

How's your weekend?

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Today's plan

- Review Ex 10-3
- Recap questions
- In-class Ex 11-1

Ex 10-3: overload operator<<

- Can use friend keyword to allow access private members
- `friend std::ostream& operator<<(std::ostream& os, const Complex& rhs);`
- `os << rhs.rel << " + " << rhs.img << "i";`
- Otherwise, you can use the getter (you don't need friend access if using getter):
- `os << rhs.getRel() << " + " << rhs.getImg() << "i";`

Ex 10-3: overload **operator**[**=+-***](...), the copy constructor and the assignment operator

- Straightforward: implement the formula
- Copy constructor and assignment operator: copy it field by field.
- In fact, because it only has two primitive type fields, the default one will work as well
- We added them for practicing

Ex 10-3: multiply **float** on the left side?

- overload float times Complex operator
- use friend to allow the function to access Complex's private members
- friend Complex operator* (const float& lhs, const Complex& rhs);

Summary of Ex 10-3

- Practiced how to overload class's operators
- Learned how to use friend keyword to allow other functions to access class's private members
- Notice that: friend functions declared is not a member function of the class (even though we put it in the class definition).
- If you don't want to use friend, you can always use getter and setter to achieve the same goal.



More about **friend**, **getter/setter**, and **public fields**

- friend is always the best option because it has the strictest access
- if you start to have lots of getter/setter, think about to redesign your model.
- you probably want to friend the class that modifies the fields instead of having getter/setter
- OO is also about the data access. Try not to make your fields public
- If you have a getter/setter, no one can set a ref/pointer to your data
- But if you make it public, others can set a ref/pointer to the data and change it whenever they want instead calling your method

Rank by the unfamiliarity

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Rule of 3 (destructor,
copy constructor and
assignment operator)

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assignment: e.g. `int a;`
`a = 4;`

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initialization: e.g. `int a`
`= 4;`

Rule of 5 (C++11) [FYI only, not in exam]

- destructor: `~Class()`;
- copy constructor: `Class(const Class&);`
- (copy) assignment operator: `Class& operator=(const Class& other);`
- move constructor: `Class(Class&&);`
- move assignment operator: `Class& operator=(Class&& other);`

move semantics in C++11 [FYI only, not in exam]

- It allows to transfer/take ownership of memory
- `Class&&` is called rvalue reference
- rvalue: value that is extracted from memory or a constant
- Move constructor: swap the content, then destroy the old object
- e.g. `class A { int len; int* data; };`
- `A(const A& other) : len(other.len), data(new int[other.len]) { // copy other.data to data }`
- `A(A&& other) : len(other.len), data(other.data) { other.len = 0; other.data = nullptr; } }`

move semantics in C++11 [FYI only, not in exam]

- e.g. `class A { int len; int* data; };`
- `A& operator=(const A& other) { if (this != other) { len = other.len; data = new int[len]; // copy data logic; } return *this; }`
- `A& operator=(A&& other) { if (this != other) { if (data) delete[] data; len = other.len; data = other.data; other.data = nullptr; } return *this; }`
- In sum, in C++11, if you have non-default destructor, you should define copy, move constructor and assignment operator.

What is the difference between initialization and assignment?

Initialization calls the copy constructor while assignment calls the assignment operator

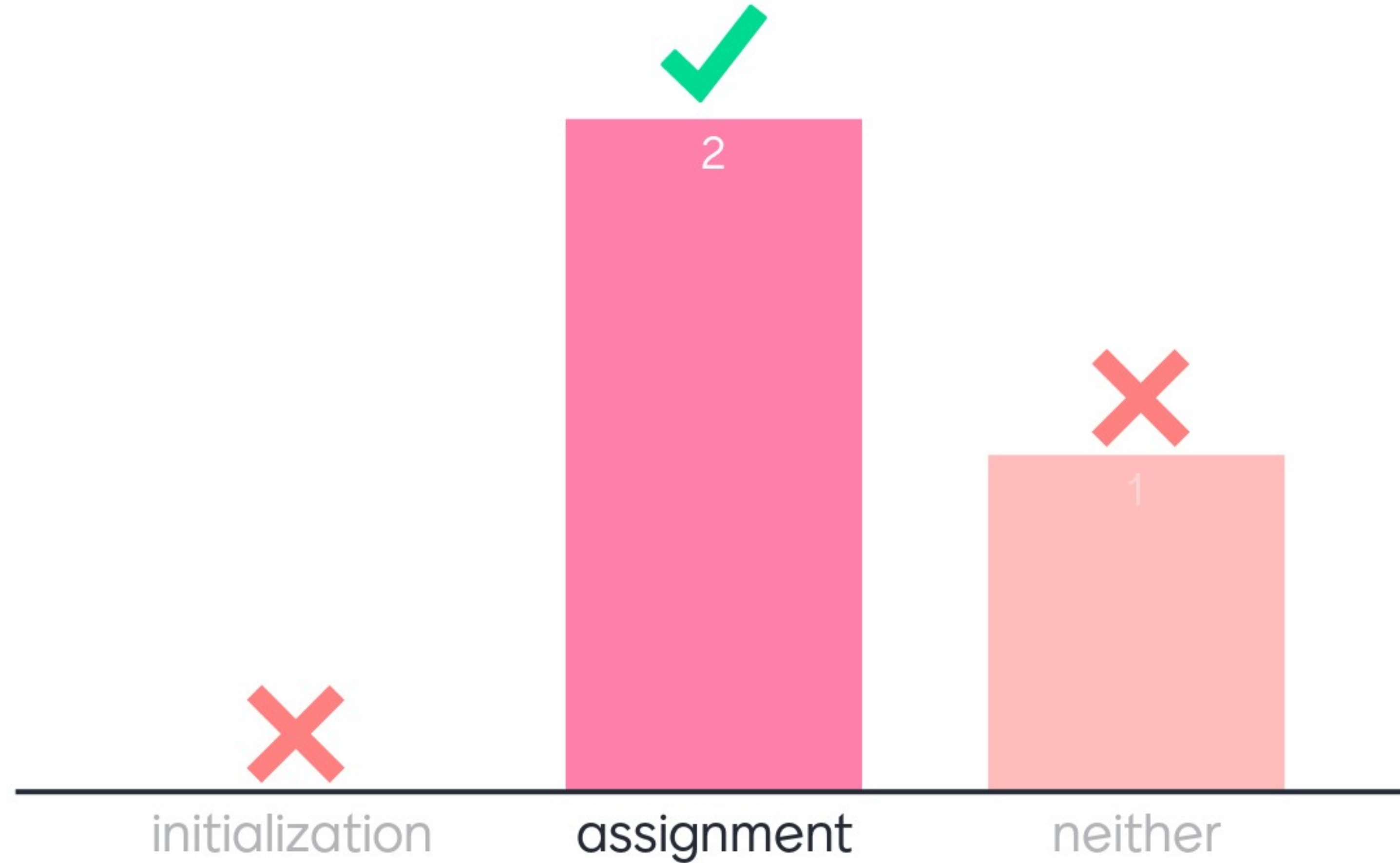


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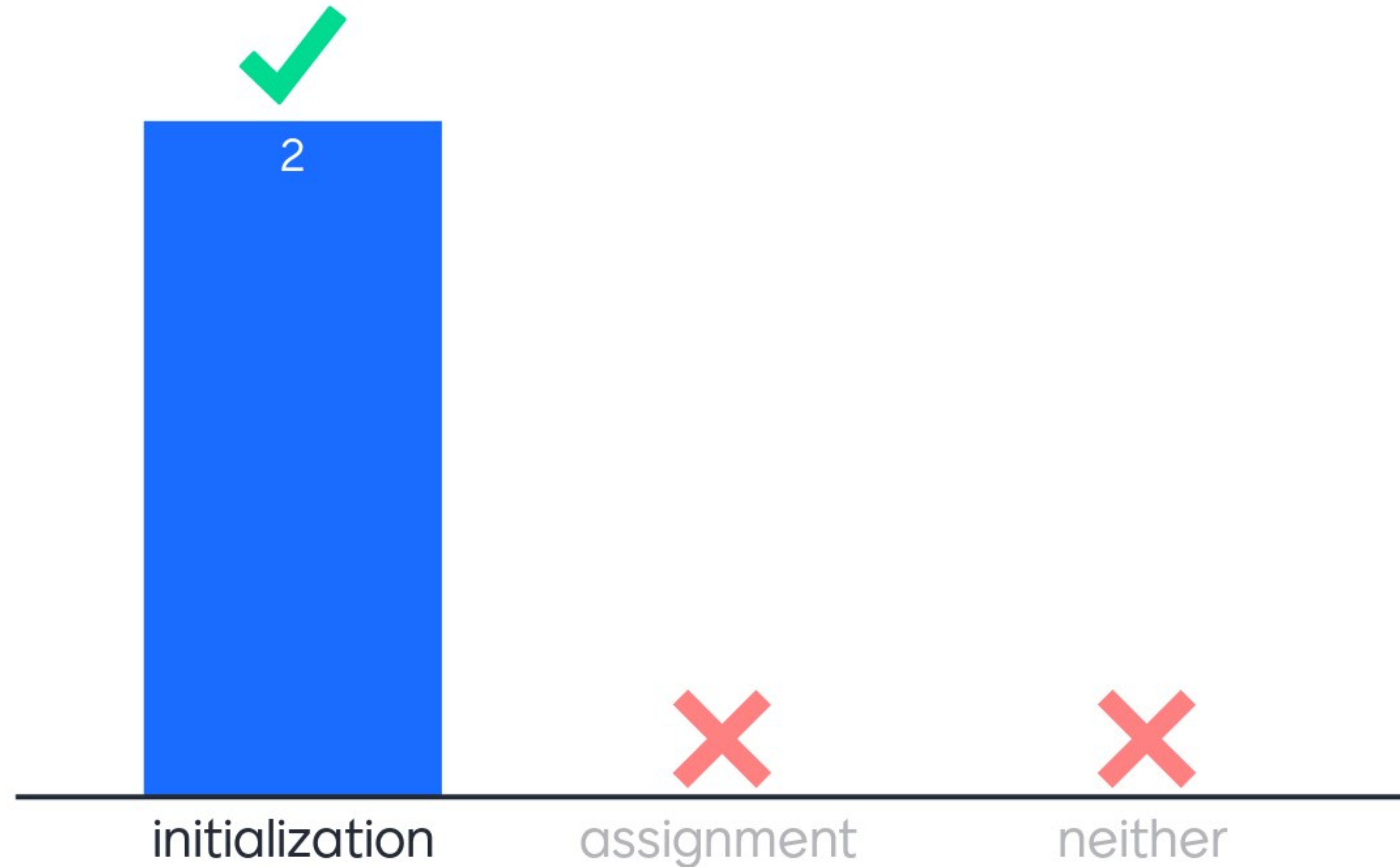


The correct answer is: initialization happens during declaration and it calls the appropriate constructor. assignment calls the assignment operator.


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(assume **Foo** is a class and **f1** and **f2** are both of type **Foo**)?




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What is the difference between shallow and deep copy?

shallow copy will copy references to created memory, but not create new memory with the same values. 

shallow copy have the same data and points to the same memory location 

The correct answer is: Shallow only copies pointers while deep allocates memory and copies over values.

What is the rule of 3 (or 5 in c++11)?

When you have a destructor to implement, you have to implement your own copy constructor and overload the assignment operator.



if you are deleting memory, define assignment, copy, move



we should modify destructor, assignment operator, and copy constructor at the same time



The correct answer is: If you have defined/deleted your own destructor, copy/move constructor, or copy/move assignment, you should define them all!

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