Subject: Derivating from Vector<>
Posted by victorb on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 19:12:13 GMT
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I am trying to derivate a class from Vector<...> but I can't get it to work. Any help from the Upp community would be welcome.

Here is some sample code:

```
#include <Core/Core.h>

using namespace Upp;

class IntVector : public DeepCopyOption<IntVector, Vector<int> >
{
public:
 IntVector(){Cout() << "IntVector\n"; }

 virtual ~IntVector(){Cout() <<  "~IntVector\n";}

 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int) {
  ::new IntVector;
  Vector<int>(src, 0);
  name = src.name;
  Cout() << "DCC\n";
 }

 String name;

 String ToString(void) {
  String dump;

  dump << name << " ";

  if (IsPicked()) return dump << "Picked";

  for (int i = 0; i < GetCount(); i++) {
   dump << At(i) << " ";
  }
  return dump;
 }

};

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{
 Cout() << "iv\n";
 IntVector iv;
```

```
 iv.name = "IV";

 iv.Add(5);
 iv.Add(6);

 Cout() << "iv2\n";
 IntVector iv2(iv, 0);

 Cout() <<  iv.ToString() << "\n";
 Cout() <<  iv2.ToString() << "\n";

}
```

I expect iv2 to be equal to iv at the end. There is probably something wrong with the deep copy constructor but I really can't figure it out.

Victor

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Subject: Re: Deriving from Vector<>
Posted by victorb on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 19:37:46 GMT
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I have found something working

```
 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int) {
  ::new IntVector;
  for (int i = 0; i < src.GetCount(); i++)
   At(i) = src[i];
  name = src.name;
  Cout() << "DCC\n";
 }
```

I would need to add some check in order to make sure that src is not picked...
But really there should be a nicer solution.

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Posted by victorb on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 19:48:25 GMT
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Another working solution:

```
 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int) {
  ::new IntVector;
```

```
 __DeepCopy(src);
 name = src.name;
 Cout() << "DCC\n";
}
```

But this require to change __DeepCopy access to protected in Vcont.h

Anything better ?

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Posted by victorb on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 21:17:08 GMT
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Actually latest does not work (not recursive)

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Posted by victorb on Tue, 06 Mar 2007 23:54:48 GMT
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I think that the solution is:

```
class IntVector : public Vector<int>
{
public:
 IntVector(){Cout() << "IntVector\n"; }

 virtual ~IntVector(){Cout() <<  "~IntVector\n";}

 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int) : Vector<int>(src, 0)
       {
  name = src.name;
 }

 String name;

};
```

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not so sure but I'll find...

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Subject: Re: Derivating from Vector<>
Posted by victorb on Wed, 07 Mar 2007 00:30:59 GMT
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This seems to do the trick:

```
class IntVector : public DeepCopyOption<IntVector>, public Vector<int>
{
public:
 IntVector(){Cout() << "IntVector\n"; }

 virtual ~IntVector(){Cout() <<  "~IntVector\n";}

 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int) : Vector<int>(src, 0)
 {
  name = src.name;
  Cout() << "DCC\n";
 }

};
```

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Simpler, without having to use multiple inheritance:

```
class IntVector : public DeepCopyOption<IntVector, Vector<int> >
{
public:
 IntVector(){Cout() << "IntVector\n"; }

 virtual ~IntVector(){Cout() <<  "~IntVector\n";}

 IntVector(const IntVector &src, int)
 {
  Append(src);
  name = src.name;
 }

        String name;

};
```

Should be the ultimate solution

Subject: Re: Derivating from Vector<>
Posted by mirek on Thu, 08 Mar 2007 12:55:34 GMT
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Well, derivating from container is possible, but generally not quite a good idea. This is true both for U++Core and STL...

Mirek

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Posted by victorb on Thu, 08 Mar 2007 15:30:44 GMT
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The main reasons because derivating from containers seem to be:
1- the lack of virtual destructor,
2- member function are not virtual then you can override them.

However in my case I am just adding a few properties to Vector<> and I don't want to have to rewrite the Add()/Remove()/... then I'll stick with inheritance. I agree that composition should be the preferred way in more complex cases.

Thanks,
Victor