# Queens College, CUNY, Department of Computer Science

## Object-oriented programming in C++ CSCI 211 / 611

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### Project 3, part 1

### due date Monday August 13, 2018, 11:59 pm

- <u>NOTE</u>: It is the policy of the Computer Science Department to issue a failing grade to any student who either gives or receives help on any test. A student caught cheating on any question in an exam, project or quiz will fail the entire course.
- Students who form teams to collaborate on projects must inform the lecturer of the names of all team members ahead of time, else the submissions will be classified as cheating and will receive a failing grade.
- Any problem to which you give two or more (different) answers receives the grade of zero automatically.
- Please submit your solution via email, as a file attachment, to Sateesh.Mane@qc.cuny.edu.
- Please submit one zip archive with all your files in it.
  - 1. The zip archive should have either of the names (CS211 or CS611):

```
StudentId_first_last_CS211_project3_pt1_Aug2018.zip
StudentId_first_last_CS611_project3_pt1_Aug2018.zip
```

- 2. The archive should contain one "text file" named "Project3.[txt/docx/pdf]" (if required) and one cpp file per question named "Q1.cpp" and "Q2.cpp" etc.
- 3. Note that not all questions may require a cpp file.
- 4. A text file is not always required for every project.
- In all questions where you are asked to submit programming code, programs which display any of the following behaviors will receive an automatic F:
  - 1. Programs which do not compile successfully (non-fatal compiler warnings are excluded).
  - 2. Array out of bounds, reading of uninitialized variables (including null pointers).
  - 3. Operations which yield NAN or infinity, e.g. divide by zero, square root of negative number, etc. *Infinite loops*.
  - 4. Programs which do NOT implement the public interface stated in the question.
- In addition, note the following:
  - 1. All debugging statements (for your personal testing) should be commented out.
  - 2. Program performance will be graded solely on the public interface stated in the questions.

## 1 Templated class Vec: method erase

• Write a public method erase for the templated Vec class.

```
template<typename T> class Vec {
public:
   void erase(int n);
   // etc
};
```

- We require this method to be able to erase (delete) messages from anywhere in a folder, not just the end.
- The functionality is obvious, we want to erase the element at the location n.
- $\bullet$  Test test if  $n \geq 0$  and n < \_size.
  - 1. If false, then do nothing and exit.
  - 2. If true, then copy \_vec[n+1] to position \_vec[n], copy \_vec[n+2] to position \_vec[n+1], etc., until the end of the array \_vec.
  - 3. Then set  $\_$ size =  $\_$ size-1 and exit the function.
- Notice that pop\_back is a special case of erase.
- However, pop\_back can be implemented much more efficiently than erase.
- Do not change pop\_back.

### 2 Class Name

• Write a class Name.

- The string "\_name" is the "short name" that appears in a message display.
- The string "\_address" is the full email address, with the domain name included.
- The accessors are obvious.
- We require a default constructor because draft messages can be created with no names.
- We require the header <sstream> for use below.
- Write a mutator set as follows.

- 2. If \_name is blank, set \_address = "" (blank) and exit the function.
- 3. If \_name is not blank, set \_address = \_name + \_domain.
- 4. Also convert \_address to lower case.

# 3 Operator overload

- Overload operator == and operator < and for two Name objects n1 and n2.
- Compare only the addresses n1.address() and n2.address() in the operators.

## 4 Class Message

#### 4.1 Class declaration

- Write a class Message.
- It is similar to Message1 from Project 2, but we use Name objects for \_from and \_to.
- The "addDomain" method is gone. It has effectively been transferred to the Name class.
- Also the date is filled in.
- Include the headers <ctime> and <chrono>.

```
class Message {
public:
  Message(string f);
  Message(string f, string t);
  Message(string f, string t, string s);
  Message(string f, string t, string s, string txt);
  const Name& from() const { return _from; }
  const Name& to() const { return _to; }
  string subject() const { return _subject; }
  string text()
                   const { return _text; }
  string date()
                   const;
                                                    // see below
  void send();
                                                    // see below
  void setRecipient(string t) { _to.set(t); }
  void setSubject(string s) { _subject = s; }
  void setText(string txt) { _text = txt; }
  void prependText(string t);
                                                    // see Message1 class
  void appendText(string t);
                                                    // see Message1 class
  void print() const;
                                                    // see Message1 class
private:
  void setDate();
                                                    // see below
  Name _from;
                                                    // use "Name" class
  Name _to;
                                                    // use "Name" class
  string _subject;
  string _text;
                                                    // see below
  time_t _date;
};
```

## 4.2 Constructors

• Change all the "\_from" and "\_to" fields to use the "set" method of the Name class.

```
_from.set(f);
_to.set(t);
```

- Set \_date=0 in all the constructors. Use memberwise initialization if desired.
- Note also the "setRecipient" method.

```
void setRecipient(string t) { _to.set(t); }
```

### 4.3 Date

- The data member \_date is a "time\_t" struct.
- Write the private method setDate() as follows.

```
void setDate() {
  auto t_now = std::chrono::system_clock::now();
  _date = std::chrono::system_clock::to_time_t(t_now);
}
```

- Do not worry if you do not understand. It is complicated.
- Write the public method date() as follows.

```
string date()    const {
    if (_date > 0)
       return std::ctime(&_date);
    else
       return "";
}
```

- Do not worry if you do not understand. It is complicated.
- However, this will format the date correctly in a nice readable format.
- Write the public method send() as follows.

```
void send() { setDate(); }
```

- This will also be explained later.
- Basically, when a draft message is sent, that is when we set the date of the message.

# 5 Summary

- You should now have a templated Vec class which is suitable for our needs.
- You also have a Name class and overloaded comparison operators, which will be usful.
- You also have a Message class, with a completed functionality for the date.
- There is much more work to be done.
- $\bullet$  We require an email account class and also folder classes to contain messages.
- But this is the first step, the messages.