

CS 103 Unit 14

Classes Revisited

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UML (Unified Modeling Language)

- Shows class definitions in a language-agnostic way
- Shows class hierarchy (inheritance, etc.)
- Each class shown in one box with 3 sections
 - Class Name, Member functions, then Data members
 - Precede function/data member with:
+ (public), - (private), # (protected)
 - Functions show *name with arguments : return type*
 - Data members *show name : type*

<i>class name (e.g. Deck)</i>
<i>Member functions</i>
+ shuffle() : void + cut() : void + get_top_card() : int
<i>Member data</i>
- cards[52] : int - top_index : int

```
class Deck {  
public:  
    Deck(); // Constructor  
    ~Deck(); // Destructor  
    void shuffle();  
    void cut();  
    int get_top_card();  
private:  
    int cards[52];  
    int top_index;  
};
```

Class Notes

- Remember data members live on from one member function call to the next and can be accessed within ANY member function

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

class ABC
{
public:
    ABC();
    void add_score(int s);
    int get_score(int loc); private:
    vector<int> scores;
};

// A change to scores here
void ABC::add_score(int s){
    scores.push_back(s);
}

// would be seen by subsequent
// calls to member functions
int ABC::get_score(int loc){
    return scores[loc];
}

int main(){
    ABC a;
    a.add_score(95);
    a.get_score(0);
}
```

Class Design

- Class names should be 'nouns'
- To decide what objects/classes you need use
 - Object discovery: Based on the requirements of description of the problem look for the nouns/object
 - Object invention: Objects that simplify management or help glue together the primary objects
- Method/Function names should be 'verbs'

http://www.cprogramming.com/tutorial/class_design.html

```
class GradeBook
{
    public:
        computeAverage();
        int* getScores()
            { return scores; }
    private:
        int scores[20];
        int _size;
};

bool GradeBook::computeAverage(){
    double sum = 0.0;
    for(int i=0; i < _size; i++){
        sum += scores[i];
    }
    return sum / _size;
}

int main()
{
    GradeBook gb;
    int* myscores = gb.getScores();
    double sum = 0.0;
    for(int i=0; i < _size; i++){
        sum += myscores[i];
    }
    ...
}
```

Class Design

- Keep the computation where the data is (i.e. in the appropriate class member functions)



```
class GradeBook
{
public:
    double computeAverage();
    int* getScores()
        { return scores; }
    int size() { return _size; }
private:
    int scores[20];
    int _size;
};

double GradeBook::computeAverage(){
    double sum = 0.0;
    for(int i=0; i < _size; i++){
        sum += scores[i];
    }
    return sum / _size;
}

int main()
{
    GradeBook gb;
    int* myscores = gb.getScores();
    double sum = 0.0;
    for(int i=0; i < gb.size(); i++){
        sum += myscores[i];
    }
    ...
}
```

Headers & using statements (1)

deck.h

Won't compile.
Confused by 'vector'

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>

class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

Option 1: Add
'using' statement
BAD!!

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>

class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    std::string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    std::vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

Option 2: Qualify
class names with
'std::' GOOD!

Headers & using statements (2)

- By putting 'using' statements in a header file, anyone who #includes your header is now automatically using that namespace
- **Rule: NEVER** put a 'using' statement in a *header (.h) file*

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>
using namespace std;
class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

Option 1: Add
'using' statement
BAD!!

deck.h

```
#include "deck.h"

class string {
    // My own implementation of 'string'
};

int main()
{
    string x; // which string is used?
              // The one from this file
              // or std::string
}
```

Headers & using statements (3)

- Corollary: FINE to put 'using' statements in .cpp files (since we don't #include .cpps)

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>

class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    std::string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    std::vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

Option 2: Qualify class names with 'std::' GOOD!

deck.h

```
#include "deck.h"
using namespace std;

void Deck::shuffle()
{
    /* code */
}

string Deck::cardName()
{
}

deck.cpp
```


Final, Preferred Solution

- Header files
 - No 'using' statements in header files
 - Instead precede C++ class types with 'std::'
- CPP files
 - Add 'using' statements as desired
 - If you do add 'using' statement then no need to precede type with 'std::'

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>

class Deck {
public:
    Deck(); // Constructor
    ~Deck(); // Destructor
    void shuffle();
    void cut();
    std::string cardName(); // "2H, 9D"
private:
    std::vector<int> cards;
    int top_index;
};
```

Option 2: Qualify
class names with
'std::' GOOD!

```
#include "deck.h"

class string {
    // My own implementation of 'string'
};

int main()
{
    string x; // No confusion. Use this file's
             // string
}
```