



# Data Structures and Algorithms ( 4 )

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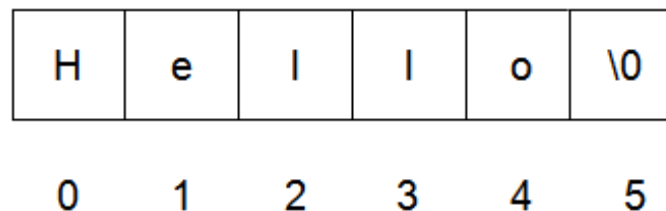
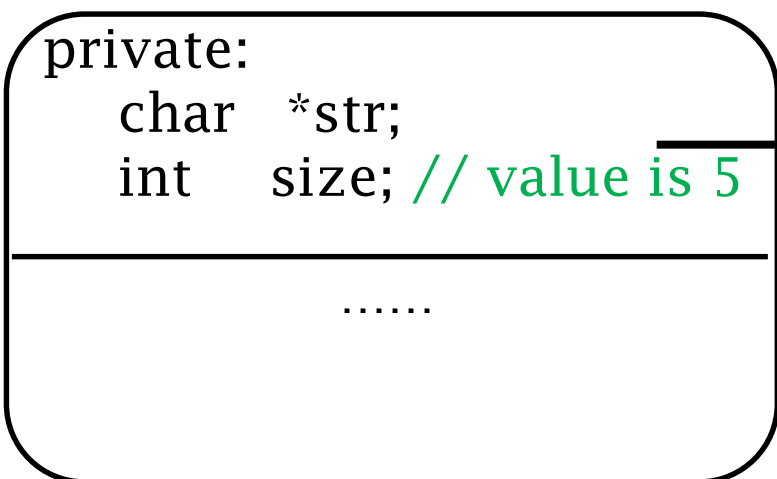
# Sequential storage for String

- For strings that has little change on the length, there are three processing scheme:
  1. Use S[0] to record the strength of string(Pascal)
    - Disadvantage : limit the maximum length of string and make sure that it doesn't exceed 256.
  2. To store the length of string, open up a new place
    - Disadvantage : The maximum length of string is static, not space dynamically applied
  3. End with a special mark '\0' (C/C++)
    - For example : C/C++ string standard library ( `#include <string.h>` )
    - '\0' ASCII char table numbered 0 , equivalent to the constant `NULL`、 digit `0`、 constant `false`

# The storage structure for String class

```
private: // implementation for string' storage structure
char *str; // data representation for string
int size; // current length of string
```

For example ,  
String s1 = "Hello";





# The implementation of string operation

- String Length
  - `int strlen(char *s);`
- String Copy
  - `char *strcpy(char *s1, char*s2);`
- String concatenation
  - `char *strcat(char *s1, char *s2);`
- String Comparison
  - `int strcmp(char *s1, char *s2);`

# The implementation of string operation

```
// Get the length of string
int strlen(char d[ ]) {
    int i = 0;
    while (d[i] != '\0')
        i++;
    return i;
}
```

# The implementation of string operation

```
// String copy
char *strcpy(char *d, char *s) {
    int i = 0;
    while (s[i] != '\0') {
        d[i] = s[i];  i++;
    }
    d[i] = '\0';
    return d;
}
```

# The implementation of string operation

```
// String comparison
int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2) {
    int i = 0;
    while (s2[i] != '\0' && s1[i] != '\0') {
        if (s1[i] > s2[i])
            return 1;
        else if (s1[i] < s2[i])
            return -1;
        i++;
    }
    if (s1[i] == '\0' && s2[i] != '\0')
        return -1;
    else if s2[i] == '\0' && s1[i] != '\0')
        return 1;
    return 0;
}
```





## More simple algorithm

```
int strcmp_1(char *s1, char *s2) {
    int i;
    for (i = 0; s1[i] == s2[i]; ++i) {
        if(s1[i] == '\0' && s2[i] == '\0')
            return 0;          // if s1==s2
    }
    // if s1!=s2, then compare the first different
    char
    return (s1[i]-s2[i]) / abs(s1[i]-s2[i]);
}
```

# The implementation of string operation

```
// constructor
String::String(char *s) {
    // Firstly, confirm the storage space needed for the new-built string,
    // the type of s is (char *)
    // As the initialized value of the new-built string.
    // Get the length of S by the standard function of string class.
    // strlen(s) get length of string
    size = strlen(s) ;
    // then, open up a space in the dynamic storage area
    // to store the initialized value of s, the end chars are also included.
    str = new char [size + 1];
    // When opening up space fails, it is abnormal, then quit
    assert(str != NULL);
    // use standard function strcpy to copy the whole string
    // to the storage space where the pointer of str points to
    strcpy(str, s);
}
```

# The implementation of string operation

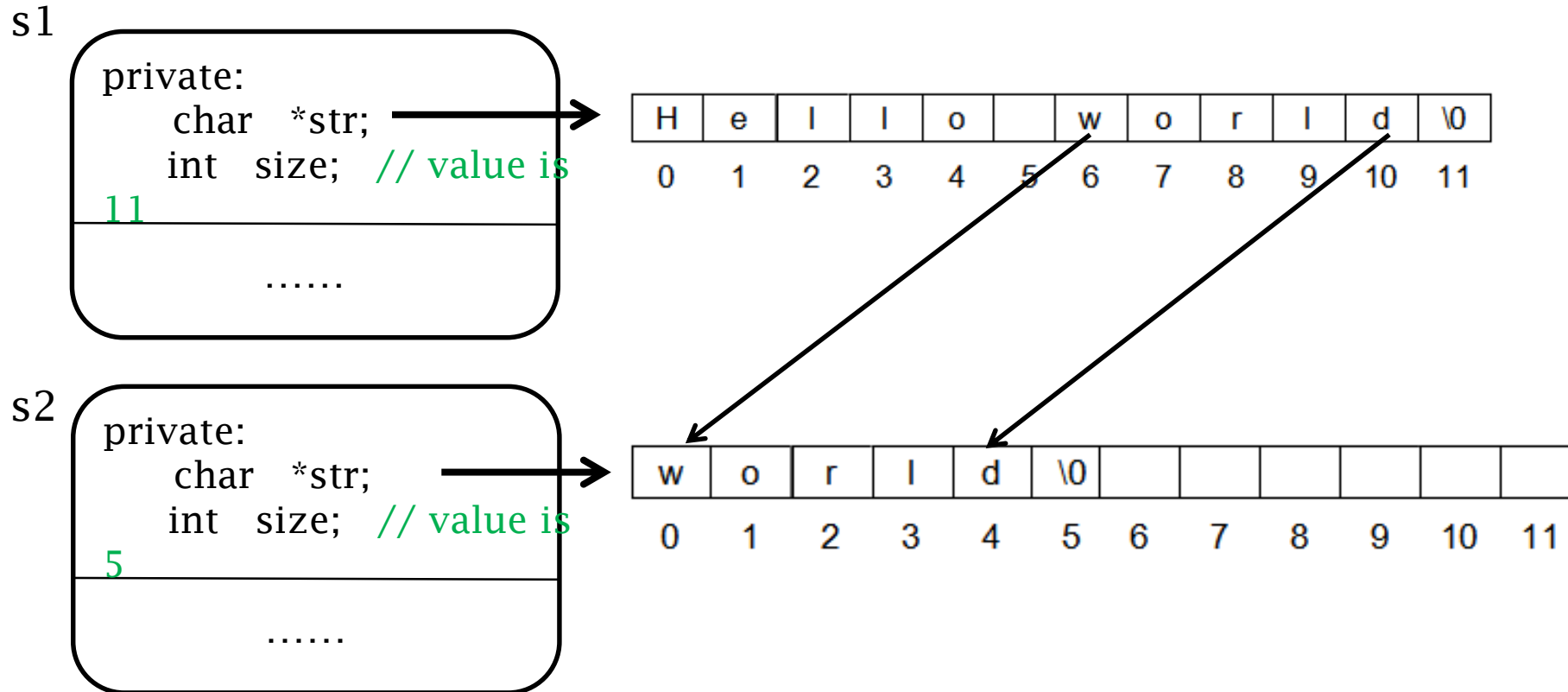
```
// Destructor
String::~~String() {
    // Dynamic storage space must be released
    delete [] str;
}
```

# The implementation of string operation

```
// Assign function
String String::operator= (String& s) {
    // String s will be assigned to this string
    // if the length of this string is not equal to the length of s, release this
    string
    //open up new spaces
    if (size != s.size) {
        delete [] str ;    // release storage space
        str = new char [s.size+1];
        // if opening up the dynamic storage space fails, then quit.
        assert(str != NULL) ;
        size = s.size;
    }
    strcpy(str , s.str );
    // return this instance as the instance of string class
    return *this;
}
```

# Substring extraction

- `s2 = s1.Substr(6, 5);`





# Exercises

- Given strings  $S1$  and  $S2$ , please list all possible conditions that  $S1+S2==S2+S1$  ( '+' is the concatenation operation)
- Design an algorithm to reverse the characters in a given string, without extra storage for an intermediate string.



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