MEMBER OPERATOR OVERLOADS

Workshop 5 (10 marks – 3% of your final grade)

In this workshop, you are to overload member operators for a class type.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this workshop, you will have demonstrated the abilities

- to overload an operator as a member function of a class type
- to access the current object from within a member function
- to identify the lifetime of an object, including a temporary object
- to describe to your instructor what you have learned in completing this workshop

SUBMISSION POLICY

The "in-lab" section is to be completed during your assigned lab section. It is to be completed and submitted by the end of the workshop period. If you attend the lab period and cannot complete the in-lab portion of the workshop during that period, ask your instructor for permission to complete the in-lab portion after the period. If you do not attend the workshop, you can submit the "in-lab" section along with your "at-home" section (with a penalty; see below). The "at-home" portion of the lab is due on the day that is two days before your next scheduled workshop (23:59:59).

All your work (all the files you create or modify) must contain your name, Seneca email and student number.

You are responsible to back up your work regularly.

LATE SUBMISSION PENALTIES:

• *In-lab* portion submitted late, with *at-home* portion: **0** for *in-lab*. Maximum of 7/10 for the entire workshop.

• If any of *in-lab*, *at-home* or *reflection* portions is missing, the mark for the workshop will be **0**/10.

IN-LAB (30%)

In this workshop, you are to design a class that represents fractions. Fractions are common in many domains. For example:

- in baking, recipe ingredients are often listed in fractional measures (1/2 cup of flour for 1 batch of cookie dough),
- in many commercials, retailers use statistics expressed in fractional form to get you to buy their products:
 - 4/5 dentists approve this toothpaste
 - o 9/10 women prefer this lipstick

REVIEW OF FRACTIONS

A fraction is a number that can be represented as the ratio of one integer (numerator) over another integer (denominator). For example, 4/5, 3/7 and 12/2 are fractions; the 4, 3, and 12 are numerators and the 5, 7 and 2 are denominators. By convention, the denominator is a positive integer. A fraction with a denominator of 0 is ill-defined.

The following examples show the results of two basic operations on two fractions (a/b) and (c/d):

Addition:

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad + bc}{bd}$$

Multiplication:

$$\frac{a}{b} * \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ac}{bd}$$

YOUR TASK

Design and code a Fraction class that holds the information for a single fraction and defines the set of admissible mathematical operations on that fraction. The main function will use your design to perform these operations as if a Fraction object is just another C++ built-in arithmetic type.

Store your class definition in the header file named Fraction.h and your member function definitions in the implementation file named Fraction.cpp.

Your design includes the following member functions:

- **default constructor** (a constructor with no parameters): this constructor sets the object to a safe empty state;
- constructor with 2 parameters: receives the numerator and denominator of a fraction and stores the data only if it is valid. The data is valid if the numerator is non-negative-valued and the denominator is positive-valued. If the data is invalid, this constructor sets the object to a safe empty state.
- int max() const a private query that returns the greater of the numerator and
 denominator
- int min() const a private query that returns the lesser of the numerator and
 denominator
- void reduce() a private modifier that reduces the numerator and denominator
 by dividing each by their greatest common divisor
- bool isEmpty() const returns true if the object is in a safe empty state; false
 otherwise
- void display() const sends the fraction to standard output in the following
 form only if the object holds a valid fraction and its denominator is not unity
 (1)

NUMERATOR/DENOMINATOR

If the object holds a valid fraction and its denominator is unity (1), your function sends

NUMERATOR

If the object is in a safe empty state, your function sends

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no fraction stored
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overload operator+ as a member function – your function receives an unmodifiable reference to a Fraction object, which represents the right operand of the expression. The current object represents the left operand. If both of the operand are valid fractions, your function returns a copy of the result of the addition operation in reduced form. If either operand is in a safe empty state, your function returns a Fraction object in a safe empty state.

Using the sample implementation of the w5_in_lab.cpp main module shown below, test your code and make sure that it works. The expected output from your program is below the source code. The output of your program should match **exactly** the expected one.

IN-LAB MAIN MODULE

```
#include <iostream>
#include "Fraction.h"
using namespace std;
using namespace sict;
int main() {
    cout << "----" << endl;
    cout << "Fraction Class Test:" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "----" << endl;</pre>
    sict::Fraction a;
    cout << "Fraction a; // ";</pre>
    cout << "a = ";
    a.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction b(1, 3);
    cout << "Fraction b(1, 3); // ";</pre>
    cout << "b = ";
    b.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction c(-5, 15);
    cout << "Fraction c(-5, 15); //";</pre>
    cout << " c = ";
    c.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction d(2, 4);
    cout << "Fraction d(2, 4); //";</pre>
    cout << " d = ";
    d.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction e(8, 4);
    cout << "Fraction e(8, 2); //";</pre>
    cout << " e = ";
    e.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    cout << "a + b equals ";</pre>
    (a + b).display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    cout << "b + d equals ";</pre>
    (b + d).display();
   cout << endl;</pre>
```

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return 0;
}
```

IN-LAB OUTPUT

```
Fraction Class Test:

Fraction a; // a = no fraction stored

Fraction b(1, 3); // b = 1/3

Fraction c(-5, 15); // c = no fraction stored

Fraction d(2, 4); // d = 1/2

Fraction e(8, 2); // e = 2

a + b equals no fraction stored

b + d equals 5/6
```

IN-LAB SUBMISSION

To test and demonstrate execution of your program use the same data as the output example above.

If not on matrix already, upload Fraction.h, Fraction.cpp and w5_in_lab.cpp to your matrix account. Compile and run your code and make sure everything works properly.

Then, run the following script from your account (use your professor's Seneca userid to replace profname.proflastname):

~profname.proflastname/submit 244 w5 lab<ENTER>

and follow the instructions.

IMPORTANT: Please note that a successful submission does not guarantee full credit for this workshop. If your professor is not satisfied with your implementation, your professor may ask you to resubmit. Resubmissions will attract a penalty.

AT-HOME (30%)

To your Fraction class of your in-lab solution add the following member functions and implement them in the .cpp file of your Fraction module:

- overload operator* as a member function your function receives an unmodifiable reference to a Fraction object, which represents the right operand of the expression. The current object represents the left operand. If both of the operands are valid fractions, your function returns a copy of the result of the multiplication operation in reduced form. If either operand is in a safe empty state, your function returns a Fraction object in a safe empty state.
- overload operator== as a member query your function receives an unmodifiable reference to a Fraction object, which represents the right operand of the expression. The current object represents the left operand. If both of the operands are valid fractions of equal value, your function returns true; otherwise false. If either operand is in a safe empty state, your function returns false.
- overload operator! = as a member query your function receives an unmodifiable reference to a Fraction object, which represents the right operand of the expression. The current object represents the left operand. If both of the operands are valid fractions of unequal value, your function returns true; otherwise false. If either operand is in a safe empty state, your function returns false.
- overload operator+= as a member function your function receives an unmodifiable reference to a Fraction object, which represents the right operand of the expression. The current object represents the left operand. If both of the operands are valid fractions, your function stores the result of the addition operation in reduced form in its instance variables and returns a reference to the current object. If either operand is in a safe empty state, your function stores a Fraction object in a safe empty state and returns a reference to the current object.

Code your implementation in such a way as to minimize the duplication of source code. Reuse your functions wherever possible.

Using the sample implementation of the w5_at_home.cpp main module shown below, test your code and make sure that it works correctly. The expected output from your

program is below the source code. The output of your program should match **exactly** the expected one.

AT-HOME MAIN MODULE

```
#include <iostream>
#include "Fraction.h"
using namespace sict;
using namespace std;
int main() {
    cout << "----" << endl;
    cout << "Fraction Class Test:" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "-----" << endl;
    sict::Fraction a;
    cout << "Fraction a; // ";</pre>
    cout << "a = ";
    a.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction b(1, 3);
    cout << "Fraction b(1, 3); // ";
cout << "b = ";</pre>
    b.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction c(-5, 15);
    cout << "Fraction c(-5, 15); //";</pre>
    cout << " c = ";
    c.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction d(2, 4);
    cout << "Fraction d(2, 4); //";</pre>
    cout << " d = ";
    d.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    Fraction e(8, 4);
    cout << "Fraction e(8, 2); //";
cout << " e = ";</pre>
    e.display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    cout << "a + b equals ";</pre>
    (a + b).display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
    cout << "b + d equals ";</pre>
    (b + d).display();
    cout << endl;</pre>
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cout << "(b += d) equals ";
  (b += d).display();
  cout << endl;

cout << "b equals ";
  b.display();
  cout << endl;

cout << "(a == c) equals ";
  cout << ((a == c) ? "true" : "false");
  cout << endl;

cout << "(a != c) equals ";
  cout << ((a != c) ? "true" : "false");
  cout << endl;

cout << ((a != c) ? "true" : "false");
  cout << endl;

return 0;
}</pre>
```

AT-HOME OUTPUT

```
Fraction Class Test:

Fraction a; // a = no fraction stored

Fraction b(1, 3); // b = 1/3

Fraction c(-5, 15); // c = no fraction stored

Fraction d(2, 4); // d = 1/2

Fraction e(8, 2); // e = 2

a + b equals no fraction stored

b + d equals 5/6

(b += d) equals 5/6

b equals 5/6

(a == c) equals false

(a != c) equals false
```

REFLECTION (40%)

Create a file reflect.txt that contains the answers to the following questions:

- 1. Discuss why the operator+= should return a reference to Fraction.
- 2. List your uses of the pointer to the current object to simplify your code.
- 3. Identify the temporary objects in the tester module.
- 4. Identify simplifications that you could make to your class without affecting the interface to the client code.
- 5. Explain what you have learned in this workshop.

QUIZ REFLECTION:

Add a section to reflect.txt called Quiz X Reflection. Replace the X with the number of the last quiz that you received and list the numbers of all questions that you answered incorrectly.

Then for each incorrectly answered question write your mistake and the correct answer to that question. If you have missed the last quiz, then write all the questions and their answers.

AT-HOME SUBMISSION

To submit, run the following script from your account and follow the instructions (use your professor's Seneca userid to replace profname.proflastname):

~profname.proflastname/submit 244 w5 home<ENTER>

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