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:
==1538562==
               in use at exit: 64 bytes in 1 blocks
==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
               at 0x484322F: operator new[](unsigned long) (vg replace malloc.c:640)
==1538562==
==1538562==
               by 0x401757: GradeList::add(double) (grade_list.cpp:44)
==1538562==
               by 0x40183F: GradeList::add(int, double*) (grade_list.cpp:59)
               by 0x401431: main (main1.cpp:24)
==1538562==
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==1538562== LEAK SUMMARY:
              definitely lost: 64 bytes in 1 blocks
==1538562==
               indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
                 possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
               still reachable: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1538562==
==1538562==
                    suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==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;
    capacity = 0;
    count = 0;
}
...
```

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grade_list.h
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};
...
```

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==1537987==
==1537987== in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==1537987== total heap usage: 9 allocs, 9 frees, 74,016 bytes allocated
==1537987==
==1537987== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible
==1537987==
==1537987== For lists of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -s
==1537987== ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
```

Declare and define the default constructor.

```
grade_list.h

...
class GradeList
{
public:
...
GradeList(int capcity);
...
};
...
};
...

grade_list.h

...
class GradeList
{
public:
...
GradeList(int capacity=1);
...
};
...
};
...
```

Declare and define the begin and end member functions.

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```
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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```
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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```
>> 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==
==1568619== Address 0x4db6c80 is 0 bytes inside a block of size 40 free'd
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               at 0x484322F: operator new[](unsigned long) (vg_replace_malloc.c:640)
               by 0x401259: Array::Array(int) (foo.cpp:6)
==1568619==
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               by 0x40118F: main (foo.cpp:11)
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The default constructor sets b.values to a.values so both point to the same memory.

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

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         : 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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                 values[i] = a.values[i];
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```
>> 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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    return s;
void foo2( S s ){}
int main(void)
                             >> ./a.out
    S s1;
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                             copy ctor called
    s1 = foo1();
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    foo2(s1);
                             default ctor called
    return 1:
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```
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#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;
                  float
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 - Note:
 If the argument type does not match one of the types with which the function is defined, the compiler can't figure out which to cast to!

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void PrintType( float ){ cout << "float" << endl; }

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

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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 member functions.
 - 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( ms
                         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(0,0), q(1,1);
    Point2D avg = Scale( Add(p,q) , 0.5f );
    cout << "( " << avg.x() << " , " << avg.y() << " )" << endl;
    return 0:
                        >> ./a.out
                          0.5, 0.5)
```

In C++, using the keyword operator, we can also overload operators liked +, -, *, / , < , | , & , [] , () , == , != , << , etc.
 <return type> operator <operator name> (<operator arg(s)>)

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

```
main.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include "Point2D.h"
using namespace std;
int main(void)
    Point2D p(0,0), q(1,1);
    Point2D avg = (p + q)/2;
    cout << "( " << avg[0] << " , " << avg[1] << " )" << endl;
    return 0;
                        >> ./a.out
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```

- We can also have class methods be operators
 - The first argument is the object itself

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

```
### Point2D.cpp

...

Point2D::Point2D( float × , float y ){ _v[0] = × , _v[1] = y };
```

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```

```
Point2D.cpp
Point2D::Point2D(float \times, float y){ _v[0] = \times, _v[1] = y};
Point2D Point2D::operator + (Point2D p) const
    return Point2D(_{v[0]} + p_{v[0]}, _{v[1]} + p_{v[1]});
```

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public:
    Point2D( float x=0, float y=0);
    float operator[] ( int i ) const{ return _v[i]; }
    Point2D operator + (Point2D p ) const;
    Point2D operator - (Point2D p ) const;
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Point2D Point2D::operator - (Point2D p) const
    return (*this) + ( p * -1.f );
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Point2D::Point2D(float \times, float y){ _v[0] = \times, _v[1] = y};
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 (*this) + ( p * -1.f );
Point2D Point2D::operator / (float s) const
    return (*this) * (1.f/s);
```

```
Point2D.h
class Point2D
    float _v[2];
public:
    Point2D( float x=0, float y=0);
    float operator[] ( int i ) const{ return _v[i]; }
    Point2D operator + (Point2D p ) const;
    Point2D operator - (Point2D p ) const;
    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};
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 (*this) + ( p * -1.f );
Point2D Point2D::operator / (float s) const
    return (*this) * (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 (*this) += ( p * -1.f );
Point2D &Point2D::operator /= (float s)
    return (*this) *= (1.f/s);
```

- We would also like to support streaming output using the << operator
 - This is a function that takes two arguments
 - The output stream
 - The object to be written
 - And returns 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
 - This is a function that takes two arguments
 - The output stream
 - The object to be written
 - And returns 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, but still readable, code

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

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

Outline

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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

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