



1.Objects

To write Object Oriented Programs in C, you need working objects.

An object should have metadata for the following:

- Class
- Reference count
- Size
- •etc.

Metadata is a C-structplaced just before an object's data in memory.

Classes are described in the next section.

Reference counts create an ownership system for objects.

Size is a useful general property of an object.

Other metadata are for sub-classing, constants, lifetime, etc.

Related functions:

```
Obj alocO(int size); // Create a classless object
Obj keepO(Obj object); // Increase retain count
void freeO(Obj object); // Descrease retain count
short countO(Obj object); // Get retain count
int4 sizeO(Obj object); // Get object's segment size
```