Chapter 4

Objective

- ➤ Reference Type
- ➤ Pointer Swapping using reference
- ➤ Pointer Swapping using Double pointers
- >const Specifies
- ➤ Constant Array Elements
- ➤ Constant Objects
- ➤ Member initialization List
- ➤ Copy Constructor
- ➤ Allocate memory Using Copy constructor
- ➤ Static Members
- ➤ Static Member Functions
- ➤ Design Pattern Using Static Member Function

Reference Type

- •& is used as a reference operator.
- •A reference is an alias for an already existing variable.
- •A reference must be initialized at declaration and cannot be changed.
- •References work best when passing user-defined data types as function parameters.

```
1. #include <iostream>
                               // Example 4-1
2. using namespace std;
3. int main()
4. {
                            // an integer remark is set to 17
5.
          int remark = 17;
6.
          int &comment = remark;
                                         // Reference comment is an alias of remark
          comment = 55;
                               // Set comment to 55, which also causes remark to be 55
7.
          // comment points to the same location that remark has
8.
          // comment does not need de-reference.
9.
10.
          // comment cannot be used for any other memory created by
11.
         // other variables as a reference variable.
          cout << comment << ' ' << remark << "\n";
12.
13.}
```

```
1. #include <iostream>
                               // Example 4-2
2. using namespace std;
3. int main()
4. {
                               // an integer remark is set to 17
5.
          int remark = 17;
          int *comment = &remark;  // assign the address of remark to comment
6.
                               // Set comment to 55, which also causes
7.
          *comment = 55;
8.
          // remark to be 55 comment is holding the
9.
          // address of remark, therefore remark
                                                               55
                                                                       remark
10.
          // also becomes 55 automatic de-reference
11.
          // is not done, so use ( * ) comment can
          // hold the address of any integer
12.
13.
          // variable.
                                                                       comment
          cout << *comment << ' ' << remark << "\n";</pre>
14.
15. }
```

Things Which Can Not Be Done With References

- •Reference variable can not be modified as an alias for other variable.
- •Reference variable can not be initialized with the address of other variable.

Things Which Can Be Done With References

- •Reference variable can be passed as a parameter to other functions.
- •Function may return the reference variable.

Advantages of Using Reference Operator

When function parameter is declared as reference it provides following benefits:

- •Overhead caused by passing the large data structure as a parameter is eliminated.
- •It prevents the unnecessary copying of parameter to the stack.
- •Unnecessary copying of returning reference from a function to the stack is avoided.
- •De-referencing is not needed when function parameter is used.
- •Called function operates on the caller's copy of the data. (call-by-reference)

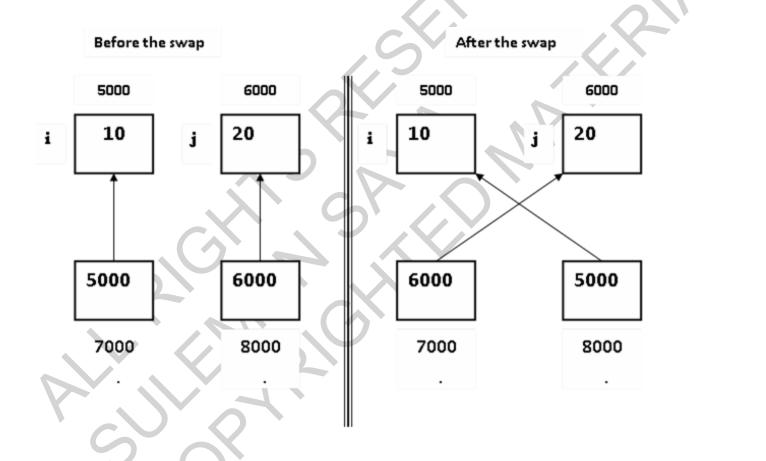
```
// Example 4-3
1. #include <iostream>
2. using namespace std;
                                           // function prototype
3. void using_pointer(int* fruit);
4. void using_reference(int &fruit);
5. int main()
6. {
7.
          int apple = 25;
8.
          cout << apple << ''\n'';
                                           // output 25
          using_pointer(&apple)
                                           // passing the address of apple
9.
                                            // output 17
10.
          cout << apple << ''\n'';
11.
          int orange = 25;
12.
          using_reference(orange):
          cout << orange << '\n
                                             output 17
13.
14. }
15.
```

Pointer Swapping using reference

```
1. #include <iostream> // Example 4-4
2. using namespace std;
3. // Pointer argument declared as a reference, this will
4. // modify the pointer itself. num1 and num2 are the
5. // reference to a pointer to an object of type int
6. void swapPtr(int *&num1, int *&num2)
7.
       int *temp = num2
8.
9.
       num2 = num1;
10.
       num1 = temp;
11. }
12.
```

```
13. int main()
                       // Show pointer swapping
14. {
15.
           int i = 10, j = 20;
16.
           int *pi = &i, *pj = &j;
17.
18.
           cout << "Before swapping pointers:\tpi = ";</pre>
           cout << *pi << '';\tpj = '' << *pj << ''\n'';
19.
           swapPtr(pi,pj);
20.
           cout << ''After swapping pointers:\tpi =</pre>
21.
           cout << *pi << '';\tpj = '' << *pj << ''\n''
22.
23.}
```

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Pointer Swapping using Double pointers

```
// Example 4-5
       #include <iostream>
1.
2.
       using namespace std;
       // Argument declared as a pointer to a pointer, this will
3.
       // modify the pointer itself num1 and num2 are the double
4.
       // indirect pointer to an int type
5.
6.
       void swapPtr(int **num1, int **num2
7.
               int *temp = *num2;
8.
               *num2 = *num1;
9.
10.
               *num1
                      = temp;
11.
```

```
12. int main() // Show pointer swapping
13. {
        int i = 10, j = 20;
14.
15.
        int *pi = &i, *pj = &j;
        cout << "Before swapping pointers:\tpi</pre>
16.
        cout << *pi << ";\tpj = " <<
17.
18.
        swapPtr(&pi,&pj);
        cout << "After swapping pointers:\tpi = ";</pre>
19.
20.
        cout << *pi << ";\tpj = " << *pj << "\n";
21. }
```

Const Specifier

- •A const declaration of a variable forbids changes of the variable after its initialization.
- •The const specifier makes the variable of any type read-only within its scope.
- •Variable's value cannot be changed during program execution.

```
const int size = 10;
// size = 12; // violates const declaration
```

- •A pointer can be declared const as well.
- •The value of the pointer cannot change, but the value it refers to can change.
- •A pointer can be declared to point to a constant value.

```
the pointer,
                                        the data it refers to
                        non-const
      int*
                                        non-const
           const q; //
      int*
                        const
                                        non-const
const int*
                        non-const
                                        const
                  r;
const int* const s;
                        const
                                        const
```

```
// Example 4-6
1. #include <iostream>
2. using namespace std;
3. int main()
4.
5.
         const int Xdata = 50;
6.
         const int* Xdata ptr;
         Xdata_ptr = &Xdata;
7.
8.
         cout << "Xdata costant, but pointer non-const:" << Xdata << "\n";</pre>
9.
         int Ydata = 100;
10.
         // int* const Ydaya_ptr; // error: uninitialized const pointer
11.
         int* const Ydata ptr = &Ydata;
12.
         cout << "Ydata non-costant, but pointer const:" << Ydata;</pre>
13.
14. }
```

Constant Array Elements

```
1. #include <iostream> // Example 4-7
2. using namespace std;
3. int main()
4. {    // illegal to alter any values of the data
5.    const float data[] = {1.1, 2.2, 3.3, 4.4, 5.5};
6.    // ERROR!! can not modified value; lvalue specifies const
7.    data[1] = 7.7;
8.    for (int index=0; index < sizeof(data)/4; index++)
9.    cout << data[index] << '\n';
10. }</pre>
```

Constant Objects

- Constant object value can not be changed.
- Constant objects can only access constant member functions.
- Create a constant member function by placing a keyword const after the arguments.
- Constant member function can be called through a non-constant object.
- Constructors and destructors cannot be declared as constant member functions.

```
#include <iostream>
                           // Example 4-8
   using namespace std;
   class CApple {
   public:
         CApple(int i)
                        { m nData = i;
5.
         void add(int i) { m nData = i + 10; }
6.
         int GetData() const { return m_nData; }
7.
   private:
         int m_nData;
9.
10. };
```

Constant Objects

```
11. int main()
12. {
13.
         CApple Washington(60);
14.
         Washington.add(10);
15.
         // non-constant object can call constant member function
16.
         int k = Washington.GetData();
17.
         cout << "The Washington object Value is " << k << "\n";</pre>
18.
19.
         // Declare and initilize constant object
20.
         const CApple Macintash = 42;
21.
22.
         // Compiler error [object is constant can not be changed]
23.
24.
         Macintash.add(17);
25.
         // constant object calls constant member function
26.
27.
         int count = Macintash.GetData();
         cout << "The Macintash object Value is " << count << "\n";</pre>
28.
29. }
```

Member initialization List

- Initialize list is used for initialization of data members of a class
- Data members to be initialized are indicated with constructor as a comma separated list followed by a colon
- Reference data members must be initialized using initializer list
- Const data members must be initialized using initializer list
- Initialize all class data members in initializer list instead of assigning values inside constructor body.

```
#include <iostream>
                            // Example 4-9
   using namespace std;
   class CMatrix {
    public:
4.
         CMatrix(int s
5.
         ~CMatrix();
6.
         void FillArray();
7.
         void Display();
8.
    private:
9.
         int **m_pnMatrix;
10.
11.
         const int m_nSize;
12. };
13
```

Member initialization List

```
14. CMatrix::CMatrix(int s) : m_nSize(s), m_pnMatrix(0)
15. {
        m pnMatrix = new int*[m nSize];
16.
         for (int x = 0; x < m nSize; x++
17.
18.
             m_pnMatrix[x] = new int [m_nSize];
19. }
20.
21. CMatrix::~CMatrix()
22. {
         for (int x = 0; x < m_nSize; x++) delete m pnMatrix[x];</pre>
23.
         delete [] m pnMatrix;
24.
25. }
26
27. void CMatrix::FillArray()
28. {
29.
         for (int x = 0; x < m nSize; x++)
            for (int y = 0; y < m_nsize; y++)
30.
               *(m pnMatrix[x] + y) = y;
31.
32. }
```

```
32. void CMatrix::Display()
33. {
         for (int x = 0; x < m_nsize; x++)
34.
            for (int y = 0; y < m_nsize; y++)
35.
               cout << (*(m_pnMatrix[x] + y))</pre>
36.
37.
         cout << "\n";
38.
39. }
40.
41. int main()
42. {
43.
         CMatrix m(4);
         m.FillArray();
44.
         m.Display();
45.
46. }
```

Copy Constructor

- •Constructor with reference type argument is called copy constructor.
- •The new object is initialized as a copy of some already existing object.
- •The default copy constructor is created and initialized for the following cases:
 - •When one object is declared and assigned to another object of same type.
 - •When object is used as pass by value to a function arguments.
 - •When object is returned by value from a function call.

```
#include <iostream>
                               Example 4-10
1.
2.
    class CHouse {
3.
           public:
              CHouse() { nBedRooms = nBathRooms = 0; }
4.
              CHouse(int nBed, int nBath);
5.
6.
              CHouse (CHouse &Obj);
               void Show()
7.
8.
           private:
               int nBedRooms;
9.
               int nBathRooms;
10.
11. };
```

```
12. CHouse::CHouse(int nBed, int nBath)
13. {
14.
         nBedRooms = nBed;
         nBathRooms = nBath;
15.
16. }
17. CHouse::CHouse(CHouse &Obj)
18. {
19.
         nBedRooms = Obj.nBedRooms;
         nBathRooms = Obj.nBathRooms;
20.
21. }
22. void CHouse::Show()
23. {
         cout << "Total Bed Rooms = " << nBedRooms << "\n";</pre>
24.
         cout << "Total Bath Rooms = " << nBathRooms << "\n";</pre>
25.
26. }
27. int main()
28. {
         CHouse h1(3,1);
29.
         CHouse h2 = h1;
30.
         h2.Show();
31.
32. }
```

Allocate memory Using Copy constructor

```
/* This program creates a "safe" array class. Since space
 for the array is dynamically allocated, a copy constructor
  is provided to allocate memory when one array object is
* used to initialize another. */
                          // Example 4-11
   #include <iostream>
   #include <cstdlib>
3. using namespace std;
4
5. class CArray {
      public:
6.
                          // Normal constructor
   CArray(int sz);
   ~CArray() {delete [] m ptr; }
9. CArray(CArray& a);
10.int get (int i) { return m_ptr[i]; }
11.
12.
      private:
13. int *m ptr;
14. const int m size;
15. };
```

```
16. int main()
17. {
         CArray redLED(10);
18.
         for (int i = 9; i >= 0; i--) cout << redLED.get(i);
19.
20.
         cout << "\n";
21.
22.
         CArray greenLED = redLED;
         for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) cout << greenLED.get(i);
23.
24.
         cout << "\n";
25. }
26.
27. void CArray::put(int i, int j)
28. {
          if (i >= 0 && i < m_size) m_ptr[i] = j;</pre>
29.
30. }
```

```
31. CArray::CArray(int sz) : m size(sz), m ptr(0)
32. {
33.
        m ptr = new int[sz];
34.
        if (!m ptr) exit(1);
        cout << "Using 'normal' constructor\n";</pre>
35.
         for (int i = 0; i < sz; i++) put(i, i);
36.
37. }
38
39. CArray::CArray(CArray& a) : m_size(a.m_size), m_ptr(0)
40. {
        m ptr = new int[m size]; // allocate memory for copy
41.
42.
         if (!m ptr) exit(1);
         for (int i = 0; i < m_size; i++) m_ptr[i] = a.m_ptr[i];
43.
        cout << "Using copy constructor\n";</pre>
44.
45. }
                                                OUTPUT:
                                                Using 'normal' constructor
                                                9876543210
                                                Using copy constructor
                                                0123456789
```

Static Data Members

- •Normally each object receives a copy of all data members
- •Objects can be created in a way that all data members are shared
- •Use static keyword before data member declaration.
- •Only one copy of data member exists.

```
Example 4-12
   #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
3.
    class CComputer {
4.
5.
         public:
               void Env(int b) { m nBuffers = b; }
6.
7.
               int Display() { return(m_nBuffers); }
         private:
8.
               static int m_nBuffers;
9.
10. };
```

```
11. // m_nBuffers is still private to a Ccomputer class
12. int CComputer::m nBuffers;
13.
14. int main()
15. {
         CComputer Config, Windows;
16.
17.
         Config.Env(10);
18.
19.
20.
         cout << "Config object can see m nBuffers value as: ";</pre>
         cout << Config.Display() << "\n"; // display 10</pre>
21.
22.
         cout << "Windows object can see m nBuffers value as: ";</pre>
         cout << Windows.Display() << "\n"; // also display</pre>
23.
24. }
```

OUTPUT:

Config object can see m_nBuffers value as: 10 Windows object can see m_nBuffers value as: 10

Access Static Data Member Independently

- •Use scope resolution operator to access static data member independently of any objects.
- •All static data member are initialized to zero by default.
- •Reason for static data members is to prevent the use of the global variables.
- •Classes that rely upon global variables always violate data hiding rules.
- •Static data member exist before any object is created

```
1. // Reference a static independent of any object
2. #include <iostream> // Example 4-13
3. using namespace std;
4. class CComputer {
5.    public:
6.         static int m_nBuffers;
7.         int Display() { return m_nBuffers; }
8. };
```

```
int CComputer::m nBuffers;
9.
10. int main()
11. {
12.
         CComputer Config, Windows;
13
14.
         // set buffers directly
                                             no object is referenced.
15.
         CComputer::m nBuffers = 100;
16.
         cout << "CComputer::m nBuffers ";</pre>
17.
         cout << CComputer::m nBuffers << "\n";</pre>
18.
         cout << "Config object can see m nBuffers value as: ";</pre>
19.
20.
         cout << Config.Display() << "\n";</pre>
         cout << "Windows object can see m nBuffers value as: ";</pre>
21.
         cout << Windows.Display() << "\n";</pre>
22.
23.
```

OUTPUT:

CComputer::m_nBuffers 100

Config object can see m_nBuffers value as: 100

Windows object can see m_nBuffers value as: : 100

Static Member Functions

- Static member function can be called without referencing an object.
- Static member function does not have the "this" pointer.
- It can not be used to call non-static member functions.
- Only static data member can be manipulated by static member functions.
- Static function belongs to the class rather than to an object of the class.

```
1. #include <iostream> // Example 4-14
2. using namespace std;
3. class CStat {
4. public:
5.     static void Increment() { m_Number++; }
6.     void Show() { cout << m_Number << "\n"; }
7. private:
8.     static int m_Number;
9. };</pre>
```

```
10. int CStat::m_Number = 57;
11. int main()
12. {
13.
        CStat alpha;
14.
15.
         alpha.Show();
16.
         CStat::Increment();
         alpha.Show();
17.
18.
OUTPUT:
57
58
```

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Design Pattern Using Static Member Function

- Design patterns provide general solutions that is not tied to a particular problem.
- The Singleton Design pattern is used, where only one instance of an object is needed throughout the lifetime of an application.
- The Singleton object is often used for controlling the access to resources such as database connections or sockets. (license for only one database connection)
- By declaring a class that contains a static member function we can get a single object.

```
// Example 4-15
   #include <iostream>
   using namespace std;
   class Singleton {
     public:
4.
           static Singleton* GetInstance();
5.
           void show() { cout << "Single object\n"; }</pre>
6.
7.
     private:
           Singleton();
8.
           static Singleton* pSingleton; // singleton instance
9.
10.
```

Design Pattern Using Static Member Function

```
11. Singleton* Singleton::pSingleton= 0; // assignment NULL
12. Singleton::Singleton()
13. {
       // do init stuff
14.
15. }
16.
17. Singleton* Singleton::GetInstance()
18. {
19.
       if (pSingleton== NULL) √
          pSingleton = new Singleton();
20.
21.
22.
      return pSingleton;
23.
24. }
25.
26. int main()
27. {
        Singleton::GetInstance()->show();
28.
29. }
```