

EDAN30 Photorealistic Computer Graphics

C++



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C++ and PCG

- Similarities with Java
 - which you should know by heart
- C++ used in all assignments
- You should really take Per Holm's C++ course
 - Some of these slides are borrowed from Per

This seminar...

- ...covers only the features that you need in order to pass the assignments
- Thus, this seminar is **not** a full tour of C++
 - Again, take a look at the C++ course at the department of Computer Science

Comments

// a one line comment

/* a comment
spanning
several lines */

/** this works as well, but has no special
meaning as in Java */

A class definition

```
class Point
{
    public:
        Point(float x, float y); // constructor
        float getX(void) const; // accessor: const means
        float getY(void) const; // does not change state
                                   // of object

    protected:
        float mX; // member attributes
        float mY;

};
```

This part of the code is in a header-file: point.h

The actual implementation is in point.cpp

Implementation of point

```
// point.cpp
Point::Point(float x, float y) // Point:: indicates
{                               // which class
    mX=x;
    mY=y;
}

float Point::getX(void) const // getY() in the same way
{
    return mX;
}
```

Declarations and definitions

Function declaration:

In header file (for example):

```
bool finished(int t);           // note semi-colon instead
                                // of function body
```

In cpp-file, function definition:

```
bool finished(int t)
{
    if(t>1) return true;
    else return false;
}
```

Brief on allocation

```
void func(void)    // function not belonging to class
{
    int a;
    a=sin(0.314);
    Point p1;
    Point *p=new Point(10.0, 20.0);    // a pointer
}
```

When `func()` is entered, `a` & `p1` are allocated on the stack, and when exited, `a` & `p1` are automatically deleted

`p` is allocated using `new`, which means that you need to delete it at some point: `delete p;`

There is **NO garbage collection** in C++.

Destructor

Used when a class allocates memory using new.

The destructor deletes what it has allocated

```
class Point
{
    public:
        Point();
        ~Point();           // destructor
};
```

In point.cpp:

```
Point::~~Point()
{
    // delete memory here, for example:
    delete mNameOfPointString;    //if there was such a variable
}
```

Inheritance

```
class Point
{
    public:
        virtual void update(void) ;
};

class TimePoint : public Point    // inherit from Point
{
    public:
        void update(void) ;      // overloads Point::update
};
```

Namespaces

Similar to packages in Java.

In header-file, asr.h:

```
namespace asr
{
    class Point {...};
    void func(bool b);
}
```

In cpp.file:

```
#include "asr.h"
namespace asr
{
    float Point::getX(void) const { return mX; }
}
```

Using namespaces

```
#include "asr.h"
```

```
void test(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    using asr::Point;
```

```
    Point p;
```

```
}
```

```
// can "import" everything from a namespace by
```

```
using namespace asr;
```

Primitive data types

<code>char</code>	8 bit character
<code>int</code>	32 bit integer
<code>short</code>	16 bit integer
<code>long</code>	32 bit integer (usually)
<code>float</code>	32 bit single precision floating point
<code>double</code>	64 bit double precision floating point
<code>bool</code>	true or false

The number of bits above are common values, but these may not hold for every architecture

Integers and char may be "signed" or "unsigned"

For example:

```
unsigned short a; // 16 bit no sign
```

```
const float cPi=3.141592; // constants
```

Operators

Almost identical to Java

Arithmetic: `*`, `/`, `%`, `+`, `-`

Relational: `<`, `<=`, `==`, `>=`, `>`, `!=`

Logical: `!`, `&&`, `||`

Bitwise: `&` (bitwise AND), `^` (bitwise XOR)
 `|` (bitwise OR), `~` (complement)
 `<<` (left shift), `>>` (right shift)

Special: `?`
 `+=`, `-=`, `*=`, `/=`, `...`
 `x++`; `++x`; `--x`; `x--`;

Control structures

```
// if, switch, while, do while, for : as in Java
```

```
// Example:
```

```
for(int q=0; q<N; q++)
```

```
{
```

```
    ...
```

```
}
```

Parameter passing

Default as in Java: parameter is copied

Then we have pointers and references as well

```
int func(Point &pr, Point *pp) // & is ref, * is pointer
{
    pr.set(10,10);
    pp->set(20,20);
}
```

....

```
Point p1; Point *p2=new Point(1,2);
func(p1,p2);
// p1 will hold 10,10, p2 will hold 20,20
// references are *not* copied (can be faster for large params)
```


Reference and pointer parameters

```
void addRef10(Point &p)
{
    p.setX( p.getX()+10 );           // note .
}

void addPtr10(Point *p)
{
    p->setX( p->getX()+10 );         // note ->
}

///  

void test(void)
{
    Point p(1,1);   Point *pp= new Point(1,1);
    addRef10(p);
    addPtr10(pp)
}
```

Functions and arrays

An array:

```
int a[10]; // no a.length as in Java
```

Array is passed as pointer to first element:

```
void func(int b[], int sizeOfArray) {...}
```

or

```
void func(int *b, int sizeOfArray) {...}
```

Simple output...

```
// For example, might be good for debugging sometimes
#include <streamio.h>

std::cout << "raytracing..." << std::endl;

// prints "raytracing..." to standard output
```

Want to know more?

- There is an enormous amount of information on the internet.
 - From web pages (cplusplus.com) to forums (stackoverflow.com)
- Have a look at the slides from Per Holm's C++ course.
- There are pointers to lots of material for self-studies on course website.
- Plenty of good textbooks as well.