

601.220 Intermediate Programming

Introduction to OO

C++ class - a brief review of OO programming

- We use classes to define new data types
- These are like C structs, but include functions that operate directly on the fields
- Classes add protection levels for the fields and functions (e.g. private) to provide data hiding and encapsulation - good object-oriented principles
- Special functions called *constructors* are used to initialize class objects (also called *instances* - variables declared to be of a class type)
- Special functions called *destructors* are used to perform clean-up operations just before the lifetime of a class instance ends
- We can use inheritance to define a class by extending an existing class

C++ I/O refresher

`iostream` is the main C++ library for input and output

```
#include <iostream>
```

```
using std::cin;    // default input stream  
using std::cout;   // default output stream  
using std::endl;   // end of line, flushes buffer
```

also

```
using std::cerr;   // default error output stream
```

`<<` is the stream insertion operator; used for output

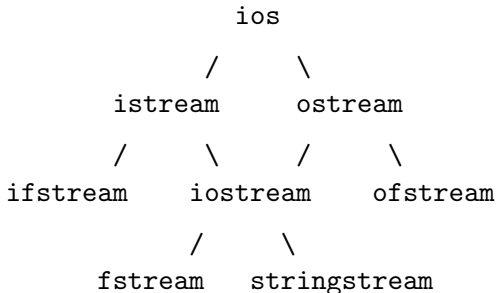
`>>` is the stream extraction operator; used for input

C++ file I/O

- In C, `printf` writes to `stdout` and `scanf` read from `stdin`
 - `fprintf` and `fscanf` are their counterparts for files
- In C++, we have `std::cout` and `std::cin`
 - `std::ofstream` and `std::ifstream` are their counterparts for files
 - These are defined in the file-stream header
 - `#include <fstream>`
 - and define classes:
 - `ofstream`: for writing to a file (inherits from `ostream`)
 - `ifstream`: for reading from a file (inherits from `istream`)
 - `fstream`: for reading and writing to/from a file (inherits from `iostream`, i.e. from both `ostream` and `istream`)

C++ stream class hierarchy

Inheritance: class A inherits from class B if every class A object **is-a** class B object also.



C++ I/O class relationships

- `istream` and `ostream` are both derived from `ios`
- `iostream` inherits from both `istream` and `ostream`
 - multiple inheritance is allowed in C++
- stream extraction operator (`>>`) defined for all `istream`s
- stream insertion operator (`<<`) defined for all `ostream`s
- `fstream` and `stringstream` are both derived from `iostream`
 - can use both `>>` and `<<` on them for input or output

C++ ofstream usage

```
// io1.cpp
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  int main(){
4      std::ofstream ofile( "hello.txt" );
5      if (!ofile.is_open()) {
6          return 1;
7      }
8      ofile << "Hello, World!" << std::endl;
9      return 0;
10 }
```

```
$ g++ -o io1 io1.cpp -std=c++11 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra
$ ./io1

$ cat hello.txt
Hello, World!
```

C++ file output (`std::ofstream`)

- `ofstream` has a constructor taking a string specifying the filename
 - calling the constructor with a filename string is the same as calling `fopen` with the filename using a `w` flag
 - will create a new file or overwrite an existing one
- since `ofstream` inherits from `ostream`, anything we can `<<` to an `ostream`, we can `<<` to the `ofstream`
- `ofstream` has a destructor that closes the file
 - when an `ofstream` object's lifetime ends, it automatically closes itself

C++ ifstream usage

```
// io2.cpp
```

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4  int main(){
5      std::ifstream ifile( "hello.txt" );
6      if (!ifile.is_open()) {
7          return 1;
8      }
9      std::string word;
10     while( ifile >> word )
11         std::cout << word << std::endl;
12     return 0;
13 }
```

```
$ g++ -o io2 io2.cpp -std=c++11 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra
```

```
$ ./io2
```

```
Hello,
World!
```

C++ file input (`std::ifstream`)

- `ifstream` has a constructor taking a string specifying the filename
 - calling the constructor with a filename string is the same as calling `fopen` with the filename using a `r` flag
 - the file must already exist
- since `ifstream` inherits from `istream`, anything we can `>>` to an `istream`, we can `>>` to the `ifstream`
- `ifstream` has a destructor that closes the file
 - when an `ifstream` object's lifetime ends, it automatically closes itself

C++ fstream usage

```
// io3.cpp
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  #include <string>
4
5  const std::ios::openmode mode =
6      std::ios_base::in | std::ios_base::out | std::fstream::app;
7
8  int main() {
9      std::fstream fs;
10     fs.open("data.txt", mode);
11     fs << "Hello CS 220" << std::endl;
12     fs.clear();
13     fs.seekg(0);
14     std::string a, b;
15     int n;
16     fs >> a >> b >> n;
17     std::cout << "Read: " << a << " " << b << " " << n << std::endl;
18     return 0;
19 }
```

```
$ g++ -o io3 io3.cpp -std=c++11 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra
```

```
$ ./io3
```

```
Read: Hello CS 220
```

```
$ cat data.txt
```

```
Hello CS 220
```

C++ stringstream usage

```
// io4.cpp  
1  #include <string>  
2  #include <iostream>  
3  #include <sstream>  
4  int main(){  
5      std::stringstream ss;  
6      ss << "Hello" << ' ' << 35 << " world";  
7      std::string word1, word2;  
8      int num;  
9      ss >> word1 >> num >> word2;  
10     std::cout << word1 << ", " << word2 << '(' << num << ")!" << std::endl;  
11     return 0;  
12 }
```

```
$ g++ -o io4 io4.cpp -std=c++11 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra
```

```
$ ./io4
```

```
Hello, world(35)!
```

C++ file input (`std::stringstream`)

- since `stringstream` inherits from `iostream`, which inherits from `istream` and `ostream`, both `<<` and `>>` are defined for reading/writing from/to a `stringstream`
- use member function `.str()` to get the string out of the object

C++ stream class hierarchy

