

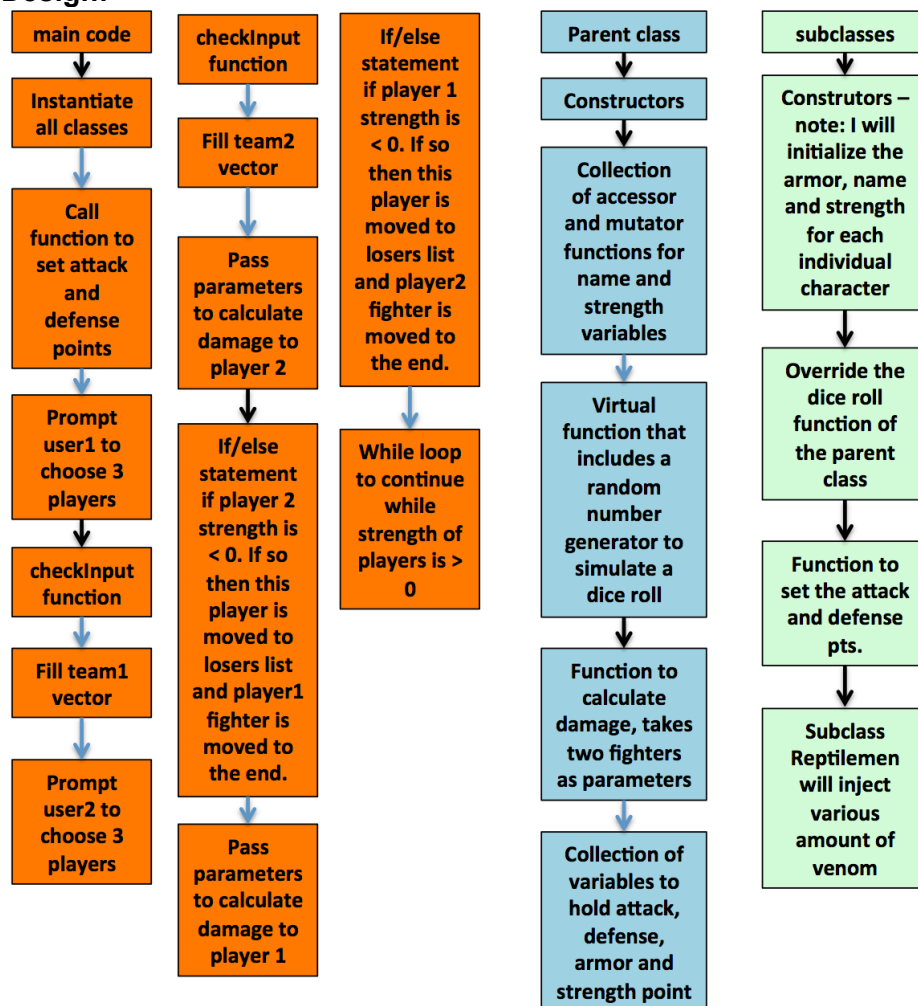
Understanding:

For the final project we are modifying our last assignment 4 so that it is a tournament versus a single combat scene. Each user will choose three fighters, which will then be entered into a list to fight each other. Below I have included only the new requirements.

The requirements were as followed:

- Players pick multiple fighters to be entered into a tournament.
- The first picked will begin the combat.
 - The winner is moved to the back of the list.
 - The loser is moved to the standings list.
- Standings must include order of fighters, and from which player, along with their place (perhaps their strength points as well).
- Assumptions:
 - I removed a couple of areas of functionality from the last assignment, including the ability to dodge attacks and a choice of weapons for one of the subclasses.

Design:



Implementation:

The files are called Fighter.cpp, Fighter.h, subclassGoblin.cpp, subclassGoblin.h, subclassBarbarian.cpp, subclassBarbarian.h, subclassReptile.cpp, subclassReptile.h, subclassBluemen.cpp, subclassBluemen.h, subclassMaryLittle.cpp, subclassMaryLittle.h, and fantasyGame.cpp

Testing:

Test Case	Input	function or flow tested	Driver function	Expected Outcomes	Observed outcome
Initialize collection of variables to 0	NA	Default constructor parent class	Main()	Variables will be set to 0	Variables will be set to 0
Test if setupPts function calls correct diceroll function	Pass object	Set function attack and defense variables Parent class	Main()	Variables will be set to whatever specified	Variables will be set to whatever specified
Test if accessor functions return appropriate values	NA	Get function for attack, defense, armor and strength variables Parent class	Main()	Get functions return variable values	Get functions return variable values
Test if the diceroll function can return a randomly generated number for a dice roll	NA	Diceroll function Override in subclasses	Main()	Returns a number that is within the range for the times dice is rolled and how many sides it has	Returns a number that is within the range for the times dice is rolled and how many sides it has
Test if the subclass properly initialized the armor and strength variables in parent class	NA	Constructor subclasses	Main() Use parent get functions to return values	Armor and strength values are set according to each subclass requirements	Armor and strength values are set according to each subclass requirements
Test if the subclass can set the parents attack and defense point values with diceroll	NA	Diceroll subclasses	Main() Use parents get functions to return values	Attack and defense values are within the range for each specific class	Attack and defense values are within the range for each specific class
Test if reptilemen can vary the amount of "venom" they deliver	NA	setAttack value function need random number generator with high and low biases	Subclass reptilemen	Returns a damage value that is either biased high or low	Returns a damage value that is either biased high or low
Test calculate damage function	NA	CalculateDamage function() parent class	Main()	Calculates correct damage value	Calculates correct damage value
Test if the checkinput function only accepts integers 1-5	0 6 letters	checkInput function main	Main()	Users can only input integers 1-5	Users can only input integers 1-5
Test if the checkinput 2 function only accepts integers 1-2	0 3 letters	checkInput function main	Main()	Users can only input integers 1-5	Users can only input integers 1-5

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Test changeAttack function	na	changeAttack function	Main()	Generates random number and matches user input choice. If match changes value to 0	Generates random number and matches user input choice. If match changes value to 0
If/else statement evaluates if strength is < 0	NA	If/else statements	Main()	Breaks loop if < 0, continues if > 0	Breaks loop if < 0, continues if > 0
Runs game while players are "healthy"	NA	While loop	Main()	Continues to simulate a fight if strength is > 0	Continues to simulate a fight if strength is > 0
Test that each team vector holds appropriate fighters	3 choices of fighters		Main()	Team1 and team2 vector hold 3 players	Team1 and team2 vector hold 3 players
Test that loser of the round is added to loser list	NA	New vector container	Main()	Loser is added to new vector	Loser is added to new vector
Test that winner is added to back of list	NA		Main()	Winner is added to back of team list	Winner is added to back of team list
Test that team with remaining players now fights itself	NA		MAIN()		
Test that loser of the round is added to loser list	NA	New vector container	Main()	Loser is added to new vector	Loser is added to new vector
Test that all players are removed from original vector	NA		Main()	Team1 and team2 vector are empty	Team1 and team2 vector are empty
Test that the standings list is correct	NA		Main()	Players are listed appropriately	Players are listed appropriately

Reflection:

Considering that there were few requirements, I thought that the final project would be easy to finish. In fact, it didn't take me very long to write a program that implemented a tournament using vector containers and produced the correct standings. Despite testing the program and getting the desired result, I found myself wanting to emphatically repeat the phrase, "WHYYYYY won't my program work." I started out with a slimmer version that used only two subclasses and everything appeared to work fine. However, when I added the other three subclasses, my program would occasionally freeze. At first, I did the usual. I walked back through my logic and sure enough I found a mistake where my program could access memory that it was not suppose to. However, the bug in my program persisted. As any one can imagine, I went through several rounds of thinking I found the problem until I knew I needed help. Some experienced programmers gave me some tips, but even after implementing their ideas to make my program better, I still had that nasty bug. I finally put in print statements everywhere! It turns out I made the rookie mistake of creating an infinite loop that was triggered by specific conditions. Even though I probably would of turned in my final project much earlier, I can't say that having the infinite loop in my code was a waste of time. My program evolved a lot throughout the process and I think it got better each time I tried to fix the bug. The bug forced me to keep working on it even though I had produced the desired functionality. The process drove home the concept of separate compilation. I was so relieved that I didn't need to test my parent and subclasses since I knew that for the most part they were already well tested. I at least knew that my problem was in my main function. Lastly, I learned the importance of a debugger, which had I known how to use I would of surely save time. So, in the future I would like to get comfortable with some type of debugger.

As for the programming part of the final project, I enjoyed learning how to use pointers and I now recognize how important they are. I wish I had started using them earlier. Perhaps future classes would benefit from having a few more requirements necessitating the use of pointers.