

CSC 402

Data Structures I
Lecture 3

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public static double[] removeDuplicates (double[] list) {
    int numUnique = numUnique (list);
    if (numUnique == list.length) {
        return list;
    }
    // At this point it must be the case that list.length >= 2
    double[] result = new double[numUnique];
    result[0] = list[0];
    int i = 1; // index into list
    int j = 1; // index into result
    while (i < list.length) {
        //System.err.format("i=%2d j=%2d\n", i, j);
        if (result[j - 1] != list[i]) {
            result[j] = list[i];
            j++;
        }
        i++;
    }
    return result;
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Recursion

- A recursive computation solves a problem by using the solution of the same problem with simpler values
- For recursion to terminate, there must be special cases for the simplest inputs
- To complete our Triangle example, we must handle $\text{width} \leq 0$:

```
if (width <= 0) return 0;
```
- Two key requirements for recursion success:
 - Every recursive call must simplify the computation in some way
 - There must be special cases to handle the simplest computations directly


Other Ways to Compute Triangle Numbers

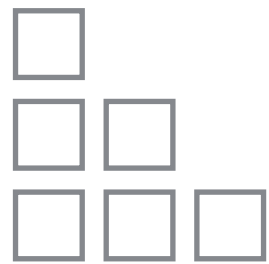
- The area of a triangle equals the sum:
 $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + \text{width}$
- Using a simple loop:

```
double area = 0;
for (int i = 1; i <= width; i++)
    area = area + i;
```
- Using math:
 $1 + 2 + \dots + n = n \times (n + 1) / 2$
 $\Rightarrow \text{width} * (\text{width} + 1) / 2$

Process

Triangle Numbers

- Compute the area of a triangle of width n
- Assume each  square has an area of 1
- Also called the n th triangle number
- The third triangle number is 6



Process

Triangle Class

```
public class Triangle {  
    private int width;  
    public Triangle(int aWidth) {  
        width = aWidth;  
    }  
  
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    }  
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```

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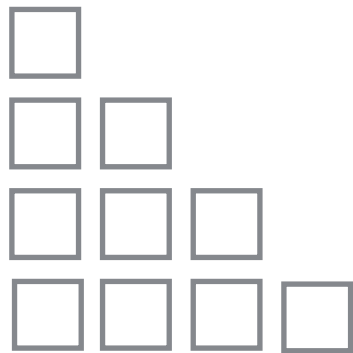
- The triangle consists of a single square
- Its area is 1
- Add the code to ***getArea*** method for width 1

```
public class Triangle {  
    private int width;  
    public Triangle(int aWidth) {  
        width = aWidth;  
    }  
  
    public int getArea() {  
        if (width == 1) {  
            return 1;  
        }  
    }  
}
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Handling the General Case

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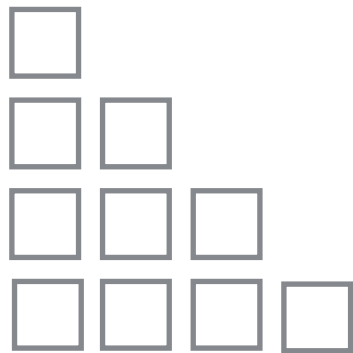


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- To get the area of the smaller triangle
 - Make a smaller triangle and ask it for its area:*

```
Triangle smallerTriangle = new Triangle(width - 1);  
int smallerArea = smallerTriangle.getArea();
```

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    }  
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Process

Computing the area of a triangle with width 4

- ***getArea*** method makes a smaller triangle of width 3
- It calls ***getArea*** on that triangle
 - That method makes a smaller triangle of width 2
 - It calls ***getArea*** on that triangle
 - That method makes a smaller triangle of width 1
 - It calls ***getArea*** on that triangle
 - That method returns 1
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        return smallerArea + width;
    }
}
```

Process

Example

```
package recursion.triangle;

/**
 * A triangular shape composed of stacked unit squares like this:
 *
 * []
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 *
 * . . .
 */
public class Triangle {
    private int width;

    /**
     * Constructs a triangular shape.
     *
     * @param aWidth
     *         the width (and height) of the triangle
     */
    public Triangle(int aWidth) {
        width = aWidth;
    }

    /**
     * Computes the area of the triangle.
     *
     * @return the area
     */
    public int getArea() {
        if (width <= 0) {
            return 0;
        } else if (width == 1) {
            return 1;
        } else {
            Triangle smallerTriangle = new Triangle(width - 1);
            int smallerArea = smallerTriangle.getArea();
            return smallerArea + width;
        }
    }
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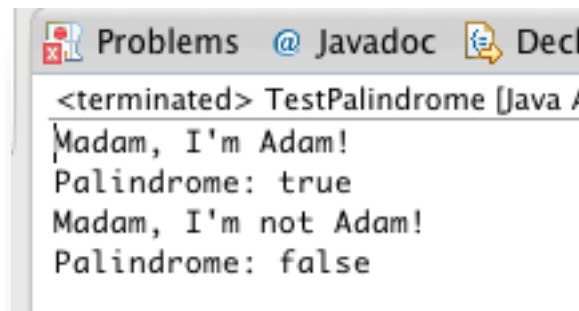
public class TriangleTester {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Triangle t = new Triangle(10);
        int area = t.getArea();
        System.out.println("Area: " + area);
        System.out.println("Expected: 55");
    }
}
```


Process

Palindromes - How can we do it recursively

- Remove the first character
- Remove the last character
- Remove both the first and last characters
- Remove a character from the middle
- Cut the string into two halves

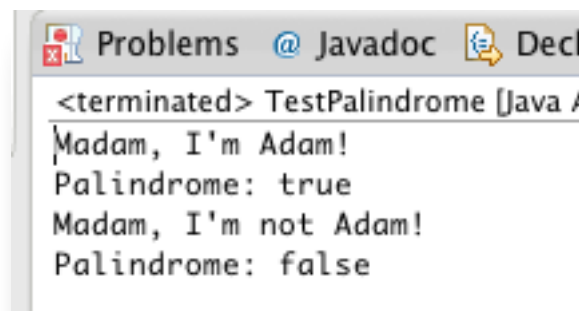


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Palindromes - Simplify

- Most promising simplification: Remove first and last characters
"adam, I'm Ada" is a palindrome too!
- Thus, a word is a palindrome if
 - The first and last letters match, and
 - Word obtained by removing the first and last letters is a palindrome
- What if first or last character is not a letter? Ignore it
 - If the first and last characters are letters, check whether they match; if so, remove both and test shorter string
 - If last character isn't a letter, remove it and test shorter string
 - If first character isn't a letter, remove it and test shorter string

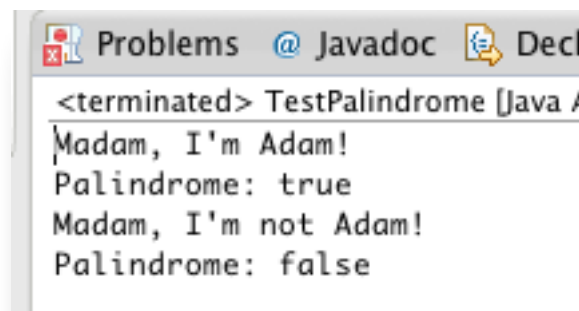


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Palindromes - Find solutions to the simplest inputs

- Strings with two characters
 - No special case required; step two still applies
- Strings with a single character
 - They are palindromes
- The empty string
 - It is a palindrome



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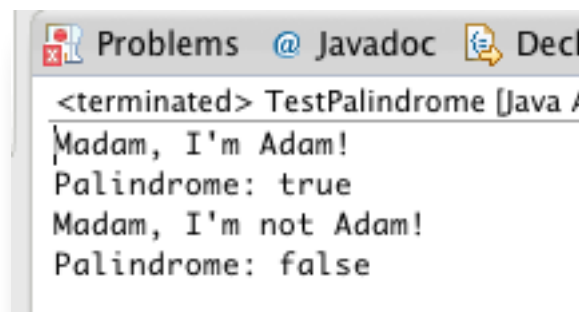
public class Sentence {

    private String text;

    /**
     * Constructs a sentence.
     * @param aText a string containing all characters of
     * the sentence
     */
    public Sentence(String aText) {
        text = aText;
    }
}
```

```
/**
 * Tests whether this sentence is a palindrome.
 * @return true if this sentence is a palindrome, false
 * otherwise
 */
public boolean isPalindrome() {
    return isPalindromeHelper(0, text.length()-1);
}

public boolean isPalindromeHelper(int start, int end) {
    if (start >= end) {
        return true;
    }
    // Get first and last characters, converted to
    // lowercase.
    char first = Character.toLowerCase(text.charAt(start));
    char last = Character.toLowerCase(text.charAt(end));
    if (Character.isLetter(first) && Character.isLetter(last)) {
        // Both are letters.
        if (first == last) {
            // Test substring that doesn't contain the
            // matching letters
            return isPalindromeHelper(start+1, end-1);
        } else {
            return false;
        }
    } else if (!Character.isLetter(last)) {
        // Test substring that doesn't contain the last
        // character.
        return isPalindromeHelper(start, end-1);
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Palindromes - Use Recursive Helper Methods

- Sometimes it is easier to find a recursive solution if you make a slight change to the original problem
- Consider the palindrome test of previous slide
- It is a bit inefficient to construct new Sentence objects in every step
- Rather than testing whether the sentence is a palindrome, check whether a substring is a palindrome:
- Then, simply call the helper method with positions that test the entire string:

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Process

Testing for Palindromes

- Palindrome: A string that is equal to itself when you reverse all characters

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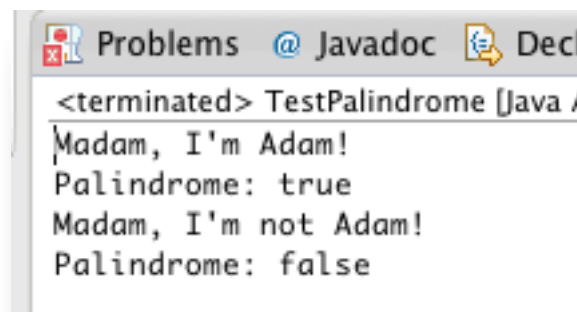
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    /**
     * @param args
     */
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String text = "Madam, I'm Adam!";
        System.out.println(text);

        Sentence sentence = new Sentence(text);
        System.out.println("Palindrome: " + sentence.isPalindrome());

        String text2 = "Madam, I'm not Adam!";
        System.out.println(text2);

        Sentence sentence2 = new Sentence(text2);
        System.out.println("Palindrome: " + sentence2.isPalindrome());
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Efficiency

The Efficiency of Recursion

- Occasionally, a recursive solution runs much slower than its iterative counterpart
- In most cases, the recursive solution is only slightly slower
- The iterative isPalindrome performs only slightly better than recursive solution
 - Each recursive method call takes a certain amount of processor time
 - Smart compilers can avoid recursive method calls if they follow simple patterns
- Most compilers don't do that
- In many cases, a recursive solution is easier to understand and implement correctly than an iterative solution

Efficiency

Iterative *isPalindrome* Method

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public boolean isPalindrome() {  
    int start = 0;  
    int end = text.length() - 1;  
    while (start < end) {  
        char first = Character.toLowerCase(text.charAt(start));  
        char last = Character.toLowerCase(text.charAt(end));  
        if (Character.isLetter(first) && Character.isLetter(last)) {  
            if (first == last) {  
                start++;  
                end--;  
            } else {  
                return false;  
            }  
        }  
        if (!Character.isLetter(last)) {  
            end--;  
        }  
        if (!Character.isLetter(first)) {  
            start++;  
        }  
    }  
    return true;  
}
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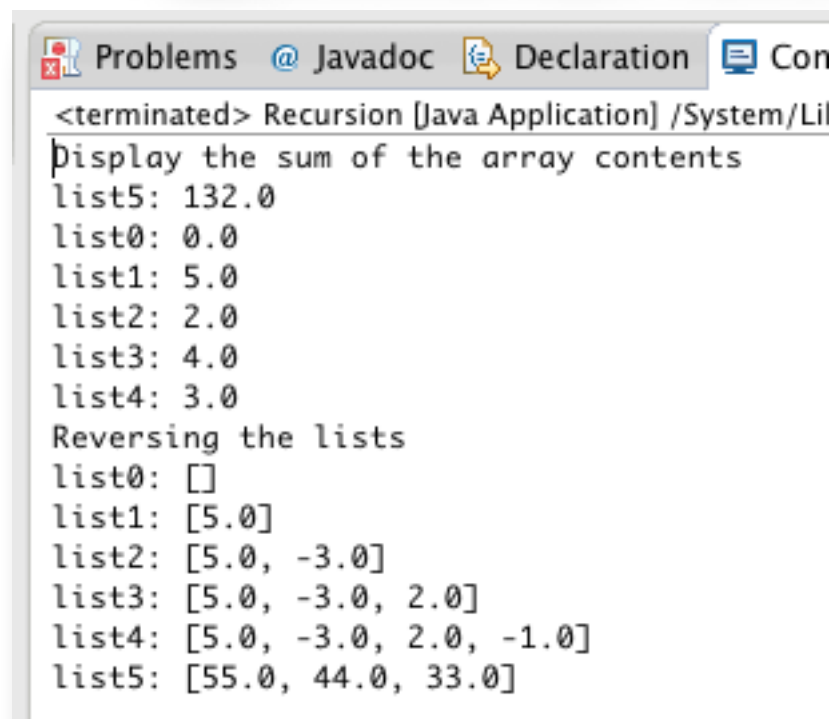
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- sum (Modify the existing method)
 - **add** a sumHelper method
- reverse (Modify the existing method)
 - **add** a reverseHelper method



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Display the sum of the array contents
list5: 132.0
list0: 0.0
list1: 5.0
list2: 2.0
list3: 4.0
list4: 3.0
Reversing the lists
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```
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 * PROBLEM 1: Translate the following sum function from iterative to
 * recursive.
 *
 * You should write a helper method. You may not use any "fields" to solve
 * this problem (a field is a variable that is declared "outside" of the
 * function declaration --- either before or after).
 */
public static double sumIterative (double[] a) {
    double result = 0.0;
    int i = 0;
    while (i < a.length) {
        result = result + a[i];
        i = i + 1;
    }
    return result;
}
public static double sum (double[] a) {
    return 0; // TODO
}
```

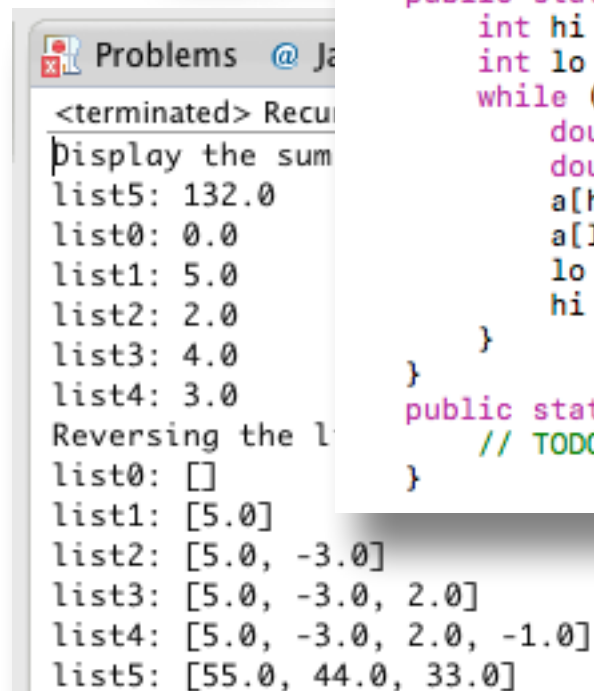
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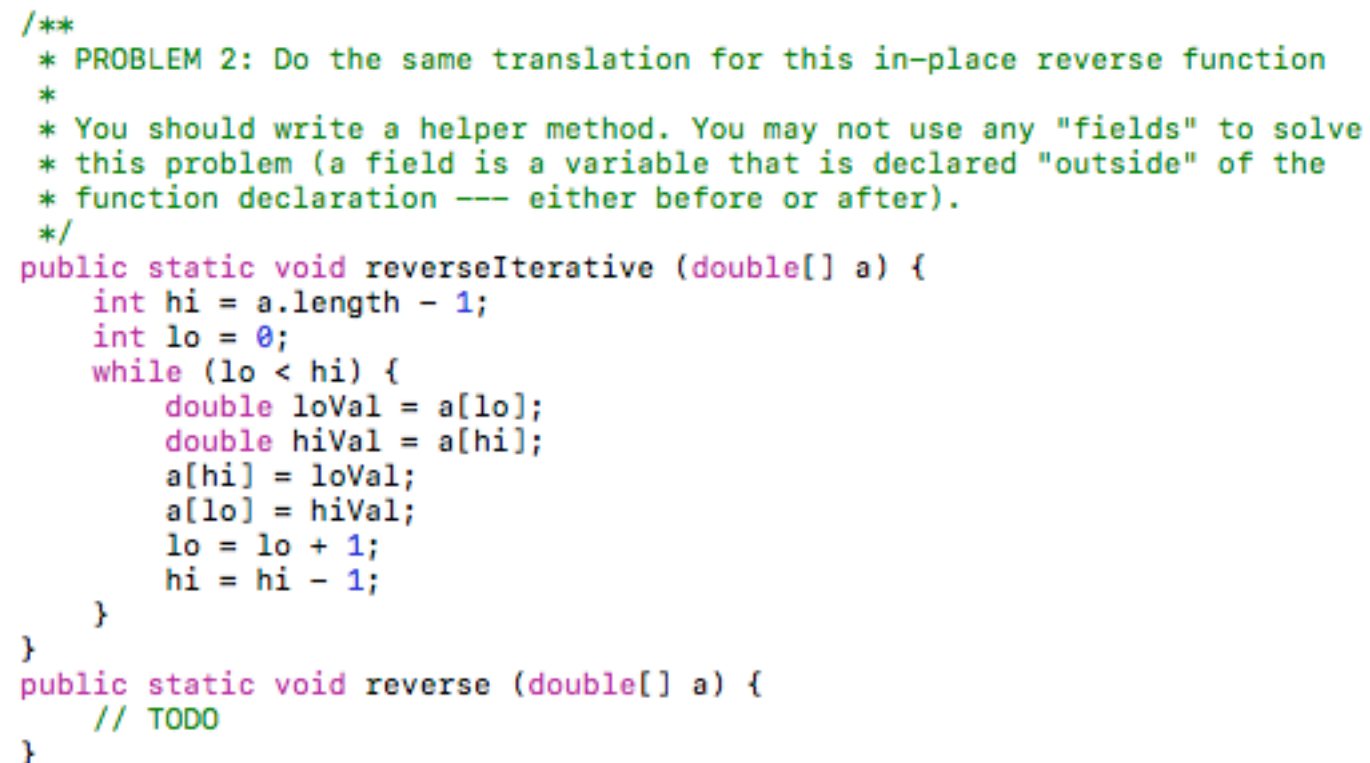
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/**
 * PROBLEM 2: Do the same translation for this in-place reverse function
 *
 * You should write a helper method. You may not use any "fields" to solve
 * this problem (a field is a variable that is declared "outside" of the
 * function declaration --- either before or after).
 */
public static void reverseIterative (double[] a) {
    int hi = a.length - 1;
    int lo = 0;
    while (lo < hi) {
        double loVal = a[lo];
        double hiVal = a[hi];
        a[hi] = loVal;
        a[lo] = hiVal;
        lo = lo + 1;
        hi = hi - 1;
    }
}
public static void reverse (double[] a) {
    // TODO
}
```

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