



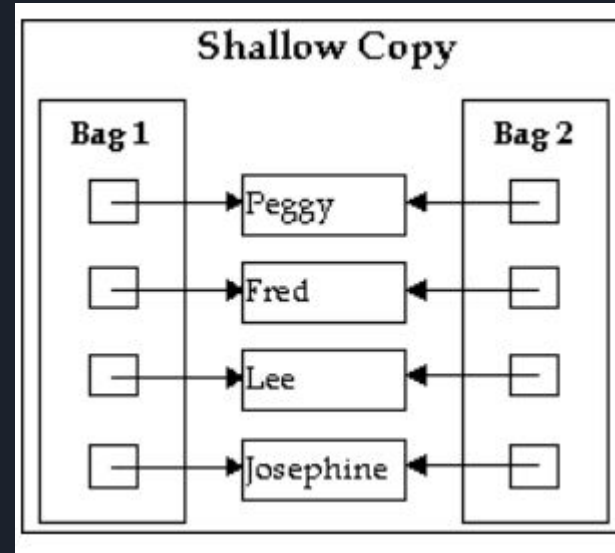
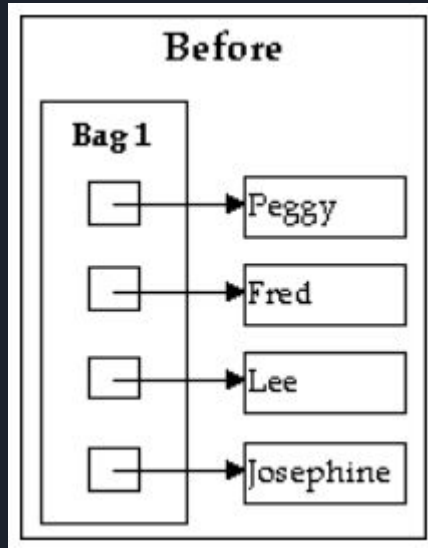
Exam 2 Review



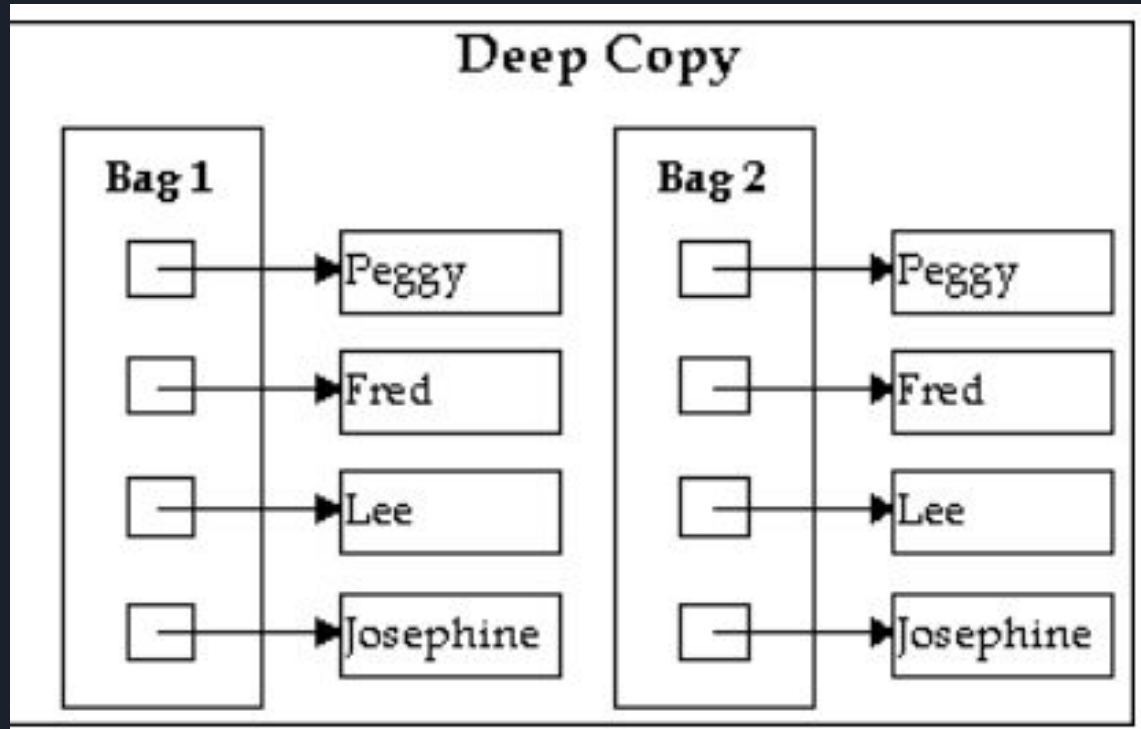
Const

- `Int* const pointer = &A` → Pointer ITSELF is constant. The data it points to is NOT constant.
- `Const int* const pointer = &A` → Both pointer and data is constant
- `Const int* pointer = &A` → The pointer is NOT constant but the data IS.
- When a function is const, there are no changes to the object coming in.
- When a method is const there are no changes to `*this*` object.

Shallow Copy



Deep Copy



Copy Constructor vs Assignment Operator

- ▶ Overall goal is same: copy one object into another
- ▶ **Copy constructor** can be called only ONCE, when an object is FIRST created
- ▶ **Copy assignment operator** may be called multiple times in object's lifetime
 - ▶ An object may have old data in it that needs to be cleared out before copying
 - ▶ With non-dynamic memory, this is a non-issue (just overwrite it)
 - ▶ With dynamic memory, you might need to **delete** previously allocated memory
- ▶ But aren't we duplicating a lot of code?...

What's an easy way to reuse

Put it in a function!

```
LinItem& LinItem::operator=(const LinItem& otherObject)
{
    name = otherObject.name;
    description = otherObject.description;
    quantity = otherObject.quantity;
    price = otherObject.price;
    return *this;
}
```

```
LinItem::LinItem(const LinItem &otherObject)
{
    name = otherObject.name;
    description = otherObject.description;
    quantity = otherObject.quantity;
    price = otherObject.price;
}
```

The Destructor

- ▶ A method which is called when an object is **destroyed**, either:
 - ▶ When it **falls out of scope** (like a temporary variable in a function), or...
 - ▶ When **delete** is called on a **pointer to an object**
- ▶ The purpose of a destructor is to clean up or “shut down” an object...
 - ▶ Delete any **dynamically allocated memory**
 - ▶ Notify another object/function that destruction has occurred
 - ▶ Print something out to the screen as a result of this object finishing its task

The destructor will ALWAYS have this format:

```
~ExampleClass(); // Prototype  
ExampleClass::~~ExampleClass() { } // Definition
```

The implicitly declared version of any destructor does... absolutely nothing.

Assumption is there is nothing to clean up (no **new** memory to **delete**)

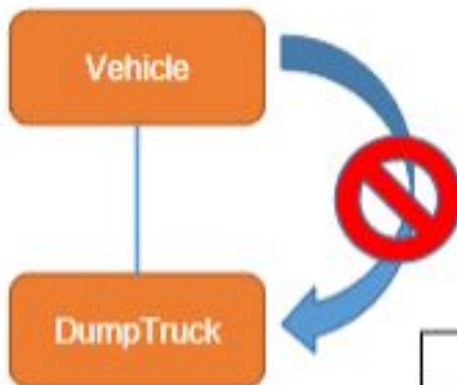
Upcasting and Downcasting



Vehicle vehicle;
DumpTruck dTruck;

vehicle = dTruck;

Upcasting works implicitly,
because dTruck IS A Vehicle



dTruck = vehicle

Downcasting... doesn't work.
Vehicle IS NOT A DumpTruck

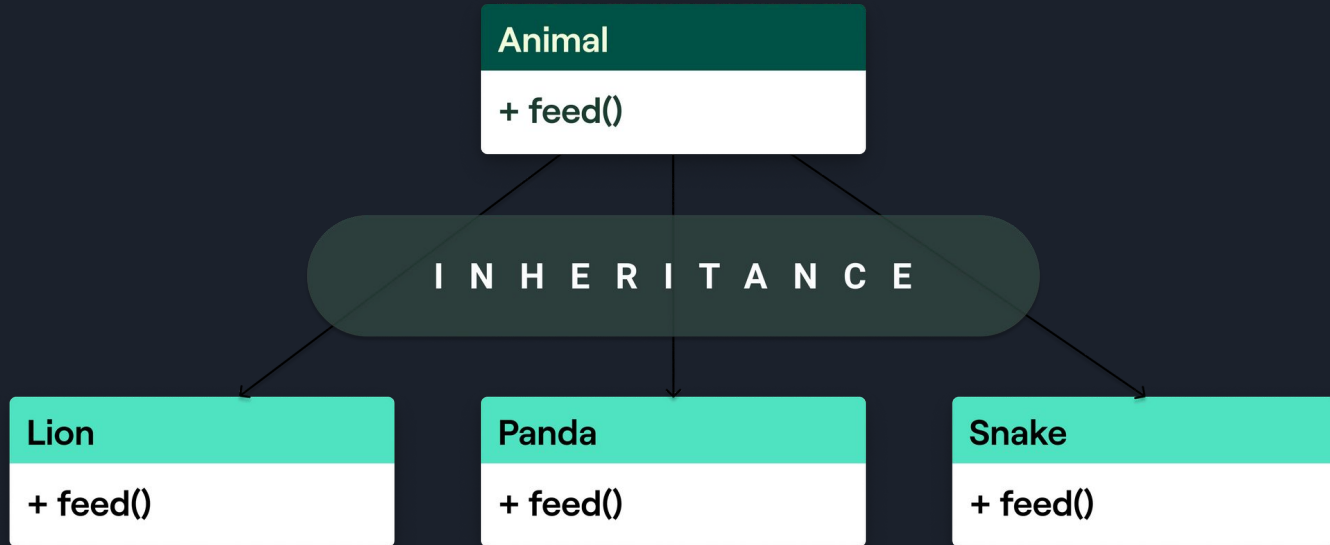
Base to Derived -> no Derived info?

Vehicle	=	DumpTruck
price	→	price
weight	→	weight
No source	→	carryCapacity

Where do we get a value for
carryCapacity? Your program
won't just make something up...

Abstract Base Classes

- This is when you want to make an *interface*.
- When you want a base class that is not directly used, but is derived from.



Can a destructor
be left without a
definition?

