Computer Programming – CS 6011 Lecture 2: Java

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Lecture 3 – Java

- Topics
 - Why Java
 - Java vs. C++
 - Junit testing
 - Files

Shifting to Java

- Great for OOP
 - Almost everything is an object
 - Garbage collector
- Portable language
- Java supports GUI programming
- Android adopted Java

In many ways, syntax of Java and C++ is very identical.

- Basic constructs:
 - If
 - Loops
 - Variables
 - Defining Classes
 - Writing Methods

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Java vs C++

- All Java code is written in classes.
 - Even main:

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

- All Java code goes in the .java file.
 - The name of the file must match the name of the class in the file one class per file.

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Cross Platform

- C++
 - .cpp compiles to
 - .o links to
 - executable
- Java
 - .java file compiles to
 - .class file (Java Bytecode) links to:
 - .jar file which runs on Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
- JVM vs JRE vs JDK

Some syntax differences...

- Java uses import instead of #include.
- Java uses boolean instead of the shortened bool.
- Java uses the System.out.println() method instead of cout.
- Java uses the Scanner class (instead of cin). It can be hooked to any input stream.

```
• Scanner s = new Scanner( System.in );
// s is a scanner hooked to the console
```

```
• int i = s.nextInt(); // Like cin >> i;
```

• Arrays:

- int[] myArray = new int[size]; // Very similar to C++.
- myArray.length provides the size of the array.

ArrayList

- Equivalent to std::vector in C++
- Dynamic data structure
- Access to elements by index

Example

```
ArrayList<Integer> aL=new ArrayList<Integer>();
for ( int i = 1; i <= n; i++ ) {
    aL.add( i ); // to add elements // no []
}
aL.set(index,newVal ) // Update element at index - no []
aL.get(index) // Get element at index - no []</pre>
```

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Primitive/Object data types

- Example: ArrayList<Integer> aL=new ArrayList<Integer>();
- Integer or int? typo?
- Primitive data type vs Object data type (Wrapper class)

Primitive data type	Wrapper class
int	Integer
byte	Byte
short	Short
long	Long
float	Float
double	Double
char	Char
boolean	Boolean

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Java vs C++ – More Syntax differences

Object comparison

```
MyClass s1, s2;
s1 == s2 //Typically not what you want
Usually you want: s1.equals(s2)
String f1 = new String("ABC");
String s2 = new String("ABC");
System.out.println(s1==s2); //false
System.out.println(s1.equals(s2)); //true
```

Object types in java are pointer types

- Objects are created on the heap
- A variable of Object type store the reference of that object
 - Just A pointer giving the address of that object in memory
 - Pointer in Java are not scary: no →, No &, No *, Just .

Java Object

Fraction f = new Fraction(3, 4);

C++ Object

Fraction *f = new Fraction(3, 4);

Stack

Java Object

Stack

```
Fraction f = new Fraction(3, 4);
  // Make space on the heap for a
  // Fraction Object
```

num: 3

denom: 4

Copying a Java Object

Stack

```
Fraction f = new Fraction(3, 4);
  // Make space on the heap for a
  // Fraction Object
f.numerator_ // Access member var
f.reduce() // Call a method
Fraction g = f;
g.numerator = 20;
```

g f

num: 3

denom: 4

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// f has also change.
```

num: 20

denom: 4

Copying a Java Object

Stack num: 20 denom: 4 num: 20 denom: 4

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  // Make space on the heap for a
  // Fraction Object
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Fraction g = f;
f.numerator = 20;
// f has also change.
To create a new g:
Fraction q = new Fraction (f);
```

Stack num: 20 denom: 4 num: 10 denom: 5 num: 20 denom: 4

g

Heap

Memory leak

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  // Make space on the heap for a
  // Fraction Object
f.numerator // Access member var
f.reduce() // Call a method
Fraction q = f;
q.numerator = 20;
// f has also change.
To create a new g:
Fraction g = new Fraction (f);
F = new Fraction (10,5);
```

Java Memory Management / Memory leaks

- All objects are created on the heap, and any variable referring to an object is a
 pointer to that object.
- In C++, new/delete to create and delete an object on the heap.
- In Java, pointers are handled like (and called) references to objects. To create an object, we use **new**.
- Java keeps track of all heap memory for you and will clean up any "leaked" memory using the GC. No explicit object delete.

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Java vs C++

• High-level differences

	C++	Java
Platform	Platform-dependent	Platform-independent
Portability	Not portable	Portable
Memory Management	Manual	Automated (Garbage Collector)
Overloading	Operators and methods can be overloaded	Only method overloading
Pointers	Supports pointers explicitly	Supports pointers implicitly
Safety	?	Safer than C++

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Java is Safer than C++

- Out of bounds memory default checks
- Java hides pointers to make the language safer.
 - Controls / limits dereferencing
 - No pointer arithmetic
 - No more delete
 - Without delete Java leaks memory all the time, so...
 - Garbage Collection
 - Java scans memory (perdiocally) to find non-accessible heap memory, and then automatically frees it (returns to the system)

Example Java File (and Class)

```
public class Puppy {
    private int puppyAge ; // Member Variables
    private String name ;
    public Puppy( String name ) { // This constructor has one parameter, name.
        System.out.println("Name chosen is :" + name );
        this.name = name;
        name = name;
        this.puppyAge = -1;
    public void setAge( int age ) { puppyAge = age; }
    public int getAge( ) {
        System.out.println("Puppy's age is :" + puppyAge );
        return puppyAge ;
    public static void main( String []args ) {
        Puppy myPuppy = new Puppy("");
        myPuppy.setAge( 2 );
        int age = myPuppy.getAge();
```

Testing

- Right click your class and select Show Context Actions ==> Generate Test
 - Select OK (Press Fix if Junit library is not found in the module)
 - Make sure to pick Junit5 even if the default is Junit4
- Open NameTest.java
- Hover over (the error/red) junit in the import org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
 - Add junit to the class path (if not added by IntelliJ).
- Add some test methods. See next slide.

Test Class Example:

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions;
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
class RectangleDemoTest {
    @Test
    public void perimeter() {
        int p1 = RectangleDemo.perimeter(2,2);

        // Qualify the assertEquals() with "Assertions." to say that it comes
        // from the Assertions library. The Assertions library, as can be seen
        // from the import above, is: org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.
        Assertions.assertEquals(p1, 8 );
    }
}
```

File Input / Output

```
File file = new File( "test.txt" ); // Open file
// Attach file so scanner will read from it:
Scanner sc = new Scanner (file);
// Reads an integer from the file.
int i = sc.nextInt();
String s = sc.nextLine(); // Reads a line from the file
String s = sc.next(); // difference is that the delimiter is space
 show case where nextLine could return empty string (end of line) ???
```

Tuesday Assignment(s)

• Lab – Java Hello World

- Assignment Fractions and Rainfall in Java
 - Fractions due tomorrow, Rainfall due Thursday