

Discussion 3: {O,b,j,e,c,t,s}

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Today's Goals:

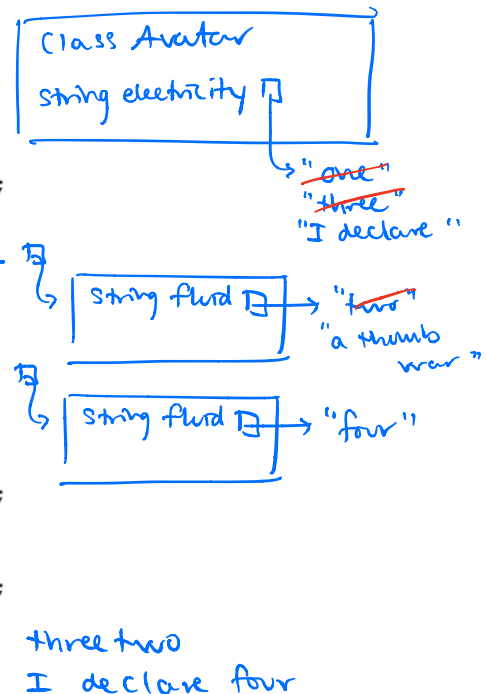
1. Try to get through as many questions as possible
2. Getting more comfortable with OOP and Arrays

Question 1: Objects Refresher

```

1 public class Avatar {
2     public static String electricity; public String fluid;
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4     public Avatar(String str1, String str2) {
5         Avatar.electricity = str1;
6         this.fluid = str2;
7     }
8
9     public static void main(String[] args) {
10        Avatar foo1 = new Avatar("one ", "two");
11        Avatar foo2 = new Avatar("three ", "four");
12        System.out.println(foo1.electricity + foo1.fluid);
13        foo1.electricity = "I declare ";
14        foo1.fluid = "a thumb war";
15        System.out.println(foo2.electricity + foo2.fluid);
16    }
17 }

```



(a) Determine what would be printed after executing the main method of class

Avatar

The main method will print the following: three two
I declare four

(b) If we changed only line 2 such that `electricity` is an instance variable and `fluid` is a class variable instead, would this code still compile or which other lines would also need to be changed and in what way?

Avatar on line 5 will no longer work if `electricity` was no longer static; it would cause a compile-time error because we cannot reference instance variables using a static class reference. But, `this` would still work on line 6 even if `fluid` is made static since an instance variable can be used to reference a static class reference.

(c) Reverting our changes from part (b) and starting from the original code, will adding the following method to class Avatar cause any errors during compilation or execution?

```

public static String getFluid() {
    return fluid;
}

```

The method will cause a compile-time error because we can not reference an instance variable (in this case, `fluid`) from inside a static context.

When the object is not specified (the thing before the period) in a field access or method call, Java will use `this` by default. However, since the new method is static, `this` does not exist and therefore an error is thrown.

Question 2: Min/Max

Given an array A, return a 2 element array B where B[0] is the minimum element of A and B[1] is the maximum element of A.

```
import static java.lang.Math.max; // max(a, b) returns max of a, b
import static java.lang.Math.min; // min(a, b) returns min of a, b

public static int[] minMax(int[] A) {
    int maxVal = Integer.MIN_VALUE; // smallest int in Java
    int minVal = Integer.MAX_VALUE; // largest int in Java

    int[] B = new int[2];
    for (int i=0; i< A.length; i++){
        maxVal = max(maxVal, A[i]);
        minVal = min(minVal, A[i]);
    }
    B[0] = minVal;
    B[1] = maxVal;
    return B;
}
```

Question 3: Reverse

Given an array A, reverse its elements in place (do not create any new arrays; this should be a destructive method).

```
public static void reverse(int[] A) {
    for (int i=0; i< A.length/2; i++){
        int temp = A[A.length-1-i];
        A[A.length-1-i] = A[i];
        A[i] = temp;
    }
}
```