

PEN203

Classes: A Deeper Look,

**C How to Program
Deitel & Deitel**

Outline

- Introduction
- Time Class Case Study
- Class Scope and Accessing Class Members
- Access Functions and Utility Functions
- Constructors with Default Arguments
- Destructors
- When Constructors and Destructors are Called
- Default Memberwise Assignment

Introduction

- There are three types of handles on an object
 - Name of an object
 - Reference to an object
 - Pointer to an object
- Class functions
 - Predicate functions
 - Utility functions

Time Class Case Study

- Preprocessor wrappers are used to prevent class definition from being included more than once.
 - **#ifndef**
 - Skip the code if it has been included already.
 - **#define**
 - Define a name so the code will not be included again
 - **#endif**
- Multiple definition errors are eliminated.

Time Class Case Study

```
1 // Fig. 20.1: Time.h
2 // Declaration of class Time.
3 // Member functions are defined in Time.cpp
4
5 // prevent multiple inclusions of header file
6 #ifndef TIME_H
7 #define TIME_H
8
9 // Time class definition
10 class Time
11 {
12 public:
13     Time(); // constructor
14     void setTime( int, int, int ); // set hour, minute and second
15     void printUniversal(); // print time in universal-time format
16     void printStandard(); // print time in standard-time format
17 private:
18     int hour; // 0 - 23 (24-hour clock format)
19     int minute; // 0 - 59
20     int second; // 0 - 59
21 }; // end class Time
22
23 #endif
```

Time Class Case Study

```
1 // Fig. 20.2: Time.cpp
2 // Member-function definitions for class Time.
3 #include <iostream>
4 using std::cout;
5
6 #include <iomanip>
7 using std::setfill;
8 using std::setw;
9
10 #include "Time.h" // include definition of class Time from Time.h
11
12 // Time constructor initializes each data member to zero.
13 // Ensures all Time objects start in a consistent state.
14 Time::Time()
15 {
16     hour = minute = second = 0;
17 } // end Time constructor
18
19 // set new Time value using universal time; ensure that
20 // the data remains consistent by setting invalid values to zero
21 void Time::setTime( int h, int m, int s )
22 {
23     hour = ( h >= 0 && h < 24 ) ? h : 0; // validate hour
24     minute = ( m >= 0 && m < 60 ) ? m : 0; // validate minute
25     second = ( s >= 0 && s < 60 ) ? s : 0; // validate second
26 } // end function setTime
```

Time Class Case Study

```
27
28 // print Time in universal-time format (HH:MM:SS)
29 void Time::printUniversal()
30 {
31     cout << setfill( '0' ) << setw( 2 ) << hour << ":"
32         << setw( 2 ) << minute << ":" << setw( 2 ) << second;
33 } // end function printUniversal
34
35 // print Time in standard-time format (HH:MM:SS AM or PM)
36 void Time::printStandard()
37 {
38     cout << ( ( hour == 0 || hour == 12 ) ? 12 : hour % 12 ) << ":"
39         << setfill( '0' ) << setw( 2 ) << minute << ":" << setw( 2 )
40         << second << ( hour < 12 ? " AM" : " PM" );
41 } // end function printStandard
```

Time Class Case Study

```
1 // Fig. 20.3: fig20_03.cpp
2 // Program to test class Time.
3 // NOTE: This file must be compiled with Time.cpp.
4 #include <iostream>
5 using std::cout;
6 using std::endl;
7
8 #include "Time.h" // include definition of class Time from Time.h
9
10 int main()
11 {
12     Time t; // instantiate object t of class Time
13
14     // output Time object t's initial values
15     cout << "The initial universal time is ";
16     t.printUniversal(); // 00:00:00
17     cout << "\nThe initial standard time is ";
18     t.printStandard(); // 12:00:00 AM
19
20     t.setTime( 13, 27, 6 ); // change time
21
22     // output Time object t's new values
23     cout << "\n\nUniversal time after setTime is ";
24     t.printUniversal(); // 13:27:06
25     cout << "\nStandard time after setTime is ";
26     t.printStandard(); // 1:27:06 PM
27
28     t.setTime( 99, 99, 99 ); // attempt invalid settings
```


Time Class Case Study

```
29
30 // output t's values after specifying invalid values
31 cout << "\n\nAfter attempting invalid settings:"
32     << "\nUniversal time: ";
33 t.printUniversal(); // 00:00:00
34 cout << "\nStandard time: ";
35 t.printStandard(); // 12:00:00 AM
36 cout << endl;
37 return 0;
38 } // end main
```

The initial universal time is 00:00:00
The initial standard time is 12:00:00 AM

Universal time after setTime is 13:27:06
Standard time after setTime is 1:27:06 PM

After attempting invalid settings:
Universal time: 00:00:00
Standard time: 12:00:00 AM

Time Class Case Study

- **Member functions are declared in a class definition but defined outside of class definition**
 - **Still in the class scope**
 - **Can be accessible by other member functions of the class directly**
 - **Outside functions can access member functions using:**
 - **Object of the class**
 - **Reference to an object of the class**
 - **Pointer to an object of the class**
 - **Binary scope resolution operator**

Time Class Case Study

- Using class Time
 - Time time1;
 - Time timeAr[20];
 - Time &timeRef = time1;
 - Time *timePtr = &time1;

Class Scope and Accessing Class Members

- **Class scope contains:**
 - Data members
 - Member functions
- Nonmember functions are defined at file scope
- Variables declared in a member function
 - Have block scope
 - Known only in that function

Class Scope and Accessing Class Members

- **Dot member selection operator (.)**
 - **Accesses the object's member**
 - **Used with an object's name or with a reference to an object**
- **Arrow member selection operator (->)**
 - **Accesses the object's members**
 - **Used with a pointer to an object**

Access Functions and Utility Functions

- Access functions can read or display data
- They can test the truth or falsity of conditions
 - They are also called predicate functions
- Utility functions are private member functions that help the operation of public member functions
- Utility functions are not part of the class public interface

Constructors with Default Arguments

- To initialize data members to a consistent state, constructors can specify default arguments
- If no values are provided in a constructor call, default arguments are used.
- They can be invoked with no arguments
- Max one default constructor per class

Destructor

- A special member function like constructor
- Name is the tilde character (~) followed by the class name
- Destructors are called when an object is destroyed
- They receive no parameter and returns no value
- A class may have only one destructor
- If a destructor is not provided, the compiler creates one empty destructor.

When Constructors and Destructors are Called

- Constructors and destructors are called implicitly by the compiler
- Generally destructor calls are made in the reverse order of the corresponding constructor calls
- Storage classes of objects can alter the order.

Default Memberwise Assignment

- Assignment operator (=) can be used to assign an object of class to another object of the same type.
- Each data member of the right object is assigned to the same data member of the left object.
- Can create problem if data members contain pointers to dynamically allocated memory