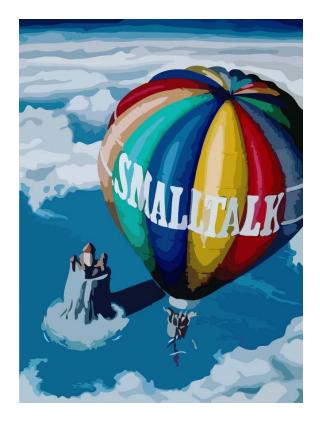
## The Object-Oriented Programming Paradigm

#### **Smalltalk**

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## **SmallTalk -- Everything is an object**

- One single model
- > Single inheritance
- > Public methods
- > Protected attributes
- Classes are simply objects too
- Class is instance of another class
- > One unique method lookup
  - look in the class of the receiver

## **Language Constructs**

^	return
""	comment
#	symbol or array
1 <b></b> 1	string
[ ]	block or byte array (VisualWorks)
	statement separator
;	message cascade
	local or block variable
:=	assignment (also _ or ←)
\$_	character
:	end of selector name
_er_	number exponent or radix
!	file element separator (used in change sets)
<pre><primitive:></primitive:></pre>	for VM primitive calls

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## Syntax in a Nutshell (I)

comment: "a comment"

character: \$c \$h \$a \$r \$a \$c \$t \$e \$r \$s \$# \$@

string: 'a nice string' 'lulu' 'l''idiot'

symbol: #mac #+

array: #(1 2 3 (1 3) \$a 4)

byte array: #[1 2 3] integer: 1, 2r101

real: 1.5, 6.03e-34,4, 2.4e7

float: 1/33

boolean: true, false

point: 10@120

Note that @ is not an element of the syntax, but just a message sent to a number. This is the same for /, bitShift, ifTrue:, do: ...

## Syntax in a Nutshell (II)

assigment: var := aValue block: [:var ||tmp| expr...]

temporary variable: |tmp|

block variable: :var

unary message: receiver selector

binary message: receiver selector argument

keyword based: receiver keyword1: arg1 keyword2: arg2...

cascade: message; selector ...

separator: message . message

result: ^

parenthesis: (...)

## Messages instead of a predefined syntax

In Java, C, C++, Ada constructs like >>, if, for, etc. are hardcoded into the grammar

In Smalltalk there are just messages defined on objects (>>) bitShift: is just a message sent to numbers 10 bitShift: 2 (if) ifTrue: is just messages sent to a boolean

(for) do:, to:do: are just messages to collections or numbers

#(a b c d) do: [:each | Transcript show: each ; cr]
1 to: 10 do: [:i | Transcript show: each printString; cr]

Minimal parsing Language is extensible

(1>x) ifTrue:

#### **Blocks**

```
Anonymous method
Passed as method argument or stored Functions
  ML: fun fct(x)= x^*x+3, fct(2).
               fct = fn x => x^*x + 3
               fct 2
  Scheme: (define fct (lambda (x) (* x (+ x 3))))
              (fct 2)
  ST: fct := [:x|x*x+3].
        fct value: 2
  Integer>>factorial
         tmp:=1.
         2 to: self do: [:i| tmp := tmp * i]
  #(1 2 3) do: [:each | Transcript show: each printString; cr]
```

#### **How to Define a Class?**

Class Definition: A message sent to another class

Object subclass: #Tomagoshi

instanceVariableNames: 'tummy hunger dayCount'

classVariableNames: "

poolDictionaries: "

category: 'Monster Inc'

Instance variables are instance-based protected (not visible by clients)

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#### **Named Instance Variables**

- Instance variables:
  - Begin with a lowercase letter
  - Must be explicitly declared: a list of instance variables
  - Name should be unique in the inheritance chain
  - Default value of instance variable is nil
  - Private to the instance, not the class (in contrast to Java)
  - Can be accessed by all the methods of the class and its subclasses
  - Instance variables cannot be accessed by class methods.
  - The clients must use accessors to access an instance variable.

#### **Design Hint:**

 Do not directly access instance variables of a superclass from subclass methods.
 This way classes are not strongly linked.

#### **Instance Creation**

```
1, 'abc'
```

Basic class creation messages are new, new:, basicNew, basicNew:

Monster new

Class specific message creation (messages sent to classes)

Tomagoshi withHunger: 10

#### **How to Define a Method?**

Normally defined in a browser or (by directly invoking the compiler)
Methods are public
Always return self – if no return (^) is defined

```
Tomagoshi>>digest
   "Digest slowly: every two cycles, remove one from the tummy"

(dayCount isDivisibleBy: 2)
   ifTrue: [ tummy := tummy -1]
```

## Messages and their Composition

Three kinds of messages

**Unary**: Node new

**Binary**: 1 + 2, 3@4

Keywords: aTomagoshi eat: #cooky furiously: true

#### **Message Priority**

(Msg) > unary > binary > keywords
Same Level from left to right

#### Example:

(10@0 extent: 10@100) bottomRight

s isNil ifTrue: [ self halt ]

## Normal method lookup

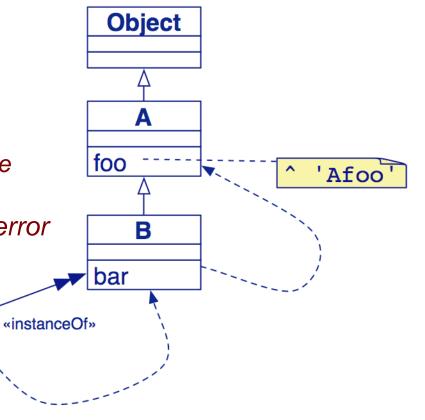
#### Two step process:

- Lookup starts in the *class* of the receiver (an object)
  - 1. If the method is defined in the method dictionary, it is used
  - 2. Else, the search continues in the superclass
- If no method is found, this is an error

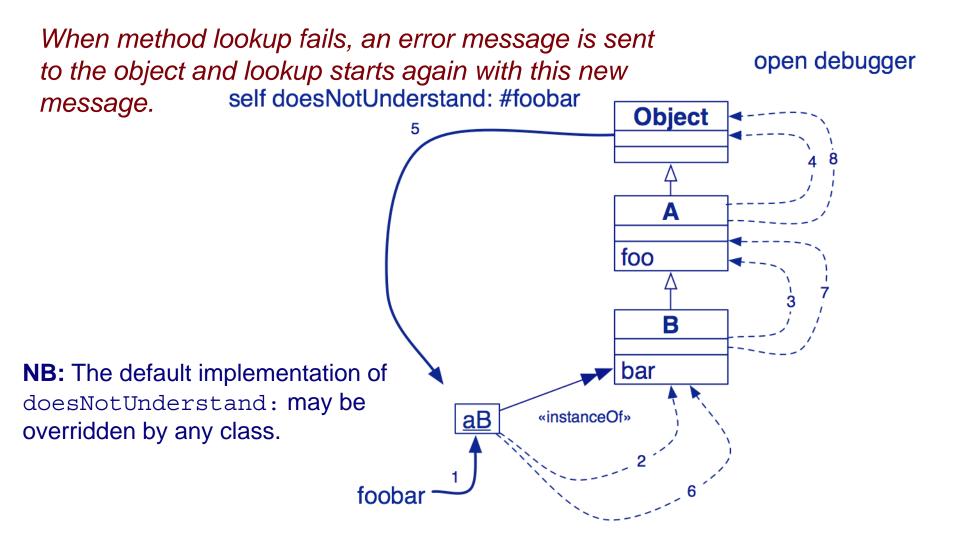
foo

aB

. . .



## Message not understood



## **Self and Super**

- > Sending to self is always dynamic
- Sending to super is always static
  - Super modifies the usual method lookup to start in the superclass of the class whose method sends to super

#### Cascade

## How do you format multiple messages to the same receiver?

Use a Cascade. Separate the messages with a semicolon. Put each message on its own line and indent one tab. Only use Cascades for messages with zero or one argument.

#### Yourself

# How can you use the value of a Cascade if the last message doesn't return the receiver of the message?

> Append the message yourself to the Cascade.

## **About yourself**

> The effect of a cascade is to send all messages to the receiver of the first message in the cascade

```
— self new add: FirstSquare new; ...
```

> But the value of the cascade is the value returned by the last message sent

```
(OrderedCollection with: 1) add: 25; add: 35
```

> To get the *receiver* as a result we must send the additional message yourself

```
(OrderedCollection with: 1) add: 25; add: 35; yourself

an OrderedCollection(1 25 35)
```

## Yourself implementation

> The implementation of yourself is trivial, and occurs just once in the system:

## Other stuff you should know about

- Categories, Packages and Protocols
  - Are not Objects!
  - They are a convenience introduced by the browser to limit the amount of information that needs to be shown in each pane
  - A category is simply a collection of related classes in a Smalltalk image.
  - A package is a collection of related classes and extension methods that may be versioned using the Monticello versioning tool.
  - Categories of methods are called "protocols"

#### > Traits

- A trait is a collection of methods that can be included in the behaviour of a class without the need for inheritance
- Traits may contain methods, but no instance variables

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## **Tamagotchi**

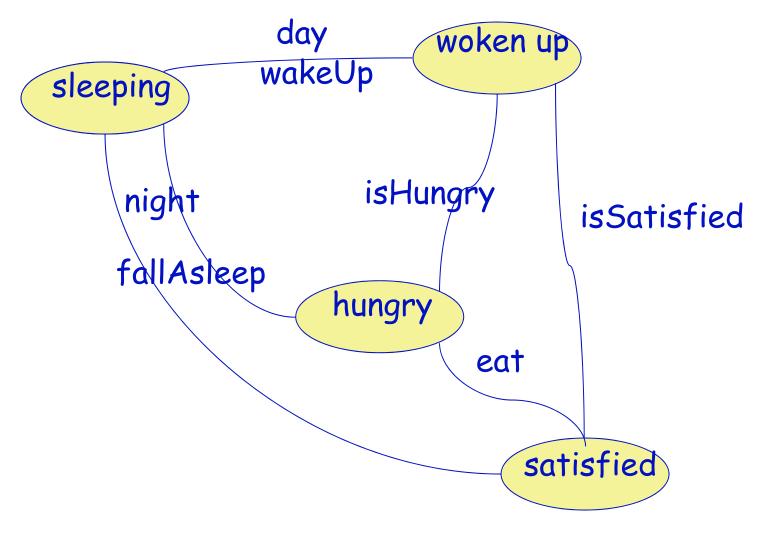


- Small entity
  - Its own night and day cycle
  - Eating, sleeping, been hungry, been satisfied
  - Changing color to indicate its mood



## **Tomagotchi**





#### **How to Define a Class**



#### Fill the template:

NameOfSuperclass subclass: #NameOfClass

instanceVariableNames: 'instVarName1'

classVariableNames: 'ClassVarName1 ClassVarName2'

poolDictionaries: "

category: 'category name'

## **Tomagoshi**



For example to create the class Tomagoshi

Morph subclass: #Tomagoshi

instanceVariableNames: 'tummy hunger dayCount isNight state'

classVariableNames: "

poolDictionaries: "

category: 'TOMA'

#### **Class Comment!**

<u>oo</u>

I represent a tomagoshi. A small virtual animal that mave its own life.

dayCount <Number> represents the number of hour (or tick) in my day and night.

isNight <Boolean> represents the fact that this is the night.

tummy <Number> represents the number of times you feed me by clicking on me.

hunger <Number> represents my appetite power.

I will be hungry if you do not feed me enough, but I'm selfish so as soon as I' satisfied I fall asleep because I do not have a lot to say.

#### How to define a method?



#### message selector and argument names

"comment stating purpose of message"

| temporary variable names | statements

## Initializing



Tomagoshi>>initializeToStandAlone

"Initialize the internal state of a newly created tomagoshi"

super initializeToStandAlone.

tummy := 0.

hunger := 2 atRandom + 1.

self dayStart.

self wakeUp

## dayStart



## Tomagoshi>>dayStart

night := false.

dayCount := 10

## Step



```
step
 "This method is called by the system at regurlar time interval. It
defines the tomagoshi behavior."
    self timePass.
    self isHungry
              ifTrue: [self color: Color red].
    self isSatisfied
              ifTrue:
                   [self color: Color blue.
                   self fallAsleep].
    self isNight
              ifTrue:
                   [self color: Color black.
                   self fallAsleep]
```

#### **Time Pass**



Tomagoshi>>timePass
"Manage the night and day alternance"

```
Tomagoshi>>nightOrDayEnd
"alternate night and day"
night := night not
```

## **Digest**



```
Tomagoshi>>digest
"Digest slowly: every two cycle, remove one from the tummy"
```

```
(dayCount isDivisibleBy: 2)
   ifTrue: [ tummy := tummy -1]
```

## **Testing**



Tomagoshi>>isHungry
^ hunger > tummy

Tomagoshi>>isSatisfied ^self isHungry not

Tomagoshi>>isNight ^ isNight

#### **State**



## Tomagoshi>>wakeUp

self color: Color green.

state := self wakeUpState

## Tomagoshi>>wakeUpState

"Return how we codify the fact that I sleep"

^ #sleep

#### Tomagoshi>> isSleeping

^ state = self wakeUpState

## **Eating**



Tomagoshi>>eat tummy := tummy + 1

#### **Time and Events**



## Tomagoshi>>stepTime

"The step method is executed every steppingTime ms" ^ 500

#### Tomagoshi>>handlesMouseDown: evt

"true means that the morph can react when the mouse down over it"

^ true

Tomagoshi>>mouseDown: evt self eat

## Instantiating...



- To create a tomagoshi:
- Tomagoshi newStandAlone openInWorld

#### > Demo

# **Standard Classes**



## Review — Objects in Smalltalk

- > Everything is an object
  - Things only happen by message passing
  - Variables are dynamically bound
- > Each object is an instance of one class
  - A class defines the structure and the behavior of its instances.
  - Single inheritance
  - A class is an instance of a metaclass
- > Methods are public
  - private methods by convention in "private" protocol
- > Objects have private state
  - Encapsulation boundary is the object

#### **Object**

- Object is the root of the inheritance tree (well, almost)
  - Defines the common and minimal behavior for all the objects in the system.
  - Comparison of objects:
    - ==, ~~, =, =~, isNil, notNil
  - Printing
    - printString, printOn: aStream



## **Identity vs. Equality**

- > == tests Object identity
  - Should never be overridden
- > = tests Object value
  - Should normally be overridden
    - Default implementation is == !
  - You should override hash too!

```
'foo','bar' = 'foobar'
'foo','bar' == 'foobar'
```

true false

## **Printing**

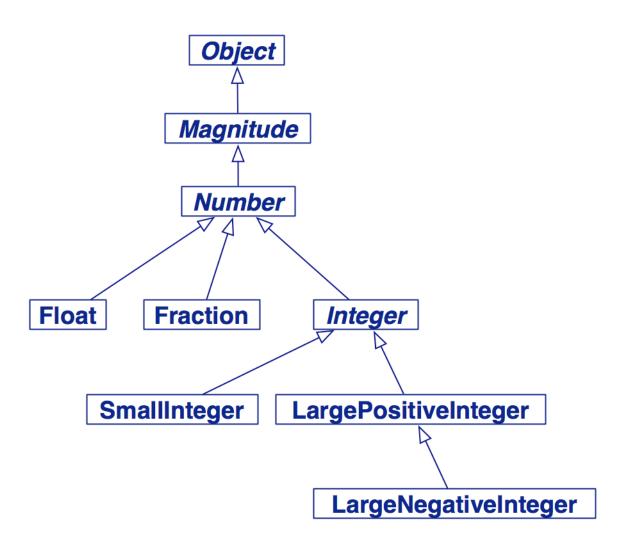
> Override printOn: to give your objects a sensible textual representation

```
Fraction>>printOn: aStream
  aStream nextPut: $(.
  numerator printOn: aStream.
  aStream nextPut: $/.
  denominator printOn: aStream.
  aStream nextPut: $).
```

# Object methods to support the programmer

error: aString	Signal an error
doesNotUnderstand: aMessage	Handle unimplemented message
halt, halt: aString, haltIf: condition	Invoke the debugger
subclassResponsibility	The sending method is abstract
shouldNotImplement	Disable an inherited method
deprecated: anExplanationString	Warn that the sending method is deprecated.

#### **Numbers**



#### **Abstract methods in Smalltalk**

```
Number>>+ aNumber
   "Answer the sum of the receiver and aNumber."
   self subclassResponsibility
```

## **Abstract methods (part 2)**

#### Object>>subclassResponsibility

"This message sets up a framework for the behavior of the class' subclasses. Announce that the subclass should have implemented this message."

self error: 'My subclass should have overridden ',
 thisContext sender selector printString

#### **Automatic coercion**

```
1 + 2.3
1 class
1 class maxVal class
(1 class maxVal + 1) class
(1/3) + (2/3)
1000 factorial / 999 factorial
2/3 + 1
```

```
3.3
SmallInteger
SmallInteger
LargePositiveInteger
1
1000
(5/3)
```

Browse the hierarchy to see how coercion works.

## Try this in Java!

#### 1000 factorial

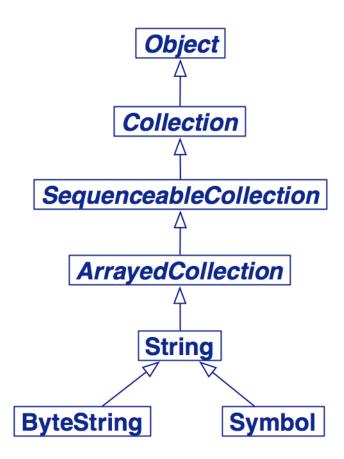
#### **Characters**

> Characters:

> Unprintable characters:

Character space, Character tab, Character cr

## **Strings**



## **Strings**

```
#mac asString
12 printString
String with: $A
'can''t' at: 4
'hello', ' ', 'world'
```

```
'mac'
'12'
'A'
$'
'hello world'
```

> To introduce a single quote inside a string, just double it.

## **Comments and Tips**

- > A comment can span several lines.
  - Avoid putting a space between the " and the first character.
  - When there is no space, the system helps you to select a commented expression. You just go after the "character and double click on it: the entire commented expression is selected. After that you can printlt or dolt, etc.

"TestRunner open"

"TestRunner open"

## **Literal Arrays**

```
#('hello' #(1 2 3))
#(a b c)
```

```
#('hello' #(1 2 3))
#(#a #b #c)
```

## **Arrays and Literal Arrays**

- > Literal Arrays and Arrays only differ in creation time
  - Literal arrays are known at compile time, Arrays at run-time.
- > A literal array with two symbols (not an instance of Set)

```
#(Set new) #(#Set #new)
```

> An array with one element, an instance of Set

```
Array with: (Set new)
```

an Array(a Set())

## **Arrays with {} in Pharo**

> { ... } is a shortcut for Array new ...

```
#(1 + 2 . 3 )
{ 1 + 2 . 3 }
Array with: 1+2 with: 3
```

```
#(1 #+ 2 #. 3)
#(3 3)
#(3 3)
```

## Symbols vs. Strings

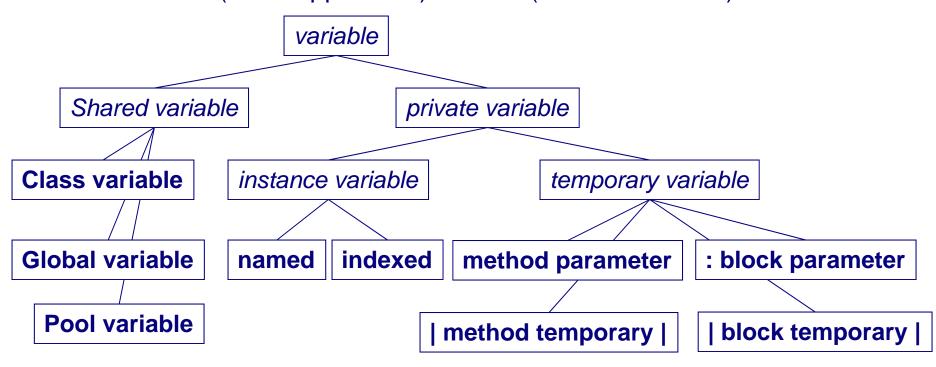
- > Symbols are used as method selectors and unique keys for dictionaries
  - Symbols are read-only objects, strings are mutable
  - A symbol is unique, strings are not

```
'calvin' = 'calvin'
                                    true
'calvin' == 'calvin'
                                    true
'cal','vin' = 'calvin'
                                    true
'cal','vin' == 'calvin'
                                    false
#calvin = #calvin
                                    true
#calvin == #calvin
                                    true
#cal, #vin = #calvin
                                    true
#cal,#vin == #calvin
                                    false
                                    'calvin'
#cal,#vin
(#cal, #vin) asSymbol == #calvin
                                    true
```

**NB:** Comparing strings is slower than comparing symbols by a factor of 5 to 10. However, converting a string to a symbol is more than 100 times more expensive.

#### **Variables**

- > A variable maintains a reference to an object
  - Dynamically typed
  - Can reference different types of objects
  - Shared (initial uppercase) or local (initial lowercase)



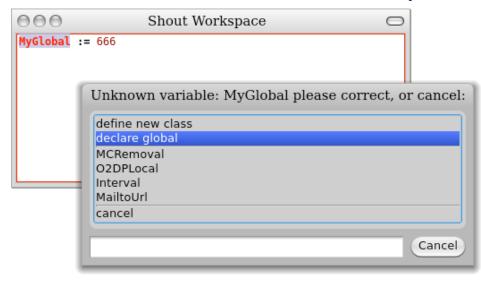
## **Assignment**

- > Assignment binds a name to an object reference
  - Not done by message passing!
  - Method arguments cannot be assigned to!
    - Use a temporary instead
  - Different names can point to the same object!
    - Watch out for unintended side effects

```
|p1 p2|
p1 := 3@4.
p2 := p1.
p1 setX: 5 setY: 6.
p2 5@6
```

#### **Global Variables**

- > Always Capitalized (convention)
  - If unknown, Smalltalk will prompt you to create a new Global
  - Stored in the Smalltalk System Dictionary



> Avoid them!



#### **Global Variables**

> To remove a global variable:

Smalltalk removeKey: #MyGlobal

> Some predefined global variables:

Smalltalk	Classes & Globals
Undeclared	A PoolDictionary of undeclared variables accessible from the compiler
Transcript	System transcript
ScheduledControllers	Window controllers
Processor	A ProcessScheduler list of all processes

#### **Instance Variables**

- > Private to an object
  - Visible to methods of the defining class and subclasses
  - Has the same lifetime as the object
  - Define accessors (getters and setters) to facilitate initialization
    - Put accessors in a private category!

#### **Six Pseudo-Variables**

> The following pseudo-variables are hard-wired into the Smalltalk compiler.

nil	A reference to the UndefinedObject
true	Singleton instance of the class True
false	Singleton instance of the class False
self	Reference to this object Method lookup starts from object's class
super	Reference to this object (!) Method lookup starts from the superclass
thisContext	Reification of execution context

#### **Control Constructs**

- > All control constructs in Smalltalk are implemented by message passing
  - No keywords
  - Open, extensible
  - Built up from Booleans and Blocks

#### **Blocks**

- > A Block is a *closure* 
  - A function that captures variable names in its lexical context
    - I.e., a lambda abstraction
  - First-class value
    - Can be stored, passed, evaluated
- Use to delay evaluation
- > Syntax:

```
[ :arg1 :arg2 | |temp1 temp2| expression. expression]
```

Returns last expression of the block

## **Block Example**

```
|sqr|
sqr := [:n | n*n ].
sqr value: 5
```

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#### **Block evaluation messages**

```
[2 + 3 + 4 + 5] value

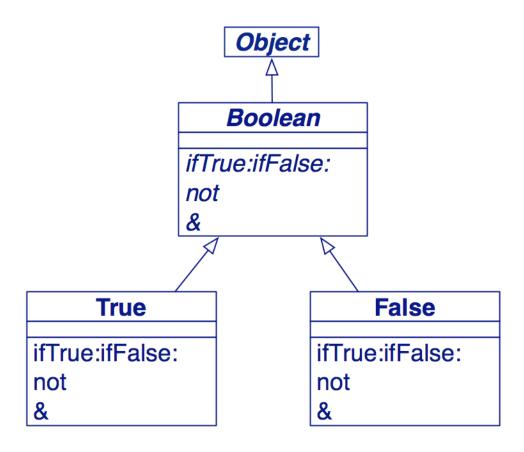
[:x | x + 3 + 4 + 5] value: 2

[:x :y | x + y + 4 + 5] value: 2 value: 3

[:x :y :z | x + y + z + 5] value: 2 value: 3 value: 4

[:x :y :z :w | x + y + z + w] value: 2 value: 3 value: 4 value: 5
```

#### **Booleans**



#### **True**

```
True>>ifTrue: trueBlock ifFalse: falseBlock

"Answer with the value of trueBlock.

Execution does not actually reach here
because the expression is compiled in-line."
```

^ trueBlock value

How would you implement not, & ...?

#### true and false

- > true and false are unique instances of True and False
  - Optimized and inlined
- > Lazy evaluation with and: and or:

```
false and: [1/0]

false & (1/0)

ZeroDivide error!
```

#### **Various kinds of Loops**

```
|n|
n:= 10.
[n>0] whileTrue: [ Transcript show: n; cr. n:=n-1]

1 to: 10 do: [:n | Transcript show: n; cr ]

(1 to: 10) do: [:n | Transcript show: n; cr ]

10 timesRepeat: [ Transcript show: 'hi'; cr ]
```

In each case, what is the target object?

## **Exceptions**

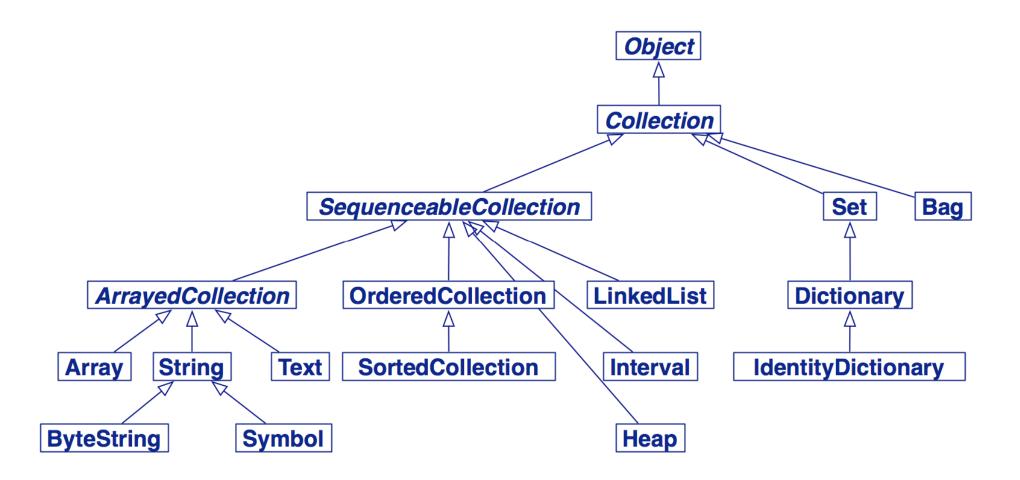
```
-1 factorial
```

Error!

```
[:n |
    [n factorial]
    on: Error
    do: [0]
] value: -1
```

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#### **Collections**



#### **Collections**

- The Collection hierarchy offers many of the most useful classes in the Smalltalk system
  - Resist the temptation to program your own collections!
- > Classification criteria:
  - Access: indexed, sequential or key-based.
  - Size: fixed or dynamic.
  - Element type: fixed or arbitrary type.
  - Order: defined, defineable or none.
  - Duplicates: possible or not

### **Kinds of Collections**

Sequenceable	ordered
ArrayedCollection	fixed size + index = integer
Array	any kind of element
String	elements = character
IntegerArray	elements = integers
Interval	arithmetic progression
LinkedList	dynamic chaining of the element
OrderedCollection	size dynamic + arrival order
SortedCollection	explicit order
Bag	possible duplicate + no order
Set	no duplicate + no order
IdentitySet	identification based on identity
Dictionary	element = associations + key based
IdentityDictionary	key based on identity

### **Some Collection Methods**

> Are defined, redefined, optimized or forbidden (!) in subclasses

Accessing	size, capacity, at: anIndex, at: anIndex put: anElement	
Testing	<pre>isEmpty, includes: anElement, contains: aBlock, occurrencesOf: anElement</pre>	
Adding	add: anElement, addAll: aCollection	
Removing	remove: anElement, remove: anElement ifAbsent: aBlock, removeAll: aCollection	
Enumerating	<pre>do: aBlock, collect: aBlock, select: aBlock, reject:    aBlock, detect: aBlock ifNone:    aNoneBlock, inject: aValue into: aBinaryBlock</pre>	
Converting	<pre>asBag, asSet, asOrderedCollection, asSortedCollection, asArray, asSortedCollection: aBlock</pre>	
Creation	<pre>with: anElement, with:with:, with:with:with:, with:with:with:with:, withAll: aCollection</pre>	

### **Array example**

```
|life|
life := #(calvin hates suzie).
life at: 2 put: #loves.
life
```

#(#calvin #loves #suzie)

```
Accessing first, last, atAllPut: anElement, atAll: anIndexCollection put: anElement

Searching indexOf: anElement, indexOf: anElement ifAbsent: aBlock

Changing replaceAll: anElement with: anotherElement

Copying copyFrom: first to: last, copyWith: anElement, copyWithout: anElement
```

### **Dictionary example**

```
|dict|
dict := Dictionary new.
dict at: 'foo' put: 3.
dict at: 'bar' ifAbsent: [4].
dict at: 'bar' put: 5.
dict removeKey: 'foo'.
dict keys
a Set('bar')
```

Accessing	at: aKey, at: aKey ifAbsent: aBlock, at: aKey ifAbsentPut: aBlock, at: aKey put: aValue, keys, values, associations	
Removing	removeKey: aKey, removeKey: aKey ifAbsent: aBlock	
Testing	includeKey: aKey	
Enumerating	keysAndValuesDo: <i>aBlock</i> , associationsDo: <i>aBlock</i> , keysDo: <i>aBlock</i>	

### Common messages

```
#(1 2 3 4) includes: 5
#(1 2 3 4) size
#(1 2 3 4) isEmpty
#(1 2 3 4) contains: [:some | some < 0 ]
#(1 2 3 4) do:
    [:each | Transcript show: each ]
#(1 2 3 4) with: #(5 6 7 8)
    do: [:x : y | Transcript show: x+y; cr]
#(1 2 3 4) select: [:each | each odd ]
#(1 2 3 4) reject: [:each | each odd ]
#(1 2 3 4) detect: [:each | each odd ]
#(1 2 3 4) inject: 0
    into: [:sum :each | sum + each]</pre>
```

### **Converting**

- > Send asSet, asBag, asSortedCollection etc. to convert between kinds of collections
- > Send keys, values to extract collections from dictionaries
- Use various factory methods to build new kinds of collections from old

Dictionary newFrom: {1->#a. 2->#b. 3->#c}

### Iteration — the hard road and the easy road

How to get absolute values of a collection of integers?

```
|aCol result|
aCol := #( 2 -3 4 -35 4 -11).
result := aCol species new: aCol size.
1 to: aCol size do:
   [:each | result at: each put: (aCol at: each) abs].
result
```

#(2 3 4 35 4 11)

```
#(2 -3 4 -35 4 -11) collect: [:each | each abs]

#(2 3 4 35 4 11)
```

**NB:** The second solution also works for indexable collections and sets.

### **Functional programming style**

```
|factorial|
factorial :=
   [:n |
      (1 to: n)
      inject: 1 into:
      [:product :each | product * each ]].
factorial value: 10
```

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# **Seaside**



### **Birds-eye view**

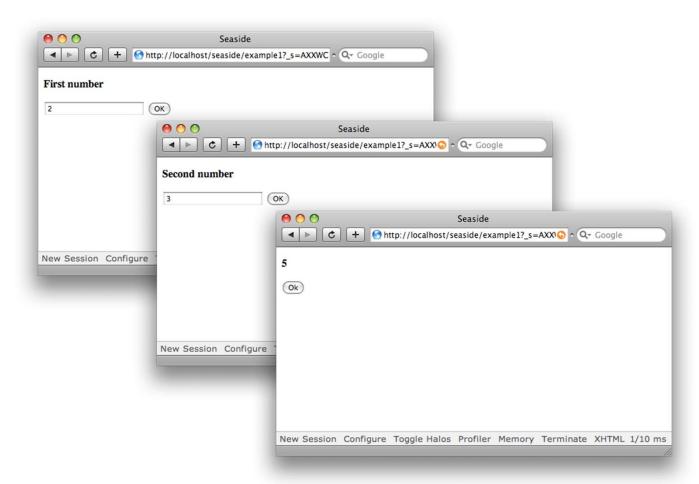


**Model your domain with objects** — model domain components as objects. Compose objects, not text. Strive for fluent interfaces. Build applications by *scripting components*.



### **Introduction: Web Applications**

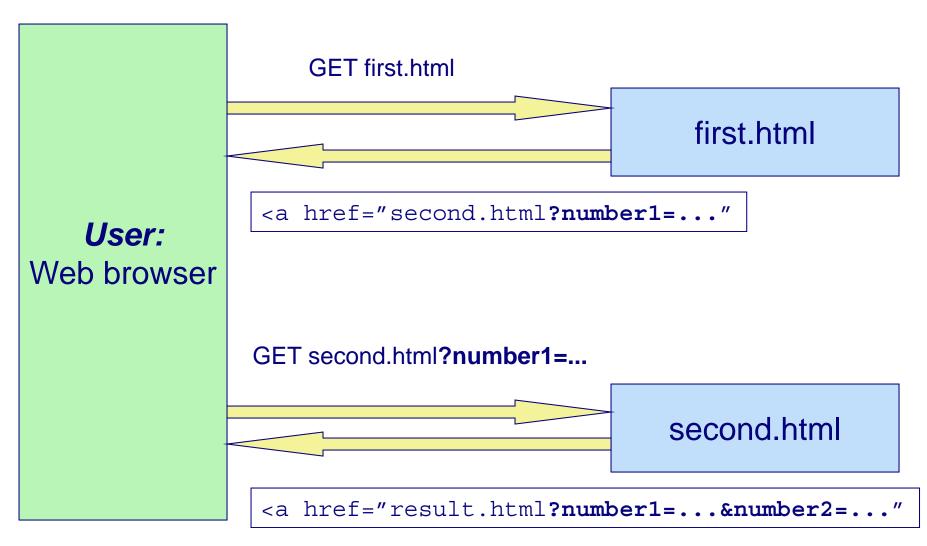
#### Example: Adding two numbers



### What is going on?

```
<form action="second.html">
                                                 first.html
  <input type="text" name="value1">
  <input type="submit" name="OK">
</form>
<form action="result.html">
                                                 second.html
  <input type="hidden"</pre>
               name="value1" value="<% value1 %>">
</form>
>
                                                 result.html
  <% value1 + value2 %>
```

# Control Flow: HTTP request-response



## Something is wrong...

- > Control-flow quite arcane
  - Remember GOTO?
  - We do not care about HTTP!
- > How to debug that?
- > And what about
  - Back button?
  - Copy of URL (second browser)?

### What we want

> Why not this?

### And why not

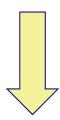
> 'http://www.pharo.org' asUrl retrieveContents

### **Seaside: Features**

- > Sessions as continuous piece of code
- > XHTML/CSS building
- Callback based event model
- > Composition and reuse
- > Debugging and Development tools

### **XHTML Building**

```
html div id: 'title'; with: 'Title'
html div id: 'list'; with: [
   html span class: 'item'; with: 'Item 1'.
   html span class: 'item'; with: 'Item 2'.
]
```

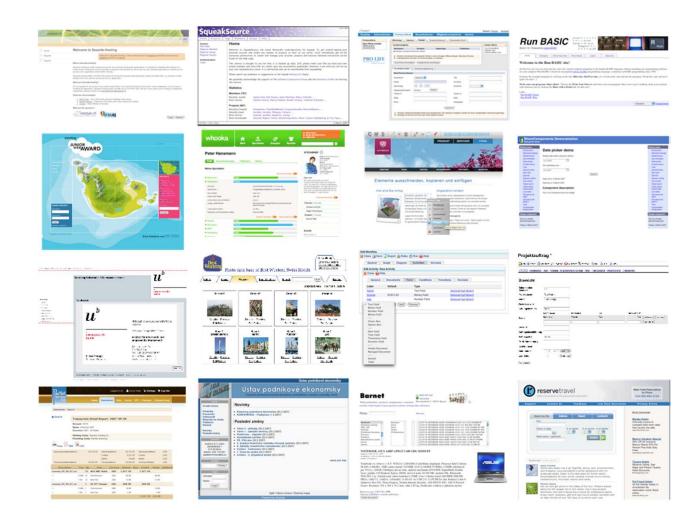


#### Callback Event Model

```
Example3>>renderContentOn: html
    html form: [
    html submitButton
    callback: [ self inform: 'Hello' ];
    text: 'Say Hello' ]
```



### **Examples**



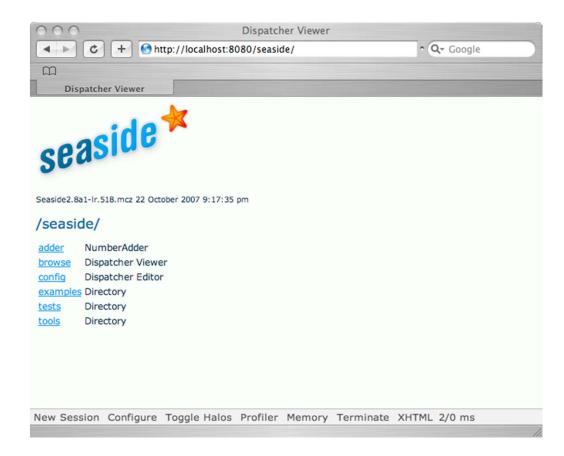
### **Installing Seaside**

### Download the one-click image from http://seaside.st/



### Seaside

#### http://localhost:8080/seaside



#### Literature

- > Dynamic Web Development with Seaside
  - http://book.seaside.st/book
- > HPI Seaside Tutorial:
  - http://www.swa.hpi.uni-potsdam.de/seaside/tutorial
- > Articles:
  - "Seaside a Multiple Control Flow Web Application Framework."
  - "Seaside: A Flexible Environment for Building Dynamic Web Applications"
  - http://scg.unibe.ch/scgbib?query=seaside-article
- > .... more at http://seaside.st

### What you should know!

- # How are abstract classes defined in Smalltalk?
- What's the difference between a String and a Symbol?
- Where are class names stored?
- What is the difference between self and super?
- Why do we need Blocks?
- M How is a Block like a lambda?
- Mow would you implement Boolean>>and:?
- What does inject:into: do?

### Can you answer these questions?

- Mow are Numbers represented internally?
- Is it an error to instantiate an abstract class in Smalltalk?
- Why isn't the assignment operator considered to be a message?
- What happens if you send the message #new to Boolean? To True or False?
- Is nil an object? If so, what is its class?
- Why does ArrayedCollection>>add: send itself the message shouldNotImplement?

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