

LINKED LISTS (CONTD)

RULE OF THREE

DEALING WITH MEMORY ERRORS

MORE ON OPERATOR OVERLOADING

Problem Solving with Computers-II

C++

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main(){
    cout<<"Hola Facebook\n";
    return 0;
}
```



Memory Errors

- Memory Leak: Program does not free memory allocated on the heap.
- Segmentation Fault: Code tries to access an invalid memory location

RULE OF THREE

If a class overload one (or more) of the following methods, it should overload all three methods:

1. Destructor
2. Copy constructor
3. Copy assignment

The questions we ask are:

1. What is the behavior of these defaults?
2. What is the desired behavior ?
3. How should we over-ride these methods?

Behavior of default destructor

```
void test_append_0(){  
    vector<int> v_exp = {1};  
    LinkedList ll;  
    ll.append(1);  
    vector<int> v_act = ll.vectorize();  
    TESTEQ(v_exp, v_act, "test 0");  
}
```

Assume:

destructor: **default**

copy constructor: default

copy assignment: default

What is the output?

- A. Compiler error
- B. Memory leak
- C. Segmentation fault
- D. Test fails
- E. None of the above

Why do we need to write a destructor for LinkedList?

- A. To free LinkedList objects
- B. To free Nodes in a LinkedList
- C. Both A and B
- D. None of the above

Behavior of default copy constructor

```
void test_copy_constructor(){  
    LinkedList l1;  
    l1.append(1);  
    l1.append(2);  
    LinkedList l2(l1);  
    TESTEQ(l1, l2, "test copy constructor");  
}
```

Assume:

destructor: overloaded

copy constructor: default

copy assignment: default

What is the output?

- A. Compiler error
- B. Memory leak
- C. Segmentation fault
- D. Test fails
- E. None of the above

Behavior of default copy assignment

```
void test_copy_assignment() {  
    LinkedList l1;  
    l1.append(1);  
    l1.append(2);  
    LinkedList l2;  
    l2 = l1;  
    TESTEQ(l1, l2, "test copy assignment");  
}
```

Assume:

destructor: overloaded

copy constructor: overloaded

copy assignment: default

What is the output?

- A. Compiler error
- B. Memory leak
- C. Segmentation fault
- D. Test fails
- E. None of the above

Write another test case for the copy assignment

```
void test_copy_assignment_2() {
```

```
}
```


Overloading Binary Comparison Operators

We would like to be able to compare two objects of the class using the following operators

`==`

`!=`

and possibly others

Overloading Binary Arithmetic Operators

We would like to be able to add two lists as follows

```
LinkedList l1, l2;
```

```
//append nodes to l1 and l2;
```

```
LinkedList l3 = l1 + l2 ;
```

Overloading input/output stream

Wouldn't it be convenient if we could do this:

```
LinkedList list;  
cout<<list; //prints all the elements of list
```

GDB: GNU Debugger

- To use gdb, compile with the -g flag
- Setting breakpoints (b)
- Running programs that take arguments within gdb (r arguments)
- Continue execution until breakpoint is reached (c)
- Stepping into functions with step (s)
- Stepping over functions with next (n)
- Re-running a program (r)
- Examining local variables (info locals)
- Printing the value of variables with print (p)
- Quitting gdb (q)
- Debugging segfaults with backtrace (bt)

* Refer to the gdb cheat sheet: <http://darkdust.net/files/GDB%20Cheat%20Sheet.pdf>

Next time

- Recursion + PA01