

CS2310 Computer Programming

LT11 Object Oriented Programming-I

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Outline

- C-like struct
- Class and objects: basic concepts and syntax
- Constructors and destructors
- Access specifier: public, protect, and private

Struct: Definition

- A *composite data type* that groups a list of variables (possibly different types) under one name
- Variables are stored in a continuous memory areas
- Syntax and example:

```
struct typename {  
    type1  member_var1;  
    type2  member_var2;  
    ...  
};
```

```
struct StudentRecord {  
    char    name[51];  
    char    sid[9];  
    float   GPA;  
};
```

Initialization

- No memory is allocated when you *define* a struct
- When you declare a variable of a given struct type, enough memory is allocated for storing all struct members *contiguously*
- Example

```
StudentRecord danny = {"Danny", "50123456", 80};
```

Accessing Individual Members

- A member variable can be accessed with the use of the dot operator “.” :

```
danny.quiz += 10;
```

- Two structure types can have the same member name:

```
CS2363Student peter;
```

```
cin >> peter.quiz;
```

Accessing Individual Members (cont'd)

- A member variable can be accessed with the use of the dot operator “.”
 - danny.gpa += 10;
- Structure types can have the same member name without confliction

```
struct CS2310Student {  
    char    sid[9];  
    float   asg[3];  
    float   lab[10];  
    float   midterm;  
    float   final;  
};
```

```
struct CS6789Student {  
    char    sid[9];  
    float   asg[5];  
    float   final;  
};
```

```
CS2310Student peter;  
cin >> peter.final;  
CS6789Student danny;  
cin >> danny.final;
```

Example

```
struct CS2310Student {  
    int    sid;  
    float  quiz;  
    float  asg1;  
    float  asg2;  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    CS2310Student student;  
    cout << "Please enter your id, quiz, a1, and a2 marks\n";  
    cin >> sr.id;  
    cin >> sr.quiz;  
    cin >> sr.asg1;  
    cin >> sr.asg2;  
    cout << sr.id << " cw:" << (sr.quiz+sr.asg1+sr.asg2)/3 << endl;  
    return 0;  
}
```

Struct Assignment

- You can assign structure values to a structure variable:

```
danny = kitty;
```

which is equivalent to:

```
danny.sid    = kitty.sid;  
danny.quiz   = kitty.quiz;  
danny.asg1   = kitty.asg1;  
danny.asg2   = kitty.asg2;
```

```
struct CS2310Student {  
    int    sid;  
    float  quiz;  
    float  asg1;  
    float  asg2;  
};
```


Pass/Return Structure to/from Function

- A function can have parameters of structure type:

```
double overall(CS2310Student s) {  
    return (s.quiz + s.asg1 + s.asg2)/3;  
}
```

- A function can return a value of structure type:

```
CS2310Student newStudent(int sid) {  
    CS2310 stu; stu.sid=sid;  
    return stu;  
}
```

Hierarchical structures

- A member of a structure can be another structure:

```
struct Date {  
    int month, day, year;  
};
```

```
struct PersonInfo {  
    double height, weight;  
    Date    birthday;  
};
```

```
PersonInfo peter;  
peter.birthday.year=2001;
```

Struct Pointer

- Struct pointer stores the memory address of the first byte of a struct variable

```
Date d;  
d.year = 2022;  
d.month = 11;  
d.day = 7;  
Date *dPtr = &d;
```

Address	Value	
0xa12	2022	d.year
0xa16	11	d.month
0xa1a	7	d.day
0x7c	0xa12	dPtr

Pointer and Arrow Syntax

- Pointers can point to a struct
- One way to do this would be to dereference and then use dot notation:

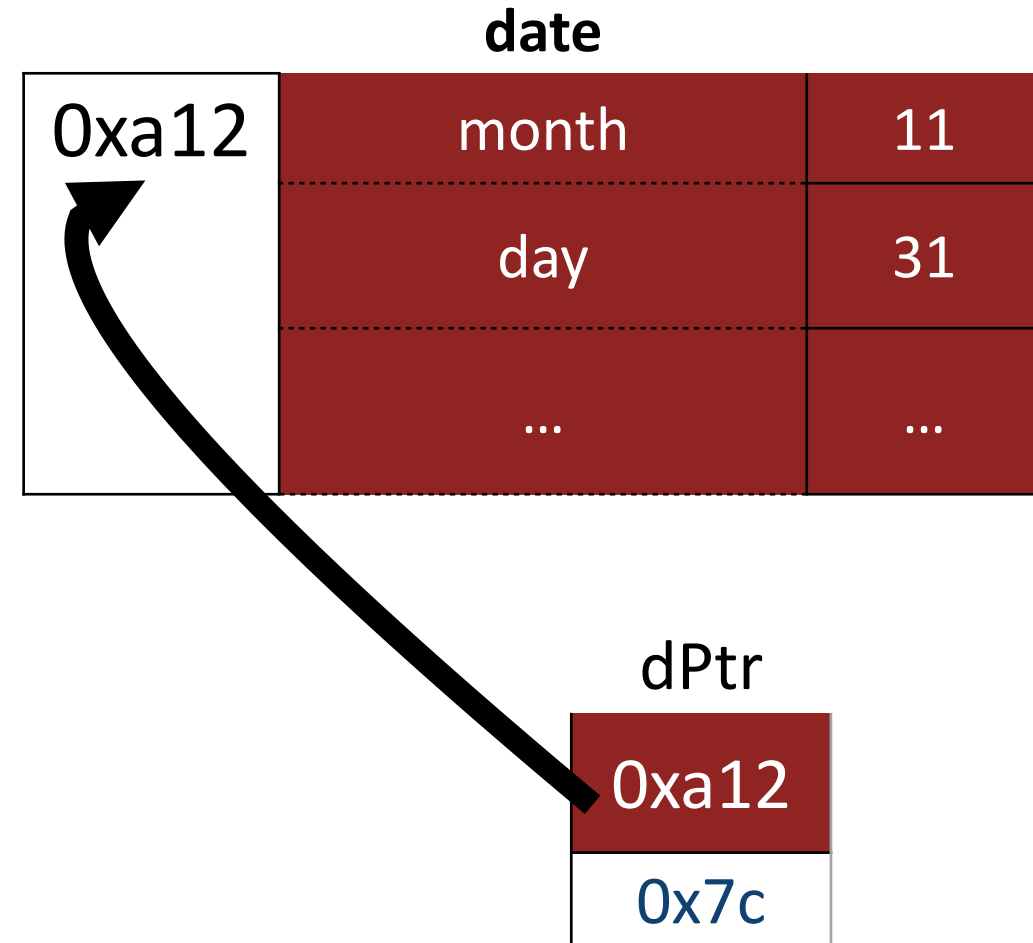
```
Date d;
```

```
d.month = 7;
```

```
Date* dPtr = &d;
```

```
cout << (*dPtr).month << endl;
```

- But, this notation is cumbersome, and the parenthesis are necessary because the "dot" has a higher precedence than the *.

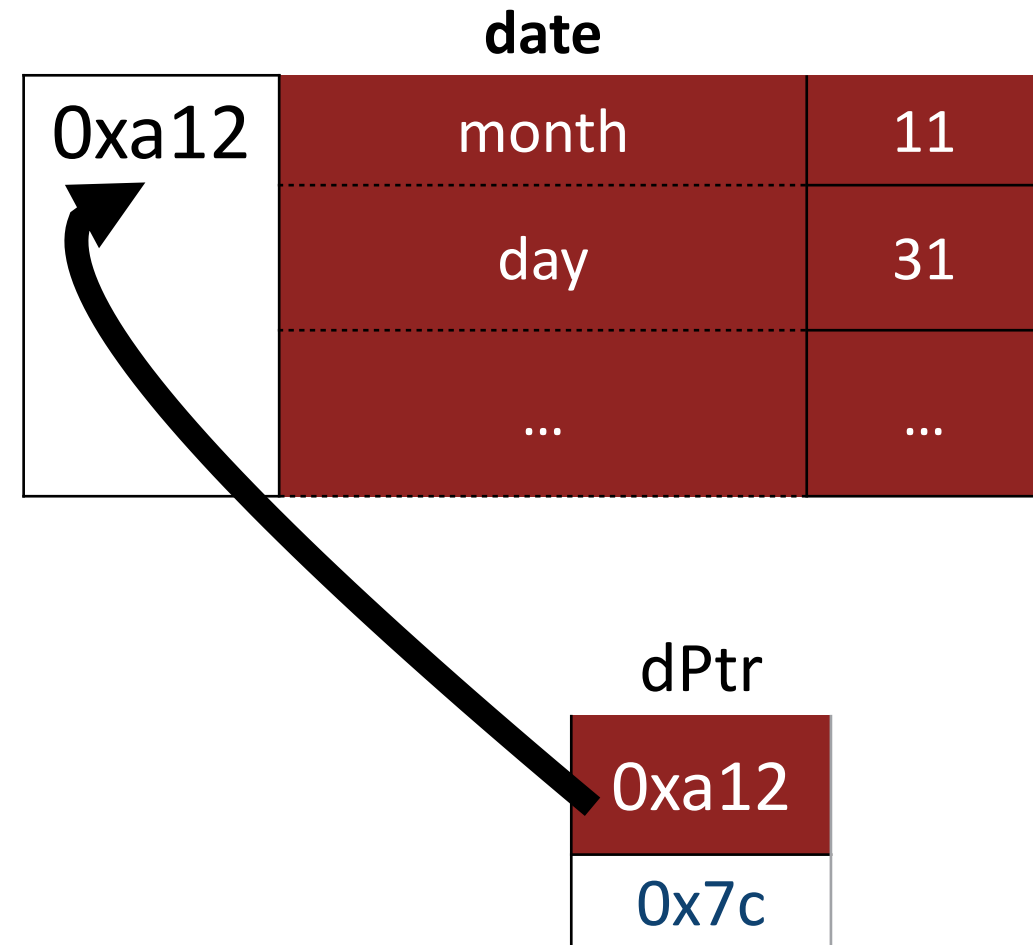


Pointer and Arrow Syntax

- So, we have a different, and more intuitive syntax, called the "arrow" syntax, -> :

```
Date d;  
d.month = 7;  
Date* dPtr = &d;  
cout << dPtr->month << endl;
```

- The arrow syntax can be used to set a value as well



Dynamic Memory for Struct: new

```
// allocate an int, default initializer (do nothing)
int * p1 = new int;
// allocate an int, initialized to 0
int * p2 = new int();
// allocate an int, initialized to 5
int * p3 = new int(5);
// allocate an int, initialized to 0
int * p4 = new int{}; // C++11
// allocate an int, initialized to 5
int * p5 = new int {5}; // C++11

// allocate a Date struct variable, default initializer
Date * pd1 = new Date;
// allocate a Date struct variable, initialize the members
Date * pd2 = new Date {2023, 11, 30}; // C++11
```

Dynamic Memory for Struct: new[]

```
// allocate 16 int, default initializer (do nothing)
```

```
int * pa1 = new int[16];
```

```
// allocate 16 int, zero initialized
```

```
int * pa2 = new int[16]();
```

```
// allocate 16 int, zero initialized
```

```
int * pa3 = new int[16]{}; // C++11
```

```
// allocate 16 int, the first 3 element are initialized to 1,2,3, the rest 0
```

```
int * pa4 = new int[16]{1,2,3}; // C++11
```

```
// allocate memory for 16 Date objects, default initializer
```

```
Date * pda1 = new Date [16];
```

```
// allocate memory for 16 Date objects, the first two are explicitly initialized
```

```
Date * pda2 = new Date [16]{{2023, 11, 30}, {2023, 12, 1}}; // C++11
```

Dynamic Memory for Struct: delete/delete[]

```
// deallocate memory
```

```
delete p1;
```

```
// deallocate memory
```

```
delete pd1;
```

```
// deallocate the memory of initialized array
```

```
delete []pa1;
```

```
// deallocate the memory of uninitialized array, and  
of all the elements
```

```
delete []pda1;
```

We'll explore destructors
when we study classes
and objects.

Function Parameter Passing

```
void printDateByValue(Date d) {
    cout << "By Value: " << d.year << "-" <<
d.month << "-" << d.day << endl;
}

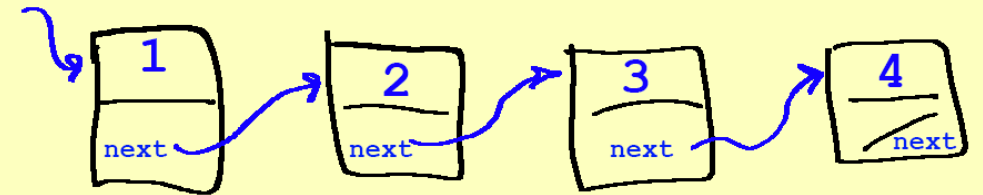
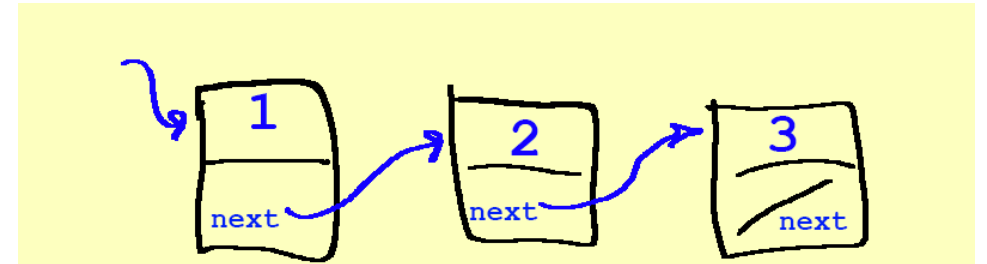
void modifyDateByReference(Date &d) {
    d.year += 1; // Modify the year
    cout << "By Reference: " << d.year << "-"
<< d.month << "-" << d.day << endl;
}

void resetDateByPointer(Date *d) {
    d->year = 2000; // Reset the year
    d->month = 1;   // Reset the month
    d->day = 1;     // Reset the day
    cout << "By Pointer: " << d->year << "-" <<
d->month << "-" << d->day << endl;
}
```

```
int main() {
    Date d;
    d.year = 2023; d.month = 11; d.day = 7;
    // Pass by value
    printDateByValue(d);
    // Pass by reference
    modifyDateByReference(d);
    // Print modified date to show the change
    cout << "Modified Date: " << d.year << "-"
" << d.month << "-" << d.day << endl;
    // Pass by pointer
    resetDateByPointer(&d);
    // Print reset date to show the change
    cout << "Reset Date: " << d.year << "-"
<< d.month << "-" << d.day << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Struct and Pointer: Linked List

- A linked list is a chain of *nodes*
- Each node contains two pieces of information:
 - Some piece of **data** that is stored in the sequence
 - A **link to the next node** in the list
- We can *traverse* the list by starting at the first node and repeatedly following its link
- Each element is **stored separately** from the rest.
- The elements are then chained together into a sequence



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struct Node {  
    int data;  
    Node* next;  
};
```

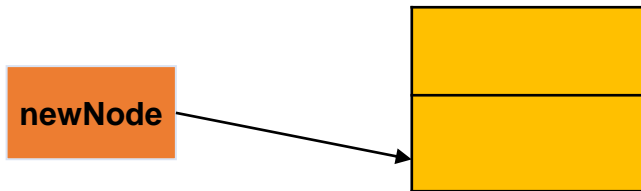
```
// Function to print the linked list  
void printList(Node* head) {  
    while (head != nullptr) {  
        cout << head->data << " -> ";  
        head = head->next;  
    }  
    cout << "NULL\n";  
}
```

```
void insertAtBeginning(Node*& head, int newData) {  
    Node* newNode = new Node();  
    newNode->data = newData;  
    newNode->next = head;  
    head = newNode;  
}
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    // Free the remaining nodes  
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        delete temp;  
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}
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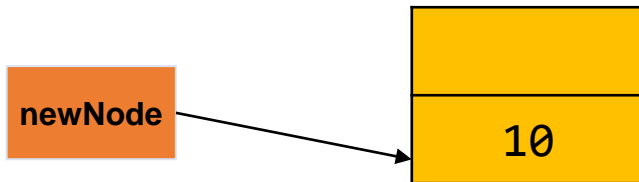
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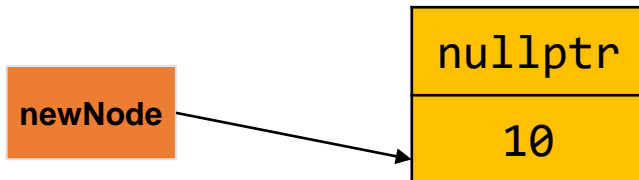
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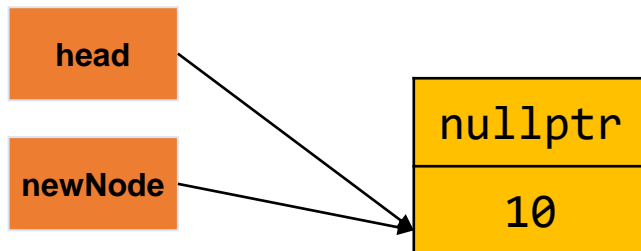
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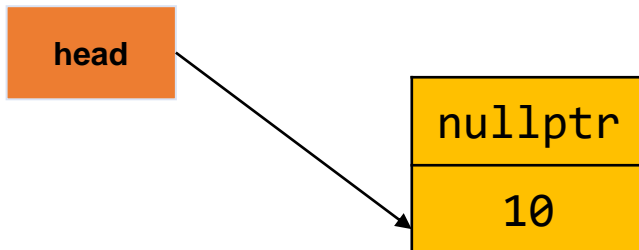


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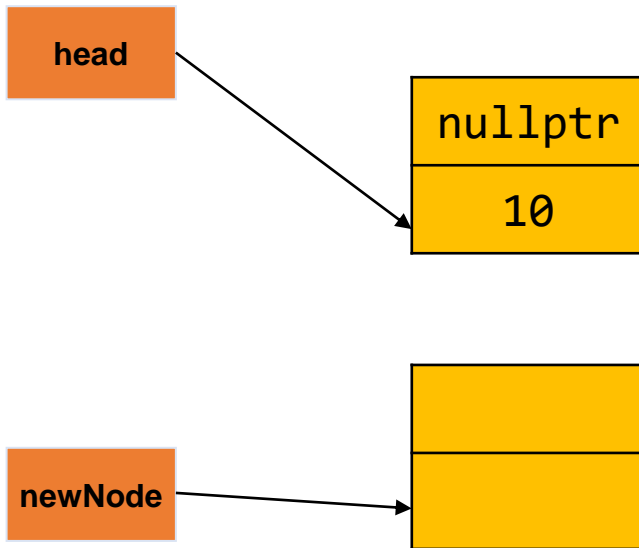


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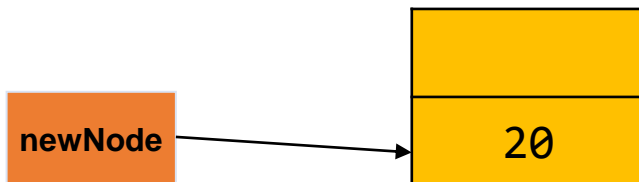
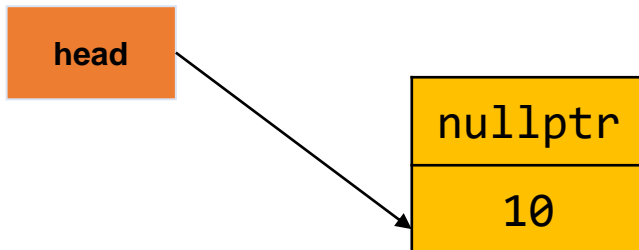


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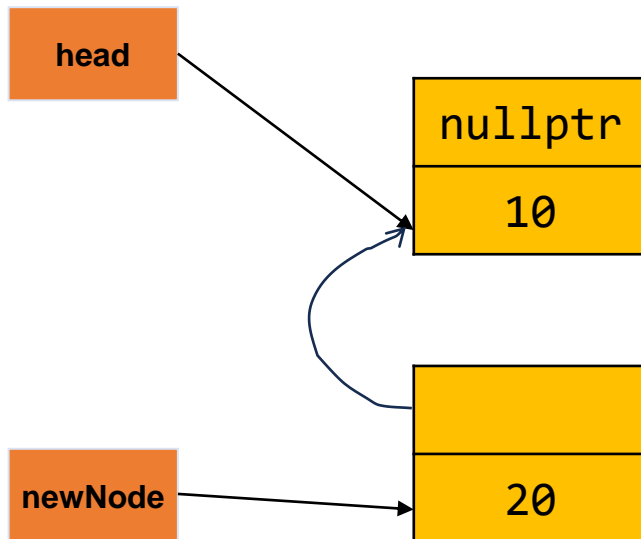


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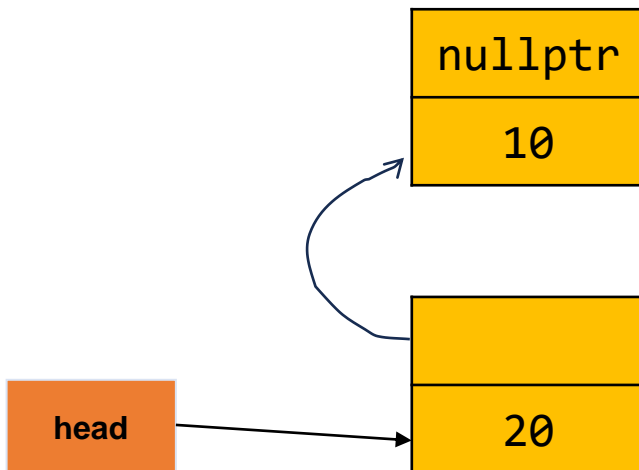


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Class and Objects

- A *class* is a user-defined data type used as a template for creating *objects*
- For example
 - class: Politician objects: Trump, Biden, Obama
 - class: Country objects: China, India ...
- A class typically contains:
 - *data fields*: member variables that describe object state (i.e., object attributes or properties)
 - *methods*: member functions that operate on the object (e.g., alter or access object state)

Example

```
char    *body_color;
char    *eye_color;
float   pos_x, pos_y;
float   orient;
float   powerLevel;
Camera  eye;
Speaker mouth;
Mic     ear;
```

```
void start();
void shutdown();
void moveForward(int step);
void turnLeft(int degree);
void turnRight(int degree);
void listen(Audio *audio);
Audio speak(char *str);
```

class: **Robot**

Member
variables

Member
functions

```
Robot eve, wall_e;
eve.body_color = "White";
eve.eye_color = "Blue";
wall_e.body_color = "Yellow";
wall_e.eye_color = "Black";
...
```



Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

- Conventional procedural programming:
 - A program is divided into small parts called functions
 - Focus on solving a problem step by step
- Object-oriented programming
 - A program is divided into objects, each contains data and functions that describe properties, attributes, and behaviours of the object
 - Focus on **modelling object interactions in real-world**
 - Code reuse, modularity and flexibility, efficient for large projects
 - However, it's not universally applicable to all problems

Define Classes

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    void setCenter() {  
        cout << "Input center:\n";  
        cin >> x >> y;  
    }  
  
    void setRadius() {  
        cout << "Input radius:\n";  
        cin >> r;  
    }  
  
    bool isWithin(float x0, float y0);  
    float perimeter();  
    float area();  
};
```

"Circle.h"

```
bool Circle::isWithin(float x0, float y0) {  
    return (x0-x)*(x0-x)+(y0-y)*(y0-y) < r*r;  
}  
  
float Circle::perimeter() {  
    return 2*M_PI*r;  
}  
  
float Circle::area() {  
    return M_PI*r*r;  
}
```

"Circle.cpp"

Create and Access Objects

```
int main() {  
    Circle a;  
    a.setCenter(); a.setRadius();  
    cout << "The perimeter of circle a is " << a.perimeter() << endl;  
  
    Circle *b = new Circle();  
    b->setCenter(); b->setRadius();  
    cout << "The area of circle b is " << b->area() << endl;  
    delete b;  
  
    return 0;  
};
```

this Pointer

- this keyword in C++ is *an implicit pointer that points to the object of which the member function is called*
- Every object has its own this pointer. Every object can reference itself by this pointer

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    void setCenter(float x, float y) {  
        this->x = x;  
        this->y = y;  
    }  
  
    void setRadius(float r) {  
        this->r = r;  
    }  
};
```

Pass Class Objects to Functions

- Pass-by-value: class state won't be modified after function call

```
class Student {  
public:  
    float avg_grade=0; int n_course=0;  
    void updateCourse(int n) { this->n_course += n; }  
    void updateAvgGrade(float avg_grade) {  
        this->avg_grade = avg_grade;  
    }  
};  
int main() {  
    Student alice; int grade[3] = {90, 85, 95};  
    inputCourseGrade(alice, grade, 3);  
    cout << alice.n_course << " ";  
    cout << alice.avg_grade << "\n";  
    delete alice;  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void inputCourseGrades(Student stu, float grade[], int n) {  
    float total = stu.avg_grade*stu.n_course;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        total += grade[i];  
    float new_avg = total / (stu.n_course+n);  
  
    stu.updateAvgGrade(new_avg);  
    stu.updateCourse(n);  
  
    cout << stu.n_course;  
    cout << " ";  
    cout << stu.avg_grade;  
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    float new_avg = total / (stu->n_course+n);  
  
    stu->updateAvgGrade(new_avg);  
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    cout << stu->n_course;  
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public:  
    float avg_grade=0; int n_course=0;  
    void updateCourse(int n) { this->n_course += n; }  
    void updateAvgGrade(float avg_grade) {  
        this->avg_grade = avg_grade;  
    }  
};  
int main() {  
    Student alice; int grade[3] = {90, 85, 95};  
    inputCourseGrade(alice, grade, 3);  
    cout << alice.n_course << " ";  
    cout << alice.avg_grade << "\n";  
    delete alice;  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
void inputCourseGrades(Student &stu, float grade[], int n) {  
    float total = stu.avg_grade*stu.n_course;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        total += grade[i];  
    float new_avg = total / (stu.n_course+n);  
  
    stu.updateAvgGrade(new_avg);  
    stu.updateCourse(n);  
  
    cout << stu.n_course;  
    cout << " ";  
    cout << stu.avg_grade;  
    cout << "\n";  
}
```

const Members

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
    const double PI = 3.1416;  
    void setCenter() {  
        cout << "Input center:\n";  
        cin >> x >> y;  
    }  
    void setRadius() {  
        cout << "Input radius:\n";  
        cin >> r;  
    }  
    bool isWithin(float x0, float y0);  
    float perimeter();  
    float area();  
};
```

```
float Circle::perimeter() const  
{  
    return 2*M_PI*r;  
}
```

```
float Circle::area() const {  
    return M_PI*r*r;  
}
```

- `const` member variables
behavior similar with normal
`const` variables
- `const` member functions
promise not to modify member
variables.

static Members

```
class Date {
public:
    int year; int month; int day;
    // Keep track of number of Date objects created.
    static int objectCount;
    void createDate(int y, int m, int d) {
        year = y; month = m; day = d;
        objectCount++; // Increment the static variable each time this method is called
    }
    // Static member function to access static variable
    static int getObjectCount() {
        return objectCount; // Note: Static member functions can only access static variables
    }
};

// Static variable definition and initialization
int Date::objectCount = 0;
int main() {
    Date d1(2022, 11, 7); // Creates a Date object
    Date d2(2023, 1, 1);  // Creates another Date object
    // Accessing the static variable through the class name
    cout << "Total Date objects created: " << Date::getObjectCount() << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

`static` is associated with the **class** rather than with any object/instance of the class

Outline

- C-like struct
- Class and objects: basic concepts and syntax
- Constructors and destructors
- Access specifier: public, protect, and private

Constructor

- A constructor is a special member function that **initializes** member variables
- A constructor is **automatically called** when an object of that class is declared
- Rule I: a constructor must have the **same name as the class**
- Rule II: a constructor definition **cannot return a value**

Constructor: Example-I

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    Circle() {  
        cout << "Input center:\n";  
        cin >> x >> y;  
        cout << "Input radius:\n";  
        cin >> r;  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Circle *a = new Circle(); //Circle() will be called  
    delete a;  
  
    Circle b; // Circle() will be called  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Constructor: Example-II

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    Circle(float x0, float y0, float r0) {  
        x = x0; y = y0; r = r0;  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Circle a(0, 0, 1);  
  
    Circle *b = new Circle(1, 1, 2);  
    delete b;  
  
    // Note: A constructor cannot be called in the same  
    // way as an ordinary member function is called  
    a.Circle(1, 1, 1); // illegal  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Constructor: Example-II with this Pointer

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    Circle(float x, float y, float r);  
};  
  
Circle::Circle(float x, float y, float r) {  
    this->x = x;  
    this->y = y;  
    this->r = r;  
}
```

- How does a member function know which `x`?
- All methods in a function have a `this` pointer.
- It is set to the address of the object that invokes the method

Constructor: Example-III

- Constructor is typically overloaded, which allows objects to be initialized in multiple ways

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
    Circle() {  
        cout << "Input center and radius:\n";  
        cin >> x >> y >> r;  
    }  
    Circle(float x0, float y0, float r0) {  
        x = x0; y = y0; r = r0;  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Circle *a = new Circle();  
    delete a;  
    Circle b(0, 0, 1);  
    // Circle() will be called  
    Circle c;  
    // A constructor behaves like a function that  
    // returns an object of its class type  
    c = Circle(1, 1, 2);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Default Constructor

- The constructor with **zero arguments** is the default constructor
- A default constructor will be generated by compiler automatically if NO constructor is defined

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
    void setCenter() {  
        cout << "Input center:\n";  
        cin >> x >> y;  
    }  
    void setRadius() {  
        cout << "Input radius:\n";  
        cin >> r;  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Circle a; // although no constructor is defined,  
              // the compiler will add an empty Circle()  
              // automatically, and call it when a  
              // Circle object is allocated  
  
    a.setCenter();  
    a.setRadius();  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Default Constructor (cont'd)

- However, if any non-default constructor is defined, the compiler will not add the default constructor anymore, and call the default constructor will cause compilation error
- In practice, it is almost always right to provide a default constructor if other constructors are being defined

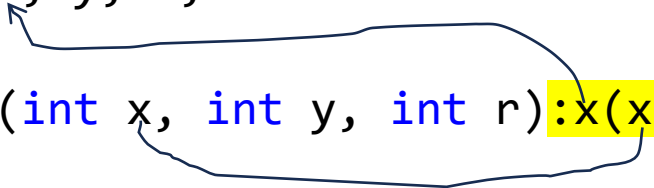
```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    Circle(float x0, float y0, float r0) {  
        x = x0; y = y0; r = r0;  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Circle a; // illegal  
  
    Circle *b = new Circle(); // illegal  
    delete b;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```


Initializer List

- The list of members to be initialized is indicated with constructor as a **comma-separated** list followed by a **colon**.

```
class Circle {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    float x, y, r;  
  
    Circle(int x, int y, int r):x(x), y(y), r(r) {}  
  
    // the above initializer list is equivalent to  
    // Circle(int x0, int y0, int r0) {  
    //     x = x0; y = y0; r = r0;  
    // }  
};
```



The diagram consists of two blue curved arrows. The first arrow starts at the parameter 'x' in the constructor signature 'Circle(int x, int y, int r)' and points to the member variable 'x' in the declaration 'float x, y, r;'. The second arrow starts at the parameter 'y' in the same signature and points to the member variable 'y' in the declaration. The initializer list ':x(x), y(y), r(r) {}' is highlighted in yellow.

Initializer List

- **const** and **reference** member variables MUST be initialized using initializer list

```
class myClass {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    const int t1;  
    int& t2;  
  
    // Initializer list must be used  
    myClass(int t1, int& t2):t1(t1), t2(t2) {}  
  
    int getT1() { return t1; }  
    int getT2() { return t2; }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    int myint = 34;  
  
    myClass c(10, myint);  
  
    cout << c.getT1() << endl;  
    cout << c.getT2() << endl;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Copy Constructor

The copy constructor is used to initialize the members of a newly created object by **copying the members of an already existing object**.

```
class Circle{
private:
    int radius;
public:
    Circle(int r);
    Circle(const Circle& c);
    double getArea();
};

Circle::Circle(int r){
    radius=r;
}

Circle::Circle(const Circle& c){
    radius=c.radius;
}
```

```
double Circle::getArea(){
    return 3.1415*radius;
}

int main(){
    Circle circle(6);
    Circle circle2(circle);
    circle2.getArea();
    return 0;
}
```

Destructor

- A destructor is a special member function which is invoked automatically whenever an object is going to be destroyed
- Rule-I: a destructor has the same name as their class name preceded by a tiled (~) symbol
- Rule-II: a destructor has no return values and parameters
 - destructor overload is NOT allowed
- Statically allocated objects are destructed when the object is out-of-scope
- Dynamically allocated objects are to manually destructed only when you delete them

Destructor: Example

```
class Robot {  
public: // access specifier, introduced later  
    char *name = NULL;  
    Robot(char *name) {  
        int n = strlen(name);  
        this->name = new char[n+1];  
        strncpy(this->name, name, n);  
        this->name[n] = '\0';  
        cout << "Constructing " << name << endl;  
    }  
    ~Robot() {  
        cout << "Destructing " << name << endl;  
        // it's a good practice to free memories allocated  
        // for member variables in destructor  
        delete[] name;  
    }  
};
```

```
void func() {  
    Robot eve("Eve");  
    cout << "func is about to return\n";  
    // Automatically calls the destructor when a  
    // statically allocated object is out of the  
    // scope  
}  
  
int main() {  
    Robot *wall_e = new Robot("Wall-e");  
    func();  
    // A dynamically allocated object is destructed  
    // only when you explicitly delete it  
    delete wall_e;  
    cout << "main is about to return\n";  
    return 0;  
}
```

Class version of Linked List

```
class Node {
public:
    int data;
    Node* next;
    Node(int newData) : data(newData),
next(nullptr) { }
    // delete `next` is the list's job
    ~Node() { }
};

class LinkedList {
private:
    Node* head;
public:
    LinkedList() : head(nullptr) { }
    ~LinkedList() {
        Node* current = head;
        while (current != nullptr) {
            Node* nextNode = current->next;
            delete current;
```

```
            current = nextNode;
        }
    }
    void insertAtBeginning(int newData) {
        Node* newNode = new Node(newData);
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
    }
    void printList() const {
        Node* current = head;
        while (current != nullptr) {
            cout << current->data << " -> ";
            current = current->next;
        }
        cout << "NULL\n";
    }
};
```

Class version of Linked List

```
int main() {  
    LinkedList list;  
    list.insertAtBeginning(10);  
    list.insertAtBeginning(20);  
    cout << "Linked List after  
        insertion: ";  
    list.printList();  
    // LinkedList destructor is  
    // automatically called here  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    LinkedList* list = new LinkedList();  
    list->insertAtBeginning(10);  
    list->insertAtBeginning(20);  
    cout << "Linked List after insertion: ";  
    list->printList();  
    // manually call LinkedList destructor  
    delete list;  
    return 0;  
}
```

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Access Specifier

- An access specifier defines how the members (data fields and methods) of a class can be accessed
- **public**: members are accessible from outside the class
- **private**: members cannot be accessed from outside the class
- **protected**: members cannot be accessed from outside the class.

However, they can be accessed in inherited classes (next lecture)

- By default, member variables and functions of **class** are private if no access specifiers are provided
 - member variables and functions of **struct** are public by default

Access Specifier: Example

```
class Actress {  
private:  
    int age;  
  
public:  
    char name[255];  
    Actress(char *name, int age):age(age) {  
        strcpy(this->name, name);  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Actress actress("Alice", 25);  
  
    cout << actress.name << endl; // allowed  
    cout << actress.age << endl;  // NOT allowed  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Access Specifier: Example

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class Actress {  
private:  
    int age;  
  
public:  
    char name[255];  
    Actress(char *name, int age):age(age) {  
        strcpy(this->name, name);  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Actress actress("Alice", 25);  
  
    cout << actress.name << endl; // allowed  
    cout << actress.age << endl; // NOT allowed  
  
    strcpy(actress.name, "Eve"); // allowed  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Access Specifier: Example

```
class Actress {  
private:  
    int age;  
  
public:  
    char name[255];  
    Actress(char *name, int age):age(age) {  
        strcpy(this->name, name);  
    }  
};
```

```
int main() {  
    Actress actress("Alice", 25);  
  
    cout << actress.name << endl; // allowed  
    cout << actress.age << endl; // NOT allowed  
  
    // this is legal but ill-logical  
    // the name of an actress object should NOT  
    // be modified from outside  
    strcpy(actress.name, "Eve"); // allowed  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Access Specifier (cont'd)

```
class Actress {  
private:  
  
    int age;  
  
public:  
    char name[255];  
    Actress(char *name, int age):age(age) {  
        strcpy(this->name, name);  
    }  
  
};
```

- We want actress name to be *read-only from outside*

Access Specifier (cont'd)

```
class Actress {  
private:  
    char name[255];  
    int age;  
  
public:  
    char name[255];  
    Actress(char *name, int age):age(age) {  
        strcpy(this->name, name);  
    }  
    char *getName() {  
        return name;  
    }  
};
```

- We want actress name to be *read-only from outside*
- Declare name as private, and then define a public function to read it from outside

Access Specifier (cont'd)

- A common design of OOP is **data encapsulation**, which is to
 - define all member variables as private
 - provide enough get and set functions to read and write member variables
 - only functions that need to interact with the outside can be made public
 - supporting functions used by the member functions should also be made private