

Object Oriented Programming

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chapter 9



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Fact. A C++ programmer can create any **type** needed, and each of these new types can have all the functionality and power of the built-in types predefined by C++ such as **int** , **long**, and **double**.

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Example: A car is

- a collection of *wheels, doors, seats, engine, and so forth* (variables).
- A car can *move, speed up, slow down, stop, park, and so forth* (functions).

Example: Class

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```
class Cat
{
    public:
        void Meow();
    private:
        unsigned int itsAge;
        unsigned int itsWeight
};
```

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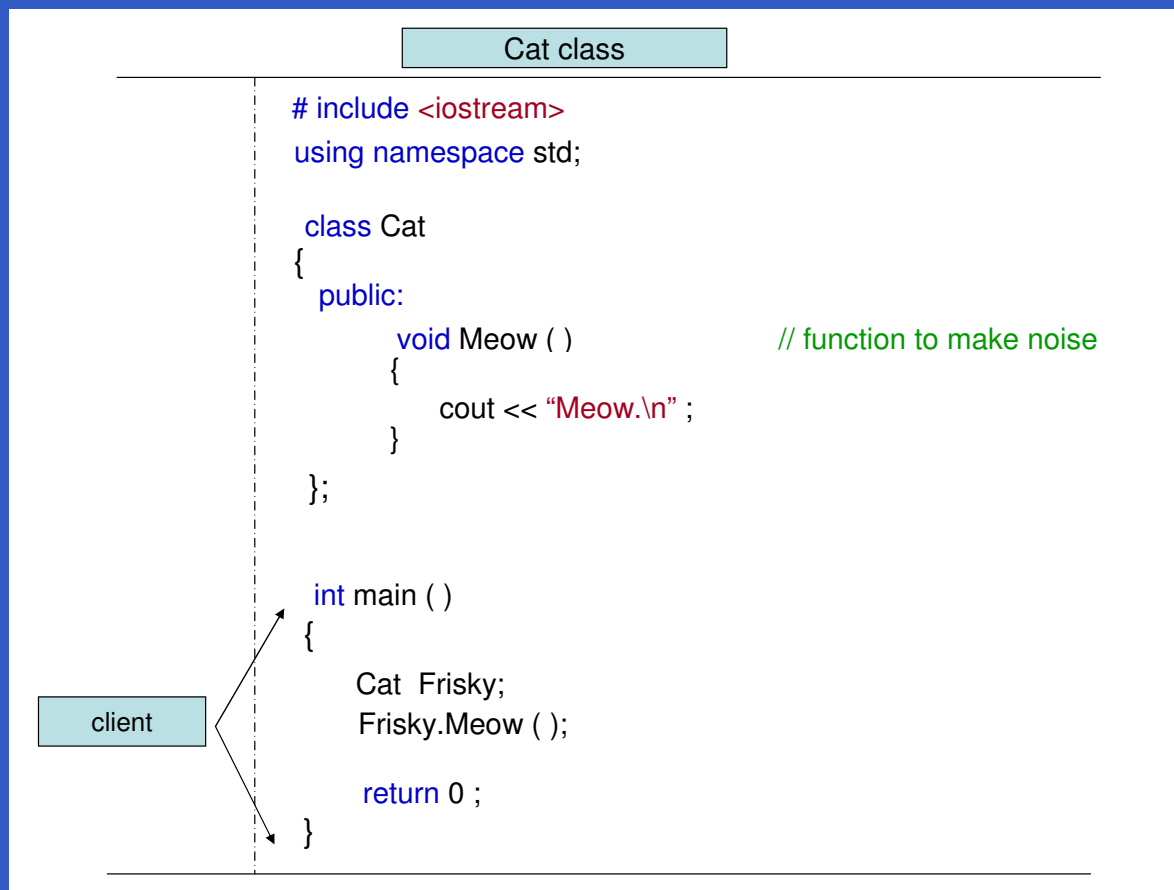
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Fact. Generally, data member should be declared **private** and member functions should be declared **public**.

Defining a class with a Member Function

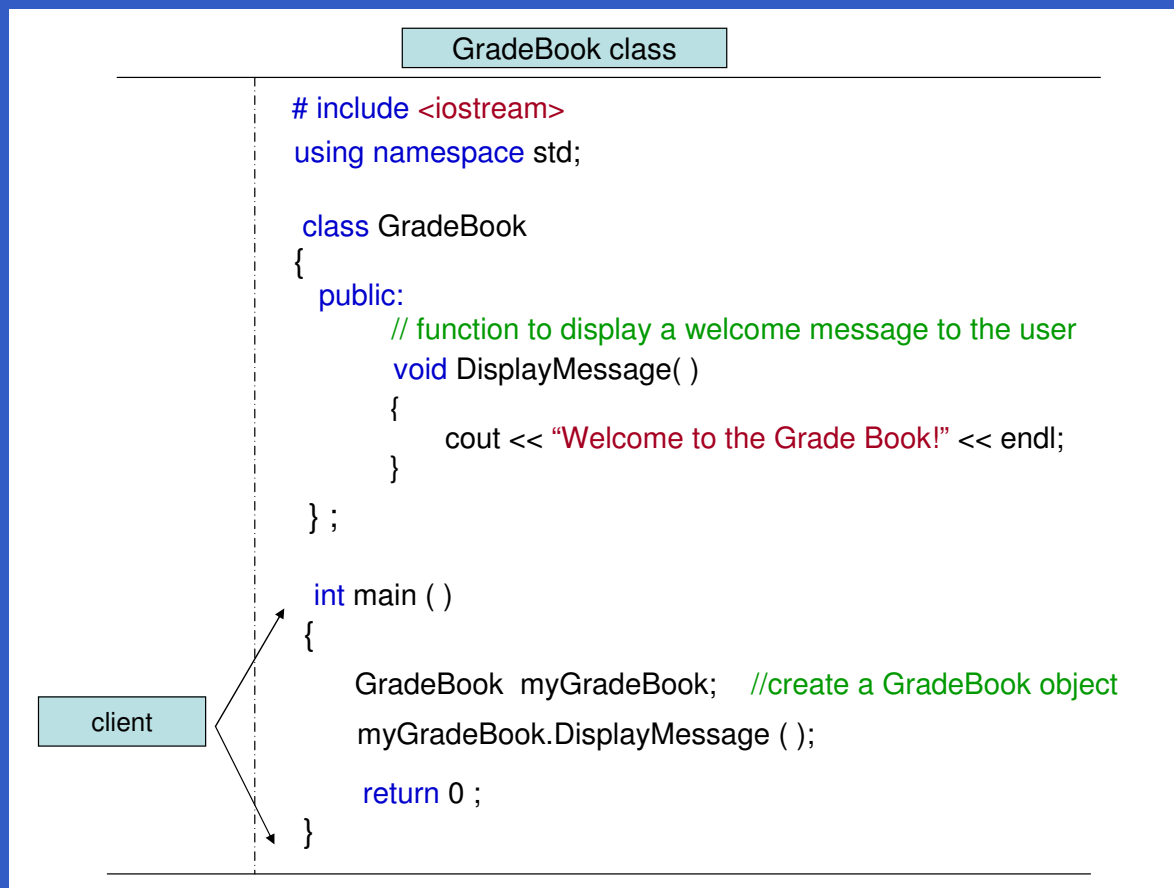
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Output: class Cat

Meow.

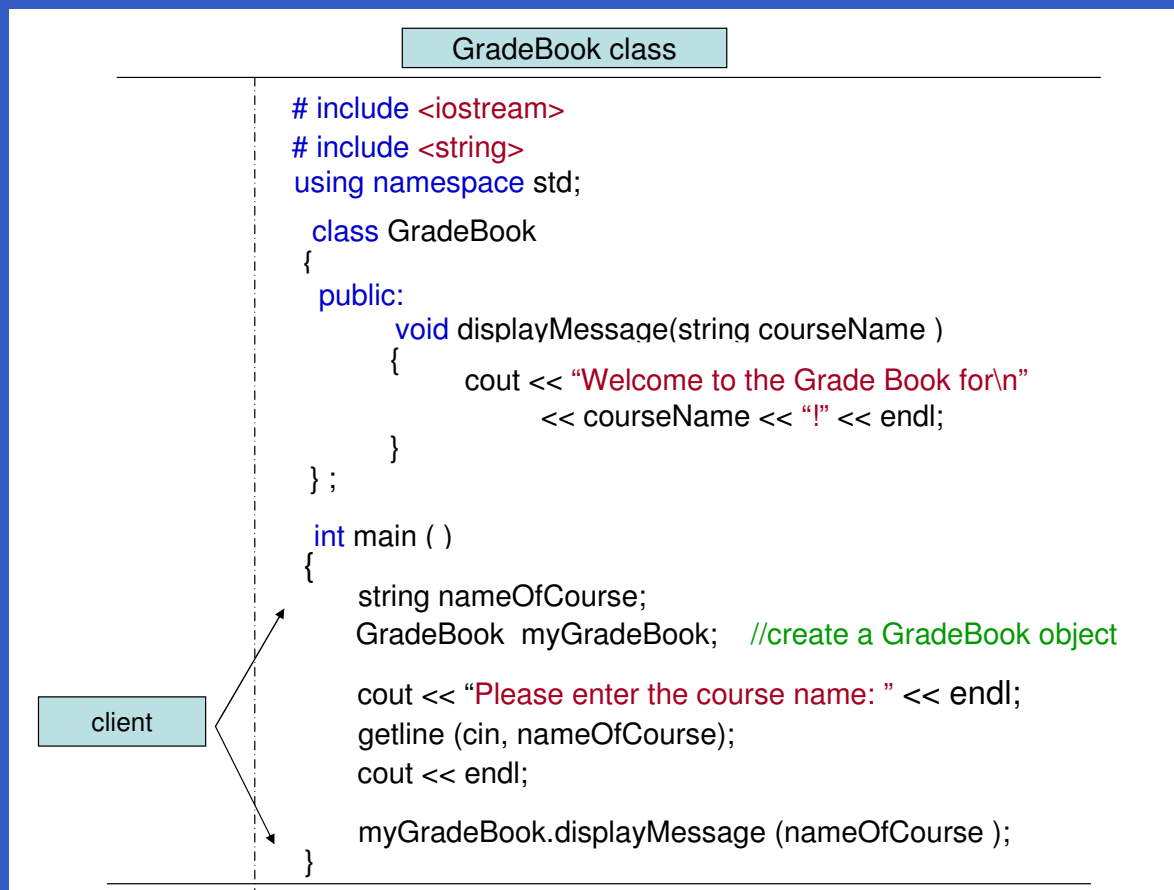
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Data members, set functions and get functions

Question: Cat Class

Recall. A class's private data members can be manipulated only by member functions of that class.

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Example. In the definition of Cat class, *setItsAge* & *getItsAge*, *setItsWeight* & *getItsWeight* can be defined to manipulate the data members *itsAge* and *itsWeight* of the Cat objects from the outside.

Example: class Cat II

```

Cat class II
-----
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class Cat
{
public:
    void setItsAge ( int age );           //accessor function
    int getItsAge ( );                   //accessor function
    void Meow ( );                       //general function
private:
    int itsAge;                          //data member
};

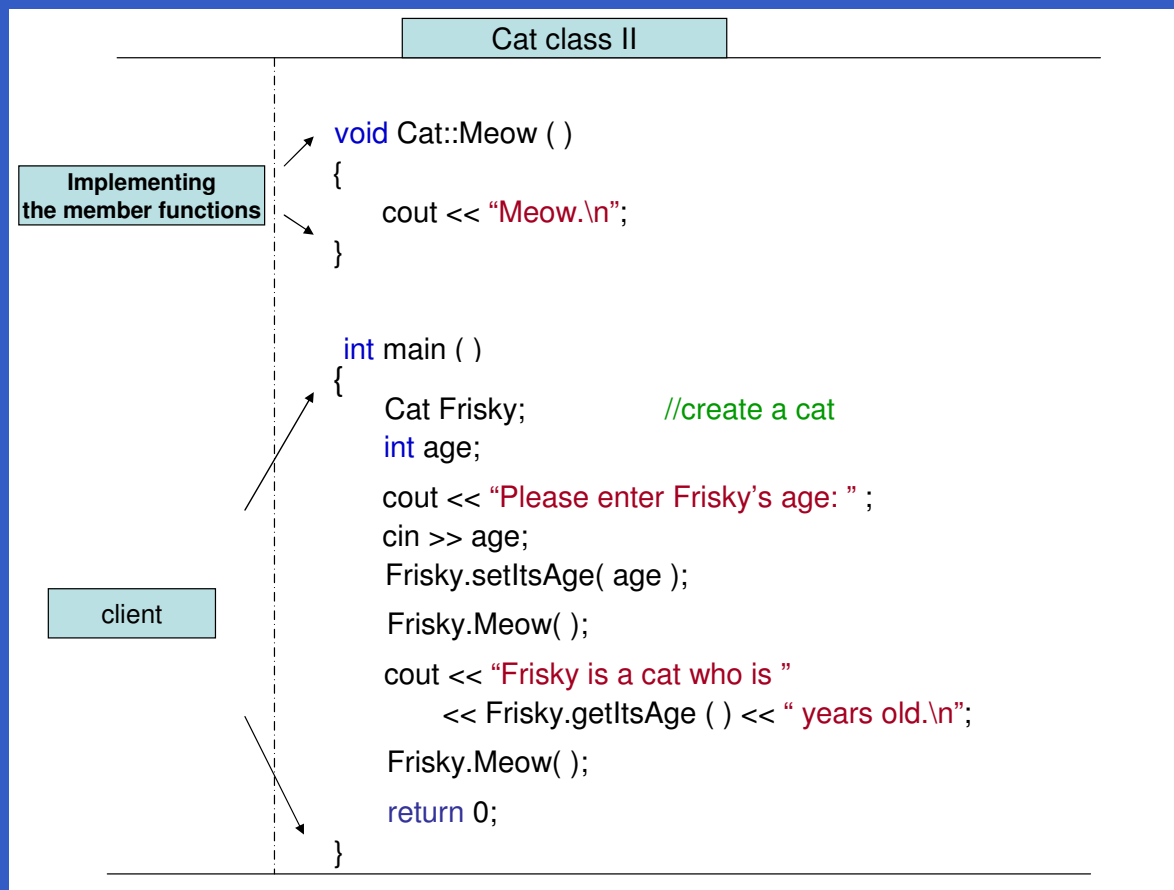
void Cat::setItsAge ( int age )
{
    itsAge = age;
}

int Cat::getItsAge ( )
{
    return itsAge;
}

```

Implementing the member functions

Example: class Cat II



Homework:

- Read Sec. 9.1 - 9.4