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Creating More and More Radios ...

In this assignment, you will be (once again) modifying your Assign-05 code to use **more inheritance**. As well, in this assignment, you will be asked to use **new** and **delete**, throw and catch **exceptions** and also create / use **virtual functions**.

More Types of Radios

- Create a new class called **PioneerAM**. This class will inherit from PioneerCarRadio.
 - PioneerAM behaves like PioneerCarRadio except that it **operates in the AM band only!**
 - There is no ability to change to the FM band – they shouldn't even display the FM band
 - Do this by overriding the appropriate methods that are in the parent class or grandparent class.
- Create a new class called **PioneerWorld**. This class will inherit from PioneerAM.
 - PioneerWorld behaves like PioneerAM
 - Except that the AM band range is 531 kHz to 1602 kHz
 - And the interval between frequencies is 9 kHz, not 10 kHz
 - So scanning up from 531 would bring you to 540, then 549, etc. Wrapping from 1602 brings you to 531.
 - Do this by overriding the appropriate methods that are in the parent class or grandparent class.

New/Delete and Exceptions

- Create a new testHarness (i.e. your main()) and put it in a file called **ultimateRadio.cpp**. In this main
 - Change your PioneerCarRadio variable to be a pointer
 - Give it an initial value of NULL
 - Call this variable pRadio.
- When your program starts
 - You will need to create and call a function named **createRadio()** that takes a string (or char pointer ... your choice) to determine which type of radio you want to start with and returns a pointer to that radio back to main() and into the pRadio pointer.
 - Your program will need to get this string (or char pointer) from the command line arguments of the program
 - This means you need to take in and parse command-line arguments
 - This function will exist in the ultimateRadio.cpp file and when passed the string (or char pointer) will ...
 - If the program is started with the runtime switch of **-car** then instantiate a **new** PioneerCarRadio object and return it to assign it to pRadio.
 - If the program is started with the runtime switch of **-am** then instantiate a **new** PioneerAM object and return it to assign it to pRadio.
 - If the program is started with the runtime switch of **-world** then instantiate a **new** PioneerWorld object and return it to assign it to pRadio.
 - Otherwise, throw an exception.
 - Remember you will need to write this createRadio() function
 - Since it will be throwing exception(s), remember to put the call to **createRadio()** in a try block
 - Remember that you will initially be getting this function's parameter from a command line argument
 - In the catch clause, print an error message and quit the program
 - Make sure to instantiate each radio in an off state

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- Whenever you use new, use the principles discussed in class to handle this correctly.
 - You are required to use the “new” new in this assignment
 - Use exception handling to detect out-of-memory situations

Virtual Functions

- In order to implement these 2 new children classes, you will once again need to override some methods
- Make any overridden methods virtual **in the parent class**
 - Recommendations: ToggleFrequency(), ScanUp(), ScanDown().
- Since we are using virtual functions, remember best practices and make all destructors virtual

Switching Radios and Quitting the Program

- Each specialized radio class needs to tell the user who they are ...
 - The PioneerCarRadio already does with the `Pioneer XS440` that appears in its output
 - Make the PioneerAM class say `Pioneer XS440-AM`
 - And the PioneerWorld class say `Pioneer XS440-WRLD`
- Create a destructor for each new class
 - In each destructor, simply print a message stating which radio is being destroyed
 - e.g. "Destroying Pioneer XS440-WRLD Radio"
 - The only message that should be seen from any destructor is the one from the actual data-type of the instance being destroyed
- The output from PioneerCarRadio, PioneerAM and PioneerWorld is *somewhat* the same ... except for the difference in its name (i.e. the first line of output) and the presence/absence of the FM band ...
 - Try to think of a clever way to implement this “radio name” idea ...
 - Perhaps by adding a data member to one of the classes to hold the name ... hmmm...
- Each radio instance that is created, will run until the 'x' key is pressed within that instance
 - This means that each of the “Pioneer” classes shares the same input processing
 - As developed in Assign-05
 - Once an 'x' key is pressed, the radio object is destroyed in the ultimateRadio.cpp source
 - And do nothing until the user presses one of the following keys
 - **c** -- to create and run a new PioneerCarRadio radio
 - **a** -- to create and run a new PioneerAM radio
 - **w** -- to create and run a new PioneerWorld radio
 - **x** - to quit the program
 - Note that these keystrokes will need to be captured and processed within your testHarness (where the new radio would be created)

In Case It Makes Things Easier

- You can create mutators and accessors for whatever private data members you need to from the AmFmRadio class

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What Not To Do

- Don't put excessive amounts of the parent class's functionality (PioneerCarRadio) in the child classes (PioneerAM, PioneerWorld) unnecessarily
 - This is duplicating functionality and code – a definite no-no

Submitting the Assignment

- Put your new class definitions in **PioneerAM.h** and **PioneerWorld.h**
 - To make marking of this assignment easier, please put all method bodies for the new classes **in the class definitions** (even if the methods are more than a couple of lines)
- Do not create any other new .cpp files
- It is acceptable to change existing .cpp files and .h files or to create new .h files.

Other Stuff

- As always, make sure that you place a classHeader comment at the start of each of the new classes – as well as appropriate methodHeader and inline comments for the methods
- ZIP up all the source files : PioneerAM.h, PioneerWorld.h, PioneerCarRadio.cpp, PioneerCarRadio.h, AmfmRadio.cpp, AmfmRadio.h and ultimateRadio.cpp
- Submit the ZIP file to the appropriate eConestoga Dropbox by the deadline