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Maximum possible points: 45

In this homework you will implement a *Polynomial* ADT (Abstract Data Type) using the object-oriented features of C++. In particular, we will only consider second-order polynomials:

$$ax^2 + bx + c$$

The class declaration is the following (poly.h in the homework files):

```
class Polynomial
{
    private:
        /* Member variables */
        int a, b, c;
        /* Static member variable */
        static int numPolynomials;

    public:
        /* Constructors */
        Polynomial();
        Polynomial(int a, int b, int c);
        Polynomial(const Polynomial &p); // Copy constructor

        /* Destructor */
        ~Polynomial();

        /* Member functions */
        bool hasRealSolution();
        double getRealSolution1();
        double getRealSolution2();

        /* Overloaded operators */
        Polynomial& operator=(const Polynomial &p);
        Polynomial operator+(const Polynomial &p);
        bool operator==(const Polynomial &p);

        int operator()(int x);
}
```



```
/* Friends */  
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream &os, const Polynomial &p);  
  
/* Static member function */  
static int getNumPolynomials();  
};
```

A poly.cpp file is provided that includes a partial implementation of the constructors, and the implementation of the static getNumPolynomials() function.

To test your list implementation, a main.cpp is provided in the homework files. Running this program with a correct implementation should yield the following:

```
Number of polynomials is 5  
p2 and p3 are the same. Good!  
p2 and p5 are the same. Good!  
p2 and p4 are not the same. Good!  
p2 has real solutions x1=3 , x2=-5  
p4 has no real solutions.  
p2 is 2x^2 + 4x - 30  
p2+p3 is 4x^2 + 8x - 60  
p2 is 2x^2 + 4x - 30  
p5 is 4x^2 + 8x - 60  
p2(3) = 0  
p2(-5) = 0  
p2(0) = -30  
Number of polynomials is 4
```

Exercise 1 <<5 points>>

A partial implementation of these constructors is provided:

```
Polynomial();  
Polynomial(int a, int b, int c);
```

However, these constructors do not modify the static *numPolynomials* member variable (which keeps a count of the number of *Polynomial* instances created). Modify the constructors so they will correctly change the value of *numPolynomials*, and implement the destructor:

```
~Polynomial();
```



Also, you must make sure that the static *numPolynomials* member variable is correctly initialized.

Exercise 2 <<5 points>>

Implement the copy constructor:

```
Polynomial(const Polynomial &p);
```

Exercise 3 <<10 points>>

Implement the following member functions:

```
bool hasRealSolution();  
double getRealSolution1();  
double getRealSolution2();
```

In these functions, you will consider the polynomial as a quadratic equation ($P(x)=0$). *hasRealSolution* returns true if the equation has a real solution (or two), and false otherwise. *getRealSolution1* and *getRealSolution2* assume that a real solution exists, and return each of the real solutions (if the equation has a unique solution, they return the same value).

If you only vaguely remember the quadratic formula, you can get up to speed here:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quadratic_equation

Extra credit (10 points): Modify these functions to consider all possible solutions (two complex solutions, one single real solution, two real solutions) and all possible error conditions (e.g. what if $a=0$? What if $a=b=0$? What if $a=b=c=0$?). You should not do this by adding more functions ("getComplexSolution1", ...) but by writing a single function that returns an error code *and* two complex numbers (using the ComplexNumber ADT seen in class).

Exercise 4 <<10 points>>

Overload the following operators:

```
Polynomial& operator=(const Polynomial &p);  
Polynomial operator+(const Polynomial &p);  
bool operator==(const Polynomial &p);
```



Exercise 5 <<10 points>>

Overload the function call operator:

```
int operator()(int x);
```

Note: We have not discussed the function call operator in class. You will have to read about it on your own.

You must overload the function call operator in such a way that using the parentheses operator on a *Polynomial* object will return the value of that polynomial when x is equal to the integer value supplied as a parameter. For example:

```
Polynomial p(1,2,3);  
cout << p(2); // Prints out "11" (Why? --->  $1*2^2 + 2*2 + 3 = 11$ )
```

Exercise 6 <<5 points>>

Implement the following friend function:

```
friend ostream& operator<<(ostream &os, const Polynomial &p);
```

This function prints out the polynomial to the specified output stream. You must make sure that you print out the polynomial *correctly*. Hint: Careful with terms that have a negative coefficient and terms that have a zero coefficient.