

Programming in C++

Exercise List 3

Deadline: 22.03.2016

Topic of this task are the *essential methods*.

1. Define (in a file `stack.h`) a class

```
#ifndef _STACK
#define _STACK 1

#include <iostream>
#include <initializer_list>

class stack
{
    size_t current_size;
    size_t current_capacity;
    // size_t is an integer number >= 0. It should be used for
    // sizes of objects, for indexing (because an index lies
    // between 0 and the size of the object) and for hash values
    // (because a hash value will be used for indexing.)
    // size_t is guaranteed to be big enough for the memory
    // of every computer, now and in the future.
    // size_t is an alias. Hence you need to include something
    // from standard library in order to have it.

    double* tab;
    // class invariant is that tab is always
    // allocated with a block with current_capacity.
    // We ignore the fact that normally,
    // elements between current_size and current_capacity
    // are not initialized.
    void ensure_capacity( size_t c );
    // Ensure that stack has capacity of at least c.

public:
    stack( ); // Constructs empty stack.
    stack( std::initializer_list< double > d );
```

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        // So that you can write s = { 1,2,3 };
        // You need d. size( ) and for( double d : s ) .....

stack( const stack& s );
~stack( );
void operator = ( const stack& s );
    // These are the essential methods.
    // Later we will also encounter
    // void operator = ( stack&& s ) and
    // stack( stack&& s ).

void push( double d ); // Use ensure_capacity, so that
                        // pushing is always possible, as
                        // long as memory is not full.

void pop( );
    // Remove one element from the stack. It's OK to write
    // code that crashes, as long as you write clearly what are
    // your preconditions, so:
    // PRECONDITION: The stack is not empty.

void reset( size_t s );
    // Pops element until stack has size s.
    // PRECONDITION: s <= current_size.

double& top( );
double top( ) const;
    // The second one is used when stack was declared const.
    // The first one allows assignment.
    // Both have precondition that the stack is non-empty.

size_t size( ) const { return current_size; }
bool empty( ) const { return current_size == 0; }

};

```

Below is a definition of `ensure_capacity()`. Write the other methods by yourself. (in a file with name `stack.cpp`) Small methods (up to three lines) can be written in `stack.h`. Be sure to use field initializers wherever possible.

```

void stack::ensure_capacity( size_t c )
{
    if( current_capacity < c )

```

```

{
    // New capacity will be the greater of c and
    // 2 * current_capacity.

    if( c < 2 * current_capacity )
        c = 2 * current_capacity;

    double* newtab = new double[ c ];
    for( size_t i = 0; i < current_size; ++ i )
        newtab[i] = tab[i];

    current_capacity = c;
    delete[] tab;
    tab = newtab;
}
}

```

2. If you wrote the copy constructor, the assignment operator, and the destructor correctly, then your class now has *value semantics*.

```

{
    stack s1 = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };
    stack s2 = s1; // Copy constructor.

    // j is not size_t, because multiplying size_t with itself is
    // unnatural:

    for( unsigned int j = 0; j < 20; ++ j )
        s2.push( j * j );

    s1 = s2;
    // Assignment.
    s1 = s1;
    // Always check for self assignment.

    s1 = { 100,101,102,103 };
    // Works because the compiler inserts constructor and
    // calls assignment with the result.

#ifdef 0
    // Won't compile. In order to get it compiled, remove const:

    const stack& sconst = s1;
    sconst.top( ) = 20;
    sconst.push(15);
#endif
}

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}
```

3. Check that there are no memory leaks, and that memory is not returned twice. The recommended way to do this is by using **valgrind**. Call **valgrind ./stack** and read the output of **valgrind**.

4. Write

```
std::ostream& operator << ( std::ostream& , const stack& s );
```

Make it a friend of class `stack`, by adding

```
friend std::ostream& operator << ( std::ostream& stream, const stack& s );
```

5. Using `operator <<`, convince yourself (and us) that your implementations of the essential methods have correct behaviour.
6. Check what happens when you change `#if 0` to `#if 1`.