

CS 235: Object Oriented Programming using C++ (Spring 2025 version)

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1 Week 1: Welcome, setup, CS 200 review

1.1 Introductions!



Hi everyone! I'm Rachel Wil Singh (R.W. in the JCCC system, and I also go by "Moosie" or "Moose"). My pronouns are they/them. I am a full time associate professor at JCCC and I will be teaching you about programming this semester!

Background: A.S./CompSci from Longview, B.S./CompSci from UMKC (2009). Worked professionally in web and software development starting in the 2010s with a variety of languages (C++, C#, HTML, CSS, JS, SQL, PHP, Python).



Hobby-wise, in my free time I program indie video games [Links to an external site.](#), make cartoons in Esperanto, study Hindi, and tend my vegetable garden. My family currently consists of my husband and I and our four cats. My husband Rai is from Uttarakhand in India and is also in software development. I am also neurodivergent.

1.2 Ethics and Academic Honesty

- **Open-book, open-note:** In software development you're usually able to freely **research** and **try writing code** as part of your job. I see my assignments as open book and open note, as well as open IDE.
- **Don't plagiarize:** Don't present someone or something else's work as *your own work*.
- **AI is a search engine:** People posting online in forums makes mistakes. AI makes mistakes. You can try asking it questions like you would with a search engine, but you need to have the experience to know what is and is not correct.
- **Difficulty curve:** I've designed everything in this course, trying to set things up so it starts easier and hand-holdy and increases with difficulty over time, like a video game.
- **Resources:** I want to help you learn how to program. If you're stuck on something or need help with problem solving, I am here to help you out. I have office hours, class time, you can email me on Canvas or message me on Discord. The college also has resources.
- **Citations:** If you're going to use a snippet of code from elsewhere, please cite it by leaving a comment to the URL or source.

1.3 Study skills and course success overview

Course design: For this course, learning resources include concept introduction "quizzes" (it's reading with review questions), the textbook reading, pre-made video lectures, and the class time itself. Weekly, there are the concept introduction assignments and programming labs, as well as occasional discussion boards and 4 projects for the semester. There is 1 exam that you can re-take once a week as you'd like. Make sure to keep up with course content: It's harder to catch up on the harder material later on if you haven't done the earlier things. In this course, the content builds on each other. I'm always available during class, drop-in "office hours" (in person or via Zoom), or we can schedule a one-on-one Zoom time to meet as well. Let me know what you're stuck on and we'll work through it. Class time is mostly meant for you to work on the programming assignments. That way, I'm immediately available if you have questions or get stuck. It's in your schedule, might as well make use of the time!

Keeping track: Canvas has a Calendar feature, though it might be useful to also use something like Google Calendar with email/text reminders. I use a paper day planner for everything, but it's something I always have to carry with me (yay ADHD). I'll post announcements on the course Canvas page periodically with course information, corrections to assignments, etc.

Hitting a wall: Sometimes when you're stuck on a program it's best to just step away totally. If you feel like you're stuck and making no progress, usually time away really helps. You can also reach out to me or classmates or post on the Discord chat for hints.

1.4 Intro: Source Control and git

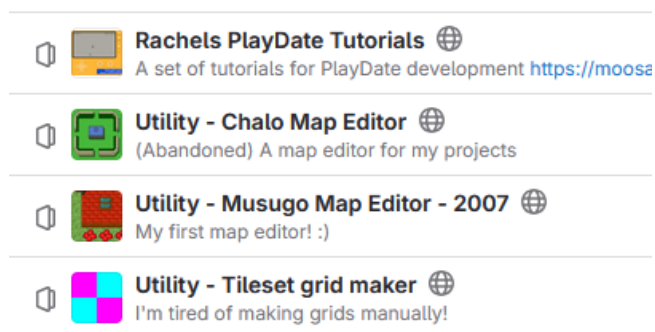
1.4.1 What is Source Control?



Software companies usually have tens or even hundreds of developers working together on a product or products. They need to have an efficient way to merge their code together, as well as have the tools to do code reviews, make backups, and check past versions of code files. A Source Control (aka Version Control) solution gives us features for all of these.

Git and TFS are probably the most popular solutions currently in use, and some others include SVN and Mercurial. They each function somewhat differently, but share a lot of the same concepts. For our class we will be using Git.













1.4.2 Repositories



A Repository is basically like a single "Project". You might have multiple repositories for different projects, or a company might have multiple repositories for different software products.

A Git Repository is set up so that Git takes care of tracking changes over time, create branches to work on new features, automatically merge changes with other people, and more.

1.4.3 Commit log

	fixed build errors Rachel Wil Sha Singh authored 4 days ago	df5333de		
	small readme update Rachel Singh authored 4 days ago	e9ac3229		
	WIP User menus skeleton Rachel Singh authored 4 days ago	669f92de		
	Added login/quit option to main menu Jane Morris authored 4 days ago	b607d15c		

Git keeps track of changes made by different developers over time. Each time we use the commit command, a "snapshot" of our changes are made. Once synced to the GitLab server, we can see a list of all commits in the history of the project.

1.4.4 Git blame





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Program/Program.cpp

```
284 284 | }
285     | -
285     | +
286 286 | void Program::Menu_User_ViewALLStores()
287 287 | {
288 288 | }
...   | @@ -1173,7 +1173,7 @@ std::string Program::DisplaySubMenuGetStr( std::vector<st
1173 1173 | {
1174 1174 |     int choice = DisplaySubMenu( options, zeroIsGoBack, vertical, col_width );
1175 1175 |
1176     | - if ( zeroIsGoBack && choice == "0" )
1176     | + if ( zeroIsGoBack && choice == 0 )
1177 1177 |     {
1178 1178 |         return "goback";
1179 1179 |     }
...   |
```

If we click on a commit, we can view a log of which lines of code were changed - red for "removed", + green for "added".

1.4.5 Continuous integration

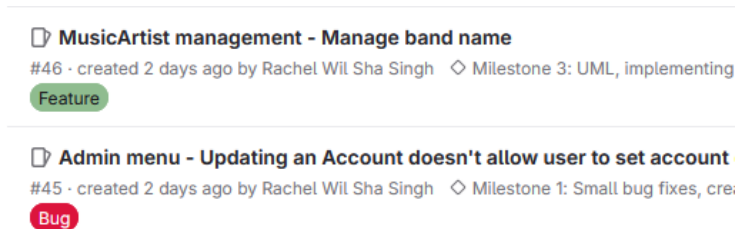
	Update .gitlab-ci.yml Rachel Wil Sha Singh authored 2 days ago		d5867cfa
	Merge branch 'main' of gitlab.com:rachels-courses/shopazon Rachel Wil Sha Singh authored 2 days ago	Pipeline: passed 	8a1b766c

The system architect can also set up scripts so that whenever new code is synced on the server, a build is run - this builds the project (and usually runs automated tests), and reports if the build/tests are successful or not.

This helps us know if a new feature we're working on breaks the build or makes other tests fail.

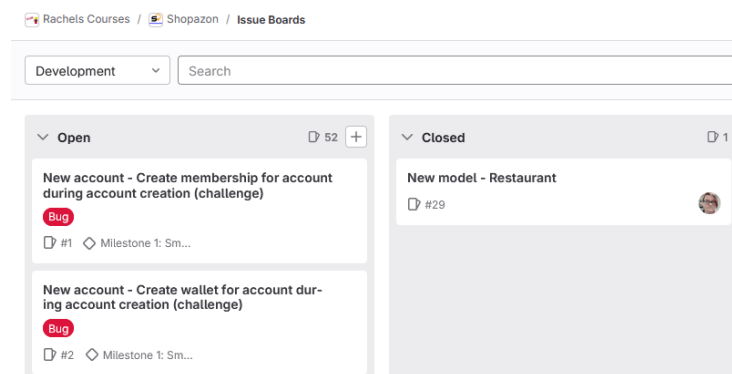
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1.4.6 GitLab - Issues



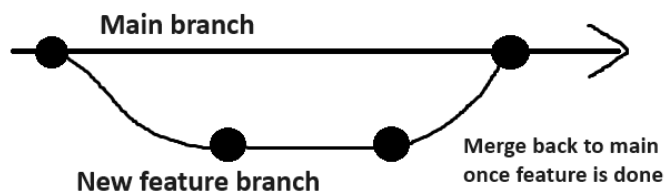
GitLab also has an Issue Tracker, where we can create Issues (aka Tickets) to log tasks that need to be completed or bugs found in the code. We can associate our commits to an issue number # so that we can easily reference when and where a feature was added or a bug was fixed.

1.4.7 GitLab - Issue board



GitLab also has other project management features such as a "Issue Board" (often called a Kanban board) to more visually track what needs to get done.

1.4.8 Branches

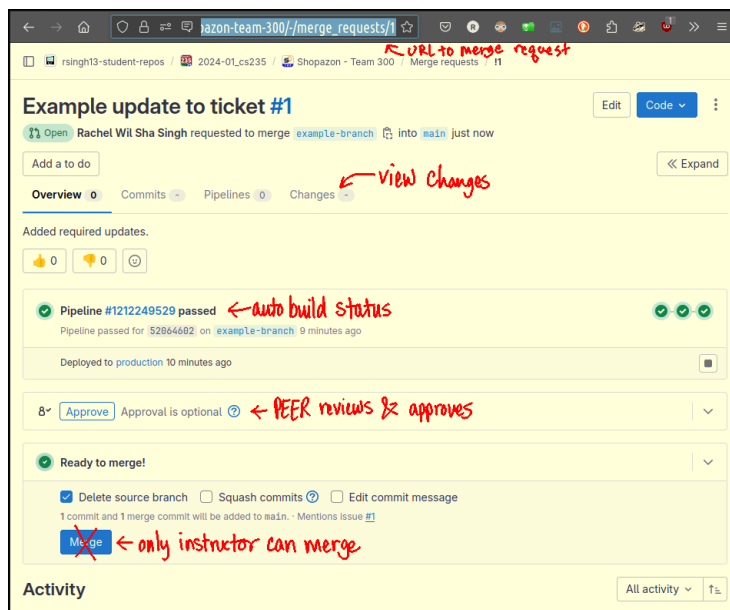


When a developer begins working on a new feature the common practice is for them to create a new branch. This makes a clone of our main branch and allows the developer to add new code, without affecting main.

Generally, the main branch should only contain code that is complete and tested, so the developer works in their feature branch while developing a feature.

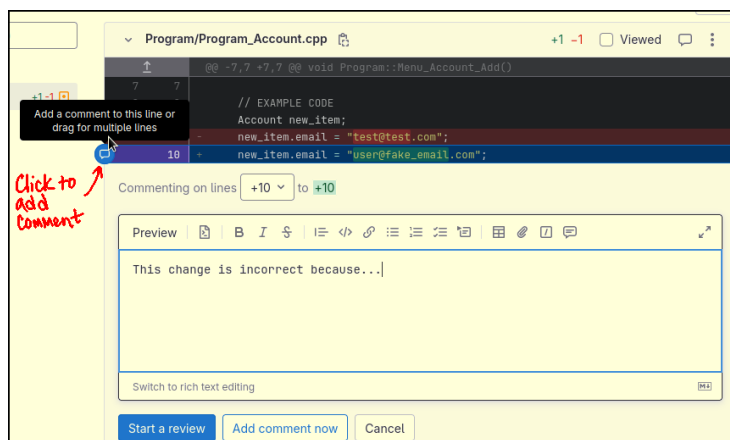
Once they're done with a feature, usually a peer will review their code, and the team lead will merge the feature branch with main.

1.4.9 Merge requests



Once a developer is done with creating a new feature on their own feature branch, then they create a Merge Request on GitLab. This will create a view where other developers can view all the commits/changes related to this feature, add comments, and approve the merge request if everything looks good.

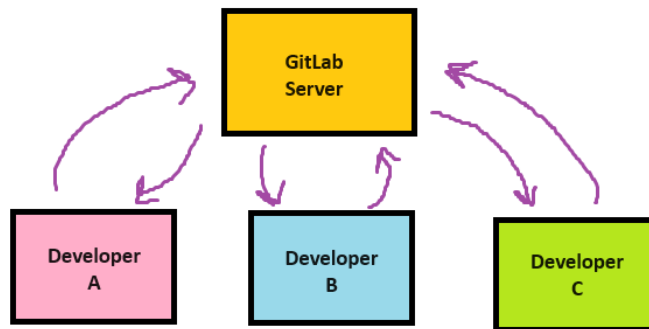
1.4.10 Code reviews



Code reviews are a common part of software development. When a developer is done with a feature they will create a merge request for their branch. Other developers will read through the code commit looking for obvious issues, adding comments if anything is found.

If the merge request gets approved then the team lead merges the feature branch into the main branch.

1.4.11 Git vs. GitLab

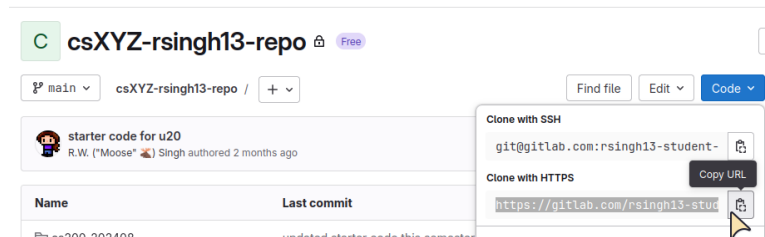


- Git itself is a whole system that facilitates this organized software development.
- GitLab is a service that provides hosting for Git repositories. (GitHub is another common example.)
- Each developer installs the Git software to their computer, which allows them to communicate to the repository's server with basic action commands.

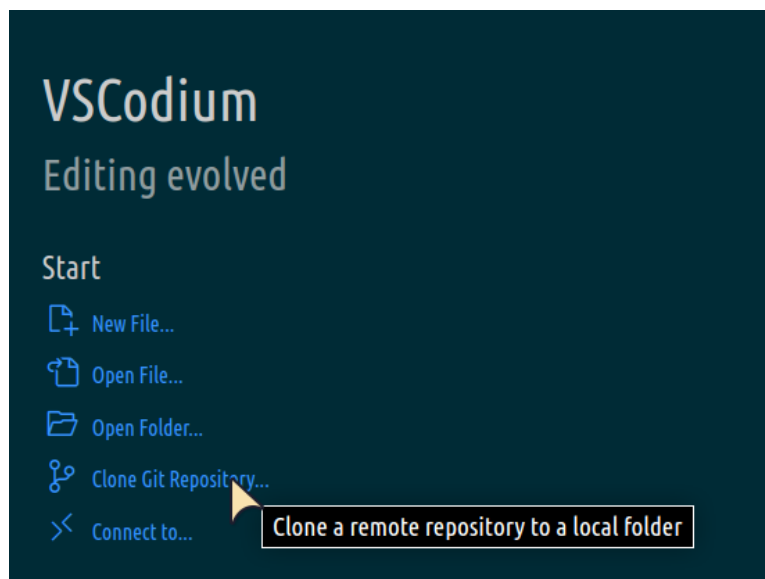
1.5 Reference: Using Git and VS Code

1.5.1 First time setup: Cloning your repository

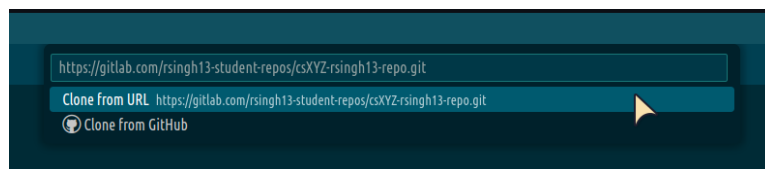
- After you tell the instructor your GitLab name they will give you access to a personal repository for your classwork.



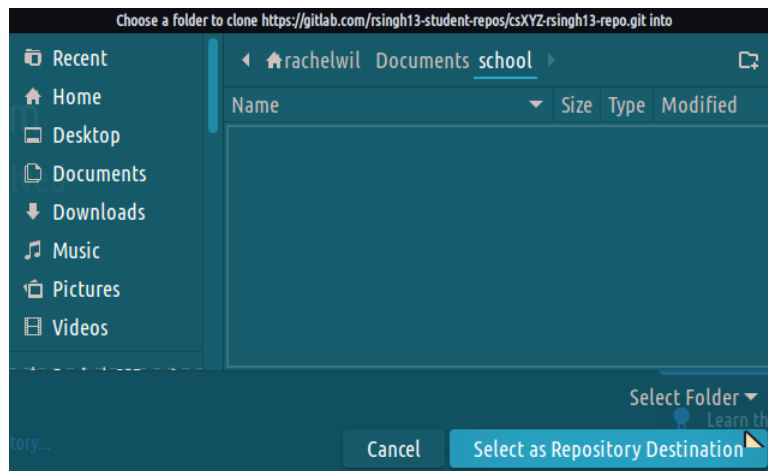
- From your repository GitLab webpage, click the blue "Code" button, then copy the "HTTPS" link. (If you know about SSH keys, go for it.)



- When you first start VS Code, there will be an option to "**Clone Git Repository**". Click on this, and the top textbar will wait for a URL.



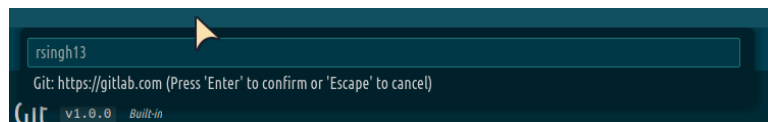
- Paste your repo URL in this box and hit ENTER.



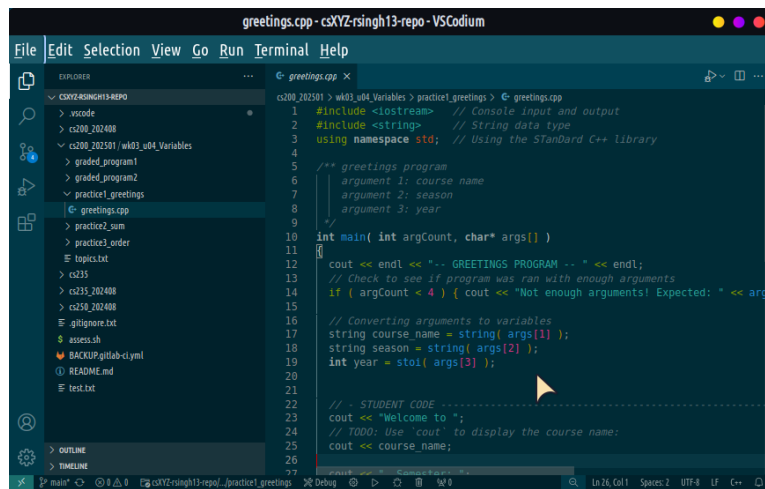
- It will ask you where you want to store the repository folder on your hard drive. Find a location that you won't forget. :)



- The clone process will pull the files from the server to your computer.



- VS Code might ask for your Username in the top bar, or Windows might pop up a dialog box to have you sign in. Sign in with your GitLab account and password.



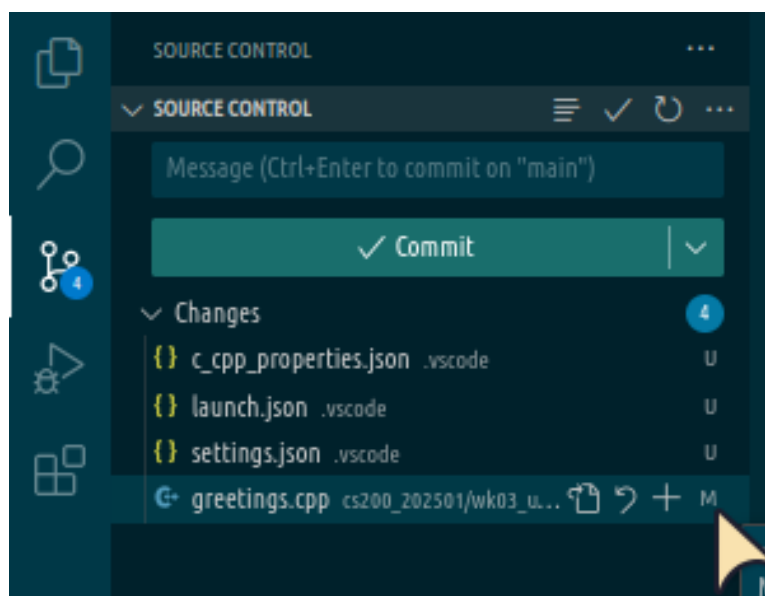
- Once cloning is done, you can open the FOLDER for your repo and see any files within it, such as lab starter code.

1. Configuring Git

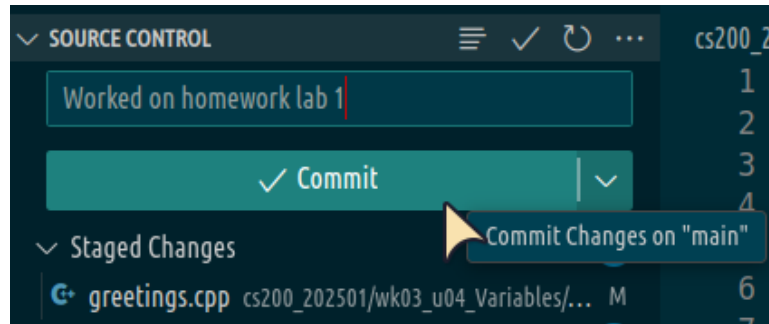
You can run these commands either in VS Code or in Git Bash, but you'll need to enter a few commands to get everything set up.

```
git config --global user.name "YOURNAME"
git config --global user.email "YOUREMAIL"
git config --global pull.rebase false
```

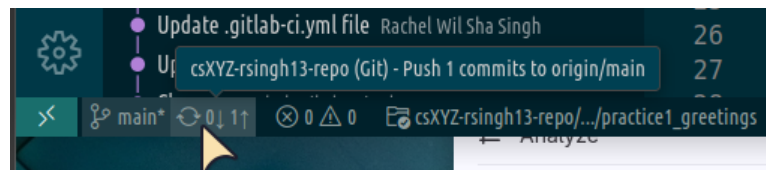
1.5.2 Making changes and backing them up



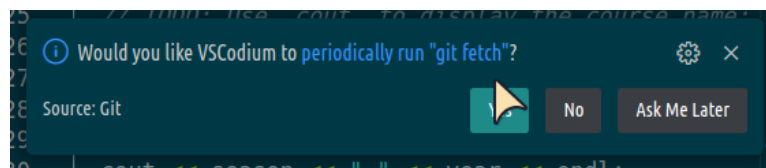
- After you've made a change to one or more files, it will show up in the list of Changes under the Source Control button.
- Next to a file you want to backup, press the "+" button. It will then be categorized under "Staged Changes".



- Add a description of your changes in the textbox above the "Commit" button. Once you're done, click "Commit".



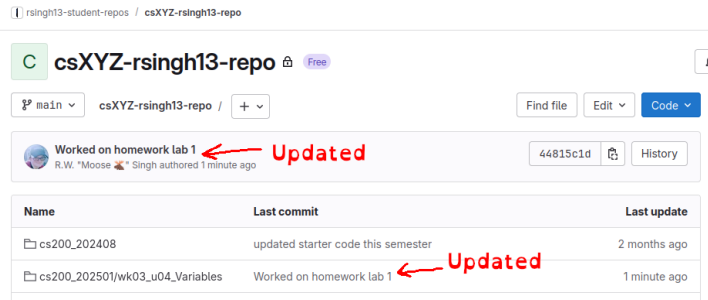
- To send your changes to the server for backup, click on the circular arrow icon at the bottom of VS Code. This will send your changes to the server and pull any changes (e.g., from the instructor) to your computer.



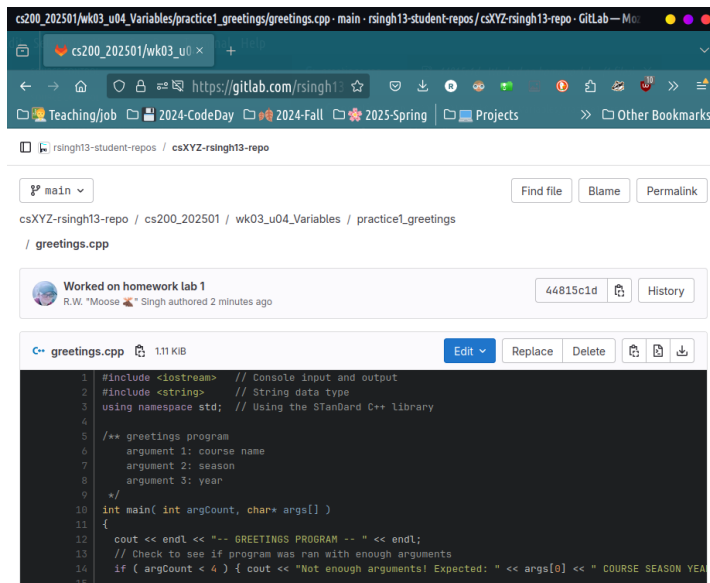
- It might ask if you want to periodically run "git fetch". This command pulls changes from the server. You can select "Yes".

1. Verify that your changes were saved

- After committing your changes, make sure the up-to-date version shows up on GitLab.



- Go to your GitLab webpage. Make sure your commit message shows up here.



- Also, navigate to the file that you updated from this GitLab web view.
- Make sure this is the latest version of your file.

1.6 Intro: Program arguments

1.6.1 Program arguments

Some command line programs take in arguments when you run them. For example: `ping yahoo.com`. The `ping` program takes in a URL as an argument, then the program will launch and attempt to send packets of information to the URL and see if there's a response.

We can also write command line programs with arguments. To do this, we need to add a couple of arguments to `main`:

```
int main( int argCount, char* args[] )
{
}
```

In this case, any text given after the program name will be stored in `args[1]` and after (the program name is in `args[0]`.) `char* args[]` is an array of c-style strings, though we can convert them into other data types. The `int argCount` tells us how many arguments were passed into the program. If the user doesn't pass in enough arguments, we could display an error message and what we expect the arguments to be.

1. Converting arguments to different types

We can convert the arguments to different data types. The following code snippet shows examples:

```
int main( int argCount, char* args[] )
{
    if ( argCount < 5 )
    {
        cerr << "Not enough arguments!" << endl;
        return 1;
    }

    int myInteger = stoi( args[1] );
    float myFloat = stof( args[2] );
    string myString = string( args[3] );
    char myChar = args[4][0];
}
```


1.7 Intro: CS 200 review

1.7.1 Includes

Include	Features
<code>#include <iostream></code>	Use of <code>cout</code> (console output), <code>cin</code> (console input), <code>getline</code>
<code>#include <string></code>	Use of the <code>string</code> data type and its functions
<code>#include <fstream></code>	Use of <code>ofstream</code> (output file stream), <code>ifstream</code> (input file stream), and related functions
<code>#include <array></code>	Use of <code>array</code> from the Standard Template Library
<code>#include <vector></code>	Use of <code>vector</code> from the Standard Template Library
<code>#include <cstdlib></code>	C standard libraries, usually used for <code>rand()</code> .
<code>#include <ctime></code>	C time libraries, usually used for <code>srand(time(NULL));</code> to seed random # generator
<code>#include <cmath></code>	C math libraries, such as <code>sqrt</code> , trig functions, etc.
<code>#include "file.h"</code>	Use <code>"</code> to include <code>.h</code> files within your own project. DON'T USE INCLUDE ON .cpp FILES!!

About the using command The `using namespace std;` command states that we're using the `std` namespace. If this is left off, then we need to prefix any C++ types and functions with `std::`, such as

```
std::cout << "Hello!" << std::endl;
```

Best practices:

- If your program **ONLY** uses C++ standard library includes, use `using namespace std;` for brevity.
- If your program uses **MULTIPLE LIBRARIES**, avoid using `namespace std;` and prefix each type/function with the library it belongs to (e.g., `std::string` from the STD library, `sf::vector2f` from the SFML library)

1.7.2 Bare minimum C++ programs

- **Without arguments:**

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

int main()
{
    cout << "Hello, world!" << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

- **With arguments:**

```

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

int main( int argCount, char* args[] )
{
    if ( argCount < 4 )
    {
        cout << "Not enough arguments!"
              << endl; return 1;
    }

    int my_int = stoi( args[1] );
    float my_float = stof( args[2] );
    string my_string = string( args[3] );

    return 0;
}

```

1.7.3 Building and running from the command line

- **Building a single source file:**

```
g++ SOURCEFILE.cpp -o PROGRAMNAME.exe
```

- **Building multiple source files:**

```
g++ *.cpp *.h -o PROGRAMNAME.exe
```

- **Running a program without arguments:**

```
./PROGRAMNAME.exe
```

- **Running a program with arguments:**

```
./PROGRAMNAME.exe arg1 arg2 arg3
```

Note that Linux and Mac usually use ".out" instead of ".exe".

1.7.4 Variable declaration

- **Declaring a variable:**

```
DATATYPE VARIABLENAME;
```

- **Declaring a variable and assigning a value:**

```
DATATYPE VARIABLENAME = VALUE;
```

- Declaring and assigning a named constant:
`const DATATYPE NAME = VALUE;`
- Assigning a new value to an existing variable:
`VARIABLENAME = VALUE;`
- Copying a value from one variable to another:
`UPDATEDVAR = COPYME;`
- Data types and values:

Data type	Value examples
int	-5, 0, 100
float	0.99, -3.25, 1.0
string	"Hello world!"
char	'a', '\$'
bool	true, false

- Increment/Decrement statements:

- `a++`, `a--`
- `++a`, `--a`
- `a+=5;`, `a-=5;`
- `a = a + 5;`, `a = a - 5;`

Notes:

- LHS = RHS; copies FROM RHS TO LHS; make sure you have the right order!
- A hard-coded value, like "Hello", is known as a **literal**.

1.7.5 Console input and output

- Output a variable's value:

```
cout << VARIABLENAME;
```

- Output a string literal:

```
cout << "Hello";
```

- Chain together multiple items:

```
cout << "Label: " << VARIABLENAME << endl;
```

- Input to a variable:

```
cin >> VARIABLENAME;
```

- Input a whole line to a string variable:

```
getline( cin, STRINGVARIABLE );
```

Notes:

- The << operator is called the **output stream operator** and is used on **cout** statements.
- The >> operator is called the **input stream operator** and is used on **cin** statements.
- **endl** is only to be used with **cout** statements, not **cin**!
- **getline** can only be used with **strings**!! Use **cin >>** for other data types.
- You need a **cin.ignore()** ONLY in between

```
cin >> ...
```

and

```
getline( cin, ... )
```

- If your program is **skipping an input** then you're missing a **cin.ignore()**;
- If your program is getting input but **not storing the first letter** then you have too many **cin.ignore()**; statements / they're in the wrong place.

1.7.6 Boolean expressions

- AND (&&)
 - Expression is TRUE if all sub-expressions are TRUE
 - Expression is FALSE if at least one sub-expression is FALSE

a	b	a AND b
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

- OR (||)
 - Expression is TRUE if at least one sub-expression is TRUE
 - Expression is FALSE if all sub-expressions are FALSE

a	b	a OR b
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

- NOT (!)

- Expression is TRUE if sub-expression is FALSE
- Expression is FALSE if sub-expression is TRUE

a	NOT a
T	F
F	T

1.7.7 If statements

IF STATEMENT:

```
if ( CONDITION_A )
{
    // Action A
}
```

IF/ELSE STATEMENT:

```
if ( CONDITION_A )
{
    // Action A
}
else
{
    // Action Z
}
```

IF/ELSE IF STATEMENT:

```
if ( CONDITION_A )
{
    // Action A
}
else if ( CONDITION_B )
{
    // Action B
}
else if ( CONDITION_C )
{
    // Action C
}
```

IF/ELSE IF/ELSE STATEMENT:

```
if ( CONDITION_A )
{
    // Action A
}
else if ( CONDITION_B )
{
    // Action B
}
else if ( CONDITION_C )
{
    // Action C
}
else
{
    // Action Z
}
```

- Condition types can be a boolean variable or a boolean expression:

```
bool done = true;
int a = 10, b = 5;
if ( done ) // variable
```

```

{
    cout << "Goodbye!" << endl;
}
if ( a > b ) // expression
{
    cout << "a is bigger!" << endl;
}

```

- else statements NEVER TAKE A CONDITION
- Whichever **condition** evaluates to **true**, all future else if and else statements are skipped.

1.7.8 Switch statements

```

switch( myNumber )
{
    case 1:
        cout << "It's one!" << endl;
        break;

    case 2:
        cout << "It's two!" << endl;
        break;

    default:
        cout << "I don't know what it is!" << endl;
}

```

- You can leave off `break;` from a case statement. In this case, **fallthrough** occurs, where the following case's code will be executed, up until it hits a `break;` statement.
- Switch statements like the one above can be replaced with "if myNumber equals 1" and "else if myNumber equals 2".
- In C++, `switch` doesn't work with `string`, only primitive data types like `int`, `float`, `char`.
- Fallthrough example:

```

char choice;
cout << "Enter a choice: (y/n): ";
cin >> choice;

switch( choice )
{
    case 'y':
    case 'Y':
        cout << "YES" << endl;
}

```

```

        break;

    case 'n':
    case 'N':
        cout << "NO" << endl;
        break;

    default:
        cout << "INVALID INPUT!" << endl;
}

```

1.7.9 While loops

```
while ( CONDITION ) { }
```

- While loops use **CONDITIONS** like if statements do.
- While loops are susceptible to **infinite loop** errors if nothing within the loop causes the **CONDITION** to evaluate to false eventually. Be careful!
- Example:

```

while ( a < b )
{
    cout << a << endl;
    a++;
}

```

1.7.10 For loops

Normal for loop: `for (INIT; CONDITION; UPDATE) { }`

- Example:

```

for ( int i = 0; i < 10; i++ )
{
    cout << i << endl;
}

```

- When using STL arrays or vectors, `size_t` or `unsigned int` should be used instead of `int` for `i`. This will remove the warning relating to testing `.size()` (which returns `size_t`) against a signed integer.

Range-based for loop: `for (INIT : RANGE) { }`

- In versions of C++ past C++98 (from 1998) you can use range-based for loops to iterate over a range of items:
- Example:

```

vector<int> myVec = { 1, 2, 3, 4 };
for ( int element : myVec )
{
    cout << element << endl;
}

```

1.7.11 Arrays and vectors

- Declare a C-style array:
`DATATYPE ARRAYNAME[SIZE];`
- Declare a C++ STL array:
`array<DATATYPE, SIZE> ARRAYNAME;`
- Declare a C++ STL vector:
`vector<DATATYPE> VECTORNAME;`
- Declare a dynamic array via pointer:
`DATATYPE * PTR = NEW DATATYPE[SIZE];`
- Destroy a dynamic array:
`delete [] PTR;`
- Initialize an array with an initializer list:
`DATATYPE ARRAY[] = { VAL1, VAL2, VAL3 }`
 (also works for array and vector).
- The **position** of an item within an array is called its **index**.
- The variable within the array at some position is called its **element**.
- A **vector** is a dynamic array, but you don't have to worry about the memory management. :) This means that it can be resized.
- A **array** is a fixed size, just like the C-style array.
- Example: Iterate over an array/vector

```

// C-style array:
for ( int i = 0; i < TOTAL_STUDENTS; i++ )
{
    cout << "index: " << i << ", value: " << students[i] << endl;
}

```

```

// STL Array and STL Vector:
for ( size_t i = 0; i < bankBalances.size(); i++ )
{
    cout << "index: " << i << ", value: " << students[i] << endl;
}

```


(`size_t` is another name for an `unsigned int`, which allows values of 0 and above - no negatives.)

1.7.12 File I/O

- `#include <fstream>` is required to use `ifstream` (input file stream) and `ofstream` (output file stream) types.
- An `ifstream` open will fail if the file requested does not exist or cannot be found. Use `if (input.fail())` to check for a failure scenario.
- An `ofstream` open will create a file if it doesn't already exist.
- The default path where files are written to or read from is **wherever your project file is** (.vcxproj for Visual Studio, .cbp for Code::Blocks). You can also set a **default working directory** in your project settings.

- Example: Create an output file and write

```
ofstream output;
output.open( "file.txt" );

// Write to text file
output << "Hello, world!" << endl;
```

- Example: Create an input file and read

```
ifstream input;
input.open( "file.txt" );
if ( input.fail() )
{
    cout << "ERROR: could not load file.txt!" << endl;
}
string buffer;

// read a word
input >> buffer;

// read a line
getline( input, buffer );
```

1.7.13 Functions

1. Function headers

A function **header** contains the following information:

```
RETURNTYPE FUNCTIONNAME( PARAMETERLIST )
```

- The **return type** is the type of data returned (like an `int`), or `void` for functions that don't need to return any data.
- The **function name** follows the same naming rules as a variable - letters, numbers, and underscores allowed, no spaces or other special characters.
- The **parameter list** is a series of variable declarations to be used within the function. These parameters are assigned values during the *function call*, when **arguments** are provided.

2. Function declarations

Function **declarations** should go in `.h` files. A function declaration is the function header, with a semicolon at the end:

```
int Sum( int a, int b );  
void DisplayMenu();
```

3. Function definitions

Function **definitions** should go in `.cpp` files. A function definition is the function header, plus a code block, starting and ending with curly braces `{}`:

```
int Sum( int a, int b )  
{  
    int result = a + b;  
    return result;  
}
```

4. Function calls

Function **calls** will happen within other functions. A function call includes the function's name, input arguments to be passed in, and the return data will need to be stored in a variable, if applicable.

```
int num1, num2, result;  
cout << "Enter two numbers, separated by a space: ";  
cin >> num1 >> num2;  
result = Sum( num1, num2 ); // Function call  
cout << "Result: " << result << endl;
```

5. Header files

- Function declarations should go in **header files** (`.h` files).
- **Header files must have file guards**, this prevents the `.h` file from being "copied" into multiple files, which will cause a "duplicate code" build error.
- For the file guard, a label like `_FILENAME_H` is used. **This must be unique for each file!**

- Visual Studio supports using `#pragma once` for .h files, but this is **not cross platform**, so you should use these preprocessor file guards!
- Example file guard for a .h file:

```
#ifndef _FILENAME_H
#define _FILENAME_H

// Code goes here

#endif
```

6. Source files

- Function definitions should go in **source files** (.cpp files). **File guards are not put in .cpp files.**

7. Using your functions in other files

- Any file that utilizes your function **must include the .h file**:

```
#include "MyFunctions.h"
```

- Note that something like `#include <iostream>` is used for including libraries that are not *inside the project*. Using `"` is for including files that are in your project.
- **NEVER INCLUDE .cpp FILES, THIS WILL GENERATE ERRORS!**

8. Function overloading

- Multiple functions can have the same **name** as long as their function signatures are different. This means that two functions with the same name either need a *different number of parameters*, or *different parameter data types*, so that they can be unambiguously identified.

- **AMBIGUOUS:**

```
void MyFunction( int a, int b );
void MyFunction( int num1, int num2 );
```

- **UNAMBIGUOUS:**

```
void MyFunction( int num1, int num2 );
void MyFunction( string name1, string name2 );
void MyFunction( int oneNum );
```

1.7.14 Structs and classes

1. Accessibility levels

- We can specify accessibility levels for struct and class members. This information dictates where a struct/class' internal contents can be accessed from:

Accessibility level	Class' functions?	Child's functions?	External functions?
<code>private</code>	Yes	NO	NO
<code>protected</code>	Yes	Yes	NO
<code>public</code>	Yes	Yes	Yes

- `private` members can only be accessed from the class' own functions.
- `protected` members can only be accessed from the class' own functions, and also the functions of any other classes that INHERIT from this class.
- `public` members can be accessed from anywhere in the program, including functions that are not a part of the class.

2. Structs

- Structs are usually used to store very basic structures, often with just variable data and no functions.

```
struct Coordinate
{
    float x, y;
};
```

- Struct declarations should go in their own .h file, usually the filename will match the name of the class, such as "Coordinate.h".
- **All .h files need file guards!**
- Also note that at the closing curly brace } of the struct declaration there is a semicolon - this is required!
- Members of a struct are `public` level accessibility by default.

3. Classes

- Classes are meant for more complex structures.

```
class CLASSNAME
{
    public:
    // Public members

    protected:
    // Protected members

    private:
    // Private members
};
```

- **Class declarations should go in their own .h file, and class function definitions should go in a corresponding .cpp file!**
- It is best practice to make **member variables** of a class private, and only provide indirect access to this data via functions.
- **Example: Product.h**

```
#ifndef _PRODUCT_H // File guards
#define _PRODUCT_H // File guards

#include <string>
using namespace std;

class Product
{
    public:
        // Constructors:
        Product();
        Product( string newName, float newPrice );

        // Destructor:
        ~Product();

        // Setters:
        void SetName( string newName );
        void SetPrice( float newPrice );

        // Getters:
        string GetName() const;
        float GetPrice() const;

    private:
        string m_name;
        float m_price;
}

#endif
```

- **Example: Product.cpp**

```
#include "Product.h"

// Constructors:
Product::Product()
{
    m_name = "unset";
    m_price = 0;
}

Product::Product( string newName, float newPrice )
{
    SetName( newName );
```

```

        SetPrice( newPrice );
    }

    // Destructor:
    Product::~Product()
    {
        cout << "Bye." << endl;
    }

    // Setters:
    void Product::SetName( string newName )
    {
        m_name = newName;
    }

    void Product::SetPrice( float newPrice )
    {
        if ( newPrice >= 0 )
        {
            m_price = newPrice;
        }
    }

    // Getters:
    string Product::GetName() const
    {
        return m_name;
    }

    float Product::GetPrice() const
    {
        return m_price;
    }

```

- **Accessor/Getter functions:**

- Don't take in any input data (no parameters).
- Return the value of a private member variable (has a return).
- Should be marked **const** to prevent data from changing within the function. (This is "read only")

- **Mutator/Setter functions:**

- Take in an input value of the new data to be stored (has a parameter).
- Generally doesn't return any data (no return, void return type).

- **Constructor functions:**

- Called automatically when a new object of that class type is created.
- Can overload.

- **Destructor functions:**

- Called automatically when an object of that class type is destroyed/loses scope.
- Cannot overload.

4. Class objects / instantiating a class object

- Once we've declared a class we can then declare variables whose data types *are that class*:

```
PlayerCharacter bario;
NonPlayerCharacter boomba;
```

- In this example, bario is a **PlayerCharacter object**, aka an "instantiation of the PlayerCharacter object".

5. Class inheritance

- A class (called a **subclass** or a **child class**) can inherit from another class (called a **superclass** or a **parent class**). Doing this means that any **protected** and **public** members are *inherited* by the child class. This can be useful for creating more "specialized" versions of something, storing the shared attributes of a set of items in a common "parent" class.

- **Example:**

```
class Character
{
    void SetPosition( float x, float y );
    void Move( float xAmount, float yAmount );

    protected:
    float x, y;
};

class PlayerCharacter : Public Character
{
    public:
    void GetKeyboardInput();

    private:
    int totalLives;
};

class NonPlayerCharacter : public Character
{
    public:
    void ComputerDecideMove();

    private:
    bool attackPlayer;
};
```

6. Class composition

- Class composition is where a class contains *class objects* as member variables. This is another form of object oriented design where a class might "contain" traits that could be inherited, but instead encapsulates them into a sub-object.
- **Example:**

```
class MovableObject
{
    void SetPosition( float x, float y );
    void Move( float xAmount, float yAmount );

    private:
    float x, y;
};

class PlayerCharacter
{
    public:
    void GetKeyboardInput();

    private:
    int totallives;
    MovableObject mover;
};
```


1.8 Lab: CS 200 review

1.8.1 Assignment and policy info

- Assignment info:
 - [Practice and Graded programs](#)
 - [Resubmission and regrading policy and procedure](#)
 - [Due dates and available until dates](#)
 - How To:
 - [Build and Run your program in VS Code](#)
 - [Turn in your lab](#)
 - [Use Git and VS Code](#)
 - Quick reference:
 - [CS 200 code reference](#)
 - [C++ program arguments](#)
 - [Debugging with gdb / lldb](#)
 - [Common issues on Mac](#)
 - Links:
 - [R.W.'s courses homepage](#)
 - [Assignment direct link](#)
-

1.8.2 Included files:

```
wk01_CS200Review
graded_program
  image1.txt
  image2.txt
  image3.txt
  Image.cpp
  Image.h
  main.cpp
instructions.org
practice1_basics
  welcome.cpp
practice2_branching
  battery.cpp
practice3_whileloops
  numguess.cpp
practice4_forloops
  forloops.cpp
practice5_vectors
  stlvector.cpp
```

```
practice6_functions
  funcprog.cpp
practice7_classes
  Ingredient.cpp
  Ingredient.h
  instructions.md
  main.cpp
practice8_fileio
  file1.txt
  saveload.cpp
```

1.8.3 Practice programs

Within your repository folder in the `wk01_CS200Review` folder you'll see a set of practice programs to work on. Their instructions are either in the code itself as a comment, or as a separate `instructions.md` file.

1.8.4 Graded program - Image loader

1. Instructions

- Start with the `Image.h` file and follow the `// TODO` items.
- Work on `Image.cpp` second.
- Work on `main.cpp` third.
- If you have trouble we can go over it during class.
- Build the program with: `g++ *.h *.cpp`
- Run the program with:
 - `./a.out FILENAME` (Mac/Linux)
 - `./a.exe FILENAME` (Windows)
 - Pass in either `image1.txt`, `image2.txt`, or `image3.txt` to see a different image.

2. Example output:

[share/student-repo/wk01_CS200Review/https://gitlab.com/moosadee/courses/-/raw/main/current/cs235-cs250-share/student-repo/wk01_CS200Review/screenshot.png?ref_type=heads](https://gitlab.com/moosadee/courses/-/raw/main/current/cs235-cs250-share/student-repo/wk01_CS200Review/screenshot.png?ref_type=heads)

A screenshot of the program running three times, taking in a different input file each time.

2 Week 2: Testing, debugging, friends, and templates

2.1 Intro: Testing

2.1.1 How do we test?



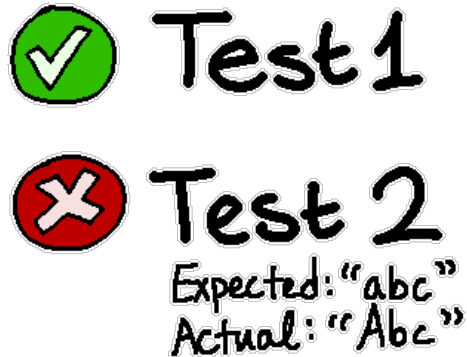
How do you know that your program actually works? Especially as it gets more complex?

Software development skills mean more than just writing code. It also includes knowing how to test your code, to prove that it is working as intended.

For the most basic tests, we investigate a portion of code and ask, "Given some inputs, what are the expected outputs?" and "If I run the program with these **inputs**, what are the **actual outputs**?", and finally, "Does my **actual output** match my **expected output**?"

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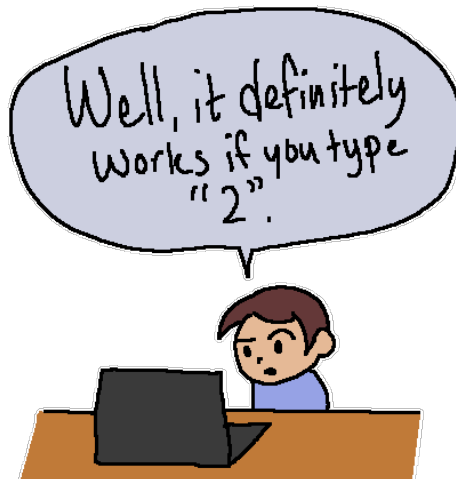
2.1.2 Writing tests first?



Notice that you don't actually need to know *what* is in the *function* before you write tests for it. Knowing what the program is *supposed to do*, you can figure out a set of inputs and outputs that it ought to have.

Often, it is very useful to write your **test cases** prior to actually writing any code. This helps you solidify what exactly the program is supposed to do. Plus, if you write your test cases afterwards, it is a bit like reading your own essay - your brain will skip over errors because it *knows what you meant*, and doesn't actually read the actual words (or code).

2.1.3 Multiple test cases



It isn't good enough to write one single test case. Often, you will want to have enough test cases to check for as many possibilities as possible - though we can't write an infinite amount. So sometimes, it's best to just write tests for reasonable outcomes, including potential errors.

When we eventually write code to do our testing for us, we can have the program keep an "ear out" for an error happening - and, sometimes we want that error to occur. Such as if the user enters a negative deposit amount, we would want the program to notice and send an error code or error message. We

could also write our tests to make sure the error occurs, rather than allowing the user to deposit (or withdraw) a "negative" amount of money!

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2.1.4 Example 1



Let's say your coworker Maryam is writing code for a new feature and you're writing the tests. You both have the requirements, so you can both work at the same time.

For the program, it takes in a list of grades (4.0 being 'A', 3.0 being 'B', 2.0 being 'C', 1.0 being 'D', and 0.0 being 'F') and calculates a grade point average. (Averages are calculated as the **sum of all the grades** divided by **the amount of grades**.)

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2.1.5 Example 2



Now your coworker André is working on another part of the program, and you're writing the tests.

The program takes in the price of a given textbook title, and an amount of that textbook to purchase, and returns the total cost of purchasing those textbooks.

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2.1.6 Reminder



Takeaways:

- A single test case consists of inputs and their expected output(s).
- Running the program with the test's inputs will give us the actual output(s).
- A test will pass if the actual output matches the expected output.
- A test will fail if the actual output does not match the expected output.
- Having multiple test cases help you verify that your code works properly.

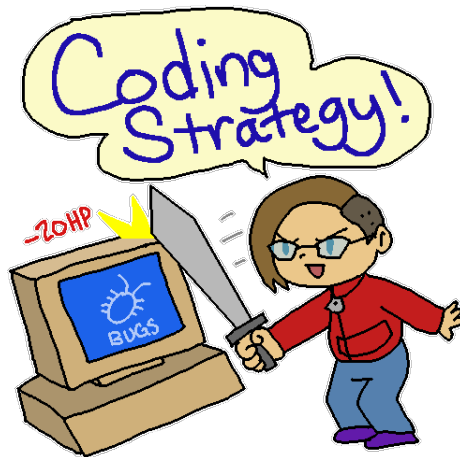
2.2 Intro: General debugging

Being able to read and interpret error messages is really important in programming. Especially when just starting off, you will be making a lot of **syntax errors** until you learn the language better.

Make sure you're reading the error messages that the compiler gives you. Usually it will give you a **line number** you can check, as well as a message to try to explain why the compiler doesn't understand. The messages can be a bit cryptic sometimes, but you can usually do a search and find forum posts explaining how to fix the error.

Make sure to take your own notes while going through the concept introduction! That way you can refer back to this information more easily!

2.2.1 Debugging strategies



I have been programming for over two decades. Beyond learning programming syntax, part of software development is also learning how to approach challenges and how to analyze problems.

Early on, it's important to minimize bugs in your code so you don't have too many things to fix at once. Here are some important strategies I highly recommend you use to minimize coding headaches.

2.2.2 Error message #1 (name = Rachel;)



While trying to build some code, the following error is generated:

```
error: use of undeclared identifier 'Rachel'  
name = Rachel;
```

- What does this error describe?
 1. The compiler dislikes Rachel personally and will not allow them to write any C++ code.
 2. The compiler is expecting there to be a variable named Rachel that it can copy the value of into the name variable.
 3. The compiler thinks the name variable should be in double quotes because it is a string.
- Can you tell what the programmer's original intention was with this line of code?
 1. To copy the value from the Rachel variable into the variable name.
 2. To assign the name Rachel to the variable name.
- The programmer probably wanted Rachel to be a string literal, a value to store into name. They probably didn't intend to create a variable named Rachel. So how could this be fixed?
 1. Change the code to...

```
string Rachel;  
name = Rachel;
```
 2. Change the code to

```
name = "Rachel";
```


2.2.3 Error message #2 (float price = \$9.99;)



While trying to build some code, the following error is generated:

```
main.cpp:7:13: error: expected ';' after expression
float price = $9.99;
             ^
             ;
main.cpp:7:11: error: use of undeclared identifier '$9'
float price = $9.99;
```

These errors don't point to the actual issue with the code, but the compiler doesn't know how to read what has been written. Let's look at the errors and try to track down the issue...

- What does the first error mean, from the compiler's point of view?
 1. The compiler doesn't see the ; at the end of the line.
 2. The compiler expects there to be a ; after the "price" variable name, such as after the = or \$9.
- What does the second error mean, from the compiler's point of view?
 1. The \$9 should be in double quotes.
 2. No variable named \$9 has been declared at the time of usage.
 3. The \$ should be in single quotes.
- The error messages pop up at the line that is causing a problem, but the compiler literally cannot read what we wrote, so it's giving us errors that it sees, but aren't useful to us. Can you tell which part of the code is causing an error?
 1. Float values can't have .
 2. Floats must be set with cin
 3. Float values can't have \$
- What is the proper way to assign a value of 9.99 to the price variable?
 1. price = "\$9.99";
 2. price = '\$' + 9.99;
 3. price = 9.99;

2.2.4 Error message #3 (adding a and b)

While trying to build some code, the following error is generated:

```
main.cpp:14:3: error: use of undeclared identifier 'c'
  c = a + b;
  ^
main.cpp:15:25: error: use of undeclared identifier 'c'
  cout << "Result: " << c << endl;
```

And the program code looks like this:

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
  int a, b;

  cout << "Enter a: ";
  cin >> a;

  cout << "Enter b: ";
  cin >> b;

  c = a + b;
  cout << "Result: " << c << endl;

  return 0;
}
```

- What do the error messages mean?
 1. The compiler is expecting "c" to store the sum of "a" and "b", but the data types don't match.
 2. The compiler is expecting there to be a variable named "c" but the variable has not been declared.
 3. The compiler doesn't allow variables named "c" because "C" is a programming language.
- Can you tell what is wrong with the program?
 1. a and b are being input with cin, but c is not. We should add

```
cin >> c;
```
 2. c is being outputted with the result but it should be "c" instead. We should write:

```
cout << "Result: c" << endl;
```
 3. a and b are declared as integers, but c is not declared anywhere. We should add

```
int c;
```

- Can you tell what is wrong with this line of code?
 1. endl cannot be used with cin statements.
 2. The cin should be a cout instead.
 3. The stream operators should be « instead of »

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2.2.5 Logic errors and basic techniques

Here are some "oldie" ways to track down errors without an actual debugger:

- cout at each step: If you're trying to figure out where a program is crashing, it can be handy to add a cout statement every few lines of code to track which step it crashed afterwards.
- cout variable values: It can also be handy to display the value of variables as the program is running to make sure the variables are storing the data you're expecting.
- adding error checks to your programs: You can add if statements to check for errors, such as making sure you don't divide by 0 before the division occurs.

2.2.6 Additional tips

- When you encounter a compile error you should... (Multiple answers)
 1. Look at the line number referenced in the error
 2. Scream
 3. Read the error message
 4. Search for the error message online if you can't tell why the error is occurring
- You should always tackle programming assignments by programming the *entire thing* before doing any building or testing - true or false?

2.3 Intro: Debugging with gdb

`gdb` is the GNU Debugger program. We can use this to debug code, and graphical IDEs mostly also have this functionality.

2.3.1 Building with debug symbols

In order to build your program with symbols that the debugger can work with, you'll add a `-g` flag:

```
$ g++ -g myprogram.cpp -o program.exe
```

2.3.2 Running the program through gdb

Once a program has been built with the `-g` flag, you can execute the program through `gdb`:

```
$ gdb ./program.exe
Reading symbols from ./program1.exe...
(gdb)
```

Now we're inside the `gdb` program, and the `(gdb)` section is a prompt waiting for our next command. We can actually run the program now by entering `run`.

IF you want to run the program with arguments, you can put those after `run`:

- `run <args>`

2.3.3 Backtrace - Diagnosing a crash

Let's run a program that has a bad pointer dereference:

```
(gdb) run
```

```
Starting program: /(...)/program1.exe
[Thread debugging using libthread_db enabled]
Using host libthread_db library "/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libthread_db.so.1".
Dereference pointers! What could POSSIBLY go wrong...?
0. A
1. B
2. C
```

```
Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x00007ffff7ebd4c4 in std::basic_ostream<char, std::char_traits<char> >& std::operator
```

The program I ran here encountered a **segfault** error, crashing the program. It can be helpful to know *which function* was last executing when the crash occurred.

Use the `bt` command to see the **backtrace**, otherwise known as the **call stack**:

```
(gdb) bt
#0 0x00007ffff7ebd4c4 in std::basic_ostream<char, std::char_traits<char> >& std::operator<< (<
from /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libstdc++.so.6
#1 0x0000555555555654f in DisplayValue (ptr=0x0) at program1.cpp:8
#2 0x000055555555565c7 in DisplayAll (ptrs=std::vector of length 4, capacity 4 = {...}) at prog
#3 0x00005555555556790 in main () at program1.cpp:25
```

This shows the list of functions called in order to get to where the program crashed. The item at the top is the most recent function (so our crash is in `DisplayValue`) and the bottom one is the oldest function (we began at `main()`). It also gives us the file and line number - `crash.cpp:8`.

2.3.4 Breakpoints - Viewing the program flow

1. Start from the beginning

- You can use the `start` command after loading a program with `gdb` will begin the program but pause at the first line of execution.
- You can also use `break FUNCNAME` to have `gdb` pause at the start of some function (e.g., `break Program::void Program::Menu_Admin_Inventory_Add`). Then you run the program as normal and once that function is called, `gdb` will pause and allow you to investigate the area.

```
(gdb) start
Temporary breakpoint 1 at 0x26d7: file logicerror.cpp, line 27.
Starting program: /(..)/zipcode.exe
[Thread debugging using libthread_db enabled]
Using host libthread_db library "/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libthread_db.so.1".

Temporary breakpoint 1, main (argCount=1, args=0x7fffffffdb58) at logicerror.cpp:27
27      {
      (gdb)

Type next or n at the (gdb) prompt in order to move to the next line of
code.

Temporary breakpoint 1, main (argCount=1, args=0x7fffffffdb58) at logicerror.cpp:27
27      {
      (gdb) n
28          if ( argCount != 2 )
      (gdb) n
30              cout << endl << "Expected form: " << args[0] << " zipcode" << endl;
      (gdb) n

Expected form: /(..)/zipcode.exe zipcode
31          return 1;
```

In this example we hit an `if` statement (I didn't include any arguments :) and it hit a `return 1` but otherwise ended the program naturally.

We can view the value of any variables in scope at this breakpoint using the `print VARIABLENAME` command:

```

28         if ( argCount != 2 )
(gdb) n
34         int zipcode = stoi( args[1] );
(gdb) n
35         string city = GetCity( zipcode );
(gdb) print argCount
$3 = 2
(gdb) print zipcode
$4 = 66047

```

If we're paused where a function call is going to happen, we can enter that function using the `step` or `s` command. (If you use `next` or `n`, it calls the function and doesn't pause within it.)

```

35         string city = GetCity( zipcode );
(gdb) s
GetCity[abi:cxx11](int) (zipcode=66047) at logicerror.cpp:7
7         {
(gdb) n
8         if ( zipcode == 66002 )
(gdb) n
12        else if ( zipcode == 66044 || zipcode == 66045 || zipcode == 66046 |
(gdb) n
16        else if ( zipcode == 66061 || zipcode == 66062 || zipcode == 66063 )
(gdb) n
22            return "UNKNOWN";
(gdb) n
24        }

```

In this example, I get to `main()` line 35, which is `string city = GetCity(zipcode);`. I use the `s` command to step into the `GetCity` function, and begin looking at the code execution within there.

Once I hit a `return` and use `n`, it will then leave the function and continue at whatever the caller function was.

If you want to resume program execution as normal, use the `continue` command.

To view your breakpoints that are set, use `info breakpoints`.

To delete all breakpoints, use `delete`, or to delete a specific one, use `delete BREAKPOINT#`.

2.3.5 Leaving gdb

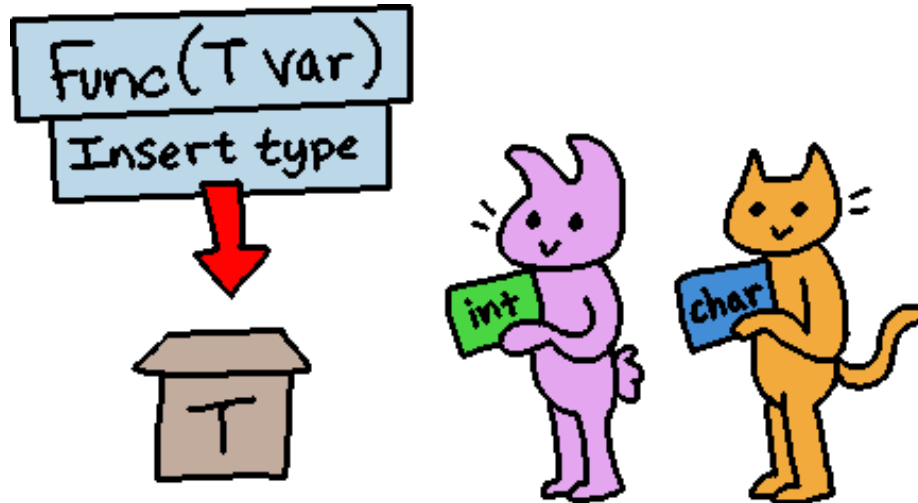
You can exit `gdb` by pressing `CTRL+D` or typing `exit`.

2.3.6 Quick command list:

- `g++ -g FILE.cpp -o PROGRAMNAME` - Build a program with debug symbols.

- `gdb PROGRAMNAME` - Run the program through gdb, including any arguments.
- `run <args>` - Run a program normally
- `start <args>` - Start the program, pausing at the first executed line.
- `print VARNAME` - Prints out the value of a variable in scope at the breakpoint.
- `break FUNCNAME` - Has the program pause at the given function name and goes back to gdb mode so you can investigate.
- `continue` - Resumes running program as normal (from a breakpoint pause).
- `next` or `n` - Move to the next line of code.
- `step` or `s` - Step INTO a function call.
- `bt` - View the backtrace of functions called.
- `list` will show you the program code from within gdb.
- `file ./NEWPROGRAM` - Load in a new program's symbols (while in gdb).

2.4 Intro: Templates



2.4.1 Before Templates

Templates don't exist in C++'s precursor, C. Because of this, if you had a function like - for example - `SumTwoNumbers` - that you wanted to work with different data types, you would have to define different functions for each version. C also doesn't have **function overloading**, so they would have to have different names as well.

As a real-world example, OpenGL is a cross-platform graphics library that can be used to create 3D graphics. OpenGL was written in C, and you could tell it a set of vertices to draw in order to create one polygon or quad or other shape. There were different functions you could use to define points (vertices) in a shape, like:

- `glVertex2f(0, 0);`
- `glVertex3f(0, 0, 0);`

And, in particular, there are a bunch of "glVertex" functions: `glVertex2d`, `glVertex2dv`, `glVertex2f`, `glVertex2fv`, `glVertex2i`, and so on... (Don't you wish you were programming in C?)

2.4.2 What are Templates?

With C++ and other languages like C# and Java, we can now use **Templates** with our functions and classes. A Template allows us to specify a **placeholder** for a data type which will be filled in later.

In the C++ Standard Template Library, there are objects like the **vector** that is essentially a dynamic array, but it can store any data type - we just have to tell it what it's storing when we declare a vector object:

C++ source: Declaring templated vectors

```
vector<int> listOfQuantities;  
vector<float> listOfPrices;  
vector<string> listOfNames;
```

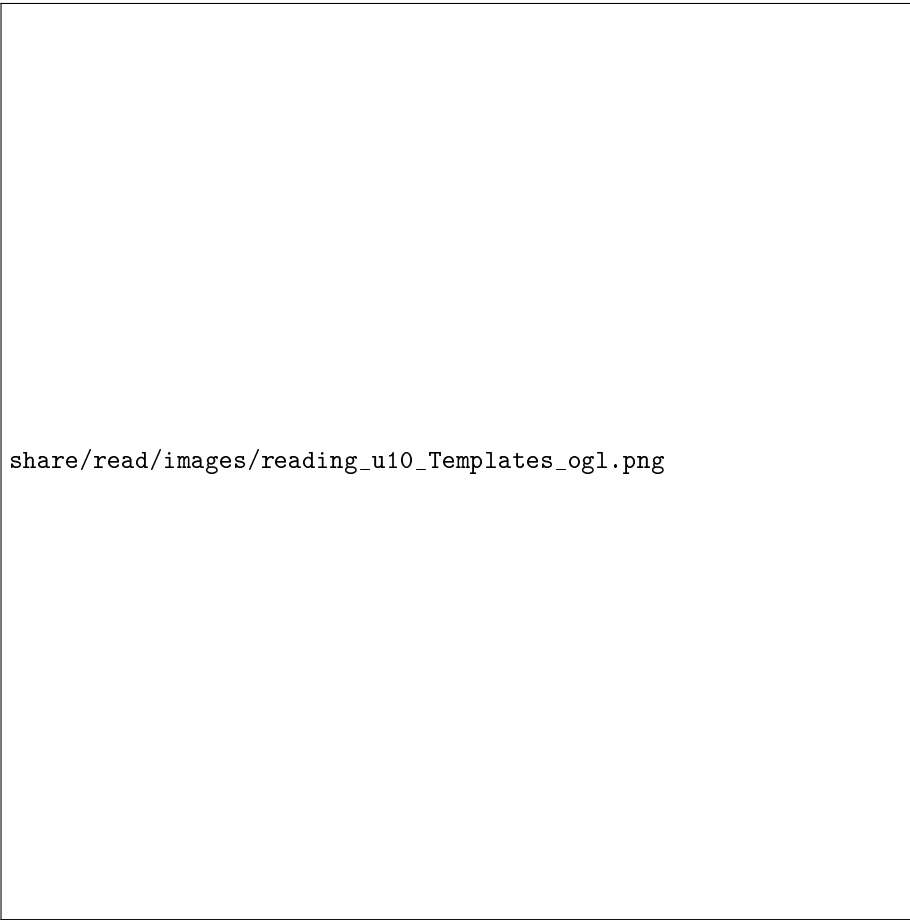



Figure 1: A rendering of a simple 3D scene built from triangles and quads, rendered with OpenGL.

We can also define our own functions and even classes with templated functions and member variables ourselves, leading to much more reusable code.

1. Templated functions

We can write a standalone function with templated parameters or a templated return type or both. For example, here's a simple function to add two items together:

C++ source: Templated function form

```
template <typename T>
T Sum( T numA, T numB )
{
    return numA + numB;
}
```

This function can be called with **any data type**, so long as the data type has the + operator defined for it - so, if it were a custom class you wrote, you would have to overload the `operator+` function.

What this means is that we can call `Sum` with integers and floats, but also with something like a string, since strings use the + operator to combine two strings together.

C++ source: Calling the templated function

```
int main()
{
    int intA = 4, intB = 6;
    float floatA = 3.9, floatB = 2.5;
    string strA = "alpha", strB = "bet";

    cout << intA << " + " << intB
         << " = " << Sum( intA, intB ) << endl;

    cout << floatA << " + " << floatB
         << " = " << Sum( floatA, floatB ) << endl;

    cout << strA << " + " << strB
         << " = " << Sum( strA, strB ) << endl;
}
```

Program output:

```
4 + 6 = 10
3.9 + 2.5 = 6.4
alpha + bet = alphabet
```

2. Templated classes

More frequently, you will be using templates to create classes for data structures that can store **any kind of data**. The C++ Standard Template

Library has data structures like **vector**, **list**, and **map**, but we can also write our own.

When creating our templated class, there are a few things to keep in mind:

- (a) We need to use `template <typename T>` at the beginning of the class declaration.
- (b) Method definitions **must be in the header file** - in this case, we won't be putting the method definitions in a separate `.cpp` file. You can either define the functions *inside* the class declaration, or immediately after it.
- (c) Method definitions also need to be prefixed with `template <typename T>`.

If you try to create a "TemplatedArray.h" file and a "TemplatedArray.cpp" file and put your method definitions in the `.cpp` file, then you're going to get compile errors:



You might think, "Well, that's weird." - and yes, it is. C++ is a strange language with weird behaviors. In this case in particular, you can read

about why this is for templates here: <https://isocpp.org/wiki/faq/templates/#templates-defn-vs-decl>

In short, the template command is used to generate classes, and while our class declaration looks normal, this is actually special code that is just telling the compiler how it's going to generate a family of classes. Because of this, the compiler needs to see the function definitions as well.

2.4.3 Example templated class:

Here's a small example of a templated class declaration.

C++ source: Class declaration (.h file):

```
template <typename T>
class CLASSNAME
{
public:
    void Setup( T PARAM1, int PARAM2 );

private:
    T VARNAME1;
    int VARNAME2;
};
```

If the class uses a templated type somewhere within it, it needs to have the `template <typename T>` specified above the class name. Some templated classes may have member variables with T as their data types, but this isn't a requirement.

C++ source: Function definitions (also in .h file)

```
template <typename T>
void CLASSNAME<T>::Setup( T PARAM1, int PARAM2 )
{
    this->VARNAME1 = PARAM1;
    this->VARNAME2 = PARAM2;
}
```

The templated functions' definitions must also go in the header (.h) file. This is how the definition would look if you're defining it *beneath* the class declaration.

C++ source: Instantiating the templated class (main.cpp example)

```
int main()
{
    CLASSNAME<string> obj1; // PARAM1 will be a string
    CLASSNAME<float> obj2; // PARAM1 will be a float
}
```

```
// Calling the templated function:  
obj1.Setup( "Test", 100 );  
obj2.Setup( 2.99, 50 );  
  
return 0;  
}
```

When declaring an object variable whose data type is a templated class you need to specify the **data type** to fill into the T placeholder. This part goes within angle brackets < >.

2.5 Intro: Friends

Remember that when member variables and functions of a class are set to **public** they can be accessed by anything and when they are set to **private** these members can *only* be accessed from within the class itself.

We can make an exception to this rule by declaring some external function or other class as a **friend** of the class we're creating. A friend function or class has access to any private or protected members of the class.

2.5.1 Friend function:

The friend function will be declared within the class' declaration:

```
class MyClass
{
    public:
        void Hi();

    private:
        int name;

    friend void PrintMyClass( const MyClass& item );
};
```

And then it can be defined in a source (.cpp) file elsewhere:

```
void PrintMyClass( const MyClass& item )
{
    // name is private, but this function can access it.
    cout << item.name << endl;
}
```

2.5.2 Friend class:

A friend class is the same sort of thing except that any member function of our friend class has access to any private members of the other class.

```
class ClassWithAFriend
{
    private:
        int name;

    friend class FriendlyClass;
};
```

That other class would be declared elsewhere, and any functions it has can access our `ClassWithAFriend`'s members.

```

class FriendlyClass
{
public:
    void Display( const ClassWithAFriend& myFriend )
    {
        cout << myFriend.name << endl;
    }
};

```

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However - it doesn't go both ways.

Keep in mind that if `classA` declares that `classB` is its friend, this means that `classB` has access to `classA`'s members. However, this **does not** mean that `classA` has access to `classB`'s members - we would have to explicitly state "classA is a friend" within the classB class.

2.5.3 Application of friends

Usually the best design is to keep member variables private - no exceptions. By exposing member data externally, that means the data can be accessed or changed without error checks, and updates in the codebase will be more difficult.

I tend to **ONLY** use the `friend` feature for one of two things:

1. A **tester** class that contains unit tests for a given class; the tester will have access to the private member variables to confirm that proper changes are made after a function call.
2. A **manager** class that handles the class it is a friend of, so it can manage everything about that class. However, design-wise, a manager class can still be designed without "friend" status just fine using the class' Get and Set functions.

2.6 Lab: Testing, Debugging, Friends, and Templates

2.6.1 Assignment and policy info

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2.6.2 Included files:

```
wk02_TestDebugFriendTemplate
graded_program
  FixedArray.h
  FixedArrayTester.cpp
  FixedArrayTester.h
  main.cpp
instructions.org
practice1_testing
  Functions.cpp
  Functions.h
  main.cpp
practice2_debugging
  crash.cpp
  debug-questions.txt
  logicerror.cpp
practice3_friends
  main.cpp
practice4_templates
  Functions.h
```



```
Products.cpp
Products.h
main.cpp
```

2.6.3 Practice programs

Within your repository folder in this week's folder you'll see a set of practice programs to work on. Follow along with the instructions in this document.

1. Practice 1 - Testing

Within the **Functions.h** file you'll see the following functions declared, as well as a "Test" function for each:

- `bool IsOverdrawn(float balance);`
- `float AdjustIngredient(float original, float batches);`
- `bool IsValidInput(int choice, int min, int max);`
- `float Average(vector<float> arr);`
- `int Factorial(int n);`

The functions themselves aren't implemented, and each of the test functions are incomplete. Only having *one test* generally isn't enough to check all reasonable outcomes for each of these functions. For example, if you had a "add X and Y" tester, only checking " $2 + 3 = 5$?" isn't enough, because someone might have programmed the function to just have `return 5`;

Before fixing the functions themselves, implement the tests. This is part of **Test Driven Development**: tests come first, to help you verify that the to-be-implemented functionality works, and once those tests are up and running (and probably failing), then you build out the function and use the tests to verify your work.

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(a) IsOverdrawn:

```
bool IsOverdrawn( float balance )
```

- Parameter: `float balance`, a bank account balance.
- Return: `bool`, true if overdrawn, false otherwise.

Here we need three test cases to get complete coverage: One for overdrawn, but also checking a positive value and zero (zero isn't overdrawn, just empty). One test is given:

```
{
    float input_balance = 10;
    bool exp_out = false;
    bool act_out = IsOverdrawn( input_balance );
    cout << "Test: IsOverdrawn(" << input_balance << ") = " << exp_out << "? ";
    if ( act_out == exp_out ) { cout << GREEN << " PASS" << endl; }
    else { cout << RED << " FAIL; got " << act_out << " instead!"
    cout << CLEAR;
}
```

Use this as reference and implement two additional tests...

Input	Expected output
0	false (not overdrawn)
NEGATIVE NUMBER	true (overdrawn)

Build and run your program and run the tests. Some will fail:

```
$ g++ *.h *.cpp
$ ./a.out test
```

```
Test: IsOverdrawn(10) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(0) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(-5) = 1? FAIL; got 0 instead!
```

Finally, fix up the IsOverdrawn function to have the correct functionality, then build and run tests again:

```
$ g++ *.h *.cpp
$ ./a.out test
```

```
Test: IsOverdrawn(10) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(0) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(-5) = 1? PASS
```

You can also run the command directly in the command line:

```
$ ./a.out IsOverdrawn 10
IsOverdrawn(10) = false
```

```
$ ./a.out IsOverdrawn 0
IsOverdrawn(0) = false
```

```
$ ./a.out IsOverdrawn -5
IsOverdrawn(-5) = true
```

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(b) AdjustIngredient

```
float AdjustIngredient( float original, float batches )
```

- Parameter: `float original`, the original amount for the ingredient, and `float batches`, the adjusted amount of batches to bake.
- Return: `float`, the adjusted amount.

Again the first test is given, you just need to implement at least one more.

Input - original	Input - batches	Expected output
5	1.5	7.5
?	?	?

Make your test to use different input values and check the output value. The calculation is *original * batches*, punch your numbers into a calculator and the number value is your result. Put this hard-coded number as your test expected output.

Implement the test, then the function, and run the automated tests and also test manually using the AdjustIngredient command.

```
$ ./a.out test
(...)
Test: AdjustIngredient(5, 2) = 10? PASS
Test: AdjustIngredient(7, 0.5) = 3.5? PASS
(...)
```

```
$ ./a.out AdjustIngredient 5 1.5
AdjustIngredient(5, 1.5) = 7.5
```

```
$ ./a.out AdjustIngredient 7 0.5
AdjustIngredient(7, 0.5) = 3.5
```

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(c) IsValidInput

```
bool IsValidInput( int choice, int min, int max )
```

- Parameter: `int choice` the user's choice. `int min` the minimum valid value (inclusive). `int max` the maximum valid value (inclusive).
- Return: `true` if choice is within min and max, or `false` otherwise.

Input - choice	Input - min	Input - max	Expected output
5	1	5	true
1	2	6	false

With tests like these, you should make sure to have enough test cases to make sure that the "is equal to" case is also met... so if the minimum is 1 and the choice is 1, make sure that returns true.

(There's a difference between $1 \leq x \leq 5$ and $1 < x < 5$!)

- NOTE: To test two separate boolean expressions together, use AND `&&` or OR `||`. Each sub-expression should be complete.
 - DOESN'T WORK: if ($1 \leq x \leq 5$)
 - DOESN'T WORK: if ($x < 1 || > 5$)
 - OK: if ($x < 1 || x > 5$) ... (Not the solution)

```
$ ./a.out test
(...)
Test: IsValidInput(5, 1, 5) = 1? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(1, 1, 5) = 1? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(1, 2, 6) = 0? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(7, 2, 6) = 0? PASS
(...)
```

```

$ ./a.out IsValidInput 5 1 10
IsValidInput(5, 1, 10) = true

$ ./a.out IsValidInput 10 1 5
IsValidInput(10, 1, 5) = false

```

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(d) Average

```
float Average( vector<float> arr )
```

- Parameter: `vector<float> arr`, a dynamic array of floats.
- Return: the average - all elements of the `arr` summed together, then divided by `arr.size()`.

Input - arr	Expected output
1.5, 2.5, 3.5	2.5
5, 3, 6, 7	5.25

For a good test, not only use different values for the array elements, but also use different *amounts* of elements. This way we can ensure that the programmer (pretending it's someone else :) didn't hard-code the array size into their implementation!

```

$ ./a.out test
(...)
Test: Average({ 1.5, 2.5, 3.5 }) = 2.5? PASS
Test: Average({ 5, 3, 6, 7 }) = 5.25? PASS
(...)

```

```

$ ./a.out Average 1 3 5 7
Average({ 1, 3, 5, 7 }) = 4

```

```

$ ./a.out Average 3.0 4.0 3.5 2.5
Average({ 3, 4, 3.5, 2.5 }) = 3.25

```

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(e) Factorial

```
int Factorial( int n )
```

- Parameter: `int n`, the n value.
- Return: The result of $n!$

Input - n	Expected output
0	1
1	1
2	2
3	6
4	24

Besides having two tests for something like $3!$ and $4!$, make sure to also check for special cases, like $0!$ being $1!$

```
$ ./a.out test
(...)
Test: Factorial(3) = 6? PASS
Test: Factorial(5) = 120? PASS
Test: Factorial(0) = 1? PASS
Test: Factorial(1) = 1? PASS
(...)
```

```
$ ./a.out Factorial 5
Factorial(5) = 120
```

```
$ ./a.out Factorial 7
Factorial(7) = 5040
```

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- (f) Example output: No arguments given:

```
$ ./a.out
```

Expected form:

```
./a.out test - run all tests
./a.out IsOverdrawn amount - check if amount given is overdrawn
./a.out AdjustIngredient original batches - calculate adjusted ingredient amount
./a.out IsValidInput choice min max - check if choice is within the valid range
./a.out Factorial n - calculate n!
./a.out Average num1 num2 num3 num4... - Calculate the average of all numbers given
```

- (g) Example output: Running the automated tests (starter code):

```
$ ./a.out test
```

```
Test: IsOverdrawn(10) = 0? PASS
Test: AdjustIngredient(5, 2) = 10? FAIL; got 0 instead!
Test: IsValidInput(5, 1, 5) = 1? FAIL; got 0 instead!
Test: Average({ 1.5, 2.5, 3.5 }) = 2.5? FAIL; got 0 instead!
Test: Factorial(3) = 6? FAIL; got 0 instead!
```

- (h) Example output: Running the automated tests (functions fixed, tests implemented):

Your tests might have different test values!

```
$ ./a.out test
```

```
Test: IsOverdrawn(10) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(0) = 0? PASS
Test: IsOverdrawn(-5) = 1? PASS
Test: AdjustIngredient(5, 2) = 10? PASS
Test: AdjustIngredient(7, 0.5) = 3.5? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(5, 1, 5) = 1? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(1, 1, 5) = 1? PASS
Test: IsValidInput(1, 2, 6) = 0? PASS
```

```

Test: IsValidInput(7, 2, 6) = 0? PASS
Test: Average({ 1.5, 2.5, 3.5 }) = 2.5? PASS
Test: Average({ 5, 3, 6, 7 }) = 5.25? PASS
Test: Factorial(3) = 6? PASS
Test: Factorial(5) = 120? PASS
Test: Factorial(0) = 1? PASS
Test: Factorial(1) = 1? PASS

```

2. Practice 2 - Debugging

Within the `practice2_debugging` folder there are two separate programs. We will see how to use the `gdb` (GNU Debugger) in order to locate errors. (You can also view the reference page here: https://gitlab.com/moosadee/courses/-/blob/main/reference/gdb.org?ref_type=heads.)

Fill out the `debug-questions.txt` file as you go. You do not need to update the source code files!

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(a) Using the backtrace with `crash.cpp`

- Build the `crash.cpp` file using `-g` to enable debug symbols:

```
g++ -g crash.cpp -o crash.exe
```
- Windows/Linux: Then load it into `gdb`:

```
gdb crash.exe
```
- Mac/Linux: Or load it into `lldb`:

```
lldb crash.exe
```
- Use the `run` command to begin the program execution. It will go until it crashes.
 - GDB view:
Dereference pointers! What could POSSIBLY go wrong...?
0. A
1. B
2. C

Program received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.

– LLDB view:

```

Process 76841 stopped
* thread #1, name = 'crash.exe', stop reason = signal SIGSEGV: in
frame #0: 0x00007ffff7ebd4c4 libstdc++.so.6' std::basic_ostream<char,
libstdc++.so.6' std::operator<<<char, std::char_traits<char>, std::allocat
-> 0x7ffff7ebd4c4 <+4>: movq    0x8(%rsi), %rdx
0x7ffff7ebd4c8 <+8>: movq    (%rsi), %rsi
0x7ffff7ebd4cb <+11>: jmp     0x7ffff7e0e9f0 ; __lldb_
libstdc++.so.6' std::getline<char, std::char_traits<char>, std::allocat
0x7ffff7ebd4d0 <+0>: endbr64

```

- Use the `bt` command to view the backtrace. Paste the backtrace into the `debug-questions.txt` document. Identify which function was being executed when the crash happened, as well as which file and line number.

– GDB Backtrace:

```
#0 0x00007ffff7ebd4c4 in std::basic_ostream<char, std::char_traits<char> >& std::basic_ostream<char, std::char_traits<char> >::operator<< from /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libstdc++.so.6
#1 0x0000555555555654f in DisplayValue (ptr=0x0) at crash.cpp:8
#2 0x000055555555565c7 in DisplayAll (ptrs=std::vector of length 4, capacity 4) at crash.cpp:16
#3 0x00005555555556790 in main () at crash.cpp:25
```

– LLDB Backtrace:

```
frame #1: 0x0000555555555654f crash.exe`DisplayValue(ptr=<parent failed to evaluate>) at crash.cpp:8
frame #2: 0x000055555555565c7 crash.exe`DisplayAll(ptrs=size=1) at crash.cpp:16:
frame #3: 0x00005555555556790 crash.exe`main at crash.cpp:25:15
frame #4: 0x00007ffff7b4ed90 libc.so.6`__libc_start_call_main(main=(crash.exe`main)) at libc.so.6:268
frame #5: 0x00007ffff7b4ee40 libc.so.6`__libc_start_main_impl(main=(crash.exe`main)) at libc.so.6:268
frame #6: 0x00005555555556465 crash.exe`_start + 37
```

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- (b) Using breakpoints in `logicerror.cpp`

Build the `logicerror.cpp` program with debug symbols:

```
g++ -g logicerror.cpp -o logic.exe
```

- Windows/Linux: Then load it into `gdb`:

```
gdb logic.exe
```

- Mac/Linux: Or load it into `lldb`:

```
lldb logic.exe
```

- Set up a breakpoint to start at the `main()` function.

– GDB: `break main`

– LLDB: `breakpoint set --name main`

- Begin running the program. For this program you have to require an argument, like a zip code: `66047`.

– GDB: `run 66047`

– LLDB: `run 66047`

- Use `n` to step to the next line of code, and `s` to step INTO a function call (do this at `string city = GetCity(zipcode);`)

- You can also use `print VARNAME` to view the current value of a variable.

- GDB stepthrough:

```
(gdb) start 66044
```

```
Temporary breakpoint 1 at 0x26d7: file logicerror.cpp, line 27.
```

```
Starting program: /(...)/practice2_debugging/logic.exe 66044
```

```
[Thread debugging using libthread_db enabled]
```

```
Using host libthread_db library "/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libthread_db.so.1".
```

```
Temporary breakpoint 1, main (argCount=2, args=0x7fffffffdb48) at logicerror.cpp
```

```

27     {
(gdb) n
28         if ( argCount != 2 )
(gdb) n
34         int zipcode = stoi( args[1] );
(gdb) n
35         string city = GetCity( zipcode );
(gdb) s
GetCity[abi:cxx11](int) (zipcode=66044) at logicerror.cpp:7
7     {
(gdb) n
8         if ( zipcode == 66002 )
(gdb) n
12         else if ( zipcode == 66044 || zipcode == 66045 || zipcode
(gdb) n
14             return "Lawrence";
(gdb) n
24     }
(gdb) n
main (argCount=2, args=0x7fffffffdb48) at logicerror.cpp:36
36     cout << endl
(gdb) n

37         << "Zipcode: " << zipcode
(gdb) n
38         << ", city: " << city << endl << endl;
(gdb) print zipcode
$1 = 66044
(gdb) print city
$2 = "Lawrence"
(gdb) n
Zipcode: 66044, city: Lawrence

40     return 0;
(gdb) n
41     }

```

- LLDB Stepthrough:

```

Process 77292 stopped
* thread #1, name = 'logic.exe', stop reason = step over
frame #0: 0x00005555555567cc logic.exe`main(argCount=2, args=0x00007fffff
33
34     int zipcode = stoi( args[1] );
35     string city = GetCity( zipcode );
-> 36     cout << endl
37         << "Zipcode: " << zipcode
38         << ", city: " << city << endl << endl;

```

After stepping through the program once, start it again with the zipcode 66047. This should return "Lawrence", but it doesn't. Step through the program to locate what instead gets returned, and iden-

tify which line of code has the logic error. Type your answers in the `debug-questions.txt` file.

3. Practice 3 - Friends

This one is small - at the top of `main.cpp` there is a `Pet` class declared with a constructor function to set values of the object's *private member variables*. Besides that, there are no **accessor** functions to retrieve the private member data.

Within the class declaration, declare that a new function (which we will define in a moment) is a **friend**:

```
friend void Display( const Pet& pet );
```

Below the function declaration, use this same function header to define the function. This function is a **friend** of the `Pet` class, so it will have access to the `Pet` class member variables.

Within the `Display` function, write a `cout` statement that displays the pet's name, animal, personality, and age.

(a) Example output

```
$ a.exe
Kabe the Cat (Sleepy), 11 years old.
Luna the Cat (Troublemaker), 8 years old.
Daisy the Dog (Grumpy), 14 years old.
```

4. Practice 4 - Templates

Within the `Products.h` file there are three structs declared: `FoodProduct`, `SongProduct`, and `BookProduct`. They have some variables in common, but other variables that are not shared:

	name	price	quantity	calories	minutes	author	year
<code>FoodProduct</code>	y	y	y	y			
<code>SongProduct</code>	y	y	y		y		
<code>BookProduct</code>	y	y	y			y	y

Each struct also contains **Constructors**, a `Setup` function, and a `Display` function.

Within `Functions.h` you'll implement two templated functions:

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(a) `float TotalValue(vector<T>& arr)`

This function will iterate through all of the elements of `arr` and add the worth of each item (`price`) multiplied by the amount of that item in stock (`quantity`). At the end of the function return the sum.

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- (b) `void Display(const vector<T>& arr)`
 Within this function, use a loop to iterate over all of the elements of `arr` and call each item's `Display()` function.
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- (c) Updates to `main()`
 Within `main`, do the following:
- i. Create vectors and initialize data:
 - Create a vector of `FoodProduct`, a vector of `SongProduct`, and a vector of `BookProduct`.
 - Initialize each one with at least 2 products each.
 - ii. Call the `TotalValue` function on each of your 3 vectors, displaying the result for each one.
 - iii. After the table header given later in `main()`, call the `Display` function on each of the three vectors.
- ~
- (d) Example output
 Once done your output should look something like this:

```
$ a.exe
Total food value: $61.75
Total song value: $16.43
Total book value: $175.68
```

NAME	PRICE	QUANTITY	*CALORIES	*MINUTES	*AUTHOR	*YEAR
burrito	2.49	10	200	-	-	-
burger	4.99	5	400	-	-	-
banana	1.19	10	10	-	-	-
wonderwall	1.99	2	-	3	-	-
freebird	2.49	5	-	9	-	-
xenogenesis	15.99	5	-	-	butler	1987
sabriel	7.99	7	-	-	nix	1995
frankenstein	1.99	20	-	-	shelley	1818

2.6.4 Graded programs

1. Graded program - Fixed Array structure

- (a) Getting started The graded program contains the following:
- **FixedArray.h** - Where the templated fixed array structure is created.
 - **FixedArrayTester.h** - A tester class and its functions are declared here.
 - **FixedArrayTester.cpp** - The tester functions are defined here.
 - **main.cpp** - Program starting point.

You can build the program with debug symbols like this:

```
g++ -g *.h *.cpp -o arr.exe
```

When you run the program, you can either run with the tester:

```
./arr.exe test  
FixedArrayTester - RunAll  
(etc)
```

Or don't include any arguments to get the basic program to run:

```
./arr.exe  
Display array:  
0.  
1.  
2.  
3.  
4.  
5.  
6.  
7.  
8.  
9.  
10. Segmentation fault
```

At the moment it crashes. Once you implement the core functionality, *well written code* will avoid crashes... however, I've hidden two errors within `main()`. When you find the erroneous code, comment out that line.

The best way to approach this assignment is to:

- i. Read through the function behaviors (in this document).
- ii. Implement the **tests** in **FixedArrayTester.cpp**. Build and run the tests to check that most of them fail.
- iii. Implement the **functions** in **FixedArray.h**. Build and run the tests to check that their implementation is correct.
- iv. Use `gdb` to run the main program, step through to find what lines of code are causing the program to crash. Comment out the bad lines.

- [Introduction to Graded Program \(video\)](#)

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(b) FixedArray functionality

FixedArray() - constructor • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:**

- `ARRAY_SIZE` should be initialized to 10.
- `m_itemCount` should be initialized to 0.

- **Test case:**

Action	Expected result
FixedArray<int> test	test <code>m_itemCount</code> is 0 test <code>ARRAY_SIZE</code> is 10

Only one test is required for this function since there is no input and every call to the constructor will result in the same thing.

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size_t Size() const; • **Inputs:** The member variable `m_itemCount` may have different values during the lifetime of `FixedArray`.

• **Expected result:**

- The `Size` function should return whatever the current amount of items in the array is - this is represented with `m_itemCount`.

• **Example tests cases:**

State	Expected result
itemCount is 5	Size() returns 5
itemCount is 2	Size() returns 2

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void Clear(); • **Inputs:** None

• **Expected result:**

- After call, the array is considered "empty"; we use lazy deletion by setting `m_itemCount` to 0, which ensures that elements will be erased next time we insert new items.

• **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
itemCount is 5	Clear()	itemCount is 0
itemCount is 2	Clear()	itemCount is 0

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bool IsEmpty() const; • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:** Returns `true` if the array is empty, or `false` otherwise.

• **Example tests cases:**

State	Expected result
itemCount is 5	IsEmpty() returns false
itemCount is 0	IsEmpty() returns true

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bool IsFull() const; • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:** Returns `true` if the array is full, or `false` otherwise.

• **Example tests cases:**

State	Expected result
itemCount is 0	IsFull() returns false
itemCount is 5	IsFull() returns false
itemCount is <code>ARRAYSIZE</code>	IsFull() returns true

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void PushBack(T newItem) • **Inputs:** A new item to store in the array.

- **Expected result:** If there is space in the array, the new item will be added at the next available space.

- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array is empty	PushBack("A")	array[0] is "A", itemCount is 1
array has 1 item	PushBack("B")	array[1] is "B", itemCount is 2
array is full	PushBack("X")	TEMPORARY: cout error and return early; (later: exc

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void PopBack() • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:** The item at the "end" of the list is lazy deleted.
- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array has 2 items	PopBack()	itemCount is 1
array has 1 item	PopBack()	itemCount is 0
array is empty	PopBack()	TEMPORARY: cout error and return early; (later: exc

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T& GetBack() • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:** The item at the "end" of the list is returned.
- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array has 3 items	GetBack()	arr[2] is returned
array has 2 items	GetBack()	arr[1] is returned
array is empty	GetBack()	TEMPORARY: cout error, return m_array[0] for now

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T& GetFront() • **Inputs:** None

- **Expected result:** Returns the item at the "front" of the list.
- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array has 3 items	GetFront()	arr[0] is returned
array has 2 items	GetFront()	arr[0] is returned
array is empty	GetBack()	TEMPORARY: cout error, return m_array[0] for now

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T& GetAt(size_t index) • **Inputs:** The index of an item in the array.

- **Expected result:** The item at that index.
- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array has 3 items	GetAt(1)	arr[1] is returned
array has 4 items	GetAt(5)	TEMPORARY: cout error, return m_array[0] for now
array is empty	GetBack()	TEMPORARY: cout error, return m_array[0] for now

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`size_t Search(T item) const` • **Inputs:** An item to look for in the array.

- **Expected result:** Returns the index where the item was found.
- **Example tests cases:**

State	Function call	Expected result
array has "A", "B", "C"	Search("B")	1 is returned
array has "W", "X", "Y", "Z"	Search("Z")	3 is returned
array has "C", "A", "T"	Search("S")	TEMPORARY: cout error, re

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(c) Implementing the tests

You should begin by implementing the tests within **FixedArrayTester.cpp**. This will help you understand the functionality of the FixedArray, and give you a way to verify your work.

Keep an eye on the FixedArray class declaration so you know what functions and variables are part of it. Its private member variables are:

```
T m_array[10];
const size_t ARRAY_SIZE;
size_t m_itemCount;
```

And I'll step through the functionality and suggested test cases below.

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(d) Implementing the FixedArray functionality

Now implement the functions in **FixedArray.h**. Remember that this is a templated class, so all of its declarations *and* definitions must go in the .h file.

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(e) Discovering the errors

You can use the **gdb** program to look at the **backtrace** of functions called and line number where a crash occurs, and use **breakpoints** to pause the program execution and investigate program flow and variable values.

(You can also view the reference page here: https://gitlab.com/moosadee/courses/-/blob/main/reference/gdb.org?ref_type=heads.)

Once you find the lines of code in `main()` causing the errors, comment those lines out.

i. gdb quick reference:

- From the terminal:
 - `g++ -g FILE.cpp -o PROGRAMNAME` - Build a program with debug symbols.
 - `gdb PROGRAMNAME ARG1 ARG2 ARG3` - Run the program through gdb, including any arguments.

- Within gdb:
 - `run` - Run a program normally
 - `start` - Start the program, pausing at the first executed line.
 - `print VARNAME` - Prints out the value of a variable in scope at the breakpoint.
 - `next` or `n` - Move to the next line of code.
 - `step` or `s` - Step INTO a function call.
 - `bt` - View the backtrace of functions called.
 - `list` will show you the program code from within gdb.
 - `file ./NEWPROGRAM` - Load in a new program's symbols (while in gdb).

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(f) Output

Once you've implemented the tests and the FixedArray functionality, all tests should pass. At minimum, I've provided a few tests, so here's a look at them passing:

```
$ .\a.exe test
```

```
FixedArrayTester - RunAll
Set m_itemCount to 5, Size() should return 5... PASS
Set m_itemCount to 5, IsEmpty() should return false... PASS
Set m_itemCount to 2, call PopBack(). m_itemCount should now be 1... PASS
Put 10, 20, 30 in array. Call GetBack(). Should return 30... PASS
Put 10, 20, 30 in array. Call GetFront(). Should return 10... PASS
Put 10, 20, 30 in array. Call GetAt(1). Should return 20... PASS
Create empty array. Call PushBack(A). itemCount should be 1, m_array[0] should be A. P
Add A B C to array. Search for B. Should return 1. PASS
```

But you should also implement additional tests to check more cases. And assuming your input/output logic is right, the tests *should* pass. :)

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After the tests pass, run the main program itself.

```
$ g++ -g *.h *.cpp -o arr.exe
$ gdb arr.exe
```

Utilize the debugger to find the lines of code in `main()` that are causing the program to crash.

I'm not going to show you the full working program because that would spoil the bugs ;)

```
$ .\a.exe
Display array:
0. CS 134
1. CS 200
2. CS 235
```

3. CS 250

Back: CS 250
(and more...)

Once you've commented out the bugs, you should be good to backup your changes to the GitLab server and turn in your work!

3 Week 4: Exceptions and The Standard Template Library

3.1 Intro: The Standard Template Library

C++ comes with a bunch of data structures we can use to store sets of data. Each of these have different uses and work better for different designs. They all have documentation available online so you can learn more about how these structures work there as well.

3.1.1 Without the STL: Traditional fixed-length array

One of the first ways you may have learned to store a sequence of data is with a **traditional array** in C++. These aren't "smart" at all, cannot be resized, and you either have to manually keep track of the size of the array or do a calculation whenever you want to find the size.

1. Declaration

They come in this form:

```
const int ARRAY_SIZE = 100;
int itemCount = 0;
int myArray[ ARRAY_SIZE ];
```

The `ARRAY_SIZE` named constant and the `itemCount` variable are optional, however, we have to manually keep track of the size of the array and how many items are stored within it - it won't take care of that for us.

2. Accessing elements

Reading and writing values to this array is simple:

```
cout << "Enter a number: ";
cin >> myArray[ 0 ];
cout << "Item #0 is " << myArray[0] << endl;
```

3. Iterating over elements

And iterating through it requires, again, keeping track of the amount of items we've stored in the array with some kind of variable:

```
for ( int i = 0; i < itemCount; i++ )
{
    cout << i << " = " << myArray[i] << endl;
}
```

3.1.2 Without the STL: Dynamic array

We can create **dynamic arrays** by using **pointers**. This allows us to define the size of the array at *runtime*, instead of defining the size at *compile-time* like with our traditional fixed-length array. The downside is manually managing the memory - making sure to free whatever we have allocated.

1. Declaration

```
int itemCount = 0;
int arraySize;

cout << "Enter an array size: ";
cin >> arraySize;

int* myArray = new int[ arraySize ];
```

Reading and writing values to the array is the same as with the traditional array. We just have to make sure to free the memory before the program ends.

2. Iterating over elements

Just like with a traditional array we iterate over elements using a for loop, and we need to have an `itemCount` variable.

```
for ( int i = 0; i < itemCount; i++ )
{
    cout << i << " = " << myArray[i] << endl;
}
```

3. Freeing memory

You need to free the memory you allocate before its pointer loses scope - if this happens, you lose the address and that memory is now taken up and cannot be freed.

```
delete [] myArray;
```

3.1.3 STL `std::array`

Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/array/array/>

The `array` from the STL is basically a class wrapping our traditional array. It allows us to use the array as an object with basic **functions**, so that we don't have to keep track of as much.

Declaration:

To create the array you need to specify the *data type* and *size* within the angle brackets.

```
array<int, 100> myArray;
```

1. Accessing the size

The array object has a `.size()` function.

```
cout << "Size: " << myArray.size();
```

2. Accessing elements

Can access elements just like with a traditional array, using the subscript operator and an index.

```
cout << "Enter item 0: ";  
cin >> myArray[0];
```

3. Iterating over elements

Same sort of for loop, just use the size function to get the array size.

```
for ( int i = 0; i < myArray.size(); i++ )  
{  
    cout << i << " = " << myArray[i] << endl;  
}
```

3.1.4 STL `std::vector`

Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/vector/vector/>

Vectors are **dynamic arrays** so you can add items to it and it will resize - no worries on your part regarding resizing and managing memory.

1. Declaration

Specify the *data type* within the angle brackets. No size needed.

```
vector<int> myVector;
```

2. Accessing the size

Vector has a `.size()` function as well.

```
cout << "Size: " << myVector.size();
```

3. Accessing elements

Because you're generally not pre-allocating space for a vector, you need to use the `push_back` function to add additional items to the end of the vector's internal array. After there's an element in the vector, you can use the subscript operator to access an item.

```
cout << "Enter item 0: ";
int item;
cin >> item;
myVector.push_back( item );
cout << "Item: " << myVector[0] << endl;
```

4. Iterating over elements

```
for ( int i = 0; i < myVector.size(); i++ )
{
    cout << i << " = " << myVector[i] << endl;
}
```

3.1.5 STL `std::list`

Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/list/list/>

The list is *similar* to a vector in that you can store any amount of items in it, however you can only ever access the *front* and the *back* of the list - not random items in the middle. You can still iterate over all the items, though.

1. Declaration

```
list<int> myList;
```

2. Accessing the size

```
cout << "Size: " << myList.size();
```

3. Adding data

With a list you can add items to the *front* or the *back* of the list.

```
myList.push_front( 1 ); // Stored at the start of the list
myList.push_back( 10 ); // Stored at the end of the list
```

4. Accessing data

You can't access an element in the middle of the list, but you can access the front or last elements.

```
cout << "Front item: " << myList.get_front() << endl;
cout << "Back item: " << myList.get_back() << endl;
```

5. Removing data

Similarly you can remove items at the front and back.

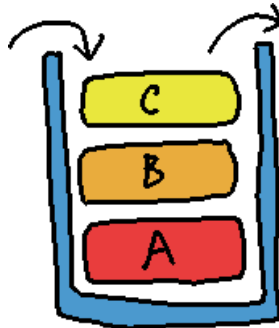
```
myList.pop_front();
myList.pop_back();
```

6. Iterating over elements

You can use a range-based for loop to iterate over all of the items easily.

```
for ( auto& item : myList )
{
    cout << item << endl;
}
```

3.1.6 STL std::stack



Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/stack/stack/>

A stack is a type of restricted-access data type. It can store a series of items, but you can only add and remove items from the *top*.

1. Declaration

```
stack<char> myStack;
```

2. Accessing the size

```
cout << "Size: " << myStack.size();
```

3. Adding data

The `push` function will add a new item to the *top* of the stack.

```
myStack.push( 'A' );  
myStack.push( 'B' );  
myStack.push( 'C' );
```

4. Accessing data

Only the *top*-most element of a stack can be accessed.

```
cout << "Top item is: " << myStack.top() << endl;
```

5. Removing data

This removes the *top*-most item of the stack.

```
myStack.pop(); // Remove top item
```

3.1.7 STL `std::queue`



Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/queue/queue/>

A queue is another type of restricted-access data type. It stores a series of items, with items being added at the *back* of the queue, and being removed from the *front* of the queue, similar to waiting in line at the store.

1. Declaration

```
queue<char> myQueue;
```

2. Accessing the size

```
cout << "Size: " << myQueue.size() << endl;
```

3. Adding data

The `push` function will add a new item to the *back* of the queue.

```
myQueue.push( 'A' );  
myQueue.push( 'B' );  
myQueue.push( 'C' );
```

4. Accessing data

Only the *front*-most item can be accessed in a queue.

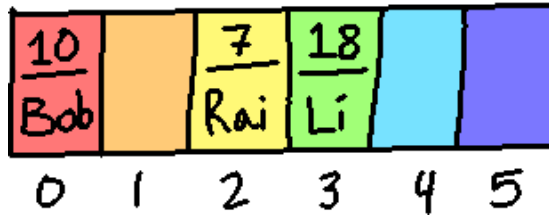
```
cout << "The front item is: " << myQueue.front() << endl;
```

5. Removing data

This removes the *front*-most item in the queue.

```
myQueue.pop(); // Remove front item
```

3.1.8 STL std::map



Documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/map/map/>

Our traditional arrays have **index** numbers (0, 1, 2, ...) and **elements** stored at that position in the array.

With a map, we can have any data type as a **unique identifier** for an **element**. This could be an integer, but it doesn't have to be 0, 1, 2, and so on - it could be an employee ID, a phone number, etc., but the data type of the identifier (called a **key**) can be any data type.

1. Declaration

Specify the type of the *key* and the type of the *value*.

```
map<int, string> area_codes;
```

2. Adding data

Use the subscript operator with a *key*, and assign it a *value*.

```
area_codes[913] = "Northeastern Kansas";  
area_codes[816] = "Northwestern Missouri";
```

3. Accessing the size

```
cout << "Size: " << area_codes.size();
```

4. Accessing data

You can access elements of the map via the *key*, if it exists in the map.

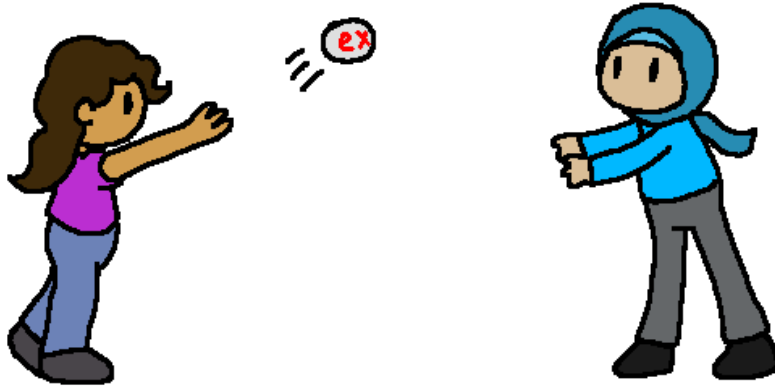
```
int key;  
cout << "Enter an area code: ";  
cin >> key;  
cout << "The region for that is: " << area_codes[ key ];
```

5. Iterating over elements

Use a range-based for loop to easily iterate over all of the elements. Use `item.first` to get the key and `item.second` to get the value.

```
for ( auto& item : area_codes )  
{  
    cout << "Key: " << item.first << ", Value: " << item.second << endl;  
}
```


3.2 Intro: Exceptions



3.2.1 Writing robust software

As a software developer, you will often be writing software that other developers will be using. This could be other developers at the company working on the same software product, or perhaps you might write a library that gets licensed out to other companies, or anything else. Your code will need to have checks in place for errors and be able to manage those errors gracefully, allowing the software to continue running instead of letting the program crash and restart.

A long time ago, lots of developers used numeric error codes to track errors. If you've ever seen something like "Error 12943" with no other useful information, that is an example of these error codes - useless for the end-user, but meant so that the programmer can search the code for that number and find where it broke. This is also why we use `return 0` at the end of our C++ programs - technically, you could return anything else, but returning 0 is meant to show that there were no errors. If you ran into an error, you *could* return 1 or 2 or 3 instead to mark errors.

Modern languages have **exception handling** built in, usually working with a **try/catch** style. You write in logic to check for errors, and when you find a problem you **throw** an exception, and that exception can be **caught** elsewhere in the code.

What kind of errors can we listen for?

- Trying to open a file that doesn't exist
- Memory access violations
- Invalid math (dividing by 0)
- Not enough memory
- Receiving unexpected inputs

- Trying to delete from an empty data structure
- Problem converting one data type to another

3.2.2 The C++ Exception object

C++ has an **exception** family of objects that we can use when trying to classify what kind of exception has happened. If none of the existing exception objects is appropriate, you can also create your own exception type.

Exceptions: (From <http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/exception/exception/>)

Exception class	Description
<code>bad_alloc</code>	Exception thrown on failure allocating memory
<code>bad_cast</code>	Exception thrown on failure to dynamic cast
<code>bad_exception</code>	Exception thrown by unexpected handler
<code>bad_function_call</code>	Exception thrown on bad call
<code>bad_typeid</code>	Exception thrown on typeid of null pointer
<code>bad_weak_ptr</code>	Bad weak pointer
<code>ios_base::failure</code>	Base class for stream exceptions
<code>logic_error</code>	Logic error exception
<code>runtime_error</code>	Runtime error exception
<code>domain_error</code>	Domain error exception
<code>future_error</code>	Future error exception
<code>invalid_argument</code>	Invalid argument exception
<code>length_error</code>	Length error exception
<code>out_of_range</code>	Out-of-range exception
<code>overflow_error</code>	Overflow error exception
<code>range_error</code>	Range error exception
<code>system_error</code>	System error exception
<code>underflow_error</code>	Underflow error exception
<code>bad_array_new_length</code>	Exception on bad array length

3.2.3 Detecting errors and throwing exceptions

The first step of dealing with exceptions is identifying a place where an error may occur - such as a place where we might end up dividing by zero. We write an **if statement** to check for the error case, and then **throw** an exception. We choose an exception type and we can also pass an error message as a string.

Example: "Risky" function detecting a divide by 0 error

```
int ShareCookies( int cookies, int kids )
{
    if ( kids == 0 )
    {
        throw runtime_error( "Cannot divide by zero!" );
    }
}
```

```
    return cookies / kids;
}
```

1. Listening for exceptions with `try` Now we know that the function `ShareCookies` could possibly throw an exception. Any time we call that function, we need to listen for any thrown exceptions by using `try`.

Example: Calling the "Risky" function (e.g., from main)

```
try
{
    // Calling the function
    cookiesPerKid = ShareCookies( c, k );
}
```

2. Dealing with exceptions with `catch` Immediately following the `try`, we can write one or more `catch` blocks for different types of exceptions and then decide how we want to handle it.

Example: Calling the "Risky" function, catching an exception and handling it

```
try
{
    // Calling the function
    cookiesPerKid = ShareCookies( c, k );
}
catch( runtime_error ex )
{
    // Display the error message
    cout << "Error: " << ex.what() << endl;

    // Handling it by setting a default value
    cookiesPerKid = 0;
}

cout << "The kids get " << cookiesPerKid << " each" << endl;
```

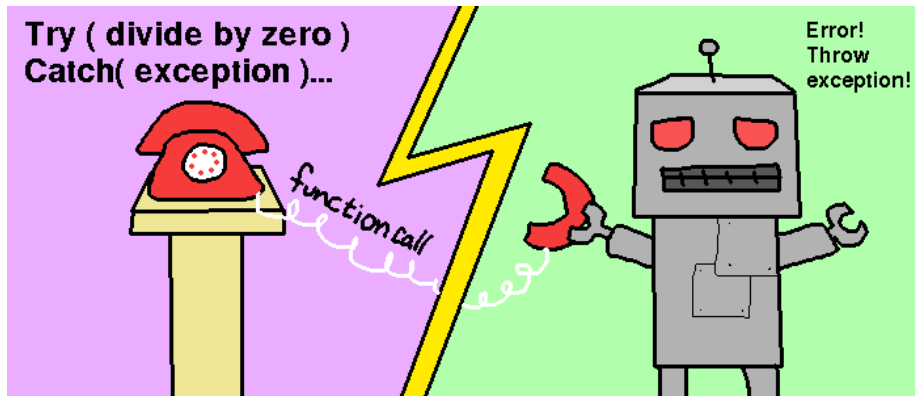
A function could possibly throw different types of exceptions for different errors, and you can have multiple `catch` blocks for each type.

Handling the error: Once you catch an error, it's up to you to decide what to do with it. For example, you could...

- Ignore the error and just keep going
- Write some different logic for a "plan B" backup
- End the program because now the data is invalid

Coding with others' code: While writing software and utilizing others' code, you will want to pay attention to which functions you're calling that could throw exceptions. Often code libraries will contain documentation that specify possible exceptions thrown.

3.2.4 Common error in student implementations



A common error I see students make is to put the **try**, **catch**, and **throw** statements *all in one function*. This defeats the point of even using exceptions.

Common error: DON'T DO THIS!

```
float Divide( float num, float denom )
{
    try
    {
        if ( denom == 0 )
        {
            throw Exception;
        }

        return num / denom;
    }
    catch( Exception& ex )
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```

Remember that the **throw** belongs within a function that could cause an error, and the **try/catch** belongs with the location that **calls** the potentially exception-causing function.

Example Program

```

// FUNCTION THAT COULD CAUSE ERROR - Responsible for THROW
float Divide( float num, float denom )
{
    if ( denom == 0 ) {
        throw invalid_argument( "Can't divide by 0!" );
    }

    return num / denom;
}

int main()
{
    float n, d;
    cout << "Enter num: ";
    cin >> n;

    cout << "Enter denom: ";
    cin >> d;

    float result = 0;
    try // CALLING "IFFY" FUNCTION - Wrap the CALL in try/catch
    {
        result = Divide( n, d );
    }
    catch( Exception& ex )
    {
        cout << "ERROR OCCURRED!" << endl;
        return 1234;
    }

    cout << "Result: " << result << endl;

    return 0;
}

```

3.3 Lab: Exceptions and The Standard Template Library

3.3.1 Assignment and policy info

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3.3.2 Included files:

```
wk04_STLandExceptions
graded_program
  FixedArray.h
  FixedArrayTester.cpp
  FixedArrayTester.h
  main.cpp
instructions.html
instructions.org
practice1_stdexcept
  stdexcept.cpp
practice2_customexcept
  customexcept.cpp
practice3_array
  array.cpp
practice4_vector
  vector.cpp
practice5_list
  list.cpp
practice6_map
```

```
map.cpp
practice7_stack
stack.cpp
practice8_queue
queue.cpp
```

3.3.3 Practice programs

Within your repository folder in this week's folder you'll see a set of practice programs to work on. Follow along with the instructions in this document.

1. Practice 1 - Standard library exceptions

With this program we have some risky functions that need us to check for error scenarios and throw an exception if found. We will also update `main()` to wrap the calls to those risky functions in try/catch statements.

(a) Risky functions

- i. For the 'Divide' function check if 'denom' is 0. If this is the case, throw an 'invalid_argument' exception.
- ii. For the 'Display' function check if 'index' is invalid (less than 0 or greater than/equal to 'arr.size()'). If it's invalid, then throw an 'out_of_range' exception.
- iii. For the 'PtrDisplay' function check if 'arr' is pointing to 'nullptr'. If it is, then throw an 'invalid_argument' exception.

(b) Updating function calls

- i. Wrap the function call 'quotient = Divide(num, denom);' in a try/catch statement. This risky function might throw an 'invalid_argument' exception so that is what you'll listen for in the catch portion. When the exception is caught, display what the exception was ('ex.what()').
- ii. Wrap the function call 'Display(my_array, index);' in a try/catch statement. The catch should listen for an 'out_of_range' exception. Display the error message when detected.
- iii. There are two calls to 'PtrDisplay', each should have **their own** try/catch blocks surrounding them. For both, listen for an 'invalid_argument' exception and display the error when detected.

(c) Example output

DIVISION EXAMPLE

```
Enter a numerator and denominator, separated by a space: 5 0
invalid_argument Exception: Division by 0 not allowed!
```

DISPLAY EXAMPLE

```
Enter an index between 0 and 4: 10
out_of_range Exception: Invalid index!
```

```
POINTER EXAMPLE
Display good_ptr...
Item being pointed to is: 10
```

```
Display bad_pointer...
invalid_argument Exception: ptr is null!
```

- (d) Reference Exception family documentation: <https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/error/exception>

THROWing exceptions - Detect problem states and THROW as a result within the function that could cause problems.

```
void SOME_RISKY_FUNCTION( PARAMS )
{
    if ( BAD_SCENARIO )
    {
        throw SOME_EXCEPTION( "Message!" );
    }
    // ...
}
```

TRY/CATCH exceptions - Wrap the function call to the risky function in try, catch any possible exception types with catch.

```
try
{
    SOME_RISKY_FUNCTION( XYZ );
}
catch( const SOME_EXCEPTION& ex )
{
    cout << "Exception: " << ex.what() << endl;
}
```

2. Practice 2 - Custom exceptions

At the top of the file declare two new exception classes - `NotEnoughFriendsException` and `NotEnoughPizzaException`. You can have these inherit from the `runtime_error` exception class (see reference for a template).

Within these exceptions' constructors you will pass the `message` to the parent constructor, and within the constructor function body you can add additional instructions. In this case, we're just going to `cout` an extra message, though usually this would be used to clean up the program or log errors.

- `NotEnoughFriendsException`: Display "You should really make more friends."
- `NotEnoughPizzaException`: Display "You can't have a pizza party without pizza!"

- (a) Risky function definition - `int SlicesPerPerson(int friends, int pizzaSlices)`

This function does the math to figure out how many slices of pizza per person. However, since there is division, it's possible that we could end up with **divide by zero**. In this case (if `friends` is 0) we need to throw the `NotEnoughFriendsException`. You can also add an error message at this point, like "Zero friends at party!" to give more context as to why the exception was thrown.

Secondly, if there are 0 `pizzaSlices` at the party, while it won't cause an arithmetic error, it is a logic error for this pizza party planning program. If we detect this state, then we throw the `NotEnoughPizzaException` with an error message like "Zero pizza at party!".

- (b) Calling the risky function in `main()`

Finally we need to make sure our program actually detects the exceptions and handles them when found. Currently, the function call is just: `slices = SlicesPerPerson(friendCount, pizzaSliceCount);`. We need to **wrap** this function call in a `try {}` statement.

The two exceptions that could be thrown are `NotEnoughFriendsException` or `NotEnoughPizzaException`, so we need two `catch` cases following the `try` statement. Within the `catch` code blocks I usually just `cout` the error message, which you can also do here. This would also be a good place to write the exceptions out to a log file if this were the real world.

- (c) Example output

OK amount of friends / pizza:

PIZZA PARTY

How many pizza slices at pizza party? 50

How many friends at party? 4

Give each friend 12 slices of pizza

0 friends:

PIZZA PARTY

How many pizza slices at pizza party? 10

How many friends at party? 0

You should really make more friends.

Exception: Zero friends at party!

0 pizza:

PIZZA PARTY

How many pizza slices at pizza party? 0

How many friends at party? 10

You can't have a pizza party without pizza!

Exception: Zero pizza at party!

- (d) Reference

Example of inheriting from 'runtime_error', with a constructor that calls the 'runtime_error' constructor:

```
class NEWEXCEPTION : public std::runtime_error
{
public:
    NEWEXCEPTION(std::string message) // Constructor definition
        : std::runtime_error(message) // This calls the parent class' constructor
    {
        // Additional code
    }
};
```

THROWing exceptions - Detect problem states and THROW as a result within the function that could cause problems.

```
void SOME_RISKY_FUNCTION( PARAMS )
{
    if ( BAD_SCENARIO )
    {
        throw SOME_EXCEPTION( "Message!" );
    }
    // ...
}
```

TRY/CATCH exceptions - Wrap the function call to the risky function in try, catch any possible exception types with catch.

```
try
{
    SOME_RISKY_FUNCTION( XYZ );
}
catch( const SOME_EXCEPTION& ex )
{
    cout << "Exception: " << ex.what() << endl;
}
```

3. Practice 3 - Array

For this program we're going to look at using the STL 'array' object.

- (a) Declare an array of strings of size 4 named 'course_list'.
 - (b) Hard-code the items at index 0 through 3 with some course names (e.g., "CS 200").
 - (c) Use a for loop to iterate over all the elements of the array, displaying each element's index and value.
- (a) Example output

ARRAY PROGRAM

1. Declare an array of strings of size 4...
2. Hard coding data into the array...

Iterating over the array to display each element index and value...

```
0: CS 134
1: CS 200
2: CS 235
3: CS 250
```

THE END

- (b) Reference

array documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/array/array/>

Declare an array object:

```
array<TYPE, SIZE> ARRAYNAME;
```

Access an element of the array:

```
ARRAYNAME[INDEX]
```

Get an array's size:

```
ARRAYNAME.size()
```

Iterate over an array:

```
for ( size_t i = 0; i < ARRAY.size(); i++ )
{
    // i is the index, ARRAY[i] is the value
}
```

4. Practice 4 - Vector

For this program we are using the STL vector which is basically a dynamic array.

- (a) At the beginning of the program declare a vector of strings named `course_list`.
 - (b) Within the while loop after the if statement the user has entered a course name in the `input` variable. Push this item into the `course_list` using the vector's `push_back` functionality.
 - (c) Near the end of the program use a for loop to iterate over all the elements of the vector. Display each element's index and value.
- (a) Example output

VECTOR PROGRAM

Declare a vector of strings...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 134

Pushing new item into the vector...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 200

Pushing new item into the vector...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 235

Pushing new item into the vector...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: STOP

Iterating over the vector to display each element's index and value...

0: CS 134

1: CS 200

2: CS 235

THE END

- (b) Reference vector documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/vector/vector/>

Declare a vector object:

```
vector<TYPE> VECNAME;
```

Add an item to the vector:

```
VECFNAME.push_back( VALUE );
```

Get the size of a vector:

```
VECFNAME.size()
```

5. Practice 5 - List

For this program we will be using the STL list object.

- Near the start of the program declare a list of strings named `course_list`.
 - After the user enters a position if they selected "F" then use the list's `push_front` function to add the input to the front of the `course_list`.
 - Otherwise, if the user selected "B" then use the list's `push_back` function to add the input to the back of the `course_list`.
 - Before the program ends, iterate through all the elements of the list, displaying each value.
- (a) Example output

LIST PROGRAM

Declare a list of strings...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 134

Insert at (F) FRONT or (B) BACK? F

Pushing new item to front of list...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 200

Insert at (F) FRONT or (B) BACK? F

Pushing new item to front of list...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: CS 235

Insert at (F) FRONT or (B) BACK? B

Pushing new item to back of list...

Enter a new course, or STOP to finish: STOP

Iterating over the list to display each element's value...

CS 200

CS 134

CS 235

THE END

- (b) Reference list documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/list/>

Declare a list:

```
list<TYPE> LISTNAME;
```

Add a new item to the front of the list:

```
LISTNAME.push_front( VALUE );
```

Add a new item to the back of the list:

```
LISTNAME.push_back( VALUE );
```

Get the size of a list:

```
LISTNAME.size()
```

Iterate over all the items in a list: `#+BEGIN_SRC` form for (TYPE item : LISTNAME) { // item is the current element }

6. Practice 6 - Map

For this program we will be using the STL map.

- (a) Near the top of the program declare a map with string keys and float values, the variable name should be `product_prices`.
- (b) Afterwards, hard-code 3 products, use the product name as the KEY and the price of the product as a VALUE. (e.g., "burrito" and 1.29).

- (c) Use a for loop to iterate over all of the elements of `product_prices`, display each element's key and value.
- (d) After the user has entered a food, display the price of the item by accessing the element of `product_prices` with `choice` as the key.
- (a) Example output

```
MAP PROGRAM
```

```
Declare a map with string keys and float values...
```

```
Set up 3 product names and their prices in the map...
```

```
Iterating over the map to display each element's key and value...
```

```
Item: burrito, Price: $1.29
```

```
Item: quesadilla, Price: $2.36
```

```
Item: taco, Price: $1.29
```

```
Enter a food: burrito
```

```
The price of this item is... $1.29
```

```
THE END
```

- (b) Reference map documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/map/map/>

```
Declare a map with TYPE1 key and TYPE2 value:
```

```
map<TYPE1, TYPE2> MAPNAME;
```

```
Add a (key, value) pair to the map:
```

```
MAPNAME[KEY] = VALUE;
```

```
Get the amount of items in the map:
```

```
MAPNAME.size()
```

```
Iterate over all of the pairs in a map:
```

```
for ( auto item : product_prices )
```

```
{
```

```
    // KEY: item.first
```

```
    // VALUE: item.second
```

```
}
```

```
Get the value of an item from a map given some key:
```

```
MAPNAME[ KEY ]
```

7. Practice 7 - Stack

For this program we will use the STL stack. A stack structure is a "first-in, last-out" structure, where the first item ends up at the bottom of the stack and all newer items are stacked on top of it.

- (a) Near the start of the program declare a stack of strings named `my_stack`.
- (b) Within the while loop, check if the stack is empty. If it is, display "STACK IS EMPTY". Otherwise, display the TOP item of the stack. Use the `top` function to do this.
- (c) During case 1 of the switch statement the user wants to add `text` to the stack. Use the stack's `push` function to do this.
- (d) During case 2 of the switch statement the user wants to pop the top-most item off the stack. Use the stack's `pop` function to do this.
- (e) After the while loop is over we will display each item of the stack, popping each item after we've seen it. While the stack is not empty, do the following: 5a. Display the item at the top of the stack. 5b. Pop the item at the top of the stack.

- (a) Example output

STACK PROGRAM

Declaring a stack of strings...

 STACK IS EMPTY

0. Quit
 1. PUSH item
 2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on stack: C

Pushing the new item onto the stack...

 TOP ITEM IN STACK: C

0. Quit
 1. PUSH item
 2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on stack: A

Pushing the new item onto the stack...

 TOP ITEM IN STACK: A

0. Quit
 1. PUSH item
 2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on stack: T

Pushing the new item onto the stack...

```
TOP ITEM IN STACK: T
```

```
-----  
0. Quit  
1. PUSH item  
2. POP item  
>> 2
```

```
Popping the top item off the stack...
```

```
-----  
TOP ITEM IN STACK: A
```

```
-----  
0. Quit  
1. PUSH item  
2. POP item  
>> 0
```

```
-----  
Iterate over stack until it's empty... show the top item then pop it...
```

```
TOP OF STACK: A
```

```
TOP OF STACK: C
```

```
THE END
```

- (b) Reference stack documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/stack/stack/>

Declare a stack:

```
stack<TYPE> STACKNAME;
```

Push an item to the top of the stack:

```
STACKNAME.push( VALUE );
```

Access the item at the top of the stack:

```
STACKNAME.top()
```

Pop an off the top of the stack:

```
STACKNAME.pop();
```

Get the total amount of items stored in the stack:

```
STACKNAME.size()
```

Check if a stack is empty:

```
STACKNAME.empty()
```

8. Practice 8 - Queue

For this program we will use the STL queue. A queue structure is a "first-in, first-out" structure, where the first item will be at the front of the queue and items that enter the queue after it must wait for the front-most item to get finished before they can be accessed.

- (a) Near the start of the program declare a queue of strings named `my_queue`.
- (b) Within the while loop, check if the queue is empty. If it is, display "QUEUE IS EMPTY". Otherwise, display the FRONT item of the queue. Use the `front` function to do this.
- (c) During case 1 of the switch statement the user wants to add `text` to the queue. Use the queue's `push` function to do this.
- (d) During case 2 of the switch statement the user wants to pop the front-most item out of the queue. Use the queue's `pop` function to do this.
- (e) After the while loop is over we will display each item of the queue, popping each item after we've seen it. While the queue is not empty, do the following: 5a. Display the item at the front of the queue. 5b. Pop the item at the front of the queue.

- (a) Example output

QUEUE PROGRAM

Declaring a queue of strings...

 QUEUE IS EMPTY

0. Quit

1. PUSH item

2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on queue: C

Pushing the new item into the queue...

 FRONT ITEM IN QUEUE: C

0. Quit

1. PUSH item

2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on queue: A

Pushing the new item into the queue...

 FRONT ITEM IN QUEUE: C

0. Quit

1. PUSH item

2. POP item

>> 1

Enter new text to push on queue: T

Pushing the new item into the queue...

FRONT ITEM IN QUEUE: C

0. Quit
1. PUSH item
2. POP item
>> 2

Popping the front item out of the queue...

FRONT ITEM IN QUEUE: A

0. Quit
1. PUSH item
2. POP item
>> 0

Iterate over queue until it's empty... show the front item then pop it...

FRONT OF QUEUE: A
FRONT OF QUEUE: T

THE END

- (b) Reference queue documentation: <https://cplusplus.com/reference/queue/queue/>

Declare a queue:

```
queue<TYPE> QUEUENAME;
```

Push an item to the back of the queue:

```
QUEUENAME.push( VALUE );
```

Access the item at the front of the queue:

```
QUEUENAME.front()
```

Pop an from the front of the queue:

```
QUEUENAME.pop();
```

Get the total amount of items stored in the queue:

```
QUEUENAME.size()
```

Check if a queue is empty:

```
QUEUENAME.empty()
```

3.3.4 Graded programs

1. Graded program - Fixed Array structure

This program is a continuation of your `wk02_TestDebugFriendTemplate/graded_program`. You can copy/paste your function implementations into `FixedArray.h`.

(a) Adding error checks and exceptions

Previously, without exceptions, if we encountered an error state we would have to just ignore it, return some bad "default" data, or let the program crash. Now we can fix up the functions to use exceptions when an error state occurs.

- i. `void FixedArray<T>::PushBack(T newItem)` - If the array is full, then throw a `length_error`.
- ii. `void FixedArray<T>::PopBack()` - If the array is empty, then throw a `runtime_error`.
- iii. `T& FixedArray<T>::GetBack()` - If the array is empty, then throw a `runtime_error`.
- iv. `T& FixedArray<T>::GetFront()` - If the array is empty, then throw a `runtime_error`.
- v. `T& FixedArray<T>::GetAt(size_t index)`
 - A. If the array is empty, then throw a `runtime_error`.
 - B. If the `index` is out of range, then throw an `out_of_range` exception.
- vi. `size_t FixedArray<T>::Search(T item) const` - If the item isn't found, then throw a `runtime_error`.

(b) Bonus points - Updating the tests

If you would like to update your tests from the `wk02` version, you can now add checks to make sure exceptions are thrown when an error state occurs. You would surround the "risky" function calls in `try` and listen for the appropriate exception, or `...` to catch all exceptions...

```
FixedArray<int> testArray;
testArray.m_itemCount = 0;

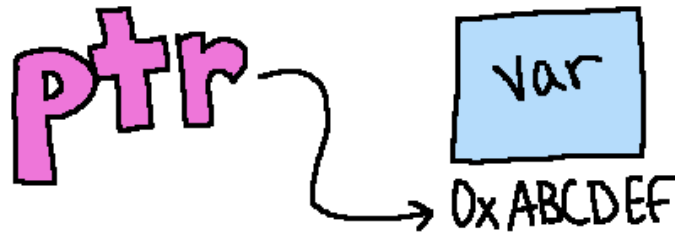
bool expectOut_exception = true;
bool actualOut_exception = false;

try
{
    testArray.PopBack();
}
catch( const runtime_error& ex )
{
    actualOut_exception = true;
    cout << ex.what() << endl;
}

// If expected out matches actual out...
```

4 Week 5: Pointers and memory allocation

4.1 Intro: Pointers



4.1.1 Bits and Bytes

When we declare a variable, what we're actually doing is telling the computer to set aside some **memory** (in RAM) to hold some information. Depending on what data type we declare, a different amount of memory will need to be reserved for that variable.

Data type	Size
boolean	1 byte
character	1 byte
integer	4 bytes
float	4 bytes
double	8 bytes

A **bit** is the smallest unit, storing just 0 or 1.

A **byte** is a set of 8 bits. With a byte, we can store numbers from 0 to 255, for an *unsigned* number (only 0 and positive numbers, no negatives).

The minimum possible value for 1 byte is 0.

(Decimal value = $128 \cdot 0 + 64 \cdot 0 + 32 \cdot 0 + 8 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 0$)

place	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The maximum possible value for 1 byte is 255.

(Decimal value = $128 \cdot 1 + 64 \cdot 1 + 32 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1$)

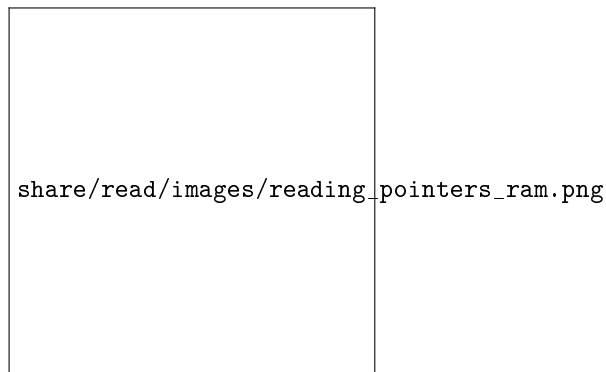
place	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Some data types, like a Boolean and a Character, use only 1 byte. But others, like Integers and Floats, use more. Since an integer uses 4 bytes, that means it has $8 \cdot 4 = 32$ bits available to store data. $2^{32} = 4,294,967,296$, so

floats and integers can store this many *different* values. (Note that this doesn't mean that an integer goes from 0 to 4,294,967,296, because we have to account for negative values.)

4.1.2 Memory addresses

Whenever a **variable is declared**, we need space to store what its **value** is. We have already looked at how many *bytes* a data type takes up, but where is the variable's data stored? – In *working memory*. You can think of this as the RAM, though the Operating System interacts with the RAM and gives us a "virtual memory space" to work with. But, to keep it simple, we will think of this as the RAM.



Each block of space in memory has a **memory address**, one after another. . .

Bit address | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Though to the computer, it represents these addresses in **binary** (base 2) or **hexadecimal** (base 16):

Address | 0x00 | 0x01 | 0x02 | 0x03 | 0x04 | 0x05 | 0x06 | 0x07 |

Hexadecimal goes from 0 to 16, but values from 10 and up are represented with letters. This is so each "number" in the value only takes 1 character (10 is two characters: 1 and 0). So, a quick reference for hexadecimal is like this:

Base 16 (Hex)	A	B	C	D	E	F
Base 10	10	11	12	13	14	15

Example: Variable in memory

Let's say we're investigating some blocks of memory.

If we declare a `char`, which gets 1 byte, it will take up any available memory where 8 bits are available side-by-side. Some blocks in memory might already be taken, so whatever is available will be used:

Address	Variables (BEFORE)	Address	Variables (AFTER)
0x0	(used)	0x0	(used)
0x1	(used)	0x1	(used)
0x2		0x2	char1
0x3		0x3	char1
0x4		0x4	char1
0x5		0x5	char1
0x6		0x6	char1
0x7		0x7	char1
0x8		0x8	char1
0x9		0x9	char1
0xA ₍₁₀₎	(used)	0xA ₍₁₀₎	(used)
0xB ₍₁₁₎	(used)	0xB ₍₁₁₎	(used)
0xC ₍₁₂₎		0xC ₍₁₂₎	
0xD ₍₁₃₎		0xD ₍₁₃₎	
0xE ₍₁₄₎	(used)	0xE ₍₁₄₎	(used)
0xF ₍₁₅₎	(used)	0xF ₍₁₅₎	(used)

In this case, declaring our variable,

```
char char1 = 'A';
```

its data will be placed with its first bit at address 0x2.

We can use the **address-of operator** `&` to see what any variable's address in memory is:

Example: Displaying the `char1` variable's value and its memory address

```
cout << "Value:   " << char1 << "\t";  
cout << "Address: " << &char1 << endl;
```

Getting the *address-of* a variable will return the address of its first bit, so the output here would be:

Program output:

```
Value:   A           Address: 0x2
```

(Again, keep in mind that the representation of addresses here is simplified.)

Example: Variable value in memory

We can see where the variable is stored at in memory, but let's look at how it's value will be stored as well. Given the declaration:

```
char char1 = 'A';
```

The value of 'A' is stored in 1 byte. Technically, our computer stores the letter "uppercase A" as the number 65. This can be converted into binary: $(65)_{10} = 0100\ 0001$. This is the data that would be stored in that memory address.

Address	Variables	Value
0x0	(used)	
0x1	(used)	
0x2	char1	0
0x3	char1	1
0x4	char1	0
0x5	char1	0
0x6	char1	0
0x7	char1	0
0x8	char1	0
0x9	char1	1
0xA ₍₁₀₎	(used)	
0xB ₍₁₁₎	(used)	
0xC ₍₁₂₎		
0xD ₍₁₃₎		
0xE ₍₁₄₎	(used)	
0xF ₍₁₅₎	(used)	

This is just a basic representation, again. One thing you'll learn more about in future Computer Science courses is *endian-ness*, such as whether a number has its most-significant bit on the left side or the right side. We're not worrying about that here. :)

4.1.3 Pointer variables

Pointer variables are another type of variable, but instead of storing a value like "ABC", 'X', 10.35, or 4, it stores a **memory address** instead.

1. Pointer declaration

When we declare a normal variable, we have to specify its **data type**. With a pointer variable, we specify the **data type** of the data it's pointing to, plus the * character (after the data type) to show that this is a pointer variable.

Declaration forms

- `DATATYPE* PTRNAME;`
- `DATATYPE * PTRNAME;`
- `DATATYPE *PTRNAME;`
- `DATATYPE* PTRNAME = nullptr;`
- `DATATYPE* PTRNAME{nullptr};`

The pointer variable declaration takes the same form as a normal variable's declaration *except* we have to put the asterisk `*` after the data type. The asterisk can be attached to the data type, the name, or free-standing, it doesn't really matter, but *I* prefer keeping it with the data type.

2. Pointer assignment

Once we have a pointer, we can point it to the address of any variable with a matching data type. To do this, we have to use the **address-of** operator to access the variable's address - this is what gets stored as the pointer's value.

Assignment forms

- Assigning an address during declaration:
`int* ptr = &somevariable;`
- Assigning an address *after* declaration:
`ptr = &somevariable;`

After assigning an address to a pointer, if we `cout` the pointer it will display the memory address of the *pointed-to* variable - just like if we had used `cout` to display the *address-of* that variable.

(a) Example: A variable and a pointer

```
// Declare normal variable
int someVariable = 100;

// Declare pointer variable,
// point to someVariable's address
int* ptr = &someVariable;

// Both show someVariable's address
cout << &someVariable;
cout << ptr << endl;
```




3. Dereferencing pointers to get values

Once the pointer is pointing to the address of a variable, we can *access* that pointed-to variable's value by *dereferencing* our pointer. This gives us the ability to read the value stored at that memory address, or overwrite the value stored at that memory address. We **dereference** the pointer by prefixing the pointer's name with a * - again, another symbol being reused but in a different context.

Dereference forms

- Displaying pointed-to value:
`cout << *ptr;`
- Overwriting pointed-to value:
`*ptr = 200;`
- Overwriting pointed-to value with user input:
`cin >> *ptr;`

(a) **Example: A variable and a pointer**

```
// Declare normal variable
int someVariable = 100;

// Declare pointer variable,
// point to someVariable's address
int* ptr = &someVariable;

// Both show someVariable's address
```

```
cout << &someVariable;
cout << ptr << endl;

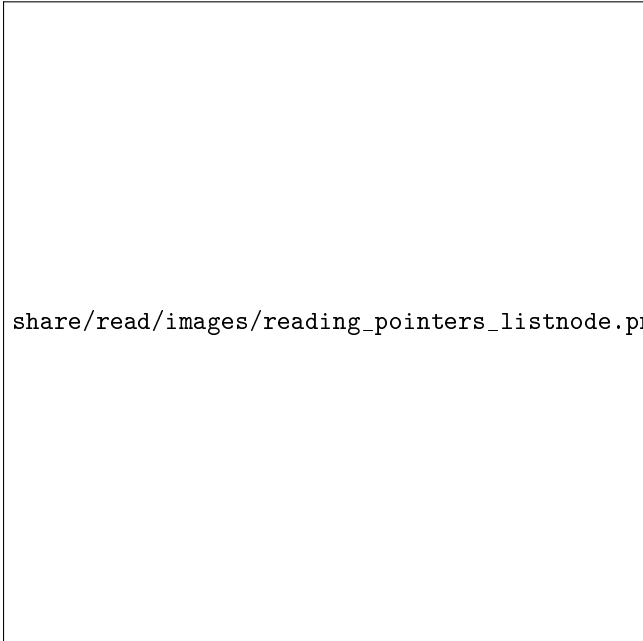
// Both show someVariable's value
cout << someVariable << endl;
cout << *ptr << endl;

// Update the variable's value via the pointer
*ptr = 50;
```

Safety with pointers!

Remember how variables in C++ store **garbage** in them initially? The same is true with pointers - it will store a garbage memory address. This can cause problems if we try to work with a pointer while it's storing garbage.

To play it safe, any pointer that is not currently in use should be initialized to `nullptr` (or `NULL` if you're going back to plain old C language :).



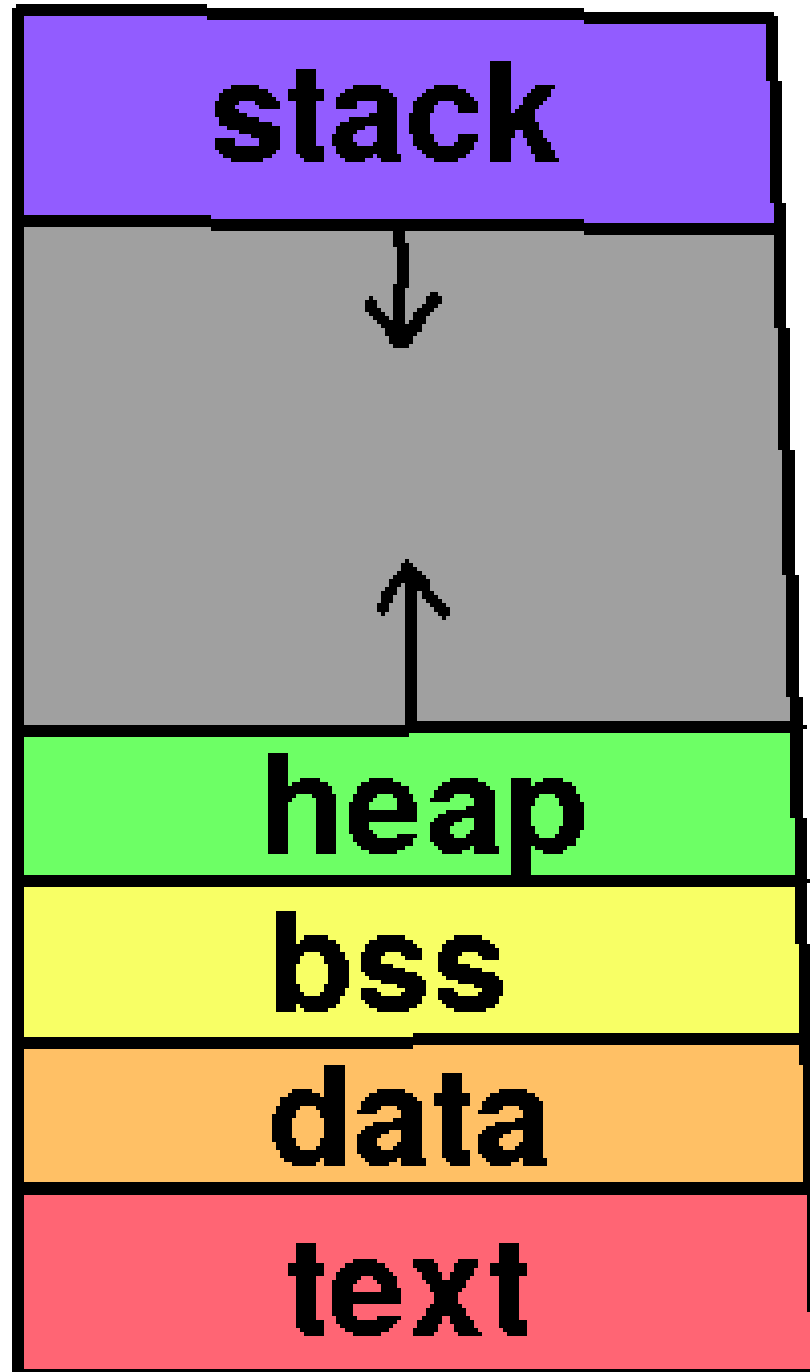
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4.1.4 Pointer cheat sheet

Declare a pointer	<pre>int* ptrInt; float *ptrFloat;</pre>
Assign pointer to address	<pre>ptrInt = &intVar; ptrFloat = &floatVar;</pre>
Dereference a pointer	<pre>cout << *ptrChar; *ptrInt = 100;</pre>
Assign to nullptr	<pre>float *ptrFloat{nullptr}; ptrChar = nullptr;</pre>

4.2 Intro: Dynamic arrays

4.2.1 Program memory



Programs have a memory space where different types of data is stored.

- Text is program instructions.

- **Data** is where global and static variables are stored.
- **Heap** space is where dynamically allocated variables/arrays are stored.
- **Stack** space is where local variables, parameter variables, are stored.

There is a limit to stack space. When you have something like a logic error in a recursive function and it keeps allocating space for variables eventually you'll get a Stack Overflow, running out of stack space.

Dynamically allocated variables and arrays are stored on the Heap.

4.2.2 Dynamic array

We can use Dynamic Arrays to allocate space for an array at run-time, without having to know or hard-code the array size in our code. To do this, we need to allocate memory on the heap via a **pointer**.

In C++ we use the **new** and **delete** keywords to allocate and deallocate memory. Because we have to manually manage this memory, it's important to remember to **delete** anything that has been allocated via **new**.

Creating a dynamic array

We don't have to know the size of the array at compile-time, so we can do things

```
int size;
cout << "Enter size: ";
cin >> size;
string* products = new string[size];
```

like ask the user to enter a size, or otherwise base its size off a variable.

Setting elements of the array

We can access elements of the dynamic array with the subscript operator, as before. However, we won't know the size of the array unless we use the **size** variable, so it'd be better to use a for loop to assign values instead of this example:

```
products[0] = "Pencil";
products[1] = "Eraser";
products[2] = "Pencil case";
products[3] = "Pencil sharpener";
products[4] = "Ruler";
```

Iterating over the array

Accessing elements of the array and iterating over the array is done the same way as with a traditional array.

```

for ( unsigned int i = 0; i < size; i++ )
{
    cout << i << ". "; // Display index
    cout << products[i] << endl; // Display element at that index
}

```

Freeing the memory when done

Before your pointer loses scope we need to make sure to free the space that we allocated:

```
delete [] products;
```

1. "Resizing" the array

When memory is allocated for an array we must know the entire size at once because all of the array's elements are *contiguous in memory*. Because of this, we don't technically "resize" a dynamic array, instead we allocate more space *elsewhere* and copy the data over to the new array. Here are the steps:

One: Allocate space for a new, bigger array

```
string* newArray = new string[ size + 10 ];
```

Two: Copy the data from the old array to the new array

```

for ( unsigned int i = 0; i < size; i++ )
{
    newArray[i] = products[i];
}

```

Three: Free the space at the old address

```
delete [] products;
```

Four: Update the main array pointer to the new address

```
products = newArray; // Point to same address
```

Five: Update your size variable

```
size = size + 10;
```

4.2.3 Review questions:

1. How do you allocate memory for an array via a pointer?
2. How do you deallocate memory for a dynamic array?
3. What are the steps to "resize" a dynamic array?

4.3 Lab: Pointers and memory

4.3.1 Assignment and policy info

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4.3.2 Included files:

```
wk05_Pointers
graded_program
  map.cpp
instructions.org
practice1_sizes
  sizes.cpp
practice2_addresses
  addresses.cpp
practice3_pointers
  pointers.cpp
practice4_dereferencing
  dereference.cpp
practice5_dynamicarray
  ptrarray.cpp
```

4.3.3 Practice 1 - Type sizes

1. Instructions

A `cout` statement is provided that displays the `sizeof(int)`. Add additional lines to display the size of `float`, `double`, `bool`, `char`, and `string`.

~

2. Reference

You can use the `sizeof` function to see how much space, in bytes, a data type takes up.

```
cout << sizeof( VARIABLE );  
cout << sizeof( DATATYPE );
```

~

3. Example output

```
integer size: 4  
float size: 4  
double size: 8  
bool size: 1  
char size: 1  
string size: 32
```

4.3.4 Practice 2 - Variables' addresses

1. Instructions

The address of variables `int1` and `bool1` are already being displayed with `cout` statements. Finish up this program by displaying the addresses of all `int` and `bool` variables.

~

2. Reference

You can access the address of a declared variable by using the address-of operator `&`.

```
cout << &VARIABLE;
```

~

3. Example output

```
int1's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa974  
int2's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa978  
int3's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa97c  
int4's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa980
```

```
int5's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa984
```

```
bool1's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa96f
```

```
bool2's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa970
```

```
bool3's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa971
```

```
bool4's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa972
```

```
bool5's address is: 0x7ffd2b5fa973
```

4.3.5 Practice 3 - Pointers

1. Instructions

At the start of this program the addresses and values of `studentA`, `studentB`, and `studentC` are displayed.

I have one example written where I set `ptrStudent` to point at `studentA`'s address, then it displays the location where `ptrStudent` is pointing.

Follow along and do the same to point `ptrStudent` to `studentB` and `studentC` and display the updated address stored in `ptrStudent` each time.

~

2. Reference A pointer-variable is another type of variable... except its VALUE isn't an integer or character or float, it's a memory address!

To declare a pointer, we use the datatype of the thing it's going to *point to*, plus an asterisk to mark it as a pointer, then give it a name. The `*` can be attached to the data type or the variable name or neither, but I prefer the first way here:

```
int* integerPointer;  
float * floatPointer;  
string *stringPointer;
```

To assign a pointer-variable the *address* of a different variable, we prefix the variable's name with the `&` address-of operator:

```
integerPointer = &someInteger;
```

~

3. Example output

```
studentA address: 0x61fef0, value: Luna  
studentB address: 0x61fed8, value: Kabe  
studentC address: 0x61fec0, value: Korra
```

```
ptrStudent is now pointing to: 0  
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x61fef0  
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x61fed8  
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x61fec0
```

4.3.6 Practice 4 - Dereferencing pointers

1. Instructions

In this program the table of students is shown at the start. I have code that sets `ptrStudent` to point to `studentA`, display the address that `ptrStudent` is pointing to, the value at that address, and then ask the user to enter a new value for that student, which is done via the dereferenced pointer.

Repeat the same for `studentB` and `studentC` beneath it.

~

2. Reference

To assign a pointer-variable the *address* of a different variable, we prefix the variable's name with the '&' address-of operator:

```
integerPointer = &someInteger;
```

You can then **de-reference** a pointer to access the value at the address it's pointing to. You can display values, overwrite values, and more - indirectly, through the pointer.

```
*integerPointer = 1000;  
cout << "someInteger is now " << *integerPointer << endl;
```

~

3. Example output

ORIGINAL TABLE

```
studentA address: 0x7fff050dde10, value: Luna  
studentB address: 0x7fff050dde30, value: Kabe  
studentC address: 0x7fff050dde50, value: Korra
```

```
ptrStudent is pointing to address: 0
```

```
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x7fff050dde10  
CURRENT VALUE: Luna  
Enter a new name: Buddy
```

```
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x7fff050dde30  
CURRENT VALUE: Kabe  
Enter a new name: Daisy
```

```
ptrStudent is now pointing to address: 0x7fff050dde50  
CURRENT VALUE: Korra  
Enter a new name: Freya
```

UPDATED TABLE

```
studentA address: 0x7fff050dde10, value: Buddy
studentB address: 0x7fff050dde30, value: Daisy
studentC address: 0x7fff050dde50, value: Freya
```

4.3.7 Practice 5 - Dynamic array

1. Instructions

- (a) After the user enters `total_classes`, create a dynamic array of strings. Use `total_classes` as the size.
- (b) After the "Getting input:" text, write a for loop that goes from `i=0` to the size of the array `total_classes`, incrementing by 1 each time. Within the loop, do the following: a. Display "Enter class #" and the value of `i`. b. Get the user's input from the keyboard and store it in the array element at position `i`.
- (c) After the "Resulting array" text, within this second for loop, display the value of `i` and the element at that position.
- (d) Before `return 0;`, make sure to free the array's memory.

~

2. Reference Create a dynamic array:

```
TYPE* ARRAYNAME = new TYPE[SIZE];
```

Free array's memory:

```
delete [] ARRAYNAME;
```

Iterate through an array, given some SIZE:

```
for ( size_t i = 0; i < SIZE; i++ )
{
    // index is i
    // element is ARRAYNAME[i]
}
```

3. Example output

```
MY CLASSES
```

```
How many classes do you have? 3
```

```
Getting input:
```

```
Enter class #0: CS134
```

```
Enter class #1: CS200
```

```
Enter class #2: CS235
```

```
Resulting array:
```

```
0 = CS134
```

```
1 = CS200
```

```
2 = CS235
```

4.3.8 Graded program

1. Reference

Dereferencing a pointer and access a member: If your pointer is pointing to an object variable, you can dereference the pointer and access a member variable or function using the `->` operator:

```
cout << ptrThing->name << endl;
```

When pointers are not in use they should be set to `nullptr`, then you can use an if statement to tell whether that pointer is being used or not:

```
if ( ptrThing->anotherPointer != nullptr )
{
    // Safe to do the thing
}
```

2. Instructions

In this program I've created a `Map` struct, which is a location in a text adventure. Each `Map` has up to 4 neighbor maps, which are pointed to via the map pointers `ptrNorth`, `ptrSouth`, `ptrWest`, and `ptrEast`.

(a) `void SetNeighbors(vector<Map>& maps)`

Set each of the maps' neighbors according to the map given. Make sure that the neighborhood is transitive - i.e., map 0's north neighbor is map 1, so map 1's south neighbor is map 0.

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(b) `void Game()`

In the game, we use `Map* currentMap` to store a pointer to the current map.

- Within the game loop display the current map's name and description.
- Afterwards, check to see if each of current map's neighbors is not `nullptr`. . . if it's not `nullptr`, that means there's a `Map` in that direction. Display that the player can go in THAT direction.

- After the user enters a selection in `userInput`, create a set of branching statements. You will need to check the direction they wish to go AND whether that neighbor is a nullptr pointer or not.
 - If the user wants to go 'n' AND there is a map to the north...
 - If the user wants to go 's' AND there is a map to the south...
 - If the user wants to go 'e' AND there is a map to the east...
 - If the user wants to go 'w' AND there is a map to the west...
 - For these scenarios, create an assignment statement to update `currentMap`, set it equal to its north/south/east/west pointer.


```
ptrThing = ptrThing->otherPointer;
```

3. Example output

 Turn: 1

West of House

You are standing in an open field west of a white house.

You can move... NORTH SOUTH WEST EAST

What do you want to do? (N/S/E/W): s

You move south.

 Turn: 2

South of House

You are facing the south side of a white house. There is no door.

You can move... NORTH EAST

What do you want to do? (N/S/E/W): e

You move east.

 Turn: 3

Kitchen

A table seems to have been used recently for the preparation of food.

You can move... WEST

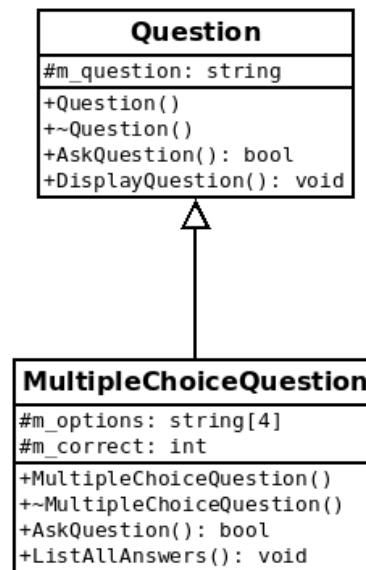
What do you want to do? (N/S/E/W):

5 Week 6: Polymorphism and static members

5.1 Intro: Polymorphism

5.1.1 Reviewing classes and pointers

1. Review: Class inheritance and function overriding



Some things to remember about inheritance with classes:

- Any public or protected members (functions and variables) are inherited by the child class. (e.g., `m_question`, `DisplayQuestion()`, and `AskQuestion()`).
- A child class can override the a parent's function by declaring and defining a function with the same signature. (e.g., `AskQuestion()`).
- If the child class doesn't override a parent's function, then when that function is called via the child object it will call the parent's version of that function. (e.g., `DisplayQuestion()`).

2. Review: Pointers to class objects

You can declare a pointer to point to the address of an existing object, or use the pointer to allocate memory for one or more new instances of that class. . .

- Pointer to existing address:


```
myPtr = &existingQuestion;
```

- Pointer to allocate memory:

```
myPtr = new Question;
```

Then, to access a member of that object via the pointer, we use the `->` operator, which is equivalent to dereferencing the pointer and then accessing a member:

- Arrow operator:

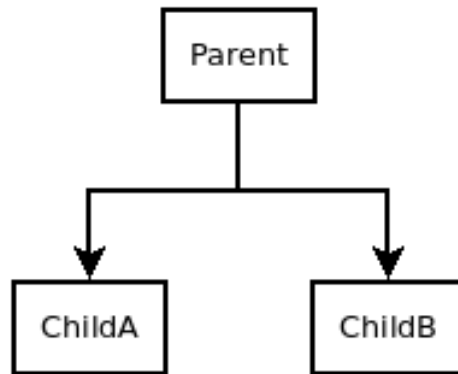
```
myPtr->DisplayQuestion();
```

- Dereference and access:

```
(*myPtr).DisplayQuestion();
```

5.1.2 Design and polymorphism

So much of the design tricks and features we utilize in C++ and other object-oriented programming languages all stem from the concept of "do not repeat yourself". If you're writing the same set of code in multiple places, there is a chance that we could design the program so that we only need to write that code once.



Polymorphism is a way that we can utilize pointers and something called **vtables** to have a family of classes (related by inheritance) and be able to write one set of code to handle interfacing with *all of those family members*. We have a family tree of classes, and we can write our program to treat all the objects as the **parent class**, but the program will decide which set of functions to call at run time.

Example: Using Polymorphism to treat ChildA and ChildB objects as their Parent object

```
Parent* myPtr = nullptr;  
if ( type == 1 ) { myPtr = new ChildA; }  
else if ( type == 2 ) { myPtr = new ChildB; }
```

```
myPtr->Display();
delete myPtr;
```

1. Example: Quizzer and multiple question types

Let's say we are writing a quiz program and there are different types of questions: True/false questions, multiple choice, and fill-in-the-blank. They all have a common question string, but how they store their answers is different...

Class diagrams:

Question	TrueFalseQuestion
# m_question : string	# m_question : string # m_answer : bool
+ bool AskQuestion() + void DisplayQuestion()	+ bool AskQuestion()

MultipleChoiceQuestion	FillInQuestion
# m_question : string # m_options : string[4] # m_correct : int	# m_question : string # m_answer : string
+ bool AskQuestion() + void ListAllAnswers()	+ bool AskQuestion()

How would you store a series of inter-mixed quiz questions in a program? Without polymorphism, you might think to just have separate vectors or arrays for all the questions:

Example: Not using Polymorphism - Having to create *separate* vectors for each Question type

```
vector<TrueFalseQuestion>    tfQuestions;
vector<MultipleChoiceQuestion> mcQuestions;
vector<FillInQuestion>      fiQuestions;
```

Utilizing polymorphism in C++, we could simply store an array of pointers of the parent type:

Example: Creating a vector of parent class pointers

```
vector<Question*> questions;
```

And then initialize the question as the type we want during creation:

Example: Storing different Question types in one vector

```
questions.push_back(new TrueFalseQuestion);
questions.push_back(new MultipleChoiceQuestion);
questions.push_back(new FillInQuestion);
```

Since we are using the `new` keyword here, we would also need to make sure to `delete` these items at the end of the program:

Example: Iterating over all the `Question` objects in the vector

```
for (auto& question : questions)
{
    delete question;
}
```

Other design considerations

When we're working with polymorphism in this way, we need to be able to treat each child as its parent, from a "calling functions" perspective. Each child can have its own unique member functions and variables, but when we're making calls to functions via a pointer to the parent type, the parent only knows about functions that it, itself, has.

Let's say that the `Question` class has a `DisplayQuestion()` function. Since all its children use `m_question` in the same way and inherit this function, it will be fine to call it via the pointer.

Example: Calling a common function (`DisplayQuestion`) that is part of the `Question` family tree

```
ptrQuestion->DisplayQuestion(); // ok
```

But with a function that belongs to a child - not the parent's interface - we wouldn't be able to call that function via the pointer without casting.

Example: Calling a function that doesn't belong to the `Question` family - just one of the subclasses

```
ptrQuestion->ListAllAnswers(); // not ok

(static_cast<MultipleChoiceQuestion*>(ptrQuestion))
->ListAllAnswers(); // ok
```

You could, however, still call that `ListAllAnswers` function from within `MultipleChoiceQuestion`'s `DisplayQuestion` function, and that would still work fine...

Example: Calling the specialized function from within the general function

```

bool MultipleChoiceQuestion::AskQuestion()
{
    DisplayQuestion();
    ListAllAnswers();
    // etc.
}

```

Still fuzzy? That's OK, this is just an overview; we're going to step into how all this works more in-depth next.

5.1.3 Which version of the method is called?

Let's say we have several objects already declared:

Example: Declaring multiple Question family objects

```

Question q1, q2;
MultipleChoiceQuestion mc1;

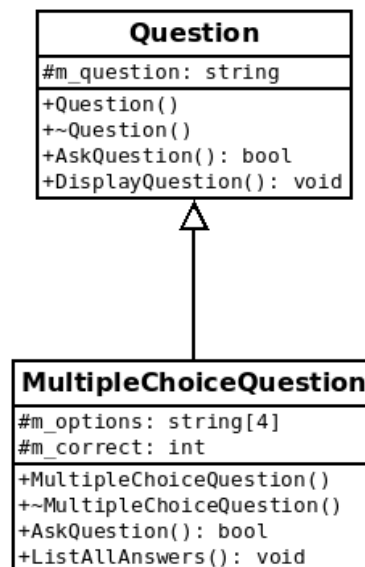
```

We could create a `Question*` ptr that points to `q1` or `q2` or even `mc1`...

```

Question* ptr;
ptr = &q1; // Question* pointing to a Question address
ptr = &q2; // Question* pointing to a Question address
ptr = &mc1; // Question* pointing to a MultipleChoiceQuestion address...?

```



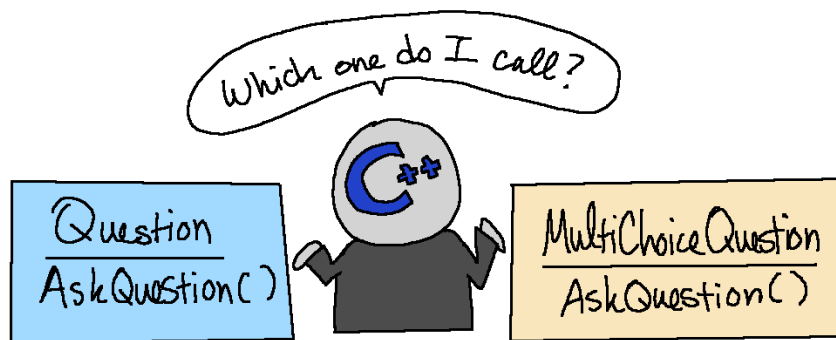
And, any functions that the `Question` class and the `MultipleChoiceQuestion` class could be called from this pointer...

```
// Every Question child just calls the Question::DisplayQuestion() function.  
ptr->DisplayQuestion();
```

This is fine for any member methods **not overridden** by the child class.
But, which version of the function is called if we used an **overridden** method?

```
// Every Question family class has its own AskQuestion() function.  
ptr->AskQuestion();
```

So which is called - `Question::AskQuestion()`, or `MultipleChoiceQuestion::AskQuestion()`?



1. No virtual methods - Which `AskQuestion()` is called?

Let's say our class declarations look like this:

Example: Question parent class declaration

```
class Question  
{  
    public:  
    bool AskQuestion();  
    // etc.  
};
```

Example: MultipleChoiceQuestion declaration

```
class MultipleChoiceQuestion : public Question  
{  
    public:  
    bool AskQuestion();  
    // etc.  
};
```

Here are the outputs we could have from using pointers in different ways:

A. Question* pointer, Question's AskQuestion() is called:Example:**

```
Question* ptr = new Question;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

B. MultipleChoiceQuestion* pointer, MultipleChoiceQuestion's AskQuestion() is called:

```
MultipleChoiceQuestion* ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

C. Question* pointer, Question's AskQuestion() is called:

```
Question* ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

"Well, how is that useful at all? The function called matches the pointer data type!" - true, but we're missing one piece that allows us to call **any child's version of the method** from a pointer of the parent type...

2. Virtual methods - Which AskQuestion() is called?

Instead, let's mark our method with the **virtual** keyword:

Example: Question class with virtual function

```
class Question
{
    public:
    virtual bool AskQuestion();
    // etc.
};
```

Example: MultipleChoiceQuestion class with virtual function

```
class MultipleChoiceQuestion : public Question
{
    public:
    virtual bool AskQuestion();
    // etc.
};
```

Here are the outputs we could have from using pointers in different ways:

A. Question* pointer, Question's AskQuestion() is called:

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Question* ptr = new Question;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

B. MultipleChoiceQuestion* pointer, MultipleChoiceQuestion's AskQuestion() is called:

```
MultipleChoiceQuestion* ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

C. Question* pointer, MultipleChoiceQuestion's AskQuestion() is called:

```
Question* ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion;
bool result = ptr->AskQuestion();
```

With this, we can now store a list of `Question*` objects, and each question can be a different child class, but we can write one set of code to interact with each one of them.

5.1.4 Virtual methods, late binding, and the Virtual Table

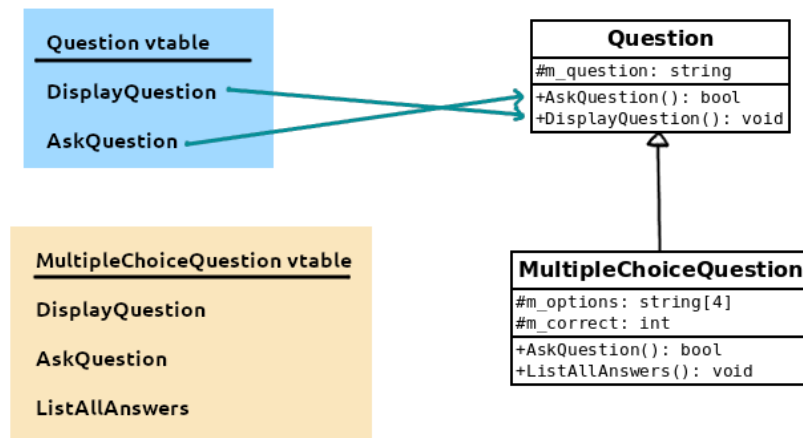
By using the **virtual** keyword, something happens with our functions - it allows the pointer-to-the-parent class to figure out *which version* of the method to actually call, instead of just defaulting to the parent class' version. But how does this work?

The **virtual keyword** tells the compiler that the function called will be figured out later. By marking a function as **virtual**, it then is added to something called a **virtual table** - or **vtable**.

The *vtable* stores special *pointers to functions*. If a class contains *at least one virtual function*, then it will have its own vtable.



With the **Question** class, it isn't inheriting any methods from anywhere else so the vtable reflects the same methods it has. But, we also have the child class that inherits **DisplayQuestion()** and overrides **AskQuestion()**.



Because of these **vtables**, we can then have our pointers reference this vtable when figuring out which version of a method to call. Doing this is called **late binding** or **dynamic binding**.

1. When should we use `virtual`?

Destructors should always be virtual.

If you're working with inheritance. By making your destructor **virtual** for each class in the family, you are ensuring that the **correct destructor** will be called when the object is destroyed or goes out of scope. If you don't make it virtual and utilize polymorphism, the correct destructor may not be called (i.e., `Question`'s instead of `MultipleChoiceQuestion`'s).

Constructors cannot be marked virtual

When the object is instantiated (e.g., `ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion;`) that class' constructor will be called already.

Not every function needs to be virtual.

It's all about design. Though generally, if you always want the parent's version of a method to be called, you wouldn't override that method in the child class anyway.

2. Designing interfaces with pure virtual functions and abstract classes

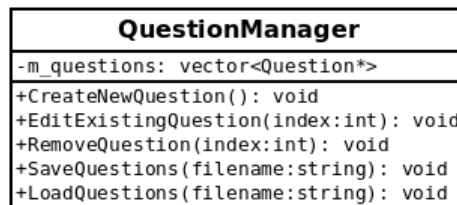
Polymorphism works best if you're designing a family of classes around some sort of **interface** that they will all share. In the `C#` language, there is an interface type that is available to you, but that's not here in `C++`, so we implement it via classes.

What is an Interface?

When we're designing a class to be an interface, the idea is that the user (or other programmers) will just see a set of functions it will interface with - none of the behind-the-scenes, how-it-works stuff.

Most of the devices we use have some sort of **interface**, hiding the more complicated specifics of how it actually works within a case. For example, a calculator has a simple interface of buttons, but if you opened it up you would be able to see its hardware and how everything is hooked up.

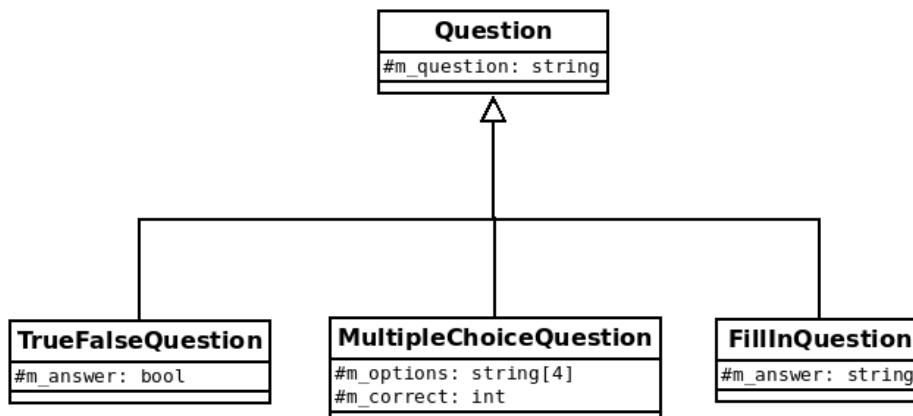
We use the same idea with writing software, where we expose some interface (in the form of the class' **public methods**) as how the "user" interacts with our class.



A common design practice is to write the first **base (parent) class** to be a specification of this sort of **interface** that all its children will adhere to, and to ensure that each child class **must follow the interface** by using something that the compiler will enforce itself: pure virtual functions.

When working with our Quiz program idea, our **base class** is **Question**, which would define the interface for all other types of Questions. Generally, our base interface class **would never be instantiated** - it is not complete in and of itself (i.e., a Question with no types of Answers) - but is merely used to outline a common interface for its family members.

Here is a blank diagram with just the member variables defined, but not yet any functionality, so that we can begin to step through thinking about an interface:



Thinking in terms of implementing a program that could **edit questions** (such as the teacher's view of the quiz), as well as that could **ask questions** (such as the student's view), we can try to think of what kind of functionality we would need from a question...

- Setup the question, answer(s)
- Display the question to the user
- Get the user's answer
- Check if the user's answer was correct

But, the specifics of how each of these question types stores the correct answer (and what data type it is) and validates it differ between each of them...

	User answer	Stored answer	Validate
True/false	bool	bool answer	Userinput == answer?
MultiChoice	int	string options[4]	Userinput == answer?
FillIn	int	string answer	Userinput == answer?

We could design our Questions so that they have functionality that interacts with the user directly (e.g., a bool function that asks the user to enter their response and returns true if they got it right and false if not) rather than writing functions around returning the actual answer (which would be more difficult because they have different data types).

- Set up question
- Run question

Declarations: We can set up a simple interface for our Questions with these functions. They've been marked as **virtual**, which allows us to use polymorphism, and they've also been marked with = 0 at the end, marking them as **pure virtual** - this tells the compiler that child classes **must** implement their own version of these methods. A function that contains pure virtual methods is called an **abstract class**.

Example: Question interface with pure virtual functions

```
class Question
{
public:
virtual void Setup() = 0;
virtual bool Run() = 0;

protected:
string m_question;
};
```

Now our child classes can inherit from `Question`. They will be required to override `Setup()` and `Run()`, and we can also have additional functions as needed for that implementation:

Example: Inheriting from the `Question` interface class

```
class MultipleChoiceQuestion : public Question
{
    public:
        virtual void Setup();
        virtual bool Run();
        void ListAllAnswers();

    protected:
        string m_options[4];
        int m_answer;
};
```

Definitions: Each class will have its own implementation of these interface functions, but since they're part of an interface, when we build a program around these classes later we can call all of them the same way.

Example: `Question` - Defining the `Setup` function

```
void Question::Setup() {
    cout << "Enter question: ";
    getline( cin, m_question );
}
```

Example: `TrueFalseQuestion` - Overwriting the `Setup` function calling the parent class' `Setup` function

```
void TrueFalseQuestion::Setup() {
    Question::Setup();
    cout << "Enter answer (0 = false, 1 = true): ";
    cin >> m_answer;
}
```

Example: `MultipleChoiceQuestion`

```
void MultipleChoiceQuestion::Setup() {
    Question::Setup();

    for ( int i = 0; i < 4; i++ )
    {
        cout << "Enter option " << i << ": ";
        getline( cin, m_options[i] );
    }
}
```

```

    cout << "Which index is correct? ";
    cin >> m_answer;
}

```

Example: FillInQuestion

```

void FillInQuestion::Setup() {
    Question::Setup();
    cout << "Enter answer text: ";
    getline( cin, m_answer );
}

```

Function calls: Now, no matter what *kind* of question subclass we're using, we can utilize the same interface - and the same code.

Example: Using Polymorphism to create the question and calling the common Setup and Run functions

```

// Create the pointer
Question* ptr = nullptr;

// Allocate memory
if ( choice == "true-false" )
{
    ptr = new TrueFalseQuestion();
}
else if ( choice == "multiple-choice" )
{
    ptr = new MultipleChoiceQuestion();
}
else if ( choice == "fill-in" )
{
    ptr = new FillInQuestion();
}

// Set up the question
ptr->Setup();

// Run the question
ptr->Run();

// Free the memory
delete ptr;

```

And, utilizing this interface, we could then store a `vector<Question*>` and set up each question as any question subclass without any duplicate code.

5.1.5 Example usage: Game objects

Let's say we have created a family tree of game objects, starting at the most basic object that has an (x, y) coordinate and dimensions:

GameObject
+ <code>GameObject()</code> + <code>Setup(...) : void</code> + <code>SetTexture(...) : void</code> + <code>GetName() : string</code> + <code>Update() : void</code> + <code>Draw() : void</code> (etc)
<code>position : Vector2f</code> # <code>name : string</code> # <code>sprite : Sprite</code> # <code>tx_coord : IntRect</code>

Then we might have something like an unanimated item in the world, but maybe it has physics so it needs the ability to update, and maybe it has some properties you wouldn't see on a character, like the ability to pick it up, or heal a character.

Item (inherits from <code>GameObject</code>)
+ <code>Setup(...) : void</code> (etc)
<code>can_pick_up : bool</code> # <code>heal_amount : int</code>

But then our player and NPC characters also have animated sprites and the ability to move with keyboard input or rudimentary AI:

Character (inherits from <code>GameObject</code>)
+ <code>Setup(...) : void</code> + <code>SetSpeed(float speed) : void</code> + <code>SetDirection(int dir) : void</code> + <code>Move(int dir) : void</code> + <code>Animate() : void</code> (etc)
<code>speed : float</code> # <code>direction : int</code>

If we didn't use polymorphism, we would have to store all objects in their own vector:

Example: Example of storing objects separately

```
vector<Character> m_npcList;  
vector<Item> m_pickups;  
vector<GameObject> m_decor;
```

But utilizing polymorphism, we can store one vector of `GameObject*` objects initialized on the heap, and any common functionality they have (Update, Draw, etc.) could be accessed via that pointer.

Example: Using Polymorphism for the game entities

```
// Our storage
vector<GameObject*> m_entities;

// Creating a new item (elsewhere in program)
GameObject* newItem = new Item;

// Adding it to the list
m_entities.push_back( newItem );

// Accessing it later
for ( auto& entity : entities )
{
    entity->Update();
}
```

5.2 Intro: Static

5.2.1 Member variables belong to separate instances

In the context of classes and their variables, the variables we've been working with so far are member variables. When a new object is instantiated, each object has its own version of these variables:

```
Cat cat1;
Cat cat2;

cat1.name = "Kabe";
cat2.name = "Luna";
```

cat1 and cat2 both have variables called name, but cat1's name is different from cat2's name - in memory address, and in value.

We can also declare **static** functions and variables within a class. These static items don't belong to an **instance of an object** - they belong to the class, and all instances share a single one of these static variables.

5.2.2 Static methods (functions)

When a class has a function declared as static, then that function can be called directly via the class itself, though it can also be called via an object. This can be useful for when we need to design a class that we really only need *one of* in the entire program. If we have one class that manages all of the audio in a video game, we shouldn't have to reinstantiate that "manager" over and over and over... we just need it once!

Declaration:

```
class Example
{
    public:
        static void Display();
};
```

Definition:

```
void Example::Display()
{
    cout << "HI" << endl;
}
```

Calls:

```
// Calling via the class
Example::Display();

// Calling via an object
Example e;
e.Display();
```

5.2.3 Static Variables and Functions

Static variables are a special type of variable in a class where **all instances of the class** share the same member. Another term you might hear is a **Class Variable**, whereas a normal member variable of a class would be an **Instance Variable**.

Let's say we are going to declare a **Cat** class, and each cat has its own name, but we also want a counter to keep track of how many Cats there are. The Cat counter could be a static variable and we could write a static method to return that variable's value.

Example: Declaration of a Cat class with a static counter to count the amount of Cat instantiations

```
class Cat
{
public:
    Cat()                { catCount++; }
    static int GetCount() { return catCount; }
    void SetName( string name ) { m_name = name; }
    string GetName() const    { return m_name; }

private:
    string m_name;
    static int catCount;
};
```

Within a source file, we will need to initialize this static member. This may go in the class' .cpp file outside of any of the function definitions.

Example: Initializing the Cat's static member variable at the top of Cat.cpp

```
// Initialize static variable
int Cat::catCount = 0;
```

And then any time we create a new Cat object, that variable will automatically add up, and every instance of the Cat will share that variable and its value.

Example: Calling the GetCount function via the objects (catA, catB, catC) or the class (Cat)

```
int main()
{
    Cat catA, catB, catC;

    // These all display 3
    cout << catA.GetCount() << endl;
    cout << catB.GetCount() << endl;
    cout << catC.GetCount() << endl;
    cout << Cat::GetCount() << endl;

    return 0;
}
```


Beyond accessing a static method or member directly through an **instantiated object**, we can also access it through the class name itself, like this: `cout << Cat::GetCount() << endl;`

1. Example usage: Manager class

In my game engine I use static member variables and functions for my **Manager** classes. These Managers are meant to manage parts of the game, such as the Texture library, Audio library, Inputs, Menus, and so on. Throughout the entire game, I don't create multiple **instances** of the `TextureManager`. Because the functions and data are **static**, I can use this class across the entire project directly.

Example: Declaring the `TextureManager`

```
class TextureManager
{
public:
    static std::string CLASSNAME;

    static void Add( const std::string& key, const std::string& path );
    static const sf::Texture& AddAndGet( const std::string& key, const std::string& path );
    static void Clear();
    static const sf::Texture& Get( const std::string& key );

private:
    static std::map<std::string, sf::Texture> m_assets;
};
```

Example: Defining the member variables (top of `TextureManager.cpp`):

```
std::string TextureManager::CLASSNAME = "TextureManager";
std::map<std::string, sf::Texture> TextureManager::m_assets;
```

Example: Function definitions look the same:

```
void TextureManager::Add( const std::string& key, const std::string& path )
{
    sf::Texture texture;
    if ( !texture.loadFromFile( path ) )
    {
        // Error
        cerr << "Unable to load texture at path \"" << path << "\", << endl;
        return;
    }

    m_assets[ Helper::ToLower( key ) ] = texture;
```

```

}

const sf::Texture& TextureManager::Get( const std::string& key )
{
    if ( m_assets.find( Helper::ToLower( key ) ) == m_assets.end() )
    {
        // Not found
        cerr << "Could not find texture with key " << key << endl;
        throw std::runtime_error( "Could not find texture with key " + key + " - T
    }

    return m_assets[ Helper::ToLower( key ) ];
}

```

Example: Calling the TextureManager functions:

```

TextureManager::Add( "moose",    "Content/Graphics/Demos/moose.png" );

// ...etc...
sf::Sprite m_player;
m_player.setTexture( chalo::TextureManager::Get( "moose" ) );

```

2. Example usage: Singleton pattern

Further, we can use the **Singleton pattern** to create a class that can *only* have one instance. You can learn more about the Singleton pattern here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Singleton_pattern .

A "Design Pattern" is kind of like a blueprint for a way to implement a structure. These are structures that people have figured out how to build that end up being useful in a lot of scenarios. You can learn more about Design Patterns here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Design_pattern .

5.3 Lab: Polymorphism and static

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5.3.2 Practice programs

1. Practice 1 - Polymorphism

- Reference
- Example output

```
-----  
ROUND 1  
Goblin (11/11), AC: 14  
Dalfin (9/9), AC: 15  
  
### Goblin's turn! ###  
Goblin attacks with a Crossbow!  
Hit! Dalfin takes 7 points of damage!  
  
### Dalfin's turn! ###  
1. Attack with Rapier    2. Attack with Short Bow  
CHOICE: 1  
Dalfin attacks with a Rapier!  
Hit! Goblin takes 5 points of damage!
```

(c) Instructions

In the `CharacterFamily.h` there is a base `ICharacter` that contains common functionality for any game character. I've already created the `NonPlayerCharacter` inheriting from `ICharacter`.

In this file, implement a `PlayerCharacter` class. You'll also need the two constructors, a virtual destructor, the virtual `DecideAction` function, and the two virtual Action functions.

Within `CharacterFamily.cpp`, for the NPC functions, I used a random roll for the NPC to decide which action to take. I've also implemented the two different attack actions.

You will implement the `PlayerCharacter` versions:

- i. `PlayerCharacter::PlayerCharacter()` You can leave the function body here empty.
- ii. `PlayerCharacter::PlayerCharacter(string new_name, int new_armor, int new_hp)` The function body here can be empty, but you should call the `ICharacter` parent class' constructor:

```
PlayerCharacter::PlayerCharacter( string new_name, int new_armor, int new_hp ) : ICharacter( new_name, new_armor, new_hp )
{
}
```
- iii. `PlayerCharacter::~~PlayerCharacter()` You can leave the function body here empty.
- iv. `void PlayerCharacter::DecideAction(int& attack_roll, int& damage_roll)` In this function display a simple numbered menu, such as:

```
1. Attack with Rapier          2. Attack with Short Bow
Ask the user to enter a choice and store it in an integer variable.
Based on the player's selection call Action1 or Action2.
```
- v. `void PlayerCharacter::Action1(int& attack_roll, int& damage_roll)` Display a message that the player attacks with the weapon (e.g., Rapier).
You'll also set values for the `attack_roll` and `damage_roll`. You can use the `RollDie` function. Example:
 - Attack roll: `RollDie(20) + 3`
 - Damage roll: `RollDie(8) + 3`
- vi. `void PlayerCharacter::Action2(int& attack_roll, int& damage_roll)` Display a message that the player attack with the weapon (e.g., Short Bow). Same thing as above.
 - Attack roll: `RollDie(20) + 4`
 - Damage roll: `RollDie(6) + 3`
- vii. `main()` Within the main function I've already created two `NonPlayerCharacter`s:

```
players.push_back( new NonPlayerCharacter( "Goblin", 14, 11 ) );
players.push_back( new NonPlayerCharacter( "Zeepboop", 13, 14 ) );
```

Go ahead and create a `PlayerCharacter` and push it into the `players` vector.
I have the two NPCs targeting different indices:

```
players[0]->SetOpponentIndex( 1 );
players[1]->SetOpponentIndex( players.size()-1 );
```

Your player will be at `players[2]`, use the same function to set the Player's opponent to either 0 or 1.

After that the rest of the game should work since we're utilizing polymorphism to treat all characters like an `ICharacter*` pointer.

2. Practice 2 - Static

(a) Example output

```
Total students: 0
Total students: 1
Total students: 2
Total students: 3
Total students: 4
Total students: 4
```

(b) Instructions

i. Student.h file:

- Add a class-level (static) variable to count how many students get instantiated.
- Declare a static `int` variable named `total_students`.

ii. Student.cpp file:

- At the top of the file outside of all of the functions initialize the `Student::total_students` static variable. (See the reference section).
 - In the `Student` constructor add a line of code that increments the `total_students` by 1. This counts up each time a new student object is created.
 - Within the `GetTotalStudents` function return the `total_students` static variable.
-

5.3.3 Practice 2 - Static manager

1. Instructions

Within `Product.h` the `Product` class is declared and `ProductManager` is also specified as a friend class. The `Product` class has three private member variables: `name`, `price`, and `year`. These normally wouldn't be accessible to functions or classes outside of itself but since `ProductManager` has been specified as a friend the manager class will be able to access these.

Within `ProductManager.h` declare the `ProductManager` class with the following:

- `AddProduct`, a static void function that takes in a `Product` as its parameter.

- `AddProduct`, a static void function that takes in a `name`, `price`, and `year` as its parameters.
- `Display`, a static void function.
- `products`, a static vector of `Product` objects.

Within `ProductManager.cpp` you will need to initialize the static member vector:

```
vector<Product> ProductManager::products;
```

And define each of its member functions:

(a) `void ProductManager::AddProduct(Product new_product)`

- Push the `new_product` into the `products` vector.

(b) `void ProductManager::AddProduct(string name, float price, int year)`

- Create a new `Product` object, initialize it with the `name`, `price`, and `year`, and push this object into the `products` vector.

2. `void ProductManager::Display()`

- Use this code as the header:

```
cout << left << fixed << setprecision(2);
cout << setw( 5 ) << "ID"
    << setw( 20 ) << "NAME"
    << setw( 10 ) << "PRICE"
    << setw( 10 ) << "YEAR"
    << endl;
cout << string( 80, '-' ) << endl;
```

then iterate through all of the `products` and display each item's index (`i`), `name`, `price`, and `year`.

3. Example output

LAUNCH PRICES

ID	NAME	PRICE	YEAR
0	NES	199.00	1985
1	SNES	199.00	1991
2	Nintendo 64	199.00	1996
3	GameCube	199.00	2001
4	Wii	249.00	2006
5	Wii U	299.00	2012
6	Nintendo Switch	299.00	2017

5.3.4 Graded programs

1. Graded program

(a) Example output

You can run the program with either the `run` argument or `test` argument. The test argument runs automated tests.

```
./quiz.exe run
```

```
-----  
True or false      - Pineapple belongs on pizza.  
1. TRUE           2. FALSE  
Your answer: 1  
Correct!
```

```
-----  
True or false      - Salmon is a mammal.  
1. TRUE           2. FALSE  
Your answer: 1  
Wrong!
```

```
-----  
Fill in the blank - Olathe is in which state?  
Your answer: Missouri  
Wrong!
```

```
-----  
Fill in the blank - 2+2 = ?  
Your answer: 4  
Wrong!
```

```
-----  
Multiple choice    - What is the Hindi word for cat?  
1. aap  
2. billee  
3. kutta  
4. kela  
Your answer: 2  
Correct!
```

```
RESULTS:  
2 out of 5 correct
```

(b) Instructions

- Within **QuestionManager** files we will implement a static manager class that stores and handles the **Question** types.
- Within **QuestionFamily** files there is an **IQuestion** abstract interface class and child classes. I've implemented **IQuestion**

and `TrueFalseQuestion` and you will implement an additional 2 types. We will utilize polymorphism to store all of the questions as a vector of `IQuestion*` pointers in the `QuestionManager`.

i. `QuestionFamily.h`

Within `QuestionFamily.h` I've already implemented `IQuestion`. Every type of quiz question has question text (`string question`), but different types of questions store their answers differently. I've already implemented `TrueFalseQuestion` - it stores `bool answer` to store the correct answer here.

In the same file, create two more classes that inherit from `IQuestion`:

- `FillInQuestion`
 - Protected member variable `answer` is a string.
 - Your `IsCorrect` function should take in a `string guess` parameter.
 - Also implement a parameterized constructor (takes in a string for the question and a string for the answer).
 - The default constructor and destructors' function bodies can be left empty.
- `MultipleChoiceQuestion`
 - Protected member variable `vector<string> options` for the multiple choices
 - Protected member variable `int correct` to store the index of the correct answer.
 - Your `IsCorrect` function should take in a `int guess` parameter.
 - Also implement a parameterized constructor (takes in a string for the question, vector of strings for the options, and an integer for the correct answer).
 - The default constructor and destructors' function bodies can be left empty.

ii. `QuestionFamily.cpp`

Within `QuestionFamily.cpp` implement the function definitions. You can use the `TrueFalseQuestion` for reference.

iii. `QuestionManager.h`

The `QuestionManager` has the following static functions:

- `static void AddQuestion(IQuestion* newQuestion);`
- `static void RunQuiz();`

And the following static variable:

- `static vector<IQuestion*> questions;`

You don't have to update anything in this file, just look at it to see that it's declared static functions/variables.

iv. QuestionManager.cpp

At the top of the file make sure to include this "definition" of the static variable:

```
vector<IQuestion*> QuestionManager::questions;
```

Within the **AddQuestion** function, push the `newQuestion` parameter into the `questions` vector.

Within the **RunQuiz**, create a variable to keep track of the amount of questions answered correctly.

Use a for loop to iterate over all of the question pointers in the `questions` vector. Within the for loop, call the question's `AskQuestion()` function. This function returns `true` if the user answered it correctly and `false` otherwise. If the user answered the question correctly, add 1 to the total correct counter.

After the for loop, display the amount of questions answered correctly and the total amount of questions.

v. main.cpp

Within main, create at least one of each type of question (not `IQuestion`), for example:

```
QuestionManager::AddQuestion(  
    new TrueFalseQuestion( "Pineapple belongs on pizza.",  
        true ) );
```

Afterwards, call the manager's `RunQuiz()` function.

```
QuestionManager::RunQuiz();
```

6 Week 7: Smart pointers

6.1 Intro: Smart pointers

Work in progress

6.2 Lab: Smart pointers

6.2.1 Assignment and policy info

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6.2.2 Included files:

```
wk07_SmartPointers
instructions.org
practice1_unique_pointers
    uniqueptr.cpp
practice2_shared_pointers
    sharedptr.cpp
```

6.2.3 Practice programs

1. Practice 1 - Unique Pointer

(a) Reference

- Documentation page: https://cplusplus.com/reference/memory/unique_ptr/

Creating a dynamic array:

```

// USING A VANILLA POINTER:
string* arr = new string[SIZE];

// USING UNIQUE POINTER:
unique_ptr<string[]> arr = unique_ptr<string[]>( new string[SIZE] );

// USING UNIQUE POINTER, BUT SHORTER:
auto arr = unique_ptr<string[]>( new string[SIZE] );

```

Moving pointer to point to new address:

```

// USING A VANILLA POINTER:
myPointer = otherPointer;

// USING UNIQUE POINTER (this changes ownership of that address):
myPointer = move( otherPointer );

```

Freeing dynamic array space (vanilla pointer only):

```
delete [] arr;
```

(b) Example output

UNIQUE POINTERS

Allocate space for a new arrays using 'arraySize'.

arraySize: 3, itemCount: 0

Enter a new item to add, or QUIT to quit: cs134

Adding cs134 to arr at position 0 and incrementing 'itemCount'...

arraySize: 3, itemCount: 1

Enter a new item to add, or QUIT to quit: cs200

Adding cs200 to arr at position 1 and incrementing 'itemCount'...

arraySize: 3, itemCount: 2

Enter a new item to add, or QUIT to quit: cs235

Adding cs235 to arr at position 2 and incrementing 'itemCount'...

Resize old dynamic array...

- Allocate space for a larger array
- Copy values from old array to new array
- Free the space at the old location
- Point our array to the new location

Resize new dynamic array...

- Allocate space for a larger array
- Copy values from old array to new array
- Use 'move' to change ownership of the new array address to our original 'a'

```

- Update the 'arraySize' to the 'newSize'.
arraySize: 6, itemCount: 3
Enter a new item to add, or QUIT to quit: cs250

Adding cs250 to arr at position 3 and incrementing 'itemCount'...
arraySize: 6, itemCount: 4
Enter a new item to add, or QUIT to quit: QUIT

Display all array elements...
oldDynArr[0] = cs134
newDynArr[0] = cs134
oldDynArr[1] = cs200
newDynArr[1] = cs200
oldDynArr[2] = cs235
newDynArr[2] = cs235
oldDynArr[3] = cs250
newDynArr[3] = cs250
(Old dynamic array only) - Free the memory!!

THE END

```

(c) Instructions

This program starts with a dynamic array going through the steps, but you will add a second array using the `unique_ptr` class.

- i. Beneath the "Allocate space for a new arrays using 'arraySize'." output, I'm declaring a dynamic array using a traditional pointer: `oldDynArr = new string[arraySize]; ...` You'll do the same, but with the `newDynArr` unique pointer.
- ii. Within the while loop, in the `else` case it adds a new item `text` to each of the two arrays. The syntax will be the same for both.
- iii. Within the `if (itemCount = arraySize)=` branch, it will check if the arrays are full. The first scope (within `{}`) shows steps to "resize" the dynamic array. Afterwards, you'll do the same for the `unique_ptr` version of the dynamic array. Do the following:
 - Create a `newArr` dynamic array (also a `unique_ptr`). Set it up to use `newSize` as the size.
 - In a for loop, copy values from `newDynArr` (the old, small array) to the `newArr` (the new, big array).
 - After the for loop, use the `move` function to change the ownership of `newArr` to the `newDynArr`.

2. Practice 2 - Shared Pointer

(a) Reference

- Documentation page: https://cplusplus.com/reference/memory/shared_ptr/

Allocating space for a new variable:

```
// USING A VANILLA POINTER:  
string* var = new string;  
  
// USING SHARED POINTER:  
shared_ptr<string> var = shared_ptr<string>( new string );  
  
// USING SHARED POINTER, BUT SHORTER:  
auto var = shared_ptr<string>( new string );
```

Pointing to an existing address:

```
// USING A VANILLA POINTER:  
string* pointer = otherPointer;  
  
// USING SHARED POINTER:  
shared_ptr<string> pointer = shared_ptr<string>( otherPointer );  
  
// USING SHARED POINTER, BUT SHORTER:  
auto pointer = shared_ptr<string>( otherPointer );
```

Freeing dynamic variable space (vanilla pointer only):

```
delete var;
```

(b) Example output

SHARED POINTERS

Allocate space for nodes the old way...

```
OldNode: A  
OldNode: B  
OldNode: C
```

Allocate space for nodes the new way...

```
NewNode: X  
NewNode: Y  
NewNode: Z
```

Set up Node neighbors for OldNodes...

Set up Node neighbors for NewNodes...

Display OldNode list... A... B... C...

Display NewNode list... X... Y... Z...

(NewNode list only) - Display use counts :)

```

newFirst: 2
newFirst->ptrNext: 3
newFirst->ptrNext->ptrNext: 2

(OldNode list only) - Free all OldNodes!

THE END

```

(c) Instructions

With this program we're creating a simple list data structure. Two Node types are declared, `OldNode` uses traditional pointers, but `NewNode` uses the `shared_ptr` pointers. I've implemented the old-style list, and you'll do the same with the new-style list.

- i. After the message "Allocate space for nodes the new way...", create 3 `shared_ptr<NewNode>` objects - `newFirst`, `newSecond`, `newThird`. Initialize them to "X", "Y", and "Z". The syntax is a bit ugly: `auto newFirst = shared_ptr<NewNode>(new NewNode("X"));`
- ii. After the "Set up Node neighbors for NewNodes..." message, follow the `oldFirst/oldSecond/oldThird` pointer updates above to set the neighbors; the syntax will be the same. (`nullptr <- 1 <-> 2 <-> 3 -> nullptr`)
 - NOTE: You don't have to initialize any of the pointers to `nullptr`; that happens in the Node constructors.
- iii. For the "Display `NewNode` list..." section, you'll need a "walker" pointer to point to wherever it's currently visiting in the list, starting at the first Node.
 - A. Initialize it to the first node: `auto ptrCurrent = shared_ptr<NewNode>(newFirst);`
 - B. Create a while loop, loop while `ptrCurrent` is not `nullptr`. Within the while loop:
 - Display `ptrCurrent`'s data.
 - Set `ptrCurrent` equal to `ptrCurrent->ptrNext` to have it step forward.
- iv. Under the "Display use counts" section, use the `.use_count()` that is part of the `shared_ptr` class. Display each Node's use count.

6.3 Project part 2: Testing

https://gitlab.com/rachels-courses/shopazon_202501/-/wikis/milestone2

7 Week 8: Algorithm efficiency

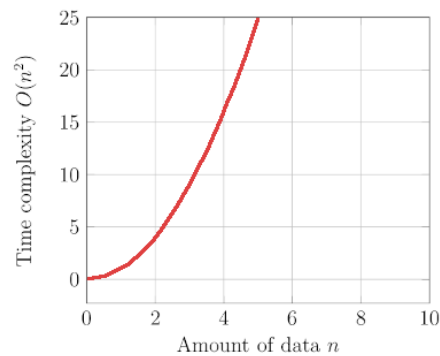
7.1 Intro: Algorithm efficiency

7.1.1 Introduction: Algorithm Efficiency (and why we care)

Processing power continues increasing as time moves forward. Many things process so quickly that we barely notice it, if at all. That doesn't mean we can just write code as inefficiently as possible and just let it run because "computers are fast enough, right?" - as technology evolves, we crunch more and more data, and as "big data" becomes a bigger field, we need to work with this data efficiently - because it doesn't matter how powerful a machine is, processing large quantities of data with an inefficient algorithm can still take a long time.

And some computers today are slow. Not usually the computers that the average person is using (Even though it might feel that way if they're running Windows). Some computers that handle systems are pretty basic, or they're small, and don't have the luxury of having great specs. Fitness trackers, dedicated GPS devices, a thermostat, etc. For systems like these, processing efficiency is important.

Let's say our algorithm's time to execute increases quadratically. That means, as we increase the amount of items to process (n), the time to process that data goes up quadratically.



For processing 1 piece of data, it takes 1 unit of time (we aren't focused so much on the actual unit of time, since each machine runs at different speeds) - that's fine. Processing 2 pieces of data? 4 units of time. 8 pieces of data? 64 units of time. We don't just double the amount of time it takes when we double the data - we square it.

How much data do you think is generated every day on a social media website that has millions of users? Now imagine the processing time for an algorithm with a quadratic increase. . .

Data to process (n)	Time to process ("time units")
1	1
2	4
3	9
4	16
5	25
...	...
100	10,000
1,000	1,000,000
10,000	100,000,000
1,000,000	1,000,000,000,000

From a design standpoint we also need to know what the efficiency of different algorithms are (such as the algorithm to find data in a Linked List or the algorithm to resize a dynamic array) in order to make design decisions on what is the best option for our software.

7.1.2 Example: Fibonacci sequence, iterative and recursive

As an example, you shouldn't use a recursive algorithm to generate a Fibonacci sequence (Each number F_n in the sequence is equal to the sum of the two previous items: $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$). It's just not as efficient! Let's look at generating the string of numbers:

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55

The most efficient way to do this would be with an iterative approach using a loop. However, we could also figure it out with a recursive approach, though the recursive approach is much less efficient.

Fibonacci sequence, iterative:

```
int GetFib_Iterative(int n)
{
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) { return 1; }

    int n_prev = 1;
    int n_prevprev = 1;
    int result = 0;

    for (int i = 2; i <= n; ++i)
    {
        result = n_prev + n_prevprev;
        n_prevprev = n_prev;
        n_prev = result;
    }

    return result;
}
```

```
}
```

This algorithm has a simple loop that iterates n times to find a given number of the Fibonacci sequence. The amount of time the loop **iterates** based on n is:

n	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	...	20
iterations	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	...	19

Fibonacci sequence, recursive:

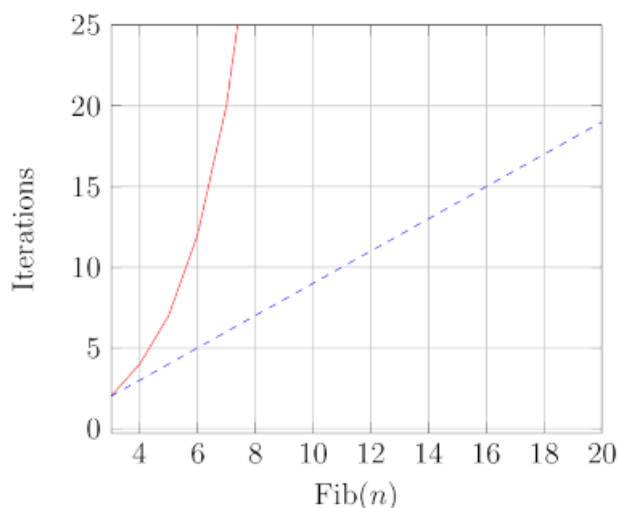
```
int GetFib_Recursive(int n)
{
    if (n == 0 || n == 1) { return 1; }

    return GetFib_Recursive(n - 1) + GetFib_Recursive(n - 2);
}
```

The way this version is written, any time we call this function with any value n , it has to compute the Fibonacci number for $Fib(n - 1)$, $Fib(n - 2)$, $Fib(n - 3)$, ... $Fib(1)$, $Fib(0)$... twice. This produces duplicate work because it effectively *doesn't "remember"* what $Fib(3)$ was after it computes it, so for $Fib(n)$ it has to recompute $Fib(n - 1)$ and $Fib(n - 2)$ each time...

n	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	...	20
iterations	2	4	7	12	20	33	54	88	...	10,945

The growth rate of the iterative version ends up being **linear**: As n rises linearly, the amount of iterations also goes up **linearly**. The growth rate of the recursive function is **exponential**: As n rises linearly, the amount of iterations goes up **exponentially**.

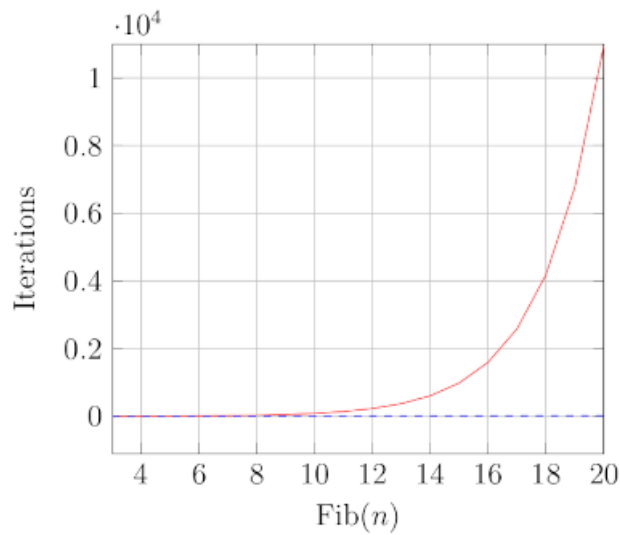


- Red/solid: Recursive growth rate

- Blue/dashed: Iterative growth rate

- Y scale from 0 to 25 (the 0th, to 25th Fibonacci number to generate).

For small amounts this might not be too bad. However, if we were generating a Fibonacci number further in the list, it would continue getting even slower...



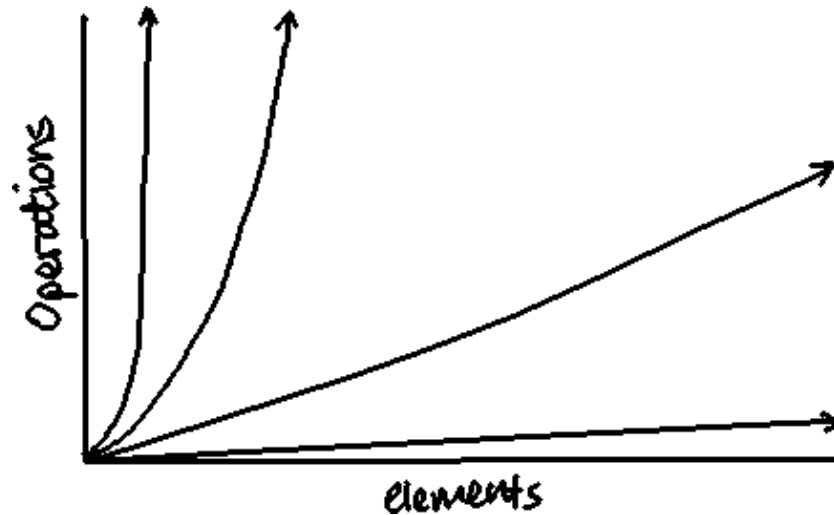
- Red/solid: Recursive growth rate

- Blue/dashed: Iterative growth rate

- Y scale from 0 to 11,000 (the 11,000th Fibonacci number to generate).

If we are trying to generate the 11,000th item in the sequence, the iterative approach requires 11,000 iterations in a loop. That linear increase is still *much faster* than each $Fib(n)$ calling $Fib(n - 1)$ and $Fib(n - 2)$ recursively.

7.1.3 Big-O Notation and Growth Rates



For the most part, we don't care much about the exact amount of times a loop runs. After all, while the program is running, n could be changing depending on user input, or how much data is stored, or other scenarios. Instead, we are more interested in looking at the big picture: the generalized **growth rate** of the algorithm. (This can include time-to-process growth or space growth.)

We use something called "Big-O notation" to indicate the growth rate of an algorithm. Some of the rates we care about are:

Constant time	$O(1)$
Logarithmic time	$O(\log(n))$
Linear time	$O(n)$
Quadratic time	$O(n^2)$
Cubic time	$O(n^3)$
Exponential time	$O(2^n)$

1. Constant time, $O(1)$



We think of any single command as being constant time. The operation $a = b + c$ will take the same amount of computing time no matter what the values of a , b , and c are.

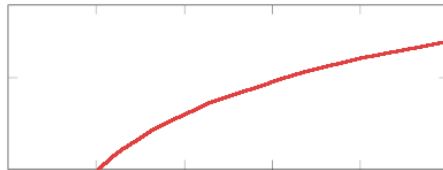
```
int F(int x)
```

```

{
  return 3 * x + 2;
}

```

2. Logarithmic time, $O(\log(n))$



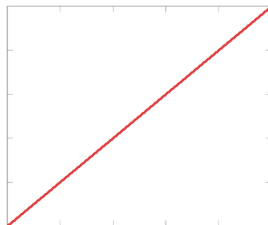
Having an algorithm that halves its range each iteration of the loop will result in a logarithmic growth rate.

```

int Search(int l, int r,
           int search, int arr[])
{
  while ( l <= r )
  {
    int m = l + (r-1) / 2;
    if ( arr[m] == search )
      { return m; }
    else if ( arr[m] < search )
      { l = m+1; }
    else if ( arr[m] > search )
      { r = m-1; }
  }
  return -1;
}

```

3. Linear time, $O(n)$



Having a single loop that iterates over a range will be a linear time increase.

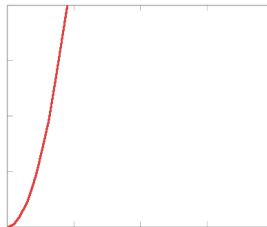
```

int Sum( int n ) {
    int sum = 0;
    for (int i=1; i<=n; i++) {
        sum += n;
    }
    return sum;
}

```

If there is some scenario that causes the loop to halve its range each time, then its growth rate would be *less than linear*: as $(\log(n))$.

4. Quadratic time, $O(n^2)$



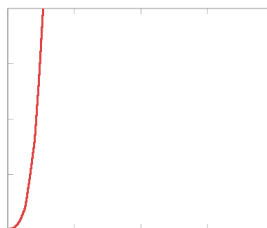
Quadratic time comes into play when you have one loop iterating n times nested within another loop that also iterates n times. For example, if we were writing out times tables from 1 to 10 ($n = 10$), then we would need 10 rows and 10 columns, giving us $10^2 = 100$ cells.

```

void TimesTables(int n) {
    for (int y=1; y<=n; y++) {
        for (int x=1; x<=n; x++) {
            cout << x << "*" << y << "="
                << x*y << "\t";
        }
        cout << endl;
    }
}

```

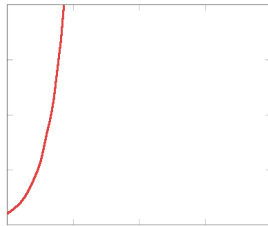
5. Cubic time, $O(n^3)$



Just like nesting two loops iterating n times each gives us a n^2 result, having three nested loops iterating n times each gives us a $O(n^3)$ growth rate.

```
void CubicThing(int n) {
    for (int z=1; z<=n; z++) {
        for (int y=1; y<=n; y++) {
            for (int x=1; x<=n; x++) {
                cout << x << " "
                    << y << " "
                    << z << endl;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

6. Exponential time, $O(2^n)$



With an exponential function, each step *increases* the complexity of the operation. The Fibonacci example is a good illustration: Figuring out $\text{Fib}(0)$ and $\text{Fib}(1)$ are constant, but $\text{Fib}(2)$ requires calling $\text{Fib}(0)$ and $\text{Fib}(1)$, and $\text{Fib}(3)$ calls $\text{Fib}(1)$ and $\text{Fib}(2)$, with $\text{Fib}(2)$ calling $\text{Fib}(0)$ and $\text{Fib}(1)$, and each iteration adds that many more operations.

```
int Fib(int n)
{
    if (n == 0 || n == 1)
        return 1;

    return
        Exponential_Fib(n-2) + Exponential_Fib(n-1);
}
```

7.1.4 Counting commands

We are more interested in generalizations about efficiency, but for now let's count concrete commands executed that occur with an algorithm.

We can treat a single command (like a variable assignment) as a constant 1, but once we hit a loop, the internal command is executed $1 * n$ times.

Let's look at how many commands are executed based on (1) the input value n , and (2) the amount of commands in the algorithm.

And note, we don't count the function header and opening/closing curly braces as a command. Only the contents of the function.

1. Example 1

```
int Func( int n )
{
    return 3 * n; // +1 command
}
```

How many commands are executed when...

- $n = 1$?
- $n = 10$?
- $n = 100$?

This is a **constant** time, so no matter what n is, we will always just be executing *one arithmetic command*.

2. Example 2

```
int Func( int n )
{
    n += 1; // +1 command

    if ( n > 100 )
        return n+100; // +1 command, or
    else if ( n > 10 )
        return n+10; // +1 command, or
    else
        return n; // +1 command
}
```

Given the if/else if statement, note that only one of these will be executed. Don't count the if/else if statement itself, just the return commands.

How many commands are executed when...

- $n = 1$?
- $n = 10$?

- $n = 100$?

This is another example of a **constant** time algorithm. Evaluating the "if" statements are essentially negligible, time-complexity-wise.

3. Example 3

```
void Func( int n )
{
    for ( int i = 0; i < n; i++ )
    {
        cout << i << " "; // +1 command each iteration
    }
}
```

How many commands are executed when...

- $n = 1$?
- $n = 10$?
- $n = 100$?

Since we have a loop in here, it runs n commands, so the amount of commands executed **are** affected by the n value. In this case, with just the one loop, this is a **linear** time increase.

4. Example 4

```
void Func( int n )
{
    int iterations = 0; // Don't count me
    for ( int i = 0; i < n; i++ )
    {
        for ( int j = 0; j < n; j++ )
        {
            cout << i << "," << j << endl; // +1 command each iteration
            iterations++; // Don't count me
        }
    }
    cout << "Iterations: " << iterations << endl; // Don't count me
}
```

(You can put this code in an IDE to see the result for different n values. Just ignore the items marked // Don't count me.)

How many commands are executed when...

- $n = 1$?
- $n = 10$?

- $n = 100$?

Given some n value the **nested** loops will cause some command to be processed n^2 amount of times. This increase is **quadratic**.

7.1.5 Identifying growth rates

We were just counting amount of commands or iterations for a function, but we aren't concerned with these concrete numbers when we are analyzing the efficiency of an algorithm. Instead, we care about generalized growth rate.

Here's a "cheat sheet" for quickly identifying algorithm increases. This is for very general cases, so you may need to study an algorithm more to figure out its actual growth rate.

Growth rate	Big-O notation	Identification
Constant	$O(1)$	Single statements
Logarithmic	$O(\log(n))$	Algorithm halves its work each iteration
Linear	$O(n)$	A for loop
Quadratic	$O(n^2)$	Two for loops nested
Exponential	$O(2^n)$	Algorithm doubles its work each iteration

8 Common general issues

8.1 g++: error: No such file or directory. fatal error: no input files.

Error:

```
g++: error: No such file or directory. fatal error: no input files.
```

Solution:

This means that you used "Open Folder" in the wrong location. Please make sure to open up the subfolder for a given practice or graded program to work on in VS Code.

8.2 make is not recognized as the name of a cmdlet.

Error:

```
make : The term 'make' is not recognized as the name of a cmdlet, function, script file, or operable program. Check the spelling of the name, or that the path is correct and try again.
```

```
At line:1 char:1
```

```
+ make debug
```

```
+ ~~~~
```

```
+ CategoryInfo          : ObjectNotFound: (make:String) [], CommandNotFoundException
```

```
+ FullyQualifiedErrorId : CommandNotFoundException
```

Solution:

You need to go to C: on your computer and rename the "mingw32-make.exe" program to "make.exe".

9 Common mac-related issues

9.1 non-aggregate type cannot be initialized with an initializer list

```
error: non-aggregate type 'vector<std::string>' cannot be initialized with an initializer list.
```

Cause: Building on Mac defaults to the 1998 version of C++ instead of a more modern one. In order to fix this for any programs using `vector<THING> = { /* stuff */ };`, you'll need to specify the C++ version during your build:

Example: Build with C++ 2011:

```
g++ myfile.cpp -std=c++11
```

1998, 2011, 2014, 2017, and 2023 are major versions.

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9.2 gdb doesn't work on Mac!

The GDB debugger isn't available on mac, but you can use the LLDB debugger instead, which should already be installed if you installed your tools via XCode.

See the [LLDB Reference Page](#) for steps!

10 Syllabus

10.1 Course information

College	Johnson County Community College
Division	CSIT (Computer Science/Information Technology)
Instructor	R.W. Singh (they/them)
Semester	Spring 2025 (1/21/2025 - 5/19/2025)
Course	CS 250: Basic Data Structures using C++ (4 credit hours)
Section	Section 400 / CRN 11909 / HyFlex
Schedule	Tuesdays, 6:00 - 8:50 pm
Room	Regnier center, room 380
Office hours	Mondays, 3:30 - 5:30 pm; Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:30 am; Tuesdays 4:30 - 5:30 pm; Thursdays 9:30 - 10:30am

Course description This course emphasizes programming methodology and problem solving using the object-oriented paradigm. Students will develop software applications using the object-oriented concepts of data abstraction, encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism. Students will apply the C++ techniques of dynamic memory, pointers, built-in classes, function and operator overloading, exception handling, recursion and templates. 3 hrs. lecture, 2 hrs. lab by arrangement/wk. Catalog link: https://catalog.jccc.edu/coursedescriptions/cs/#CS_235

Prerequisites CS 200 or CS 201 or CS 205.

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1. Class communication

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- **Reply speed** - I will attempt to reply within 1 business day of receiving your message.
- **Course announcements** - I will periodically post Announcements on Canvas, which may have assignment fixes, course news, etc. Please make sure to keep an eye on it.

10.1.2 Course delivery (HyFlex)

This course is set up as a **HyFlex** course. This means the following:

- Courses have a scheduled "in-class" time each week.
- Students can choose to attend class in one of three ways:
 1. In person in the classroom during class time.
 2. Remotely via Zoom during class time.
 3. Watch the archived Zoom lecture *after* class time. **If you do not attend the class section, I expect that you will watch the archived class video afterward so that you stay up-to-date on course news.**
- A Zoom link will be available for each class session. Please see the Canvas page, under "Zoom", for the link.
- Class sessions will be recorded and you can view them afterwards. They will be posted to the Canvas main page once available.

To see more about JCCC course delivery options, please visit: <https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/course-delivery-methods.html>

10.1.3 Student drop-in times (office hours)

Office hours for **Spring 2025** are:

- Mondays, 3:30 - 5:30 pm
- Tuesdays, 9:30 - 10:30 am
- Tuesdays, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
- Thursdays, 9:30 - 10:30 am

I will be available on campus or via Zoom. Zoom link will be posted on Canvas under "office hours". Office hours are time for you to drop in whenever and ask questions as needed.

10.1.4 Course supplies

1. **Textbook:** Rachel's CS 200 course notes (<https://moosadee.gitlab.io/courses/>)
 - I will link to each reading item on Canvas.
2. **Zoom:** Needed for remote attendance / office hours
3. **Tools:** See first week assignments for setup instructions.
 - WINDOWS: g++ (MinGW), make, git, gdb
 - LINUX: g++, make, git, gdb
 - MAC: brew, g++, make, git, gdb
 - VS Code (<https://code.visualstudio.com/>) or VS Codmium (<https://vscodium.com/>).
4. **Accounts:** See first week assignments for setup instructions.
 - GitLab (<https://gitlab.com/>) for code storage
5. **Optional:** Things that might be handy
 - Dark Reader plugin (Firefox/Chrome/Safari/Edge) to turn light-mode webpages into dark-mode. (<https://darkreader.org/>)

10.1.5 Recommended experience

Computer skills - You should have a base level knowledge of using a computer, including:

- Navigating your Operating System, including:
 - Installing software
 - Running software

- Locating saved files on your computer
- Writing text documents, exporting to PDF
- Taking screenshots
- Editing .txt and other plaintext files
- Navigating the internet:
 - Navigating websites, using links
 - Sending emails
 - Uploading attachments

Learning skills - Learning to program takes a lot of reading, and you will be building up your problem solving skills. You should be able to exercise the following skills:

- Breaking down problems - Looking at a problem in small pieces and tackling them one part at a time.
- Organizing your notes so you can use them for reference while coding.
- Reading an entire part of an assignment before starting - these aren't step-by-step to-do lists.
- Learning how to ask a question - Where are you stuck, what are you stuck on, what have you tried?
- Recognizing when additional learning resources are needed and seeking them out - such as utilizing JCCC's Academic Achievement Center tutors.
- Managing your time to give yourself enough time to tackle challenges, rather than waiting until the last minute.

How to ask questions - When asking questions about a programming assignment via email, please include the following information so I can answer your question:

1. Be sure to let me know WHICH ASSIGNMENT IT IS, the specific assignment name, so I can find it.
2. Include a SCREENSHOT of what's going wrong.
3. What have you tried so far?

10.2 Course policies

10.2.1 Grading breakdown

Assessment types are given a certain weight in the overall class. Breakdown percentages are based off the course catalog requirements (https://catalog.jccc.edu/coursedescriptions/cs/#CS_235)

Final letter grade: JCCC uses whole letter grades for final course grades: F, D, C, B, and A. The way I break down what you receive at the end of the semester is as follows:

Total score	Letter grade
89.5% <= grade <= 100%	A
79.5% <= grade < 89.5%	B
69.5% <= grade < 79.5%	C
59.5% <= grade < 69.5%	D
0% <= grade < 59.5%	F

Grading style: All assignments begin at 0% at the start of the semester. As you work through course content, your grade will grow and will not go down. Toward the end of the semester the score you have reflects your final grade in the course, so you will be working towards the grade you want.

Assignment types:

- **Exams** (40% of grade)
- **Project** (20% of grade) - A programming project that you will work on throughout the semester.
- **Labs** (20% of grade) - Weekly programming labs to practice new topics.
- **Concept intros** (10% of grade) - Weekly reading and review quiz material.
- **Exercises** ()
 - **Tech Literacy** (5% of grade) - Discussion boards to expand learning of tech topics.
 - **Status updates** (5% of grade) - Weekly updates on how you're doing with the course topics.

10.2.2 Due dates, late assignments, re-submissions

- **Due dates** are set as a guide for when you *should* have your assignments in by.
 - I do not count off points for "late" assignments. Just get the assignment in by the "available until" date.
- **End dates/available until dates** are a hard-stop for when an assignment can be turned in. Assignments cannot be turned in after this date.
- **Resubmissions** to some assignments are permitted:

- **Concept Introductions** are auto-graded and you can resubmit them as much as you'd like, with the highest score being saved.
- **Labs** are manually graded but you can turn in fixes after receiving feedback from the instructor.

10.2.3 Attendance

First week of class: JCCC requires us to take attendance during the first week of the semester. Students are required to attend class (if there is a scheduled class session) this first week. If there are scheduling conflicts during the first week of class, please reach out to the instructor to let them know. JCCC auto-drops students marked as not in attendance during the first week of class, but students can be reinstated. See <https://www.jccc.edu/admissions/enrollment/reinstatement.html> for more details.

HyFlex classes: The following three scenarios count as student attendance for my classes:

1. Attending class in person during the class times, or
2. Attending class remotely via Zoom during class times, or
3. Watching the recorded Zoom class afterwards. **If you do not attend the class session I will expect you to watch the archived class video so that you keep up-to-date on class news and topics.**

Online classes: Attendance is counted as completion of assignments for a given week.

Faculty-Initiated Withdrawal: Following the Administrative Drop for Non-Attendance period of each semester (see Section I.A above), a faculty member may choose to withdraw a student whose absences have exceeded the attendance guidelines stated in the course syllabus. There is no reimbursement or forgiveness of tuition and fees for a Faculty-Initiated Withdrawal. Students should not assume that a faculty member will initiate this optional process, and it remains the ultimate responsibility of the student to withdraw and accept all financial and academic consequences as a result of the withdrawal.

Faculty initiated withdrawal may be taken after the faculty member has notified the student through the Excessive Absence Alert procedure that excessive absence has potentially placed the student in academic jeopardy. The withdrawal will be recorded in the student's record in accordance with the published drop deadlines and the Grading System Policy. The student may also be withdrawn from other scheduled courses if the withdrawn course is a required course. The last date each semester for a faculty-initiated withdrawal shall be the same last date allowed for a student-initiated withdrawal.

The Excessive Absence Alert shall consist of a written notice from the faculty member to the student advising the student that the student's excessive absence has placed the student in academic jeopardy. The notice shall further state that the student may be withdrawn from the class as per course syllabus guidelines if satisfactory arrangements for the student's regular class attendance cannot be made with the faculty member. Such written notice shall be provided to the student via email to the student's College-provided email account and

shall constitute adequate notice to the student. Students are responsible for monitoring their College-provided email accounts.

See JCCC's Student Attendance Operating Procedure 314.01: <https://www.jccc.edu/about/leadership-governance/policies/students/academic/procedure-attendance.html>

- I may initiate student withdrawal if student fails to submit a month work of course assignments.
- You should notify me of extended absences (not able to do coursework) before your absence. Upon returning, you should make an effort to work on the late work weekly and work to catch up on course content.

10.2.4 Tentative schedule

This schedule is **recommended**, but the modules are available whenever you meet the prerequisites for any of them.

Week #	Monday	Recommended topics
1	Jan 20	Welcome, setup, CS 200 review
2	Jan 27	Testing, debugging, templates, friends
3	Feb 3	Array-based structures
4	Feb 10	Standard Template Library, Exceptions
5	Feb 17	Hash-table structure
6	Feb 24	Polymorphism, Static members
7	Mar 3	Linked list structure
8	Mar 10	Algorithm efficiency
		Mar 17 - Mar 23 - Spring Break
9	Mar 24	Stack and queue structures
10	Mar 31	Recursion
11	Apr 7	Binary search tree structure
12	Apr 14	Overloading functions, constructors, operators
13	Apr 21	Heaps, Priority Queues, Balanced Search Trees, Graph algorithms
14	Apr 28	Function pointers
15	May 5	Catch-up / project day
16	May 12	Finals week (See JCCC finals schedule)

10.2.5 Class format

Class sessions are flexible and can be changed to suit student requests. By default, class sessions are usually used for:

- Working through example code
- An overview of the assignments for the week
- In-class working time

Generally, I do not lecture during class times; there are video lectures and reading assignments that students can complete independently. Class times for this course are better used for students to get hands-on experience with the new topics while having the instructor available to answer questions and make clarifications.

Grade scoring:

- All assignment scores begin at **0%** at the start of the semester, so your grade begins at 0% at the start.
- As you progress through the course and finish more course content, your grade will continue rising. Ideally, if you get 100% on all assignments in the course, you'll end with 100% as your final grade.
- Most assignments can be resubmitted after grading to improve your score afterwards. (e.g., if I notice bugs in your lab, I'll make comments on why it happens, and you can go back and fix it.)
- Assignments don't close until the **last day of class - July 25th**. See the Academic Calendar (<https://www.jccc.edu/modules/calendar/academic-calendar.html>) if needed.

10.2.6 Academic honesty

The assignments the instructor writes for this course are meant to help the student learn new topics, starting easy and increasing the challenge over time. If a student does not do their own work then they miss out on the lessons and strategy learned from going from step A to step B to step C. The instructor is always willing to help you work through assignments, so ideally the student shouldn't feel the need to turn to third party sources for help.

Generally, for R.W. Singh's courses:

- OK things:
 - Asking the instructor for help, hints, or clarification, on any assignment.
 - Posting to the discussion board with questions (except with tests - please email me for those). (If you're unsure if you can post a question to the discussion board, you can go ahead and post it. If there's a problem I'll remove/edit the message and just let you know.)

- Searching online for general knowledge questions (e.g. "C++ if statements", error messages).
 - Working with a tutor through the assignments, as long as they're not doing the work for you.
 - Use your IDE (replit, visual studio, code::blocks) to test out things before answering questions.
 - Brainstorming with classmates, sharing general information ("This is how I do input validation").
- Not OK Things:
 - Sharing your code files with other students, or asking other students for their code files.
 - Asking a tutor, peer, family member, friend, AI, etc. to do your assignments for you.
 - Searching for specific solutions to assignments online/elsewhere.
 - Basically, any work/research you aren't doing on your own, that means you're not learning the topics.
 - Don't give your code files to other students, even if it is "to verify my work!"
 - Don't copy solutions off other parts of the internet; assignments get modified a little bit each semester.

If you have any further questions, please contact the instructor.

Each instructor is different, so make sure you don't assume that what is OK with one instructor is OK with another.

10.2.7 Student success tips

- **I need to achieve a certain grade for my financial aid or student visa. What do I need to plan on?**
 - If you need to get a certain grade, such as an A for this course, to maintain your financial aid or student visa, then you need to set your mindset for this course immediately. You should prioritize working on assignments early and getting them in ahead of time so that you have the maximum amount of time to ask questions and get help. You should not be panicking at the end of the semester because you have a grade less than what you need. From week 1, make sure you're committed to staying on top of things.
- **How do I contact the instructor?**

- The best way to contact the instructor is via Canvas' email system. You can also email the instructor at rsingh13@jccc.edu, however, emails are more likely to be lost in the main inbox, since that's where all the instructor's work-related email goes. You can also attend Zoom office hours to ask questions.
- **What are some suggestions for approaching studying and assignments for this course?**
 - Each week is generally designed with this "path" in mind:
 - * Watch lecture videos, read assigned reading.
 - * Work on Concept Introduction assignment(s).
 - * Work on Exercise assignment.
 - Those are the core topics for the class. The Tech Literacy assignments can be done a bit more casually, and the Topic Mastery (exams) don't have to be done right away - do the exams once you feel comfortable with the topic.
- **Where do I find feedback on my work?**
 - Canvas should send you an email when there is feedback on your work, but you can also locate assignment feedback by going to your Grades view on Canvas, locating the assignment, and clicking on the speech balloon icon to open up comments. These will be important to look over during the semester, especially if you want to resubmit an assignment for a better grade.
- **How do I find a tutor?**
 - JCCC's Academic Achievement Center
[\(https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-resource-center/academic-achievement-center/\)](https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-resource-center/academic-achievement-center/)
 provides tutoring services for our area. Make sure to look for the expert tutor service and you can learn more about getting a tutor.
- **How do I keep track of assignments and due dates so I don't forget something?**
 - Canvas has a CALENDAR view, but it might also be useful to utilize something like Google Calendar, which can text and email you reminders, or even keeping a paper day planner that you check every day.

10.2.8 Accommodations and life help

- **How do I get accommodations? - Access Services**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/access-services/>

Access Services provides students with disabilities equal opportunity and access. Some of the accommodations and services include testing accommodations, note-taking assistance, sign language interpreting services, audiobooks/alternative text and assistive technology.

- **What if I'm having trouble making ends meet in my personal life? - Student Basic Needs Center**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/basic-needs-center/>

Check website for schedule and location. The JCCC Student Assistance Fund is to help students facing a sudden and unforeseen emergency that has affected their ability to attend class or otherwise meet the academic obligations of a JCCC student. If you are experiencing food or housing insecurity, or other hardships, stop by COM 319 and visit with our helpful staff.

- **Is there someone I can talk to for my degree plan? - Academic Advising**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-counseling/>

JCCC has advisors to help you with:

- Choose or change your major and stay on track for graduation.
- Ensure a smooth transfer process to a 4-year institution.
- Discover resources and tools available to help build your schedule, complete enrollment and receive help with coursework each semester.
- Learn how to get involved in Student Senate, clubs and orgs, athletics, study abroad, service learning, honors and other leadership programs.
- If there's a hold on your account due to test scores, academic probation or suspension, you are required to meet with a counselor.

- **Is there someone I can talk to for emotional support? - Personal Counseling**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/personal-counseling/>

JCCC counselors provide a safe and confidential environment to talk about personal concerns. We advocate for students and assist with personal issues and make referrals to appropriate agencies when needed.

- **How do I get a tutor? - The Academic Achievement Center**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/academic-resource-center/academic-achievement-center/>

The AAC is open for Zoom meetings and appointments. See the website for their schedule. Meet with a Learning Specialist for help with classes

and study skills, a Reading Specialist to improve understanding of your academic reading, or a tutor to help you with specific courses and college study skills. You can sign up for workshops to get off to a Smart Start in your semester or analyze your exam scores!

- **How can I report ethical concerns? - Ethics Report Line**

<https://www.jccc.edu/about/leadership-governance/administration/audit-advisory/ethics-line/>

You can report instances of discrimination and other ethical issues to JCCC via the EthicsPoint line.

- **What other student resources are there? - Student Resources Directory**

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/>

10.3 Additional information

10.3.1 ADA compliance / disabilities

JCCC provides a range of services to allow persons with disabilities to participate in educational programs and activities. If you are a student with a disability and if you are in need of accommodations or services, it is your responsibility to contact Access Services and make a formal request. To schedule an appointment with an Access Advisor or for additional information, you can contact Access Services at (913) 469-3521 or accessservices@jccc.edu. Access Services is located on the 2nd floor of the Student Center (SC202)

10.3.2 Attendance standards of JCCC

Educational research demonstrates that students who regularly attend and participate in all scheduled classes are more likely to succeed in college. Punctual and regular attendance at all scheduled classes, for the duration of the course, is regarded as integral to all courses and is expected of all students. Each JCCC faculty member will include attendance guidelines in the course syllabus that are applicable to that course, and students are responsible for knowing and adhering to those guidelines. Students are expected to regularly attend classes in accordance with the attendance standards implemented by JCCC faculty.

The student is responsible for all course content and assignments missed due to absence. Excessive absences and authorized absences are handled in accordance with the Student Attendance Operating Procedure.

10.3.3 Academic Dishonesty

No student shall attempt, engage in, or aid and abet behavior that, in the judgment of the faculty member for a particular class, is construed as academic dishonesty. This includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism or other forms of academic dishonesty.

Examples of academic dishonesty and cheating include, but are not limited to, unauthorized acquisition of tests or other academic materials and/or distribution of these materials, unauthorized sharing of answers during an exam, use of unauthorized notes or study materials during an exam, altering an exam and resubmitting it for re-grading, having another student take an exam for you or submit assignments in your name, participating in unauthorized collaboration on coursework to be graded, providing false data for a research paper, using electronic equipment to transmit information to a third party to seek answers, or creating/citing false or fictitious references for a term paper. Submitting the same paper for multiple classes may also be considered cheating if not authorized by the faculty member.

Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to, any attempt to take credit for work that is not your own, such as using direct quotes from an author without using quotation marks or indentation in the paper, paraphrasing work that is not your own without giving credit to the original source of the idea, or failing to properly cite all sources in the body of your work. This includes use of complete or partial papers from internet paper mills or other sources of non-original work without attribution.

A faculty member may further define academic dishonesty, cheating or plagiarism in the course syllabus.

10.3.4 College Wellness and Safety

College Wellness and Safety (<https://www.jccc.edu/media-resources/wellness-safety/>)

- Stay home when you're sick
- Wash hands frequently
- Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing
- Clean surfaces
- Facial coverings are available and welcomed but not required
- Wear your name badge or carry your JCCC photo id while on campus

10.3.5 College emergency response plan

<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/police-safety/police-department/college-emergency-response-plan/>

10.3.6 Student code of conduct policy

<http://www.jccc.edu/about/leadership-governance/policies/students/student-code-of-conduct/student-code-conduct.html>

10.3.7 Student handbook

<http://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/student-handbook.html>

10.3.8 Campus safety

Information regarding student safety can be found at <http://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/police-safety/>. Classroom and campus safety are of paramount importance at Johnson County Community College and are the shared responsibility of the entire campus population. Please review the following:

- **Report emergencies:** to Campus Police (available 24 hours a day)
 - In person at the Midwest Trust Center (MTC 115)
 - Call 913-469-2500 (direct line) – Tip: program in your cell phone
 - Phone app - download JCCC Guardian (the free campus safety app: www.jccc.edu/guardian) - instant panic button and texting capability to Campus Police
 - Anonymous reports to KOPS-Watch -
https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/en/report_company.asp?clientid=25868 or 888-258-3230

- **Be Alert:**
 - You are an extra set of eyes and ears to help maintain campus safety
 - Trust your instincts
 - Report suspicious or unusual behavior/circumstances to Campus Police (see above)

- **Be Prepared:**
 - Identify the red/white stripe Building Emergency Response posters throughout campus and online that show egress routes, shelter, and equipment
 - View A.L.I.C.E. training (armed intruder response training - Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and/or Evacuate)
 - * Student training video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kMcT4-nWSq0>
 - Familiarize yourself with the College Emergency Response Plan: (jccc.edu/student-resources/police-safety/college-emergency-response-plan/)

- **During an emergency:** Notifications/Alerts (emergencies and inclement weather) are sent to all employees and students using email and text messaging
 - students are automatically enrolled, see JCCC Alert - Emergency Notification: (jccc.edu/student-resources/police-safety/jccc-alert.html)

- **Weapons policy:** Effective July 1, 2017, concealed carry handguns are permitted in JCCC buildings subject to the restrictions set forth in the Weapons Policy. Handgun safety training is encouraged of all who choose to conceal carry. Suspected violations should be reported to JCCC Police Department 913-469-2500 or if an emergency, you can also call 911.
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10.4 Course catalog info

https://catalog.jccc.edu/coursedescriptions/cs/#CS_250

Objectives:

1. Describe computer systems and examine ethics.
2. Solve problems using a disciplined approach to software development.
3. Utilize fundamental programming language features.
4. Implement procedures.
5. Employ fundamental data structures and algorithms.
6. Write code using object-oriented techniques.
7. Write code according to commonly accepted programming standards.
8. Utilize a professional software development environment.

Content Outline and Competencies:

I. Advanced Object-Oriented Code

- A. Implement inheritance.
- B. Implement polymorphism, virtual methods and late binding.
- C. Implement class and function templates.
- D. Write code with classes from the Standard Template Library.
- E. Implement class composition.
- F. Create user-defined exception objects.
- G. Implement friend classes and functions.
- H. Implement overloaded operators.

II. Advanced Programming Topics

- A. Manage indexing, pointers and multiple levels of indirect addressing.
- B. Manage dynamic memory.
- C. Write recursive programs.
- D. Organize projects into multiple files.
- E. Handle exceptions.
- F. Pass function pointers.
- G. Implement backtracking.
- H. Examine and create recursive grammars and languages.
- I. Implement prefix and postfix expressions.

III. Fundamental Data Structures

- A. Analyze code implementing linked lists, dummy head nodes, circular linked lists and doubly
- B. Analyze code implementing stacks.
- C. Analyze code implementing queues.

- D. Analyze code implementing trees and associated traversals.
 - E. Analyze code implementing dictionaries.
 - F. Analyze code implementing priority queues.
 - G. Analyze code implementing heaps.
 - H. Analyze code implementing hash tables.
 - I. Create applications utilizing fundamental data structures.
- IV. Advanced Algorithms
- A. Review data sorting with selection, bubble and insertion sort.
 - B. Sort data with merge sort, quick sort, radix sort and heap sort.
 - C. Analyze algorithmic efficiency.
- V. Code Standards
- A. Create descriptive identifiers according to language naming conventions.
 - B. Write structured and readable code.
 - C. Create documentation.