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MODERN PROGRAMMING PRACTICES (MPP)

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SYLLABUS

"The human brain physiology is the hardware of that cosmic computer, which can create anything through proper programming."

-- Maharishi

"The direct experience of the unified field gives the individual access to those perfect programs of natural law which are already computing everything in the whole unbounded universe in complete harmony without a problem. From those eternally perfect programs of nature, the thought and activity of the individual and society can be computed spontaneously in accordance with all the laws of nature, resulting in life in alliance with the total potential of natural law.... Established on the level of the unified field, the individual spontaneously projects his intention in conformity with the standard programming language of the cosmic computer, and the pre-existing perfect programs of natural law spontaneously compute and promote the fulfillment of that intention."

-- Maharishi

Through repeated practice the programmer must gain complete familiarity with the basic instruction types on the quiet levels of inner consciousness, where his awareness is unbounded and is capable of comprehending all possible relationships and combinations of the basic instruction types. By having a thorough knowledge of the basic features of the programming language embedded at the fundamental level of the mind, a programmer can easily create a computer program to accomplish any task within the range of capability of the hardware.

-- Maharishi

GOAL OF THE COURSE

MPP is to learn how to translate user software requirements into Object Oriented Analysis, Design, and implementation using JAVA advance features tailored to the industry standards with in an order, as the Order is present everywhere.

COURSE OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES, AND ASSESSMENTS

This is what you'll learn to do*	This is how you'll learn it	This is what will show you've learned it	
1. Apply fundamental object-oriented terminology and concepts (3,5)	By developing a "blueprint" that can be used as the basis for subsequently building an OO software system	Problem set on daily Homework, Short questions on Quizzes, MCQs on Midterm exam, Short questions on Midterm exam, Problem set on Midterm exam.	
2. Translate an object model into a working software application (3,5)	By practicing the techniques in Homework	Problem set on daily Homework, Short questions on Quizzes, MCQs on Midterm exam, Short questions on Midterm exam, Problem set on Midterm exam.	
3. Construct UML modeling basics clearly, and apply them pragmatically (3,5)	By creating class diagrams and sequence diagrams in Homework	Problem set on daily Homework, Short questions on Quizzes, MCQs on Midterm exam, Short questions on Midterm exam, Problem set on Midterm exam.	
4. Develop and build JavaFX applications (3,5)	By solving problems for daily Homework	Oral presentation and demonstration on Project, MCQs on Midterm exam, Short questions on Midterm exam, Problem set on Midterm exam.	
5. Identify various Java 8 topics and enhance your codebase with modern idioms (3,5)	By writing programs using lambda expressions, the Stream API, etc.	Problem set on daily Homework, Short questions on Quizzes, MCQs on Midterm exam, Short questions on Midterm exam, Problem set on Midterm exam.	
6. Implement classes and methods that work with multiple types (3,5)	By solving problems from the daily Homework	Problem set on daily Homework, Short questions on Quizzes, MCQs on Final	

		exam, Short questions on Final exam, Problem set on Final exam.
7. Illustrate the connections between the Science of Consciousness and the Essentials of Programming (2)	By doing the appealing points with written Science of Consciousness connections	Short Essay Questions in Midterm and Final exam

- 1. Holistic development of consciousness and health
- Consciousness-Based understanding (Knowledge)
 Creative and critical thinking
- 4. Communication
- 5. Scientific and quantitative reasoning
- 6. Collaboration and leadership
- 7. Sustainable local and global citizenship

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He is author of more than 20 research articles published in peer reviewed journals /international conferences and authored two research books under the theme of Mobility Mining.

RECOMMENDED DAILY SCHEDULE

The daily schedule of all courses is designed to give students mastery of specific fields of knowledge and to cultivate higher states of consciousness for success and fulfillment in life. I recommend that you aim to be in bed by 10 PM, so that you are rested and fresh in the morning. If you have not finished your homework by then, then instead of staying up late to finish it, get a good night's rest and finish your homework in the morning before class.

MORNING	
	Group practice of the Transcendental Meditation and TM-Sidhi programs
10:00 AM – 12:15 AM	Class lecture, discussion, hand on exercise and examples
12:15 – 12:25 Noon	Group meditation
12:30 – 1:30 PM	Lunch and walk
AFTERNOON	
1:00 – 2:45 PM	Continuation of morning class, projects, exercises in-class reading, labs
2:45 – 2:50 PM	Stretch break
2:50 – 3:15 PM	In-class group practice of the Transcendental Meditation program for
	Meditators and Rising Sidhas
	Group practice of the Transcendental Meditation and TM-Sidhi program
	for Citizen Sidhas and Governors
EVENING	
	Dinner
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Homework (2 hours per evening)
9:30 PM	Rest

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Modern Programming Practices: Exploring the fundamental level of brain through consciousness Theme of the Course: Learning the Object Oriented Analysis and Design with JAVA advance features to seek highest first

Course Overview Chart

WEEK		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
WEEK ONE	AM	Course introduction and overview	[Lab 1 due 10 AM]	[Lab 2 due 10 AM] Lesson 3:	[Lab 3 due 10 AM] Lesson 4:	[Lab 4 due 10 AM] Lesson 5:	[Lab 5 due 10 AM]
Object Oriented Analysis and Design (OOAD)		Lesson 1: The OO Paradigm for Building	Lesson 2: Associations among Objects	Inheritance and Composition	Interaction Diagrams	Inheritance and Abstractions	Lesson 6, Part I: Introduction to
(OOAD)		Software Solutions	and Classes	Life is found in layers	Outer depends on inner	The nature of life is to grow	JavaFX
		Knowledge is structured in consciousness	Order is present everywhere				Whole is contained in every part
	PM	Lab 1	Lab 1 solution Lab 2	Lab 2 solution, Lab	Lab 3 solutions, Lab	Lab 4 solutions, Lab 5	
	Eve	Lab1 problem set	Lab2 problem set	Lab3 problem set	Lab4 problem set	Lab 5 problem set	JavaFX practice
WEEK TWO Object Oriented Analysis and Design	AM	Lesson 6, Part II: JavaFX and SceneBuilder Whole is contained	Project	Project	Review points and Project	Review 5 Early-Bird Project	Midterm Exam
(OOAD)		in every part				Presentations Mid-course feedback	

	PM	Design Workshop and Project	Project	Project	Project/Study for Midterm	Review	
	Eve	JavaFX and Design practice	Project	Project	Project	Midterm prep	
WEEK THREE Object Oriented Programming (OOP)	AM	[Lab 6 due 10 AM] Lesson 7: Interfaces in Java 8 and the Object Superclass Enjoy greater efficiency and accomplish more	[Lab 7 due 10 AM] Lesson 8: Functional Programming in Java Commanding All the Laws of Nature from the Source	[Lab 8 due 10 AM] Lesson 9: The Stream API Solving Problems by Engaging Deeper Values of Intelligence	Lesson 9: (continued) Solving Problems by Engaging Deeper Values of Intelligence	[Lab 9 due 10 AM] Lesson 10 Unit Testing and Exception Handling Living Life in Accord with Natural Law	[Lab 10 due 10 AM] Lab 10 solutions Lambda/Stream practice exercises Living Life in Accord with Natural Law
	PM	Lab 5 solutions, Lab 7 Then: Short Project Presentations	Lab 6, 7 solutions, Lab 8	Lab 8 solutions, Part of Lab 9	Some Lab 9 solutions, The Rest of Lab 9	Lab 9 solutions, Lab 10	
	Eve	Lab 7 problem set	Lab 8 problem set	Lab 9 problem set 1	Lab 9 problem set 2	Lab 10 problem set	
WEEK FOUR Object Oriented Programming (OOP)	AM	Lesson 11 Generic Programming Weaving the Universal into the Fabric of the Particular	[Lab 11 due 10 AM] Review points for final	Review for Final exam	Final Exam		
	PM	Lab 11	Lab 11 solutions Review points for final	Study for final	End of course feedback Celebrations!		
	Eve	Lab 11 problem set	Final exam prep	Final exam prep			

EVALUATION PLAN

Grading components

Labs	10%
Project	10%
Midterm Exam	40%
Final Exam	40%
Professional Etiquette	Tiebreaker
Total	100%

Meaning of grades

93 - 100	A
90 – 92	4-
87 – 89 I	3+
83 – 86 I	3
80 – 82 I	B-
77 – 79	<u></u> +
73 – 76	\mathbb{C}
70 – 72	C-
Below 70	١C

Modern Programming Practices

Programming is the most basic part of Computer Science, as it is the basic language for expressing structures, processes, algorithms, systems, everything computable and computing related.

There are many different approaches and languages for programming, but currently object-oriented is the dominant model, and Java is the dominant language.

This course will provide an introduction to the OO paradigm, including analysis and design; to the use of UML to develop and communicate requirements and designs; and to implementation techniques, including an introduction to advanced features of the Java programming language.

Topics include:

- Objects and classes
- Analysis of requirements and development of design
- UML class, sequence, and object diagrams
- Relationship between UML diagrams and Java implementation
- Inheritance, interfaces and polymorphism
- Open-closed principle
- Collection processing with lambdas and streams
- Advanced unit-testing and exception-handling
- Generic programming

Core Outcomes. By the conclusion of MPP, the student will be able to demonstrate the knowledge and skill in the following areas:

- 1. Ability to create class, sequence, and object diagrams based on a detailed problem statement
- 2. Ability to translate UML diagrams into Java code
- 3. Ability to recognize when inheritance and polymorphism are applicable and useful
- 4. Ability to decide between using composition in favor of inheritance
- 5. Know the difference between and relative advantages of abstract classes and interfaces
- 6. Implementation rules concerning inheritance, interfaces, and polymorphism
- 7. Beginning-level knowledge of JavaFX, XML, JDBC, SQL, Annotations, Generic Programming
- 8. Know best practices for overriding the methods in Object, and for implementing Comparators
- 9. Ability to design and implement lambda/stream pipeline queries to extract information from, and manipulate data in, given collections.
- 10. Ability to use method references in place of lambdas according to best practices
- 11. Know and able to apply best practices conerning the use of JUnit
- 12. Know and able to apply best practices regarding exception-handling in Java
- 13. Understand the important role of the inward stroke of programming in the field of software development

Course Texts and Resource Materials

• Cay Horstmann, *Core Java for the Impatient*, Addison-Wesley, 2015 (recommended) Covers Java 8



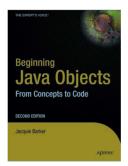
• Cay Horstmann, *Core Java Volume I--Fundamentals (9th Edition)*, Prentice-Hall, 2012. Covers Java 7, treatment is more thorough.



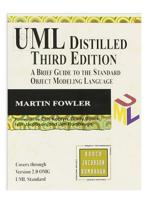
• Cay Horstmann, *Java SE 8 for the Really Impatient*, Addison-Wesley Professional, 2014. Covers JavaFX quickly.



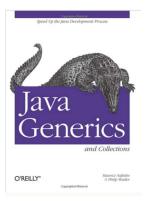
• Jacquie Barker, *Beginning Java Objects: From Concepts to Code*, 2nd edition, Apress, 2005. Intro to OOAD.



• Martin Fowler, *UML Distilled*, 3rd *Edition*, UML syntax and best practices.



• Naftalin and Wadler, Java Generics. Introduction to Java generics.



• J. Bloch, *Effective Java*, 2nd *Edition*. Best practices in Java design and implementation.



Labs and Presentation

Each lesson has a corresponding lab. Some labs require Java code; others require creation of UML diagrams and other forms of documentation. Your work for each lab should be submitted as a group.

Groups may consist of 2-3 persons. Group submissions are done in the Submit folder for each lesson, as discussed in class.

During the second week of class, there will be a group project. In this case, each group will give a short presentation of their work on the project; evaluation will follow a rubric that will be handed out in class. Each group, after presenting, will submit the project in the Submit folder.

There will be an opportunity to be one of five groups to do an "Early-Bird" presentation on the 2^{nd} Friday of the course. These will be 10-minute presentations discussing in some detail the user interface, the system design, and the code for the project. Those who do an Early-Bird presentation will be able to get up to 12 points (maximum for the regular project is 10 points). The other groups will give very brief presentations (1 – 2 minutes) on the afternoon of the third Monday – just to show that they have a functioning UI and appropriate design documents.

Early-bird projects will be evaluated on the basis of the Friday presentation. Other projects will be graded based on the materials submitted for the project.

Evaluation Criteria

The course grade will be determined according to the following

Activity	Percent Value
Labs	10%
Project	10%
	(12% e.b.)
Midterm Exam	40%
Final Exam	40%
Professional Etiquette	tiebreaker

Academic Honesty

Students are expected to submit only their own work (except for labs or other activities designated as group activities). Duing exams, they must not look at other students' work, discuss exam contents with other students at any time (including bathroom breaks), or attempt to access outside resources (such as internet or email). The academic dishonesty policy stated on the Compro website is reproduced here:

Academic Dishonesty: Graduate students caught cheating will receive a grade of NC. A second case of cheating results in suspension from the university. Cheating includes copying from someone else as well as letting someone else copy your materials, or not following the policies during the test (e.g., not using a cell phone at any time or not having notes, etc).

We will use the following grading scale:

Range	Letter Grade
93 -100	А
90 - 92	A-
87 - 89	B+
83 - 86	В
80 - 82	B-
77 - 79	C+
73 - 76	С
70 - 72	C-
Below 70	NC

END-OF-COURSE FEEDBACK

Please give us your feedback about the course. Near the end of the course, you should be receiving an email from Mike Farrer of the Evaluations Office that gives you a one-step login link. If you do not receive this email, you can request access by emailing Mike at mfarrer@mum.edu or go to Smartevals.com/mum and log in there.

- Your Username: your student ID in 000-00-0000 format.
- Your Password: your birth date in MM/DD/YY format.

Lesson 1

The OO Paradigm for Building Software Solutions

Unlocking the Blueprint of Creation

Wholeness of the Lesson

In the OO paradigm of programming, execution of a program involves objects interacting with objects. *Analysis* is the process of understanding user requirements and discovering which objects are involved in the problem domain. *Design* turns these discovered objects into a web of *classes* from which a fully functioning software system is built. Each object has a type, which is embodied in a Java *class*. The intelligence underlying the functioning of any software object resides in its underlying class, which is the silent basis for the dynamic behavior of objects. Likewise, pure consciousness is the silent level of intelligence that underlies all expressions of intelligence in the form of thoughts and actions in life.

Main Point 1. Software is by nature complex, and the only way to manage this complexity is through *abstraction*.

Abstraction is at work when we discover the objects in the problem domain during analysis, and work with these to build a system during desing. Abstraction is also at work in creating maps of our objects in the form of UML diagrams.

In a similar way, to manage the complexities of life itself the technique is to saturate awareness with its more abstract levels so that all the details of any situtaion are appreciated from the broadest perspective. The abstract levels of awareness are experienced in the processs of transcending.

Main Point 2. The OO approach to building software solutions is to represent objects and behavior in the problem domain with software objects and behavior. One of the first steps in this process is to *locate* the objects implicit in the problem statement, and this is done by examining *nouns* and *noun phrases* in the problem statement. These words and phrases link the real world situation to the abstract realm of software objects. Likewise, linking individual awareness to its abstract foundation in fully expanded awareness is the basis for creating solutions to the real-world challenges of life.

Main Point 3. During OO Design, we specify in more detail the structure of classes. A class encapsulates *data*, stored as attributes and *behavior*, represented by operations. These are the static and dynamic aspects of any class, and a UML diagram for a class provides compartments for each of these.

These two aspects of a class – data and behavior – are aspects of anything the we encounter in creation. They give expression to the reality that life, at its basis, is a field of *existence* and *intelligence*.

CLASS DIAGRAMS

- 1. Class diagrams display the data and behaviors of a class
- 2. Class diagrams provide an (abstract) representation of a specific real word problem domain
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the simplest state of awareness, where the mind goes beyond thoughts and concepts to the most abstract level of awareness.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field*. The hidden self-referral dynamics within the field of pure intelligence, on the ground of pure silence, provide the bluprint for the perfectly orderly unfoldment of creation.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness one experiences that all objects in the universe arise from consciousness and are ultimately nothing but consciousness.



Lesson 2

Associations, Modeling Relationships with UML:

Diversifying Self-Referral Relationship to the World of Objects

Wholeness of the Lesson

In the real world, objects have relationships. These manifested relationships appear in many different ways. In this lecture, we explore the range of relationships that can be modeled in UML depending on how the objects' relate to each other.

At the most fundamental level every object is made out of the same essence – and is therefore (in a way) related to everything. An intellectual analysis or model of all these relationships is generally not practical.

A direct experience of the underlying reality of all of manifest creation and our relationship with all of nature is a result of our practice of Transcendental Meditation.

Main Point 1.

Building a software system using OO principles involves an *analysis* step in which the problem is analyzed and broken into pieces as objects are discovered. The pieces are then refined and put together -- in a step of *synthesis* – to give a picture of a unified system. This step of synthesis happens through the identification of relationships between classes, represented by *associations*. This phenomenon is a characteristic of all knowledge – it arises through a combination of analysis and synthesis.

Main Point 2.

Associations model the relationships that can exist between concepts. Simple associations are modeled using an *arrow*.

The arrow can have a name for ease of reading, and additional symbols to indicate direction and multiplicity.

The ends of an association arrow can also specify an association role, which is a different name for the connecting concept that is used in the context of this relationship.

The simplest state of awareness can also be modeled with an arrow from itself to itself.

Main Point 3.

There are several special forms of association, such as reflexive associations, aggregation, composition, and association classes. Although most of these have their own symbols, it would still be possible to model these relationships without them. The use of the symbols is to (easily) communicate additional information about the relationship. Nevertheless, even these additional symbols are still based on the simple concept of an *arrow*. This is an example of diversity on the basis of unity.

ASSOCIATIONS IN A CLASS DIAGRAM

- 1. Class diagrams are defined in terms of classes and their relationships (associations)
- 2. Although there are various special association forms (composition, aggregation, etc.), all are variations of the fundamental concept of an association from one object to another.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is related to itself through its own self-referral dynamics.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field.* The fundamental relationship that pure consciousness has with itself gives rise to all other forms of relationship.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, one recognizes that the relationship of the Self to the Self is not only fundamental, but is in reality the only relationship there is.



Lesson 3 Inheritance and Composition

Reflecting the Whole in the Part

Wholeness of the Lesson

Inheritance and Composition are types of relationships between classes that support reuse of code. Inheritance makes polymorphism possible, but can lock classes into a structure that is may not be flexible enough in the face of change. Composition is more flexible but does not support polymorphism. Composition and inheritance are techniques based on the principle of preserving sameness in diversity, silence in dynamism.

Main Point 1.

Inheritance is used to model IS-A relationships. Although inheritance offers reuse (the subclass inherits all public and protected methods and attributes), reuse should not be the primary motivation for using inheritance.

The field of pure intelligence is inherited by everyone, and can easily be accessed through the practice of the TM technique.

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Main Point 2.

Inheritance should only be used when you have a clear IS-A relationship. Otherwise, it is better to use composition because it has better support for change.

Even in clear IS-A relationships, inheritance may not be the best choice because of its inflexibility.

Software relationships that reflect the real world are more natural and easier to understand. Likewise, life in accord with natural law tends to go forward without obstacles; life in violation of natural law tends to be "bumpy".

BALANCING REUSABILITY WITH ADAPTABILITY

- 1. When requirements change, you should implement these changes by adding new code, not by changing old code that already works.
- 2. Inheritance and Composition are object-oriented principles that support reuse of implementation, but Composition is more flexible.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the infinitely adaptable field of pure intelligence that can be 'reused' by every individual at all places, at all times.
- 4. *Impulses within the Transcendental field*. The "code" that structures manifest life, whose syntax and grammar are impulses of intelligence, has a maximally efficient and compact design, and is reusable and flexible for all time.
- 5. *Wholeness moving within itself.* In Unity Consciousness, the individual is united with everything else, and inherits the total potential of natural for fulfillment of all desires spontaneously.



Lesson 4 Interaction Diagrams:

Appreciating Dynamism in Silence

Wholeness of the Lesson

In an OO program, objects collaborate with other objects to achieve the objectives of the program. Sequence diagrams document the sequence of calls among objects for a particular operation. Object diagrams show relationships among objects and the associations between them; they clarify the role of multiple instances of the same class. The principle of propagation and delegation clarifies responsibilities of each class and its instances: Requests that arrive at a particular object but cannot properly be handled by the object are propagated to other objects; the task is said to be delegated to others. Finally, polymorphism makes it possible to add new functionality without modifying existing code (as per the Open-Closed Principle). In these ways, we use UML diagrams to capture the dynamic features of the system; representing dynamism in the form of a static map illustrates the principle that dynamism has its basis in, and arises within, silence.

Maharishi's Science of Consciousness: In SCI, Maharishi points out that, attempting to know the parts of knowledge separately without the wholeness of knowledge necessarily results in incomplete knowledge. Knowledge of the parts in the context of the whole results in complete knowledge.

Main Point 1.

Sequence Diagrams document the sequence of calls different objects (should) make to accomplish a specific task.

Likewise, harmony exists in diversity: Even though each object is specialized to only perform tasks related to itself, objects harmoniously collaborate to create functionality far beyond each object's individual scope

Main Point 2.

Object Diagrams show the relationships between objects, where each object is an instance of a class, and each reference is represented by a single arrow. This phenomenon illustrates the principle that *the whole is greater than the sum of the parts*: The objects (parts) are not the important focus for an object diagram. What is important is how the objects relate; together, objects and their relationships form a whole that is more than just the sum of individual objects collected together.

Main Point 3.

OO Systems use delegation and propagation. An individual object works only with its own properties, acts only on what it knows, and then asks related objects to do what they know.

When individual actions are on the basis of self-referral dynamics, individual actions are automatically in harmony with each other because all arise from the dynamics of the a single unified field.

Main Point 4.

With polymorphism, objects of a particular type can take many different forms, giving us great power and flexibility.

The Unified Field is the source of all different forms in the universe. The unmanifest can manifest in many different forms.

Main Point 5.

Polymorphism supports use of the *Open-Closed Principle*: the part of our code that is established and tested is closed to modification (change), but at the same time the system remains open to changes, in the form of *extensions*.

In a similar way, progress in life is vitally important, and progress requires continual change and adaptation. But change stops being progressive if it undermines the integrity of life. Adaptability must be on the ground of stability.

OBJECT COLLABORATION IN AN OO SYSTEM

- 1. Sequence Diagrams and Object Diagrams both show how objects relate to each other.
- 2. To preserve encapsulation, objects should only act on their own properties, and to accomplish tasks that are the responsibility of other objects, they should send messages (delegation).
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* by its very nature, has the fundamental association of self-referral the Self being aware of the Self.
- 4. *Impulses within the Transcendental field*. It is by virtue of the self-referral nature of pure consciousness that the structuring impulses of creation emerge to form a blueprint of the universe.
- 5. *Wholeness moving within itself.* In Unity Consciousness one feels intimately associated with all other things in creation as a result of perceiving all things in terms of one's Self

Lesson 5 Inheritance and Abstractions:

Engaging Abstract Levels to Enrich Life

Wholeness of the Lesson

Both abstract classes and interfaces can be used in conjunction with polymorphism, but interfaces provide even more flexibility. Both make possible a variety of implementations or expressions of fundamental themes, the most extreme example of these being the fact that all Java classes inherit from Object. Likewise in the universe, objects form hierarchies of wholeness which express the unmanifest field of pure creative intelligence into all the specific structures of existence and intelligence.

Main Point 1.

When a method is called on a subclass, the JVM by default uses *dynamic binding* to determine the correct method body to execute. Early binding (and hence a slight improvement in performance) can be forced by declaring a method final.

In a similar way, it is said (Maharishi, *Science of Being*) that an enlightened individual need not continually plan and prepare in order to meet the needs of his daily life – instead, the enlightened enjoys spontaneous support of nature, and sees what to do as situations arise. Such individuals are an analogue to "late binding".

Main Point 2.

Abstract classes and Interfaces are both strongly related to the concept of Inheritance. The interface is the most abstract entity in the class diagram, and by programming to interfaces, we generate more flexible code.

Greater abstraction holds the possibility of greater potential; this priniciple is especially evident in the case of the unified field.

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ABSTRACTION IN THE FORM OF ABSTRACT CLASSES AND INTERFACES

- 1. A concrete class embodies a set of concrete behaviors on a set of data whereas an abstract class embodies some concrete behaviors and at the same time gives expression to new, unimplemented behaviors in the form of *abstract methods*.
- 2. Interfaces (in pre-Java 8) give expression to abstract "unmanifest" behaviors, "pure possibilities," which can be realized in an endless number of ways by implementing classes.
- 3. Transcendental Consciousness is a field of all possibilities.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field.* Pure consciousness, as it prepares to manifest, is a "wide angle lens" making use of every possibility for creative ends.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, awareness is flexible enough to give expression to any possibility that is needed at the time.



Lesson 6 JavaFX and SceneBuilder

Wholeness of the Lesson

JavaFX is a UI library in Java that allows developers to create user interfaces that are rich in content and functionality. The ultimate provider of tools for the creation of beautiful and functional content in manifest existence is pure intelligence itself; all creativity arises from this field's self-interacting dynamics.

Main Point 1.

For creating the look of a JavaFX application, two types of classes are primary: *components* and *containers*. A screen is created by setting the stages with the Stage and Scene container classes. And then the screen is populated with components, like buttons, textboxes, labels, and so on. Components and containers are analgous to the *manifest* and *unmanifest* fields of life; manifest existence, in the form of individual expressions, lives and moves within the unbounded container of pure existence.

Main Point 2.

In JavaFX, components are arranged in a container through the use of *layouts* that organize components in different ways. The most convenient layout is GridPane, which allows you to organize components in a table format, and suffices for most layout needs. For special layout requirements, JavaFX provides half a dozen other layout types. Likewise, all of manifest life is conducted by a vast network of natural laws.

Main Point 3.

A GUI becomes responsive to user interaction (for example, button clicks and mouse clicks) through the event-handling model of JavaFX, in which event sources are associated with EventHandler classes, whose handle method is called (and is passed an Event object) whenever a relevant action occurs. To make use of this event-handling model, the developer defines a handler class, implements the handle method, and, when defining an event source (like a button), registers the handler class with this event source component. The "observer" pattern that is used in JavaFX mirrors the fact that in creation, the influence of every action is felt everywhere; existence is a field of infinite correlation; every behavior is "listented to" throughout creation.

JAVAFX AND SCENEBUILDER

- 1. In JavaFX, components are placed and arranged in container classes for attractive display.
- 2. In JavaFX, certain container classes (like HBox) are also considered to be components; this makes it possible to place and arrange container classes inside other container classes. These self-referral dyanmics support a much broader range of possibilities in the design of GUIs.
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The concept of an interface is analogous to the creation itself – the creation may be viewed as an "interface" to the undifferentiated field of pure consciousness; each object and avenue of activity in the creation serves as a reminder and embodiment of the ultimate reality.

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All classes in Java belong to the inheritance hierarchy headed by the Object class. Likewise, all individual consciousnesses inherit from the single unified field.

Connecting the Parts of Knowledge With the Wholeness of Knowledge

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The declarative style of functional programming makes it possible to write methods (and programs) just by declaring *what* is needed, without specifying the details of *how* to achieve the goal. Including support for functional programming in Java makes it possible to write parts of Java programs more concisely, in a more readable way, in a more threadsafe way, in a more parallelizable way, and in a more maintainable way, than ever before.

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The "purification" process that made it possible to transform "noisy" one-method inner classes into simple functional expressions (lambdas) is like the purification process that permits a noisy nervous system to have a chance to operate smoothly and at a higher level. This is one of the powerful benefits of the transcending process.

Declarative programming and command of all the laws of nature

- 1. In Java SE 7, the only first-class citizens are objects, created from classes. The valuable techniques of functional programming and a declarative style can be approximated using functional interfaces.
- 2. In Java SE 8, functions in the form of lambda expressions have become first-class citizens, and can be passed as arguments and occur as return values. In this new version, the advantage of functional programming with its declarative style is now supported in the language.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness:* TC, which can be experienced in the stillness of one's awareness through transcending, is where the laws of nature begin to operate it is the *home of all the laws of nature*.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field.* As TC becomes more familiar, more and more, intentions and desires reach fulfillment effortlessly, because of the hidden support of the laws of nature
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Lesson 9 The Stream API:

Solving Problems by Engaging Deeper Values of Intelligence

Wholeness of the Lesson

The stream API is an abstraction of collections that supports aggregate operations like filter and map. These operations make it possible to process collections in a declarative style that supports parallelization, compact and readable code, and processing without side effects

Deeper laws of nature are ultimately responsible for how things appear in the world. Efforts to modify the world from the surface level only lead to struggle and partial success. Affecting the world by accessing the deep underlying laws that structure everything can produce enormous impact with little effort. The key to accessing and winning support from deeper laws is going beyond the surface of awareness to the depths within.

Main Point 1.

When a Collection is converted to a Stream, it becomes possible to rapidly make transformations and extract information in ways that would be much less efficient, maintainable, and understandable without the use of Streams. In this sense, Streams in Java represent a deeper level of intelligence of the concept of "collection" that has been implemented in the Java language. When intelligence expands, challenges and tasks that seemed difficult and time-consuming before can become effortless and meet with consistent success. This is one of the documented benefits of regular TM practice.

LAMBDA LIBRARIES

- 1. Prior to the release of Java 8, extracting or manipulating data in one or more lists or other Collection classes involved multiple loops and code that is often difficult to understand.
- 2. With the introduction of lambdas and streams, Java 8 makes it possible to create compact, readable, reusable expressions that accomplish list-processing tasks in a very efficient way. These can be accumulated in a Lambda Library.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the field that underlies all thinking and creativity, and, ultimately, all manifest existence.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field*. The hidden self-referral dynamics within the field of pure intelligence provides the blueprint for emergence of all diversity. This blueprint is formed from compact expressions of intelligence coherently arranged this blueprint is called the *Veda*.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness the fundamental forms out of which manifest existence is structured are seen to be vibratory modes of ones own consciousness.



Lesson 10

Unit-Testing and Exception-Handling:

Progress through Purification of the Path

Wholeness of the Lesson

Test-driven development (TDD) combines traditional coding with unit-testing to ensure that the code that is written is, at the same time, reliable. By testing code as it is written, the need for correcting mistakes later is greatly reduced. When mistakes do arise in Java code, the debugger can be used to track them down. When the code has been written, errors of various kinds may still arise, and to handle these, a robust exception-handling strategy is required. Using the Java SE 8 try-with-resources construct makes it possible to code exception-handling scenarios that were tricky to handle before Java 8.

Main Point 1.

Unit testing, in conjunction with Test-Driven Development, make it possible to steer a mistake-free course as programming code is developed. The self-referral mechanism of anticipating logic errors in unit tests, developed as the main code is developed, is analogous to the mechanism that leads awareness to be established in its self-referral basis; action from such an established awareness is incapable of making a mistake

Main Point 2.

Associated with exception-handling in Java are many well-known best-practices. For example: exceptions that can be caught and handled – *checked exceptions* – reflect the philosophy that, if a mistake can be corrected during execution of an application, this is better result than shutting the application down completely. Secondly, one should never leave a caught exception unhandled (by leaving a catch block empty). Third, one should never ask a catch block to catch exceptions of type Exception because doing so tends to be meaningless.

Likewise, Maharishi points out that, in life, it is better not to make mistakes, but, if a mistake is made, it is best to handle it, to apologize, so that the situation can be repaired; it is never a good idea to simply "ignore" a wrongdoing that one has done. Repairing a wrongdoing requires proper use of speech; an "apology" that does not really address the issue may be too general and may do more harm than good.

ANNOTATIONS

- 1. Executing a Java program results in algorithmic, predictable, concrete, testable behavior.
- 2. Using annotations, it is possible for a Java program to modify itself and interact with itself.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the field self-referral pure consciousness. At this level, only one field is present, continuously in the state of knowing itself.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field*. What appears as manifest existence is the result of fundamental impulses of intelligence within the field of pure consciousness. These impulses are ways that pure consciousness acts on itself, interacts with itself.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, the diversity of creation is appreciated as the play of fundamental impulses of one's own nature, one's own Self.



Lesson 11 Java Generics:

Weaving the Universal into the Fabric of the Particular

Wholeness of the Lesson

Java generics facilitate stronger type-checking, making it possible to catch potential casting errors at compile time (rather than at runtime), and in many cases eliminate the need for downcasting. Generics also make it possible to support the most general possible API for methods that can be generalized. We see this in simple methods like max and sort, and also in the new Stream methods like filter and map. Generics involve type variables that can stand for any possible type; in this sense they embody a universal quality. Yet, it is by virtue of this universal quality that we are able to specify particular types (instead of using a raw List, we can use List<T>, which allows us to specify a list of Strings – List<String> -- rather than a list of Objects, as we have to do with the raw List). This shows how the lively presence of the universal sharpens and enhances the particulars of individual expressions. Likewise, contact with the universal level of intelligence sharpens and enhances individual traits.

Main Point 1.

Generic methods make it possible to create general-purpose methods in Java by declaring and using one or more type variables in the method. This allows a user to make use of the method using any data type that is convenient, with full compiler support for type-checking. Likewise, when individual awareness has integrated into its daily functioning the universal value of transcendental consciousness, the awareness is maximally flexible, able to flow in whatever direction is required at the moment, free of rigidity and dominance of boundaries.

Main Point 2.

The Get and Put Rule describes conditions under which a parametrized type should be used only for reading elements (when using a list is of type? extends T), other conditions under which the parametrized type should be used only for inserting elements (when using a list of type? super T), and still other conditions under which the parametrized type can do both (when no wildcard is used). The Get and Put principle brings to light the fundamental dynamics of existence: there is dynamism (corresponding to Put); there is silence (corresponding to Get) and there is wholeness, which unifies these two opposing natures (corresponding to Both).

GENERIC PROGRAMMING USING JAVA'S GENERIC METHODS

- Using the raw Lists of pre-Java 1.5, one can accomplish the generic programming task of swapping two elements in an arbitrary list using the signature void swap (List, int pos1, int pos2). Using this swap method requires the programmer to recall the component types of the List, and there are no type checks by the compiler.
- 2. Using generic Lists of Java 1.5 and the technique of wildcard capture, it is possible to swap elements of an arbitrary List with compiler support for type-checking, using the following signature:

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- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the universal value of the field of consciousness present at every point in creation.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field*. The presence of the transcendental level of consciousness within every point of existence makes individual expressions in the manifest field as rich, unique, and diversified as possible.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, life is appreciated in the fullest possible way because the source of both unity and diversity have become a living reality.



Lesson 1

The OO Paradigm for Building Software Solutions

Unlocking the Blueprint of Creation

Wholeness of the Lesson

In the OO paradigm of programming, execution of a program involves objects interacting with objects. *Analysis* is the process of understanding user requirements and discovering which objects are involved in the problem domain. *Design* turns these discovered objects into a web of *classes* from which a fully functioning software system is built. Each object has a type, which is embodied in a Java *class*. The intelligence underlying the functioning of any software object resides in its underlying class, which is the silent basis for the dynamic behavior of objects. Likewise, pure consciousness is the silent level of intelligence that underlies all expressions of intelligence in the form of thoughts and actions in life.

Main Point 1. Software is by nature complex, and the only way to manage this complexity is through *abstraction*.

Abstraction is at work when we discover the objects in the problem domain during analysis, and work with these to build a system during desing. Abstraction is also at work in creating maps of our objects in the form of UML diagrams.

In a similar way, to manage the complexities of life itself the technique is to saturate awareness with its more abstract levels so that all the details of any situtaion are appreciated from the broadest perspective. The abstract levels of awareness are experienced in the processs of transcending.

Main Point 2. The OO approach to building software solutions is to represent objects and behavior in the problem domain with software objects and behavior. One of the first steps in this process is to *locate* the objects implicit in the problem statement, and this is done by examining *nouns* and *noun phrases* in the problem statement. These words and phrases link the real world situation to the abstract realm of software objects. Likewise, linking individual awareness to its abstract foundation in fully expanded awareness is the basis for creating solutions to the real-world challenges of life.

Main Point 3. During OO Design, we specify in more detail the structure of classes. A class encapsulates *data*, stored as attributes and *behavior*, represented by operations. These are the static and dynamic aspects of any class, and a UML diagram for a class provides compartments for each of these.

These two aspects of a class – data and behavior – are aspects of anything the we encounter in creation. They give expression to the reality that life, at its basis, is a field of *existence* and *intelligence*.

CLASS DIAGRAMS

- 1. Class diagrams display the data and behaviors of a class
- 2. Class diagrams provide an (abstract) representation of a specific real word problem domain
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the simplest state of awareness, where the mind goes beyond thoughts and concepts to the most abstract level of awareness.
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Lesson 2

Associations, Modeling Relationships with UML:

Diversifying Self-Referral Relationship to the World of Objects

Wholeness of the Lesson

In the real world, objects have relationships. These manifested relationships appear in many different ways. In this lecture, we explore the range of relationships that can be modeled in UML depending on how the objects' relate to each other.

At the most fundamental level every object is made out of the same essence – and is therefore (in a way) related to everything. An intellectual analysis or model of all these relationships is generally not practical.

A direct experience of the underlying reality of all of manifest creation and our relationship with all of nature is a result of our practice of Transcendental Meditation.

Main Point 1.

Building a software system using OO principles involves an *analysis* step in which the problem is analyzed and broken into pieces as objects are discovered. The pieces are then refined and put together -- in a step of *synthesis* – to give a picture of a unified system. This step of synthesis happens through the identification of relationships between classes, represented by *associations*. This phenomenon is a characteristic of all knowledge – it arises through a combination of analysis and synthesis.

Main Point 2.

Associations model the relationships that can exist between concepts. Simple associations are modeled using an *arrow*.

The arrow can have a name for ease of reading, and additional symbols to indicate direction and multiplicity.

The ends of an association arrow can also specify an association role, which is a different name for the connecting concept that is used in the context of this relationship.

The simplest state of awareness can also be modeled with an arrow from itself to itself.

Main Point 3.

There are several special forms of association, such as reflexive associations, aggregation, composition, and association classes. Although most of these have their own symbols, it would still be possible to model these relationships without them. The use of the symbols is to (easily) communicate additional information about the relationship. Nevertheless, even these additional symbols are still based on the simple concept of an *arrow*. This is an example of diversity on the basis of unity.

ASSOCIATIONS IN A CLASS DIAGRAM

- 1. Class diagrams are defined in terms of classes and their relationships (associations)
- 2. Although there are various special association forms (composition, aggregation, etc.), all are variations of the fundamental concept of an association from one object to another.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is related to itself through its own self-referral dynamics.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field.* The fundamental relationship that pure consciousness has with itself gives rise to all other forms of relationship.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, one recognizes that the relationship of the Self to the Self is not only fundamental, but is in reality the only relationship there is.



Lesson 3 Inheritance and Composition

Reflecting the Whole in the Part

Wholeness of the Lesson

Inheritance and Composition are types of relationships between classes that support reuse of code. Inheritance makes polymorphism possible, but can lock classes into a structure that is may not be flexible enough in the face of change. Composition is more flexible but does not support polymorphism. Composition and inheritance are techniques based on the principle of preserving sameness in diversity, silence in dynamism.

Main Point 1.

Inheritance is used to model IS-A relationships. Although inheritance offers reuse (the subclass inherits all public and protected methods and attributes), reuse should not be the primary motivation for using inheritance.

The field of pure intelligence is inherited by everyone, and can easily be accessed through the practice of the TM technique.

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Main Point 2.

Inheritance should only be used when you have a clear IS-A relationship. Otherwise, it is better to use composition because it has better support for change.

Even in clear IS-A relationships, inheritance may not be the best choice because of its inflexibility.

Software relationships that reflect the real world are more natural and easier to understand. Likewise, life in accord with natural law tends to go forward without obstacles; life in violation of natural law tends to be "bumpy".

BALANCING REUSABILITY WITH ADAPTABILITY

- 1. When requirements change, you should implement these changes by adding new code, not by changing old code that already works.
- 2. Inheritance and Composition are object-oriented principles that support reuse of implementation, but Composition is more flexible.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the infinitely adaptable field of pure intelligence that can be 'reused' by every individual at all places, at all times.
- 4. *Impulses within the Transcendental field*. The "code" that structures manifest life, whose syntax and grammar are impulses of intelligence, has a maximally efficient and compact design, and is reusable and flexible for all time.
- 5. *Wholeness moving within itself.* In Unity Consciousness, the individual is united with everything else, and inherits the total potential of natural for fulfillment of all desires spontaneously.



Lesson 4 Interaction Diagrams:

Appreciating Dynamism in Silence

Wholeness of the Lesson

In an OO program, objects collaborate with other objects to achieve the objectives of the program. Sequence diagrams document the sequence of calls among objects for a particular operation. Object diagrams show relationships among objects and the associations between them; they clarify the role of multiple instances of the same class. The principle of propagation and delegation clarifies responsibilities of each class and its instances: Requests that arrive at a particular object but cannot properly be handled by the object are propagated to other objects; the task is said to be delegated to others. Finally, polymorphism makes it possible to add new functionality without modifying existing code (as per the Open-Closed Principle). In these ways, we use UML diagrams to capture the dynamic features of the system; representing dynamism in the form of a static map illustrates the principle that dynamism has its basis in, and arises within, silence.

Maharishi's Science of Consciousness: In SCI, Maharishi points out that, attempting to know the parts of knowledge separately without the wholeness of knowledge necessarily results in incomplete knowledge. Knowledge of the parts in the context of the whole results in complete knowledge.

Main Point 1.

Sequence Diagrams document the sequence of calls different objects (should) make to accomplish a specific task.

Likewise, harmony exists in diversity: Even though each object is specialized to only perform tasks related to itself, objects harmoniously collaborate to create functionality far beyond each object's individual scope

Main Point 2.

Object Diagrams show the relationships between objects, where each object is an instance of a class, and each reference is represented by a single arrow. This phenomenon illustrates the principle that *the whole is greater than the sum of the parts*: The objects (parts) are not the important focus for an object diagram. What is important is how the objects relate; together, objects and their relationships form a whole that is more than just the sum of individual objects collected together.

Main Point 3.

OO Systems use delegation and propagation. An individual object works only with its own properties, acts only on what it knows, and then asks related objects to do what they know.

When individual actions are on the basis of self-referral dynamics, individual actions are automatically in harmony with each other because all arise from the dynamics of the a single unified field.

Main Point 4.

With polymorphism, objects of a particular type can take many different forms, giving us great power and flexibility.

The Unified Field is the source of all different forms in the universe. The unmanifest can manifest in many different forms.

Main Point 5.

Polymorphism supports use of the *Open-Closed Principle*: the part of our code that is established and tested is closed to modification (change), but at the same time the system remains open to changes, in the form of *extensions*.

In a similar way, progress in life is vitally important, and progress requires continual change and adaptation. But change stops being progressive if it undermines the integrity of life. Adaptability must be on the ground of stability.

OBJECT COLLABORATION IN AN OO SYSTEM

- 1. Sequence Diagrams and Object Diagrams both show how objects relate to each other.
- 2. To preserve encapsulation, objects should only act on their own properties, and to accomplish tasks that are the responsibility of other objects, they should send messages (delegation).
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* by its very nature, has the fundamental association of self-referral the Self being aware of the Self.
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Lesson 5 Inheritance and Abstractions:

Engaging Abstract Levels to Enrich Life

Wholeness of the Lesson

Both abstract classes and interfaces can be used in conjunction with polymorphism, but interfaces provide even more flexibility. Both make possible a variety of implementations or expressions of fundamental themes, the most extreme example of these being the fact that all Java classes inherit from Object. Likewise in the universe, objects form hierarchies of wholeness which express the unmanifest field of pure creative intelligence into all the specific structures of existence and intelligence.

Main Point 1.

When a method is called on a subclass, the JVM by default uses *dynamic binding* to determine the correct method body to execute. Early binding (and hence a slight improvement in performance) can be forced by declaring a method final.

In a similar way, it is said (Maharishi, *Science of Being*) that an enlightened individual need not continually plan and prepare in order to meet the needs of his daily life – instead, the enlightened enjoys spontaneous support of nature, and sees what to do as situations arise. Such individuals are an analogue to "late binding".

Main Point 2.

Abstract classes and Interfaces are both strongly related to the concept of Inheritance. The interface is the most abstract entity in the class diagram, and by programming to interfaces, we generate more flexible code.

Greater abstraction holds the possibility of greater potential; this priniciple is especially evident in the case of the unified field.

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ABSTRACTION IN THE FORM OF ABSTRACT CLASSES AND INTERFACES

- 1. A concrete class embodies a set of concrete behaviors on a set of data whereas an abstract class embodies some concrete behaviors and at the same time gives expression to new, unimplemented behaviors in the form of *abstract methods*.
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Lesson 6 JavaFX and SceneBuilder

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JavaFX is a UI library in Java that allows developers to create user interfaces that are rich in content and functionality. The ultimate provider of tools for the creation of beautiful and functional content in manifest existence is pure intelligence itself; all creativity arises from this field's self-interacting dynamics.

Main Point 1.

For creating the look of a JavaFX application, two types of classes are primary: *components* and *containers*. A screen is created by setting the stages with the Stage and Scene container classes. And then the screen is populated with components, like buttons, textboxes, labels, and so on. Components and containers are analgous to the *manifest* and *unmanifest* fields of life; manifest existence, in the form of individual expressions, lives and moves within the unbounded container of pure existence.

Main Point 2.

In JavaFX, components are arranged in a container through the use of *layouts* that organize components in different ways. The most convenient layout is GridPane, which allows you to organize components in a table format, and suffices for most layout needs. For special layout requirements, JavaFX provides half a dozen other layout types. Likewise, all of manifest life is conducted by a vast network of natural laws.

Main Point 3.

A GUI becomes responsive to user interaction (for example, button clicks and mouse clicks) through the event-handling model of JavaFX, in which event sources are associated with EventHandler classes, whose handle method is called (and is passed an Event object) whenever a relevant action occurs. To make use of this event-handling model, the developer defines a handler class, implements the handle method, and, when defining an event source (like a button), registers the handler class with this event source component. The "observer" pattern that is used in JavaFX mirrors the fact that in creation, the influence of every action is felt everywhere; existence is a field of infinite correlation; every behavior is "listented to" throughout creation.

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Main Point 1.

In Java, before Java SE 8, functions were not first-class citizens, which made the functional style difficult to implement. Earlier versions of Java approximated a function with a functional interface; when implemented as an inner class, objects of this type were close approximations to functions. In Java SE 8, these inner class approximations have been replaced by lambda expressions, which capture their essential functional nature – arguments sent to outputs. With lambda expressions, it is now possible to reap many of the benefits of the functional style while maintaining the OO nature of the Java language as a whole.

The "purification" process that made it possible to transform "noisy" one-method inner classes into simple functional expressions (lambdas) is like the purification process that permits a noisy nervous system to have a chance to operate smoothly and at a higher level. This is one of the powerful benefits of the transcending process.

Declarative programming and command of all the laws of nature

- 1. In Java SE 7, the only first-class citizens are objects, created from classes. The valuable techniques of functional programming and a declarative style can be approximated using functional interfaces.
- 2. In Java SE 8, functions in the form of lambda expressions have become first-class citizens, and can be passed as arguments and occur as return values. In this new version, the advantage of functional programming with its declarative style is now supported in the language.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness:* TC, which can be experienced in the stillness of one's awareness through transcending, is where the laws of nature begin to operate it is the *home of all the laws of nature*.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field.* As TC becomes more familiar, more and more, intentions and desires reach fulfillment effortlessly, because of the hidden support of the laws of nature
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, one finally recognizes the universe in oneself that all of life is simply the impulse of one's own consciousness. In that state, one effortlessly commands the laws of nature for all good in the universe.



Lesson 9 The Stream API:

Solving Problems by Engaging Deeper Values of Intelligence

Wholeness of the Lesson

The stream API is an abstraction of collections that supports aggregate operations like filter and map. These operations make it possible to process collections in a declarative style that supports parallelization, compact and readable code, and processing without side effects

Deeper laws of nature are ultimately responsible for how things appear in the world. Efforts to modify the world from the surface level only lead to struggle and partial success. Affecting the world by accessing the deep underlying laws that structure everything can produce enormous impact with little effort. The key to accessing and winning support from deeper laws is going beyond the surface of awareness to the depths within.

Main Point 1.

When a Collection is converted to a Stream, it becomes possible to rapidly make transformations and extract information in ways that would be much less efficient, maintainable, and understandable without the use of Streams. In this sense, Streams in Java represent a deeper level of intelligence of the concept of "collection" that has been implemented in the Java language. When intelligence expands, challenges and tasks that seemed difficult and time-consuming before can become effortless and meet with consistent success. This is one of the documented benefits of regular TM practice.

LAMBDA LIBRARIES

- 1. Prior to the release of Java 8, extracting or manipulating data in one or more lists or other Collection classes involved multiple loops and code that is often difficult to understand.
- 2. With the introduction of lambdas and streams, Java 8 makes it possible to create compact, readable, reusable expressions that accomplish list-processing tasks in a very efficient way. These can be accumulated in a Lambda Library.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the field that underlies all thinking and creativity, and, ultimately, all manifest existence.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field*. The hidden self-referral dynamics within the field of pure intelligence provides the blueprint for emergence of all diversity. This blueprint is formed from compact expressions of intelligence coherently arranged this blueprint is called the *Veda*.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness the fundamental forms out of which manifest existence is structured are seen to be vibratory modes of ones own consciousness.



Lesson 10

Unit-Testing and Exception-Handling:

Progress through Purification of the Path

Wholeness of the Lesson

Test-driven development (TDD) combines traditional coding with unit-testing to ensure that the code that is written is, at the same time, reliable. By testing code as it is written, the need for correcting mistakes later is greatly reduced. When mistakes do arise in Java code, the debugger can be used to track them down. When the code has been written, errors of various kinds may still arise, and to handle these, a robust exception-handling strategy is required. Using the Java SE 8 try-with-resources construct makes it possible to code exception-handling scenarios that were tricky to handle before Java 8.

Main Point 1.

Unit testing, in conjunction with Test-Driven Development, make it possible to steer a mistake-free course as programming code is developed. The self-referral mechanism of anticipating logic errors in unit tests, developed as the main code is developed, is analogous to the mechanism that leads awareness to be established in its self-referral basis; action from such an established awareness is incapable of making a mistake

Main Point 2.

Associated with exception-handling in Java are many well-known best-practices. For example: exceptions that can be caught and handled – *checked exceptions* – reflect the philosophy that, if a mistake can be corrected during execution of an application, this is better result than shutting the application down completely. Secondly, one should never leave a caught exception unhandled (by leaving a catch block empty). Third, one should never ask a catch block to catch exceptions of type Exception because doing so tends to be meaningless.

Likewise, Maharishi points out that, in life, it is better not to make mistakes, but, if a mistake is made, it is best to handle it, to apologize, so that the situation can be repaired; it is never a good idea to simply "ignore" a wrongdoing that one has done. Repairing a wrongdoing requires proper use of speech; an "apology" that does not really address the issue may be too general and may do more harm than good.

ANNOTATIONS

- 1. Executing a Java program results in algorithmic, predictable, concrete, testable behavior.
- 2. Using annotations, it is possible for a Java program to modify itself and interact with itself.
- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the field self-referral pure consciousness. At this level, only one field is present, continuously in the state of knowing itself.
- 4. *Impulses Within The Transcendental Field*. What appears as manifest existence is the result of fundamental impulses of intelligence within the field of pure consciousness. These impulses are ways that pure consciousness acts on itself, interacts with itself.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, the diversity of creation is appreciated as the play of fundamental impulses of one's own nature, one's own Self.



Lesson 11 Java Generics:

Weaving the Universal into the Fabric of the Particular

Wholeness of the Lesson

Java generics facilitate stronger type-checking, making it possible to catch potential casting errors at compile time (rather than at runtime), and in many cases eliminate the need for downcasting. Generics also make it possible to support the most general possible API for methods that can be generalized. We see this in simple methods like max and sort, and also in the new Stream methods like filter and map. Generics involve type variables that can stand for any possible type; in this sense they embody a universal quality. Yet, it is by virtue of this universal quality that we are able to specify particular types (instead of using a raw List, we can use List<T>, which allows us to specify a list of Strings – List<String> -- rather than a list of Objects, as we have to do with the raw List). This shows how the lively presence of the universal sharpens and enhances the particulars of individual expressions. Likewise, contact with the universal level of intelligence sharpens and enhances individual traits.

Main Point 1.

Generic methods make it possible to create general-purpose methods in Java by declaring and using one or more type variables in the method. This allows a user to make use of the method using any data type that is convenient, with full compiler support for type-checking. Likewise, when individual awareness has integrated into its daily functioning the universal value of transcendental consciousness, the awareness is maximally flexible, able to flow in whatever direction is required at the moment, free of rigidity and dominance of boundaries.

Main Point 2.

The Get and Put Rule describes conditions under which a parametrized type should be used only for reading elements (when using a list is of type? extends T), other conditions under which the parametrized type should be used only for inserting elements (when using a list of type? super T), and still other conditions under which the parametrized type can do both (when no wildcard is used). The Get and Put principle brings to light the fundamental dynamics of existence: there is dynamism (corresponding to Put); there is silence (corresponding to Get) and there is wholeness, which unifies these two opposing natures (corresponding to Both).

GENERIC PROGRAMMING USING JAVA'S GENERIC METHODS

- Using the raw Lists of pre-Java 1.5, one can accomplish the generic programming task of swapping two elements in an arbitrary list using the signature void swap (List, int pos1, int pos2). Using this swap method requires the programmer to recall the component types of the List, and there are no type checks by the compiler.
- 2. Using generic Lists of Java 1.5 and the technique of wildcard capture, it is possible to swap elements of an arbitrary List with compiler support for type-checking, using the following signature:

<T> void swap(List<?> list, int pos1, int pos2)

- 3. *Transcendental Consciousness* is the universal value of the field of consciousness present at every point in creation.
- 4. *Impulses Within the Transcendental Field*. The presence of the transcendental level of consciousness within every point of existence makes individual expressions in the manifest field as rich, unique, and diversified as possible.
- 5. Wholeness Moving Within Itself. In Unity Consciousness, life is appreciated in the fullest possible way because the source of both unity and diversity have become a living reality.

