

CHAPTER 9

CLASSES

CMPS 148

Lab #5

- Write a program that allows the user to type **any** amount of input numbers (-1 to stop):
 - ▣ Print out the sorted result
- Start by creating a **dynamic array** of size 5.
- Whenever the user enters too many numbers, grow the size of the array by 2
 - ▣ For example, when the 6th number is entered:
 - Create a new dynamic array of size 10
 - Transfer the existing 5 numbers
 - Delete the old array, change the pointer.
 - Add the 6th number

Today's Topics



- Introduction to C++ Objects
 - ▣ Creating a data type of our own
 - ▣ Using properties and functions
 - ▣ Pre-Defined classes

Objects and Variables



- We have seen a number of different data types
 - ▣ int, double, float, char, bool
- In a way, they represent *abstract* ideas of “things”
 - ▣ Integers -> 01011001
 - ▣ ‘A’ -> 110100
 - ▣ True -> 1

Objects and Variables

- Data Types can be ***instantiated*** as variables - or ***instances***.
 - ▣ `int x, y; // x and y are instances`
- You can have many instances of the same data-type
 - ▣ Each instance (or variable) has its own memory
 - ▣ Each instance conforms to the same “rules” as all other instances of the common data type
- Built-in data-types are also called **primitives**

Objects and Variables

- Often, we deal with programs that have *higher level* concepts involved.
 - ▣ We write programs that deal with:
 - Students and grades
 - Circles and rectangles (area, volume, etc.)
 - Bank loans and interest calculations
 - Etc.
- As our programs get larger, it is useful to model these ideas *directly* in C++
 - ▣ We will consider these ideas **objects**.

Objects



- Objects can be composed of two types of things:
 - ▣ State (Properties)
 - ▣ Behaviors (Actions)
- For example, we can consider a circle
 - ▣ Property: radius
 - ▣ Action: calculate area
- Or a loan...
 - ▣ Property: Principle, Interest Rate
 - ▣ Action: calculate monthly payment, print balance, etc.

Object-Oriented Programming



- OOP is the predominant style of modern programming
 - ▣ C++ was one of the first languages to stress this
 - ▣ C#, Java are other common OOP languages
 - ▣ Many languages have been given support:
 - JavaScript, PHP, Ruby, Groovy

Classes

- A *class* is a user-defined *data-type*.
 - A class's instances are called **objects**

Object is to *class* as
variable is to *data type*

- Lets create a Circle class in C++
 - Property: Radius
 - Action: `getArea()`

Class Definition

```
class Circle {
```

```
public:
```

```
    double radius;
```

Member Variable

```
    Circle() {  
        radius = 1;  
    }
```

Default Constructor

```
    Circle (double r) {  
        radius = r;  
    }
```

Constructor

```
    double getArea() {  
        return radius * radius * 3.14159;  
    }
```

Member Function

```
};
```

IMPORTANT!

- A class *definition* is **not** a program
 - Its job is to define a new type (or thing)
 - It is a *blueprint* for how its instances are built and behave
- To create an instance, you use the same syntax as regular variables (mostly)
 - `int x;`
 - `Circle c;`

Properties: Member Variables

- The semantics of Properties are different than you are used to.
- Think of an object as a collection of member variables
 - ▣ Each Circle instance has its own radius
- Later we will add more properties and functionality to our classes - we will come to think of them as “containers”

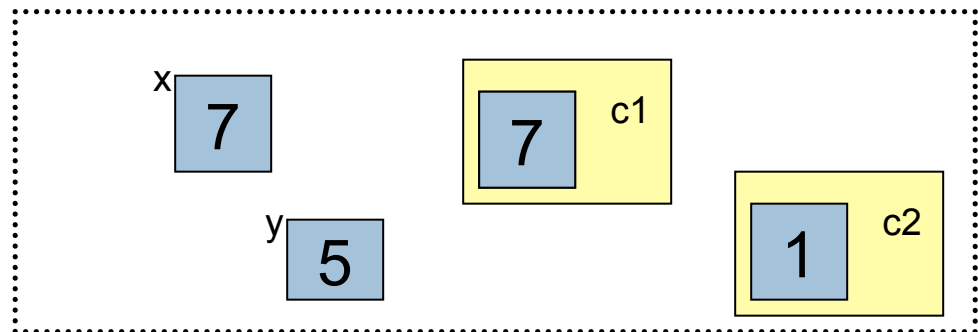
```
int x = 7;
```

```
int y = 5;
```

```
Circle c1;
```

```
Circle c2;
```

```
c1.radius = 7;
```



Constructors



- When creating a primitive, C++ allocates memory for you, but that's it..
- When creating an object, C++ provides a way for you to perform some initialization to *prepare* your object
 - ▣ Each class defines one or more **constructors**.
 - ▣ Special “functions” that automatically get called whenever an instance/object is created.

Constructor Syntax

- Constructors have **no** return type.
 - ▣ Their return is implicit - it's the newly initialized object
- Default constructors
 - ▣ No parameters
 - ▣ Called somewhat “magically”

```
class Circle {  
public:  
    double radius;  
  
    Circle() {  
        radius = 1;  
    }  
};  
  
int main() {  
    Circle c;  
    cout << c.radius << endl;  
}
```

Constructor Syntax

- You can provide “custom” constructors which accept arguments as parameters also.
- If you have custom constructors, you **must** write a default constructor

```
class Circle {  
public:  
    double radius;  
  
    Circle() {  
        radius = 1;  
    }  
    Circle(double r) {  
        radius = r;  
    }  
};  
  
int main() {  
    Circle c(15);  
    cout << c.radius << endl;  
}
```

Actions: Member Functions

- Our objects can perform actions - which we call *member functions*.
- They operate just like normal functions - but:
 - ▣ They have direct access to the member variables
 - ▣ They are called on **specific** instances of our objects

```
class Circle {  
public:  
    double radius;  
    ...  
    double getArea() {  
        return radius * radius *  
            2 * PI;  
    }  
};  
  
int main() {  
    Circle c;  
    cout << c.getArea() << endl;  
}
```


Using instances

- Write a program that creates two circles
 - ▣ One using default constructor
 - ▣ User enters radius of the other
 - ▣ Print area of both circles

Assignment



- When primitives are involved, the assignment operator works fairly simply:

```
int x = 5;  
int y;  
y = x;
```

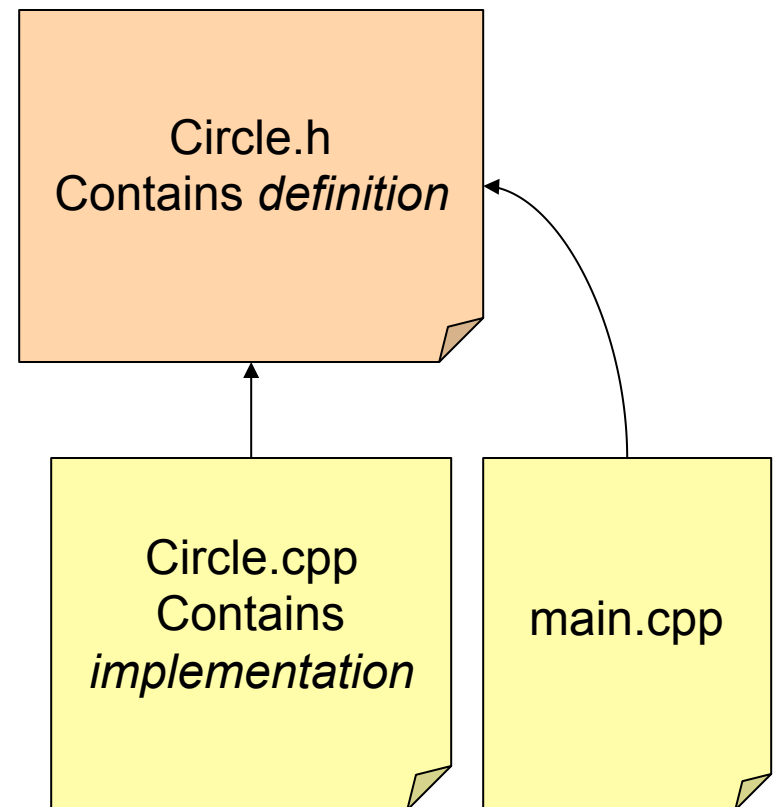
- For classes, the assignment operator performs a little more work on your behalf

- ▣ Each member variable is copied

```
Circle c1;  
Circle c2(4);  
c1 = c2;    (copies c2's radius into c1's radius)
```

Header Files

- Classes often contain many member variables and functions.
- To use someone else's class, you don't need to know how each function is implemented
 - ▣ You just need to know what is available.



Definition / Implementation

```
class Circle {  
public:  
    double radius;  
  
    Circle() ;  
    Circle(double r);  
    double getArea();  
};
```

Circle.h

Scoping Operator

```
#include "Circle.h"  
  
Circle :: Circle() {  
    radius = 1;  
}  
  
Circle :: Circle(double r) {  
    radius = r;  
}  
  
double Circle :: getArea() {  
    return 2 * PI *  
        radius * radius;  
}
```

Circle.cpp

Data Encapsulation

```
class Circle {  
public:  
    double radius;  
  
    Circle() ;  
    Circle(double r);  
    double getArea();  
};
```

- The keyword `public` tells C++ to allow “others” to use the variables and functions below
- Often it would be nice to keep all the variables, and some of the functions, private
- Private means **only** member functions within `Circle` can use those variables and functions.

Data Encapsulation



- Lets modify our Circle class to do the following:
 - ▣ Prevent “user” from setting negative radius
 - ▣ Pre-Calculate area so it doesn't need to be recomputed if radius has not changed since the last time `getArea()` was called.

Variable Scope

- Variable scope is a potential issue when dealing with member functions.
 - ▣ Member variables are “global” to all member functions
 - ▣ Local parameters or variables *within* member functions will *hide* member variables of the same name.

```
double setRadius(double radius) {  
    radius = radius; ??????  
}
```

Lab 6

□ Create a BankAccount Class

▣ Properties (Member Variables):

- Balance
- Interest Rate (yearly)

▣ Actions (Member Functions):

- Withdrawal(double amountToWithdraw)
- Deposit(double amountToDeposit)
- ApplyYearlyInterest() *use Deposit function*

□ Write a main program that uses your class and lets the user perform the three actions.

“Example” main

```
int main() {  
    BankAccount account;  
  
    account.Deposit(400); Prints 400  
    cout << "Balance: $" << account.getBalance() << endl;  
  
    account.ApplyInterest(); Prints 420  
    cout << "Balance: $" << account.getBalance() << endl;  
  
    account.Withdraw(50); Prints 370  
    cout << "Balance: $" << account.getBalance() << endl;  
  
    system("pause");  
}
```

