Intro to Data Structures

CS206
Spring 2021
Course Goals

1. Become a better computer scientist
2. Learn about common data structures
   1. Implementation
   2. How and when to use each
3. Understand Object Oriented program design and its implementation in Java
4. Develop an understanding of UNIX
5. Become a better Java programmer
Things to Know

- Course website
  - www.cs.brynmawr.edu/cs206
    - usually updated before and after each class
    - lecture notes and code sample will be posted before class
    - updates after class with revisions, etc
  - Moodle — No

- Syllabus
  - www.cs.brynmawr.edu/cs206/syllabus.html
    - usually updated on weekend for next week’s material

- Homeworks
  - posted on class web site
  - Approximately weekly
  - TAs available to help
    - via zoom — details forthcoming
  - Homeworks should trail lectures so you should be able to start immediately.
More Things to Know

• CS account
  □ If you do not have a cs account, you will

• Lab:
  • F 12:40pm-2:00pm, I will be there.
  • Rather than one a week, I will usually split lab into 40 minute or less exercises related to the lecture
    • I will ask for something handed in with each lab
    • May be done in groups
    • Only grade is for submission
      • submit by email to gtowell206@cs.brynmawr.edu
  • Software: Java, Visual Studio Code, Unix
Textbooks

Neither is required.
Both are good references
Grading

• Homework 45%
  • Almost all of you time outside of class will be on homework.
• Lab 5%
• Midterms (2) 32%
  • Mar 16
  • April 13
• Final exam 18%
Data Structure?

- Wikipedia: a **data structure** is a **data** organization, management, and storage format that enables efficient access and modification

- We will talk about approximately 8 data structures
  - How to use
  - Why to choose this one
  - How to implement
Data Structures

- Array
- ArrayList
  - it grows and shrinks
- Maps / Hashtables
  - going beyond numeric indexes
- Stacks and Queues
- Linked Lists
- Trees
- Graphs
Programming techniques and concepts

- Object oriented programming
  - inheritance, generics, ...
- Searching
- Sorting
- Recursion
- Asymptotic Analysis
Java

• “Object Oriented” Language
• Data Types
  • Base
    • fixed set
    • Initial lower case letter (e.g. int)
• Objects (Classes)
  • User extensible
  • Initial capital letter (by convention)
Base/Primitive Types

- Primitive types define memory used to store the data

Extant definitions of primitives subject to change:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>boolean</td>
<td>a boolean value: true or false</td>
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<td>char</td>
<td>16-bit Unicode character</td>
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<td>byte</td>
<td>8-bit signed two’s complement integer</td>
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<td>short</td>
<td>16-bit signed two’s complement integer</td>
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<tr>
<td>int</td>
<td>32-bit signed two’s complement integer</td>
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<tr>
<td>long</td>
<td>64-bit signed two’s complement integer</td>
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<tr>
<td>float</td>
<td>32-bit floating-point number (IEEE 754-1985)</td>
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<tr>
<td>double</td>
<td>64-bit floating-point number (IEEE 754-1985)</td>
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Code examples:

```java
boolean flag = true;
boolean verbose, debug;
char grade = 'A';
byte b = 12;
short s = 24;
int i, j, k = 257;
long l = 890L;
float pi = 3.1416F;
double e = 2.71828, a = 6.022e23;
```
Testing max Integer

/**
 * Tiny class to test bounds of maximum integer
 * @author gtowell
 * created: Sep 2020
 */
public class BoundTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int ii = 1;
        for (int jj=1; jj<32; jj++) {
            ii *= 2;
            System.out.println("Pow " + jj + " " + ii);
        }
        for (int jj=0; jj<10; jj++) {
            System.out.println("minus " + jj + " " + (ii-jj));
        }
    }
}
Classes and Variables

• A class is a description of what an object stores (its data) and how it functions
  ▪ instance variables
  ▪ methods
  ▪ Every variable is either a base type or a reference to an object

• Every object is an instance of a class
  • Object names — initial capital
  • instances — initial lower case
    • camel case thereafter
Creating and Using Objects

• In Java, a new object is created by using the `new` operator followed by a call to a constructor for the desired class.

• A constructor is a special method that shares the same name as its class. The `new` operator returns a reference to the newly created instance.

  • every method other than a construction must give the type of information it returns

• **Almost everything in Java is a class**

  • More properly, almost all variables in Java store references to instances of a class
/**
 * A simple class from a simple song
 * Created: Sep 2020,
 * @author gtowell
 */

public class Inchworm
{

    /**
     * The current measurement status of the inchworm
     */
    private int measurement;

    /**
     * Create a default inchworm. It starts measuring at 1.
     */
    public Inchworm()
    {
        this.measurement = 1;
    }
}
/**
 * Create an inchworm starting at something other than 1.
 * @param startingMeasurement the starting measurement
 */
public Inchworm(int startingMeasurement) {
    this.measurement = startingMeasurement;
}
/**
 * A “copy” constructor. It copies the state of an existing inchworm
 * @param iw the inchworm to be copied
 */
public Inchworm(Inchworm iw) {
    this.measurement = iw.getMeasurement();
}
/**
 * Get accessor for measurement. Get accessors need NOT be commented
 * @return the measurement
 */
public int getMeasurement() {
    return this.measurement;
}
public void doubleM() {
    this.measurement *= 2;
}

public String toString() {
    return "The marigold measures " + this.measurement + " inches";
}

public void reset() {
    this.measurement = 1;
}
Class Part4

/*
 * Function to be executed at start.
 * @param args NOT used.
 */

public static void main(String[] args) {
    Inchworm inchworm = new Inchworm();
    inchworm.doubleM();
    System.out.println(inchworm);
    Inchworm inchworm2 = new Inchworm(inchworm);
    inchworm2.doubleM();
    System.out.println(inchworm2 + " " + inchworm);
}
Access Control Modifiers

• public — all classes may access
• private — access only within that class.
• protected — access only from descendents
• "" (read as package) — access only by classes within the package
  • (I hate significant whitespace)
  • The package is generally the code you are working on.
  • packages very useful in large development projects (>10 people)
  • DO NOT use in this class
Static

• When a variable or method of a class is declared as static, it is associated with the class as a whole, rather than with each individual instance of that class.

• Only acceptable use (at least for this course):
  • In methods ...
    • public static void main(String[] args)
  • In variables .. to declare constants
    • public static final double GOLDEN_MEAN = 1.61803398875;
Casting (of base types)

- Assignment **REQUIRES** type equality
- Use casting to change type
- Must explicitly cast if there is a possible loss of precision

```c
private void trial()
{
    int x = 5;
    double y = 1.2;
    y = x;
    x = y;
    y = (double) x;
    x = (int) y;
}
```
equals: Object Equality

- Do not use `==`
  - Use `==` only when comparing base types
- Review your strings and String class methods

```java
public class StringEqual {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String str1 = new String("one");
        String str2 = new String("one");
        System.out.println("str1==str2: "+ str1 == str2);
        System.out.println("str1==str2: "+ (str1 == str2));
        System.out.println("str1.equals(str2): "+ str1.equals(str2));
    }
}
```
Wrapper Types

• Most data structures and algorithms in Java’s libraries only work with object types (not base types).

• To get around this obstacle, Java defines a wrapper class for each base type.

• Implicitly converting between base types and their wrapper types is known as automatic boxing and unboxing.
public class Wrapper {
    public void w1(Integer ii) {
        System.out.println(ii);
        int i3 = ii; // auto unboxing
        System.out.println(i3*i3);
        System.out.println(i3*ii); // auto unboxing
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Wrapper w = new Wrapper();
        w.w1(5); // autoboxing
    }
}
What you should know/review

- variables
- expressions
- operators
- methods
  - parameters
  - return value
- conditionals
- for/while loops
- class design and object construction
  - instance variables
  - constructor
  - getters/setters
  - class methods
  - new
- arrays
- arrays of objects
- String
Review the class website.
Do Feb 12 lab.