

COMP 2522 Object oriented programming Assignment 01

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Introduction

Welcome to your first COMP 2522 assignment. Today you will apply what you have started learning as we migrate from Python to Java. You will implement the first class for a larger project.

Developing software is often a highly iterative process. Iterative software development involves repeated cycles of designing, coding, testing, and integrating small sections or increments of a program. We build a little, show it to our clients, make adjustments, and continue.

By deconstructing a large project into smaller, more manageable tasks, we can abstract away portions of the application and focus on separate, solvable problems. The knowledge we gain from developing and testing these smaller modules can be applied to the development of other parts of the project. Ultimately we generate correct, working, and maintainable software efficiently and quickly.

You have been hired to generate some helpful software for a group of ichthyologists at the Vancouver Aquarium. A new and invasive species of *Poecilia*, the live-bearing aquarium fish also known as the guppy, has been discovered in some of the hot springs, pools, and streams near Skookumchuk. The owners of the land have asked the scientists to study the prolific little fish and determine, among other things, if its reproductive rate will be a threat to native aquatic fauna.



Figure 1: *Guppies* by Per Harald Olsen (Own work) via Wikimedia Commons [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>) or CC BY 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/3.0>)]

The scientists are still studying the problem domain, and they haven't finalized the scope of the simulations they want to conduct. But that's okay. Object-oriented analysis, design, and programming are well suited to developing software systems whose requirements are incomplete and changing.

During the first few analysis meetings with the scientists, you identified some fundamental classes in the problem domain. For the first iteration of your software project, you will abstract away much of the potentially complicated logic and design in the application. You will begin by writing one of the classes that represent the basic building blocks of the simulations the scientists will want to run.

1 Submission requirements

This assignment must be submitted via GitHub by Sunday January 19th at or before 23:59:59 PM. Tardy submissions will not be accepted.

Your code must be in the `ca.bcit.comp2522.assignments.a1` package of the main COMP 2522 IntelliJ project you created in Lab 01.

We will mark the code as it appears during the final commit before the due date and time.

2 Grading scheme

Your assignment will be marked out of 10:

1. 5 points for code style (refer to the code style handout)
2. 5 point for code correctness (we will even provide you with some helpful JUnit tests later this week).

3 Implementation requirements

You must implement a class called **Guppy.java** which contains the following elements:

1. The following nine public **symbolic constants**. Use these variable names and data types. In Java, symbolic constants are **static** and **final**. Do not use different names or data types, and do not add any other symbolic constants. Use these constants instead of magic numbers inside your code:
 - (a) `YOUNG_FISH_AGE_IN_WEEKS` an integer equal to 10
 - (b) `MATURE_FISH_AGE_IN_WEEKS` an integer equal to 30
 - (c) `MAXIMUM_AGE_IN_WEEKS` an integer equal to 50
 - (d) `MINIMUM_WATER_VOLUME_ML` a double equal to 250.0
 - (e) `DEFAULT_GENUS` a String equal to "Poecilia"
 - (f) `DEFAULT_SPECIES` a String equal to "reticulata"
 - (g) `DEFAULT_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT` a double equal to 0.5
 - (h) `MINIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT` a double equal to 0.0
 - (i) `MAXIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT` a double equal to 1.0
2. The following eight private **instance variables**. Use these variable names and data types. Do not use different names or data types, and do not add any other instance variables:
 - (a) `genus` (first word of the scientific binomial two-part name) a String
 - (b) `species` (second word of the scientific binomial name) a String
 - (c) `ageInWeeks` an integer
 - (d) `isFemale` a boolean
 - (e) `generationNumber` an integer
 - (f) `isAlive` a boolean
 - (g) `healthCoefficient` a double
 - (h) `identificationNumber` an integer
3. `numberOfGuppiesBorn`, a private **static integer** that has an initial value of 0. This variable is incremented by 1 each time a new guppy is constructed, and the newly incremented value is assigned to the new guppy's `identificationNumber` instance variable. Further details are provided in the section about constructors (remember that static variables are shared by all objects of a class).
4. **Two (2) constructors**:

- (a) A zero-parameter constructor which sets `ageInWeeks` and `generationNumber` to zero, and sets:
 - i. `genus` to `DEFAULT_GENUS`
 - ii. `species` to `DEFAULT_SPECIES`
 - iii. `isFemale` to `true`
 - iv. `isAlive` to `true`
 - v. `healthCoefficient` to `DEFAULT_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT`
 - vi. `identificationNumber` to the newly incremented value of `numberOfGuppiesBorn`
 - (b) A second constructor which accepts the following parameters in the following order:
 - i. `newGenus` a String. Format the String passed in `newGenus` correctly (capital first letter, the rest lower case) and assign the new String to the `genus` instance variable.
 - ii. `newSpecies` a String. Format the String passed in `newSpecies` correctly (lower case) and assign the new String to the `species` instance variable.
 - iii. `newAgeInWeeks` a positive integer. Assign `newAgeInWeeks` to the `ageInWeeks` instance variable. If the parameter passed to the method is negative, assign a 0.
 - iv. `newIsFemale` a boolean to assign to the `isFemale` instance variable.
 - v. `newGenerationNumber` an integer. If the argument passed as the parameter is less than zero, set the value to one. Otherwise assign `newGenerationNumber` to the `generationNumber` instance variable.
 - vi. `newHealthCoefficient` a double. If the argument passed as the parameter is less than `MINIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT` or greater than `MAXIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT`, set the value to the closest bound. Otherwise assign `newHealthCoefficient` to the instance variable called `healthCoefficient`.
 - vii. This constructor should not accept a parameter for the `isAlive` instance variable. Set the `isAlive` variable to `true`. Every new Guppy is alive by default.
 - (c) Remember that each constructor must also increment the static `numberOfGuppiesBorn` variable by 1 and assign the new value to `identificationNumber`.
5. A method with the header `public void incrementAge()` which increases the value in the `ageInWeeks` instance variable field by 1. If the new value in `ageInWeeks` is greater than `MAXIMUM_AGE_IN_WEEKS`, set the `isAlive` instance variable to `false`.
 6. An **accessor** (getter) for all eight instance variables, and a **mutator** (setter) for `ageInWeeks`, `isAlive`, and `healthCoefficient`:
 - (a) Do not create mutators for `genus`, `species`, `isFemale`, or `identificationNumber`.
 - (b) Every accessor method name must follow the pattern `getVariableName`.
 - (c) Every mutator method name must follow the pattern `setVariableName`.
 - (d) Also create a static accessor for the `numberOfGuppiesBorn` static variable. It must be called `public static int getNumberOfGuppiesBorn()`.
 - (e) The mutator for `ageInWeeks` must ignore values below 0 and above `MAXIMUM_AGE_IN_WEEKS`.
 - (f) The mutator for `healthCoefficient` must ignore values that would cause the `healthCoefficient` variable to exceed its bounds.
 7. A method with the header `public double getVolumeNeeded()` which returns the volume of water in millilitres that the guppy needs according to the following formula:
 - (a) If the fish is less than 10 weeks old, return `MINIMUM_WATER_VOLUME_ML`.
 - (b) If the fish is 10 to 30 weeks old, return `MINIMUM_WATER_VOLUME_ML * ageInWeeks / YOUNG_FISH_WEEKS`.
 - (c) If the fish is 31 to 50 weeks old, return `MINIMUM_WATER_VOLUME_ML * 1.5`.
 - (d) If the fish is older than 50 weeks, return 0.0.

8. a method with the header `public void changeHealthCoefficient(double delta)` which adds the value passed in the `delta` parameter to the `healthCoefficient` instance variable. The parameter `delta` may be positive or negative, but if the new value of `healthCoefficient` would be less than or equal to `MINIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT`, in addition to setting the value of `healthCoefficient` to 0.0, set the `isAlive` instance variable to false. If the new value of `healthCoefficient` would be greater than `MAXIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT`, set `healthCoefficient` to `MAXIMUM_HEALTH_COEFFICIENT`.
 9. a method with the header `public String toString()` which returns a `String` representation of the guppy. The version generated by IntelliJ is sufficient.
 10. an `equals()` method. Write this one yourself from scratch.
- That's it! Good luck, and have fun!