Introduction to Classes
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- Procedural programming focuses on the process/actions that occur in a program.

- Object-Oriented programming is based on the data and the functions that operate on it. Objects are instances of ADTs that represent the data and its functions.
Limitations of Procedural Programming

• If the data structures change, many functions must also be changed

• Programs that are based on complex function hierarchies are:
  – difficult to understand and maintain
  – difficult to modify and extend
  – easy to break
Object-Oriented Programming Terminology

• **class**: like a **struct** (allows bundling of related variables), but variables and functions in the class can have different properties than in a **struct**.

• **object**: an instance of a **class**, in the same way that a variable can be an instance of a **struct**.
Classes and Objects

• A Class is like a blueprint and objects are like houses built from the blueprint.
Object-Oriented Programming
Terminology

- **attributes**: members of a class
- **methods** or **behaviors**: member functions of a class
More on Objects

• **data hiding**: restricting access to certain members of an object

• **public interface**: members of an object that are available outside of the object. This allows the object to provide access to some data and functions without sharing its internal details and design, and provides some protection from data corruption
Introduction to Classes
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- Objects are created from a **class**
- Format:
  ```
  class ClassName
  {
    declaration;
    declaration;
  };
  ```
class Rectangle
{
    private:
    double width;
    double length;

    public:
    void setWidth(double);
    void setLength(double);
    double getWidth() const;
    double getLength() const;
    double getArea() const;
};
Access Specifiers

• Used to control access to members of the class

• **public**: can be accessed by functions outside of the class

• **private**: can only be called by or accessed by functions that are members of the class
class Rectangle
{
    private:
    double width;
    double length;

    public:
    void setWidth(double);
    void setLength(double);
    double getWidth() const;
    double getLength() const;
    double getArea() const;
};
More on Access Specifiers

• Can be listed in any order in a class

• Can appear multiple times in a class

• If not specified, the default is private
Using `const` With Member Functions

- `const` appearing after the parentheses in a member function declaration specifies that the function will not change any data in the calling object.

```cpp
double getWidth() const;
double getLength() const;
double getArea() const;
```
Defining a Member Function

• When defining a member function:
  – Put prototype in class declaration
  – Define function using class name and scope resolution operator (::)

    int Rectangle::setWidth(double w)
    {
        width = w;
    }
Accessors and Mutators

• Mutator: a member function that stores a value in a private member variable, or changes its value in some way

• Accessor: function that retrieves a value from a private member variable. Accessors do not change an object's data, so they should be marked `const`.
Defining an Instance of a Class
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• An object is an instance of a class
• Defined like structure variables:
  Rectangle r;
• Access members using dot operator:
  r.setWidth(5.2);
  cout << r.getWidth();
• Compiler error if attempt to access private member using dot operator
Program

// This program demonstrates a simple class.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// Rectangle class declaration.
class Rectangle
{
    private:
        double width;
        double length;
    public:
        void setWidth(double);
        void setLength(double);
        double getWidth() const;
        double getLength() const;
        double getArea() const;
};

// This function assigns a value to the width member.
void Rectangle::setWidth(double w)
{
    width = w;
}

// This function assigns a value to the length member.
void Rectangle::setLength(double l)
{
    length = l;
}
void Rectangle::setLength(double len) {
    length = len;
}

// get_width returns the value in the width member. *

double Rectangle::getWidth() const {
    return width;
}

// get_length returns the value in the length member. *

double Rectangle::getLength() const {
    return length;
}
Program (Continued)

55  //******************************************************************************
56  // getArea returns the product of width times length. *
57  //******************************************************************************
58
59  double Rectangle::getArea() const
60  {
61      return width * length;
62  }
63
64  //******************************************************************************
65  // Function main *
66  //******************************************************************************
67
68  int main()
69  {
70      Rectangle box;       // Define an instance of the Rectangle class
71      double rectWidth;   // Local variable for width
72      double rectLength; // Local variable for length
73
74      // Get the rectangle's width and length from the user.
75      cout << "This program will calculate the area of a \n";
76      cout << "rectangle. What is the width? ";
77      cin >> rectWidth;
78      cout << "What is the length? ";
79      cin >> rectLength;
80
81      // Store the width and length of the rectangle
82      // in the box object.
83      box.setWidth(rectWidth);
84      box.setLength(rectLength);
Program (Continued)

```cpp
85 // Display the rectangle's data.
86 cout << "Here is the rectangle's data:\n";
87 cout << "Width: " << box.getWidth() << endl;
88 cout << "Length: " << box.getLength() << endl;
89 cout << "Area: " << box.getArea() << endl;
90 return 0;
91
92 }
```

**Program Output**

This program will calculate the area of a rectangle. What is the width? 10 [Enter]
What is the length? 5 [Enter]
Here is the rectangle's data:
Width: 10
Length: 5
Area: 50
Avoiding Stale Data

- Some data is the result of a calculation.
- In the `Rectangle` class the area of a rectangle is calculated.
  - length x width
- If we were to use an area variable here in the `Rectangle` class, its value would be dependent on the length and the width.
- If we change length or width without updating area, then area would become stale.
- To avoid stale data, it is best to calculate the value of that data within a member function rather than store it in a variable.
**Pointer to an Object**

- Can define a pointer to an object:
  
  ```c++
  Rectangle *rPtr;
  ```

- Can access public members via pointer:
  
  ```c++
  rPtr = &otherRectangle;
  rPtr->setLength(12.5);
  cout << rPtr->getLenght() << endl;
  ```
Dynamically Allocating an Object

• We can also use a pointer to dynamically allocate an object.

```c
1   // Define a Rectangle pointer.
2   Rectangle *rectPtr;
3
4   // Dynamically allocate a Rectangle object.
5   rectPtr = new Rectangle;
6
7   // Store values in the object's width and length.
8   rectPtr->setWidth(10.0);
9   rectPtr->setLength(15.0);
10
11  // Delete the object from memory.
12  delete rectPtr;
13  rectPtr = 0;
```
Why Have Private Members?
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• Making data members private provides data protection

• Data can be accessed only through public functions

• Public functions define the class’s public interface
Code outside the class must use the class's public member functions to interact with the object.
Separating Specification from Implementation
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– Place class declaration in a header file that serves as the class specification file. Name the file `ClassName.h`, for example, `Rectangle.h`.

– Place member function definitions in `ClassName.cpp`, for example, `Rectangle.cpp`.

File should `#include` the class specification file.

– Programs that use the class must `#include` the class specification file, and be compiled and linked with the member function definitions.
Inline Member Functions
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• Member functions can be defined
  – inline: in class declaration
  – after the class declaration

• Inline appropriate for short function bodies:
  ```cpp
  int getWidth() const
  {
    return width;
  }
  ```
/* Specification file for the Rectangle class */
/* This version uses some inline member functions. */
#ifndef RECTANGLE_H
#define RECTANGLE_H

class Rectangle
{
  private:
    double width;
    double length;
  public:
    void setWidth(double);
    void setLength(double);

    double getWidth() const
    { return width; } 

    double getLength() const
    { return length; } 

    double getArea() const
    { return width * length; } 
};
#endif
Tradeoffs – Inline vs. Regular Member Functions

• Regular functions – when called, compiler stores return address of call, allocates memory for local variables, etc.

• Code for an inline function is copied into program in place of call – larger executable program, but no function call overhead, hence faster execution
Constructors
Constructors

• Member function that is automatically called when an object is created
  • Purpose is to construct an object
  • Constructor function name is class name
  • Has no return type
// Specification file for the Rectangle class
// This version has a constructor.
#ifndef RECTANGLE_H
#define RECTANGLE_H

class Rectangle
{
  private:
    double width;
    double length;
  public:
    Rectangle();       // Constructor
    void setWidth(double);
    void setLength(double);

    double getWidth() const
    { return width; }

    double getLength() const
    { return length; }

    double getArea() const
    { return width * length; }
};
#endif
Contents of Rectangle.cpp (Version 3)

// Implementation file for the Rectangle class.
// This version has a constructor.
#include "Rectangle.h"   // Needed for the Rectangle class
#include <iostream>      // Needed for cout
#include <cstdlib>       // Needed for the exit function
using namespace std;

//******************************************************************************
// The constructor initializes width and length to 0.0.   *
//******************************************************************************

Rectangle::Rectangle()
{
    width = 0.0;
    length = 0.0;
}
Contents of Rectangle.cc

```cpp
17  //******************************************************************************
18  // setWidth sets the value of the member variable width.  *
19  //******************************************************************************
20  void Rectangle::setWidth(double w)
21  {
22      if (w >= 0)
23          width = w;
24      else
25          {
26          cout << "Invalid width\n";
27              exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
28          }
29  }
30  
31  //******************************************************************************
32  // setLength sets the value of the member variable length.  *
33  //******************************************************************************
34  void Rectangle::setLength(double len)
35  {
36      if (len >= 0)
37          length = len;
38      else
39          {
40          cout << "Invalid length\n";
41              exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
42          }
43  }
```
Program

```cpp
1 // This program uses the Rectangle class's constructor.
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include "Rectangle.h"  // Needed for Rectangle class
4 using namespace std;
5
6 int main()
7 {
8   Rectangle box;  // Define an instance of the Rectangle class
9
10   // Display the rectangle's data.
11   cout << "Here is the rectangle's data:\n";
12   cout << "Width: " << box.getWidth() << endl;
13   cout << "Length: " << box.getLength() << endl;
14   cout << "Area: " << box.getArea() << endl;
15   return 0;
16 }
```

Program Output

Here is the rectangle's data:
Width: 0
Length: 0
Area: 0
Default Constructors

• A default constructor is a constructor that takes no arguments.

• If you write a class with no constructor at all, C++ will write a default constructor for you, one that does nothing.

• A simple instantiation of a class (with no arguments) calls the default constructor:

   Rectangle r;
Passing Arguments to Constructors
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- To create a constructor that takes arguments:
  - indicate parameters in prototype:
    \[
    \text{Rectangle}(\text{double, double})
    \]
  - Use parameters in the definition:
    \[
    \text{Rectangle::Rectangle}(\text{double } w, \text{ double } len)
    \{
    \quad \text{width} = w;
    \quad \text{length} = len;
    \}
    \]
Passing Arguments to Constructors

• You can pass arguments to the constructor when you create an object:

```
Rectangle r(10, 5);
```
More About Default Constructors

• If all of a constructor's parameters have default arguments, then it is a default constructor. For example:

```cpp
Rectangle(double = 0, double = 0);
```

• Creating an object and passing no arguments will cause this constructor to execute:

```cpp
Rectangle r;
```
Classes with No Default Constructor

• When all of a class's constructors require arguments, then the class has NO default constructor.

• When this is the case, you must pass the required arguments to the constructor when creating an object.
Destructors
Destructors

• Member function automatically called when an object is destroyed
• Destructor name is \(~\text{classname}, \text{e.g.,}\), \(~\text{Rectangle}\)
• Has no return type; takes no arguments
• Only one destructor per class, \(i.e.,\) it cannot be overloaded
• If constructor allocates dynamic memory, destructor should release it
// Specification file for the InventoryItem class.
#ifndef INVENTORYITEM_H
#define INVENTORYITEM_H
#include <cstring>  // Needed for strlen and strcpy

// InventoryItem class declaration.
class InventoryItem
{
private:
  char *description;  // The item description
  double cost;  // The item cost
  int units;  // Number of units on hand

public:
  // Constructor
  InventoryItem(char *desc, double c, int u)
  {  // Allocate just enough memory for the description.
     description = new char [strlen(desc) + 1];

     // Copy the description to the allocated memory.
     strcpy(description, desc);

     // Assign values to cost and units.
     cost = c;
     units = u;}

  // Destructor
  ~InventoryItem()
  { delete [] description;  }

  const char *getDescription() const
  { return description; }

  double getCost() const
  { return cost; }

  int getUnits() const
  { return units; }
};
#endif
Program

1     // This program demonstrates a class with a destructor.
2     #include <iostream>
3     #include <iomanip>
4     #include "InventoryItem.h"
5     using namespace std;
6
7     int main()
8     {
9         // Define an InventoryItem object with the following data:
10        // Description: Wrench  Cost: 8.75  Units on hand: 20
11        InventoryItem stock("Wrench", 8.75, 20);
12
13        // Set numeric output formatting.
14        cout << setprecision(2) << fixed << showpoint;
Program  Continued

```
16       // Display the object's data.
17       cout << "Item Description: " << stock.getDescription() << endl;
18       cout << "Cost: $" << stock.getCost() << endl;
19       cout << "Units on hand: " << stock.getUnits() << endl;
20       return 0;
21   }
```

**Program Output**

Item Description: Wrench
Cost: $8.75
Units on hand: 20
Constructors, Destructors, and Dynamically Allocated Objects

• When an object is dynamically allocated with the new operator, its constructor executes:

```
Rectangle *r = new Rectangle(10, 20);
```

• When the object is destroyed, its destructor executes:

```
delete r;
```
Overloading Constructors
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• A class can have more than one constructor

• Overloaded constructors in a class must have different parameter lists:
  
  Rectangle();
  Rectangle(double);
  Rectangle(double, double);
// Constructor #1
InventoryItem()
{
    // Allocate the default amount of memory for description.
description = new char [DEFAULT_SIZE];

    // Store a null terminator in the first character.
    *description = '\0';

    // Initialize cost and units.
cost = 0.0;
units = 0; }
From `InventoryItem.h` (Version 2)

```c
28     // Constructor #2
29     InventoryItem(char *desc)
30     { // Allocate just enough memory for the description.
31         description = new char [strlen(desc) + 1];
32
33         // Copy the description to the allocated memory.
34         strcpy(description, desc);
35
36         // Initialize cost and units.
37         cost = 0.0;
38         units = 0; }
```
// Constructor #3
InventoryItem(char *desc, double c, int u) {
    // Allocate just enough memory for the description.
    description = new char [strlen(desc) + 1];

    // Copy the description to the allocated memory.
    strcpy(description, desc);

    // Assign values to cost and units.
    cost = c;
    units = u; }

Only One Default Constructor and One Destructor

• Do not provide more than one default constructor for a class: one that takes no arguments and one that has default arguments for all parameters

  \begin{verbatim}
  Square();

  Square(int = 0);  // will not compile
  \end{verbatim}

• Since a destructor takes no arguments, there can only be one destructor for a class
Member Function Overloading

• Non-constructor member functions can also be overloaded:
  ```cpp
  void setCost(double);
  void setCost(char *);
  ```

• Must have unique parameter lists as for constructors
Using Private Member Functions
Using Private Member Functions

• A private member function can only be called by another member function

• It is used for internal processing by the class, not for use outside of the class
Arrays of Objects
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- Objects can be the elements of an array:

  InventoryItem inventory[40];

- Default constructor for object is used when array is defined
Arrays of Objects

• Must use initializer list to invoke constructor that takes arguments:

```java
InventoryItem inventory[3] =
    { "Hammer", "Wrench", "Pliers" };```

Arrays of Objects

• If the constructor requires more than one argument, the initializer must take the form of a function call:

```java
InventoryItem inventory[3] = { InventoryItem("Hammer", 6.95, 12),
                              InventoryItem("Wrench", 8.75, 20),
                              InventoryItem("Pliers", 3.75, 10) };```

Arrays of Objects

- It isn't necessary to call the same constructor for each object in an array:

```javascript
InventoryItem inventory[3] = { "Hammer",
    InventoryItem("Wrench", 8.75, 20),
    "Pliers" };
```
Accessing Objects in an Array

- Objects in an array are referenced using subscripts.
- Member functions are referenced using dot notation:

```cpp
inventory[2].setUnits(30);
cout << inventory[2].getUnits();
```
Program

1 // This program demonstrates an array of class objects.
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <iomanip>
4 #include "InventoryItem.h"
5 using namespace std;
6
7 int main()
8 {
9    const int NUM_ITEMS = 5;
10    InventoryItem inventory[NUM_ITEMS] = {
11        InventoryItem("Hammer", 6.95, 12),
12        InventoryItem("Wrench", 8.75, 20),
13        InventoryItem("Pliers", 3.75, 10),
14        InventoryItem("Ratchet", 7.95, 14),
15        InventoryItem("Screwdriver", 2.50, 22) 
16    };
17
18    cout << setw(14) << "Inventory Item"
19         << setw(8) << "Cost" << setw(8)
20         << setw(16) << "Units On Hand\n";
21    cout << "----------------------------------\n";
for (int i = 0; i < NUM_ITEMS; i++)
{
    cout << setw(14) << inventory[i].getDescription();
    cout << setw(8) << inventory[i].getCost();
    cout << setw(7) << inventory[i].getUnits() << endl;
}

return 0;

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The Unified Modeling Language
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- *UML* stands for *Unified Modeling Language*.

- The UML provides a set of standard diagrams for graphically depicting object-oriented systems.
A UML diagram for a class has three main sections:

- Class name goes here
- Member variables are listed here
- Member functions are listed here
Example: A Rectangle Class

```cpp
class Rectangle
{
    private:
        double width;
        double length;
    public:
        bool setWidth(double);
        bool setLength(double);
        double getWidth() const;
        double getLength() const;
        double getArea() const;
};
```
• In UML you indicate a private member with a minus (-) and a public member with a plus(+).

These member variables are private.

These member functions are public.
UML Data Type Notation

• To indicate the data type of a member variable, place a colon followed by the name of the data type after the name of the variable.
  - width : double
  - length : double
To indicate the data type of a function’s parameter variable, place a colon followed by the name of the data type after the name of the variable.

+ set Width( w : double)
UML Function Return Type Notation

• To indicate the data type of a function’s return value, place a colon followed by the name of the data type after the function’s parameter list.
  
  + setWidth(w : double) : void
The Rectangle Class

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Showing Constructors and Destructors

No return type listed for constructors or destructors

Constructors

Destructor

```
InventoryItem
- description : char*
- cost : double
- units : int
- createDescription(size : int, value : char*) : void

+ InventoryItem():
+ InventoryItem(desc : char*) : 
+ InventoryItem(desc : char*, c : double, u : int):
+ ~InventoryItem():
+ setDescription(d : char*) : void
+ setCost(c : double) : void
+ setUnits(u : int) : void
+ getDescription() : char*
+ getCost() : double
+ getUnits() : int
```