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C++ Course

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Class 7 – Object Oriented Features



Access Control

Classes and Structures

Constructors and Destructors

const, static

Class

```
class Character {
    size_t mHealth;
    size_t mMana;

public:
    size_t health() const;
    size_t mana() const;
};
```

Member Variables

> Member Functions

Access Control

- private (classes by default):
 A member can only be accessed by member functions and friends of that class
- protected:

A member can only be accessed by member functions and friends of that class and derived classes

public (structs by default):
 A member can be accessed by anyone

Constructor

- Member function that initializes a class instance
- Same name as the class itself
- If we do not implement it, the compiler will TRY to implement one for us

Constructor

```
class Character {
    size_t mHealth;
    size_t mMana;
public:
    Character(const size_t health, const size_t mana);
};
```

Initialization List

- In the body of a Constructor, each member variable class was already constructed.
- By default, each member variable will use its default constructor
- In the initialization list we can specify what arguments should be used for each Constructor of each member variable.
- Member variables are initialized in the order they were declared in the class body

Initialization List

```
Character::Character(const size_t health, const size_t mana)
   : mHealth(health)
   , mMana(mana)
{
```

What should get printed in the program below?

```
class Foo {
public:
  Foo(): z(x+1), y(2), x(3) {
    std::cout << "z: " << z << std::endl;
private:
  int x;
  int y;
  int z;
int main() {
  Foo f;
```

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According the C++ standard:

non-static data members shall be initialized in the order they were declared in the class definition, declared in the class definition, regardless of the order of the mem-initializers.

Destructor

- It is called once a class/struct instance is destroyed (out of scope or manually deletion)
- Its purpose is to properly release resources, deallocate memory, etc.
- Compiler generates a default destructor if user did not implement one. It calls variable member destructors in inverse construction order.

Destructor

```
class Character {
  size_t* mHealth;
  size_t mMana;
public:
  Character::Character(const size_t health, const size_t mana)
  : mHealth(new size_t(health))
  , mMana(mana)
  ~Character() { delete mHealth; }
```

Copy Constructor

- Member function that initializes a class instance according other instance
- By default, the copy of a class object is a shallow copy of each member

Copy Constructor

```
class Character {
  size_t mHealth;
  size_t mMana;
public:
  Character(const Character& copy);
Character::Character(const Character& copy)
: mHealth(copy.mHealth)
, mMana(copy.mMana)
{}
```

Is copy constructor properly implemented?

```
class Foo {
  size_t* mMember;
public:
  Foo(): mMember(new size_t) { *mMember = 9; }
  ~Foo() { delete mMember; }
  Foo(const Foo& copy);
Foo::Foo(const Foo& copy)
: mMember(copy.mMember)
{}
```

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Foo::Foo(const Foo& copy)
: mMember(copy.mMember)
{}
```

No

Is copy constructor properly implemented?

```
class Foo {
  size_t* mMember;
                                                     No
public:
  Foo(): mMember(new size_t) { *mMember = 9; }
                                    mMember allocated memory will
  ~Foo() { delete mMember; }
                                    be shared by copy constructed
  Foo(const Foo& copy);
                                     instance.
                                     If one instance frees that
                                      memory, the other one will be
Foo::Foo(const Foo& copy)
                                      reading/writing in an invalid
: mMember(copy.mMember)
                                      memory section.
{}
```

Which lines below should not compile?

```
struct A {
  A(int x) : n(x) \{\}
  int n;
int main() {
  A a1;
  A a2(2);
  A a3(a2);
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If any user-declared constructor is present in the class, then no default constructor will be created implicitly.

What is the maximum number of implicitly defined constructs that this struct will have?

```
struct A {
    A(A& a) { }
    A(const double d) {}
    int val;
}
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There will be no implicitly defined constructors for this struct

```
struct A {
  A(): val(0) {}
  A(const int v) : val(v) {}
  A(A& a) : val(a.val) {}
  int val;
int main() {
  const A a1;
  const A a2(5);
  const A a3 = a2;
  std::cout << a1.val + a2.val + a3.val << std::endl;
```

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III-formed

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The third line of main tries to initialize a with a2, but A's copy constructor takes a non-const reference which violates a2's const declaration

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III-formed

It is illegal to have a constructor whose first and only non-default argument is a value parameter for the class type

Const Member Function

- Cannot modify members of a class unless they have mutable keyword
- A const member function can be invoked for both const and non-const objects
- A non-const member function can be invoked only for non-const objects

Const Member Function

```
class Character {
    size_t mHealth;
    size_t mMana;
public:
    size_t health() const;
    size_t mana() const;
};
```

What is the output of the program?

```
struct Foo {
  void go() {
    std::cout << "Foo" << std::endl;
struct Bar : public Foo {
  void go() {
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};
int main() {
  Bar b;
  const Foo f = b;
  f.go();
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Non-const member functions cannot be called on const objects

Static Member Variable

- Variable that is part of a class, but is not part of an instance of that class
- Can be referred to without mentioning an object. Instead, its name is qualified by the name of its class.

Static Member Variable

```
class Character {
    // Other data

public:
    static size_t sNumCreatedCharacters;
};

Character::sNumCreatedCharacters = 0;
```

Must be defined in exactly one translation unit

```
A.h
struct Character {
    static std::string name;
};

A.cpp
std::string Character::name = "Albert"
```

- name would be defined in each translation unit that #includes this header file
- Non-const static member variables must be defined outside class declaration

C++ allows to define integral static members within the declaration
 The expression is const integral or enumeration
 The expression can be evaluated at compile time
 There is not a definition somewhere that violates one definition rule.

```
class Character {
public:
    static const int sMember = 10;
};
```



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class Character {
public:
    static int sMember = 10;
};
```

Not const

```
class Character {
  public:
    const int sMember = 10;
};
```

Not static

```
class Character {
public:
    static const int sMember = f(17);
};
```



```
class Character {
public:
    static const int sMember = 7.0;
};
```

Initializer not integral

Which, if any, of the member function definitions below are ill-formed?

```
static int gX = 44;
struct Foo {
  int mX;
  static int sX;
  Foo(int x): mX(x) {}
  int a(int x = gX) {
    return x + 1;
  int b(int x = mX) {
    return x + 1;
  int c(int x = sX) {
    return x + 1;
int Foo::sX = 22;
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b

Non-static members can not be used as default arguments

Static Class/Struct method

It can be called without class/struct instantiation

It only can read/write static member variables

Static Class/Struct method

```
A.h
class Character {
public:
  Character() { ++mNumInstances; }
  static size_t numInstances() { return mNumInstances; }
private:
  static size_t mNumInstances;
};
A.cpp
size_t Character::mNumInstances = 0;
main.cpp
#include A.h
std::cout << Character::numInstances() << std::endl;</pre>
```

Q&A