

# CIS 330

# C++ and Unix

Lecture 15

Name Control

# Copy Constructors Summary

- A constructor for creating a new object when you make copy of an existing object
- Enables correct copying of objects
- Compiler creates one for you if you don't define your own
- You can also “enforce” users to always pass objects by reference by “disabling” pass by value (which results in a copy) by creating a **private** definition of a copy constructor (you don't even have to implement it)

# Pointers to Members

- A pointer is a variable that holds the address of some location
- It can point to either data or function, and it can be changed to point at different things at runtime
- In C++, pointer-to-member follows this same concept, but what it selects is a **location inside a class**
  - But there is no “address” inside a class
  - Selecting a member means find an **offset** into that class
  - You can’t produce an actual address until the offset is combined with the starting address of of an object
- These cannot be incremented or compared (like regular pointers)

Questions

# Namespace

- Global functions are in a single global namespace
- The `static` keyword can give you some control over this (allowing you to give same variable/function names in different files)
- However, this can still cause problems in a large project with multiple files (and multiple coders)
- Creating a namespace can give you better control over names


# Properties of a namespace

- Namespace definition can only appear at global scope, or nested within another namespace
- No terminating semicolon is necessary (you can still put it there, if you want)
- You can alias namespaces (e.g., if the original name is too long)
- You can also use “friendship” – any `friend` declaration in a given namespace means that it is also part of the namespace

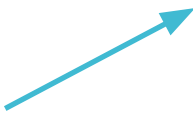
# Example

Notice how members inside a namespace is referenced - similar to how class members are referenced

```
1. namespace X {  
2.     class Y {  
3.         static int i;  
4.     public:  
5.         void f();  
6.     };  
7.     class Z;  
8.     void func();  
9. }
```



```
10. int X::Y::i = 9;  
11. class X::Z {  
12.     int u, v, w;  
13. public:  
14.     Z(int i);  
15.     int g();  
16. };  
17. X::Z::Z(int i) { u = v = w = i; }  
18. int X::Z::g() {  
19.     return u = v = w = 0;  
20. }  
21. void X::func() {  
22.     X::Z a(1);  
23.     a.g();  
24. }
```



Is this necessary?

# Using a namespace

- Use the directive “using”
- `using namespace std;`



# Example

```
• namespace Int {  
•   enum sign { positive, negative };  
•   class Integer {  
•     unsigned int i;  
•     sign s;  
•     public:  
•       Integer(int ii = 0) : i(ii), s(i >= 0 ? positive : negative) {}  
•       sign getSign() const { return s; }  
•       void setSign(sign sgn) { s = sgn; }  
•   };  
• }  
• namespace Math {  
•   using namespace Int;  
•   Integer a, b;  
•   Integer divide(Integer, Integer);  
• }
```

# Example

- `void arithmetic() {`
- `using namespace Int;`
- `Integer x;`
- `x.setSign(positive);`
- `}`

# Example

```
namespace supercalifragilisticexpialidocious {  
}  
namespace MaryPoppins = supercalifragilisticexpialidocious;
```

# Example

- `namespace Int {`
- `enum sign { positive, negative };`
- `class Integer {`
- `unsigned int i;`
- `sign s;`
- `public:`
- `Integer(int ii = 0) : i(ii), s(i >= 0 ?`  
`positive : negative) {}`
- `sign getSign() const { return s; }`
- `void setSign(sign sgn) { s = sgn; }`
- `};`
- `}`
- `namespace Math {`
- `using namespace Int;`
- `Integer a, b;`
- `Integer divide(Integer, Integer);`
- `}`

- `using namespace Math;`
- `Integer a;`
- `a.setSign(negative);`
- `Math::a.setSign(positive);`



Why is this necessary?

# namespace Override

- What happens if you use namespace to introduce a new name, but you “override” that name by declaring another name in the same scope

# Example

- `namespace Math {`
- `using namespace Int;`
- `Integer a, b;`
- `Integer divide(Integer, Integer);`
- `}`
- `namespace Calculation {`
- `using namespace Int;`
- `Integer divide(Integer, Integer);`
- `}`

Will this run?  
If so, what would happen?

- `void testFive()`
- `{`
- `using namespace Math;`
- `using namespace Calculation;`
- `Integer a(1);`
- `Integer b(2);`
- `Integer c = divide(a, b);`
- `}`

# Error

`lecture12.cc`: In function `'void testFive()'`:

`lecture12.cc:166:28: error:` call of overloaded  
'`divide(Int::Integer&, Int::Integer&)`' is ambiguous

```
Integer c = divide(a, b );  
                ^
```

# using Declaration

- You can “inject” names one at a time with a `using declaration`
  - `using declaration` is different from the `using directive`
  - You can use the `using declaration` to specify a name (as opposed to the entire namespace with the `using directive`)



# Example

```
• namespace U {  
•   inline void f() {}  
•   inline void g() {}  
• }
```

```
• namespace V {  
•   inline void f() {}  
•   inline void g() {}  
• }
```

```
• using namespace U; ← “using” directive
```

```
• using V::f;
```

```
• f();
```

```
• U::f();
```

“using” declaration

V::f()

Questions?

# static Members in C++


- When you need a single storage space for use by every object of a class
  - Use a global variable, but this allows other functions to change its value
  - Use `#define`, but this does not provide type checking
  - **Declare the member variable `static`**
- Every object for that class shares a single variable (i.e., any change to the static variable by a single object will be visible to every other object of that class)

# Example

```
1.  class WithStatic {
2.      static int x;
3.      static int y;
4.  public:
5.      void print() const {
6.          cout << "WithStatic::x = " << x << endl;
7.          cout << "WithStatic::y = " << y << endl;
8.      }
9.      void inc() { x++; y++; }
10. };

11. int WithStatic::x = 1;
12. int WithStatic::y = x + 1;
```

You **must** define static data members outside of the class



# Example

Will this run?  
If so, what would happen?

```
1.  class WithStatic {
2.      static int x;
3.      static int y;
4.  public:
5.      void print() const {
6.          cout << "WithStatic::x = " << x <<
endl;
7.          cout << "WithStatic::y = " << y <<
endl;
8.      }
9.      void inc() { x++; y++; }
10. };

11. int WithStatic::x = 1;
12. int WithStatic::y = x + 1;

13. WithStatic a;
14. WithStatic b;
15. WithStatic c;
16. a.print();
17. a.inc();
18. b.print();
19. b.inc();
20. c.print();
```

# Example

```
WithStatic::x = 1
```

```
WithStatic::y = 2
```

```
WithStatic::x = 2
```

```
WithStatic::y = 3
```

```
WithStatic::x = 3
```

```
WithStatic::y = 4
```

# static const

- Remember from previous lecture that,
  - A static const variable inside a class is a non-changeable (const) variable that is shared across all objects of that class type

# Example

Will this compile?

```
1.  class Values {
2.      static const int scSize = 100;
3.      static const long scLong;
4.  public:
5.      void print() { cout << scSize << " " << scLong << endl; }
6.  };

7.  void testSeven()
8.  {
9.      Values x;
10.     Values y;
11.     x.print();
12.     y.print();
13. }
```

static const **can** be defined inside the class



# Error

- /usr/bin/ld: /tmp/ccBEw3NM.o: in function ``Values::print()'`:
- lecture12.cc:(.text.\_ZN6Values5printEv[\_ZN6Values5printEv]+0x32): undefined reference to ``Values::scLong'`
- collect2: error: ld returned 1 exit status

# Example

This will compile

```
1.  class Values {
2.      static const int scSize = 100;
3.      static const long scLong;
4.  public:
5.      void print() { cout << scSize << " " << scLong << endl; }
6.  };
7.  const long Values::scLong = 1000000;
8.  void testSeven()
9.  {
10.     Values x;
11.     Values y;
12.     x.print();
13.     y.print();
14. }
```

# What about arrays?

- Works similarly to regular variables

- `class Values {`

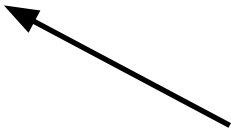
- `static const int scInts[];`

- `};`

- `const int Values::scInts[] = {`

- `99, 47, 33, 11, 7`

- `};`



**Arrays must be initialized outside the class** (i.e., not inline) - C++ standard

## What about static (const) **objects** inside a class?

- You can also create static const **objects** and arrays of such objects
- However, you cannot initialize them inline – they must be **initialized externally (like arrays)**
- Objects behaves similarly to other static variables (i.e., they are persistent across all objects of the same type)

# Example

```
class X {  
    int i;  
public:  
    X(int ii) : i(ii) {}  
};
```

```
class Stat {  
    // This doesn't work  
    //! static const X x(100);  
    // Both const and non-const static class  
    // objects must be initialized externally:  
    static X x2;  
    static X xTable2[];  
    static const X x3;  
    static const X xTable3[];  
};  
  
X Stat::x2(100);  
  
X Stat::xTable2[] = {  
    X(1), X(2), X(3), X(4)  
};  
  
const X Stat::x3(100);  
  
const X Stat::xTable3[] = {  
    X(1), X(2), X(3), X(4)  
};  
  
int main() { Stat v; } ///:~
```

# static Functions

- You can also declare member functions `static`
  - This function “works” for the class as a whole, rather than for a particular object
  - Because it is associated with the class, and not with objects, **it does not get passed the `this` pointer**
- What does this mean for a function exactly?
  - **A `static` function can only access static variables**
  - It **cannot** access the regular data members
  - It can also only call other `static` functions

# Example

It is more common to call it using the **class name and the scope operator** (rather than associating it with an object via `->` or `.`)

```
class X {  
    public:  
        static void f(){};  
};  
  
int main() {  
    X::f();  
} ///:~
```

# Example

```
class X {  
    int i;  
    static int j;  
public:  
    X(int ii = 0) : i(ii) {  
        // Non-static member function can access  
        // static member function or data:  
        j = i;  
    }  
    int val() const { return i; }  
    static int incr() {  
        //! i++; // Error: static member  
        // function cannot access non-  
        // static member data  
        return ++j;  
    }  
}
```

```
    static int f() {  
        //! val(); // Error: static function  
        // cannot access non-static function  
        return incr(); // OK  
    }  
}; // class X  
int X::j = 0;  
int main() {  
    X x;  
    X* xp = &x;  
    x.f();  
    xp->f();  
    X::f(); // Only works with static  
            // member functions  
} ///:~
```



Questions?

# Variable Scope

- Variable created inside a function exists only within the function
  - The scope of the variable is the function it is defined in
  - Because it is created on the stack, it is 'destroyed' when the function ends
- What if you want it to exist outside of the function?
  - Make it global
  - Make it ***static***
- ***static*** variable inside a function
  - NOT created on the stack
  - Created on the program's static data area
  - Initialized only ONCE (the first time the function is called)

# Example

```
1. char oneChar(const char* charArray =  
   nullptr) {  
2.     static const char* s = nullptr;  
3.     if(charArray) {  
4.         s = charArray;  
5.         return *s;  
6.     } else if(!s) {  
7.         cout << "Uninitialized char* s\n";  
8.         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
9.     }  
0.     if(*s == '\\0') {  
1.         return 0;  
2.     }  
3.     return *s++;  
4. }
```

Will this run?  
If so, what would happen?

```
15. const int sz = 100;  
16. char a[sz] =  
    "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz";  
17.  
18. int main() {  
19.     oneChar(a);  
20.     char c;  
21.     while((c = oneChar()) != 0) {  
22.         cout << c << endl;  
23.     }  
24. }
```

# Example

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1. char oneChar(const char* charArray =  
   nullptr) {  
2.     static const char* s = nullptr;  
3.     if(charArray) {  
4.         s = charArray;  
5.         return *s;  
6.     } else if(!s) {  
7.         cout << "Uninitialized char* s\n";  
8.         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
9.     }  
0.     if(*s == '\\0') {  
1.         return 0;  
2.     }  
3.     return *s++;  
4. }
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```

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4.         s = charArray;  
5.         return *s;  
6.     } else if(!s) {  
7.         cout << "Uninitialized char* s\n";  
8.         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
9.     }  
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2.     }  
3.     return *s++;  
4. }
```

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17.  
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19.     oneChar(a);  
20.     char c;  
21.     while((c = oneChar()) != 0) {  
22.         cout << c << endl;  
23.     }  
24. }
```

# static variables

- Be careful when using static variables.
- Because they retain their values between function calls, you need to keep track of it carefully
- This is particularly true when using multi-threaded programming – if multiple threads are accessing the static variable, it's difficult to know if it's in the correct 'state.'
- For example, say a static variable is keeping track of how many times you rang a bell. If you are the only one pressing it, you can keep track of this count accurately. However, if someone else is also pressing the bell (i.e., a multi-threaded code), you've just lost track of how many times you've pressed the bell.

# static class objects

- Same rules apply for static objects inside functions

# Example

Will this run?  
If so, what would happen?

```
1. class X {
2.     int i;
3. public:
4.     X(int ii = 0) : i(ii) {}
5.     ~X() { cout << "X::~~X()" << endl; }
6.     void print_X() { cout << i << endl; i++; }
7. };
8. void testTwo()
9. {
10.     static X x(47);
11.     x.print_X();
12.     x.print_X();
13. }
14. int main() {
15.     testTwo();
16.     testTwo();
17.     testTwo();
18. }
```



# Example

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$X :: \sim X ()$

# static class Object Destructor

- Remember,
  - Destructors are called for objects that has been constructed
  - Global objects are created before main and destroyed when main ends
- If a function containing a local static object is never called, the constructor is never executed, and therefore, the destructor is not executed

# Example

Will this run?  
If so, what would happen?

```
1. class Obj {
2.     char c;
3. public:
4.     Obj(char cc) : c(cc) {
5.         cout << "Obj::Obj() for " << c << endl;
6.     }
7.     ~Obj() {
8.         cout << "Obj::~~Obj() for " << c << endl;
9.     }
10. };
11. Obj aa('a');
12. void f() {
13.     static Obj b('b');
14. }
15. void g() {
16.     static Obj c('c');
17. }
18. void testThree()
19. {
20.     f();
21. }
22. int main() {
23.     testThree();
24. }
```

# Different Meaning to static

- We've covered this before, but...
  - Any name at file scope (i.e., not inside a class or a function, so essentially global) is visible to other files at link time – this is called “external linkage”
    - Exception to this is the `const` variables
  - However, sometimes you want these names to be only visible to the file it resides in (maybe it clashes with names in a different file)
  - Name it `static` to make it invisible to files outside – i.e., it has “internal linkage”
- This has **different meaning** from our usage of static from the previous few slides
  - Global variables are already “static” in nature (it persists across the lifetime of the program), so adding static in front of it has a different meaning (i.e., internal/external linkage)

# Example

- In file a.cc,
- `static int a = 1;`
- 
- `int main() {`
- `return 0;`
- `}`
- The variable a is only visible within a.cc

Questions?

# Object Creation

Remember that....

when an object is created in C++, two events occur

- Storage is allocated
- Constructor is called to initialize the object

# Storage Allocation

Storage allocation can occur in one of several ways

- Before the program begins, allocated in the static area (i.e., exists for the lifetime of the program, such as global variables)
- Allocated in the stack (e.g., opening braces, function, etc.), and released at the end of its scope
- Allocated on the heap

This is similar to how things are done in C



# C++

## Dynamic memory in C++

- **new operator**
  - Not a function (e.g., malloc)
  - `MyType *fp = new MyType(1,2);`
    - Equivalent to `malloc(sizeof(MyType))`, and
      - Its constructor will be called
- **delete operator**
  - Not a function (i.e., free)
  - Can be called for any object created with `new`
  - Destructor will first be called, and then the memory will be released
  - **Undefined if allocated with `malloc` (or other variations)**

# Example

```
class Tree {
    int height;
public:
    Tree(int treeHeight) : height(treeHeight) {}
    ~Tree() { std::cout << "*"; }
    friend std::ostream&
    operator<<(std::ostream& os, const Tree* t) {
        return os << "Tree height is: "
                << t->height << std::endl;
    }
};

using namespace std;

int main() {
    Tree* t = new Tree(40);
    cout << t;
    delete t;
} ///:~
```

# Example

Tree height is: 40  
\*

# delete

Deleting a `void*` is probably a bug

- It only okay for simple data (e.g., does not require a destructor)
- Only the storage is released, and the destructor is not called (the program does not know which destructor to call, since it can be anything)

# Example

```
class Object {  
    void* data; const int size; const char id;  
public:  
    Object(int sz, char c) : size(sz), id(c) {  
        data = new char[size];  
        cout << "Constructing object " << id  
            << ", size = " << size << endl;  
    }  
    ~Object() {  
        cout << "Destructing object " << id << endl;  
        delete []data; // OK, just releases storage,  
    }  
};  
  
int main() {  
    Object* a = new Object(40, 'a'); delete a;  
    void* b = new Object(40, 'b');    delete b;  
} ///:~
```

# Example

Constructing object a, size = 40

Destructing object a

Constructing object b, size = 40

# Delete

If you have a memory leak (and you are deleting `new` allocated memory), check the type for the pointer being deleted

When you are using `void*` `data` to hold different types of objects, cast it to the proper type before using it (and deleting it)

# new and delete for Arrays

To create an array of objects

```
MyType* fp = new MyType[100];
```

- This allocates enough memory on the heap for 100 MyType objects

Let's say you also have

```
MyType* fp2 = new MyType;
```

What if you do

```
delete fp2;
```

```
delete fp;
```

What happens?



# new and delete for Arrays

```
MyType* fp = new MyType[100];  
delete fp;
```

This DOES free up storage for all 100 `MyType` objects, BUT the constructor for only the FIRST element will be called

- Just as in `free()`, the OS keeps track of the memory allocated
- 99 other elements will NOT have their constructors called

Under what scenario could this cause a problem?

# new and delete for Arrays

```
MyType* fp = new MyType[100];  
delete [] fp;  
// old syntax - delete [100]fp;
```

Questions?

# Running Out of Memory

When `new` cannot find enough memory to allocate, it calls a special function called `new-handler`

- More accurately, there is a function pointer, and if the pointer is non-zero, this function is called

# Example

```
int count = 0;
void out_of_memory() {
    cerr << "memory exhausted after " << count
        << " allocations!" << endl;
    exit(1);
}
int main() {
    set_new_handler(out_of_memory);
    while(1) {
        count++;
        new int[1000]; // Exhausts memory
    }
} ///:~
```

# Arrays of Objects

With **arrays**, you can only call the default constructor - what if you need to use a non-default constructor

- Use a **vector** - the easier solution
- Use an **array of pointers** - for each element, use `new` with a non-default constructor to create a pointer and save it there
- **Placement-new** - a special case of `new` where you can pre-allocate the memory, then initialize it with a non-default constructor by passing in the pre-allocated memory location
- **Overload** the `new` operator (operator overloading will be covered later)

# Arrays of Objects

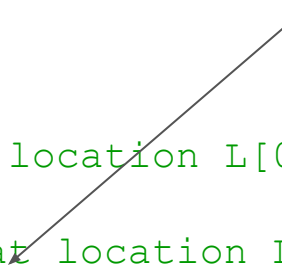
Use an array of pointers

```
MyClass** list = new MyClass*[100];  
for(int i = 0; i < 100; i++) {  
    list[i] = new MyClass(i);  
}  
  
for(int i = 0; i < 100; i++) {  
    delete list[i];  
}  
  
delete [] list;
```

# Placement-New Example

```
class X {  
  
    int i;  
  
public:  
  
    X(int ii = 0) : i(ii) { cout << "this = " << this << endl; }  
  
    ~X() { cout << "X::~~X(): " << this << endl; }  
  
};  
  
int main() {  
  
    int L[10];  
  
    cout << "L = " << L << endl;  
  
    X* xp = new(L) X(47); // X at location L[0]  
  
    X* xp = new(L+1) X(53); // X at location L[1]  
  
    // etc.  
  
    xp2->X::~~X(); // Explicit destructor call required  
  
    xp->X::~~X(); // Explicit destructor call required  
  
}
```

Separates memory  
allocation and  
initialization



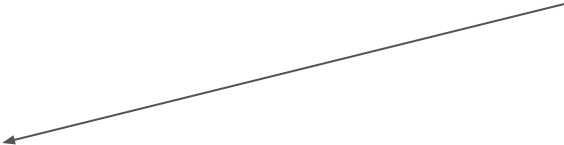


## Another Example

```
class Car {
    int _no;
public:
    Car( int no ) : _no( no ) { }
};

int main() {
    void* raw_memory = operator new(NUM_CARS * sizeof(Car));
    Car* ptr = static_cast<Car*>(raw_memory);
    for( int i = 0; i < NUM_CARS; ++i ) {
        new (&ptr[i]) Car( i ); // placement-new
    }
    // destruct in reverse order
    for( int i = NUM_CARS - 1; i >= 0; --i ) {
        ptr[i].~Car();
    }
    operator delete []( raw_memory ); // only frees memory
    return 0;
}
```

ONLY allocates memory



Questions?