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PART 1: SHORT REVIEW. WHY OOP?

## Agenda

#### Previously in 2110:

- Strong typing
- Java's primitive types
- Casting among primitive types
- Recitation on strings

```
int v;
v= "abc"; // illegal
```

#### Most-used primitive types

int
 long
 double
 char
 boolean

4-byte integer

8-byte integer

Unicode character

Unicode character

true, false

(int) 'a' (double) (int) 6.5

Quiz?

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# Object-Oriented Programming

Today:

What is OOP?

Objects and classes

Methods and fields

# Building Bigger







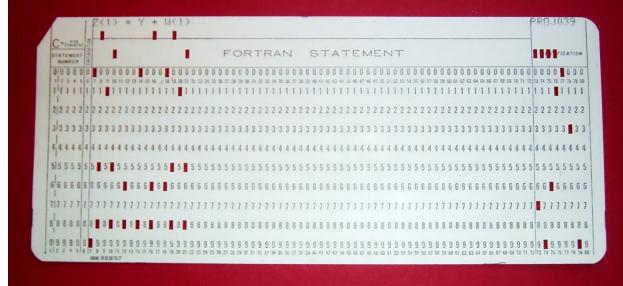


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#### Programming and programming languages

First high-level language:

Mid 1950s: Fortran



In June 1960, after graduating with a BS in Math from Queens College in NY, Gries started working for the US Naval Weapons Lab (as a civilian) as a *mathematician programmer*. They taught us Fortran in *one* week. We were then professional programmers.

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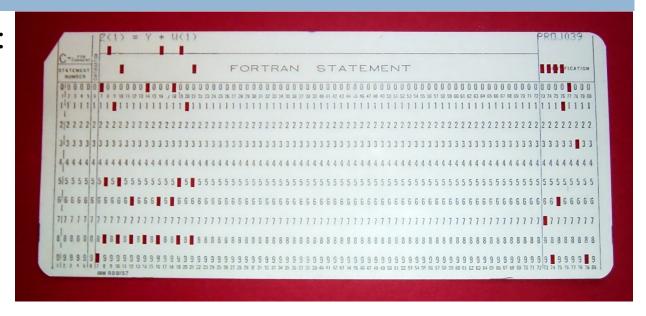
1960:

Algol 60, Lisp, Cobol

1970: Pascal

1972-73: C

None of these were objectoriented! People began feeling the need for more scalable languages, with better features for reuse and ability to change



Different forms of "modules"

Modula

ML

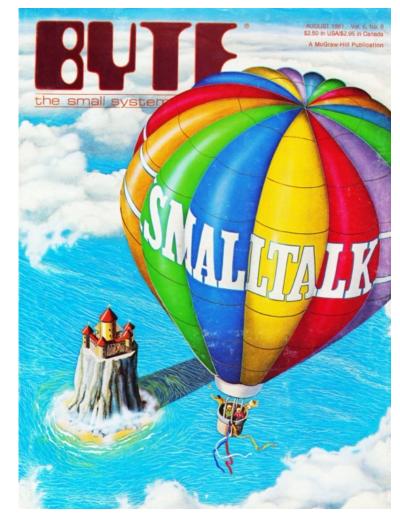
Ada --after the first programmer, a woman, Lady Ada Lovelace (1800's)

# OOP: Building Bigger



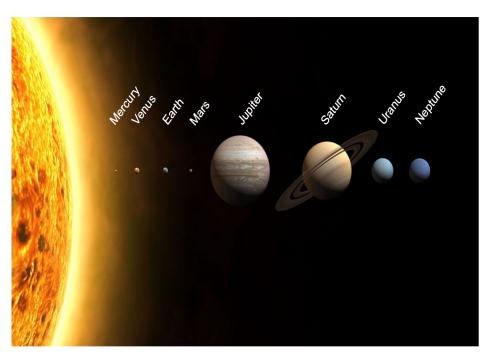
Simula 67: arguably the first OO language: objects, classes, inheritance, etc.

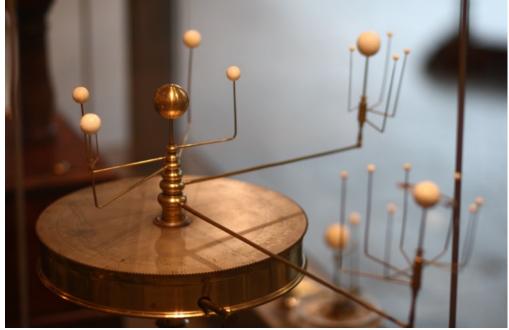
Smalltalk-80: based on Simula, huge influence on Java, Python, etc.



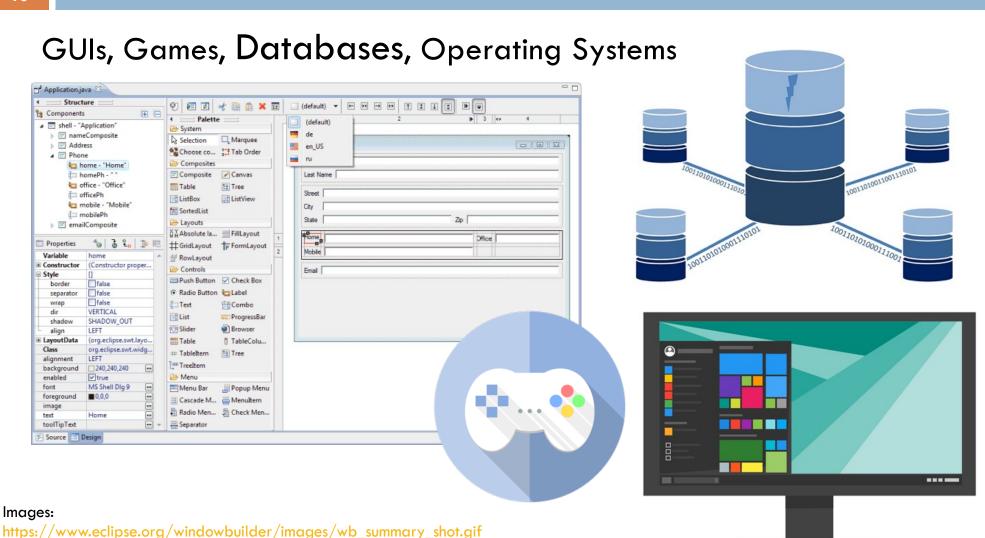
#### OOP's key insight:

# Model objects from the real world





# OOP: Beyond Physical Systems



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# Why OOP?

- Analysis: OOP helps identify features
- Design: OOP improves resilience to change
- Implementation: OOP enables re-use

...none of these unique to OOP

But still a successful packaging!

# Our Trajectory

- □ Lec 2: Objects and classes: the building blocks
- □ Lec 3: **Encapsulation**: a design principle
- □ Lec 4: Inheritance: achieving re-use
- □ Lec 5: Subtyping: achieving re-use
- □ Lec 6: **Abstraction**: a design principle
- (then we start studying data structures)

The end

# LECTURE 2: OBJECTS AND CLASSES

PART 2: OBJECT: HAS STATE AND BEHAVIOR

CLASS: DEFINES THE COMPONENTS OF OBJECTS

# Objects

- Behavior: response to stimulus
- State: condition of being; changeable

#### **Examples:**

- Battery
- BRB account
- David Gries









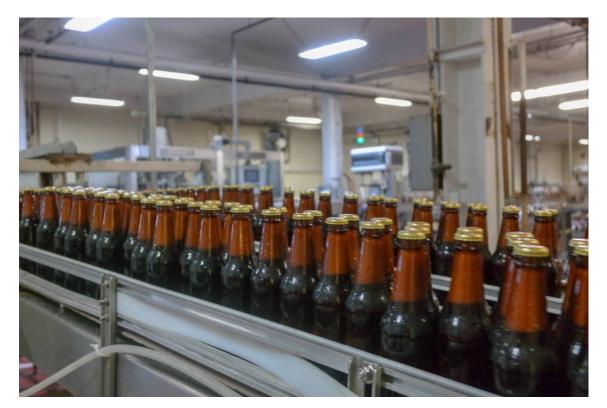
#### Exercise

# What are possible states and behaviors of some object around you?

Please raise your hand

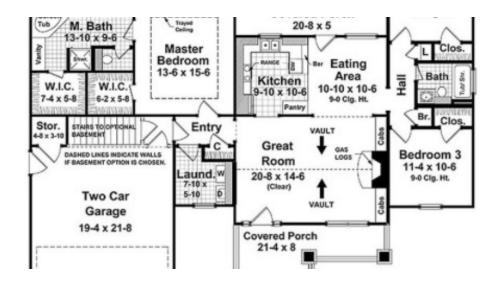
#### Classes

- Class: a blueprint for making new objects
- An object is an instance of a class



## Class vs. Object

# A blueprint, design, plan A class



# A house built from the blueprint: An object



Same class, different objects



# Example: a counter

#### Counter

State: the value of the counter

Behavior: buttons to

- (1) Set counter to 0,
- (2) Increment the counter by 1.



# Folders: Depicting a Counter object

name of object

state: given
by variable
(field)

behaviour:
given by
methods

fictitious memory address

class of object

class of object

Computer creates an object: It allocates space in memory for the object, including space for the fields. Think of the methods also as residing in the object.

You create an object: This is how you draw it.

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#### Declaration of class Counter

```
class Counter {
```

```
{ ... } is called a block.
```

In this context, the block will contain declarations of fields and methods that belong in each instance of the class.

#### Counter

```
class Counter {
  int count;
```

Declaration of variable count.

Variable count is a field. It will appear in every instance (i.e. object) of class Counter.

#### Counter

```
class Counter {
  int count;

  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
  }
```

Declaration of method increment.

Each time it is called (invoked), 1 is added to field count.

#### Counter

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
 void reset() {
   count= 0;
```

Declaration of method reset.

Each time it is called, field count is set to 0.

## The new-expression

```
Counter c1;
c1 = new Counter();
  Counter@62
                   Counter
    count
    increment() { ...}
    reset() { ...}
  cl
```

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
 void reset() {
   count= 0;
```

# Calling a method in an object

```
Counter c1; c1 = new Counter();
c1.increment();
```

```
Counter@62

count 0 Counter

increment()
reset()
```

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
 void reset() {
   count= 0;
```

# Referencing a field of an object

```
Counter c1; c1 = new Counter();
cl.increment();
cl.count
  Counter@62
                  Counter
    count
    increment()
    reset()
```

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
 void reset() {
   count= 0;
```

## Language features just used

- class: Counter
  - field: count
  - methods: increment(), reset()
- new-expression: new Counter()
- field access: c.count
- method call or invocation: c.increment()

The end

# LECTURE 2: OBJECTS AND CLASSES

PART 3: OBJECT: HAS STATE AND BEHAVIOR

CLASS: DEFINES THE COMPONENTS OF OBJECTS

DEMO USING ECLIPSE AND JSHELL

## Develop class Counter

#### Counter@25c7

count

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Counter

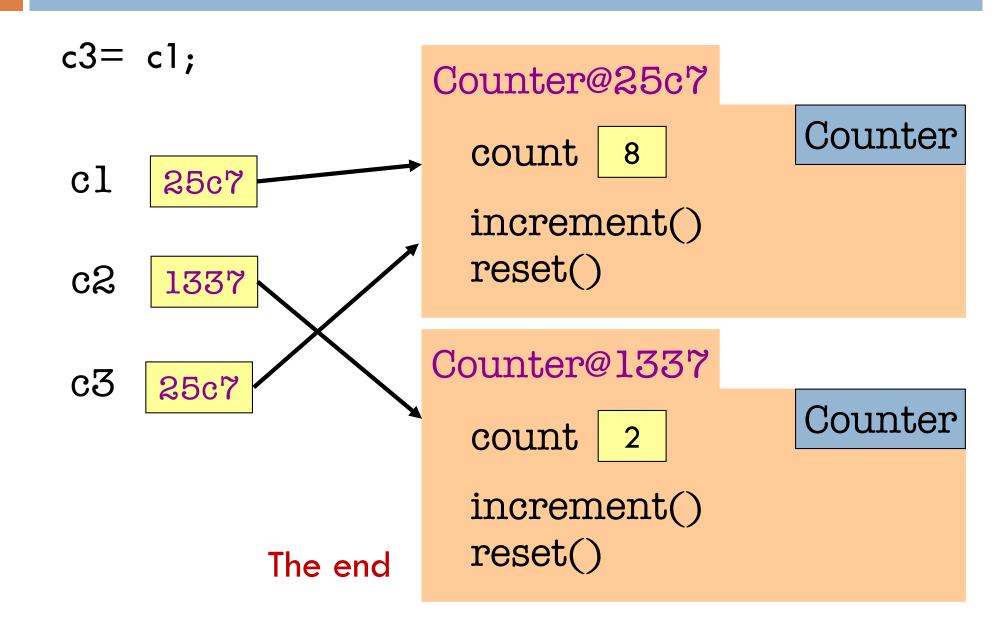
increment()
reset()

cl 25c7



Demo in Eclipse and JShell

### Names: Pointers to Objects



# LECTURE 2: OBJECTS AND CLASSES

PART 4: FIELDS AND METHODS

SCOPE AND THE INSIDE-OUT RULE

NEW-EXPRESSION

#### **Fields**

- Fields are variables that live in an object. They constitute the state of the object
- Could be many in a class. Each has a default value depending on its type. See JavaHyperText.

```
int count;
String manufacturer;
int serialNumber;
```

Could initialize: int serialNumber= 8675309;

 Java syntax is rich! See JavaHyperText for much more than we can cover in lecture.

#### Methods

Methods define the behavior of the object

Definition:

```
type methodName(parameter declarations) {
    ...
}
```

#### Methods: Procedures

```
Procedure: return type is VOid
  void setTo(int i) {
       count= i;
cl.setTo(5);
                               No value is returned by this call
About the return statement
                               Execution of return;
                               terminates execution of the
  void setTo(int i) {
                               method body, so if i is
       if (i < 0) return;
                               negative, count is not
       count= i;
                               assigned a value
```

#### Counter with life-time count

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  int lifetimeCount;
  void increment() {
    count= count + 1;
    lifetimeCount= lifetimeCount + 1;
  void reset() { count= 0; }
```

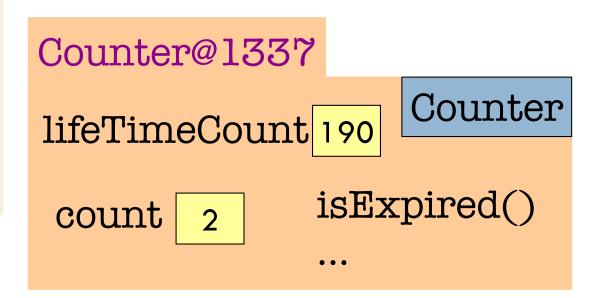
#### Methods: Functions

```
Function: return type is not VOid
boolean isExpired() {
    return lifetimeCount > 2,000,000;
}
```

Execution of the return statement:

Stop execution of the method and return the value of the expression

cl 1337



### Methods: Functions

```
Function: return type is not VOId
 boolean isExpired() {
       return lifetimeCount > 2,000,000;
     false
                      Counter@1337
cl.isExpired()
                                           Counter
                       lifeTimeCount 190
                                      isExpired()
                       count
          cl
               1337
```

### Scope

Scope refers to the lifetime and accessibility of a variable —where in a program it can be used.

```
void setTo(int i) {
    if (i < 0) return; like i is the body of the
    count= i; method
}</pre>
```

The parameter is created when the method is called e.g. setTo(5);

And it is initialized to the argument value. (e.g. 5)
The parameter is destroyed when the method call ends

### Scope

#### Scope of fields and methods:

- Every object created from a class C contains the fields and method declared in C.
- The scope of the fields and methods is the entire class (or object of the class)
- Fields and methods are created when the object is created ...

#### Inside-out rule:

to find the declaration of a name, look inside out

- start in closest enclosing scope
- then surrounding scope
- then surrounding
- etc.

# Scoping

```
class Counter {
                     Counter@25c7
 int count;
                                         Counter
                       count
 void increment() {
   count = count + 1;
                       increment
                       reset() {count=0; }
 void reset() {
                     Counter@1337
   count=0;
                                         Counter
                       count
                       increment
                       reset() {count=0; }
```

### New-expression

- Instantiate an object from a class: new ClassName()
- Evaluation:
  - Create a new object of that class
  - Yield object's name (address) as value of expression
- In context of assignment:
  - Counter c= new Counter();

The value of the new-expression is a pointer to the new object. The value is stored in variable c.

The end

LECTURE 2:
OBJECTS AND CLASSES

PART 5: OVERLOADING

# Overloading

"There are only two hard things in computer science: cache invalidation and naming things."

—attributed to Phil Karlton (Netscape developer)

### Methods that reset count

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void reset() {
    count= 0;
  void setTo(int i) {
    count= i;
```

### Overloading: use the same name

```
class Counter {
  int count;
  void reset() {
    count= 0;
  void reset(int i) {
    count= i;
```

Q: reset now could mean one of two things to recipient object: how does it know which one to use?

### Signatures

- □ Signature of method:
  - name, and
  - argument types, but
  - not its return type
- Method: void reset() { count= 0; }
- Signature: reset()
- Method: void reset(int i) { count= i; }
- Signature: reset(int)

### Overloading: use the same name

```
class Counter {
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Q: reset message now could mean one of two things to recipient object: how does it know which one to use?

A: It uses the one with the right signature for the arguments in the method call.

```
cl.reset() cl.reset(5)
```

# Overloading happens often!

Class Math, which comes with Java, has lots of methods for basic numeric operations.

```
int abs(int a) { ... }
long abs(long a) { ... }
double abs(double a) { ... }
float abs(float a) { ... }
```

Demo in jshell

Space used: remember, a byte is 8 bits.

int: 4 bytes long: 8 bytes

float: 4 bytes double: 8 bytes

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```
abs(int a) { ... }
    int
    long abs(long a) { ... }
    double abs(double a) { ... }
           abs(float a) { ... }
    float
Math.abs(-5)
                                     5 (an int)
Math.abs(2147483648L)
                                     2147483648 (a long)
Math.abs(-3.14)
                                     3.14 (a double)
Math.abs(-3.14F)
                                     3.14 (a float)
```

### Your Turn: Read in JavaHyperText

- Class definition, object
- Reference, pointer
- Field
- Method, parameter, argument, method call
- Return statement
- Scope, Inside-out rule
- □ New expression, instantiate
- Overload, signature

You'll find lots of links to concepts we haven't explored yet. Don't panic!

THIS IS YOUR TEXTBOOK.
USE IT

REGULARLY

The end