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Subject: Why struct instead of class?

Posted by [jeremy\\_c](#) on Sat, 06 Jun 2009 04:47:28 GMT

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    MyAppWindow() {  
  
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    }  
  
};
```

Jeremy

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Subject: Re: Why struct instead of class?

Posted by [cbpporter](#) on Sat, 06 Jun 2009 15:52:43 GMT

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Well in modern C++ the difference between struct and class is pretty much trivial and related to default access rights: members in structs are public by default and members in classes are private by default.

C++ has a lot of duplicate features, so I tend to allays use only class to avoid it. But it makes no difference, use the one you like better, just don't mix and match in inheritance trees .

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Subject: Re: Why struct instead of class?

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 07 Jun 2009 19:46:33 GMT

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Jeremy

Because I am lazy to write "public" for "final use" classes:)

I mean, access control is important for reusable classes. But if I am writing concrete app, I usually do not bother using access control as chances that class is going to be reused by other code is nil.

Mirek

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