Chapter - 18 Operator Overloading

Fixed Point Numbers

In floating point the decimal point can appear anywhere.

```
0.23     123.0  1.234
```

In fixed point the number of digits after the decimal point is a fixed number (for example 2)

```
12.00 123.00 0.01 45.83  0.33
```

Basic Fixed Point Number Class

```
namespace fixed_pt {


const int fixed_exp = 100;
   // 10**fixed_point */


class fixed_pt
{
    private:
        // Value of our fixed point number
        long int value;


    // ....
};
```

Numbers are stored as integers (value = number * fixed_point_exp).

Example: Number = 12.34 / value = 1234

Basic Member Functions

```
// Default constructor, zero everything
fixed_pt(): value(0) { }

// Copy constructor
fixed_pt(const fixed_pt& other_fixed_pt) :
    value(other_fixed_pt.value)
{ }

// Construct a fixed_pt out of a double
fixed_pt(const double init_real) :
    value(double_to_fp(init_real))
{}

// Destructor does nothing
~fixed_pt() {}
```

Converting a double to a fixed point

Basic Function

```
fixed_pt(double init_real) {
    value = init_real *
            fixed_exp);
}
```

But:

1. Some casts are missing
2. Testing has shown that due to floating point errors, we need a fudge factor. (Chapter 19 will detail what floating point can do to you.)

Actual conversion function:

```
const double fixed_fudge_factor = 0.0001;


static long int double_to_fp(const double the_double) {
    return (static_cast<long int>
            (the_double * static_cast<double>(fixed_exp) +
             fixed_fudge_factor
            )
           );
}
```

Adding two fixed point numbers

```
inline fixed_pt add(
    const fixed_pt& oper1,
    const fixed_pt& oper2
) {
    fixed_pt result.value =
         oper1.value + oper2.value;
}
```

Usage:

```
fixed_pt i1(12.34), i2(45.67);
fixed_pt i3 = add(i1, i2);
```

Using the "operator" functions

```
inline fixed_pt operator +(
    const fixed_pt& oper1,
    const fixed_pt& oper2
) {
    fixed_pt result.value =
         oper1.value + oper2.value;
}
```

Usage:

```
    fixed_pt i1(12.34), i2(45.67);
    fixed_pt i3 = operator +(i1, i2);
```

Or:

```
    fixed_pt i3 = i1 + i2;
```

Binary Operators

+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
%	Modulus
^	Bitwise exclusive OR
&	Bitwise and
|	Bitwise or
<<	Left Shift
>>	Right Shift

Relational Operators

==	Equality	!=	Inequality
<	Less Than	<=	Less or equal
>	Greater	>=	Greater or equal

```
inline bool operator == (const fixed_pt& oper1,const fixed_pt& oper2)
{
    return (oper1.value == oper2.value);
}
```

Unary Operators

+	Positive	-	Negative
*	Dereference	&	Address of
~	One's complement (invert bits)		

```
inline fixed_pt operator - (const fixed_pt& oper1)
{
     return (fixed_pt(-oper1.value));
}
```

Shortcut Operators

+=	Increase	-=	Decrease
*=	Multiply by	/=	Divide by
%=	Remainder	^=	Exclusive Or into
&=	And into	|=	Or into
<<=	Shift left	>>=	Shift right

```
inline fixed_pt& operator += (fixed_pt oper1,const fixed_pt& oper2)
{
    oper1.value += oper2.value;
    return (oper1);
}
```

Increment Operators

Increment comes in two forms

++i:	Increment, then return value
i++;	Increment, return value before increment.

A dummy parameter is used to distinguish between the two.

Fixed Point ++

```
// Prefix   x = ++f
inline fixed_pt& operator ++(fixed_pt& oper) {
    oper.value += fixed_point_exp;
    return (oper);
}


// Postfix x = f++
inline fixed_pt operator ++(fixed_pt oper, int) {


    fixed_pt result(oper);   // Save return
    oper.value += fixed_point_exp;


    return (result);
}
// NOTE THE RETURN TYPE DIFFERENCE IN THIS FUNCTION
```

Output Operator

```
inline std::ostream& operator << (
   std::ostream& out_file, const fixed_pt& number)
{
    long int before_dp = number.value / fixed_exp;
    long int after_dp1  =
             abs(number.value % fixed_exp);

    long int after_dp2  = after_dp1 % 10;

    after_dp1 /= 10;

    out_file << before_dp << '.' <<
                after_dp1 << after_dp2;
    return (out_file);
}
```

Input Operator

```
inline istream& operator >> (
   istream& in_file, fixed_pt& number )
{
   int before_dp;
   char dot;
   char after_dp1, after_dp2;

   in_file >> before_dp >> dot >>
              after_dp1 >> after_pd2;
   number.value = before_dp * fixed_exp +
          (after_dp1 – '0') * 10 +
          (after_dp2 – '0');
}
```

It is not this simple

Input sentry – error marking class

At the beginning of the input function

```
std::istream::sentry
    the_sentry(in_file, true);
```

The "true" tell the sentry to skip any leading whitespace in the text.

Check the sentry:

```
if (the_sentry) {
    // .. Read the file
} else {
    in_file.setstate(
        std::ios::failbit);
}
```

Starting the read

```
in_file >> before_dp;
if(in_file.bad()) return (in_file);

in_file >> dot_ch;
if(in_file.bad()) return (in_file);

if (dot_ch != '.') {
    in_file.setstate(
              std::ios::failbit);
    return(in_file);
}
// continue with
//... read ... error check ... fail
```

Operator functions as members

Operator member functions are the same as non-member functions except the first argument is an implied **this**.

Operator functions as members

```
inline fixed_pt operator + (
       const fixed_pt& n1, const fixed_pt& n2)
{
    fixed_pt result(n1.value + n2.value);
    return (result);
}

class fixed_pt {
   //...
   public:
        fixed_pt operator + (const fixed_pt& n2) const
        {
            fixed_pt result(value + n2.value);
            return (result);
        }
```

What's wrong with this program?

When run it prints?

Copy constructor called
Copy constructor called
.. continues forever.

```
 1 #include <iostream>
 2
 3 class trouble {
 4     public:
 5      int data;
 6
 7      trouble(void);
 8      trouble(const trouble &old);
 9      trouble operator = (trouble old_trouble);
10 };
11
12 trouble::trouble(void) {
13    data = 0;
14 }
15
16 trouble::trouble(const trouble &old) {
17    std::cout << "Copy constructor called\n";
18    *this = old;
19 }
20
21 trouble trouble::operator = (trouble old_trouble) {
22     std::cout << "Operator = called\n";
23     data = old_trouble.data;
24     return (*this);
25 }
26
27 int main() {
29     trouble trouble1;
30     trouble trouble2(trouble1);
31
32     return (0);
33 }
```