Inheritance

Today's Plan



Recap

Useful C++ / OOP

Intro to Inheritance

Maybe More useful C++/
OOP

First a Recap and Review

OPP

Abstraction
Encapsulation
Information Hiding

Classes

Public Interface
Private Implementation
Constructors / Destructors

Interface

Include Guards:

Implementation

SomeClass.hpp
(same as SomeClass.h)

Tells linker "include only if it has not been included already by some other module"

```
#ifndef SOME CLASS H
#define SOME CLASS H
#include <somelibrary>
#include "AnotherClass.h"
class SomeClass
public:
    SomeClass(); //Constructor
    int methodOne();
    bool methodTwo();
    bool methodThree(int
                     someParameter);
private:
    int data member one ;
    bool data member two_;
      //end SomeClass
};
#endif
```

```
#include "SomeClass.hpp"
SomeClass::SomeClass()
    //implementation here
int SomeClass::methodOne()
    //implementation here
bool SomeClass::methodTwo()
    //implementation here
bool SomeClass::methodThree(int
someParameter)
    //implementation here
```

Review Some Useful Concepts

Default Arguments

```
void point(int x = 3, int y = 4);
point(1,2); // calls point(1,2)
point(1); // calls point(1,4)
point(); // calls point(3,4)
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Similarly:

```
Person(int id, string first = "", string last = "");

Person(143); // calls Person(143,"", "")
Person(143, "Gina"); // calls Person("143","Gina", "")
Person(423, "Nina", "Moreno"); // calls Person(423,"Nina","Moreno")
```

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```
Animal(std::string name = "", bool domestic = false, bool predator = false);

IS DIFFERENT FROM
Animal(std::string name, bool domestic = false, bool predator = false);
```

Overloading Functions

Same name, different parameter list (different function prototype)

```
int someFunction()
//implementation here
} // end someFunction
int someFunction(string
some parameter )
   //implementation here
   // end someFunction
```

```
int main()
{
  int x = someFunction();
  int y = someFunction(my_string);
  //more code here
} // end main
```

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Violates Information Hiding!!!

Yes, so don't do it unless appropriate and controlled



Friend Functions

DECLARATION:

```
class SomeClass
{
   public:
        // public member functions go here
        friend returnType someFriendFunction( parameter list);
   private:
        int some_data_member_;
        // end SomeClass
```

IMPLEMENTATION (SomeClass.cpp):

```
Not a member function
    returnType someFriendFunction( parameter list)
{
        // implementation here
        some_data_member_ = 35; //has access to private data
}
```

Operator Overloading

Desirable operator (=, +, -, == \dots) behavior may not be well defined on objects

Operator Overloading

IMPLEMENTATION (SomeClass.cpp):

Not a member function

Enum

A user defined datatype that consist of integral constants

Type name (like int)

Possible values: like 0,1, 2, ...

Why? Readability

```
enum season {SPRING, SUMMER, AUTUMN, WINTER };
enum animal_type {MAMMAL, FISH, BIRD};
```

By default = 0, 1, 2, ...

To change default:

```
enum ta_role {MAMMAL = 5, FISH = 10, BIRD = 20};
```

Inheritance

From General to Specific

What if we could *inherit* functionality from one class to another?

We can!!!

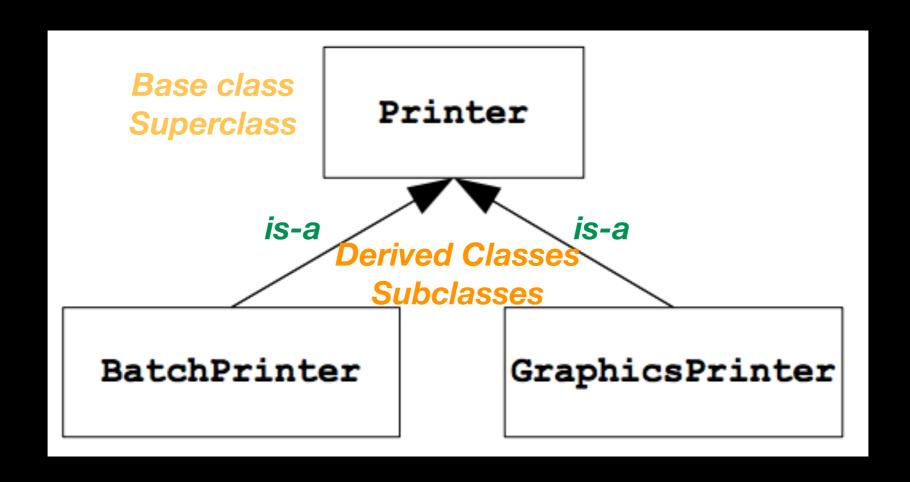
Inherit public members of another class

```
class Printer
{
public:
    //Constructor, destructor

    void setPaperSize(int size);
    void setOrientation(const string& orientation);
    void printDocument(const string& document);
private:
    // stuff here
}; //end Printer
```

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private:
   // stuff here
}; //end Printer
class BatchPrinter
public:
   //Constructor, destructor
   void addDocument(const string& document);
   void printAllDocuments();
private:
   vector<string> documents;
  //end BatchPrinter
```

```
class Printer
public:
   //Constructor, destructor
   void setPaperSize(int size);
   void setOrientation(const string& orientation);
   void printDocument(const string& document);
private:
                                         Inherited members are public
   // stuff here
                                              could be private or
}; //end Printer
                                         protected - more on this later
class BatchPrinter: public Printer
                                      // inherit from printer
public:
   //Constructor, destructor
   void addDocument(const string& document);
   void printAllDocuments();
private:
   vector<string> documents;
  //end BatchPrinter
```



```
void initializePrinter(Printer& p) //some initialization function
BatchPrinter batch;
initializePrinter(batch); //legal because batch is-a printer
```

Think of argument types as specifying minimum requirements

Overloading vs Overriding

Overloading (independent of inheritance): Define new function with same name but different parameter list (different signature or prototype)

```
int someFunction(){
int someFunction(string some_string){
}
```

Overriding: Rewrite function with same signature in derived class

```
int BaseClass::someMethod(){
int DerivedClass::someMethod(){
}
```

```
class Printer
public:
   //Constructor, destructor
   void setPaperSize(int size);
   void setOrientation(const string& orientation);
   void printDocument(const string& document);
private:
   // stuff here
  //end Printer
class GraphicsPrinter: public Printer // inherit from printer
public:
   //Constructor, destructor
                                           Overrides setPaperSize()
   void setPaperSize(const int size);
   void printDocument(const Picture& picture);//some Picture object
private:
                          Overloads printDocument()
   //stuff here
   //end GraphicsPrinter
```

```
GraphicsPrinter
                                  Printer
main()
                                  setPaperSize(int)
                                  setOrientation(string)
Printer base printer;
                                                         setPaperSize(int)
GraphicsPrinter graphics printer
                                  printDocument(string)
Picture picture;
                                                         printDocument(Picture)
// initialize picture here
string document;
// initialize document here
base printer.setPaperSize(11); // alls Printer function
graphics_printer.setPaperSize(60); // Overriding!!!
graphics printer.setOrientation("landscape"); //inherited
graphics printer.printDocument(string); // calls Printer inherited function
graphics printer.printDocument(picture); // Overloading!!!
```

protected access specifier

```
class SomeClass
   public:
      // public members available to everyone
   protected:
      // protected members available to class members
      // and derived classes
   private:
      // private members available to class members ONLY
 };
                      // end SomeClass
```

Important Points about Inheritance

Derived class inherits all public and protected members of base class

Does not have direct access to base class **private** members. However, can call public functions of the base class, which in turn do have access base classe's private members

Does not inherit constructor and destructor

Does not inherit assignment operator

Does not inherit friend functions and friend classes

A class needs user-defined constructor if must initialize data members

Base-class constructor always called before derived-class constructor

If base class has only parameterized constructor, derived class must supply constructor that calls base-class constructor explicitly

INTERFACE

```
class DerivedClass: public BaseClass
   class BaseClass
                                public:
   public:
                                   DerivedClass();
      //stuff here
                                   //stuff here
   private:
                                private:
      //stuff here
                                   //stuff here
   }; //end BaseClass
                                }; //end DerivedClass
IMPLEMENTATION
                                DerivedClass::DerivedClass()
                                   //implementation here
  main()
```

```
DerivedClass my_derived_class;
//BaseClass compiler-supplied default constructor called
//then DerivedClass constructor called
```

INTERFACE

```
class DerivedClass: public BaseClass
  class BaseClass
                                public:
  public:
                                    DerivedClass();
     BaseClass();
                                    //stuff here
     //may also have other
     //constructors
                                private:
  private:
                                    //stuff here
     //stuff here
                                 }; //end DerivedClass
  }; //end BaseClass
IMPLEMENTATION
                                DerivedClass::DerivedClass()
  BaseClass::BaseClass()
                                    //implementation here
     //implementation here
   main()
```

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INTERFACE

```
class DerivedClass: public BaseClass
   class BaseClass
                                 public:
   public:
                                     DerivedClass();
      BaseClass(int value);
                                     //stuff here
       //stuff here
   private:
                                 private:
       int base member ;
                                     //stuff here
   }; //end BaseClass
                                  }; //end DerivedClass
IMPLEMENTATION
   BaseClass::
                                 DerivedClass::DerivedClass()
   BaseClass(int value):
   base_member_(value)
                                     //implementation here
       //implementation here
  main()
```

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     //stuff here
                             private:
 private:
                                static const int INITIAL VAL = 0;
     int base member ;
                             }; //end DerivedClass
  }; //end BaseClass
IMPLEMENTATION
                             DerivedClass::DerivedClass():
  BaseClass::
                             BaseClass(INITIAL VAL)
 BaseClass(int value):
 base member (value)
                                 //implementation here
     //implementation here
   main()
  DerivedClass my derived class;
  // BaseClass constructor explicitly called by DerivedClass
```

//constructor

Destructors

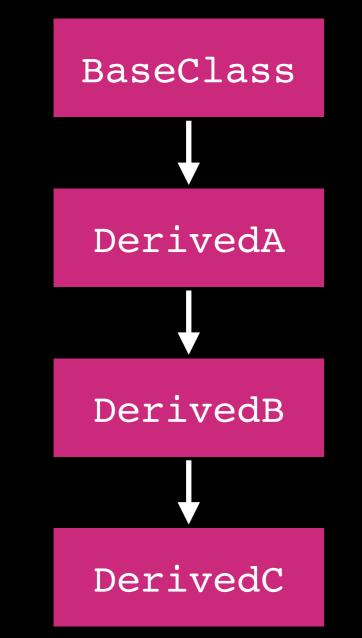
Destructor invoked if:

- program execution left scope containing object definition
- delete operator was called on object that was created dynamically

Destructors

Derived class destructor always causes base class destructor to be called implicitly

Derived class destructor is called before base class destructor



Order of calls to constructors when instantiating a DerivedC object:

```
BaseClass()
DerivedA()
DerivedB()
DerivedC()
```

Order of calls to destructors when instantiating a DerivedC object:

```
~DerivedC()
~DerivedB()
~DerivedA()
~BaseClass()
```

No runtime cost

In memory DerivedClass is simply BaseClass with extra members tacked on the end

Basically saving to re-write BaseClass code

