

## Faculty of Science and Engineering

# COMP125 Fundamentals of Computer Science Workshop Week 4

# **Learning outcomes**

Following are this week's learning outcomes,

- a. Design classes
- b. Implement classes (write class definition), including,
  - (a) instance variables
  - (b) getters and setters
  - (c) constructors, that call setters
  - (d) toString(), compareTo(), equals() methods
- c. Understanding the this keyword

# **Questions**

- 1. a. Write a class definition for a Cube. A cube is a 3-dimensional object, enclosed by 6 equal squares. A cube is characterised by the length of each side (all sides have equal length).
  - (a) Correct class header.
  - (b) Data members with appropriate visibility and data types.
  - (c) Getters
  - (d) Setters
  - (e) Constructors
    - i. With no parameters. Length of each side is set to 0.
    - ii. With one parameter for length of each side.
  - (f) A method volume () that returns the volume of the cube given by side\*side\*side.
  - (g) The method toString() that returns the String representation of object of class Cube. For example, for a cube of sides 2.5, the method should return "cube of size 2.5".
  - (h) The method compareTo that when passed another Cube object, returns 1 if the calling object has a larger side than that of the parameter object; returns -1 if the calling object has a smaller side than that of the parameter object; returns 0 if the calling object and the parameter object have the same sides.

- b. Write a piece of code outside the class Cube (in another class containing public static void main (String[] args) that does the following,
  - (a) Declare and instantiate an object myCube of class Cube with sides 2.5
  - (b) Store the volume of myCube in a variable myVolume.
  - (c) Declare and instantiate an object yourCube of class Cube with sides 4.5
  - (d) Store the volume of yourCube in a variable yourVolume.
  - (e) Store the comparison of myCube with yourCube in a variable myCubeComparedToYours. The value ofmyCubeComparedToYours should be -1 if defined and called correctly.

### 2. The this keyword

Consider the following class definition,

```
public class Circle {
    private double radius;

//assume getters, setters,
//assume default and parameterized constructors

public boolean equals(Circle other) {
    if(radius == other.radius)
        return true;
    else
    return false;
}
```

Further, consider the following client,

```
public class Client {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Circle c1 = new Circle(4.5);
        Circle c2 = new Circle(4.8);
        boolean status = c2.equals(c1);
}
```

Explain which is the this object and which is the other object in the context of the method call c2.equals (c1) by drawing a memory diagram.

### 3. The compareTo method

Complete the compareTo method in class Box such that it returns,

- 1, if the calling object has a higher capacity than the parameter object
- -1, if the calling object has a lower capacity than the parameter object
- 0, if the calling object has the same capacity as the parameter object

## 4. The equals method

Complete the equals method in class Box such that it returns,

- true, if the calling object has the same capacity as the parameter object
- false, if the calling object has a different capacity from the parameter object

## 5. JUnit test

a. Run the JUnit test testVolume in JUnit test class SphereTest. Correct the method volume in class Sphere so that the test passes. The description for the method's requirements is provided as method comment.

#### 6. (Assessed task)

a. Assuming the existence of the following Line class, answer the questions after it.

```
public class Line {
    private double x1, y1, x2, y2;
    //assume getters, setters, constructors

public double getLength() {
    return Math.sqrt((x1 - x2)*(x1 - x2) + (y1 - y2)*(y1 - y2));
}
```

- (a) Define instance method equals that when passed an object of class Line, returns true if the length of the calling object and parameter object are the same, and false otherwise.
- (b) Define instance method compareTo that when passed an object of class Line, returns 1 if the length of the calling object is more than that of parameter object, -1 if the length of the calling object is less than that of parameter object, and 0 if the length of the calling object and parameter object are the same.

## **Supplementary exercises (take-home exercises)**

#### 1. Email address

Complete the definition of class EmailAddress based on the requirements provided as comments in the class, and run the the client EmailAddressClient.

#### 2. Bank account

Define a class representing a bank account with methods to check the balance, to deposit and withdraw funds and to test whether the account is overdrawn.

In package comp125, there is an outline implementation of the class along with a set of tests for the different methods. Use this as the basis for your implementation. Read also the in-code comments for the details of what each method is expected to do.

The first thing you need to do is decide how the BankAccount class is going to store its data – the bank balance. You need to define an instance variable of the appropriate type in the class. (Label your instance variable private.)

Then you need to write the body of each of the methods. At each point, run the tests to see if what you've written works. Try to work on the tests from top to bottom, getting one working after another. You can use the debugger to walk through your program if it's not doing what you expect – remember to place a breakpoint in your class to stop execution when running under the debugger.

When you've passed all the tests, complete the public static void main(String[] args) method in BankAccountClient to make use of the bank account class. Make a bank account, add \$42.5 to the account, then withdraw \$80.6 from it, display if it's overdrawn (true) or not (false) and display the balance. You can include such a main method inside your BankAccount class.

Please note that BankAccountTest uses an assertEquals assertion that has three parameters. The syntax is;

```
assertEquals(expectedDouble, returnedDouble, tolerance);
```

The assertion is successful (passes) if the expectedDouble and returnedDouble differ by at most tolerance. That is,  $Math.abs(expectedDouble-returnedDouble) \leq tolerance$ .

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