Semester review

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CMPT166 Course Overview

- Object-oriented programming concepts
- Design patterns
- Java language constructs
- Interfaces and the Java event model
- Swing
- File and stream I/O
- TCP/IP networking
- Multi-threading
- Generics



Object-oriented programming

- Program organization: classes, instances
 - methods, instance variables
 - program flow: main(), constructor
 - UML class diagram
- Inheritance
 - Designing inheritance hierarchies: UML
 - Overriding methods; polymorphism
- Access control
 - private, (package), protected, public



Design patterns

- Model-View-Controller
- Creational patterns:
 - factory, prototype, singleton
- Structural patterns:
 - facade, adapter, proxy
- Behavioural patterns:
 - observer, mediator, memento, command
- Collections and iterators



Java syntax constructs

- JVM/JDK, compiling, naming, packages, jar
- Primitive types
- String, Math libraries
- if, while, for
- Method overloading
- Arrays
 - contrast: Java arrays, Java ArrayList, Python list
- static
- final: variables, methods, classes



Interfaces and the event model

- Interfaces
- Abstract classes
 - Abstract methods
 - Compare with interfaces: Collection, Set, List
 - AbstractCollection, AbstractSet, AbstractList
- Event model
 - ActionListener, actionPerformed(), ActionEvent
 - Delegate classes for event handling



Swing

- Outline of a basic Swing program
 - main(), createAndShowGUI()
 - JPanel/JFrame constructor (widgets, layout)
 - Event handler: actionPerformed()
- Widgets: JLabel, JButton, JTextField, JTextArea
- Event interfaces *Listener: Action, Item, Mouse, MouseMotion, Window, Key
- Graphics: graphics context, clip, paint()/paintComponent(), drawLine(), drawRect(), drawArc()



File and stream I/O

- I/O streams:
 - FileInputStream (bytes), FileReader (text)
 - ObjectInputStream (object-based)
 - buffering, flush()
- RandomAccessFile: seek()
- Formatted text I/O: Formatter, Scanner
- Serialization
 - Serializable interface, transient
 - optional readObject()/writeObject() methods



TCP Networking

- Client vs. server; TCP vs. UDP; hosts, ports
- TCP server: ServerSocket
 - TCP socket connection: Socket
- Outline of TCP server:
 - new ServerSocket(port)
 - accept() (blocking) (returns a Socket)
 - getInputStream() / getOutputStream()
- Outline of TCP client:
 - new Socket(host, port)



Multi-threading

- Spawning, parent-child model
 - Runnable interface, Thread class, run() method
- How to use threads to keep GUI interactive
- How to use threads in a TCP server
- Java Executor vs. OS task scheduler
 - Thread vs. task
- Synchronization, mutex, locks
 - Java synchronized methods



Generics

- Declaring a generic class: type parameter
 - Using the type parameter in methods
- Instantiating a generic class
- Multiple type parameters
- Constraints on type parameters
 - Superclass, interfaces
- Inheritance and generics
- ArrayList example

