

# Sharing Code And Objects Between Delphi and C++



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# Sharing Functions Example

To define the function

C++:

```
extern "C" int std
```

Pascal:



# Sharing Functions Example

To call the function:

C++:

```
int x;  
x = MyFunc();
```



# Rules for Sharing Functions

Match Calling Conventions

**extern** "C" for non-mangled

Check parameters for compatibility

Check return types for compatibility



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# Packaging



# Packaging Functions in a DLL

## Pascal Executable

```
function MyFunc: Integer; external 'MyDLL.DLL';  
...  
x := MyFunc;
```

## C++ Dynamic Link Library

```
int stdcall __export MyFunc ()  
{  
...  
}
```



# Linking Functions into the EXE

Pascal program myprog.pas:

```
function MyFunc : Integer; stdcall;  
{ $L myfunc.obj }
```

C++ object file myfunc.obj:

```
extern "C" int stdcall MyFunc()  
{  
    return 1;  
}
```

# How to Choose a Package

Use a DLL when:

C++ code is a whole sub

There is a lot of C++ code

C++ code makes heavy use



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# Ways of Sharing

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# Sharing Objects

What does it mean to *share*?

Keep a pointer to an object  
in the shared language

Call methods on the object



# Sharing Classes

What does it mean to to  
create an instance of a class  
destroy an instance  
derive a new class



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# Example Pascal Object

Pascal

```
type TMyObject = class
  procedure DoThis;
  function DoThat: Integer;
  procedure WalkUp;
  procedure WalkDown;
end;
```



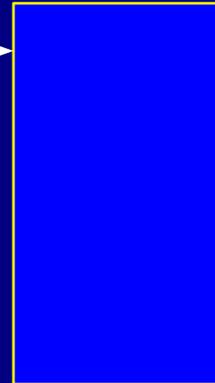
# Manipulating a Pascal Object From C++

C++ Code has a Pointer

C++



Pascal



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# Defining a Common Interface

In Pascal, declare an interface  
with  
public methods

Translate the interface

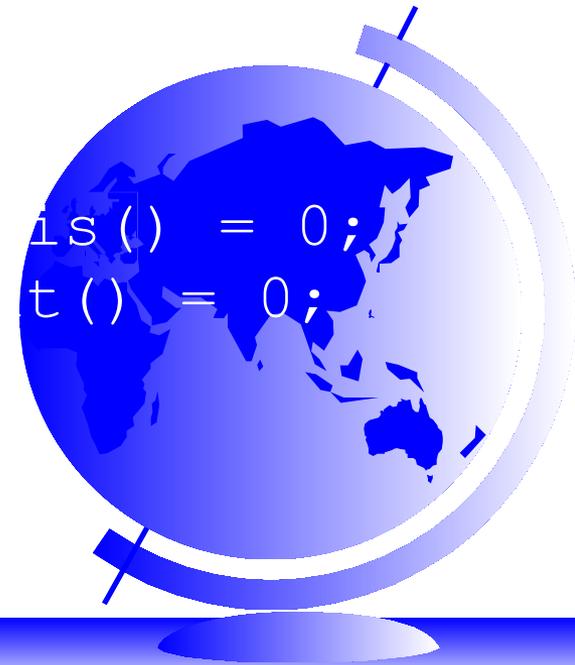
Use common calling convention



# Example Code for an Interface

Pascal:

```
type IMyObject = class  
    procedure DoThis;  
    virtual; abstract  
    function DoThat:  
    virtual; abstract  
end
```



# Pascal Class With an Interface

**type**

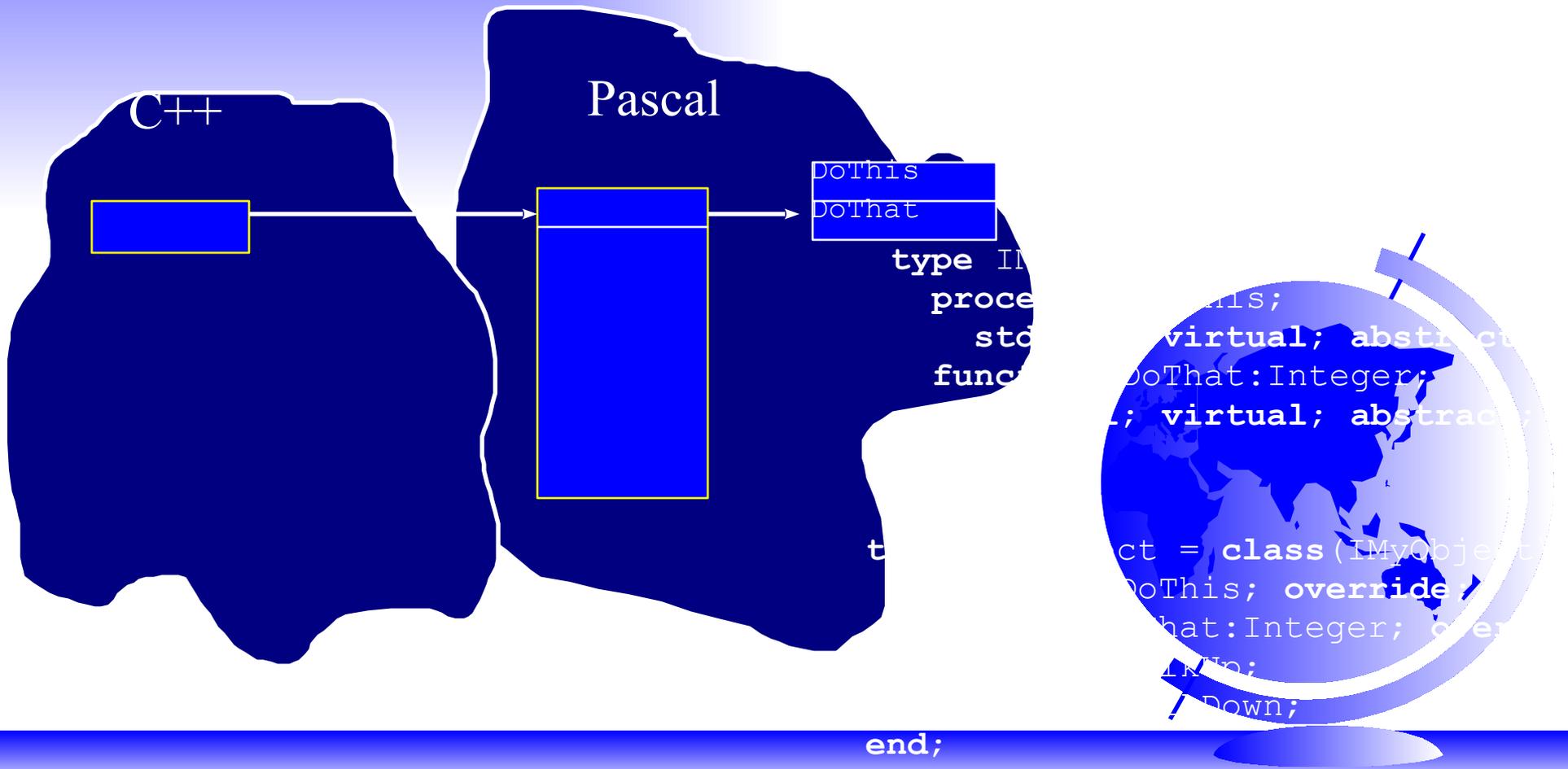
```
IMyObject = class  
  procedure DoThis;  
  stdcall; virtual  
  function DoThat:  
  stdcall; virtual  
end;
```

**override;**



# Manipulating a Pascal Object From C++

C++ Code Calls a Method



# C++ code to Call the Method

```
IMyObject *pObj;  
pObj->DoThis();
```

```
int x;
```



# Ways of Sharing

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create an instance of a class in another language

destroy an instance



# Factory Functions

A *factory function* is a function that takes some data as input and returns an interface to an object.

Example:

```
function CreateMyObject(
    data) {
    return new MyObject(
        data);
}
```



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# Freeing an Instance

## Destroy function

```
procedure DestroyMyObj  
begin  
    (obj as TMyObject)  
end;
```



# Freeing an Instance

Release method in the interface

**type**

```
IMyObject = class  
  procedure DoThis;  
  virtual; abstract;  
  function DoThat: Integer;
```



# Freeing an Instance

Release method implementation:

```
TMyObject = class (IMyObject)
procedure DoThis; end;
function DoThat: Integer;
procedure Release;
end;
```



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# Subclassing is not for Components

Components are self-contained  
dependencies.



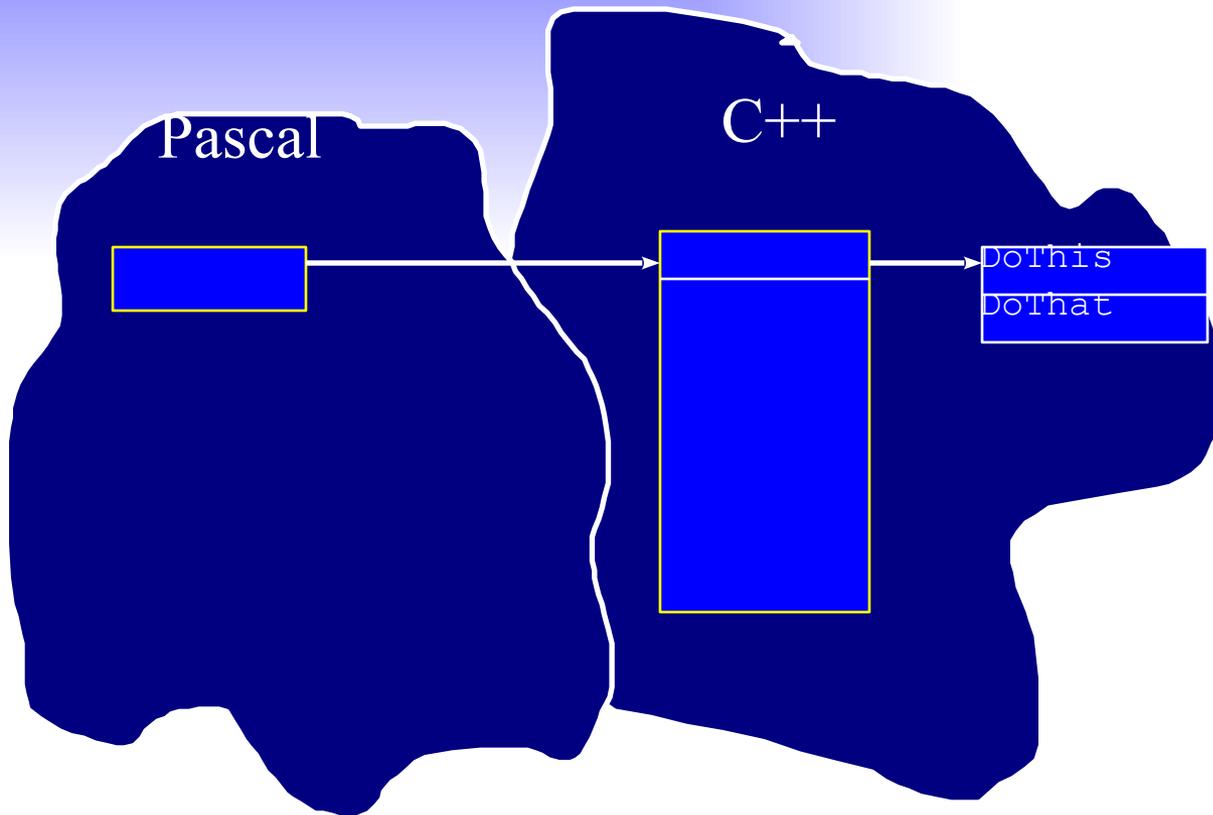
# Using a Delphi Object From C++

Same technique only th



# Manipulating a C++ Object From Pascal

Pascal Code Calls a Method



# The Component Object Model

COM is the way OLE objects are created and used.

All COM interfaces have at least one method:

```
virtual HRESULT QueryInterface(
```

```
virtual long AddRef()=0;
```

```
virtual long Release()=0;
```



# The Component Object Model

COM has lots of features  
you don't need them all.

Example:

Need interfaces for multiple



# IMyObject as COM interface

```
class IMyObject: public IUnknown
{
    virtual HRESULT STDMETHODCALLTYPE
        QueryInterface( /* [iid] */
            REFIID riid,
            void **pp) = 0;
    virtual long STDMETHODCALLTYPE
        AddRef() = 0;
    virtual long STDMETHODCALLTYPE
        Release() = 0;
};
```



Pause:  
Questions?



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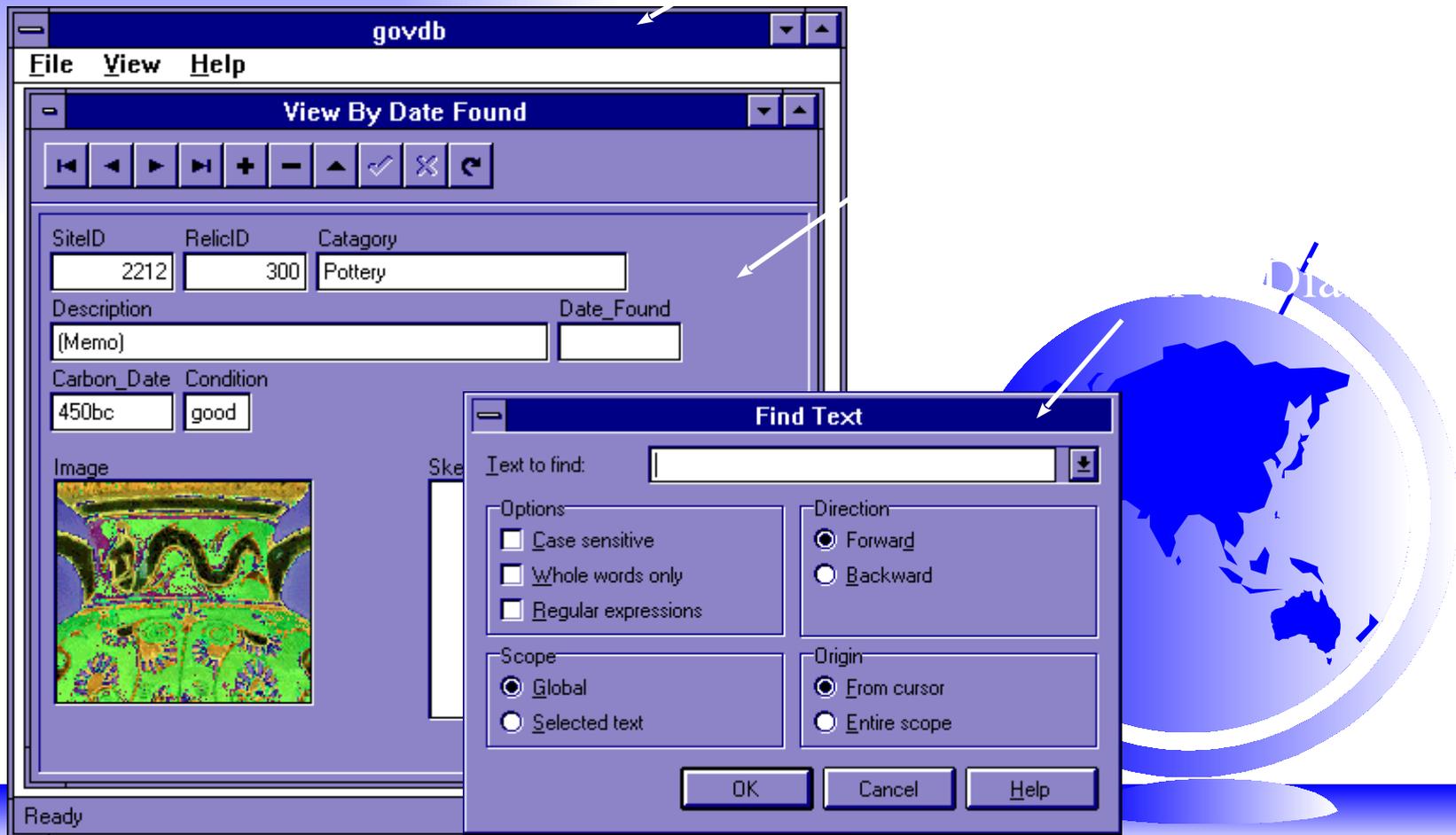
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Delphi Forms in OWL & MFC Apps



# Using Delphi Forms From C++



# Using Delphi Modal Forms to Implement Dialogs

Use the Common Dialogs as a starting point  
Create a Delphi DLL that exports the functions  
Each function shows a form

```
function RunMyForm : Integer;
```



# Dialog Data Transfer: Pascal

```
type TDlgStruct = record
    field1: array[0..2] of Integer;
    field2: Integer;
end;
function RunMyForm(var inDlgStruct: TDlgStruct;
    stdcall: Boolean): Boolean;
```



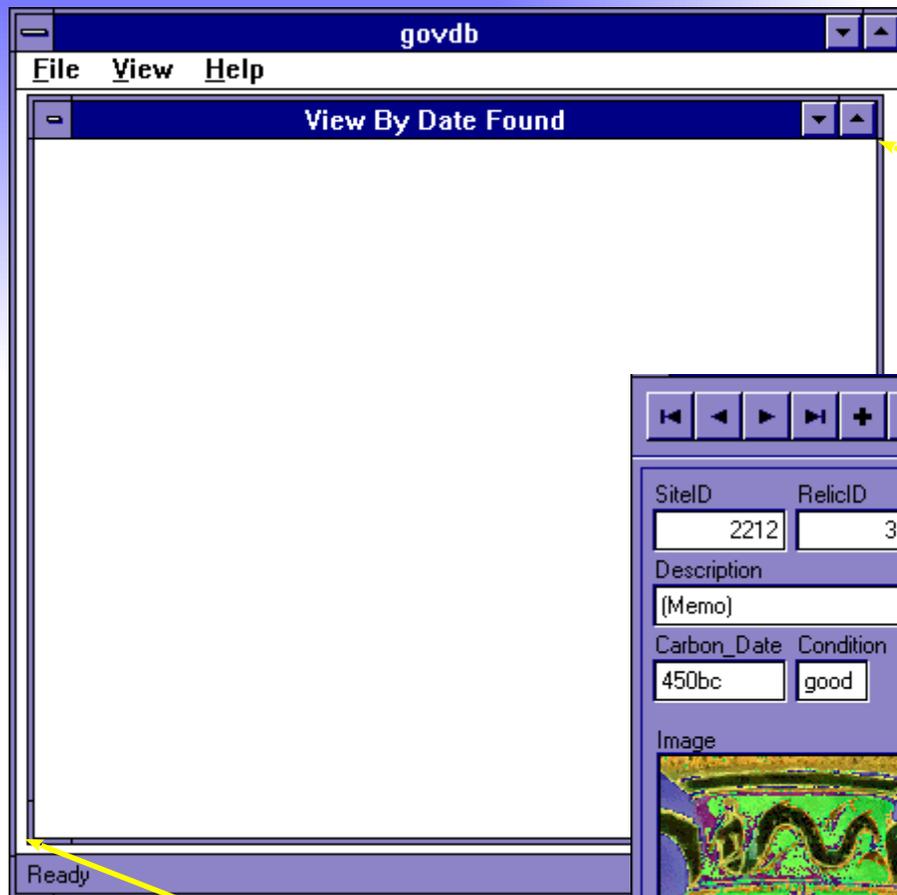
# Dialog Data Transfer: C++

```
struct TDlgStruct {  
    char field1[256];  
    int field2;  
};
```

```
return {"0", int(0), 0};
```



# Using a Delphi Form as a Child Window



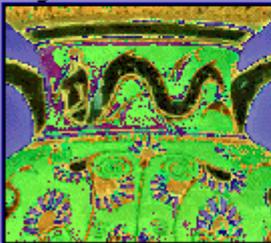
The image shows a screenshot of a Delphi form with a toolbar at the top containing navigation and control buttons. The form contains several input fields and a text area:

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2212	300	Pottery

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Image Sketch



# Making an Embeddable Delphi Form

Make a DLL project

Design the Form

Derive from TEmbeddableForm

EmbForm unit



# TEmbeddableForm

A subclass of TForm

Allows a form to have

Adds ParentHandle property



# Factory Function

Creates a child form

Optionally, returns an interface

```
function CreateTForm1( hV: IUnknown, pObj: IUnknown )  
    return TForm1( hV, pObj );
```



# OWL

```
#include "dlwrap.h"
```

```
Make a TDelphiFormV  
factory function
```

```
Set a frame window's c
```



# OWL Example Code

```
#include "dlctl.h"
extern HWND CreateTForm1(HWND hParent,
    &pObj);

void OpenTheFormWindow() {
    TWindow * myWindow =
        new TForm1(hParent, "form");
}
```



# Driving the Form's Interface

The factory can return a C++ object

The wrapper stores the interface

The C++ program can drive

```
TDelphiFormWrapper *myForm =
```



# MFC

#include "dlwrap.h"

Make a CDelphiFormView  
factory function

Set a frame window's c





# Demonstration



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