

CS 3721: Programming Languages Lab

Lab #13: Memory layout of class objects.

Suppose we have the following C++ code.

```
class Animal {
protected:
    float age, weight;
public:
    Animal(float _age, float _weight)
        : age(_age), weight(_weight) {} // initialize private variables
    void jump() { ... }
    virtual void grow(float time, float w) { age += time; weight += w; }
};

class Dog : public Animal {
private:
    int tagno;
public:
    Dog(float _age, float _weight, int _tag)
        : Animal(_age,_weight),tagno(_tag){} // initialize base and private
    virtual void feed(int num) { ... }
    virtual float grow(float w) { ... }
};

class Dolphin: public Animal {
private:
    float size;
public:
    Dolphin(float _age, float _weight, float _size)
        : Animal(_age, _weight), size(_size) {} // initialize base and private
    virtual void jump() { ... }
};

void Zoo()
{
    Dog dog1(1.1,5,1); // allocating a Dog object on stack
    dog1.feed(3);
    Dolphin *dolphin2 = new Dolphin(2.5, 7.9, 20);
    Animal *p1 = &dog1, *p2 = dolphin2;
    p1->jump();
    p2->jump();
}
```

The following describes the memory layout for the three classes Animal, Dog, and Dolphin.

```
Animal : vptr -> vtable: grow_float_float -> impl of Animal::grow
    age   : ?
    weight : ?
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Dog : vptr -> vtable: grow_float_float -> impl of Animal::grow
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        feed -> impl of Dog::feed
        grow_float -> impl of Dog::grow_float
age : ?
weight : ?
tagno : ?

Dolphin: vptr -> vtable: grow_float_float -> impl of Animal::grow
                jump -> impl of Dolphin::jump
age : ?
weight : ?
size : ?

```

Further, the following draws the layout of variables allocated by the function Zoo.

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dog1 : vptr -> vtable: grow_float_float -> impl of Animal::grow
                feed -> impl of Dog::feed
                grow_float -> impl of Dog::grow_float
age : 1.1
weight : 5
tagno : 1
dolphin2 -> vptr -> vtable: grow_float_float -> impl of Animal::grow
                jump -> impl of Dolphin::jump
age : 2.5
weight : 7.9
size : 20
p1 -> Zoo:dog1
p2 -> Storage0f(Zoo:dolphin2)

```

1. Suppose we have the following C++ code.

```

class Plant {
    int location;
protected:
    float age, height;
    int group;
public:
    Plant(float _age, float _height, int _group)
        : age(_age), height(_height), group(_group), location(0) {}
    virtual void move(int _loc) { location = _loc; }
    void grow(float time, float h) { age += time; height += h; }
};

class Rose : public Plant {
private:
    int flowers;
public:
    Rose(float _age, float _height, int _group, int _flowers)
        : Plant(_age,_height,_group),flowers(_flowers){}
    virtual void water(int amount) { ... }
    virtual void move(int _loc) { ... }
};

```

```

class Oak: public Plant {
    private:
        float density;
    public:
        Oak(float _age, float _height, int _group, float _density)
            : Plant(_age, _height, group), density(_density) {}
        virtual void grow(float t, float h) { ... }
};

int main()
{
    Rose rose1(1.1, 5.0, 1, 5); // allocating a Rose object on stack
    Oak *oak2 = new Oak(2.5, 7.9, 20, 9.1);
    Plant *p1 = &rose1, *p2 = oak2;
}

```

- (a) Give the memory layout for the three classes Plant, Rose, and Oak.
- (b) Give the layout of variables allocated by the function *main*.