

CSE 333 Section 5 - C++ Classes, Dynamic Memory

Welcome back to section! We're glad that you're here :)

Quick Class Review:

What do the following modifiers mean?

- public:
- protected:
- private:
- friend:

What is the default access modifier for a struct in C++?

Constructors, Destructors, what is going on?

- **Constructor:** Can define any number as long as they have different parameters. Constructs a new instance of the class. The *default constructor* takes no arguments.
- **Copy Constructor:** Creates a new instance of the class based on another instance (it's the constructor that takes a reference to an object of the same class). Automatically invoked when passing or returning a non-reference object to/from a function.
- **Assignment Operator:** Assigns the values of the right-hand-expression to the left-hand-side instance.
- **Destructor:** Cleans up the class instance, *i.e.* free dynamically allocated memory used by this class instance.

What happens if you don't define a copy constructor? Or an assignment operator? Or a destructor? Why might this be bad?

How can you disable the copy constructor/assignment operator/destructor?

When is the initialization list of a constructor run, and in what order are data members initialized?

What happens if data members are not included in the initialization list?

Exercise 1) Give the output of the following program:

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

class Int {
public:
    Int() { ival_ = 17; cout << "default(" << ival_ << ")" << endl; }

    Int(int n) { ival_ = n; cout << "ctor(" << ival_ << ")" << endl; }

    Int(const Int &n) {
        ival_ = n.ival_;
        cout << "cctor(" << ival_ << ")" << endl;
    }

    ~Int() { cout << "dtor(" << ival_ << ")" << endl; }

    int get() const {
        cout << "get(" << ival_ << ")" << endl;
        return ival_;
    }

    void set(int n) {
        ival_ = n;
        cout << "set(" << ival_ << ")" << endl;
    }

private:
    int ival_;
};

int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    Int p;
    Int q(p);
    Int r(5);
    q.set(p.get()+1);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

Object Construction and Initialization **Exercise 2)**

```
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

class Foo {
public:
    Foo()      { cout << 'u'; }
    Foo(int x) { cout << 'n'; }
    ~Foo()     { cout << 'd'; }
};

class Bar {
public:
    Bar(int x) { other_ = new Foo(x); cout << 'g'; }
    ~Bar()     { delete other_;      cout << 'e'; }
private:
    Foo* other_;
};

class Baz {
public:
    Baz(int z) : bar_(z) { cout << 'r'; }
    ~Baz()             { cout << 'a'; }
private:
    Foo foo_;
    Bar bar_;
};

int main(){
    Baz (1);
    cout << endl;    // to flush the buffer
}
```

Dynamically-Allocated Memory: New and Delete

In C++, memory can be heap-allocated using the keywords “new” and “delete”. You can think of these like `malloc()` and `free()` with some key differences:

- Unlike `malloc()` and `free()`, `new` and `delete` are operators, not functions.
- The implementation of allocating heap space may vary between `malloc` and `new`.

New: Allocates the type on the heap, calling the specified constructor if it is a class type. Syntax for arrays is “`new type[num]`”. Returns a pointer to the type.

Delete: Deallocates the type from the heap, calling the destructor if it is a class type. For anything you called “new” on, you should at some point call “delete” to clean it up. Syntax for arrays is “`delete[] name`”.

Just like baking soda and vinegar, you shouldn’t mix `malloc/free` with `new/delete`.

Exercise 3) Memory Leaks

```
#include <cstdlib>

class Leaky {
public:
    Leaky() { x_ = new int(5); }
private:
    int* x_;
};

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    Leaky** lkeyptr = new Leaky*;
    Leaky* lky = new Leaky();
    *lkeyptr = lky;
    delete lkeyptr;
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

Assuming an instance of `Leaky` takes up 8 bytes (like a C-struct with just `int* x_`), how many bytes of memory are leaked by this program? How would you fix the memory leaks?

Exercise 4) Identify the memory error with the following code.

```
class BadCopy {
public:
    BadCopy() { arr_ = new int[5]; }
    ~BadCopy() { delete [] arr_; }
private:
    int *arr_;
};

int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    BadCopy *bc1 = new BadCopy;
    BadCopy *bc2 = new BadCopy(*bc1); // BadCopy's cctor

    delete bc1;
    delete bc2;

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

Hint: Draw a memory diagram. What happens when bc1 gets deleted?

Exercise 5) Classes usage. Consider the following classes:

```
class IntArrayList {
public:
    IntArrayList()
        : array_(new int[MAXSIZE]), len_(0), maxsize_(MAXSIZE) { }
    IntArrayList(const int *const arr, size_t len)
        : len_(len), maxsize_(len_*2) {
        array_ = new int[maxsize_];
        memcpy(array_, arr, len * sizeof(int));
    }

    IntArrayList(const IntArrayList &rhs) {
        len_ = rhs.len_;
        maxsize_ = rhs.maxsize_;
        array_ = new int[maxsize_];
        memcpy(array_, rhs.array_, maxsize_ * sizeof(int));
    }
    // synthesized destructor
    // synthesized assignment operator

private:
    int *array_;
    size_t len_;
    size_t maxsize_;
};

class Wrap {
public:
    Wrap() : p_(nullptr) {}
    Wrap(IntArrayList *p) : p_(p) { *p_ = *p; }
    IntArrayList *p() const { return p_; }
private:
    IntArrayList *p_;
};

struct List {
    IntArrayList v;
};
```

Here's an example program using these classes:

```
int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    IntArrayList a;
    IntArrayList* b = new IntArrayList();
    struct List l { a };
    struct List m { *b };
    Wrap w(b);
    delete b;
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

Draw a memory diagram of the program:

How does the above program leak memory?

Fix the issue in the code above. You may write the solution here.

Extra Practice - Past Midterm Question

Consider the following (very unusual) C++ program which does compile and execute successfully. Write the output produced when it is executed.

Hints: Member variables are initialized in declaration order. Destruction order is the reverse of construction order. The body of a constructor runs after its initializer list.

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

class foo {
public:
    foo()                { cout << "p"; }           // ctor
    foo(int i)           { cout << "a"; }           // ctor (1 int)
    foo(int i, int j)    { cout << "h"; }           // ctor (2 ints)
    ~foo()               { cout << "s"; }           // dtor
};

class bar {
public:
    bar(): foo_(new foo()) { cout << "g"; }           // ctor
    bar(int i): foo_(new foo(i)) { cout << "p"; }       // ctor (1 int)
    ~bar()                 { cout << "e"; delete foo_; } // dtor
private:
    foo *foo_;
    foo otherfoo_;
};

class baz {
public:
    baz(int a, int b, int c) : bar_(a), foo_(b,c)
                                { cout << "i"; }           // ctor (3 ints)
    ~baz()                     { cout << "n"; }           // dtor
private:
    foo foo_;
    bar bar_;
};

int main() {
    baz b(1,2,3);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```