

# Weak Pointer Exercises

# std::weak\_ptr

- Briefly describe std::weak\_ptr

# weak\_ptr to shared\_ptr

- Give two ways in which a weak\_ptr object can be converted to a shared\_ptr object
- What happens if the weak\_ptr's memory pointer is invalid?

# weak\_ptr to shared\_ptr

- Write a program which creates a shared\_ptr and a weak\_ptr to it
- Convert the weak\_ptr to a shared\_ptr
  - When the original shared\_ptr object is still valid
  - After the original shared\_ptr object has been invalidated (this can be done by assigning it to nullptr)
- If it is safe to do so, print out the data in the resulting shared\_ptr

# Weak Pointer Applications

- Suggest an application for `weak_ptr`