OOP for Scientific Computing First Exam

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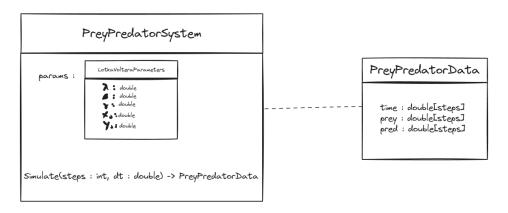
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Following was asked in the exam:

- 1. Explain following aspects of C++:
 - a. class vs struct?
 - b. namespace. What is it, when & why is it used?
 - c. private vs protected?
 - d. copy elision?
 - e. header guards. What, why?
 - f. rule of five vs fule of zero?
 - g. temporaries? literals?
 - h. how does a shared pointer work?
 - i. SFINAE?
 - j. SOLID?
- 2. Short code snippets were given and asked to explain & extend. With following topics:
 - a. default function args
 - b. concepts
 - c. template parameters, default template parameters
 - d. Constructor, copy constructor, copy assignment operator, move constructor, move assignment operator, overloaded constructor.
 - e. Lambda expression, functional programming
 - f. Compile time branching
 - g. CRTP
 - h. Inheritence. How to improve the given implementation
- 3. Horner Schema: Variadic templates, recursion with templates(?), template metaprogramming
- 4. An incomplete implementation of an OOP system was given that was supposed to implement a simulation a prey-predator dynamic system, modeled by the Lotka-Volterra differential equations:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \alpha x - \beta xy,$$
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \gamma y - \delta xy$$

The incomplete OOP system had the following basic structure:



the method "Simulate()" returns an object of type "PreyPredatorData", and is supposed to populate its members with the simulation data based on discrete Lotka-Volterra equations.

in a) we were supposed to write an implementation for this method.

Figure 1: Lotka-Volterra OOP System

a) Implement the PreyPredatorData Simulate(int steps, double dt) that creates a PreyPredatorData object, populates its members with the simulation data based on the Lotka-Volterra difference equations and returns the object:

$$\begin{split} X_{n+1} &= X_n + \Delta t (\alpha x_n - \beta x_n y_n) \\ Y_{n+1} &= Y_n + \Delta t (\delta x_n y_n - \gamma y_n) \end{split}$$

b) ?

5. ?