
Creative Software Design

12 – Template

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Final Exam

- Date & time: **Dec 13, 09:30 - 10:30 am**
- Place: **IT.BT 207**
- Scope: Lecture 8 ~ 13
- **You cannot leave until 30 minutes after the start of the exam** even if you finish the exam earlier.
- That means, **you cannot enter the room after 30 minutes from the start of the exam** (do not be late, never too late!).
- Please bring your **student ID card** to the exam.
- Problem types: true/false, single choice, multiple choices, short answer, fill-in-blank, ...

Today's Topics

- Intro to Generic Programming
- Function Template
- Class Template
- Review Standard Template Library (STL)
 - A set of C++ template classes
- Templates and Inheritance

Generic Programming

- Generic programming is a style of computer programming in which
 - Algorithms are written in terms of ***to-be-specified-later types*** (or ***generic types***) that are then instantiated when needed for specific types provided as parameters.^[wikipedia]
- C++ Template
 - A C++ feature that allows functions and classes to operate with ***generic types***.
 - This allows a function or class to **work on many different data types without being rewritten** for each one.^[wikipedia]
- C++ Standard Template Library (STL).
 - Best known example
 - Data containers such as vector, list, map, etc.
 - Algorithms such as sorting, searching, hashing, etc.

Direct Approach

- Need K sorting algorithms to handle K different data types

//Suppose we want to sort an integer array.

```
void SelectionSort(int* array, int size) {
    for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {
        int min_idx = i;
        for (int j = i + 1; j < size; ++j) {
            if (array[min_idx] > array[j])
                min_idx = j;
        }
        // Swap array[i] and array[min_idx].
        int tmp = array[i];
        array[i] = array[min_idx];
        array[min_idx] = tmp;
    }
}
```

// We also want to sort a double array.

```
void SelectionSort(double* array, int size) {
    for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {
        int min_idx = i;
        for (int j = i + 1; j < size; ++j) {
            if (array[min_idx] > array[j])
                min_idx = j;
        }
        // Swap array[i] and array[min_idx].
        double tmp = array[i];
        array[i] = array[min_idx];
        array[min_idx] = tmp;
    }
}
```

Generic Approach

- C++ template allows us to avoid this repeated code.
- *Functions* and *classes* can be **templated**.

```
// Suppose we want to sort an array of type T.
```

```
template <typename T>
void SelectionSort(T* array, int size) {
    for (int i = 0; i < size; ++i) {
        int min_idx = i;
        for (int j = i + 1; j < size; ++j) {
            if (array[min_idx] > array[j])
                min_idx = j;
        }
        // Swap array[i] and array[min_idx].
        T tmp = array[i];
        array[i] = array[min_idx];
        array[min_idx] = tmp;
    }
}
```

Function Template

- A generic function description
 - defines a *function* in terms of a *generic type*
 - A specific type, such as *int* or *double*, can be substituted.
- Pass a specific type as an argument to a template
 - Compiler generates a function for that particular type
- Write functions of the same algorithm once for various types.

Function Template

- Example
 - Swap function

```
template <typename T> //let compiler know that you're about to define a template.  
Programmers use simple names such as T.
```

```
void Swap(T &a, T &b)  
{  
    T temp;  
    temp = a;  
    a = b;  
    b = temp;  
}
```

- **The template does not create any functions**
 - It just lets the compiler know how to define a function

Function Template

```
template <typename T>
void Swap(T &a, T &b)
{
    T temp;
    temp = a;
    a = b;
    b = temp;
}
```

Output:

i, j = 10, 20.

compiler-generated int swapper:

Now i, j = 20, 10.

x, y = 24.5, 81.7.

compiler-generated double swapper:

Now x, y = 81.7, 24.5.

```
template <typename T> // or class T
void Swap(T &a, T &b);

int main()
{
    int i = 10;
    int j = 20;
    cout << "i, j = " << i << ", " << j << ".\n";
    cout << "compiler-generated int swapper:\n";
    Swap<int>(i,j); // generates void Swap(int &, int &)

    cout << "Now i, j = " << i << ", " << j << ".\n";
    double x = 24.5;
    double y = 81.7;
    cout << "x, y = " << x << ", " << y << ".\n";
    cout << "compiler-generated double swapper:\n";
    Swap<double>(x,y); // generates void Swap(double &, double &)

    cout << "Now x, y = " << x << ", " << y << ".\n";
    return 0;
}
```

Function Template Instance

- Templates are "instantiated" at compile time.
- "Function template instance"

```
template <typename T>
T myMax(T x, T y)
{
    return (x > y)? x: y;
}
```

```
int main()
{
    cout << myMax<int>(3, 7) << endl;
    cout << myMax<char>('g', 'e') << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Compiler internally generates and adds below code

```
int myMax(int x, int y)
{
    return (x > y)? x: y;
}
```

Compiler internally generates and adds below code.

```
char myMax(char x, char y)
{
    return (x > y)? x: y;
}
```

Template Argument Deduction

- You can **omit** any template argument that the compiler can deduce by the usage and context of that function template call.

```
int i = 10;  
int j = 20;  
Swap<int>(i,j);
```

=

```
int i = 10;  
int j = 20;  
Swap(i,j);
```

Overloading Function Templates

```
template <typename T>
void Swap(T &a, T &b)
{
```

```
    T temp;
    temp = a;
    a = b;
    b = temp;
```

```
}
```

```
template <typename T>
void Swap(T* a, T* b, int n)
```

```
{
```

```
    T temp;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        temp = a[i];
        a[i] = b[i];
        b[i] = temp;
    };
}
```

```
int main()
{
    int i = 10, j = 20;
    cout << "i, j = " << i << ", " << j << endl;
    cout << "Swap scalars" << endl;
Swap(i,j); // generates Swap(int &, int &)
    cout << "i, j = " << i << ", " << j << ".\n";
    cout << "*****\n" ;
    int d1[] = {1,2};
    int d2[] = {3,4};
    int n = 2;
    cout << "d1[0] =" << d1[0] << ", d1[1] =" << d1[1] << endl;
    cout << "d2[0] =" << d2[0] << ", d2[1] =" << d2[1] << endl;
    cout << "Swap arrays" << endl;
Swap(d1,d2, n); // generates void Swap(int *, int *, int)
    cout << "d1[0] =" << d1[0] << ", d1[1] =" << d1[1] << endl;
    cout << "d2[0] =" << d2[0] << ", d2[1] =" << d2[1] << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Overloading Function Templates

Output:

i, j = 10, 20

Swap scalars

i, j = 20, 10.

d1[0]=1, d1[1]=2

d2[0]=3, d2[1]=4

Swap arrays

d1[0]=3, d1[1]=4

d2[0]=1, d2[1]=2

Quiz #1

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Class Template

- Class members can be templated
 - Define a class in a generic fashion (type-independent)
 - Allow to reuse code
 - Inheritance & containment aren't always the solution

```
class Stack1 {  
private:  
    Item1 items[10]; // holds stack items  
    int top; // index for top stack item  
public:  
    Stack();  
};
```

```
class Stack2 {  
private:  
    Item2 items[10]; // holds stack items  
    int top; // index for top stack item  
public:  
    Stack();  
};
```

Class Template

- How to use

```
template <typename T> //let the compiler know that you're about to define a template
class Stack
{
    private:
        T items[10]; // holds stack items (type-independent)
        int top; // index for top stack item
    public:
        Stack();
};
```

- When a template is invoked, **T** will be replaced with a specific type.
 - E.g., *int* or *string*
- In this example, the generic type name **T** identifies the type to be stored in the stack.

Class Template

```
template <typename T>
class mypair {
    T a, b;
public:
    mypair (T first, T second) {
        a=first; b=second;
    }
    T getmax ();
};

template < typename T>
T mypair<T>::getmax ()
{
    T retval;
    retval = a>b? a : b;
    return retval;
}
```

```
int main ()
{
    int a_i = 100, b_i = 75;
    mypair <int> myobject_i (a_i, b_i);
    cout << "max("<<a_i <<"," << b_i <<")=" <<
myobject_i.getmax() << endl;

    double a_d = 1.5, b_d = -3.5;
    mypair <double> myobject_d (a_d, b_d);
    cout << "max("<<a_d <<"," << b_d <<")=" <<
myobject_d.getmax() << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

Output:
max(100,75)=100
max(1.5,-3.5)=1.5

Class Template Instance

- Templates are "instantiated" at compile time.
- "Class template instance"

```
mypair <int> myobject_i (a_i, b_i);
```



```
class mypair {  
    int a, b;  
public:  
    mypair (int first, int second) {  
        a=first; b=second;  
    }  
    int getmax ();  
};  
  
int mypair<int>::getmax ()  
{  
    int retval;  
    retval = a>b? a : b;  
    return retval;  
}
```

- A class template instance is a class.
- A class template is **not** a class!

Class Template: Closer Look at

- Types for the **mypair <T>**
 - Both built-in types and classes are allowed.
 - How about pointers?
 - Won't work very well without major modifications
 - Need to take care

```
int main () {  
  
    int a_i = 100, b_i = 75;  
    mypair <int*> myobject_i (&a_i, &b_i);  
    cout << "max("<<a_i <<"," << b_i <<")=" << myobject_i.getmax()  
    << endl;  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output:

```
max(100,75)=0x22fe  
2c
```

Member Function Template

- Can be used to provide additional template parameters other than those of the class template.

```
template <typename T>
class X
{
public:
    template <typename U>
    void mf(const U &u);
};

template <typename T>
template <typename U>
void X<T>::mf(const U &u)
{
}

int main()
{}
```

typename & class keyword

- ‘typename’ can always be replaced by keyword ‘class’.

```
template <class First, class Second> // Same as <typename First, typename  
Second>.
```

```
class Pair {  
    First first;  
    Second second;  
};
```

```
template <class First, class Second>  
Pair<First, Second> MakePair(const First& first, const Second& second) {  
    return Pair<First, Second>(first, second);  
}
```

```
int main (){  
    Pair<int, int> p = MakePair(10, 10); // == MakePair<int,  
int>(10, 10);  
    Pair<int, int> q = Pair<int, int>(20, 20);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Non-type Template Parameter

- A non-type template parameter
 - is a special type of parameter that is **replaced by a value**.
 - e.g., **template<class T, int size>**
- A non-type template argument
 - is provided within a template argument list
 - is **an expression whose value can be determined at compile time**
 - *constant expressions*
 - is treated as **const**
 - e.g. **Myfilebuf<double, 200>**

Non-type Template Parameter

```
template<class T, int size>
class Myfilebuf {
    T* filepos;
    int array[size];
public:
    Myfilebuf() { /* ... */ }
    ~Myfilebuf() {}

    ...
};
```

```
int main (){
    Myfilebuf<double,200> x; // create object x of class
    Myfilebuf<double,200.0> y; // error, 200.0 is a double, not an int
    return 0;
}
```

Non-type Template Parameter

```
template<int i> class C
{
public:
    Int array[i];
    int k;
    C() { k = i; }
};
```

```
int main (){
    C<100> a; //can be instantiated
    C<200> b;//can be instantiated
    return 0;
}
```

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STL Revisit

- STL defines powerful, **template-based**, reusable components
- STL uses **template-based generic programming**
- A collection of useful templates for handling various kinds of data structure and algorithms **with generic types**
 - Containers
 - Data structures that store objects of any type
 - Iterators
 - Used to manipulate container elements
 - Algorithms
 - Operations on containers for searching, sorting and many others

Containers Revisit

- Sequential container: contiguous blocks of objects
 - Vectors: insertion at end, random access
 - List: insertion anywhere, sequential access
 - Deque (double-ended queue): insertion at either end, random access
- Container adapter
 - Stack: Last In Last Out
 - Queue: First In First Out
- Associative container: a generalization of sequence
 - Indexed by any type (vs. sequential containers are indexed by integers)
 - Set: add or delete elements, query for membership...
 - Map: a mapping from one type (key) to another type (value)

vector - a resizable array

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

int main(void){

    vector<int> intVec(10);

    for(int i=0; i< 10; i++){
        cout << "input!";
        cin >> intVec[i];
    }

    for(int i=0; i< 10; i++){
        cout << intVec[i] << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

STL: vector

- Standard library header <vector>
 - A class template
 - Templatized member functions/variables

```
template <class T, class Allocator = allocator<T> >
class vector {
public:
    // types:
    typedef value_type& reference;
    typedef const value_type& const_reference;
    typedef T value_type;
    typedef Allocator allocator_type;
    typedef typedef allocator_traits<Allocator>::pointer pointer;
    typedef typedef allocator_traits<Allocator>::const_pointer const_pointer;
    typedef std::reverse_iterator<iterator> reverse_iterator;
    typedef std::reverse_iterator<const_iterator>
    const_reverse_iterator;
}
```

STL: vector

- Standard library header <vector>
 - Constructors/destructor

```
template <class T, class Allocator = allocator<T> >
class vector {
public:
    // construct/copy/destroy:
    explicit vector(const Allocator& = Allocator());
    explicit vector(size_type n);
    vector(size_type n, const T& value, const Allocator& = Allocator());
    template <class InputIterator>
        vector(InputIterator first, InputIterator last, const Allocator& =
Allocator());
    vector(const vector<T,Allocator>& x);
    vector(vector&&);

    vector(const vector&, const Allocator&);

    vector(vector&&, const Allocator&);

    vector(initializer_list<T>, const Allocator& = Allocator());
    ~vector();
}
```

STL: vector

- Standard library header <vector>
 - Assignment operators / member functions

```
template <class T, class Allocator = allocator<T> >
class vector {
public:
    vector<T,Allocator>& operator=(const vector<T,Allocator>& x);
    vector<T,Allocator>& operator=(vector<T,Allocator>&& x);
    vector& operator=(initializer_list<T>);

    template <class InputIterator>
        void assign(InputIterator first, InputIterator last);
    void assign(size_type n, const T& t);
    void assign(initializer_list<T>);

    allocator_type get_allocator() const noexcept;
}
```

STL: vector

- Standard library header <vector>
 - Iterators
 - begin(), end(), rbegin(), rend(), ...
 - Capacity
 - size(), resize(), capacity(), capacity(), empty(), reserve(), ...
 - Element access
 - [], at(), front(), back()
 - Modifiers
 - push_back(), pop_back(), insert(), erase(), swap(), clear(), ...
 - **Everything is templated!!**

Class template vs. Template class

- C++ standard only uses the term "**class template**".
- Some people interchangeably use these two terms, but I recommend you to only use "**class template**".
 - E.g., This is a class template, but not a class:

```
template<typename T>
```

```
class MyClassTemplate { ... };
```

- E.g., This is a class, but not a class template:

```
MyClassTemplate<int>
```

Templates and Inheritance

- Inheritance works the same as with ordinary classes.

```
template<class T>
class CountedQue : public QueType<T> {

public:
    CountedQue();
    void Enqueue (T newItem);
    void Dequeue (T& item);
    int LengthIs() const;

private:
    int length;
};
```

Templates and Inheritance

- Overriding

```
template<class T>
class Base
{
    public:
        void set(const T& val) {data = val;}
    private:
        T data;
};

template<class T>
class Derived : public Base<T> //no class Base, only
//class Base<T>
{
    public:
        void set(const T& val);
};

template<class T>
void Derived<T>::set(const T& v){
    Base<T>::set(v); //no class Base, only class Base<T>
}
```

Templates and Inheritance

- A **derived class template** may have its own template parameters.

```
template<class T>
class Base
{
public:
    void set(const T& val) {data = val;}
private:
    T data;
};

template<class T, class U>
class Derived : public Base<T> //no class Base, only class
Base<T>
{
public:
    void set(const T& val);
private:
    U derived_data;
};
```

Templates and Inheritance

- A **derived class** may inherit from an explicit instance of the base class template.

```
template<class T>
class Base
{
public:
    void set(const T& val) {data = val;}
    T get(){ return data;}
private:
    T data;
};

class Derived : public Base<int> //explicit instance of the base
class
{
public:
    int get(){ return Base<int>::get(); }
};
```

Templates and Inheritance

- Parameterized inheritance

```
class Shape
{
public:
    void display() { cout << "show" << endl; }

template<class T>
class Rectangle : public T //base class is the template
parameter
{
public:
    void display(){     T::display();      }
};

int main()
{
    Rectangle<Shape> rect;
}
```

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Templates and Static Members

- General classes
 - **Static** member variables are shared between all instances of the same class.
- Classes template instances
 - Each class template instance (== each instantiated class) (e.g., `MyTemplate<int>`, `MyTemplate<double>`) has its own copy of **static** member variables.
 - **Static** member variables are shared between all instances of the same instantiated class.

Templates and Static Members

- Example

```
template <class T> class TemplatdClass{  
    public:  
        static T x;  
};  
template <class T> T TemplatdClass<T> ::x = 0; // static member  
variables should be defined outside of the class  
int main()  
{  
    TemplatdClass<int>::x = 1;  
    cout << TemplatdClass<int>::x << endl;  
    cout << TemplatdClass<float>::x << endl;  
    return 1;  
}
```

Output:

1
0

Next Time

- Labs for this lecture:
 - Lab1 (next Tue): Assignment 12-1
 - Lab2 (next Thur): Assignment 12-2
- Next lecture:
 - 13 - Exception Handling (The last lecture)