# Intermediate Programming Day 29

#### Outline

- Exercise 28
- Copy constructor
- Function overloading
- Operator overloading
- Review questions

Define the constructor.

```
grade_list.cpp
...
GradeList::GradeList( int capacity ) : capacity(capacity) , count(0)
{
    assert( capacity>0 );
    grades = new double[ capacity ];
    assert( grades );
}
...
```

Define the add member functions.

```
grade_list.cpp
void GradeList::add( double grade )
     if(count==capacity)
          capacity *=2;
          double *temp = new double[ capacity ];
          for( int i=0 ; i<count ; i++ ) temp[i] = grades[i];</pre>
          delete[] grades;
          grades = temp;
    grades[ count++ ] = grade;
void GradeList::add( int howmany , double *grades )
    for(int i=0; i<howmany; i++) add(grades[i]);
```

Define the clear member function.

```
grade_list.cpp
...
void GradeList::clear( void )
{
    delete[] grades;
    capacity = 1;
    grades = new double[capacity];
    assert( grades );
    count = 0;
}
...
```

grade\_list.cpp

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```
>> valgrind --leak-check=full ./main1
==1538562==
==1538562== HEAP SUMMARY:
               in use at exit: 64 bytes in 1 blocks
==1538562==
==1538562==
             total heap usage: 9 allocs, 8 frees, 74,016 bytes allocated
==1538562==
==1538562== 64 bytes in 1 blocks are definitely lost in loss record 1 of 1
==1538562==
               at 0x484322F: operator new[](unsigned long) (vg replace malloc.c:640)
               by 0x401757: GradeList::add(double) (grade list.cpp:44)
==1538562==
==1538562==
              by 0x40183F: GradeList::add(int, double*) (grade_list.cpp:59)
               by 0x401431: main (main1.cpp:24)
==1538562==
==1538562==
==1538562== LEAK SUMMARY:
==1538562==
              definitely lost: 64 bytes in 1 blocks
               indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
                 possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
               still reachable: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
                    suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
==1538562==
==1538562== For lists of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -s
==1538562== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
>>
```

Declare and define the destructor.

```
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...
GradeList::~GradeList( void ){ delete[] grades; }
...
```

```
grade_list.h
...
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{
public:
...
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...
};
...
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...
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...
```

```
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...
==1537987==
==1537987== HEAP SUMMARY:
==1537987== in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1537987== total heap usage: 9 allocs, 9 frees, 74,016 bytes allocated
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==1537987== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible
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==1537987== ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
>>
```

Declare and define the default constructor.

Declare and define the begin and end member functions.

```
grade_list.h
...
class GradeList
{
public:
...
GradeList( int capacity=1 );
double *begin( void ){ return grades; }
double * end( void ){ return grades+count; };
...
};
...
```

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- If you don't define one, C++ will create an implicitly defined copy constructor for you, which (recursively) copy-constructs the member data.
  - As opposed to the default constructor, a copy constructor will be created even if other (e.g. non-default) constructors are defined.

```
rectangle.h
#ifndef RECTANGLE_INCLUDED
#define RECTANGLE_INCLUDED
class Rectangle
{
    double _w , _h;
public:
    Rectangle( double w=0 , double h=0 )
    : _w(w) , _h(h) { }
};
#endif // RECTANGLE_INCLUDED
```

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- But you may want to create your own.

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
class Array
public:
    int sz , *values;
    Array(ints)
        : sz(s), values(new int [sz]) {}
    ~Array(void){ delete[] values; }
int main(void)
    Array a(10);
    Array b(a);
    return 0:
      >> ./a.out
      free(): double free detected in tcache 2
      Abort (core dumped)
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public:
    int sz , *values;
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    : sz( s ) , values( new int [sz] ) {}
    ~Array( void ){ delete[] values; }
```

```
>> valgrind --leak-check=full ./a.out
==1568619== Invalid free() / delete / delete[] / realloc()
               at 0x484565B: operator delete[](void*) (vg replace malloc.c:1103)
==1568619==
              by 0x401290: Array::~Array() (foo.cpp:7)
==1568619==
               by 0x4011BC: main (foo.cpp:14)
==1568619==
             Address 0x4db6c80 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 40 free'd
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               by 0x401259: Array::Array(int) (foo.cpp:6)
==1568619==
               by 0x40118F: main (foo.cpp:11)
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The default constructor sets b.values equal to a.values so both point to the same memory.

 $\Rightarrow$  When destructor is called for a, it tries to delete memory that was already deleted when the destructor for b was called.

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public:
    int sz , *values;
    Array(int s)
         : sz(s), values( new int [sz]) {}
    Array(const Array &a)
         : sz(a.sz), values(new int[sz])
             for(unsigned int i=0; i<sz; i++)
                 values[i] = a.values[i];
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             for(unsigned int i=0; i<sz; i++)
                  values[i] = a.values[i];
```

```
>> valgrind --leak-check=full ./a.out
...
==1570511== HEAP SUMMARY:
==1570511== in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1570511== total heap usage: 3 allocs, 3 frees, 72,784 bytes allocated
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- Passing an argument to a function by value
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<sup>\*</sup>Return value optimization may keep it from being invoked in this case.

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S foo1(void)
    Ss:
    return s;
void foo2( 5 s ){}
int main(void)
                             >> ./a.out
    S s1;
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    S s2(s1) , s3=s1;
                             copy ctor called
    s1 = foo1();
                             copy ctor called
    foo2(s1);
                             default ctor called
    return 1:
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                             copy ctor called
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    foo2(s1);
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    return 1:
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The functions have different signatures.

 The compiler will use the argument types to infer which function to call

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
void PrintType( int ){ cout << "int" << endl; }</pre>
void PrintType( float ){ cout << "float" << endl; }</pre>
int main(void)
    PrintType(1);
    PrintType( 1.f );
     return 0;
                 int
                 float
```

<sup>\*</sup>Note: a decimal number appended with an "f" is interpreted as a float.
Otherwise it's interpreted as a double.

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  - Note:
     If the argument type does not match one of the types with which the function is defined, the compiler won't know which to cast to

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int main(void)
{
    PrintType( 1.0 );
    return 0:
```

```
>> ++ main.cpp -std=c++11 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra
main.cpp:9:18: error: call of overloaded âPrintType(double)â is ambiguous
    PrintType( 1.0 );
    ^
```

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- The compiler will use the argument types to infer which function to call
- It cannot distinguish between functions based on their output type – the return type is not part of the signature.

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int GetType( void ){ return 1; }
float GetType( void ){ return 1.f; }
int main(void)
    int i = GetType():
```

```
>> g++ -std=c++11 -Wall -Wextra main.cpp
main.cpp: In function float GetType() :
main.cpp:5:7: error: ambiguating new declaration of float GetType()
float GetType ( void ){ return 1.f; }
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  - You can overload member functions (and constructors).

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main.cpp
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using std::cout; using std::endl;
struct MyStruct
    void print( int ) { cout << "int" << endl; }</pre>
    void print( float ) { cout << "float" << endl; }</pre>
int main(void)
    MyStruct ms;
    ms.print(1);
     ms.print(1.f);
     return 0;
                             ./a.out
                        int
                        float
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  - You can overload based on whether the argument, or even the member function itself, is const. – the const designator is part of the signature.

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
using std::cout; using std::endl;
struct MyStruct
    void print() const { cout << "const" << endl; }</pre>
    void print() { cout << "non-const" << endl; }</pre>
void PrintConst( const MyStruct &ms )
    ms.print();
void PrintNonConst( MyStruct &ms )
    ms.print();
int main(void)
    MyStruct ms;
    PrintConst( ms );
                        >> ./a.out
    PrintNonConst( m
                        const
    return 0;
                        non-const
                        >>
```

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- Some classes "naturally" define operators
  - Using full-fledged names can get cumbersome and hard to read

```
Point2D.h

class Point2D

{
    float _v[2];
public:
    Point2D( float x=0 , float y=0 );
    float x( void ) const { return _v[0]; }
    float y( void ) const { return _v[1]; }
};
Point2D Add( Point2D p1 , Point2D p2 );
Point2D Scale( Point2D p , float s );
```

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "Point2D.h"
using namespace std;
int main(void)
    Point2D p(1,2), q(2,3);
    Point2D avg = Scale(Add(p,q), 0.5f);
    cout << "( " << avg.x() << " , " << avg.y() << " )" << endl;
    return 0:
                        >> ./a.out
                          1.5, 2.5)
```

```
Point2D.h
class Point2D
    float _v[2];
public:
    Point2D( float x=0, float y=0);
    float operator[] ( int i ) const;
Point2D operator + (Point2D p1, Point2D p2);
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Point2D operator * (Point2D p , float s );
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```

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "Point2D.h"
using namespace std;
int main(void)
    Point2D p(1,2), q(2,3);
    Point2D avg = (p + q)/2;
    cout << "( " << avg[0] << " , " << avg[1] << " )" << endl;
    return 0;
                        >> ./a.out
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    cout << "( " << avg[0] << " , " << avg[1] << " )" << endl;
    return 0;
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- We can also have class methods be operators
  - The first argument is the object itself

```
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public:
    Point2D( float x=0, float y=0);
    float operator[] ( int i ) const;
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    Point2D operator - (Point2D p ) const;
    Point2D operator * (float s) const;
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    return 0;
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In terms of implementation:

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    Point2D operator * (float s) const;
    Point2D operator / (float s) const;
Point2D operator * (float s, Point2D p);
```

```
Point2D.cpp
Point2D::Point2D(float x , float y ){ _v[0] = x , _v[1] = y };
float operator []( int i ) const
    assert( i==0 || i==1 );
    return _v[i];
Point2D Point2D::operator + (Point2D p) const
    return Point2D(_{v[0]} + p_{v[0]}, _{v[1]} + p_{v[1]});
Point2D Point2D::operator * (float s) const
    return Point2D( _v[0] * s , _v[1] * s );
Point2D Point2D::operator - (Point2D p) const
    return operator + (p * -1.f);
Point2D Point2D::operator / (float s) const
    return operator *(1.f/s);
Point2D operator * (float s , Point2D p ){ return p*s; }
```

• We could also overload the operators +=, -=, \*=, /= etc.

```
Point2D.h

class Point2D

{
    float _v[2];
    public:
        ...
    Point2D &operator += ( Point2D p );
    Point2D &operator -= ( Point2D p );
    Point2D &operator *= ( float s );
    Point2D &operator /= ( float s );
};
```

#### Note:

These operators return a reference to the object itself, allowing us to chain operators like (p+=q) \*= 3;

```
Point2D.cpp
Point2D &Point2D::operator += (Point2D p)
    _{v[0]} += p_{v[0]}; _{v[1]} += p_{v[1]};
    return *this;
Point2D &Point2D::operator *= (float s)
    _{v[0]} = s ; _{v[1]} = s;
    return *this:
Point2D &Point2D::operator -= (Point2D p)
    return operator += ( p * -1.f );
Point2D &Point2D::operator /= (float s)
    return operator *= (1.f/s);
```

We would also like to support streaming output using the << operator input:</li>

- The output stream
- The object to be written

#### Output:

 A reference to the output stream (so we can chain outputs)

```
Point2D.h
#include <iostream>
class Point2D
    float _v[2];
public:
                            Point2D.cpp
std::ostream& operator << ( std::ostream &os , Point2D p )
    return os << "( " << p[0] << " , " << p[1] << " )";
```

- We would also like to support streaming output using the << operator</li>
   Input:
  - The output stream
  - The object to be written

#### Output:

- A reference to the output stream (so we can chain outputs)
- Using the **friend** keyword, we can give an external function, operator, or class access to the **private** class members

```
Point2D.h
#include <iostream>
class Point2D
    float _v[2];
public:
    friend std::ostream& operator << (std::ostream & , Point2D );
                            Point2D.cpp
std::ostream& operator << ( std::ostream& os , Point2D p )
    return os << "( " << p._v[0] << " , " << p._v[1] << " )";
```

Operator overloading allows us to write succinct and clear code

```
#include <iostream>
#include "Point2D.h"
using namespace std;

int main( void )
{
    Point2D p(1,2) , q(2,3);
    Point2D avg = Scale( Add(p,q) , 0.5f );
    cout << "( " << avg.x() << " , " << avg.y() << " )" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```



```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "Point2D.h"
using namespace std;

int main( void )
{
    Point2D p(1,2) , q(2,3);
    cout << ( p + q ) / 2 << endl;
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

### Outline

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- Copy constructor
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- Operator overloading
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1. What is overloading in C++?

When we create two functions with the same name but different arguments

2. Can you overload a function with the same name, same parameters, but different return type?

No

3. Is it true that we can overload all the operators of a class?

Almost (operators like "::" and "." cannot be overloaded)

4. What is a copy constructor? When will it be called?

A copy constructor initializes a new object by copying information from the argument. It is called when making an explicit call to the copy constructor, sending an object to a function by argument using pass-byvalue, and returning a class object from a function by value.

5. What happens if you don't define a copy constructor?

C++ generates a default (shallow) copy constructor that copies over the individual fields.

6. What is the **friend** keyword? When do we use it?

This keyword signifies that some other class/function has access to an object's private members. It's used when we would like to define functions (like stream insertion/extraction) that need access to the private data but are not (can't be) members of the class.

### Exercise 29

• Website -> Course Materials -> Exercise 29