

## Project 14: Comma Separated Dogs

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- This is a variation of the Dogs from File program in Project 13.
- Write a constructor for class Dog that takes a single line of a Comma Separated Values file as its only parameter.
  - Initializes the Dog object with information from the CSV line.

- Let the new constructor have the signature
  - Dog(String dog\_info)



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- You may use the posted solution for Project 13 as a starting point for this project, if you wish.
- It is OK to copy code from any file posted on the class web site.

## Assignment

- Add a serialization method to the Dog class.
  - Returns a single String consisting of all member variables, separated by commas, if object is valid.
  - Returns a blank line (empty string) if object is invalid.

## Assignment

- The constructor should verify that the number of comma separated items in the input line is correct.
  - Set private boolean member variable isValid to false if the input line does not have the right number of items.
  - Class should include an accessor method for isValid.
- The Dog class should include a toString method that returns a string with the dog's information in a printable format (single line).
  - Provides an appropriate result for an invalid object.

# Assignment

#### Create a test driver called DogsFromCSV.java

- Accepts input from the keyboard for a file name.
- Creates a Scanner object for the file.
- Reads each line from the file and invokes the new Dog constructor, passing it the CSV line.
- Outputs each Dog's information using println.
- Adds 1 to the dog's age and writes the updated information to a new CSV file having the input file name with "2" appended.
  - Example: dogs.txt > dogs2.txt

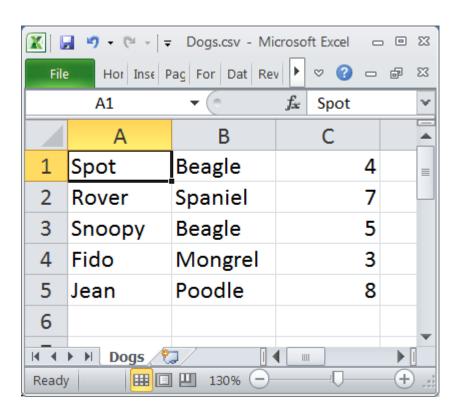


## DogsFromFile.java

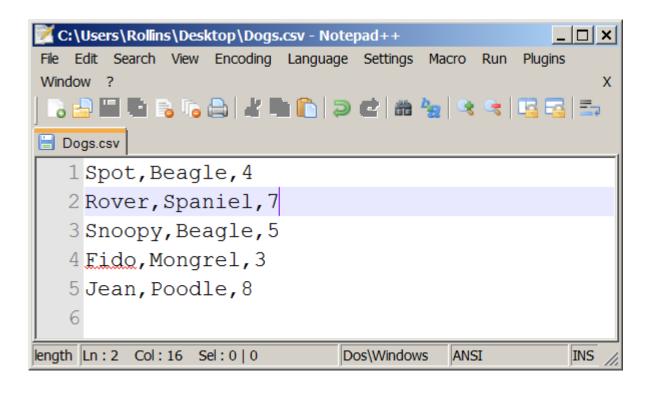
If the file specified by the user does not exist, output an error message and let the user try again.

#### Test File

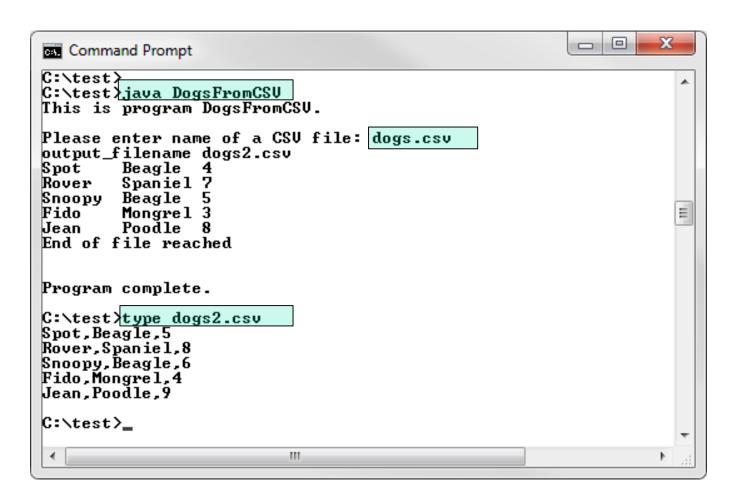
- You can download a test file from the class web site:
- http://www.csee.usf.edu/~turnerr/Programming Concepts/Downloads/
   Project 14 CSV Dogs/ File Dogs.csv



#### Dogs.csv in Notepad++

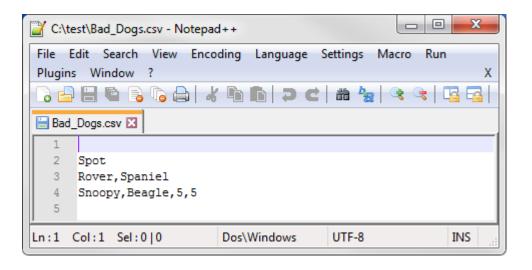


### Test Run with Good Dogs

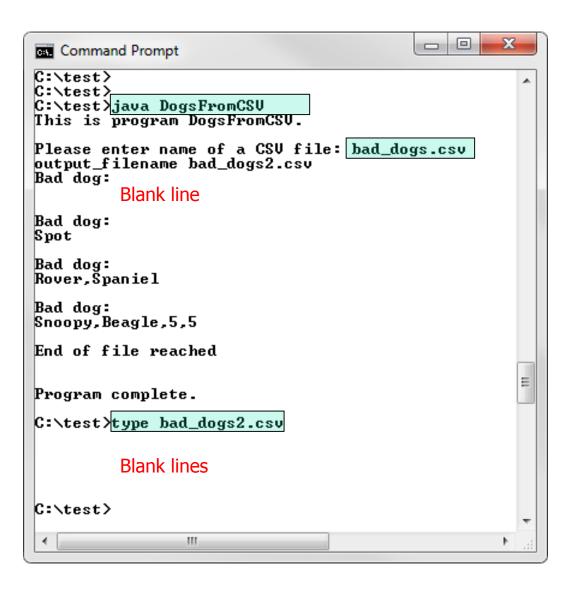


## **Bad Dogs**

- The Downloads area also has a file of invalid lines:
  - Bad\_Dogs.csv
- You can use this file to test your error processing.



### Test Run with Bad Dogs



### **Implementation Tips**

- Use Integer.parseInt() to convert the string representation of an integer to an integer.
  - Example:

```
int i = Integer.parseInt("1234");
sets the variable i to the integer value 1234.
```

To create the output file name you can write

```
String outfile_name =
   infile_name.replace(".csv", "2.csv");
```

#### **Submission**

- Put your Java source files into a folder and zip it.
- Submit your zipped folder via Canvas Assignments.
- Project is due by 11:59 PM
  - Sunday, April 17 All Sections

Recommendation:

Do this project in your lab session or help session.

#### **Ground Rules**

- It is OK to discuss the project with other students BUT
  - Do not share your code with other students.
  - Before or after submitting the project.
- Do not copy any other student's code.
  - Or even look at it.
- Do not let anyone copy or examine your code.

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Except for code posted on the class web site

- Do not copy code from the Internet
  - or any other source (other than the textbook.)
- Do not ask for help on an Internet forum.
  - If you need help, ask your instructor or a TA.
  - Come to lab and help sessions.
- Write your own code.