



# functions

anatomy of a function

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anatomy of a function (1/2)

ReturnType functionName(ArgumentOneType argumentOne, ...) {
...
}

- a function is a lil chunk of code you can call from elsewhere
- a function takes any number of arguments
- ... foo(int arg) { ... } // function foo takes an int
- a function with a non-void return type roust return a value of that type
- int bar(...) { ... } // bar returns an int
- void baz(...) { ... } // baz doesn't return anything
```

# return

## return (1/2)

- a return statement stops execution of a function and returns the program to where the function was called
  - some return statements return a value
  - return 123;
  - others do not
    - return;
      - this can be used to stop running a void-returning function in

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## return (2/2)

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Error: missing return statement

static boolean isEven(int n) {
   if (n % 2 == 0) {
      return true;
   }
}
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   }
   return false;
}
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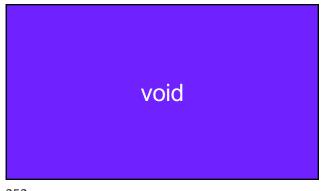
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Void

- void is a special return type meaning a function does not return a value

- void functions often modify (the objects referenced by) their arguments

- static void inPlaceReverse(int[] array) { ... }

- // no need to return a reference to array

// (user of the function already has one)

- in Java, the main method is a void function (it doesn't return anything)

- public static void main(String[] arguments) { ... }
```

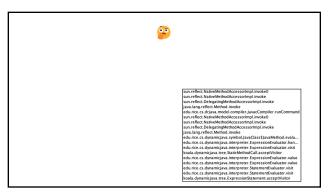
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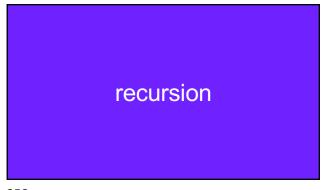
- functions can call other functions
- the resulting "stack" of function calls is called the call stack

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| crackle(); }
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| pop(); }
| static void pop() {
| return; }
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| crackle(); }
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[let's see what Eclipse does]



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recursion (1/2)

- a recursive function is a function that calls itself

- each call must make progress towards a base case
(when the function finally returns without calling itself)

- → when in doubt, try something like zero for your base case

class Main extends Cow {
    static int digitSum(int n) {
        if (n = 0) {
            return 0;
        }
        return digitSum(n / 10) + (n % 10);
    }

public static void main(String[] arguments) {
        PRINT(digitSum(256)); // 13
}
```

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static int digitSum(int n) {
    if (n == 0) {
        return 0;
    }
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return digitSum(2) + 2;

return digitSum(2) + 5;

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        return 0;
    }
    return digitSum(n / 10) + (n % 10);
}

return 7;

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int a = digitSum(25) + 6;
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        return 0;
    }
    return digitSum(n / 10) + (n % 10);
}

return 13;

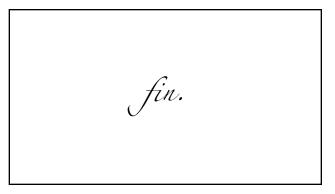
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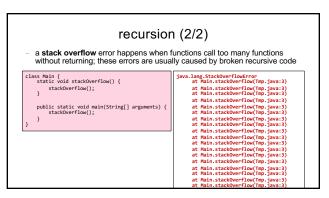
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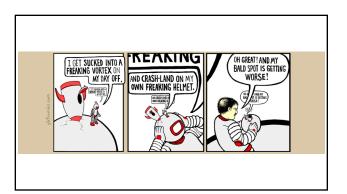
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# anatomy of a class

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anatomy of a class (1/2)

class ClassName {
    VariableOneType variableOne;
    ...

FunctionOneReturnType functionOneName(...) { ... }
    ...
}

- a class lets you bundle together data and functions
    - a class may have any number of variables (fields)
    - int foo; // objects of this class have an int called foo
    - a class may have any number of functions (methods)
    - int bar() { ... } // objects of class have function bar
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```
class Thing {
    // instance variables
    double x;
    double y;
    Color color;
    double radius;

    // instance methods
    void draw() { ... }
    ...
}
```

dot

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```
dot

- the dot operator is used to access an object's variables and functions

Thing thing = new Thing();
    thing.x = 3.0;
    thing.y = 4.0;
    thing.draw();
```

terminology

## class vs. object (instance of a class)

- a class is NOT the same thing as an object
- a class is "a blueprint for making objects"
- we can make an instance of a class (an object) using the new keyword
- this is called "instantiating the class"
- Thing thing = new Thing();

[off the record note on OOP (Object Oriented Programming) terminology]

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## new and constructors

new

the **new** keyword create a new instance of a class and calls its appropriate **constructor** 

int[] array = new int[5]; // { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 } Color color = new Color(1.0, 0.0, 0.0); // (1.0, 0.0, 0.0)

you don't need new to create a new string

- String string = "strings are their own thing";

ightharpoonup you don't need new to create a new array when using {} syntax

int[] array = { 1, 2, 3 };

new doesn't actually return the *object* it created; it returns a reference to the object

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## constructors (1/2)

- a constructor is called when an object is created
  - if the class does not have a constructor, then the **default constructor** must be called, which takes no arguments and sets all variables to zero

```
Color color = new Color(); // (0.0, 0.0, 0.0)
```

## constructors (2/2)

a (non-default) constructor is never necessary, but is often convenient

```
Color color = new Color(1.0, 1.0, 1.0); // (r=1.0, g=1.0, b=1.0)
Color color = new Color(); // (0.0, 0.0, 0.0) color.r = 1.0; // (1.0, 0.0, 0.0) color.g = 1.0; // (1.0, 1.0, 0.0) color.b = 1.0; // (1.0, 1.0, 1.0)
```



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this

- this is a reference to the instance of the class whose function we're inside of

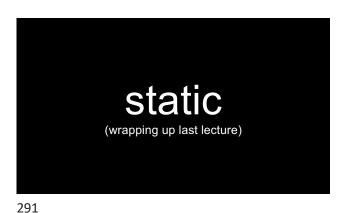
- → especially useful inside a constructor

class Color {
...

void shade() {
    this.r /= 2;
    this.g /= 2;
    this.b /= 2;
}

Color(double r, double g, double b) { // constructor
    this.r = r;
    this.g = g;
    this.b = b;
```





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static variables and static methods

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instance variables vs static variables
- an instance variable is part of an instance of a class
- a static variable (class variable) is part of the class itself
- there is only one, period. (it's a global variable that lives "on the class")

class Thing {
   int type;
   static int TYPE_BULLET = 1;
   ...
}

// Thing thing = new Thing();
// thing.type = Thing.TYPE_BULLET;
```

# instance methods vs static methods - an instance method must be called on an instance (object) of a class - a static method (class method) can be called on the class itself - ☑ there is no this in a static method class Thing { void draw() { ... }; // (non-static method) static boolean collisionCheck(Thing a, Thing b) { ... } ... } // Thing a, b; // a.draw(); // if (Thing.collisionCheck(...)) { ... }

## and now... today's lecture!

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memory FUNdaMENTALs

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the two kinds of variables in Java

a variable in Java is either...

a primitive
or
a reference to an Object

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primitives (review)

## primitive types

- in this class, "a variable being a primitive" means that the variable is a boolean, char, double, or int
- primitive types are simple
- primitive types are small
- primitive types are NOT Objects
  - we will talk about Objects later
  - examples of Objects: String, MyCoolClass, int[] (array of ints)

# boolean, char, double, int - a boolean stores a truth value - true, false - a char stores a character - '\0', 'a', 'Z', '!', '\n' - a double stores a real number - 0.0, -0.5, 3.1415926, Double.NEGATIVE\_INFINITY - an int stores an integer - 0, -1, 4

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## references to Objects

## references (1/2) - we interact with Object's through references - String string; // string is a reference to a String object - Color color; // color is a reference to a Color object - int[] array; // array is a reference to an int array

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```
references (2/2)

- a reference is a memory address ("where the object lives in memory")

- a memory address is an integer

- a memory address is often written in hexadecimal (hex, base-16, 0...9A...F)

- Thing a = new Thing();

- // ^ refers to a Thing object at memory address 0x70f806418
```



## null (1/2)

- a null reference refers to nothing
- the actual memory address referred to by null is zero (0x00... in hex)
- Thing b = null;
- // ^ refers to nothing (memory address 0x000000000)

```
null (2/2)
- Thing[] pool = new Thing[7];
- //    ^ refers to a Thing[] object at memory address 0x70f805b68
- //
- // NOTE: the Thing array referred to by pool has 7 entries,
- // all zero-initialized (null; memory address 0x000000000)
- pool[0] = new Thing();
- // pool[0] now refers to a Thing object at memory address 0x70f8079c0
```

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overview

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let's get more specific than saying "variables live in memory"

we divide memory into two parts: the stack and the heap

## "the stack"

**local variable primitives** & **references** to Objects live here variables **undefined** (?) by default (will NOT compile if used)

## "the heap"

the actual **Objects** (including arrays and Strings) live here Objects are *cleared to 0* by default

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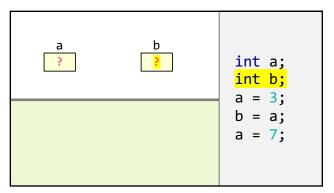
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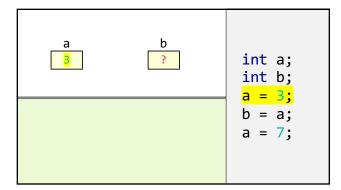
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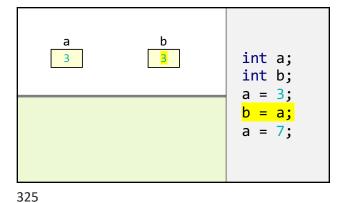
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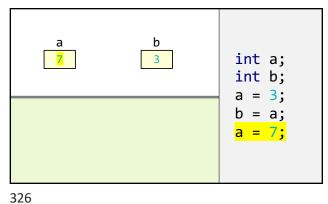
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Objects live on the heap (but references to objects live on the stack)

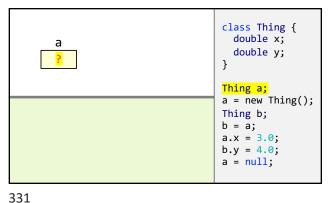
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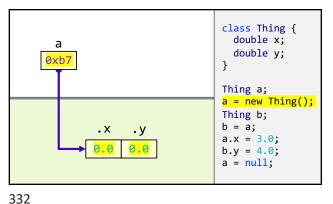
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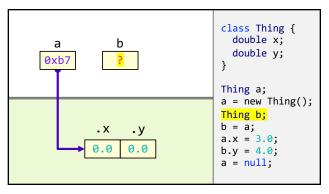
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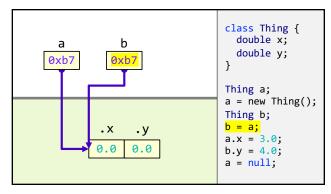
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  double x;
  double y;
Thing a;
a = new Thing();
Thing b;
b = a;
a.x = 3.0;
b.y = 4.0;
a = null;
```

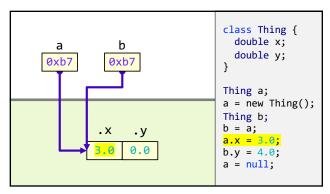


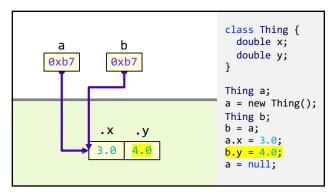


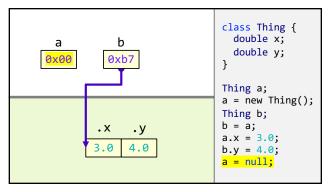


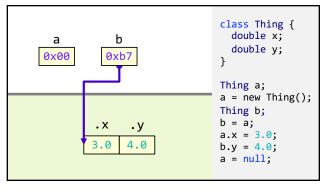


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stack variables disappear when they leave scope

Objects are **garbage collected** when nothing refers to them anymore

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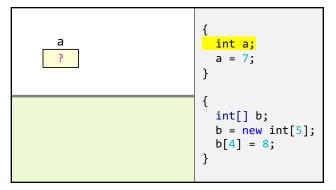
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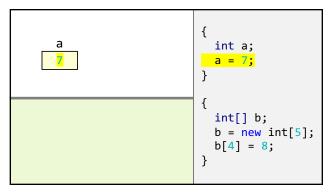
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    int a;
    a = 7;
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    int[] b;
    b = new int[5];
    b[4] = 8;
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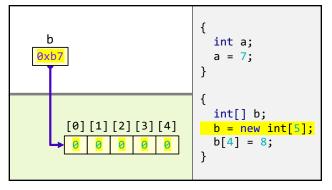
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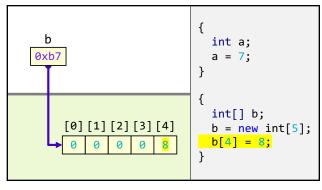
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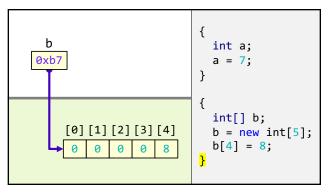
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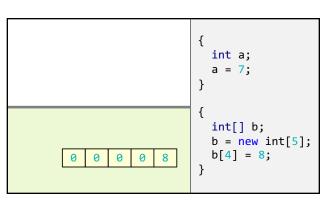
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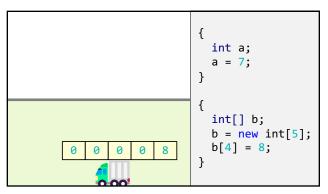








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garbage collector

## garbage collector

- the **garbage collector** is like a trash truck that drives around in the heap; when it notices an object that your program no longer has any references to, it frees up that memory for future use
- C does NOT have a garbage collector; in C you free heap-allocated memory yourself by calling free(...)

[review all examples at least one more time]

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passing arguments to functions

arguments to functions are passed by value

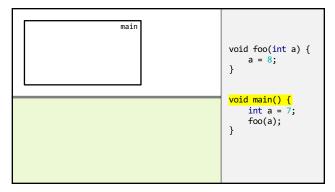
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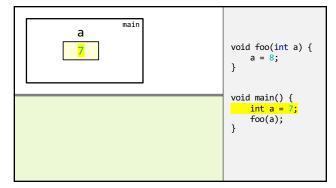
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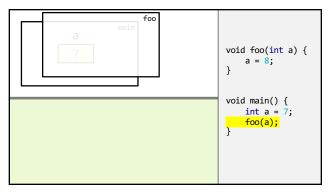
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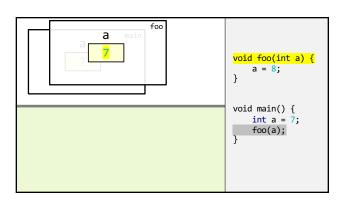
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void main() {
    int a = 7;
    foo(a);
}
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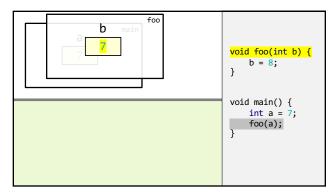


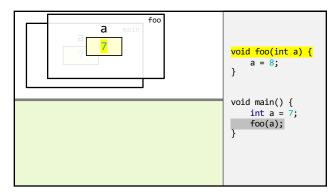


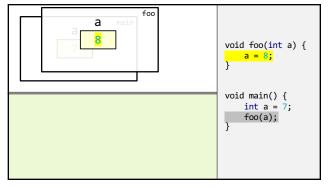


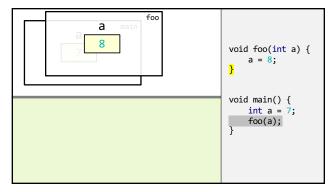


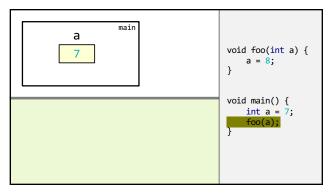
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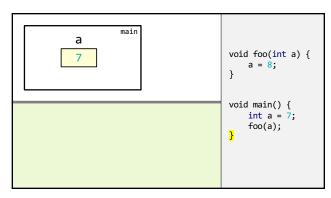




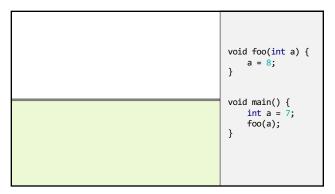




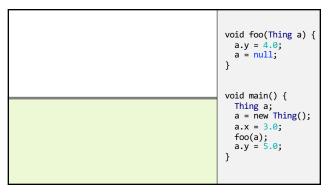


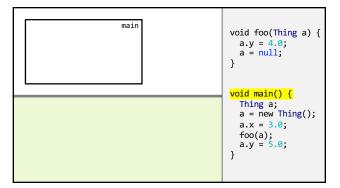


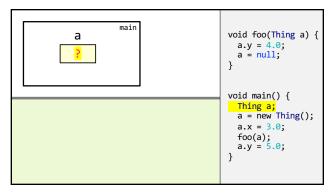
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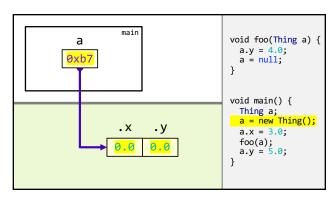


references are also passed by value

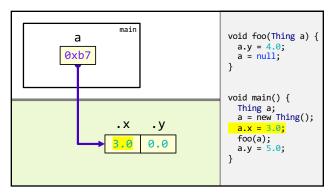


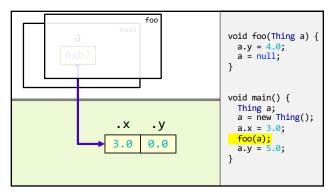


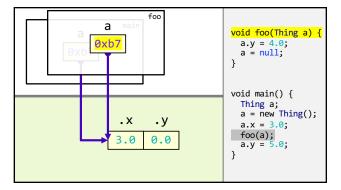


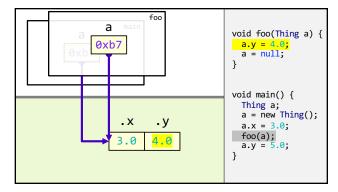


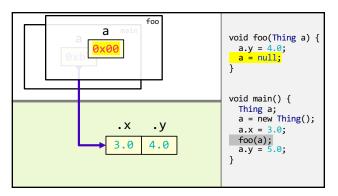
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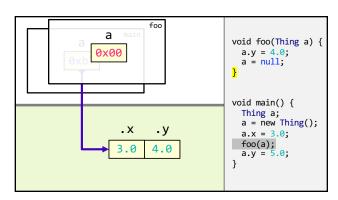




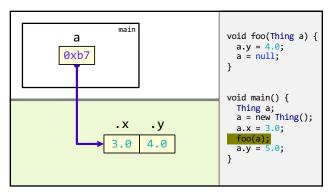


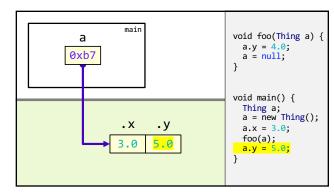


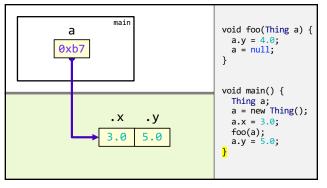


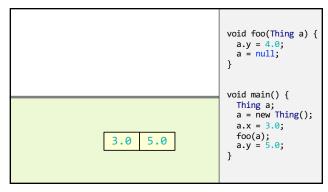


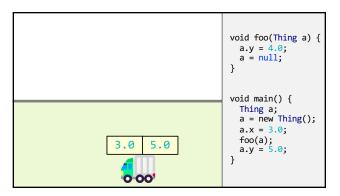
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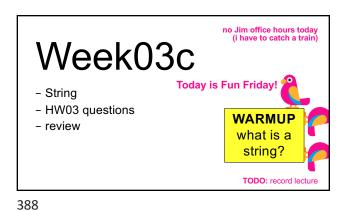




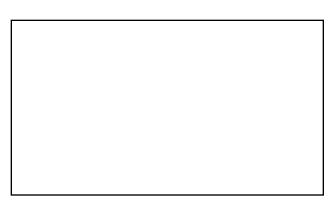




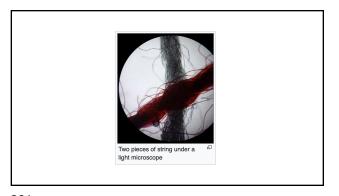




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built-in classes are "special" (they break the rules of other classes in Java)

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review:
instantiating a class
(creating an object)

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Constructors

// Option A: Use default constructor and initialize using dot
Color color = new Color(); // (r=0.0, g=0.0, b=0.0)
color.r = 1.0; // (r=1.0, g=0.0, b=0.0)
color.g = 1.0; // (r=1.0, g=1.0, b=0.0)
color.b = 1.0; // (r=1.0, g=1.0, b=1.0)

// Option B: Use a custom constructor
Color color = new Color(1.0, 1.0, 1.0); // (r=1.0, g=1.0, b=1.0)
```

# review: array

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creating an array (1/2)

you can create a new array by specifying its length inside of square brackets; if you do, the array is zero-initialized (all elements are initially set to zero)

int[] A = new int[8]; // { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 }

double[] B = new double[1]; // { 0.0 }

boolean[] C = new boolean[2]; // { false, false }

char[] D = new char[4]; // { '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0' }

String[] E = new String[3]; // { null, null, null}
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creating an array (2/2)

- you can also create a new array by
specifying its elements inside of curly braces;
if you do, the array's length is the number of elements you specified

- int[] array = { 7, 7, 9 }; // new int[3] is implied

- NOTE: this syntax can only be used for creation

- ♣ NOT okay to do later: array = { 4, 5, 6 };

- ② OKAY to do later:

- array[0] = 4;

- array[1] = 5;

- array[2] = 6;

- boolean[] array = { true };

- String[] array = { "hello", "world" };
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String

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String (1/2)
- a String is a sequence of characters
- "Hello World", "Foo123"
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String (2/2)
- you can create a new String by
specifying its elements inside of double quotation marks
- String string = "Hello";
- String has some useful instance methods (see Docs)
- PRINT(string.length()); // 5
- PRINT(string.charAt(1)); // 'e'
- PRINT(string.substring(1, 3)); // "el"
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String concatenation (1/2)
- + concatenates two String's
- // String foo = "Hello".concat("World");
    String foo = "Hello" + "World"; // "HelloWorld"

- it also does some conversions for you
    (very convenient; kind of confusing)
- // String foo = "Hello".concat(Integer.toString(2));
    String foo = "Hello" + 2; // "Hello2"
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String concatenation (2/2)

- stringA + foo is the ONLY example of operator overloading in Java

- (the * operator just does multiplication)

- (the / operator just does division)

- ...but the + operator does both addition and string concatenation

- Python and C++ let you implement your own operator overloading

- (very fun; very confusing)
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    inside of a String (1/4)
    inside of String, there must be a char[]
    motivation: as you experienced in HW02, working directly with character arrays is hard / painful
    idea: String "wraps up" a char[] into an easy-to-use package
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inside of a String (2/4)
- if a String is really just a char[]...
- ...then what does this code actually do? 
String a = "Hello";
String b = "World";
String c = a + b;
PRINT(c);
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XStringExample

***Total Control Contr
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inside of a String (3/4)

- if a String is really just a char[]...

- ...then what does this code actually do? ←

- ... how many char[]'s are created?

String a = "Hello";
String b = " ";
String c = "World";
String d = "!";
String d = "!";
String e = a + b + c + d;
PRINT(e);
```

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inside a String (4/4)
- if a String is really just a char[]...
- ...then what does this code do?
- ...what is its big O runtime? 
String scream = "";
for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
    scream += "A";
}
PRINT(scream);</pre>
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## questions on HW03?

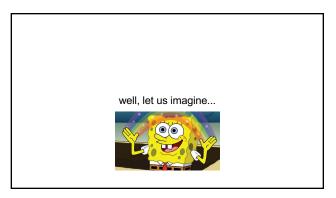
pool[i] inside of specific updates
 (don't define enemy1 and enemy2)

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why i gave you a player reference

this inside of fireBullet





## let's imagine...

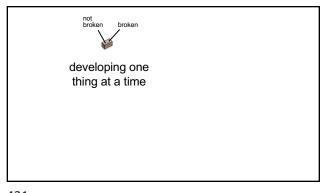
- ...you decide to develop n different things at once...
- ...and then, finally, you compile and run...
  - ...aaaaand you have a bug! 🐛
- so...what is the cause of the bug? what code is broken?
   well...i guess it could be any of the n things you just wrote!
- and while  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  possible sources of bugs might seem bad...

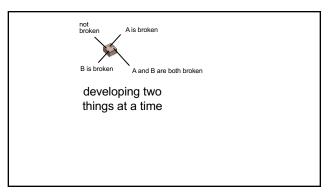
...the reality is **i→ so much worse i→**!

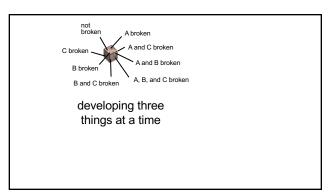
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because broken code likes to interact with other broken code, to make \*\* super bugs \*\*!



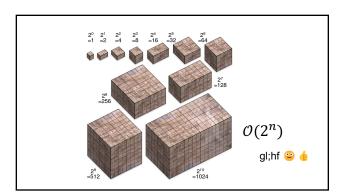








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big lesson

- implement code one thing at a time
- compile and run and test after implementing every single thing
- figuring out the order to do things in is a learned skill!
- sometimes i choose the wrong order...
- ...and then i usually have to start over

this is a learned skill!

