

Introduction to Programming - Workshops 19 & 20

Part 1. Exercises for mastering structures/classes and operator overloading

In addition to code classes and overload operator, the following points shall be discussed during this part of the workshop:

- constructors, constructor delegation feature.
- encapsulation, use of getters and setters.

1. Polar coordinates. The *polar coordinate space* is a bi-dimensional system, in which each point or vector is represented as $v=(\rho,\theta)$, such that ρ is the *vector radius* (i.e., the distance of v from the pole or origin, whereas θ is the *vector angle*. In this exercise, you are asked to:

(a) Create a class `PolarCoordinate` representing a point in the polar coordinate space. For simplicity, we can work with angles expressed in radians, instead of degrees.

(b) Implement two methods for conversion between 2D vectors in the *Cartesian space* and `PolarCoordinate` objects:

- Given a pair of real values (x,y) representing a 2D vector in the *Cartesian space*, a first method converts (x,y) into a `PolarCoordinate` object.
- Given a `PolarCoordinate` object $v=(\rho,\theta)$, a second method converts v into a pair of real values (x,y) representing a 2D vector in the *Cartesian space*.

$x = \rho \cos(\theta)$	$\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$	$\rho \geq 0$
$y = \rho \sin(\theta)$	$\theta = \text{atan2}(y, x)$	$\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$

formulae for conversion between systems. [atan2](#) is the angle formed by the vector (x,y) and the horizontal axis.

(c) Overload for the class `PolarCoordinate` the operators: `+` `-` `+=` `-=` corresponding to the traditional arithmetic operations between numbers in C++.

(d) Overload for the class `PolarCoordinate` the operators: `*` `/` `*=` `/=` corresponding to the multiplication and division of a `PolarCoordinate` object by a scalar value.

Note: to ease tasks in points (c) and (d), you could make use of the conversion methods in item (b), i.e., for summing `PolarCoordinate` objects, you convert them to Cartesian 2D vectors, perform the component-wise sum between vectors, and convert the result into a polar coordinate.

2. Polynomials. Polynomial expressions consist of various *terms* associated with a *coefficient*, a *variable*, and a *power*. For simplicity, we may consider polynomials with only one kind of *variable*, e.g., x .

(a) Declare and implement in C++ a class `Polynomial`.

(b) Overload the operators `+` `-` `*` `<<` and `[]` such that:

- operator`+` and operator`-`: makes a component-wise *sum/subtraction of polynomials* (e.g., coefficients of terms with the same power are summed or subtracted).
- operator`*`: Multiplication of the polynomial by a scalar value.
- operator`<<`: Print a `Polynomial` based on the example format: $4x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$.
- operator`[]`: Access to the coefficient of the i -th term of a polynomial.

3. BigIntegers. Modern programming languages provide class libraries for operating with numbers larger than what Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) hardware supports. These classes are [BigIntegers](#).

For example, a BigInteger may be a class with a dynamic vector of 1-byte variables as an attribute.

- (a) Declare and implement in C++ a class `BigInteger`.
- (b) Overload the operators `+` - for arithmetic sum and subtraction between two Big Integers.
- (c) Overload the operators `<<` and `>>` for printing and reading Big Integers.
- (d) Overload the operator `=` for assigning variables of type `int` or `long` to `BigInteger` objects.
- (e) Overload the operator `==` and `!=` for checking if two `BigInteger` objects are equal or not.
- (f) Overload inequality operators `<=`, `<`, `>`, `>=` for comparing two `BigInteger` objects.

Part 2. Static Class Members

When declaring class attributes as **static**, only one copy of such attribute is initialized in memory, regardless of how many objects of such a class were created in the program. The value of this static attribute is shared by all objects. Static functions can be called even if no objects are declared for that class. These are accessed using the class name and the scope resolution operator `::`

1. SmartHeaters.

(a) Declare a class called `WeatherContext` with a static attribute `std::map<int,float> w` where keys represent hours of the day, and values represent temperatures in Celsius.

For example, `w[11] = -20.0`, means that at 11:00 there is a temperature -20.0 C in the street.

(b) Implement a static function to fill the container `w` with data from the CSV file [murmansk.csv](#). The file lists the [Yandex forecast](#) of the mean temperature per hour in Murmansk for Wed 17.03.2021.

(c) Create two (or a container) of `SmartHeater` objects whose function is to “heat spaces of industry rooms according to the temperature in the street”. The attributes of a `SmartHeater` are:

```
static float externalTemp;    // the current temperature in the street.
static float idealTemp = 23.0; // the ideal room temperature where the heater is placed.
float increaseFactor;         // the difference between the externalTemp and idealTemp
```

(d) Make a loop so that: (I) takes a current hour temperature `w[x]` from the `WeatherContext` object, (II) updates the attribute `externalTemp` of one `SmartHeater`, and (III) updates the `increaseFactor` attribute of each object according to the distance between `idealTemp` and `externalTemp`.

For example, if `externalTemperature` is -9.0 and the `idealTemp = 23.0`, the `increaseFactor` shall be 31.0.

Part 3. Exceptions

- A C++ exception is a response to an exceptional circumstance that arises while a program is running, such as an attempt to divide by zero. Exceptions provide a way to transfer control from one part of the program to another (see image below with a small example).

- The C++ standard library provide a special exception class. All objects thrown by components of the C++ standard library are derived from this class.

To discuss with the students in the workshops:

- Derived classes of exceptions, e.g., see: <https://www.cplusplus.com/reference/exception/exception/>
- Examples of some derived classes of exceptions to discuss: [out_of_range](#) , [invalid_argument](#).

```

1  #include <iostream>
2
3  double divide(double x, double y)
4  {
5      if(y == 0)
6          throw "bad divide() arguments: y = 0 is not allowed";
7      return x / y;
8  }
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     double x, y, z;
13
14     while(std::cin >> x >> y)
15     {
16         try                // start of try block
17         {
18             z = divide(x,y);
19         }                  // end of try block
20         catch(const char* s) // start of exception handler
21         {
22             std::cout << s << std::endl;
23             continue;
24         }                  // end of exception handler
25         std::cout << z << std::endl;
26     }
27
28     return 0;
29 }

```

Basic example of the throw and try-catch mechanism in C++.

1. Managing exceptions in a user-defined class List

In this exercise, is it required to construct a class `List` whose methods must make use of exception objects of the C++ library. Then, in the main file of the project, these exceptions shall be tested using try-catch blocks.

(a) Create a class `List` with an attribute array of integers (`int []`) “c” of some pre-defined size (`MAX_CAPACITY`). The class may also have another `int` attribute `n` to track the current number of elements that have been added to “c”.

(b) Exception on constructor

- Create a constructor `List(const std::vector<int> v)` that copies all elements of `v` into the attribute `v` of the `List` object. If the size `m` of the vector `v` is bigger than the size `n` of the array `c` of the object `List`, then only the first `n` elements of vector `v` are copied to the array `c`, to guarantee the object consistency, but then an exception shall be *thrown*, informing this situation.

(c) Length error exception:

- Create a method that adds an integer element `x` to the attribute array `c` of a `List` object.
- For practice, this method could be implemented as an overload of operator `+`
- A length error exception must be thrown if the array `c` is already full, e.g., `n == MAX_CAPACITY`, so the element `x` cannot be inserted.

(d) Out-of-range exception:

- Overload the operator `[]` for class `List` so that to access directly to array elements of attribute `c` by using an integer index “i”.
- Throw an out-of-range exception if `i < 0` or `i >= n` where `n` is the current size of the `List` object.