# Kreiranje, inicijalizacija i uništavanje objekata Programiranje korisničkih interfejsa Bojan Furlan

### **Creating Objects**

#### Step 1: Allocating memory

- Use **new** keyword to allocate memory from the heap
- Step 2: Initializing the object by using a constructor
  - Use the name of the class followed by parentheses

Date when = new Date();

### **Using Initializer Lists**



#### **Declaring Readonly Variables and Constants**



#### **Keywords const & readonly**

```
class MyClass {
   const int x = 5;
   readonly int y = 25;
   const int xx;
   readonly int yy; //ok
  readonly int zz = GetZ(); //ok
   public MyClass() {
      yy = 24;
   }
   public void MyMethod {
    -<u>vv = 10; x = 7;</u>
```



- Object Lifetime
- Objects and Scope
- Garbage Collection

# **Object Lifetime**

#### Creating objects

- You allocate memory by using **new**
- You initialize an object in that memory by using a constructor
- Using objects
  - You call methods
- Destroying objects
  - The object is converted back into memory
  - The memory is de-allocated

#### **Objects and Scope**

- The lifetime of a local value is tied to the scope in which it is declared
  - Short lifetime (typically)
  - Deterministic creation and destruction
- The lifetime of a dynamic object is not tied to its scope
  - A longer lifetime
  - A non-deterministic destruction

# **Garbage Collection**

#### You cannot explicitly destroy objects

- C# does not have an opposite of **new** (such as **delete**)
- This is because an explicit delete function is a prime source of errors in other languages

#### Garbage collection destroys objects for you

- It finds <u>unreachable</u> objects and destroys them for you
- It finalizes them back to raw unused heap memory
- It typically does this when memory becomes low



#### Object Cleanup

- Writing Destructors
- Warnings About Destructor Timing
- IDisposable Interface and Dispose Method
- The using Statement in C#

# **Object Cleanup**

#### The final actions of different objects will be different

- They cannot be determined by garbage collection.
- Objects in .NET Framework have a Finalize method.
- If present, garbage collection will call destructor before reclaiming the raw memory.
- In C#, implement a destructor to write cleanup code. You cannot call or override **Object.Finalize**.

# **Writing Destructors**



```
~SourceFile() { ... }
```

}

# **Warnings About Destructor Timing**

Destructors are guaranteed to be called

- Cannot rely on timing
- Avoid destructors if possible
  - Performance costs
  - Complexity
  - Delay of memory resource release

Use them for unmanaged non-memory resources

• E.g. DB connections, file lock, sessions etc.

#### **IDisposable Interface and Dispose Method**

#### To reclaim a resource:

- Inherit from IDisposable Interface and implement Dispose method that releases resources
- Ensure that calling **Dispose** more than once is benign
- Ensure that you do not try to use a reclaimed resource
- Call **GC.SuppressFinalize** method
  - Requests that the system not call the finalizer for the specified object.

### The using Statement in C#



```
public class BaseResource: IDisposable
 // Pointer to an external resource
 private IntPtr handle;
 // Other resource this class uses
 private Component Components;
 // To track whether Dispose has been called
 private bool disposed = false;
  // Constructor for the BaseResource object
 public BaseResource( )
   handle = // Insert code here to allocate on the
                   // unmanaged side
   Components = new Component (...);
```

```
// Implement IDisposable.
// Do not make this method virtual.
// A derived class should not be able to override
// this method.
public void Dispose( )
{
   Dispose(true);
   // Take yourself off of the Finalization queue
   GC.SuppressFinalize(this);
}
```

```
protected virtual void Dispose(bool disposing)
   // Check to see if Dispose has already been
   // called
   if(!this.disposed)
     // If this is a call to Dispose, dispose all
    // managed resources
     if(disposing)
       Components.Dispose();
. . .
```

```
// Release unmanaged resources.
// Note that this is not thread-safe.
// Another thread could start disposing the
// object after the managed resources are
// disposed, but before the disposed flag is
// set to true.
this.disposed = true;
Release(handle);
handle = IntPtr.Zero;
```

```
// Use C# destructor syntax for finalization code.
 // This destructor will run only if the Dispose
 // method does not get called. It gives your base
 // class the opportunity to finalize. Do not
 // provide destructors in types derived from
 // this class.
 ~BaseResource()
   Dispose(false);
. . .
```

```
// Design pattern for a derived class.
// Note that this derived class inherently implements
// the IDisposable interface because it is implemented
// in the base class.
public class MyResourceWrapper: BaseResource
{
    private bool disposed = false;
```

public MyResourceWrapper( )

// Constructor for this object

```
protected override void Dispose(bool disposing)
 if(!this.disposed)
   try
     if(disposing)
       // Release any managed resources here
     // Release any unmanaged resources here
     this.disposed = true;
```

