

# §8 Structures

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# Outline

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- Structures
- Structures and Functions
- Structures and Arrays
- Nested Structures
- Object Oriented Programming
  - For reference only (will not appear in exam)

# Motivation


- In our supermarket application, we employed two arrays to store the product information



```
43 int main() {  
44     const int numberOfProducts = 10;  
45     string name[numberOfProducts] = {};  
46     double price[numberOfProducts] = {};  
47     readProducts(name, price, numberOfProducts);  
48     double total = 0;  
49     char input = 'm';  
50     while (input == 'm') {  
51         total += purchase(name, price, numberOfProducts);  
52         cout << "Enter 'm' to purchase more! --> ";  
53         cin >> input;  
54     }  
55     cout << "Total: $" << total << endl;  
56     createReceipt(total);  
57 }
```

# Motivation

- To access the information for a single product we had to access two different arrays



```
26  int productSelection(string name[], double price[], int numberOfProducts) {
27      for (int i=0;i<numberOfProducts;i++)
28          cout << i << ": " << name[i] << " ($" << price[i] << ")" << endl;
29      cout << "--> ";
30      int productID;
31      cin >> productID;
32      if (productID >= 0 && productID < numberOfProducts)
33          return productID;
34      return productSelection(name, price, numberOfProducts);
35  }
```

# Motivation

- To group related variables together, we can define our own Product type variable
- A struct can be used for this purpose

**Product**

string name  
double price

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the ;

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Product {
4      string name;
5      double price;
6  };
7  int main() {
8  }
```

# Motivation

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- We can create an 'instance' of the product as follows

```
Product p1;
```

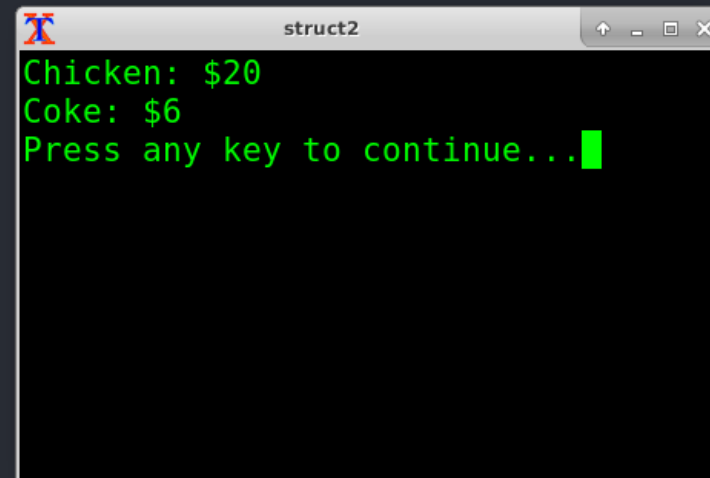
- Use a '.' to access the members of a struct

```
p1.name = "Chicken";  
p1.price = 20.0;
```

# Motivation

- Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Product {
4      string name;
5      double price;
6  };
7  int main() {
8      Product p1, p2;
9      p1.name = "Chicken";
10     p1.price = 20.0;
11     p2.name = "Coke";
12     p2.price = 6.0;
13     cout << p1.name << ": $" << p1.price << endl;
14     cout << p2.name << ": $" << p2.price << endl;
15 }
```



```
struct2
Chicken: $20
Coke: $6
Press any key to continue...
```

# Structure

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- A structure is a collection of one or more variables grouped together under a single name
- The data elements in a structure are known as its member variables
  - The members can be of different types
- Structures help to organize complex data
  - Allow a group of related variables to be treated as a unit instead of separate entities



# Definition

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- In C++, a structure is defined using the keyword `struct`
  - Followed by a name
  - Followed by a list of member variables (with types and name) enclosed within a pair of curly braces `{}`
  - And end with a semicolon
- Once a structure type is defined, its structure name can be used to declare variables of this structure type

# Definition

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- Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Employee {
4      string name;
5      string position;
6      double salary;
7  };
8  int main() {
9      Employee e;
10 }
```

# Initialization

- A structure variable can be initialized in an initialization list when it is declared

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Employee {
4      string name;
5      string position;
6      double salary;
7  };
8  int main() {
9      Employee e = {"Dirk", "Lecturer", 20000};
10 }
```

# Member Variables

- A member variable can be used in any expression like other regular variables of the basic types

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
4
5  8  int main() {
6      Employee e = {"Dirk", "Lecturer", 20000};
7      e.salary *= 2;
8      e.name.insert(e.name.length(), " Schnieders");
9  12 }
```

# Assignment Operator

- The assignment operator = works for structure variables
  - It copies the variable

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Product {
4      string name;
5      double price;
6  };
7  int main() {
8      Product p1 = {"Chicken", 20};
9      Product p2 = p1;
10     cout << p2.name << endl;
11     p2.name = "Coke";
12     cout << p2.name << endl;
13     cout << p1.name << endl;
14 }
```

# Other Operators

- Other operators like +, -, \*, /, >, <, ==, etc. won't work for structure variables
  - E.g., Operator == does know how to compare two structs

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Product {
7  int main() {
8      Product p1 = {"Chicken", 20};
9      Product p2 = {"Coke", 6};
10     if (p1 == p2)
11         cout << "test" << endl;
12 }
```

gcc-make-run: Compile Error

struct7.cpp: In function 'int main()':  
struct7.cpp:10:10: error: no match for 'operator=='  
(operand types are 'Product' and 'Product')  
if (p1 == p2)  
~~~~~  
In file included from /usr/include/c++/7/iosfwd:40:0,  
from /usr/include/c++/7/ios:38,  
from /usr/include/c++/7/ostream:38,  
from /usr/include/c++/7/iostream:39,  
from struct7.cpp:1:  
/usr/include/c++/7/bits/postypes.h:216:5: note:  
candidate: template<class \_StateT> bool std::operator==  
(const std::fpos<\_StateT>&, const std::fpos<\_StateT>&)  
operator==(const fpos<\_StateT>& \_\_lhs, const  
fpos<\_StateT>& \_\_rhs)  
~~~~~

# Structures and Functions

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- Structure variables can be
  1. Returned by a function
  2. Passed to a function
    - either by value or by reference like regular variables



# Structures and Functions

- Example 1

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Employee {
4      string name;
5      string position;
6      double salary;
7  };
8  Employee createEmployee() {
9      Employee e;
10     cout << "Name: ";
11     cin >> e.name;
12     cout << "Position: ";
13     cin >> e.position;
14     cout << "Salary: ";
15     cin >> e.salary;
16     return e;
17 }
```

# Structures and Functions

- Example 2 – passed by value

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  > Employee createEmployee() {
18 void outputEmployee(Employee e) {
19     cout << "Name: " << e.name << endl;
20     cout << "Position: " << e.position << endl;
21     cout << "Salary: " << e.salary << endl;
22 }
23 int main() {
24     outputEmployee(createEmployee());
25 }
```

# Structures and Functions

- Example 2 – passed by reference

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  > Employee createEmployee() {
18 > void outputEmployee(Employee e) {
23 void salaryRaise(Employee &e, double factor) {
24     e.salary *= factor;
25 }
26 int main() {
27     Employee e = createEmployee();
28     salaryRaise(e, 1.05);
29     outputEmployee(e);
30 }
```

# Structures and Arrays

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- We can define an array of structure variables
  - It can be initialized with an initialization list
  - Each element of the array is a struct variable, which can be accessed using its index with the subscript operator []

# Structures and Arrays

- Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Employee {
4      string name;
5      string position;
6      int salary;
7  };
8  int main() {
9      Employee a[] = {
10         {"Dirk", "Sales", 20000},
11         {"George", "Supervisor", 40000},
12         {"Loretta", "Manager", 60000}
13     };
14     for (int i; i<3; i++)
15         cout << a[i].name << " " << a[i].position << endl;
16 }
```

# Example - Supermarket

- Let's update our supermarket application

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <fstream>
3  using namespace std;
4  struct Product {
5      string name;
6      int id;
7      double price;
8  };
9  void createReceipt(double total) {}
22 int readProducts(Product products[]) {}
32 int productSelection(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {}
42 double purchase(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {}
49 int main() {}
```

# Example – Supermarket - Continued

```
49  int main() {
50      const int maxNumberOfProducts = 100;
51      Product products[maxNumberOfProducts];
52      int numberOfProducts = readProducts(products);
53      double total = 0;
54      char input = 'm';
55      while (input == 'm') {
56          total += purchase(products, numberOfProducts);
57          cout << "Enter 'm' to purchase more! --> ";
58          cin >> input;
59      }
60      cout << "Total: $" << total << endl;
61      createReceipt(total);
62  }
```



# Example – Supermarket - Continued

```
9 > void createReceipt(double total) {  
22 int readProducts(Product products[]) {  
23     ifstream fin;  
24     fin.open("products.txt");  
25     if (fin.fail()) cout << "Error" << endl;  
26     int i=0;  
27     while (fin >> products[i].name >> products[i].price)  
28         i++;  
29     fin.close();  
30     return i;  
31 }  
32 > int productSelection(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {  
42 > double purchase(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {  
49 > int main() {
```

# Example – Supermarket - Continued

```
9 > void createReceipt(double total) {  
22 > int readProducts(Product products[]) {  
32 > int productSelection(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {  
42 double purchase(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {  
43     int productID = productSelection(products, numberOfProducts);  
44     int quantity;  
45     cout << "How many? --> ";  
46     cin >> quantity;  
47     return products[productID].price * quantity;  
48 }  
49 > int main() {
```

# Example – Supermarket - Continued

```
9 > void createReceipt(double total) {  
22 > int readProducts(Product products[]) {  
32 int productSelection(Product products[], int numberOfProducts) {  
33     for (int i=0;i<numberOfProducts;i++)  
34         cout << i <<": " << products[i].name <<" ($" << products[i].price << ")" << endl  
35     cout << "--> ";  
36     int productID;  
37     cin >> productID;  
38     if (productID >= 0 && productID < numberOfProducts)  
39         return productID;  
40     return productSelection(products, numberOfProducts);  
41 }
```

# Nested Structures

# Nested Structures

- Structures can be nested
  - A member of a structure can be another structure
- Example

## Employee

string name  
string position  
double salary

## Company

string name  
string address  
int numberOfEmployees  
Employee employeeList[]

# Nested Structures - Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct Employee {
4      string name;
5      string position;
6      double salary;
7  };
8  struct Company {
9      string name;
10     string address;
11     int numberOfEmployees;
12     Employee employeeList[100];
13 };
14 > void addEmployee(Company &c) {
24 > void outputCompany(Company c) {
34 > int main() {
```

# Nested Structures – Example - Continued

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  > struct Company {
14 > void addEmployee(Company &c) {
24 > void outputCompany(Company c) {
34 int main() {
35     Company c1 = {"ABC company", "HK", 0};
36     addEmployee(c1);
37     addEmployee(c1);
38     Company c2 = {"XYZ company", "US", 0};
39     addEmployee(c2);
40     outputCompany(c1);
41     outputCompany(c2);
42 }
```

# Nested Structures – Example - Continued

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  > struct Company {
14 void addEmployee(Company &c) {
15     cout << "Adding employee to " << c.name << endl;
16     cout << "Name: ";
17     cin >> c.employeeList[c.numberOfEmployees].name;
18     cout << "Position: ";
19     cin >> c.employeeList[c.numberOfEmployees].position;
20     cout << "Salary: ";
21     cin >> c.employeeList[c.numberOfEmployees].salary;
22     c.numberOfEmployees++;
23 }
24 > void outputCompany(Company c) {
34 > int main() {
```



# Nested Structures – Example - Continued

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  > struct Company {
14 > void addEmployee(Company &c) {
24 void outputCompany(Company c) {
25     cout << "Name: " << c.name << endl;
26     cout << "Address: " << c.address << endl;
27     cout << "Number of Employees: " << c.numberOfEmployees << endl;
28     for (int i=0;i<c.numberOfEmployees;i++) {
29         cout << c.employeeList[i].name << " ";
30         cout << c.employeeList[i].position << " ";
31         cout << "$" << c.employeeList[i].salary << endl;
32     }
33 }
34 > int main() {
```

# Object Oriented Programming (for reference only)

# OOP

- In object oriented programming (OOP) we add functions related to the structure directly into the struct
- Example

```
Company  
  
    string name  
    string address  
  
    int numberOfEmployees  
    Employee employeeList[]  
  
    addEmployee()  
    output()
```

# OOP - Example

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
4      int id;
5      string name;
6      string address;
7      int numberOfEmployees;
8      Employee employeeList[100];
9      void addEmployee() {
10         int i = 0;
11         while (i < 100) {
12             if (employeeList[i].name == "") {
13                 employeeList[i].name = "Employee " + to_string(i+1);
14                 employeeList[i].address = "Address " + to_string(i+1);
15                 employeeList[i].numberOfEmployees = 1;
16                 i++;
17             }
18         }
19     }
20     void outputCompany() {
21         for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
22             if (employeeList[i].name != "") {
23                 cout << "Employee " << i+1 << ": " << employeeList[i].name << ", " << employeeList[i].address << ", " << employeeList[i].numberOfEmployees << endl;
24             }
25         }
26     }
27 };
28
29 int main() {
30     Company c1 = {"ABC company", "HK", 0};
31     c1.addEmployee();
32     c1.addEmployee();
33     Company c2 = {"XYZ company", "US", 0};
34     c2.addEmployee();
35     c1.outputCompany();
36     c2.outputCompany();
37 }
```

# OOP – Example - Continued

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  > struct Employee {
8  struct Company {
9      string name;
10     string address;
11     int numberOfEmployees;
12     Employee employeeList[100];
13     void addEmployee() {
14         cout << "Adding employee to " << name << endl;
15         cout << "Name: ";
16         cin >> employeeList[numberOfEmployees].name;
17         cout << "Position: ";
18         cin >> employeeList[numberOfEmployees].position;
19         cout << "Salary: ";
20         cin >> employeeList[numberOfEmployees].salary;
21         numberOfEmployees++;
22     }
23 > void outputCompany() {
33 };
34 > int main() {
```

# OOP – Example - Continued

```
2  using namespace std;
3 > struct Employee {
8  struct Company {
9      string name;
10     string address;
11     int numberOfEmployees;
12     Employee employeeList[100];
13 > void addEmployee() {
23 void outputCompany() {
24     cout << "Name: " << name << endl;
25     cout << "Address: " << address << endl;
26     cout << "Number of Employees: " << numberOfEmployees << endl;
27     for (int i=0;i<numberOfEmployees;i++) {
28         cout << employeeList[i].name << " ";
29         cout << employeeList[i].position << " ";
30         cout << "$" << employeeList[i].salary << endl;
31     }
32 }
33 };
34 > int main() {
```

# OOP

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- OOP is a programming paradigm using objects
- Traditionally, programming languages have divided the world into two parts

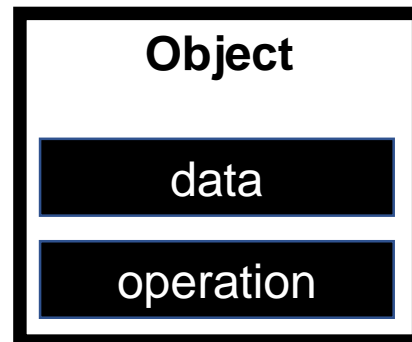
data

operation

# OOP

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- In OOP, this view is restructured to a higher level
  - Operations and data are grouped into modular units called objects
  - Every object has both state (data, i.e., variables) and behavior (operations - i.e., functions on data)





# Objects

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- Objects in OOP are not much different from ordinary physical objects
- It is easy to see how a mechanical device, such as a pocket watch or a piano, embodies both state and behavior
- But almost anything that is designed to do a job does, too

# Objects

- Even a simple bottle combines state
  - How full the bottle is
  - Weight
  - Open/closed
  - Temperature of content
- With behavior
  - Dispense content
  - Open/close
- It is this resemblance to real things objects much of their power



# Task

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- Write a function that will compare its two parameters of the following struct type

```
3 struct Entry {  
4     string name;  
5     char dorm;  
6     int age;  
7 };
```

- The function will return true if the member variables of the structure contain the same data and false otherwise