Development Approach

Principles of Application Development

- Incremental
- Task-oriented
- Test-first
- Continuous integration

Incremental

- Classes, subsystems, systems are designed, coded, tested incrementally
- At each level, compilable, tested, runnable code is archived

Task-Oriented

- "Task-oriented" means user tasks
- "Chunked" into units of deliverable functionality

Test-First Development

- "You're not ready to write code until you have a test that fails."
- Create class and method stubs
- Create or generate test stubs
- Add test code to stubs so test fails
- Write method code to pass test

Continuous Integration

- New components are continuously integrated into the application
- Write the top-level application stubs
- Write the top-level application tests
- Write and test stub implementations
- Integrate new code and test the top-level application

JUnit

Ant Integration

Run a single test case

```
> ant -Dtestclass=mypackage.MyTest test
```

Ant Integration

Run a batch of test cases

> ant test

Ant Integration

```
test:
    test:
    [junit] Testsuite: test.RomanNumeralTest
    [junit] Tests run: 1, Failures: 0, Errors: 1, Time elapsed: 0 sec
                Caused an ERROR
    [iunit]
    [junit] test.RomanNumeralTest
    [junit] java.lang.ClassNotFoundException: test.RomanNumeralTest
    [Tiunit]
                at java.net.URLClassLoader$1.run(URLClassLoader.java:200)
    [junit]
                at java.security.AccessController.doPrivileged(Native Method)
                at java.net.URLClassLoader.findClass(URLClassLoader.java:188)
    [junit]
    [iunit]
                at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader.java:306)
                at sun.misc.Launcher$AppClassLoader.loadClass(Launcher.java:268)
    [junit]
                at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader.java:251)
    [junit]
                at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClassInternal(ClassLoader.java:319)
    [junit]
    [junit]
                at java.lana.Class.forNameO(Native Method)
                at java.lang.Class.forName(Class.java:164)
    [iunit]
BUILD FAILED
```



Java Dates

- Date class from Java 1.0 has been superceded by the java.util.Calendar class
- Calendar is a factory class
- Can't instantiate a Calendar directly-use static method getInstance()
 - This is an example of a Factory Method design pattern
- Why? There are different calendars for different locales.

Creating a Calendar and Getting the Date

Dates (cont'd)

- getInstance() with no arguments returns a Calendar of the current date and time
- method setTime(Date d) allows you to set a specific date
- All of the components of the date and time can be set with static methods in the Calendar class

Getting the Date You Want

- Get an instance of java.util.Calendar (or its subclass GregorianCalendar)
 - This gives you a Calendar whose date and time represent the instant the Calendar was instantiated
- Use the methods of Calendar to set the elements of the date or time that you want
- Call the getTime() method to return a Date object with the date and time you want

Date "Gotchas"

- Most Date methods are deprecated, so you must manipulate a Calendar object and then call getTime() to do most Date manipulation
- When comparing two Dates, remember that they contain hours, minutes, and seconds, as well as month, day and year

Formatters

java.util.Formatter

- Powerful utility for formatting text
 - Inspired by C's printf function
- Primary motivation for introducing variable argument lists in Java 5
- Principle method is

- The format argument consists of a combination of fixed text and embedded format specifiers
- Implements builder pattern

Format Specifiers

General form:

%[argument_index\$][flags][width][.precision]conversion

- argument_index, specifies which of the variable args should be used for conversion (only used when a single argument feeds multiple conversions
- flag, modifies output, dependent on conversion
- width, indicates the minimum number of characters to be written to the output
- precision, usually used to restrict the number of characters, specific behavior depends on the conversion
- conversion, a character indicating how the argument should be formatted, the set of valid conversions for a given argument depends on the argument's data type

Conversions

| Conversion | Туре | Description |
|------------|----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 'b', 'B' | General | "false" for null or false boolean, else "true" |
| 'h', 'H' | General | "null" for null, otherwise hash code in hex |
| 's', 'S' | General | "null" for null, otherwise per Formattable |
| 'c', 'C' | Character | A unicode character |
| 'd' | Integral | A decimal integer |
| ʻo' | Integral | An octal integer |
| 'x', 'X' | Integral | A hexadecimal integer |
| 'e', 'E' | Integral | A decimal number in scientific notation |
| 'f' | Floating-point | A decimal number |
| 'g', 'G' | Floating-point | A decimal number may be scientific notation |
| 'a', 'A' | Floating-point | Hexadecimal floating-point |
| 't', 'T' | Date/Time | Prefix for date time conversions |
| '%' | Percent sign | A literal '%' |
| ʻn' | Line separator | Platform specific line separator |

Date/Time Conversions

- The 't' or 'T' prefix is followed by an additional conversion character for a specific formatting of date/time element
 - Year, month, day
 - Hour, minute, second, ...
 - AM/PM

Other Formatters

- Specialized formatters in java.text
 - SimpleDateFormat formats date/time
 - Decimal Format formats decimal numbers
 - Use the format() method to format the value
 - Use the parse() method to convert a string in the correct pattern to the appropriate object
 - Each formatter supports unique format strings and specialized methods
- The static String. format methods are a shortcut to java.util. Formatter
 - Useful for one-liners

Inner Classes

Nested Classes

- A class may be nested within another
 - Nested top-level classes
 - Inner classes

Nested Top-level Classes

- Declared within another class but no other block and is declared static.
- Has no access to other members of the enclosing class
- As static members of the enclosing class top-level classes have scope beyond the enclosing class
 - Not strictly an inner-class
- Useful for defining a class' significant data structures

Inner Classes

- Three varieties of inner classes
 - Member classes
 - Local classes
 - Anonymous classes
- Have visibility of other members of the enclosing class

Member Inner Classes

- Declared within another class but no other block
- Scope is the entire parent in which it is nested
- May be declared private, regular classes are either public or package (default)
- Convenient for implementing event handlers near the listener registration

Local Inner Classes

- Declared within a method of the enclosing class
 - Not accessible outside this method
- Have access to the enclosing methods local variables
 - When the final modifier is applied to local variables the variable may be assigned to only once

Anonymous Inner Classes

- Refinement of the local inner class
- Allows a class to be declared with the instance allocation
- Should be limited to class of only a few lines
- Additional instances of the class cannot be created

Anonymous Inner Classes

 Defined in a block, immediately after a class, or interface constructor specified to the new operator

```
new <SuperType>( <construction params> )
{ <class implementation> }
```

 Construction parameters are given to the superclass constructor

Anonymous Inner Classes Good, Bad or Just Ugly?

- Convenient, for event handlers and callbacks that need access to parent classes members
- Can be very ugly if the class implementation grows to more than a page of code
- Anything you can do with an anonymous inner class you can do with a local inner class
 - Except absolutely prevent the instantiation of more than one

Another this Reference

- Inner classes may access the instance of its class that created it
- The notations is

 OuterClassName>. this
- Member classes should be declared static if this reference is not needed
 - Saves time and space and allows for more efficient garbage collection

Instantiating Inner Classes

- Instances of the inner class may be instantiated outside the outer class
- The notations is

<OuterClassInstance>.new <InnerClassName>(...)

Instantiating Inner Classes

```
public class Foo {
    private int value;

public Foo(final int value) {
        this.value = value;
    }

public class Bar {
        public void process() {
            System.out.println(value);
        }
    }
}
```

```
import Foo.Bar;

public class Driver {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Foo f = new Foo(12);
        Bar b = f.new Bar();
        b.process();
    }
}
```

Enumerated Types

May have value specific methods

```
public enum StopLight {
   RED(0xF0000) {
      public String action() {
         return "Stop.";
   AMBER(0xFF9933) {
      public String action() {
          return "Hurry up.";
   GREEN(0x00FF00) {
      public String action() {
         return "Continue on your way.";
   };
   private int rgbColor;
   public abstract String action();
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```

Beware == vs. equals

- The equality operator (==) tests reference equality
 - Identity test, are the two references equal
- The equals method may or may not have this same semantic
 - May provide a value test, consider the String class
 - The equals method tests if the two strings have the same character sequence
 - 99.9999% of the time you want a value test not an identity test

equals

- Override equals for value equivalency comparison
 - The equals general contract must be met
 - It is *reflexive*:
 - For any non-null reference value x, x.equals(x) should return true.
 - It is *symmetric*:
 - For any non-null reference values x and y, x.equals(y) should return true if and only if y.equals(x) returns true.
 - It is *transitive*:
 - For any non-null reference values x, y, and z, if x.equals(y) returns true and y.equals(z) returns true, then x.equals(z) should return true.
 - It is *consistent*:
 - For any non-null reference values x and y, multiple invocations of x.equals(y) consistently return true or consistently return false, provided no information used in equals comparisons on the objects is modified.
 - For any non-null reference value x, x.equals(null) should return false.

hashCode

- The hashCode and equals methods must be consistent, i.e. when overriding equals hashCode generally must be overridden as well
 - When overriding hashCode, its general contract must be met
 - Multiple invocations on the same object must consistently return the same integer, provided no information used in equals comparisons on the object is modified
 - If two objects are equal according to the equals method, then hashCode must produce the same integer result for both objects.
 - If two objects are unequal according to the equals method, then hashCode need not return distinct integer results for each object.
 - However, producing distinct integer results for unequal objects may improve the performance of map implementations.

Recipe for hashCode

From "Effective Java"

- 1. Store some constant nonzero value, say, 17, in an int variable called result.
- 2. For each significant field f in your object (each field taken into account by the equals method, that is), do the following:

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3. Return result.

Recipe for hashCode

From "Effective Java"

- a) Compute an int hash code c for the field:
 - i. If the field is a boolean, compute (f? 1:0).
 - ii. If the field is a byte, char, short, or int, compute (int) f.
 - iii. If the field is a long, compute (int) $(f \land (f >>> 32))$.
 - iv. If the field is a float, compute Float.floatToIntBits(f).
 - v. If the field is a double, compute Double.doubleToLongBits(f), and then hash the resulting long as in step 2.a.iii.
 - vi. If the field is an object reference and this class's equals method compares the field by recursively invoking equals, recursively invoke hashCode on the field. If a more complex comparison is required, compute a "canonical representation" for this field and invoke hashCode on the canonical representation. If the value of the field is null, return 0 (or some other constant, but 0 is traditional).
 - vii. If the field is an array, treat it as if each element were a separate field. That is, compute a hash code for each significant element by applying these rules recursively, and combine these values per step 2.b. If every element in an array field is significant, you can use one of the Arrays.hashCode methods added in release 1.5.
- b) Combine the hash code c computed in step 2.a into result as follows:

```
result = 31 * result + c;
```