Lecture 1: Overview & Java

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Why CS 62?

- How to implement algorithms and data structures in Java & C++.
- How to design large programs (in objectoriented style) so that it is easy to modify them.
- How to analyze complexity of alternative implementations of problems.

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Sample Problems

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- Find the shortest path from Claremont to Chicago on interstate system
 - (and do it efficiently)
- Schedule final exams so there are no conflicts.
- Design and implement a scientific calculator.
- Design and implement a simulator that lets you study traffic flow in a city or airport.
- Design parallel algorithms to run on multicore computers

Your Responsibilities

- Skim reading in advance of lecture.
- After lecture, review lecture notes, sample code, and text until well understood.
- Come to labs prepared.
- Don't remain confused. Ask faculty or TAs.
- Follow academic integrity guidelines.

Assignments

- Lab work:
 - Learn tools & prep work for weekly assignments
 - Lab attendance mandatory!
- Weekly assignment is separate
 - Programs generally due on Sunday nights.
 - See late policy on syllabus: $3^{n}\%$ per day late
- Daily homework
 - Not collected, but often on regular Friday quizzes
 - No quiz this Friday.

Texts

- Java Structures, √7 edition, by Duane Bailey
 - available on-line for free
- C++ for Java Programmers, by Mark Allen Weiss
 - highly recommended for last 1/3 of course
 - Not at book store: buy on-line

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Slides

- Will generally be available before class
 - with code, where applicable
- Designed for class presentation, not for complete notes
- Will need to take notes (perhaps on slides)
- No laptops or other electronics open in class
 - If that is problem, come see me.

Prerequisite

- One of:
 - CS 51 at Pomona or CMC (not CS 5 from HMC!)
 - AP CS A exam with score of 4 or 5
 - Fluent in Java and object-oriented programming & permission of instructors
- Come see one of faculty if any questions
- Assume comfortable with classes & objects, recursion, multi-dimensional arrays, etc. in Java

See syllabus for other important information!

Object-Oriented Design

- Objects are building blocks.
- Program is collection of interacting objects.
- Objects cooperate to compute solution.
- Objects communicate via sending messages.

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Objects

- Model physical and conceptual world, as well as processes.
- Objects have:
 - Properties, e.g. color, size, manufacturer, ...
 - Capabilities, e.g. drive, stop, admit passenger
- Objects responsible for knowing how to perform actions.
 - Commands: change state
 - Queries: response based on properties

More Objects

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- Properties typically implemented as "fields" or "instance variables"
 - Affect how object reacts to messages
 - Can be
 - Attributes, e.g., color
 - Components, e.g., doors
 - Associations, e.g., driver
- Capabilities as "methods"
 - Invoked by sending messages

Quick Java Review

Classes & Interfaces

- Interfaces
 - Provide info on publicly available methods of objects
- Classes are templates for objects
 - Constructors generate new distinct objects
 - new Car("Toyota",...)
 - Specify all fields and methods public and non-public
 - May be used as basis for more refined classes via inheritance

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All Classes Specialize "Object"

- Object class has methods:
 - public boolean equals(Object other)
 - Default behavior returns true only if same object
 - public String toString()
 - Returns string representation of object default is hexadecimal
 - Typically want to override to be more useful
 - public int hashCode()
 - Unique identifier defined s.t. if a.equals(b) then a, b have same hashCode.
 - Cover in later chapter of text.

Enum Types

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- Example:
 - enum Suit {CLUBS, DIAMONDS, HEARTS, SPADES};
- Operations:
 - int compareTo(Suit other)
 - String toString()
 - int ordinal() starts with o, not I
 - static Suit valueOf(String name)
 - static Suit[] values() returns array of all values

Card Deck Examples

- CardInterface -- interface
- AbsCard
 - abstract class, implements CardInterface
- Card extends AbsCard

• OtherCard extends AbsCard

- Deck
 - Class holding array of cards

Java Keywords

- Abstract class -- can't be instantiated
 - usually some methods missing
- Information hiding qualifiers:
 - public
 - private
 - protected
- Static -- copy associated with class, not objects

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- Final -- only assigned to once
 - in its declaration or constructor

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alternate implementations

Interfaces & Inheritance

- Class implements interface if supports all methods defined in interface
- Interface can extend another by adding methods
 - If A extends B and x has type A, then also has type B
- One class can extend another
 - inherits fields and methods
 - can override existing methods, add new ones
- instanceof & casts
 - Ex: in Ratio class later