

Exercise Sheet 3

Exercise 1: Matrix Class Implementation

(20 points)

Note: this exercise will form the foundation for several of the upcoming exercises, so if you want to work on only a subset of the sheet, it might be a good idea to start on this one.

In Scientific Computing the concept and use of matrices is crucial. Regardless of the field of expertise — if it is in optimization, statistics, artificial intelligence, or the solution of partial differential equations — we need matrices and solutions of linear systems of equations in nearly all applications.

In this exercise, we will implement a class `Matrix` in analogy to the class `Vector` from exercise sheet 1.

Take care of the following points:

- Class `Matrix` should have all functionality that class `Vector` has (constructors, methods, etc.).
- The entries should be stored in a container of type `std::vector<std::vector<double>>`.
- Instead of the number of elements `int N` in class `Vector`, class `Matrix` should contain the two numbers `int numRows` and `int numCols` that represent the number of rows and the number of columns respectively. Use `numRows` and `numCols` in all places where the member functions of class `Vector` used `N`, and re-implement the functionality adapted to the use of a class that represents matrix objects.
- Use the member function `double& operator()(int i, int j)` for accessing the (i, j) -th element of objects of class `Matrix`.
- Use the member function `std::vector<double>& operator[](int i)` to return the i -th row of a matrix object.
- Class `Matrix` should have an additional constructor that constructs square matrices.

In addition to the member functions mentioned above, implement free functions that provide

- the addition of two matrices,
- the multiplication of a matrix with a scalar,
- the multiplication of a scalar with a matrix,
- a matrix-vector multiplication, where vectors are of type `std::vector<double>`,
- a matrix-vector multiplication, where vectors are of type `Vector`.

Write a test program that tests all functionality of class `Matrix` (construction, the different kinds of multiplication, element access).

Exercise 2: Linked List

(10 points)

Using the simple example of a chained list we will practice the interaction of constructors, destructors and pointers.

We want to program a linked list which can store an arbitrary number of values of type `int`. Such a list consists of an object of class `List`, which refers to a sequence of objects of class `Node`. The list elements are stored in a component `int value` within each node, and a pointer `Node* next` points to the next node. The end of the list is designated by the pointer `next` having the value `nullptr`.

- (a) What is special about a pointer having the value `nullptr`?
- (b) Implement the class `Node`. Make sure that all member variables are always initialized, especially the `next` pointer.
- (c) Implement the class `List` with the following methods:

```
1  class List
2  {
3      public:
4
5      List ();                // create an empty list
6      ~List ();              // clean up list and all nodes
7      Node* first () const;  // return pointer to first entry
8      Node* next (const Node* n) const; // return pointer to node after n
9      void append (int i);   // append a value to the end
10     void insert (Node* n, int i); // insert a value before n
11     void erase (Node* n);   // remove n from the list
12 };
```

`List` must also store the beginning of the list, where would you place it in the class declaration? The `next` pointer of class `Node` should be `private` to ensure that the list structure isn't accidentally changed outside of class `List`. The member `value` is `public` to allow read and write access from outside the class. The line `friend class List;` has to be inserted into the declaration of the class `Node` to give the `List` class access to the `next` pointer. Additionally make sure that the destructor deletes all allocated `Node` objects.

- (d) Test your implementation with the following program:

```
1  int main ()
2  {
3      List list;
4      list.append(2);
5      list.append(3);
6      list.insert(list.first(), 1);
7
8      for (Node* n = list.first(); n != 0; n = list.next(n))
9          std::cout << n->value << std::endl;
10 }
```

- (e) What happens if one copies the list? And what happens if both lists are deleted?

```
1  int main ()
2  {
3      List list;
4      list.append(2);
5      ...
6      List list2 = list;
7  }
```