

CS 570: Data Structures Intro to Java

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About me

- Prof. Iraklis Tsekourakis
 - Grew up in Kavala, Greece
 - Started programming in BASIC/MS-DOS in my last year of elementary school (1995)
 - Moved to the U.S. 7 years ago for my graduate studies

About me

- Education
 - BS in ECE Aristotle university of Thessaloniki (2010)
 - MS in CS Stevens Institute of Technology (2014)
 - PhD in CS Stevens Institute of Technology (2016)
- Professional Experience
 - Assistant Teaching Professor (2016-present)
 - Research Associate in CERTH/ITI (Information Technologies Institute) (2011-2012)
 - Software development, Project management, Research

Teaching

- I've been an instructor on
 - Intro to Web Programming
 - Operating Systems
 - Algorithms
 - Data Structures

Research

- Autonomous Software Agents
- 3-D Computer Vision
- Machine Learning

Objectives

- Review of Java language.
- Understand the notion of Abstract Data Types, and their use in object-oriented designs.
- Calculate the Big-O of diverse non-recursive algorithms and use it to compare efficiency.
- Use and understand the Collection class in Java, with major emphasis on Lists,
 Stacks and Queues.
- Implement Binary Search Trees, Max/Min Heaps, Priority Queues in Java, and understand the basic concepts of self-balancing Binary Search Trees.
- Understand what are Sets and Maps, and more specifically implement hash tables in Java.
- Program basic sorting algorithms in Java using the Comparable interface.
- Combine different classes together to implement big programming assignments in Java, including a final project that combines some of the data structures studied in class

Important Points

- At any point, ask me WHY?
- USE the Office hours of the Course Assistant
 - If you think a homework is taking too long or is wrong
 - Etc. etc.
- You can ask me anything about the course in class, during a break, in my office hours, by email
- This is a graduate course.
- Expect to work, and to be challenged

Logistics

- Class webpage: CANVAS
 - https://www.stevens.edu/canvas
- Office hours: Wednesdays 1-2pm, Thur. 6-7pm
 - Gateway South 447
- Appointments by email
- CAs office hours: TBA

Logistics II

- Course Evaluation
 - Quizzes 10%
 - Assignments 60%
 - Final 30%

Assignments

- Individual
- Will be done in Java (more details on that later)
- This is a Java Course
 - Programming is arguably the number one skill of a CS graduate
- But I care equally (or slightly more) for algorithms, and data structures than syntax

Resources

- Textbook
 - Data Structures: Abstraction and Design Using Java, 3rd
 Edition
- Slides and more
 - On Canvas

Syllabus

	Topic(s)	Reading(s)	HW
Week 1	Java Syntax	Appendix A	
Week 2	Java Syntax (II), ADT	Appendix A, Chapter 1	Assignment on Java
Week 3	Complexity	Chapter 2	
Week 4	Array based Lists, Linked Lists	Chapter 2	Assignment on Complexity
Week 5	Double Linked Lists, Iterators, Collections interface	Chapter 2	
Week 6	Stacks	Chapter 3	Assignment on Double Linked Lists
Week 7	Queues	Chapter 4	
Week 8	Recursion	Chapter 5	
Week 9	More Recursion	Chapter 5	Assignment on Recursion
Week 10	Introduction to Trees	Chapter 6	
Week 11	Binary Search Trees, max/min heaps, priority queues	Chapter 6	Assignment on Priority Queues
Week 12	Sorting	Chapter 8	
Week 13	Sets & Maps, Hashing	Chapter 7	Final Programming Project
Week 14	Sets & Maps, Hashing	Chapter 7	

Grading Policies

- Late submission?
- Quizzes
- In class coding exercises
- Individual Assignments: NO collaboration
 - Any sign of collaboration -> Honor Board
 - 2^{nd} time caught \rightarrow F in the course.
- Midterm surveys and not only: Provide feedback!
- Grades...

Week 1 Objective

- Intro to Java
- Reading Assignment: Koffman and Wolfgang Appendix A

- TODO: Install Eclipse
- Also requires the Java Development Kit

Java

WORA: Write Once, Run Anywhere

Java Virtual Machine

 Other advantages include security, extensibility and low software production cost

Java is Object Oriented

- Classes and Objects
 - Class definitions in .java files
 - Def: a *class* is a named description for a group of entities that have the same characteristics
 - Objects or instances of the class is the group of entities
 - The characteristics are the attributes (data fields)
 for each object and the operations (methods) that
 can be performed on these objects

Data Fields and Types

- Data fields are variables
- Java is strongly typed
 - Every variable must be declared with a data type before it can be used
 - There are built-in types and user-defined types

Primitive Data Types

- byte -128 to 127
- short -32,768 to 32,767
- int -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
- long -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to ...
- float ±10³⁸ incl. 0 with 6 digits of precision
- double ±10³⁰⁸ incl. 0 with 15 digits of precision
- char Unicode character set
- boolean true, false

Methods

- Method: a group of statements to perform a particular operation (called function in many other languages)
- Instance Methods: Applied to an object using dot notation
- object.method(arguments)
- E.g. the println method that can be applied to PrintStream object System.out
 - System.out.println("The value of x
 is "+x);

Static Methods

- static char minChar(char ch1, char ch2) {
- static indicates that it is a static or class method
 - There is one per class, not one per object like instance methods
- Called using dot notation
 - char ch=ClassName.minChar('a','A');
- Static methods cannot call instance methods

Static vs. Instance Methods

```
public class Car{
?? float km2Miles(float km)
?? float getOdometerMiles()
```

The main Method

Point where execution begins

```
public static void main(
   String[] args) {
```

public:

static:

void:

Defining your own classes

- A Java program is a collection of classes
- Let's see some examples

Rectangle Example

```
public class Rectangle{
      public double width;
      public double height;
      // constructor
      public Rectangle(double x, double y) {
            width = x;
            height = y;
      public double area() {
            return width*height;
```

Rectangle Example

```
// int main() method
// create a rectangle with width 3.5 and height 2.6
Rectangle rect = new Rectangle(3.5, 2.6);

// get its area
double ar;
ar = rect.area();
```

Person Example

- For example:
 - A class Person may store:
 - Given name
 - Family name
 - ID number
 - Year of birth
 - It can perform operations such as:
 - Calculate person's age
 - Test whether two Person objects refer to same person
 - Determine if the person is old enough to vote
 - Get one or more of the data fields from the Person object
 - Set one or more of the data fields of the Person object

UML Diagram

Person

String givenName

String familyName String IDNumber

int birthYear

int age()

boolean canVote()

boolean isSenior()

Data fields (instance variables)

Methods

```
/** Person is a class that represents a human being.
 * @author Koffman and Wolfgang
 * */
public class Person {
  // Data Fields
  /** The given name */
  private String givenName;
  /** The family name */
  private String familyName;
  /** The ID number */
  private String IDNumber;
  /** The birth vear */
  private int birthYear = 1900;
  // Constants
  /** The age at which a person can vote */
  private static final int VOTE AGE = 18;
  /** The age at which a person is considered a senior citizen */
  private static final int SENIOR AGE = 65;
```

```
// Constructors
/** Construct a person with given values
    @param first The given name
    Oparam family The family name
    @param ID The ID number
    @param birth The birth year
 * /
public Person(String first, String family, String ID, int birth) {
  givenName = first;
  familyName = family;
  IDNumber = ID;
 birthYear = birth;
/** Construct a person with only an IDNumber specified.
    @param ID The ID number
 * /
public Person(String ID) {
  IDNumber = ID;
```

```
// Modifier Methods
/** Sets the givenName field.
    @param given The given name
 * /
public void setGivenName(String given) {
  givenName = given;
/** Sets the familyName field.
    Oparam family The family name
 * /
public void setFamilyName(String family) {
  familyName = family;
/** Sets the birthYear field.
    @param birthYear The year of birth
 * /
public void setBirthYear(int birthYear) {
  this.birthYear = birthYear;
```

```
// Accessor Methods
/** Gets the person's given name.
    Oreturn the given name as a String
 */
public String getGivenName() {
  return givenName;
/** Gets the person's family name.
    @return the family name as a
 String
 * /
public String getFamilyName() {
  return familyName;
/** Gets the person's ID number.
    @return the ID number as a String
 * /
public String getIDNumber() {
  return IDNumber;
/** Gets the person's year of birth.
```

```
@return the year of birth as an
int value
 * /
public int getBirthYear() {
  return birthYear;
```

```
// Other Methods
    Calculates a person's age at this year's birthday.
     @param year The current year
     @return the year minus the birth year
 * /
public int age(int year) {
  return year - birthYear;
/** Determines whether a person can vote.
    @param year The current year
    @return true if the person's age is greater than or
            equal to the voting age
 * /
public boolean canVote(int year) {
  int theAge = age(year);
  return theAge >= VOTE AGE;
```

```
/** Determines whether a person is a senior citizen.
    @param year the current year
    @return true if person's age is greater than or
            equal to the age at which a person is
            considered to be a senior citizen
 * /
public boolean isSenior(int year) {
  return age(year) >= SENIOR AGE;
/** Retrieves the information in a Person object.
    @return the object state as a string
 * /
public String toString() {
  return "Given name: " + givenName + "\n"
      + "Family name: " + familyName + "\n"
      + "ID number: " + IDNumber + "\n"
      + "Year of birth: " + birthYear + "\n";
```

Private Data Fields, Public Methods

- Better control of how data is accessed
- Details of how data are stored and represented can be changed without affecting class's clients

Constructors

- Four-parameter
- One-parameter

- No-parameter constructor is not defined
- Person p = new Person() is invalid
- No-parameter constructor has to be explicitly defined if other constructors are defined

Use of this.

```
public void setBirthYear(int birthYear) {
    this.birthYear = birthYear;
}
```

 birthYear is interpreted by the Java compiler as the local variable (parameter here) and not the data field with the same name

The Method toString

- To display the state of author1 (an instance of Person), we could use:
 - System.out.println(author1.toString
 ());
 - System.out.println(author1);
- System.out.println and System.out.print automatically apply method toString() to an object that appears in their argument list

The Method equals

```
public boolean equals(Person per) {
   if (per == null)
     return false;
   else
     return IDNumber.equals(per.IDNumber);
}
```

 We can look at per's private ID number because per references an object of this class (Person)

testPerson

```
public class TestPerson {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Person p1 = new Person ("Sam", "Jones", "1234", 1930);
    Person p2 = new Person("Jane", "Jones", "5678", 1990);
    System.out.println("Age of " + p1.getGivenName() +
                       " is " + p1.age(2012));
    if (p1.isSenior(2004))
      System.out.println(p1.getGivenName() +
                         " can ride the subway for free");
    else
      System.out.println(p1.getGivenName() +
                         " must pay to ride the subway");
    System.out.println("Age of " + p2.getGivenName() +
                       " is " + p2.age(2012));
    if (p2.canVote(2004))
      System.out.println(p2.getGivenName() + " can vote");
    else
      System.out.println(p2.getGivenName() + " can't vote");
```

Arrays

```
int[] scores = new int[5];
String[] names = {"Sally", "Jill", "Hal",
  "Rick" };
Person[] people;
// define n in some way
int n = ...
people = new Person[n];
people[0] = new Person("Elliot",
  "Koffman","123",1942);
```

length is a data field not a method

Arrays of Arrays

```
double[][] matrix = new double[5][10];
```

 In Java, you can have two-dimensional arrays with rows of different sizes

```
char[][] letters = new char [5][];
letters[0] = new char[4];
letters[1] = new char[10];
```

Style

- Camel notation
 - -myVariable, thisLongIdentifier
- Primitive type constants
 - all caps: static final int MAX_SCORE=999
- Postfix/prefix increment
 - z=i++;
 - -z = ++i;
 - Don't use x*++i

Pre-increment VS post-increment

++i will increment the value of i, and then return the incremented value.

```
i = 1;
j = ++i;
(i is 2, j is 2)
```

i++ will increment the value of i, but return the original value that i held before being incremented.

```
i = 1;
j = i++;
(i is 2, j is 1)
```

Type Compatibility and Conversion

- When mixed type operands are used, the type with the smaller range is converted to the type of the larger range
 - E.g. int+double is converted to double
 - Widening conversion

```
-int item = ...;
double realItem = item; // valid ?
-double y = ...;
int x=y; // valid ?
```

Referencing Objects

- String greeting;
- greeting = new String("hello");
 - String object "hello" is now referenced by greeting
 - greeting stores the address of where a particular String is stored.
- Primitive types store values not addresses

```
-x=3;
```

References

- Two reference variables can reference the same object
 - String welcome=greeting;
 - copies the address in greeting to welcome
- Creating new objects
 - String keyboard = new String("qwerty");

Self-Check

```
String y=new String("abc");
String z="def";
String w=z;
```

Control Statements

- if ... else
- switch
- while
- do ... while
- for

Examples

- Compute the sum of all even numbers from 2 to 200 unless they are multiples of
- Come up with a natural do ... while example

Calling by Value

- In Java all arguments are call-by-value
 - If the argument is a primitive type, its value, not its address, are passed to the method
 - The method cannot modify the argument value and have this modification remain after returning
 - If the argument is of class type, it can be modified using its own methods and the changes are permanent
- Other languages also support call-byreference

The Math Class

- Collection of useful methods
- All static

The String Class

Assume keyboard is a String that contains "qwerty"

```
keyboard.charAt(0)
keyboard.length()
keyboard.indexOf('o')
keyboard.indexOf('y')
String upper=keyboard.toUpperCase();
Creates a new string object without changing
```

keyboard

Strings are Immutable

- Strings are different from other objects in that they are immutable
 - A String object cannot be modified
 - New Strings are generated when changes are made

```
String myName = "Elliot Koffman";
myName = myName.substring(7) + ", " +
  myName.substring(0, 6);

myName[0] = 'X'; // invalid
myName.charAt(0) = 'X'; // invalid
```

Comparing Objects

```
String anyName = new String(myName);
anyName == myName ?
```

- == operator compares the addresses and not the contents of the objects
- Use equals, equalsIgnoreCase, compareTo, compareToIgnoreCase
- Comparison methods need to be implemented for user-defined classes

Wrapper Classes for Primitive Types

- Primitive numeric types are not objects, but sometimes they need to be processed like objects
 - When?
- Java provides wrapper classes whose objects contain primitive-type values
 - Float, Double, Integer, Boolean, Character
 - They provide constructor methods to create new objects that "wrap" a specified value
 - Also provide methods to "unwrap"

Autoboxing/Unboxing

 Before Java 5.0, int values and Integer objects could not be mixed

```
int n = nInt.intValue();
nInt = new Integer(n++);
```

Java 5.0 introduced autoboxing/unboxing

```
int n = nInt;
nInt = n++;
or
nInt++;
```

Examples

```
Integer i1=35;
Integer i2=1234;
Integer i3=i1+i2;
int i2Val=i2++;
int i3Val=Integer.parseInt("-357");
Integer i4= Integer.valueOf(753);
System.out.println(i1);
```

More Examples

- System.out.println(i1+i2);
- System.out.println(i1.toString()
 +i2.toString());
- Operations are the same as primitive types in current version of java
 - autoboxes before the operator is applied.
- What happens for the == operator?

Practice: Tic Tac Toe

- The 9 cells on the board are numbered
- Read integers from 1 to 9 from text file
 - Each move is given by the cell number the player wishes to occupy
 - Players alternate starting with X, so the ID of the current player is not given
- -1 denotes the end of the game

0	1	2
3	4	5
6	7	8

Requirements

- 1. If the number is -1, reset the board and start a new game.
- 2. Check that the move is legal, i.e. the cell is not occupied.
- 3. Check if there is a winner. There are multiple ways to do this.
- 4. Check if there is a tie.