using a call-by-reference parameter
 - If the function does not change the value of the parameter, mark the parameter with **the** modifier “**const**” so the compiler knows it should not be changed

const Parameter Modifier

- To mark a call-by-reference parameter so it cannot be changed:
 - Use the modifier **const** before the parameter type
 - The parameter becomes a *constant parameter*
 - Example

```
//A function declaration with constant parameters
friend Money add(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);

//A function definition with constant parameters
Money add(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
{
    ...
}
```

const Parameter Modifier (Cont.)

- Will the compiler accept an accessor function call from the constant parameter?

```
Money add(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
{
    ...
    amount1.output(cout);
}
```

- The compiler will not accept this code
 - Because there is no guarantee that output() will not change the value of the parameter

Function Declarations With const

- **If a constant parameter makes a member function call...**

- The invoked member function must be marked so the compiler knows it will not change the parameter
- **const** is used to mark functions that will not change the value of an object
 - Use **const** after the parameter list and just before the semicolon

- **Example**

```
class Money
{
    public:
        ...
        void output (ostream& outs) const ;
        ...
}
```

```
void Money::output(ostream& outs) const
{
    // output statements
}
```

Friend Class

- A **friend class** can access the non-public (private and protected) members of the class in which it is declared as a friend.

```
#include <iostream>
class A {
private:
    int a;

public:
    A() { a = 0; }
    friend class B;
};
```

```
class B {
private:
    int b;

public:
    void showA(A& x)
    {
        std::cout << "A::a=" << x.a;
    }
};
```

```
int main()
{
    A a;
    B b;
    b.showA(a);
    return 0;
}
```

Overloading Operators

```
string s1 = "good ";  
string s2 = "morning!";  
  
string s3 = s1+s2;
```

Overloading Operators

- In the Money class, function add() was used to add two objects of type Money
- We will see how to use the '+' operator to make this code legal:

```
Money total, cost, tax;  
...  
total = cost + tax;  
// instead of total = add(cost, tax);
```

Operator Overloading

- Operators can be overloaded
- The definition of **+ operator** for the Money class is nearly the same as member function add()
- To overload the **+ operator** for the Money class
 - Use the name **+** in place of the name add()
 - Use keyword **operator** in front of the **+**
 - Example:

```
Money operator+ (const Money& amount1...
```



```
a3 =operator+(a1, a2);
```

```
a3 = a1 + a2;
```

Operator Overloading Rules

- An overloaded operator can be a **class member function** or a **global function**
 - If the overloaded operator is a global function,
 - At least one argument of an overloaded operator must be of a class type
 - If the overloaded operator accesses nonpublic members of a class, it should be declared as a friend of the class
- New operators cannot be created
- The number of arguments for an operator cannot be changed
- The **return type** of an overloaded operator
 - The logical and relational operators should return **bool**
 - The arithmetic operators should return a **value of the class type**
 - Assignment (=) and the compound-assignment (+=) operators should return a reference of the **left-hand operand**. Ex) a=b
- The precedence of an operator cannot be changed

[Operators that can be overloaded]

+	-	*	/	%	.	&		~
!	=	<	>	+=	-=	*=	/=	%=
._=	&=	=	<<	>>	<<=	>>=	==	!=
<=	>=	&&		++	--	,	->*	->
()	[]	new	delete	new[]	delete[]			

Choosing Member or Nonmember Implementation

- **We must decide whether to make the operator either**

- a class member
- an ordinary nonmember (global) function

- **Guidelines**

- The assignment (=), subscript ([]), call (()), and member access arrow (->) operators must be defined as **members**
- The compound-assignment operators (e.g., +=) ordinarily ought to be **members**
- Operators that change the state of their object usually should be **members**
- Symmetric operators, such as the arithmetic, equality, relational, and bitwise operators, usually should be defined as ordinary **nonmember functions**
 - Example) `int a; int b; double c;`
 `a=b+c; a=c+b;`

Nonmember Implementation Example

```
using namespace std;

//Class for amounts of money in U.S. currency.
class Money
{
public:
    friend Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    //Precondition: amount1 and amount2 have been given values.
    //Returns the sum of the values of amount1 and amount2.

    friend bool operator ==(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    //Precondition: amount1 and amount2 have been given values.
    //Returns true if amount1 and amount2 have the same value;
    //otherwise, returns false.

    Money(long dollars, int cents);
    Money(long dollars);

    Money( );

    double getValue( ) const;
    void input(istream& ins);
    void output(ostream& outs) const;
private:
    long allCents;
};

<Any extra function declarations from Display 11.3 go here.>

int main( )
{
    Money cost(1, 50), tax(0, 15), total;
    total = cost + tax;
    cout << "cost = ";
    cost.output(cout);
    cout << endl;
    cout << "tax = ";
    tax.output(cout);
    cout << endl;
    cout << "total bill = ";
    total.output(cout);
    cout << endl;
```

*Some comments from Display 11.4
have been omitted to save space
in this book, but they should be
included in a real program.*

```
    if (cost == tax)
        cout << "Move to another state.\n";
    else
        cout << "Things seem normal.\n";
    return 0;
}

Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
{
    Money temp;
    temp.allCents = amount1.allCents + amount2.allCents;
    return temp;
}

bool operator ==(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
{
    return (amount1.allCents == amount2.allCents);
}
```

```
cost = $1.50
tax = $0.15
total bill = $1.65
Things seem normal.
```

Overloading –

- Overloading the – **operator** with two parameters allows us to subtract Money objects as in

```
Money amount1, amount2, amount2;  
...  
amount3 = amount1 – amount2;
```

- Overloading the – **operator** with one parameter allows us to negate a money value like this

```
amount3 = -amount1;
```

Overloading -

```
//Class for amounts of money in U.S. currency.
class Money
{
public:
    friend Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    friend Money operator -(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    //Precondition: amount1 and amount2 have been given values.
    //Returns amount1 minus amount2.

    friend Money operator -(const Money& amount);
    //Precondition: amount has been given a value.
    //Returns the negative of the value of amount.

    friend bool operator ==(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);

    Money(long dollars, int cents);
    Money(long dollars);
    Money( );

    double getValue( ) const;

    void input(istream& ins);
    void output(ostream& outs) const;
private:
    long allCents;
};
```

This is an improved version of the class Money given in Display 11.5.

We have omitted the include directives and some of the comments, but you should include them in your programs.

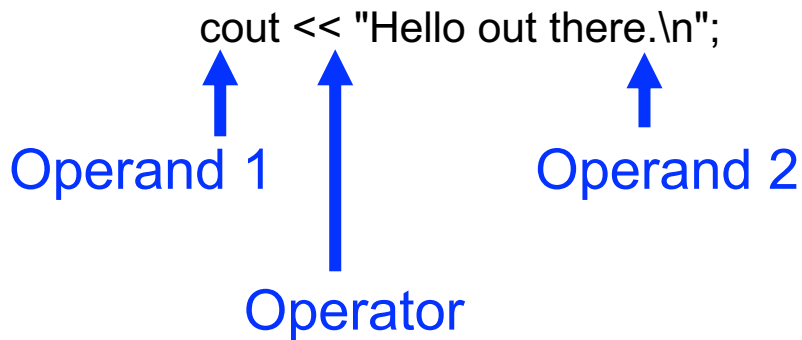
<Any additional function declarations as well as the main part of the program go here.>

```
Money operator -(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2)
{
    Money temp;
    temp.allCents = amount1.allCents - amount2.allCents;
    return temp;
}

Money operator -(const Money& amount)
{
    Money temp;
    temp.allCents = -amount.allCents;
    return temp;
}
```

Overloading <<

- **The insertion operator << is a binary operator**
 - The first operand is the output stream
 - The second operand is the value following <<



Overloading <<

- **Overloading the << operator allows us to use << instead of Money's output() function**
 - Given the declaration:

```
Money amount(100);  
amount.output( cout );
```

can become

```
cout << amount;
```

Overloading <<

■ What Does << Return?

- Because << is a binary operator
`cout << "I have " << amount << " in my purse.";`

seems as if it could be grouped as
`((cout << "I have") << amount) << "in my purse.";`

- To provide `cout` as an argument for `<< amount`,
`(cout << "I have") must return cout`

To provide `cout` as an argument for `<< amount`

```
cout << "I have " << amount << " in my purse.\n";
```

means the same as

```
((cout << "I have ") << amount) << " in my purse.\n";
```

and is evaluated as follows:

First evaluate `(cout << "I have ")`, which returns `cout`:

```
((cout << "I have ") << amount) << " in my purse.\n";
```

and the string "I have" is output.

```
(cout << amount) << " in my purse.\n";
```

Then evaluate `(cout << amount)`, which returns `cout`:

```
(cout << amount) << " in my purse.\n";
```

and the value of amount is output.

```
cout << " in my purse.\n";
```

Then evaluate `cout << " in my purse.\n"`, which returns `cout`:

```
cout << " in my purse.\n";
```

and the string "in my purse.n" is output.

```
cout;
```

Since there are no more << operators, the process ends.

```
ins >> dollars >> decimalPoint >> digit1 >> digit2;
```

Overloading <<

- **Declaration**

```
class Money
{
    public:
        ...
        friend ostream& operator << (ostream& outs,
                                     const Money& amount);
        ...
}
```

- **Definition**

```
ostream& operator <<(ostream& outs, const Money& amount)
{
    ....
    return outs;
}
```


Overloading >>

- >> could be defined this way for the Money class

```
istream& operator >>(istream& ins, Money& amount);  
{  
    ....  
    return ins;  
}
```

```

//Program to demonstrate the class Money
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <cctype>
using namespace std;

//Class for amounts of money in U.S. currency.
class Money
{
public:
    friend Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    friend Money operator -(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);
    friend Money operator -(const Money& amount);
    friend bool operator ==(const Money& amount1, const Money& amount2);

    Money(long dollars, int cents);

    Money(long dollars);

    Money( );

    double get_value( ) const;

    friend istream& operator >>(istream& ins, Money& amount);
    //Overloads the >> operator so it can be used to input values of type Money.
    //Notation for inputting negative amounts is as in -$100.00.
    //Precondition: If ins is a file input stream, then ins has already been
    //connected to a file.

    friend ostream& operator <<(ostream& outs, const Money& amount);
    //Overloads the << operator so it can be used to output values of type Money.
    //Precedes each output value of type Money with a dollar sign.
    //Precondition: If outs is a file output stream,
    //then outs has already been connected to a file.

private:
    long all_cents;
};

int digit_to_int(char c);
//Used in the definition of the overloaded input operator >>.
//Precondition: c is one of the digits '0' through '9'.
//Returns the integer for the digit; for example, digit_to_int('3') returns 3.

```

```

int main( )
{
    Money amount;
    ifstream in_stream;
    ofstream out_stream;

    in_stream.open("infile.dat");
    if (in_stream.fail( ))
    {
        cout << "Input file opening failed.\n";
        exit(1);
    }

    out_stream.open("outfile.dat");
    if (out_stream.fail( ))
    {
        cout << "Output file opening failed.\n";
        exit(1);
    }

    in_stream >> amount;
    out_stream << amount
        << " copied from the file infile.dat.\n";
    cout << amount
        << " copied from the file infile.dat.\n";

    in_stream.close( );
    out_stream.close( );

    return 0;
}

```

```

//Uses iostream, ctype, cstdlib:
istream& operator >>(istream& ins, Money& amount)
{
    char one_char, decimal_point,
        digit1, digit2; //digits for the amount of cents
    long dollars;
    int cents;
    bool negative; //set to true if input is negative.

    ins >> one_char;
    if (one_char == '-')
    {
        negative = true;
        ins >> one_char; //read '$'
    }
    else
        negative = false;
    //if input is legal, then one_char == '$'

    ins >> dollars >> decimal_point >> digit1 >> digit2;

    if (one_char != '$' || decimal_point != '.'
        || !isdigit(digit1) || !isdigit(digit2))
    {
        cout << "Error illegal form for money input\n";
        exit(1);
    }

    cents = digit_to_int(digit1) * 10 + digit_to_int(digit2);
    amount.all_cents = dollars * 100 + cents;
    if (negative)
        amount.all_cents = -amount.all_cents;
    return ins;
}

```

```

int digit_to_int(char c)
{
    return ( static_cast<int>(c) - static_cast<int>('0') );
}

//Uses cstdlib and iostream:
ostream& operator <<(ostream& outs, const Money& amount)
{
    long positive_cents, dollars, cents;
    positive_cents = labs(amount.all_cents);
    dollars = positive_cents/100;
    cents = positive_cents%100;

    if (amount.all_cents < 0)
        outs << "- $" << dollars << '.';
    else
        outs << "$" << dollars << '.';

    if (cents < 10)
        outs << '0';
    outs << cents;

    return outs;
}

```

Automatic Type Conversion

- **With the right constructors, the system can do type conversions for your classes**

```
Money baseAmount(100, 60), fullAmount;  
fullAmount = baseAmount + 25;
```

- The integer 25 is converted to type Money so it can be added to baseAmount!
- How does that happen?

Automatic Type Conversion (Cont.)

- When the compiler sees “baseAmount + 25”, it first looks for an overloaded **+ operator** to perform “MoneyObject + integer”

- If it exists, it might look like

```
friend Money operator +(const Money& amount1, const int& amount2);
```

- If the appropriate version of + is not found, the compiler looks for a constructor that takes a single integer
- The Money constructor that takes a single parameter of type long will work
 - The constructor Money(long dollars) converts 25 to a Money object so the two values can be added!

baseAmount + 25 → OK!

baseAmount + 25.67 → Error!

Automatic Type Conversion (Cont.)

- To permit `baseAmount + 25.67`,
 - the following constructor should be declared and defined


```
class Money
{
    public:
        ...
        Money(double amount);
        // Initialize object so its value is $amount
        ...
}
```


Overloaded Operator as a Class Member

- Declare the **overloaded operators as member functions** of a class
- The first (left-hand) operand is the object in which the overloaded operator is invoked.

- So, the member operator function has one parameter less than the operator has operands

- Example :

1st operand
(object) 
a = b+c;

1st operand
(object) 
a += b;
||
a.operator+=(b);

this

A hidden **pointer variable** that holds the address of current object

▪ Example

```
class Money
{
    public:
        Money operator+(const Money& amount2);
        .....
```

```
Money Money::operator+(const Money& amount2)
{
    Money temp;
    temp.all_cents = this->all_cents + amount2.all_cents;
    return temp;
}
```

Operator +=

- The compound-assignment operators (e.g., +=) ordinarily ought to be **members**

- **Example**

```
Money Amount1(10,10), Amount2(10, 9);  
Amount1 += Amount2;
```

```
class Money  
{  
public:  
    Money operator+=(const Money& amount2);  
    .....
```

```
Money& Money::operator+=(const Money& amount2)  
{  
    this->all_cents = this->all_cents + amount2.all_cents;  
    return *this;  
}
```

Why return reference? ➡

Amount1 += Amount2 += Amount3;
Amount1 = Amount2 = Amount3;

1st operand

a += b;

||

a.operator+=(b);

NEXT ?

Classes (Part3)

Arrays and Classes
