

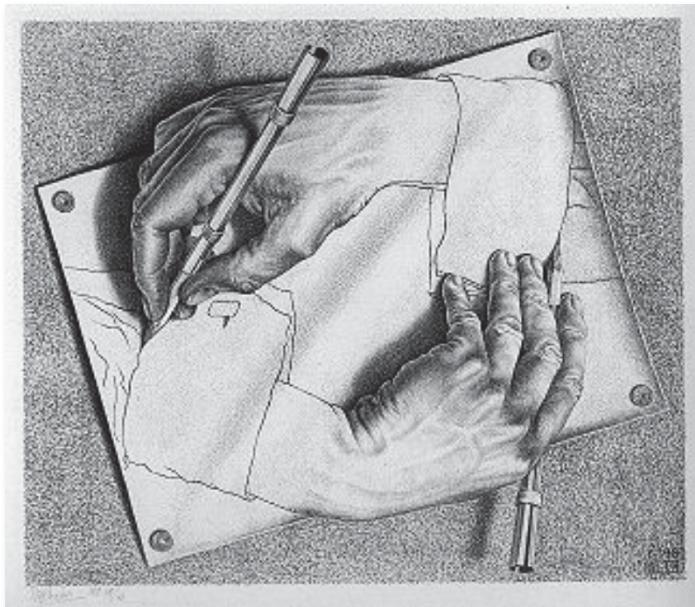
Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Bonus Lecture

November 22, 2017

Code *is* Data

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M.C. Escher, Drawing Hands, 1948

Code is Data

- A Java source file is just a sequence of characters.
- We can represent programs with Strings!

```
String p_3 = "class C { public static void main(String args[]) }";
String p_13 = "class C { public static void main(String args[])
    {System.out.println(\"Hello, world!\");}}";
```

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```
String p_8120120234231231230 = /* SpellChecker! */
    "class SpellChecker { public static void main(String args[]) {...}}"
```

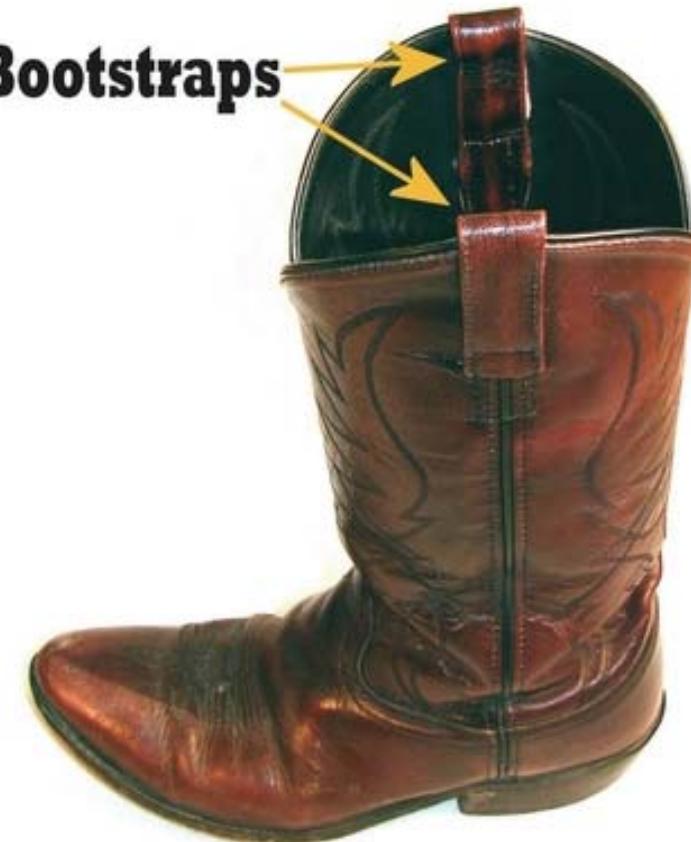
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```
String p_999932490009023002394008234070234 = /* Minecraft! */
    "class Minecraft { public static void main(String args[]) {...}}";
```

• • •

```
String p_99234992342399999324900023428234073450234534 = /* Eclipse! */
    "class Eclipse { public static void main(String args[]) {...}}";
```

Consequence 1: Programs that manipulate programs



Interpreters

- We can create *programs* that manipulate *programs*
- An *interpreter* is a program that executes other programs
- `interpret ("3 + 4") → 7`
- Example 1: JavaScript



JavaScript

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Wikipedia page for "JavaScript". The page content includes the title "JavaScript", a note about not being confused with Java, and a brief description. Below the page content, the browser's developer tools are open, specifically the "Elements" tab of the inspection interface. The DOM tree is visible, showing the structure of the Wikipedia page, including elements like the header, body, and various divs for navigation and footer. The right side of the interface shows the "Styles" panel, which displays CSS rules for the selected element, such as "display: block;" for the "mw-navigation" div. The URL in the address bar is <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/JavaScript>.

IDEs and Compilers

- Example 2: Eclipse
 - Note that Eclipse manipulates a *representation* of Java programs
 - Eclipse itself is written in Java
 - So you could use Eclipse to edit the code for Eclipse... ?!
- Example 3: Compiler
 - The Java compiler takes a representation of a Java program
 - It outputs a “low-level” representation of the program as a .class file (i.e. Java byte code)
 - Can also compile to other representations, e.g. x86 “machine code”

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE interface. The title bar reads "Java - Quine/src/Quine.java - Eclipse - /Users/stevez/Classes/cis120/worksheets/workspace20...". The toolbar has various icons for file operations, search, and navigation. The left-hand view shows a project tree with several Java projects and files. The central editor area displays the Quine.java code:

```
1 public class Quine {  
2     public static void main(String[] args) {  
3         String[] str = {  
4             "public class Quine {",  
5                 "    public static void main(String[] args) {",  
6                     "        String[] str = {",  
7                         "            ;",  
8                         "            for (int i=0; i<3; i++) { System.out.println(str[i]); }",  
9                         "            for (int i=0; i<10; i++) ",  
10                            "                { System.out.println((char)34 + str[i] + (char)34 + (char)34); }",  
11                            "                for (int i=3+ i<10+ i++) { System.out.println(str[i]); }"  
12         };  
13     }  
14 }
```

Below the editor is a "Console" view which says "No consoles to display at this time." At the bottom of the editor are buttons for "Writable", "Smart Insert", and a zoom ratio of "1:1".

Example: js_of_ocaml in GUI project

lightbulb.ml

ocamlc

lightbulb.native

```
(* Lightbulb example using checkboxes. *)
;; open Widget
;; open Gctx

(* Make a lightbulb widget controlled by
let mk_state_lightbulb () : widget =
  let (switch_w, switch_cb) =
    Widget.checkbox false "STATE LIGHT"

  (* A function to display the bulb *)
  let paint_bulb (g:gctx) : unit =
    let g_new = Gctx.with_color g
      (if switch_cb.get_value ()
       then Gctx.yellow
       else Gctx.black) in
    Gctx.fill_rect g_new (0, 99) (99,
in

let (bulb, _) = Widget.canvas (|100, 100)
in
  Widget.hpair bulb switch_w
```

```
_camlLightbulb__mk_state_lightbulb_1253:
00000001000017d0    subq   $0x8, %rsp
00000001000017d4    leaq    _camlLightbulb__1(%rip), %rbx
00000001000017db    movq   $0x1, %rax
00000001000017e2    callq   _camlWidget__checkbox_1349
00000001000017e7    movq   %rax, (%rsp)
00000001000017eb    movq   0x8(%rax), %rdi
00000001000017ef    subq   $0x20, %r15
00000001000017fd    leaq    _caml_young_limit(%rip), %rax
00000001000017ff    cmpq   (%rax), %r15
0000000100001803    jb     0x100001840
000000010000180b    leaq    0x8(%r15), %rbx
0000000100001812    movq   $0xcf7, -0x8(%rbx)
0000000100001815    leaq    _camlLightbulb__paint_bulb_1251
000000010000181d    movq   %rax, (%rbx)
0000000100001821    movq   $0x3, 0x8(%rbx)
0000000100001828    movq   %rdi, 0x10(%rbx)
000000010000182d    leaq    _camlLightbulb__6(%rip), %rax
0000000100001831    callq   _camlWidget__canvas_1330
0000000100001834    movq   (%rsp), %rbx
0000000100001837    movq   (%rbx), %rbx
000000010000183b    movq   (%rax), %rax
0000000100001840    addq   $0x8, %rsp
0000000100001845    jmp    _camlWidget__hpair_1272
0000000100001847    callq   _caml_call_gc
                                jmp    0x1000017ef
                                nopw   (%rax,%rax)
```

Example: js_of_ocaml in GUI project



```
(* Lightbulb example using checkboxes. *)
;; open Widget
;; open Gctx

(* Make a lightbulb widget controlled by a checkbox *)
let mk_state_lightbulb () : widget =
  let (switch_w, switch_cb) = Widget.checkbox false "Switch" in
  let bulb = paint_bulb switch_w in
  Gctx.fill_rect bulb
  in
  let (bulb, _) = Widget.hpair bulb
  in
  bulb

(* Paint the bulb *)
let paint_bulb w =
  let g_new = Gc.g in
  if switch_cb then
    Gctx.fill_rect w
  else
    Gctx.fill_rect w
  in
  w

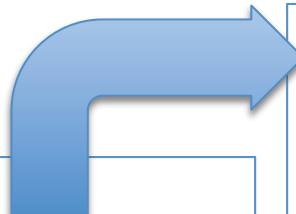
(* Check if the bulb is on *)
let is_on bulb =
  if switch_cb then
    switch_cb
  else
    Gctx.get_rect_color bulb
```

js_of_ocaml

```
L1: branch_24
      entry "lightbulb.ml" 1310-1316
      current 0
      global Pervasives!
      field 81
      " 957-1117
      " 1028-1039
      " 1058-1068
```

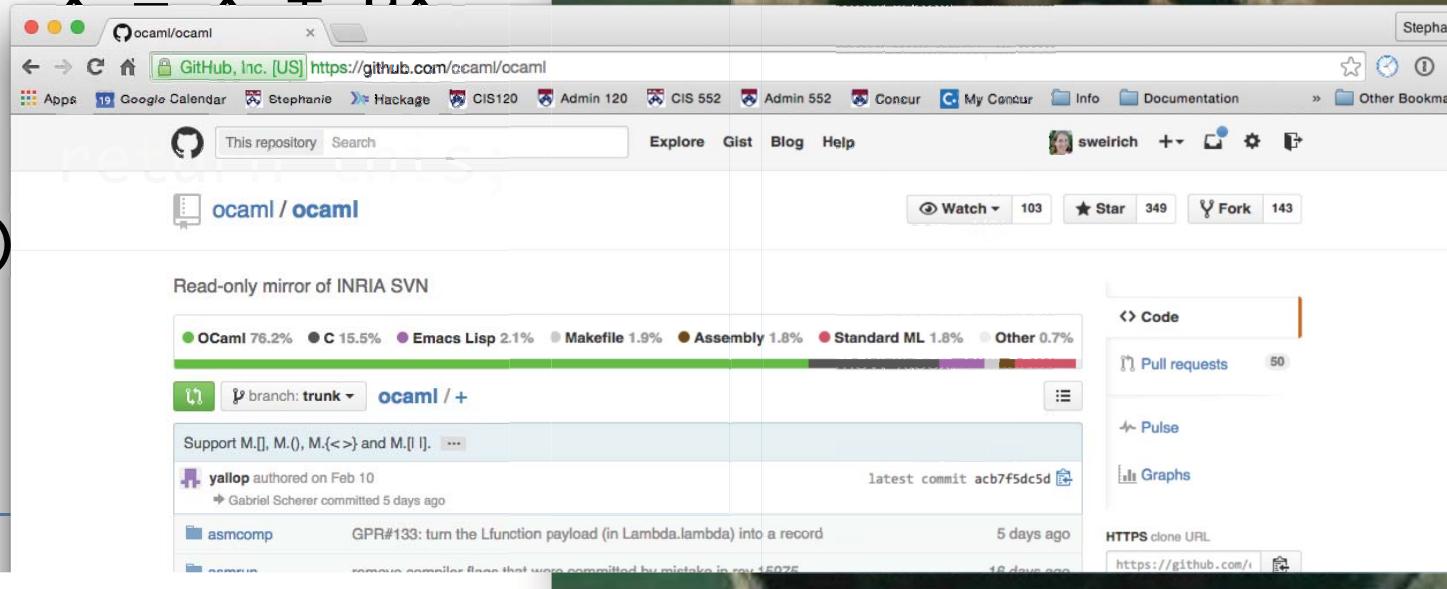
Example Compilation: Java to X86

```
class Point {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
    Point move(int  
               int dy) {  
        x = x + dx •  
    }  
}
```



```
.globl __fun__Point.move  
_fun__Point.move:  
    pushl %ebp  
    movl %esp, %ebp  
    subl $4, %esp  
    .5:  
    movl 8(%ebp), %eax  
    movl 4(%eax), %eax  
    movl %eax, -4(%ebp)
```

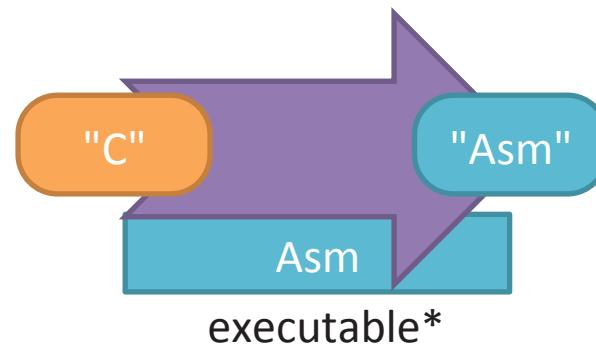
WHAT IF I TOLD YOU



Bootstrap Process

1

Implement, by hand in assembly, a compiler for a lower-level language like C (or create one by earlier bootstrapping work).

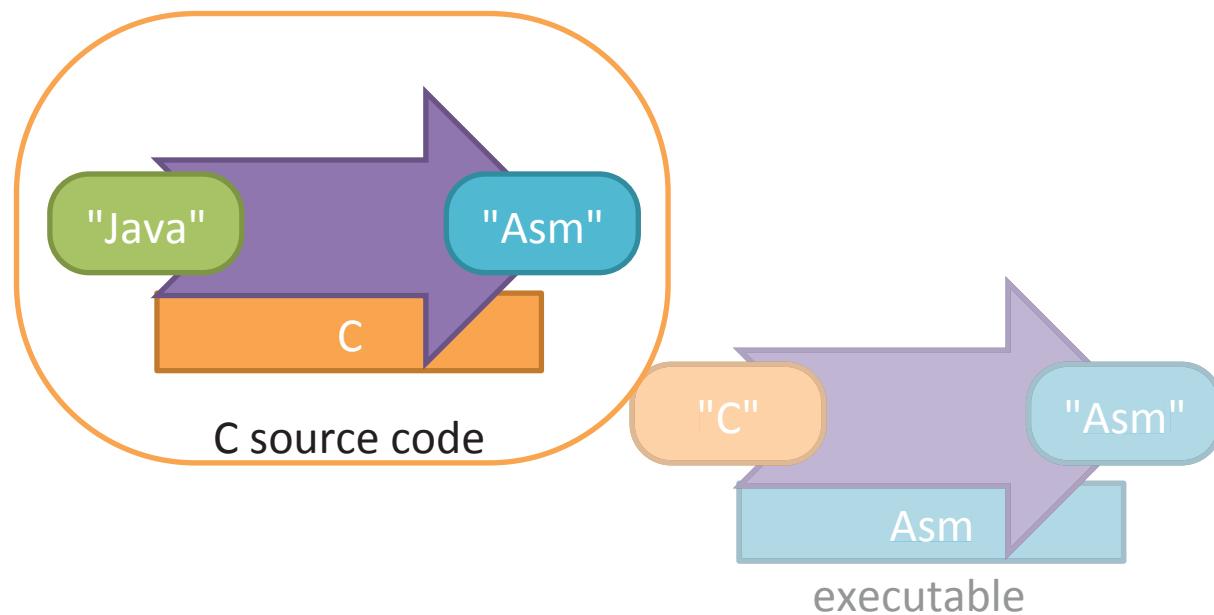


* Actually you need to write the first assembler in machine code by hand. These slides conflate "assembly" with "machine" code to keep things a bit simpler...

Bootstrap Process

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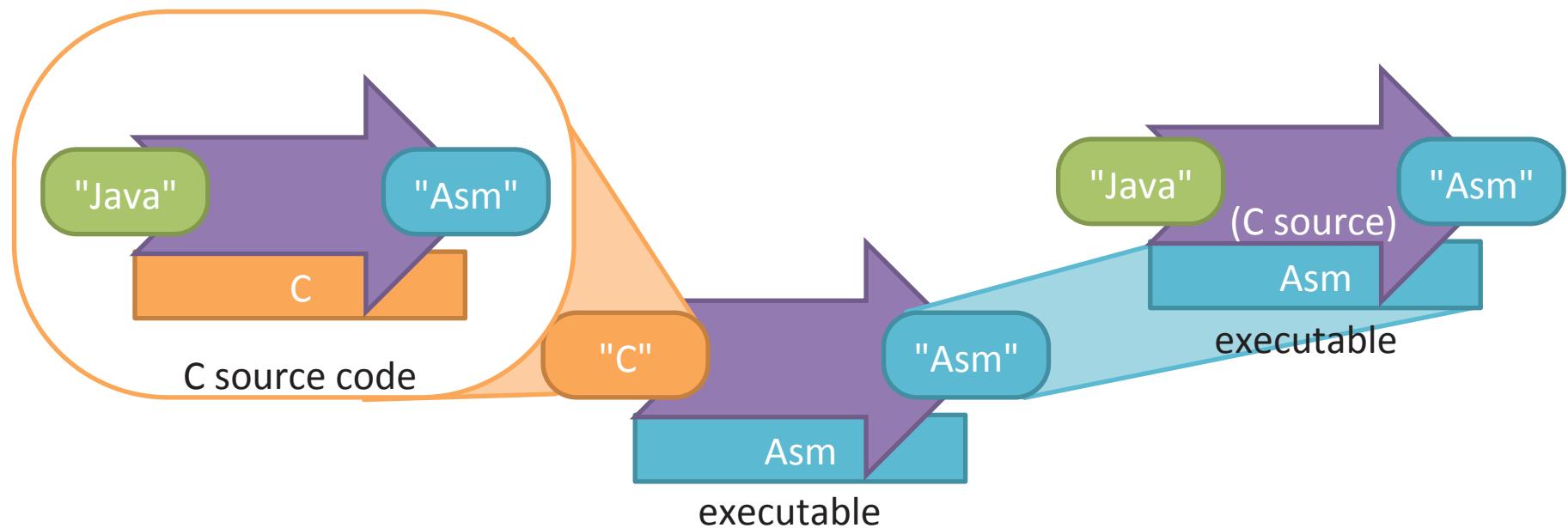
Write, in C, a Java to Assembly compiler (or interpreter).



Bootstrap Process

3

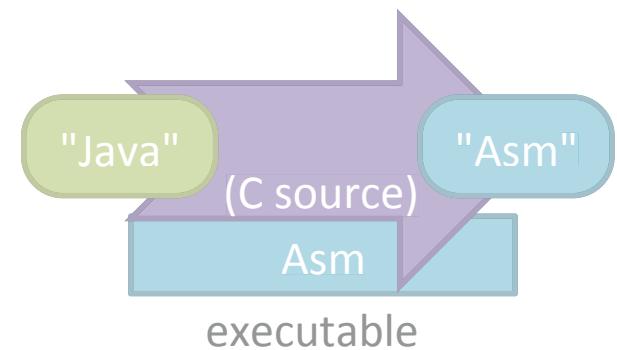
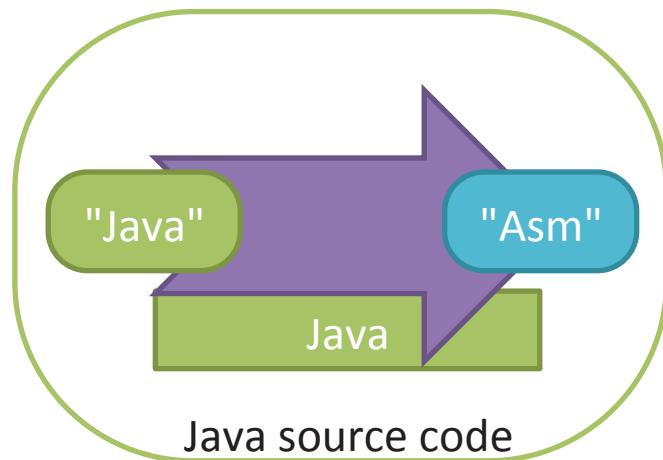
Use the C compiler to compile the Java compiler to produce a Java compiler executable.



Bootstrap Process

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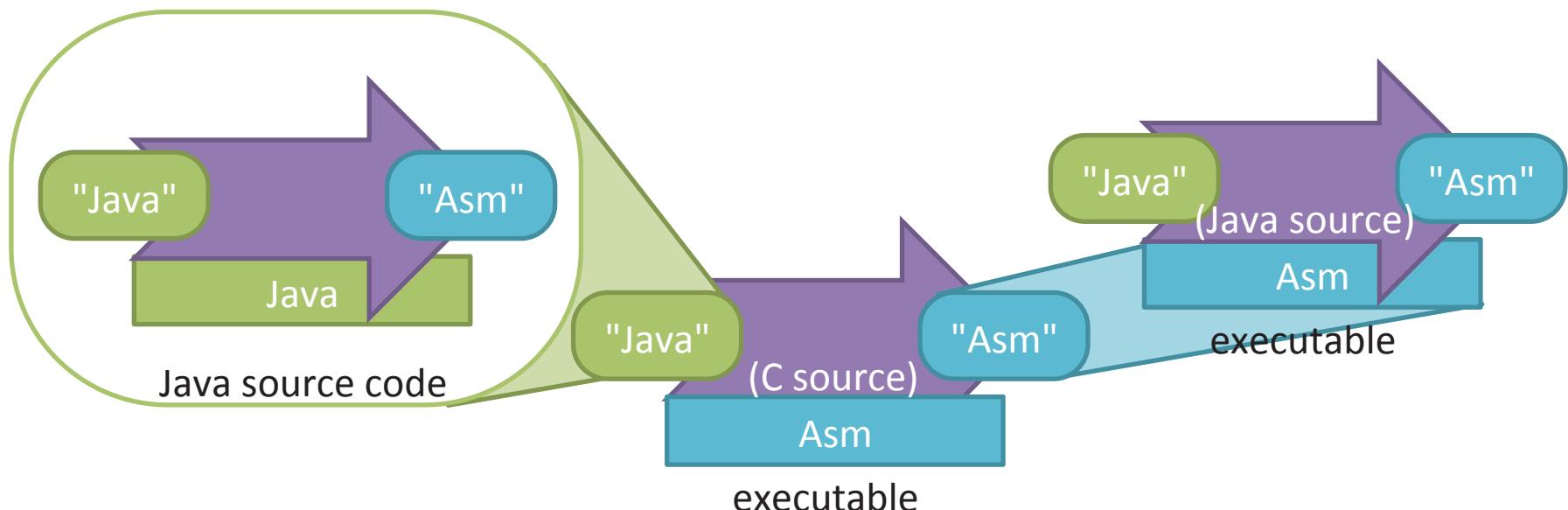
Write a Java compiler in Java.



Bootstrap Process

5

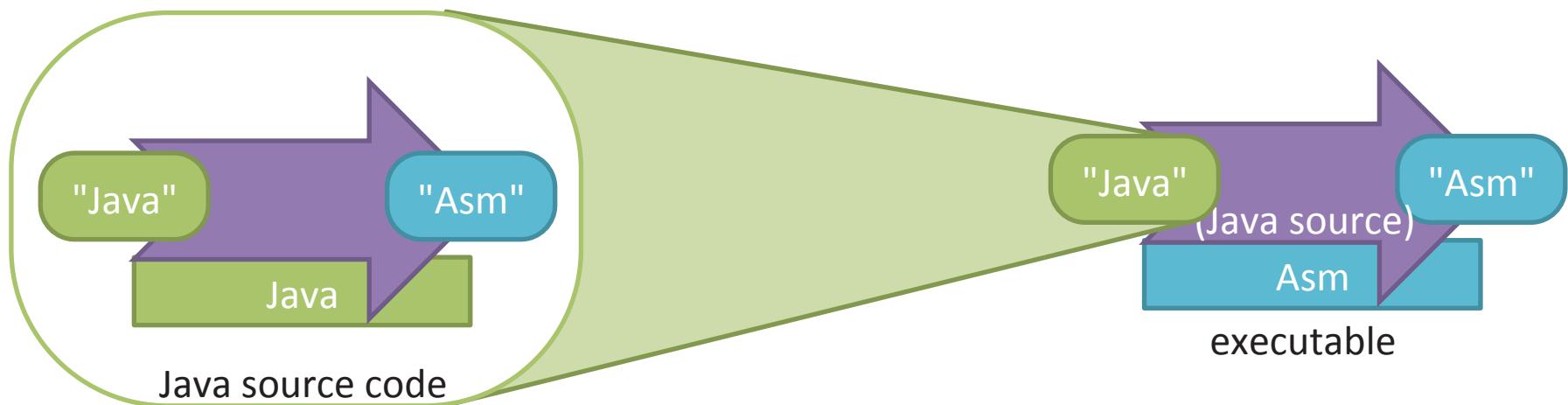
Use the (C source) Java compiler to compile the Java compiler (Java source) implementation.



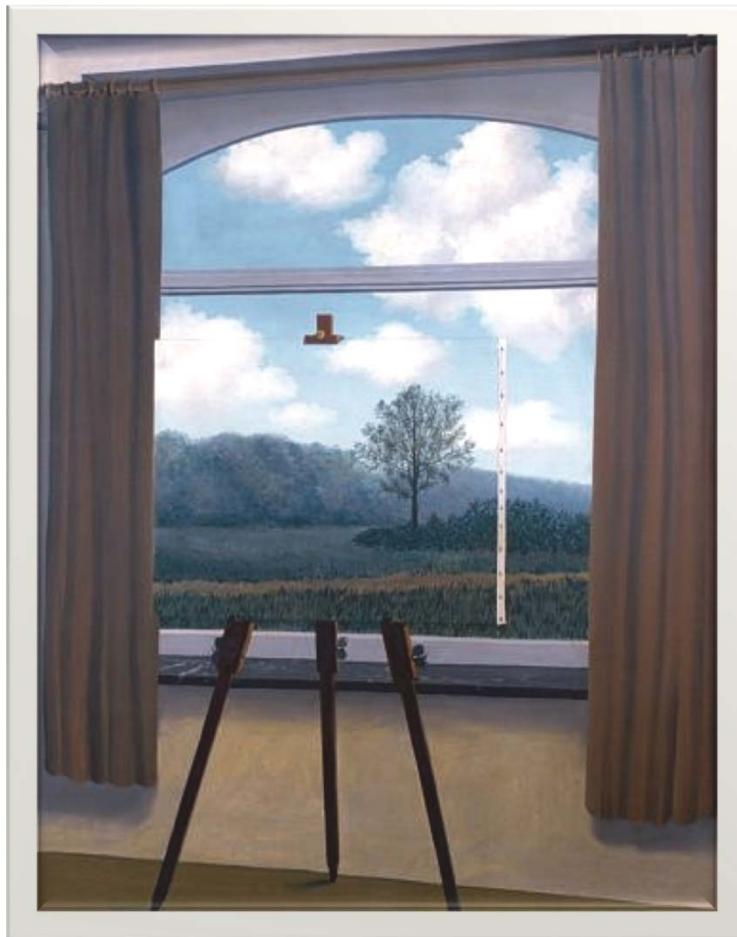
Bootstrap Process

6

Throw all the earlier stuff away and
use the Java compiler executable
(derived from Java source)..



Consequence 2: Malware



Rene Magritte, The Human Condition, 1933

Consequence 2: Malware

- Why does Java do array bounds checking?
- *Unsafe* language like C and C++ don't do that checking;
 - They will happily let you write a program that “writes past” the end of an array.
- Result:
 - viruses, worms, “jailbreaking” mobile phones, Spam, botnets, ...
- Fundamental issue:
 - Code is data.
 - Why?



Consider this C Program

```
void m() {  
    char buffer = new char[2];  
  
    char c = read();  
    int i = 0;  
    while (c != -1) {  
        buffer[i] = c;  
        c = read();  
        i++;  
    }  
    process(buffer);  
}  
  
void main() {  
    m();  
    // do some more stuff  
}
```

Notes:

- C doesn't check array bounds
- Unlike Java, it stores arrays directly on the stack
- What could possibly go wrong?

Abstract Stack Machine

“Stack Smashing Attack”

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

Stack

```
m();  
// do some more stuff
```

Call to main() to start the program...

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
char[2] buffer;  
  
char c = read();  
int i = 0;  
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

Push the saved workspace, run m()

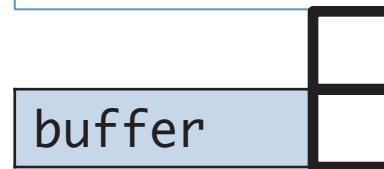
Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
char c = read();  
int i = 0;  
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```



Allocate space for buffer on the stack.

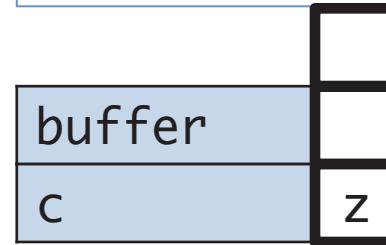
Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
int i = 0;  
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```



Allocate space for c.
Read the first user input... 'z'.

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	
c	z
i	0

Allocate space for i.

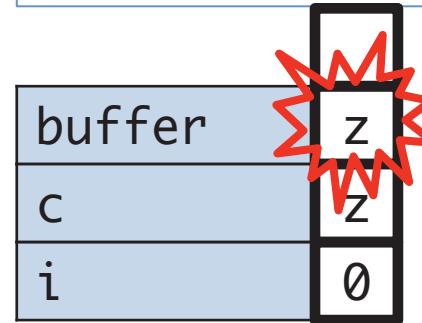
Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```



Copy (contents of) c to buffer[0]

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	z
c	y
i	0

Read next character ... 'y'

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	z
c	y
i	1

Increment i

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	y
c	y
i	1

Copy (contents of) c to buffer[1]

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	y
	z
c	N
i	1

Read next character ... 'N'

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

```
-;  
// do some more stuff
```

buffer	y
	z
c	N
i	2

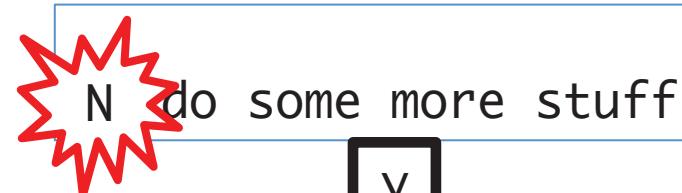
Increment i

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

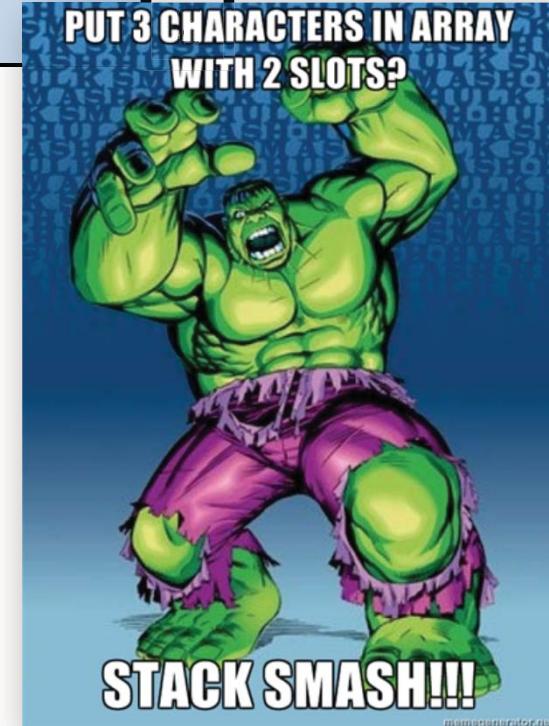
```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack



buffer	y
	z
c	N
i	

PUT 3 CHARACTERS IN ARRAY
WITH 2 SLOTS?



Copy (contents of) c to buffer[2] ?!?

Overwrites the saved workspace!?

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack

'N do some more stuff

buffer	y
c	z
i	o

buffer	2
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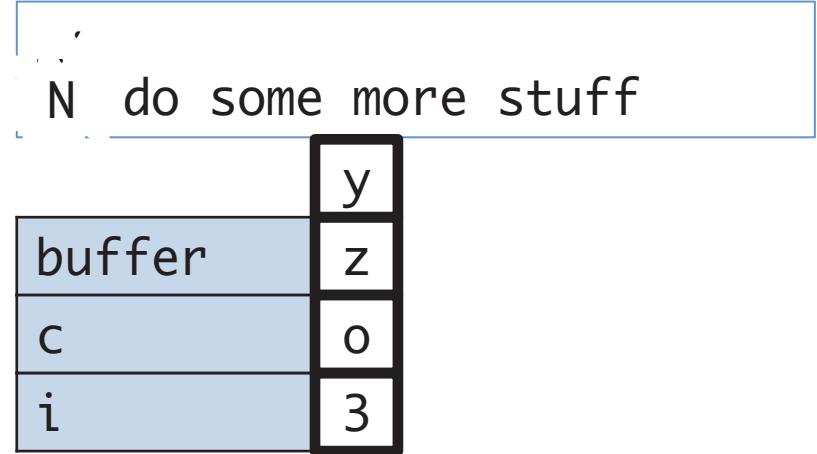
Keep going... read 'o'...

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack



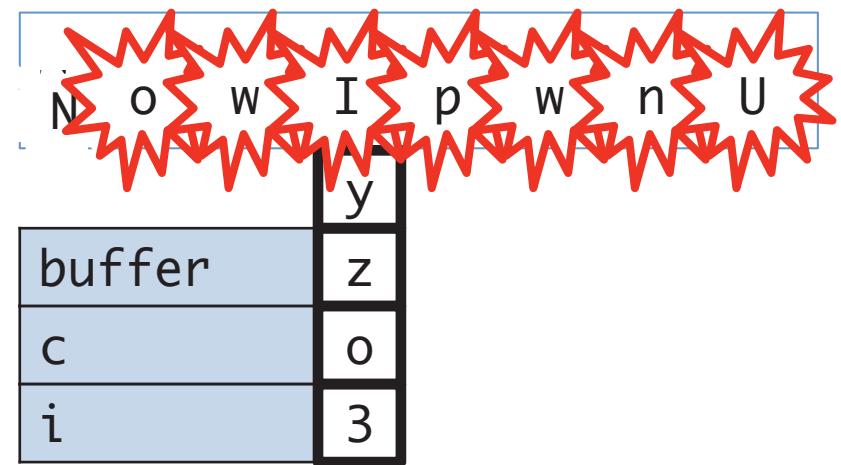
Keep going... read 'o'...increment i...

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

```
while (c != -1) {  
    buffer[i] = c;  
    c = read();  
    i++;  
}  
process(buffer);
```

Stack



Keep going... read 'o'...increment i...write 'o' into saved workspace...

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace



Later...



Stack

Now I pwn U!!!!

buffer	z
c	o
i	3

Abstract Stack Machine

Workspace

Now I pwn U!!!!

Stack



The stack smashing attack successfully wrote *arbitrary* code into the program's workspace...

RogueWave Software CodeBuzz

The Top Five Cyber Security Vulnerabilities

POSTED IN GENERAL SECURITY, INCIDENT RESPONSE ON JULY 2, 2015

US-CERT
UNITED STATES COMPUTER EMERGENCY READINESS TEAM

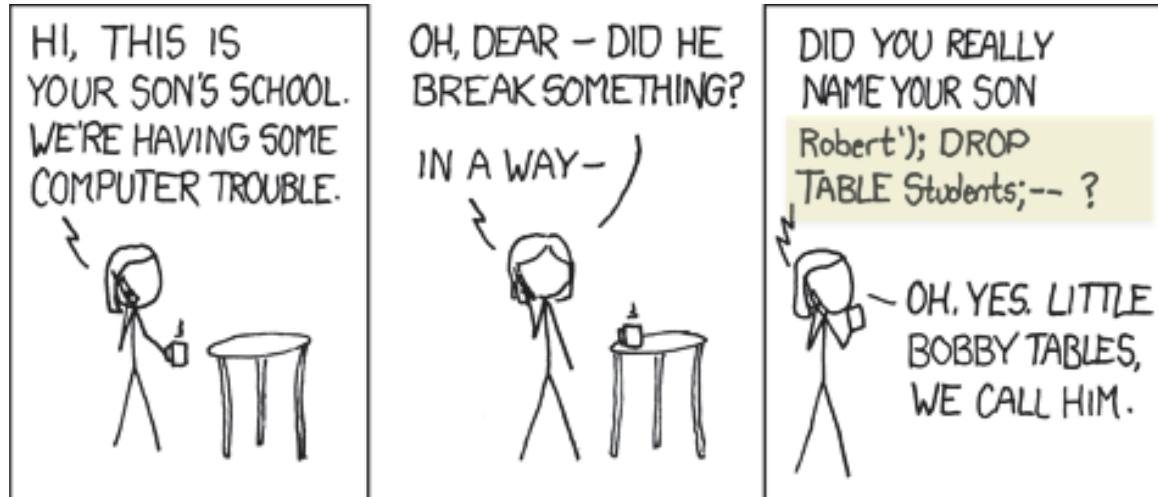
Buffer overflows are the top software security vulnerability of the past 25 years

ON MAR 11, 13 • BY CHRIS BUBINAS • WITH 2 COMMENTS

In a report analyzing the entire CVE and NVD databases, which date back to 1988, Sourcefire

Other Code Injection Attacks

```
void registerStudent() {  
    print("Welcome to student registration.");  
    print("Please enter your name:");  
    String name = readLine();  
    evalSQL("INSERT INTO Students('" + name + "')");  
}  
"INSERT INTO Students('Robert'); DROP TABLE Students; --'"  
    + "Robert'); DROP TABLE Students; --" + "'")"
```



Consequence 3: Undecidability



Undecidability Theorem

Theorem: It is **impossible** to write a method
boolean halts(String prog)
such that, for any valid Java program P represented as
a string p_P ,

$\text{halts}(p_P)$

*returns true exactly when the program P halts, and
false otherwise.*



Alonzo Church, April 1936



Alan Turing, May 1936

Halt Detector

- Suppose we could write such a program:

```
class HaltDetector {  
    public static boolean halts(String javaProgram) {  
        // ...do some super-clever analysis...  
        // return true if javaProgram halts  
        // return false if javaProgram does not  
    }  
}
```

- A correct implementation of HaltDetector.halts(p) always returns either true or false
 - i.e., it never raises an exception or loops
- HaltDetector.halts(p) \Rightarrow true means “p halts”
- HaltDetector.halts(p) \Rightarrow false means “p loops forever”

Do these methods halt?

```
boolean m(){ return false; }
```

⇒ YES

```
boolean m(){ return m(); }
```

⇒ NO (assuming infinite stack space)

```
boolean m() {  
    if ("abc".length() == 3 ) return true;  
    else return m();  
}
```

⇒ YES

Does this method halt for *all* n?

```
boolean m(int n) {  
    if (n<=1) return true;  
    else if ((n%2) == 0) return m(n/2);  
    else return m(3*n + 1);  
}
```

Assuming infinite amount of stack space and arbitrarily large integers, it is *unknown* whether this program halts for all (strictly) positive integers!

Collatz Conjecture proposed in 1937!

Consider this Program called Q:

```
class HaltDetector {  
    public static boolean halts(String javaProgram) {  
        // ...do some super-clever analysis...  
        // return true if javaProgram halts  
        // return false if javaProgram does not  
    }  
}  
  
class Main {  
    public static void QO {  
        String p_Q = ???; // string representing Q  
        if (HaltDetector.halts(p_Q)) {  
            while (true) {} // infinite loop!  
        }  
    }  
}
```

What happens when we run Q?

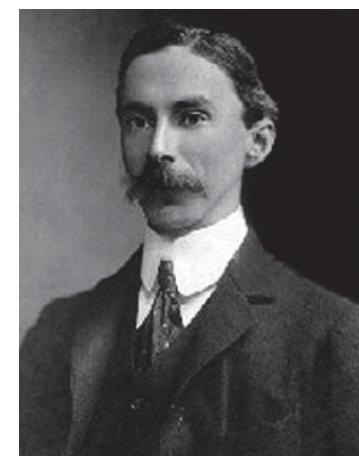
```
public static void Q() {  
    String p_Q = ???; // string representing Q  
    if (HaltDetector.halts(p_Q)) {  
        while (true) {} // infinite loop!  
    }  
}
```

if `HaltDetector.halts(p_Q)` \Rightarrow true then `Q` \Rightarrow infinite loop

if `HaltDetector.halts(p_Q)` \Rightarrow false then `Q` \Rightarrow halts

Contradiction!

- Russell's Paradox (1901)
- Gödel's Incompleteness Theorem (1931)
- Both rely on *self reference*



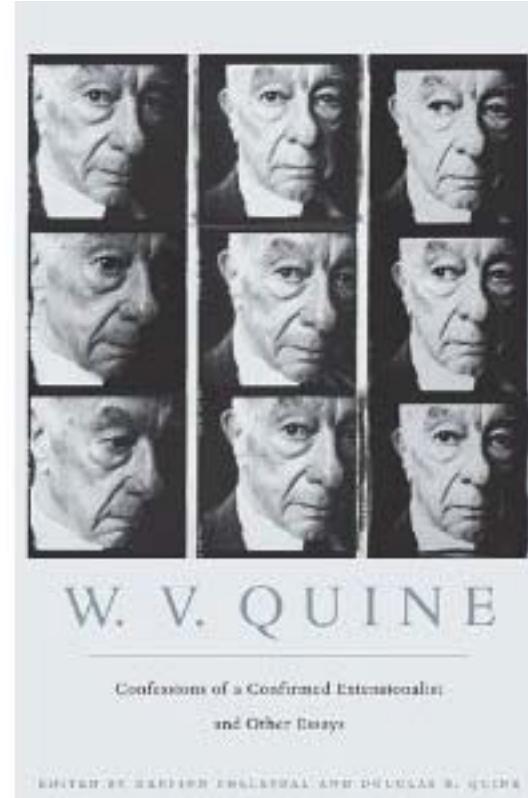
Bertrand Russell, 1901



Kurt Gödel, 1931

Potential Hole in the Proof

- What about the ??? in the program Q?
- It is supposed to be a String representing the program Q itself.
- How can that be possible?
- Answer: code is data!
 - And there's more than one representation for the same data.
- See Quine.java

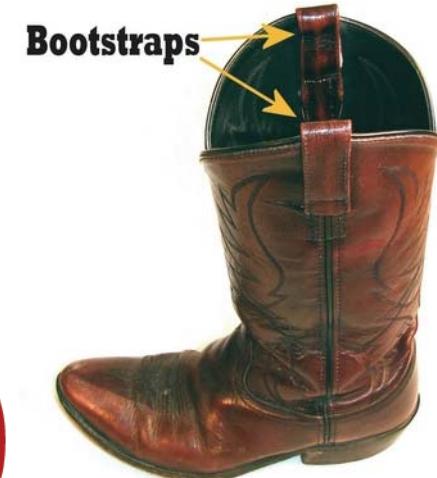


Profound Consequences

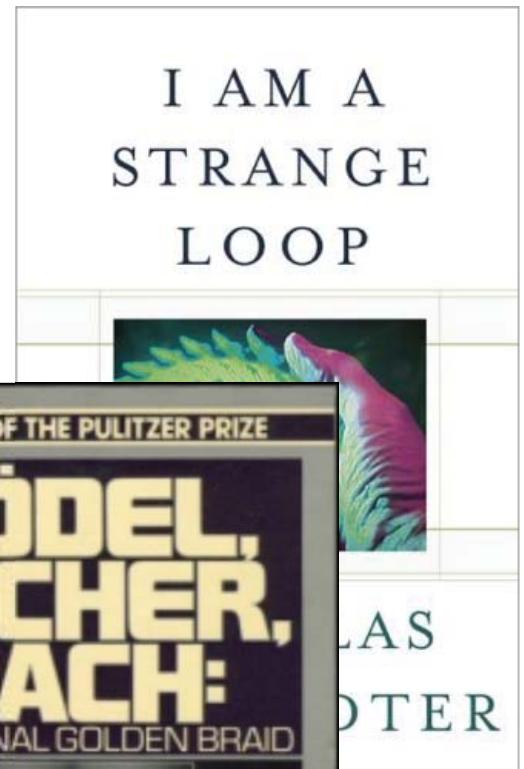
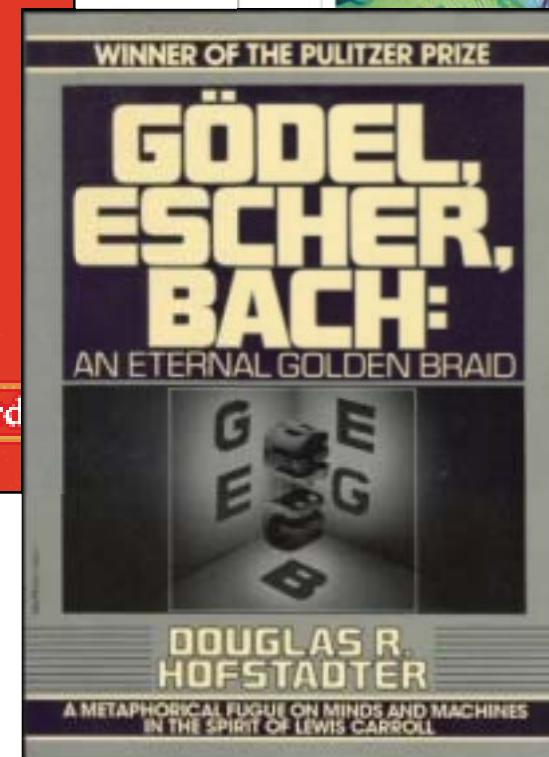
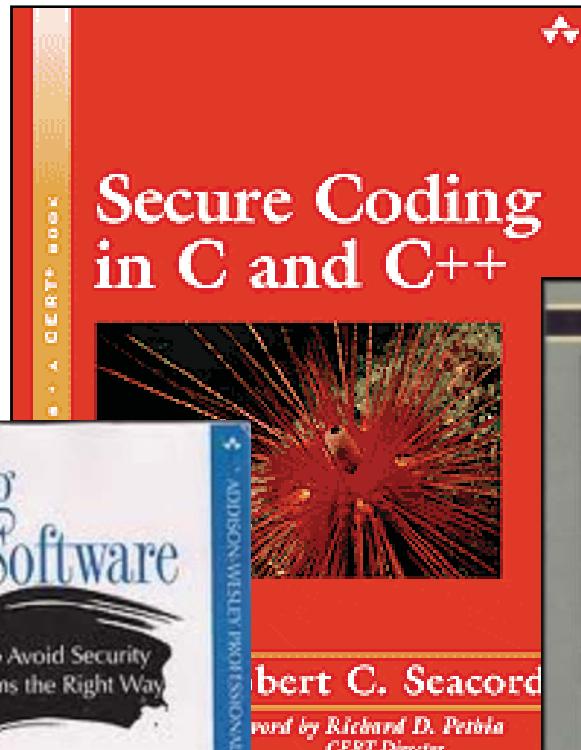
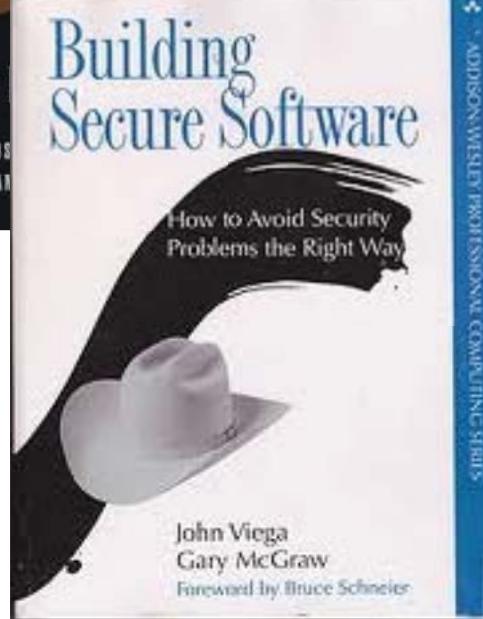
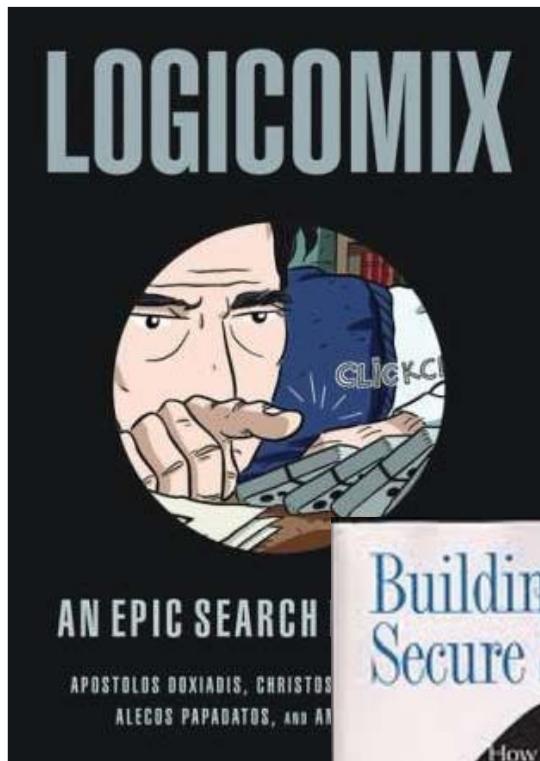
- The “halting problem” is *undecidable*
 - *There are problems that cannot be solved by a computer program!*
- Rice’s Theorem:
 - Every “interesting” property about computer programs is undecidable!
 - You can't test two functions for "equality"
- You can’t write a perfect virus detector!
(whether a program is a virus is certainly interesting)
 1. virus detector might go into an infinite loop
 2. it gives you false positives (i.e. says something is a virus when it isn’t)
 3. it gives you false negatives (i.e. it says a program is not a virus when it is)
- Also: You can’t write a perfect autograder!
(whether a program is correct is certainly interesting)

Recommended Courses

- Programs that manipulate Programs
 - CIS 341: Compilers and interpreters
- Malware
 - CIS 331: Intro to Networks and Security
- Undecidability
 - CIS 262: Automata, Computability and Complexity



Recommended Reading



Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 34

November 27, 2017

Swing I: Drawing and Event Handling
Chapter 29

Announcements

- HW09: Game project
- Checkpoint: Describe your game, what features you will use.
 - DUE: Tomorrow night at 11:59pm
 - Submission via Gradescope (now enabled!)
- Game Project
 - Due: MONDAY, December 11th at midnight
 - No late days!

Swing

Java's GUI library

Why study GUIs (yet again)?

- Most common example of *event-based programming*
- Heavy and effective use of OO inheritance
- Case study in library organization
 - and some advanced Java features
- Ideas applicable everywhere:
 - Web apps
 - Mobile apps
 - Desktop apps
- Fun!



Terminology overview

	GUI (OCaml)	Swing
Graphics Context	Gctx.gctx	Graphics
Widget type	Widget.widget	JComponent
Basic Widgets	button label checkbox	JButton JLabel JCheckBox
Container Widgets	hpair, vpair	JPanel, Layouts
Events	event	ActionEvent MouseEvent KeyEvent
Event Listener	mouse_listener mouseclick_listener (Any function of type event -> unit)	ActionListener MouseListener KeyListener

Swing practicalities

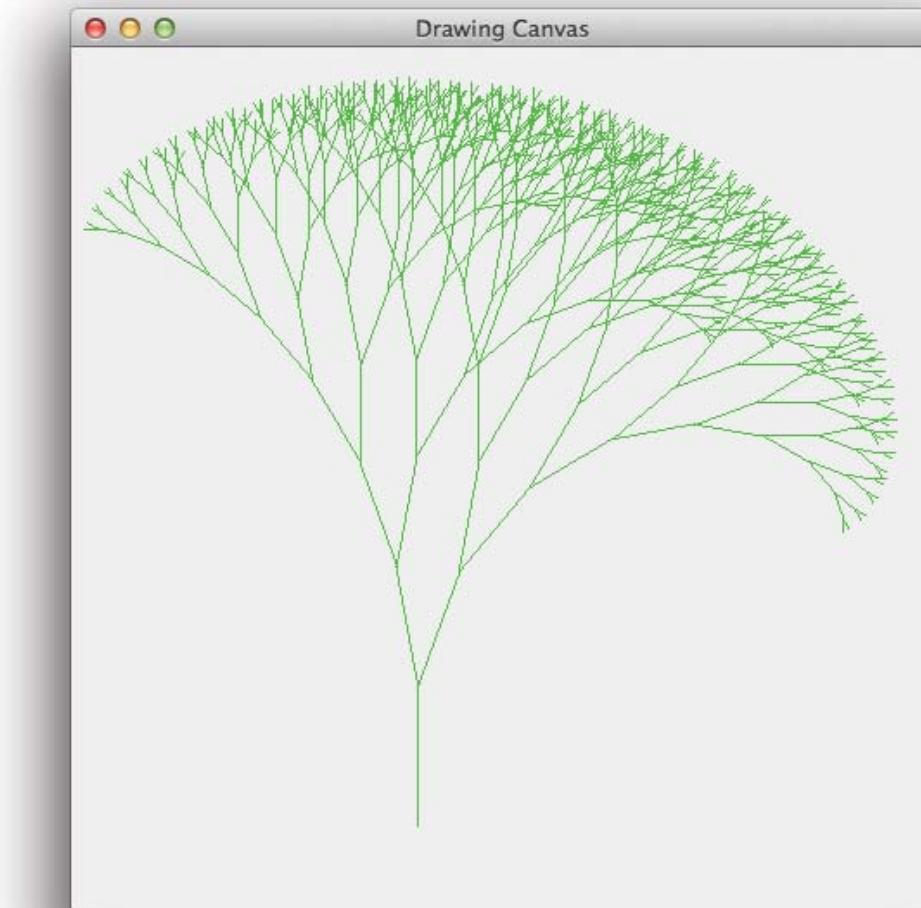
- Java library for GUI development
 - javax.swing.*
- Built on existing library: AWT
 - java.awt.*
 - When there are two versions of something, use Swing's.
(e.g., java.awt.Button vs. javax.swing.JButton)
 - The “Jxxx” version is usually the one you want, rather than “xxx”.
- Portable
 - Communicates with underlying OS's native window system
 - Same Java program looks appropriately different when run on PC, Linux, and Mac

Simple Drawing

DrawingCanvas.java

DrawingCanvasMain.java

Fractal Drawing Demo



Recursive function for drawing

```
private static void fractal(Graphics gc, int x, int y,  
    double angle, double len) {  
  
    if (len > 1) {  
        double af = (angle * Math.PI) / 180.0;  
        int nx = x + (int)(len * Math.cos(af));  
        int ny = y + (int)(len * Math.sin(af));  
  
        gc.drawLine(x, y, nx, ny);  
  
        fractal(gc, nx, ny, angle + 20, len - 8);  
        fractal(gc, nx, ny, angle - 10, len - 8);  
    }  
}
```

How do we draw a picture?

- In the OCaml GUI HW, we created widgets whose repaint function used the graphics context to draw an image

```
let w_draw : widget =
{
  repaint = (fun (gc:gctx) ->
              fractal (with_color gc green)
              200 450 270 80) ;
  size     = (fun () -> (200,200));
  handle   = (fun () -> ())
}
```

- In Swing, we *extend* from class JComponent ...

Fundamental class: JComponent

- Analogue to widget type from GUI project
 - (*Terminology*: widget == JComponent)
- Subclasses *override* methods
 - paintComponent (like repaint, displays the component)
 - getPreferredSize (like size, calculates the size of the component)
 - Events handled by listeners (don't need to use overriding...)
- Much more functionality available
 - minimum/maximum size
 - font
 - foreground/background color
 - borders
 - what is visible
 - many more...

Simple Drawing Component

```
public class DrawingCanvas extends JComponent {  
  
    public void paintComponent(Graphics gc) {  
        super.paintComponent(gc);  
  
        // set the pen color to green  
        gc.setColor(Color.GREEN);  
  
        // draw a fractal tree  
        fractal (gc, 200, 450, 270, 80);  
    }  
  
    // get the size of the drawing panel  
    public Dimension getPreferredSize() {  
        return new Dimension(200,200);  
    }  
}
```

How to display this component?

JFrame

- Represents a top-level window
 - Displayed directly by OS (looks different on Mac, PC, etc.)
- Contains JComponents
- Can be moved, resized, iconified, closed

```
public void run() {  
    JFrame frame = new JFrame("Tree");  
  
    // set the content of the window to be the drawing  
    frame.getContentPane().add(new DrawingCanvas());  
  
    // make sure the application exits when the frame closes  
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);  
  
    // resize the frame based on the size of the panel  
    frame.pack();  
  
    // show the frame  
    frame.setVisible(true);  
}
```

User Interaction

Start Simple: Lightswitch Revisited

Task: Program an application that displays a button. When the button is pressed, it toggles a “lightbulb” on and off.



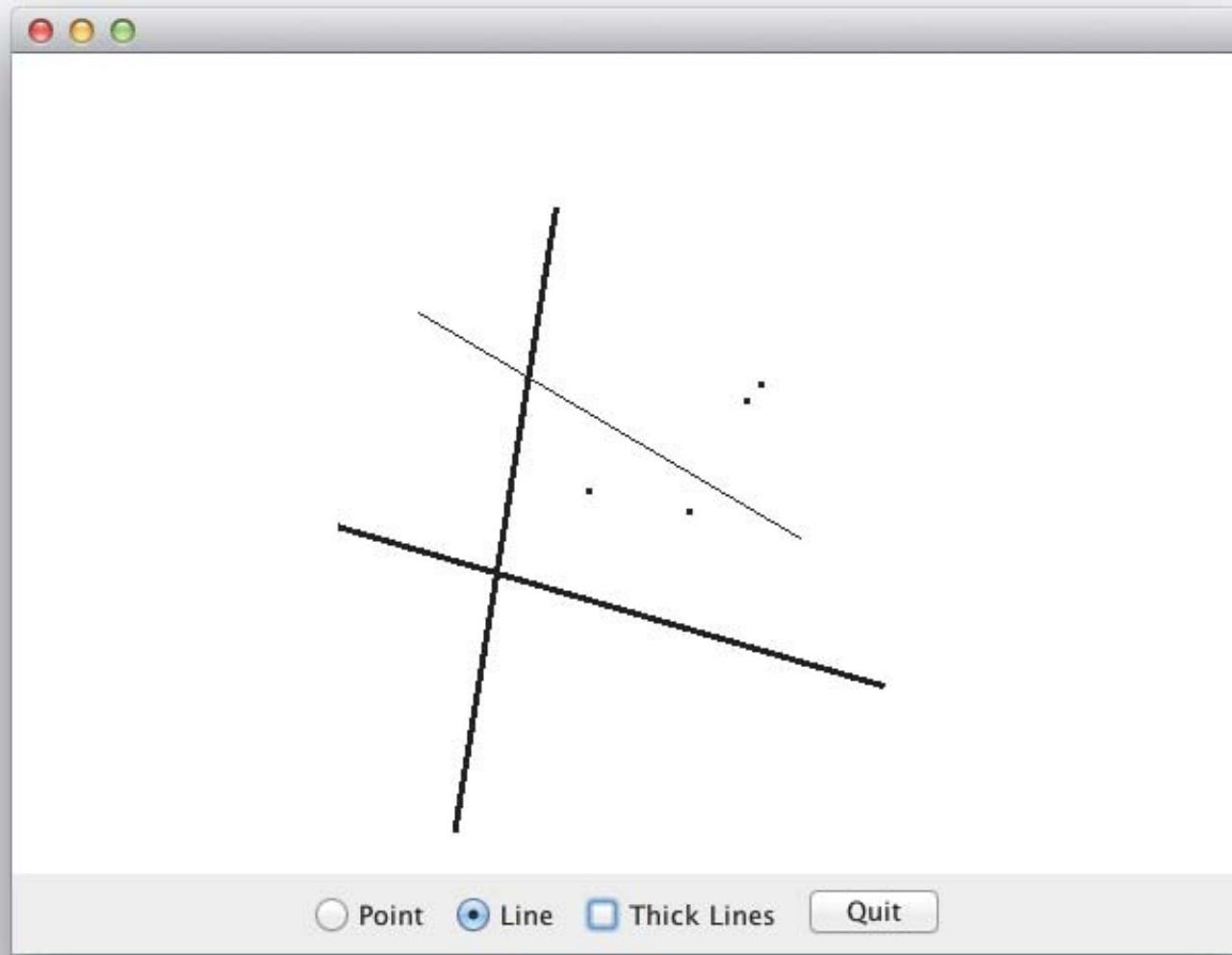
Key idea: use a ButtonListener to toggle the state of the "lightbulb"

OnOffDemo

The Lightswitch GUI program in Swing.

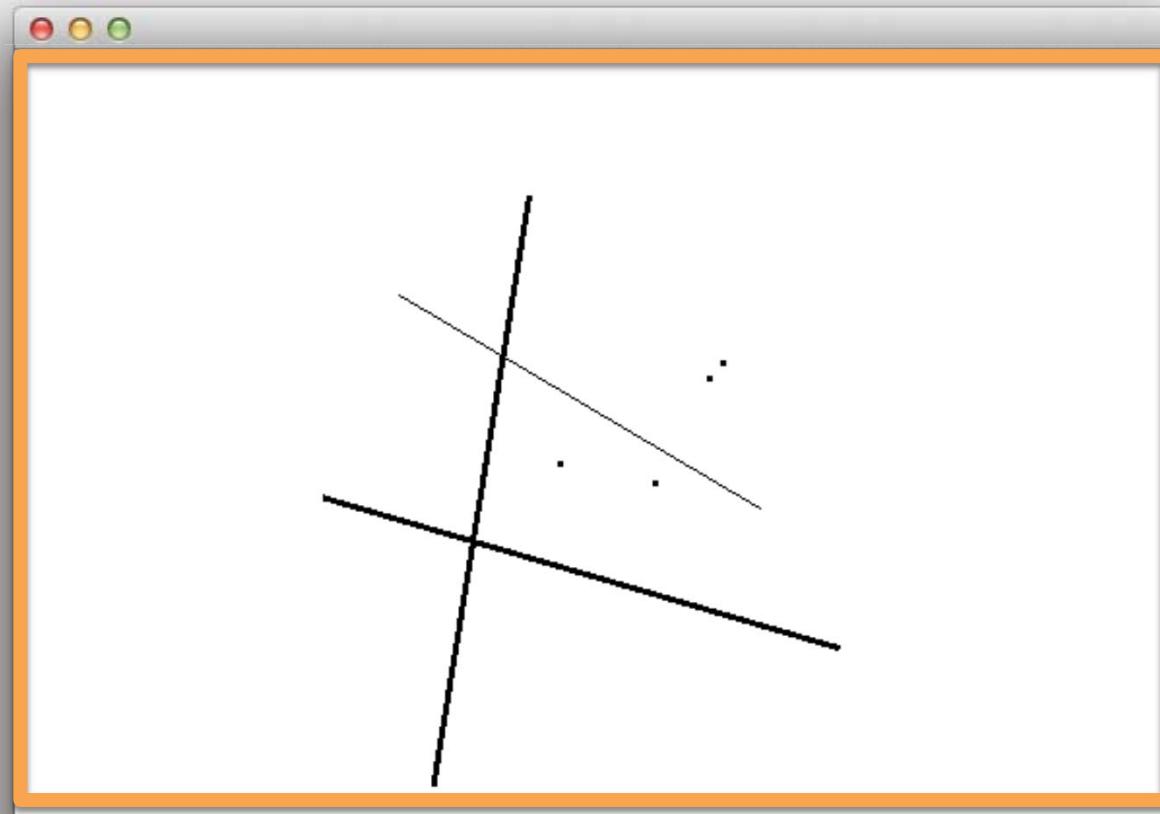
Layout Demo

Layout.java



What layout would you use for
this app? What components
would you use?

Canvas
subclass of
JPanel
(canvas)



JPanel
(toolbar)

JRadioButton
(point, line)
JCheckbox
(thick)
JButton
(quit)

Inner Classes



Inner Classes

- Useful in situations where two objects require “deep access” to each other’s internals
- Replaces tangled workarounds like “owner object”
 - Solution with inner classes is easier to read
 - No need to allow public access to instance variables of outer class
- Also called “dynamic nested classes”

Basic Example

Key idea: Classes can be *members* of other classes...

```
class Outer {  
    private int outerVar;  
    public Outer () {  
        outerVar = 6;  
    }  
    public class Inner {  
        private int innerVar;  
        public Inner(int z) {  
            innerVar = outerVar + z;  
        }  
        public int getInnerVar() {  
            return innerVar;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Name of this class is
Outer.Inner
(which is also the static
type of objects that this
class creates)

Inner class can refer to
fields bound in outer class

Constructing Inner Class Objects

Based on your understanding of the Java object model, which of the following make sense as ways to construct an object of an inner class type?

1. Outer.Inner obj = new Outer.Inner(3)
2. Outer.Inner obj = (new Outer()).new Inner(3);
3. Outer.Inner obj = new Inner(3);
4. Outer.Inner obj = Outer.Inner.new (3)
5. All of the above
6. None of the above
7. Just (1) and (2)

Answer: 2

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Lecture 35

November 29, 2017

Swing II: Building GUIs
Inner Classes
Chapter 29

Announcements

- Game Project Complete Code
 - Due: December 11th
 - *NO LATE SUBMISSIONS*
 - *Grading will be by demo. Stay tuned for details!*

Swing

Java's GUI library

OnOff.java revisited

```
public void run() {  
    // ... other code omitted  
  
    LightBulb bulb = new LightBulb();  
    panel.add(bulb);  
  
    JButton button = new JButton("On/Off");  
    panel.add(button);  
  
    button.addActionListener(new ButtonListener(bulb));  
  
    // ... other code omitted  
}
```

Too much boilerplate code...

- ButtonListener really only needs to do bulb.flip()
- But we need all this boilerplate code to build the class
- Often we will only instantiate *one* instance of a given Listener class in a GUI

```
class ButtonListener implements ActionListener {  
    private LightBulb bulb;  
    public ButtonListener (LightBulb b) {  
        bulb = b;  
    }  
    @Override  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {  
        bulb.flip();  
        bulb.repaint();  
    }  
}
```

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3. Outer.Inner obj = new Inner();
4. Outer.Inner obj = Outer.Inner.new ()

Answer: 2 – the inner class instances can refer to non-static fields of the outer class (even in the constructor), so the invocation of "new" must be relative to an existing instance of the Outer class.

Object Creation

- Inner classes can refer to the instance variables and methods of the outer class
- Inner class instances usually created by the methods/constructors of the outer class

```
public Outer () {  
    Inner b = new Inner ();  
}
```

Actually this.new

- Inner class instances *cannot* be created independently of a containing class instance.

Outer.Inner b = new Outer.Inner()

Outer a = new Outer();
Outer.Inner b = a.new Inner();

Outer.Inner b = (new Outer()).new Inner();

Anonymous Inner Classes

- Define a class and create an object from it all at once, inside a method

```
quit.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {  
        System.exit(0);  
    }  
});
```

Puts button action right
with button definition

```
line.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {  
        shapes.add(new Line(...));  
        canvas.repaint();  
    }  
});
```

Can access fields and
methods of outer class, as
well as final local variables

Anonymous Inner class

- New *expression* form: define a class and create an object from it all at once

New keyword

```
new InterfaceOrClassName() {  
    public void method1(int x) {  
        // code for method1  
    }  
    public void method2(char y) {  
        // code for method2  
    }  
}
```

Normal class definition,
no constructors allowed

Static type of the expression
is the Interface/superclass
used to create it

Dynamic class of the created
object is anonymous!
Can't refer to it.

Like first-class functions

- Anonymous inner classes are roughly* analogous to Ocaml's first-class functions
- Both create "delayed computation" that can be stored in a data structure and run later
 - Code stored by the event / action listener
 - Code only runs when the button is pressed
 - Could run once, many times, or not at all
- Both sorts of computation can refer to variables in the current scope
 - OCaml: Any available variable
 - Java: only instance variables (fields) of enclosing object and local variables marked final

*see next slide

“Anonymous Lambdas”

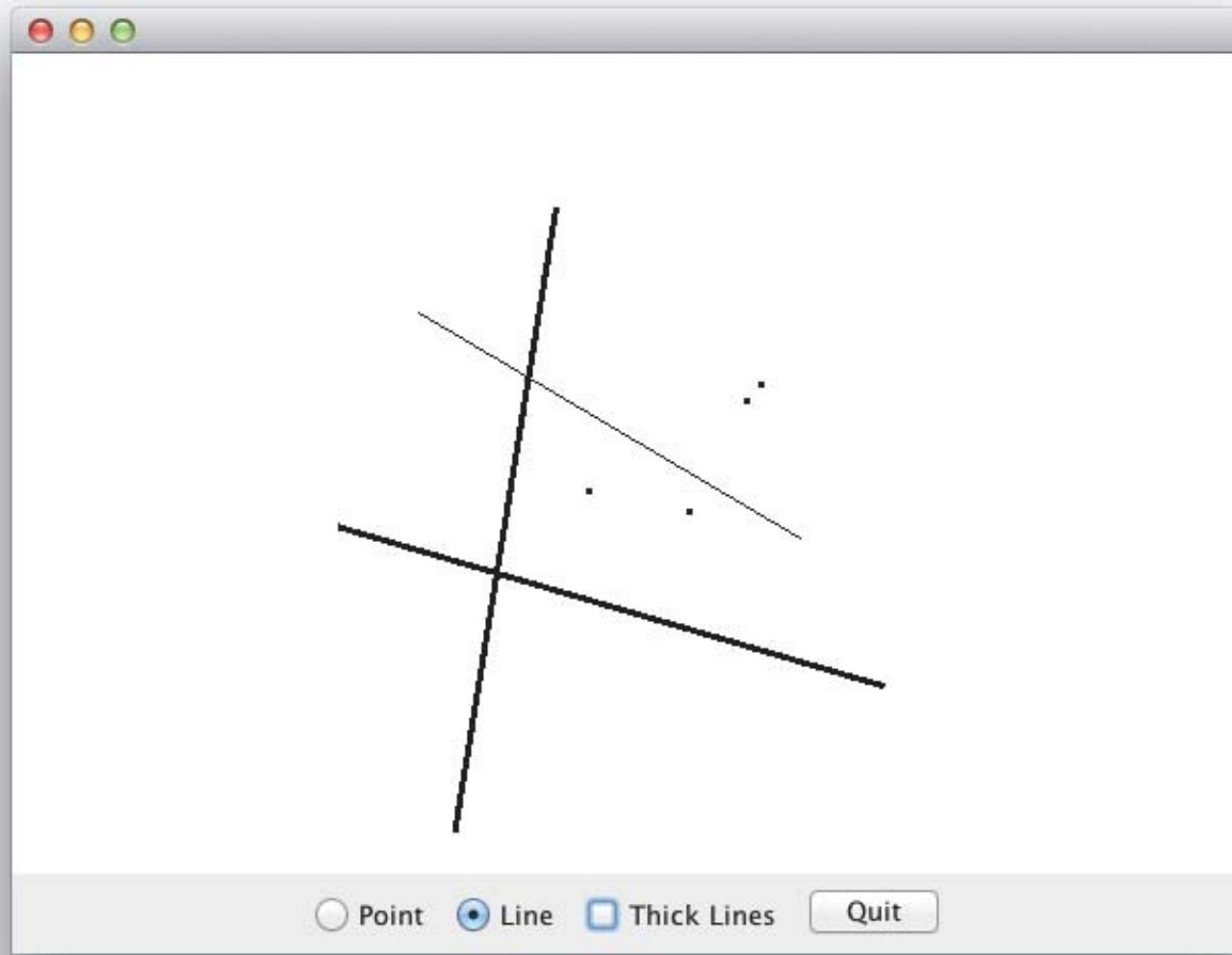
- Java 8 introduced "lambda expressions" which are simplified syntax for anonymous classes with "functional interfaces" – interfaces with just one method

```
persons.forEach(p -> p.setLastName("Doe"))
```

- Wait until next week for more details...

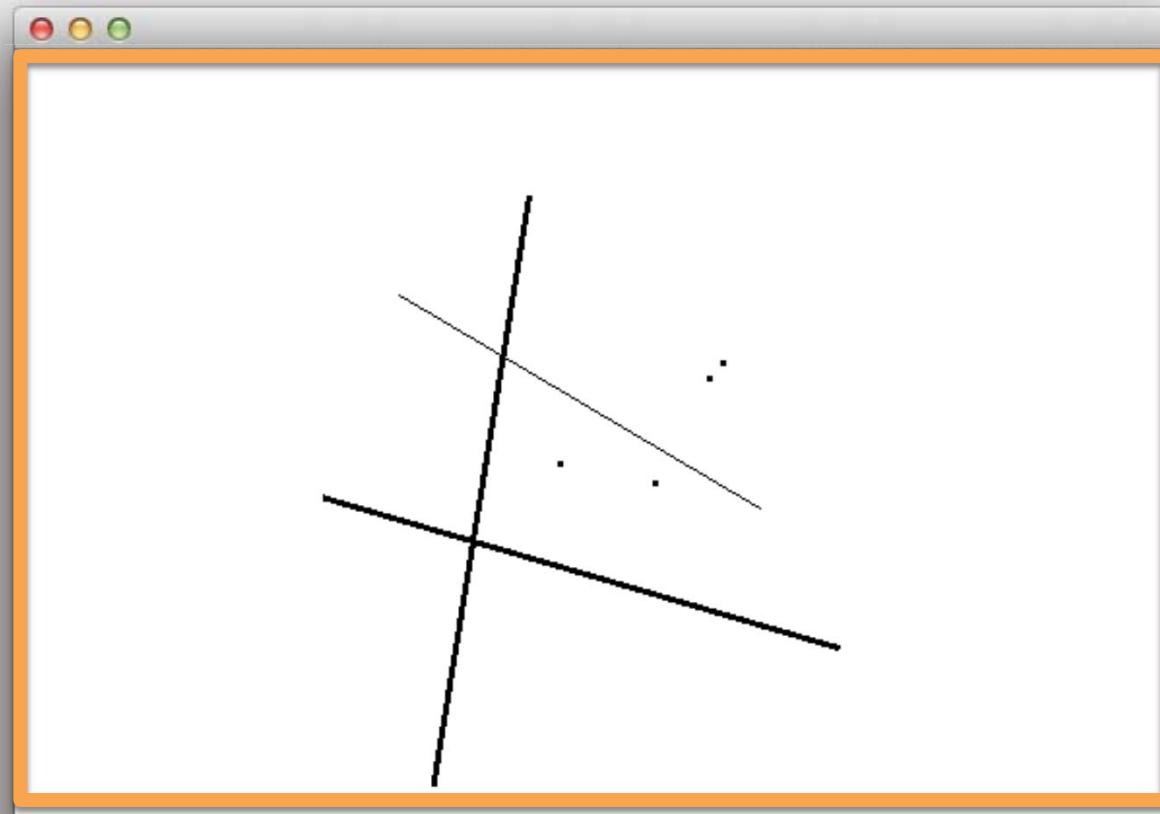
Paint Revisited

Using Anonymous Inner Classes
Refactoring for OO Design



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subclass of
JPanel
(canvas)



JPanel
(toolbar)

JRadioButton
(point, line)
JCheckbox
(thick)
JButton
(quit)

Paint demo

(See PaintA.java ... PaintE.java)

Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 36

December 1, 2017

Mushroom of Doom

Model / View / Controller

Chapter 31

Announcements

- Game Project Complete Code
 - Due: Monday, December 11th
 - *NO LATE SUBMISSIONS PERMITTED*
- *Final Exam*
 - *Friday, December 15th, 6:00-8:00PM*
 - *Locations: TBA*
 - makeup exam
form available on the course web site

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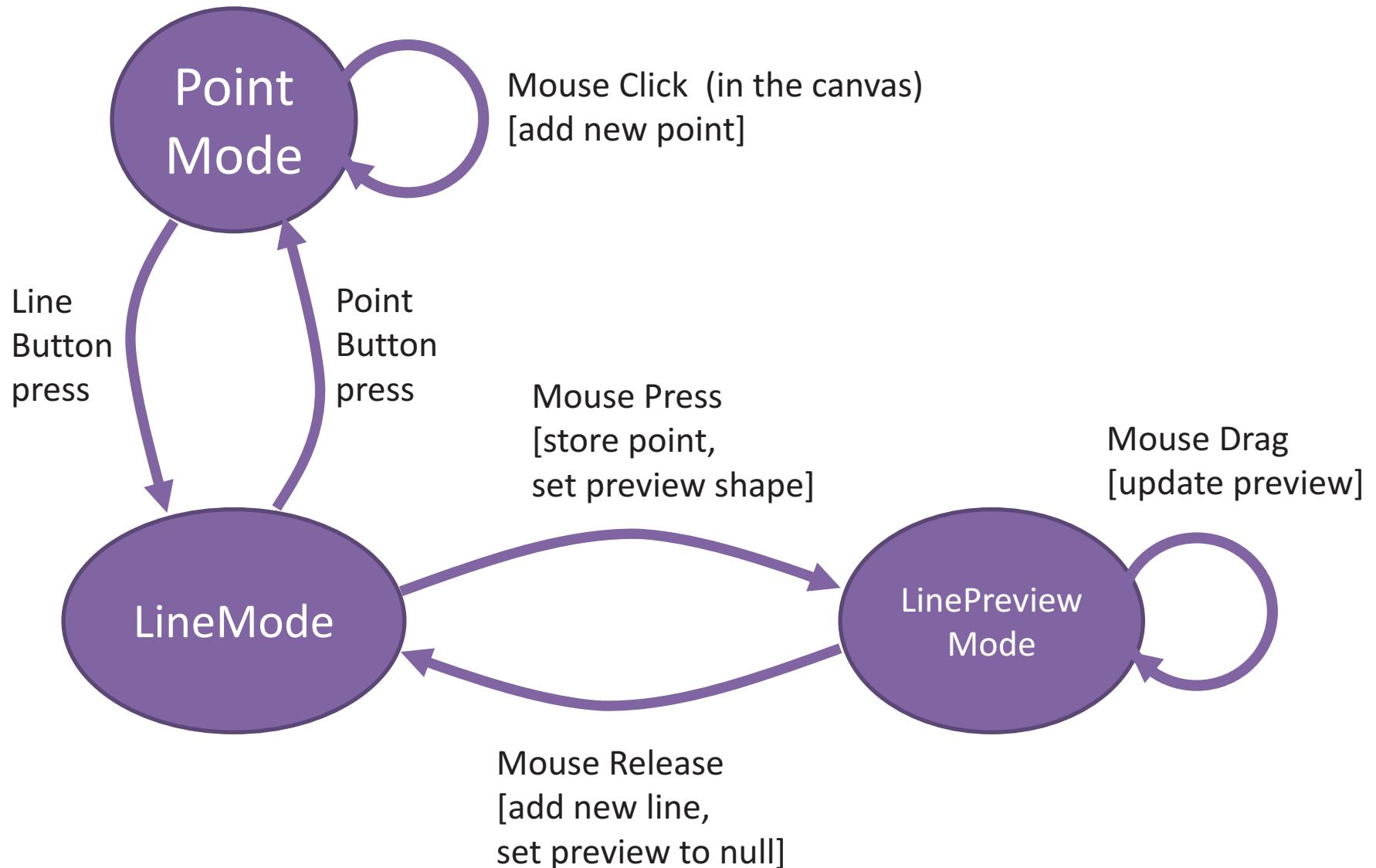
(See PaintA.java ... PaintE.java)

Adapters

MouseListener

KeyListener

Mouse Interaction in Paint



Two interfaces for mouse listeners

```
interface MouseListener extends EventListener {  
    public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent e);  
    public void mouseEntered(MouseEvent e);  
    public void mouseExited(MouseEvent e);  
    public void mousePressed(MouseEvent e);  
    public void mouseReleased(MouseEvent e);  
}
```

```
interface MouseMotionListener extends EventListener {  
    public void mouseDragged(MouseEvent e);  
  
    public void mouseMoved(MouseEvent e);  
}
```

Lots of boilerplate

- There are seven methods in the two interfaces.
- We only want to do something interesting for three of them.
- Need "trivial" implementations of the other four to implement the interface...

```
public void mouseMoved(MouseEvent e) { return; }
public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent e) { return; }
public void mouseEntered(MouseEvent e) { return; }
public void mouseExited(MouseEvent e) { return; }
```

- Solution: MouseAdapter class...

Adapter classes:

- Swing provides a collection of abstract event adapter classes
- These adapter classes implement listener interfaces with empty, do-nothing methods
- To implement a listener class, we extend an adapter class and override just the methods we need

```
private class Mouse extends MouseAdapter {  
    public void mousePressed(MouseEvent e) { ... }  
    public void mouseReleased(MouseEvent e) { ... }  
    public void mouseDragged(MouseEvent e) { ... }  
}
```

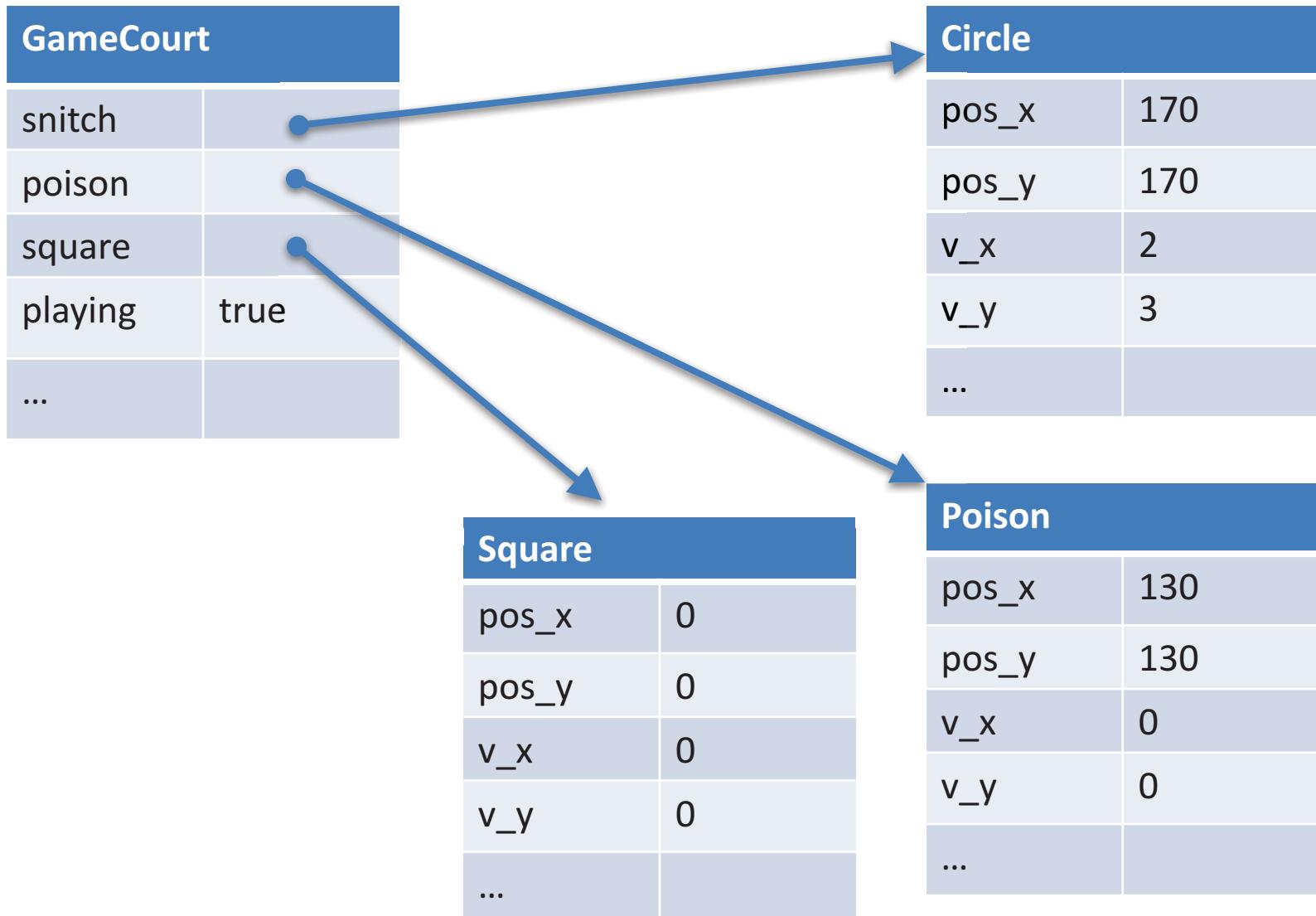
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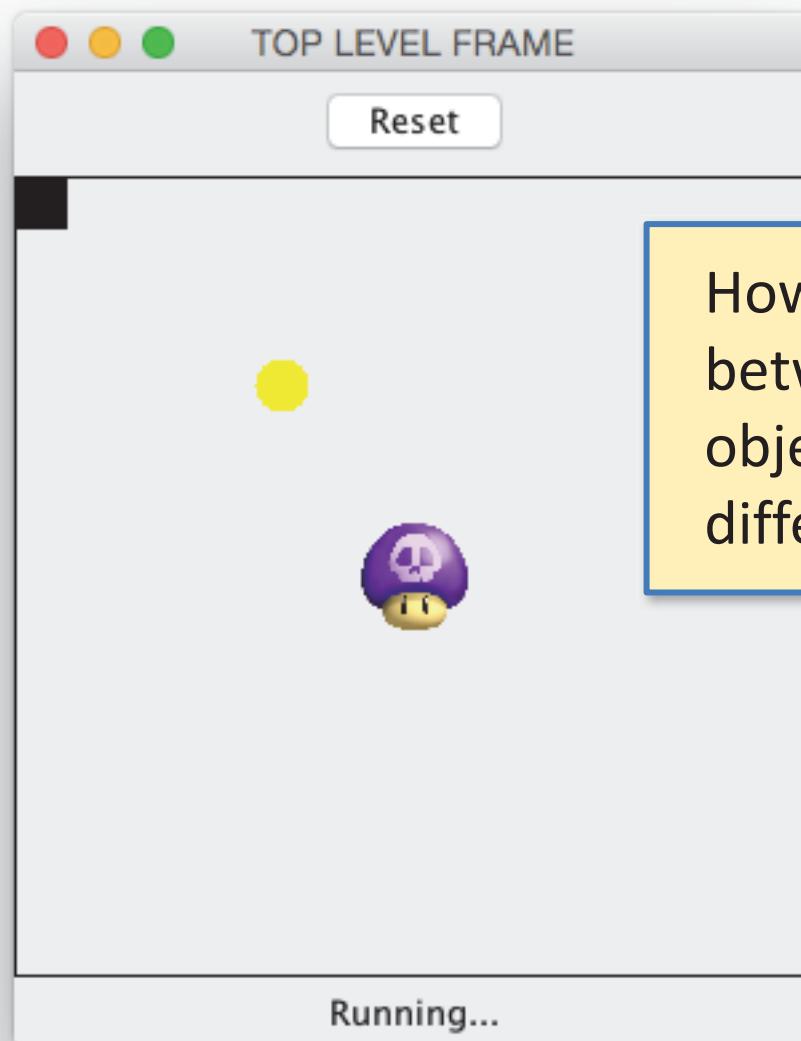
How do we put Swing components together to
make a complete game?





Game State





How can we share code
between the game
objects, but show them
differently?

Updating the Game State: timer

```
void tick() {  
    if (playing) {  
        square.move();  
        snitch.move();  
        snitch.bounce(snitch.hitWall());          // bounce off walls...  
        snitch.bounce(snitch.hitObj(poison)); // ...and the mushroom  
  
        if (square.intersects(poison)) {  
            playing = false;  
            status.setText("You lose!");  
        } else if (square.intersects(snitch)) {  
            playing = false;  
            status.setText("You win!");  
        }  
        repaint();  
    }  
}
```

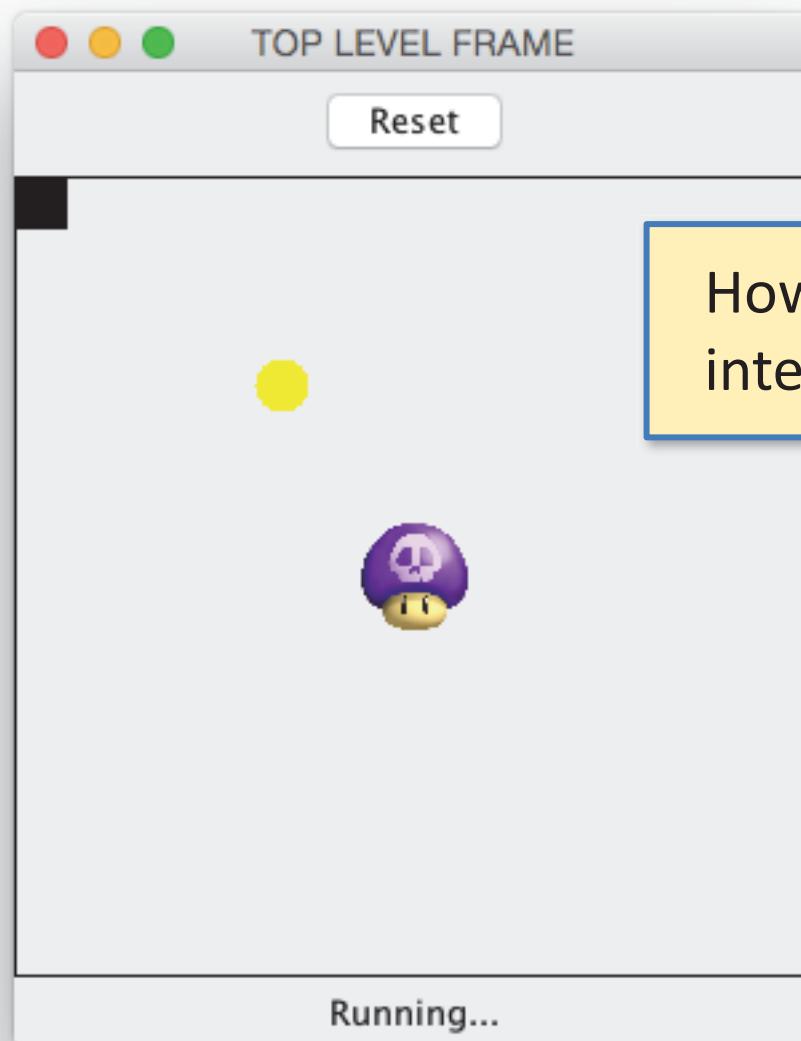
Updating the Game State: keyboard

```
setFocusable(true);
addKeyListener(new KeyAdapter() {
    public void keyPressed(KeyEvent e) {
        if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_LEFT)
            square.v_x = -SQUARE_VELOCITY;
        else if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_RIGHT)
            square.v_x = SQUARE_VELOCITY;
        else if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_DOWN)
            square.v_y = SQUARE_VELOCITY;
        else if (e.getKeyCode() == KeyEvent.VK_UP)
            square.v_y = -SQUARE_VELOCITY;
    }

    public void keyReleased(KeyEvent e) {
        square.v_x = 0;
        square.v_y = 0;
    }
});
```

Make square's velocity nonzero when a key is pressed

Make square's velocity zero when a key is released

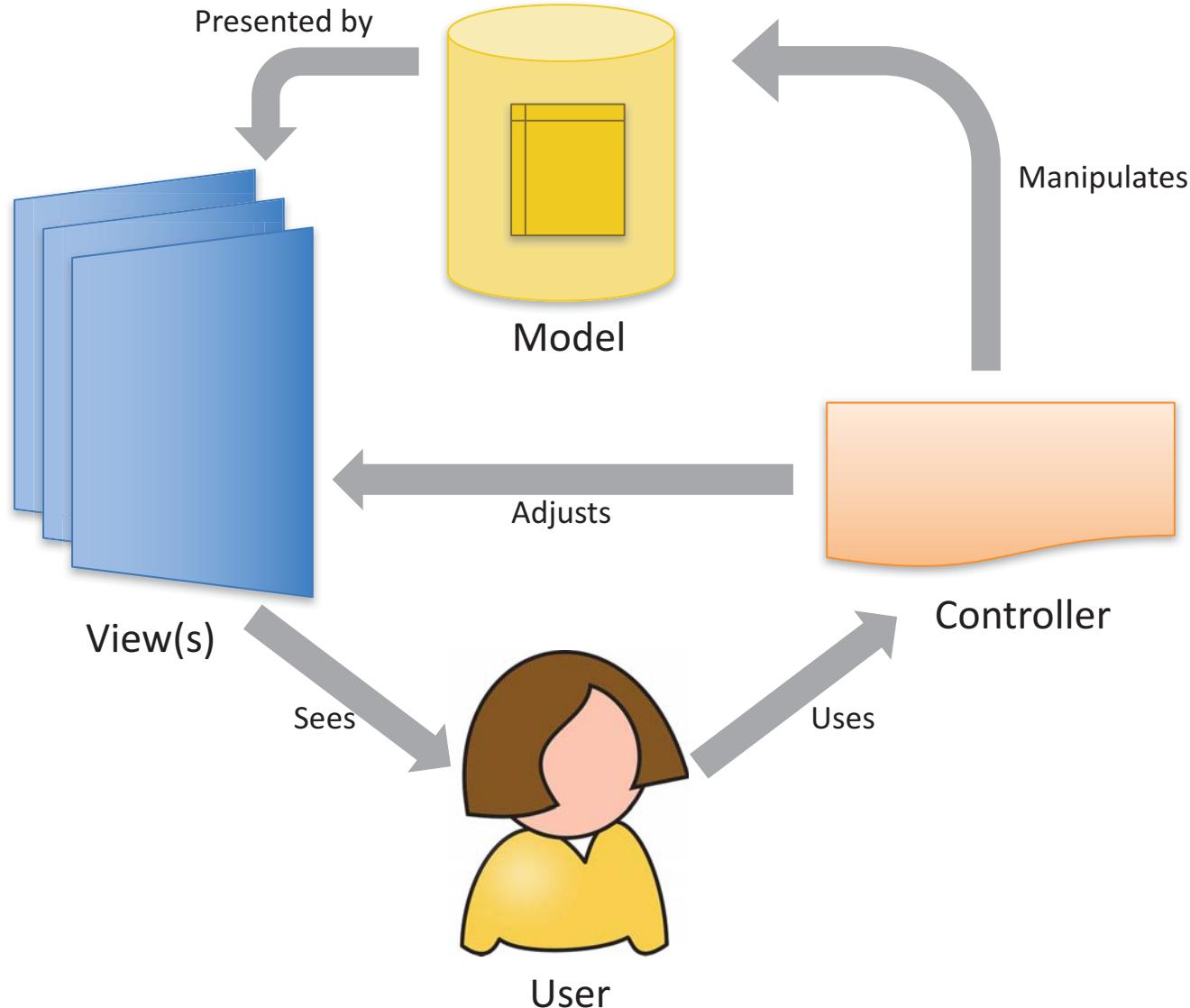


How does the user interact with the game?

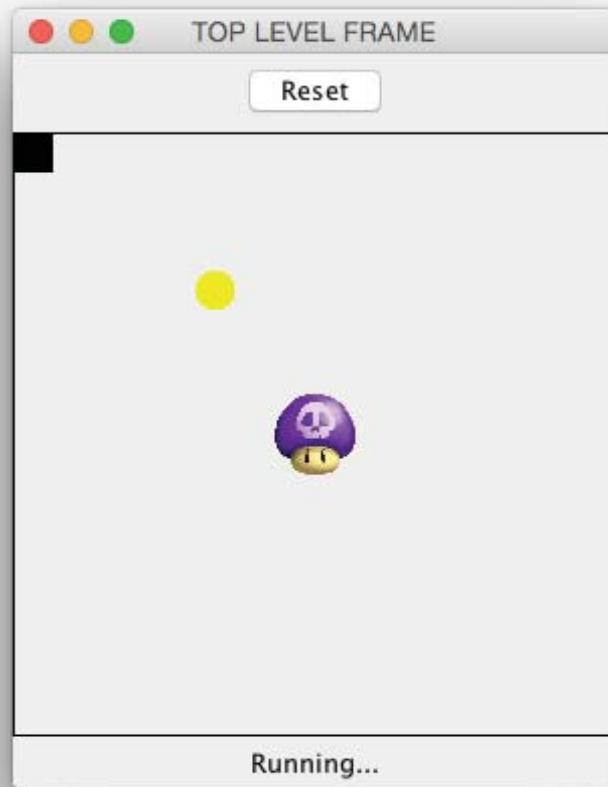
1. Clicking Reset button restarts the game
2. Holding arrow key makes square move
3. Releasing key makes square stop

Model View Controller Design Pattern

MVC Pattern



Example 1: Mushroom of Doom



Example: MOD Program Structure

- GameCourt, GameObj + subclass local state
 - object location & velocity
 - status of the game (playing, win, loss)
 - how the objects interact with eachother (tick)
- Draw methods
 - paintComponent in GameCourt
 - draw methods in GameObj subclasses
 - status label
- Game / GameCourt
 - Reset button (updates model)
 - Keyboard control (updates square velocity)

Model

View

Controller

Example: Paint Program Structure

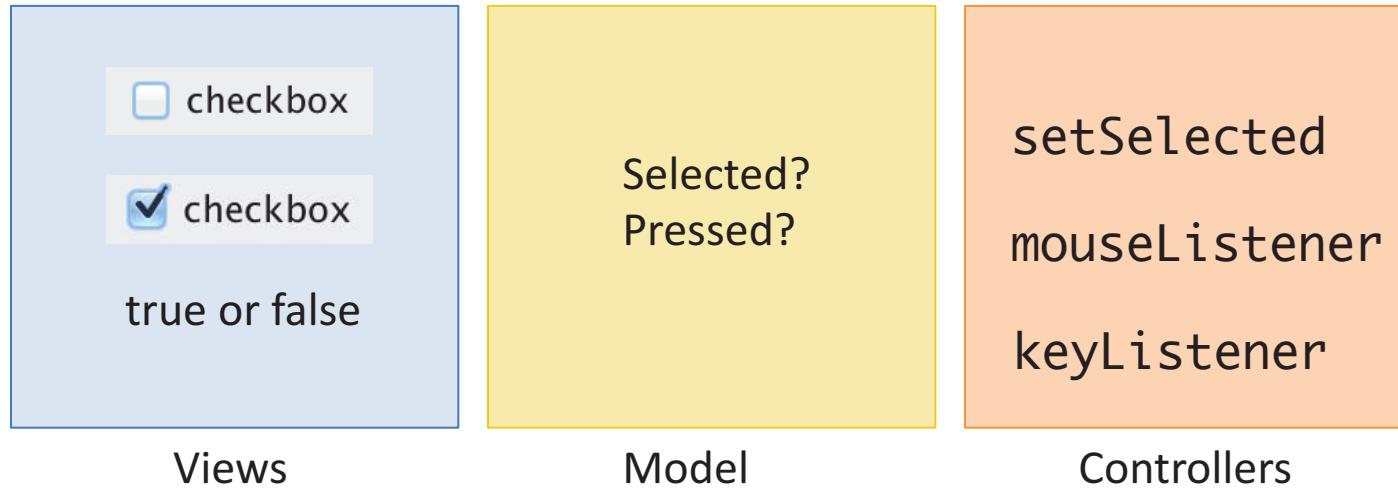
- Main frame for application (class Paint)
 - List of shapes to draw
 - The current color
 - The current line thickness
- Drawing panel (class Canvas, inner class of Paint)
- Control panel (class JPanel)
 - Contains radio buttons for selecting shape to draw
 - Line thickness checkbox, undo and quit buttons
- Connections between Preview shape (if any...)
 - Preview Shape: View <-> Controller
 - MouseAdapter: Controller <-> Model

Model

View

Controller

Example: CheckBox

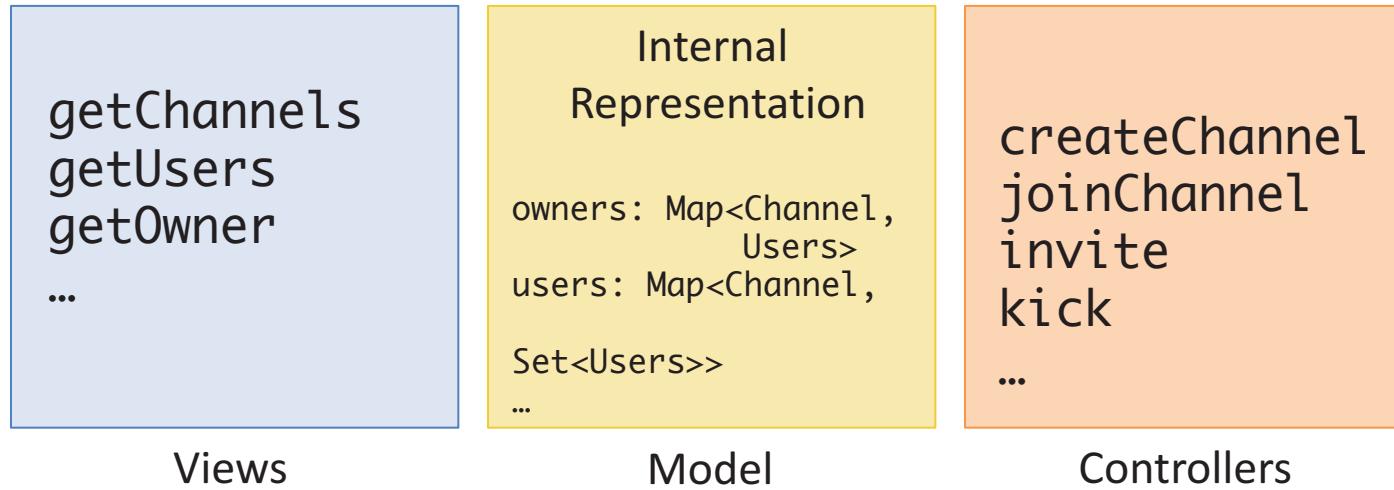


Class `JToggleButton.ToggleButtonModel`

```
boolean isSelected()  
void setPressed(boolean b)  
void setSelected(boolean b)
```

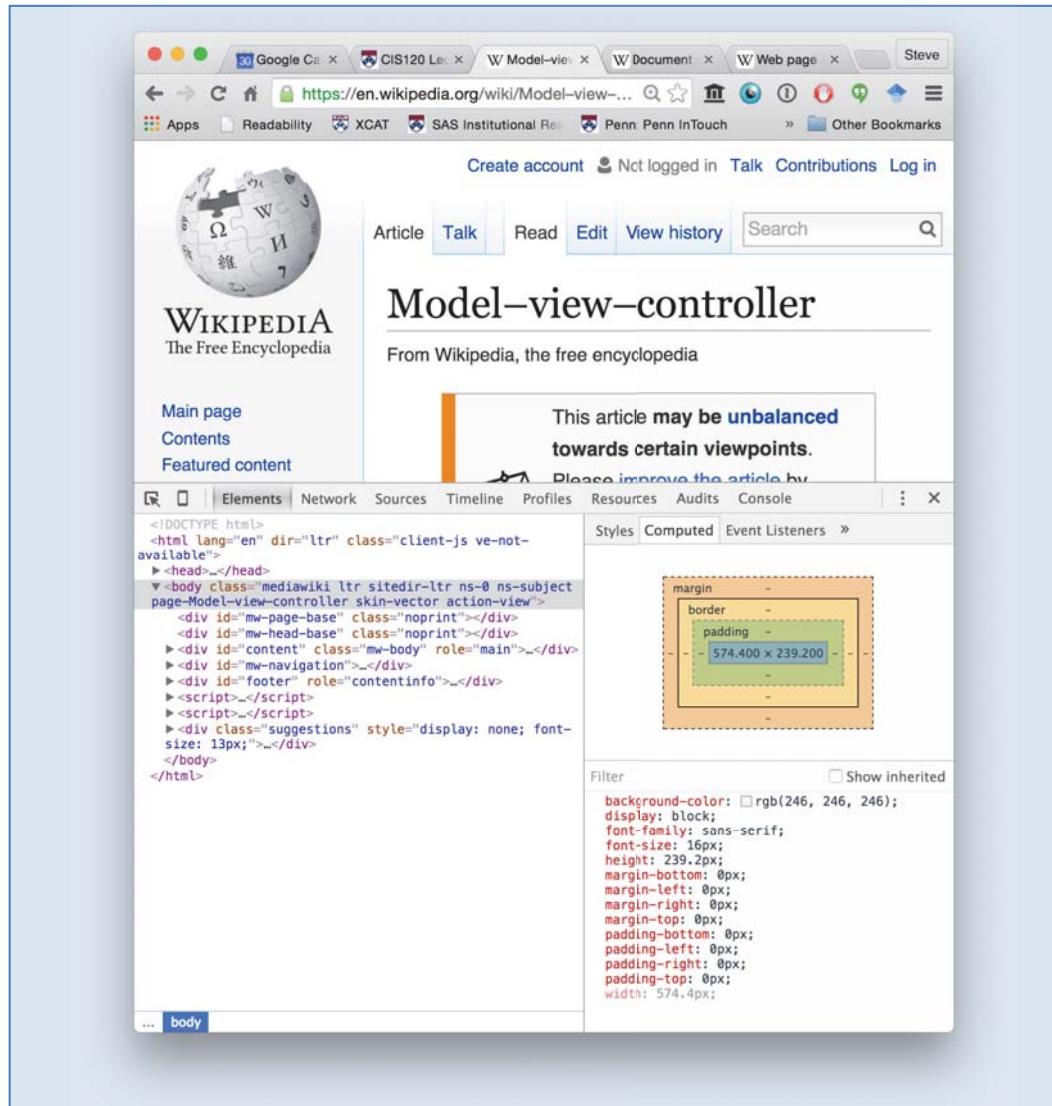
Checks if the button is selected.
Sets the pressed state of the button.
Sets the selected state of the button.

Example: Chat Server



ServerModel

Example: Web Pages



Views

Internal
Representation:
DOM
(Document
Object Model)

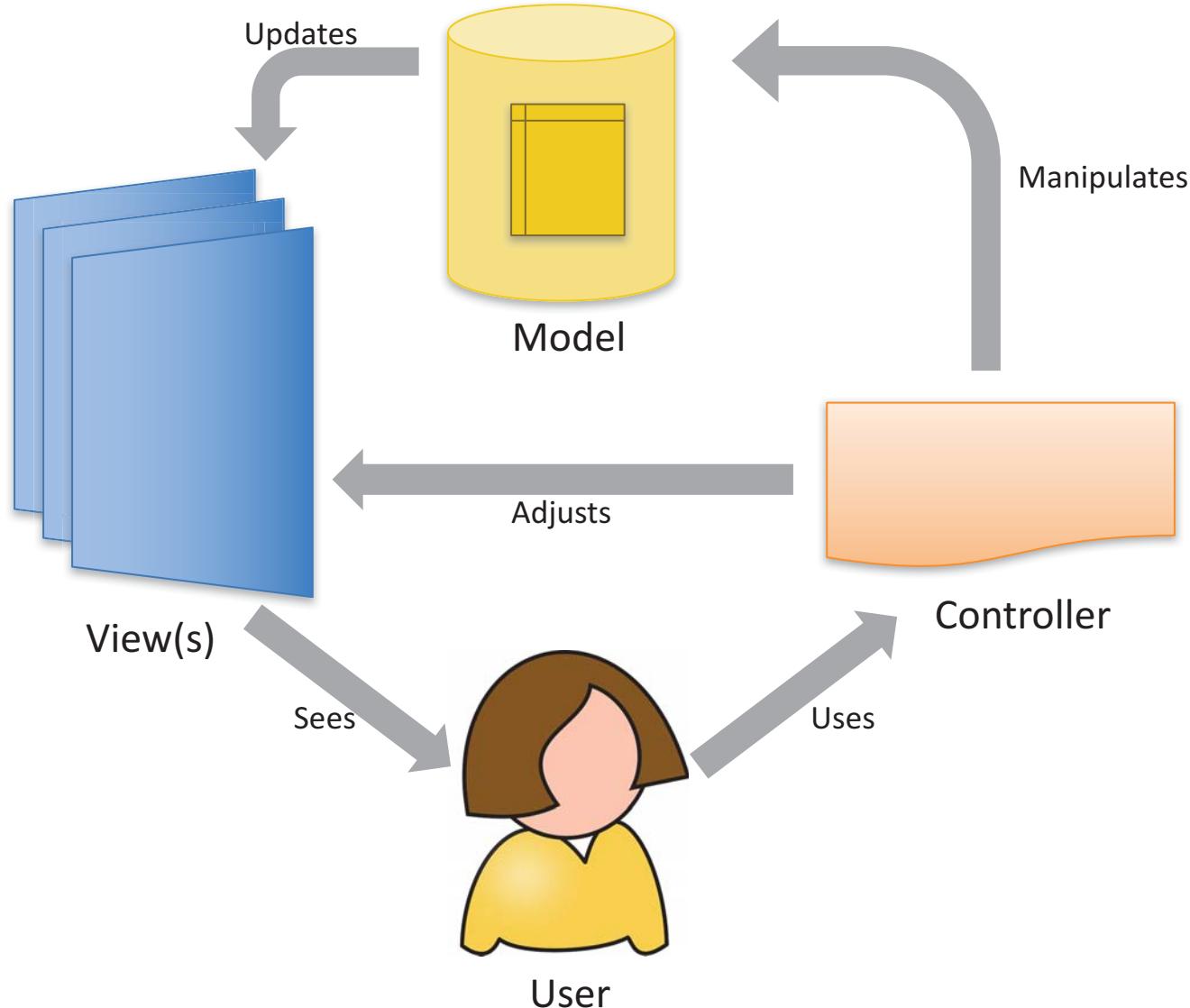
Model

JavaScript
API

document.
addEventListener()

Controllers

MVC Pattern



MVC Benefits?

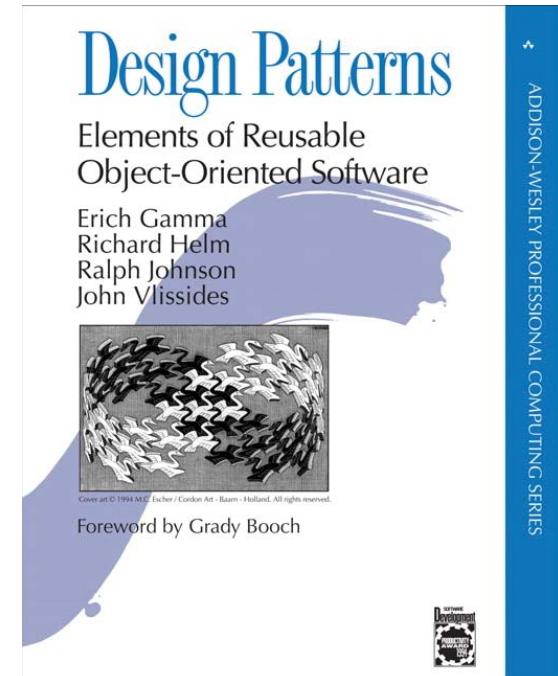
- Decouples important "model state" from how that state is presented and manipulated
 - Suggests where to insert interfaces in the design
 - Makes the model testable independent of the GUI
- Multiple views
 - e.g. from two different angles, or for multiple different users
- Multiple controllers
 - e.g. mouse vs. keyboard interaction

MVC Variations

- Many variations on MVC pattern
- Hierarchical / Nested
 - As in the Swing libraries, in which JComponents often have a "model" and a "controller" part
- Coupling between Model / View or View / Controller
 - e.g. in MOD the Model and the View are coupled because the model carries most of the information about the view

Design Patterns

- Design Patterns
 - Influential OO design book published in 1994 (so a bit dated)
 - Identifies many common situations and "patterns" for implementing them in OO languages
- Some we have seen explicitly:
 - e.g. *Iterator* pattern
- Some we've used but not explicitly described:
 - e.g. The Broadcast class from the Chat HW uses the *Factory* pattern
- Some are workarounds for OO's lack of some features:
 - e.g. The *Visitor* pattern is like OCaml's fold + pattern matching



Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 37

December 4, 2017

Advanced Java Miscellany (Hashing)

Announcements

- HW09: Game of your own
 - Due Monday, December 11th at 11:59pm
 - No late submissions!

Final Exam:

- Friday, December 15th 6:00-8:00 PM
- 3 Locations:
 - Towne 100 Last Names A – G
 - Stiteler B6 Last Names H – Pa
 - Cohen G17 Last Names Pe -- Z
- Mock Exam:

Wednesday, December 13th 6:00-8:00PM
Towne 100

Advanced Java Miscellany

- Hashing: HashSets & HashMaps
- Threads & Synchronization
- Garbage Collection
- Java 1.8 Lambdas
- Packages
- JVM (Java Virtual Machine) and compiler details:
 - class loaders, security managers, just-in-time compilation
- Advanced Generics
 - *Bounded Polymorphism*: type parameters with ‘extends’ constraints

```
class C<A extends Runnable> { ... }
```
 - Type Erasure
 - Interaction between generics and arrays
- Reflection
 - The Class class

We'll touch on
these.

For all the nitty-gritty details:
Java Language Specification
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/specs/>

Hash Sets & Hash Maps

array-based implementation of sets and maps

Hash Sets and Maps: The Big Idea

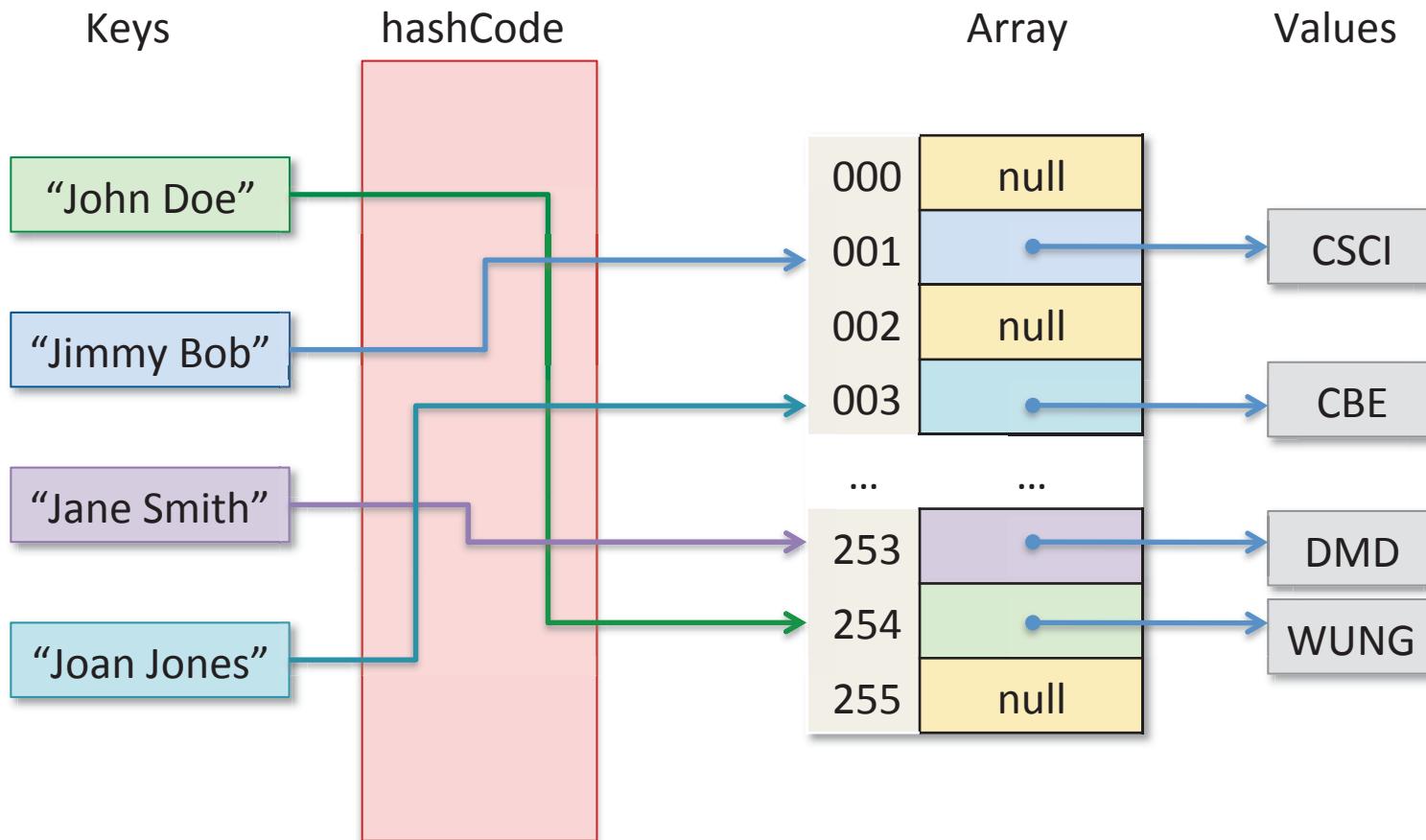
Combine:

- the advantage of arrays:
 - *efficient* random access to its elements
- with the advantage of a map datastructure
 - arbitrary keys (not just integer indices)

How?

- Create an index into an array by *hashing* the data in the key to turn it into an int
 - Java's hashCode method maps key data to ints
 - Generally, the space of keys is much larger than the space of hashes, so, unlike array indices, hashCodes might not be unique

Hash Maps, Pictorially



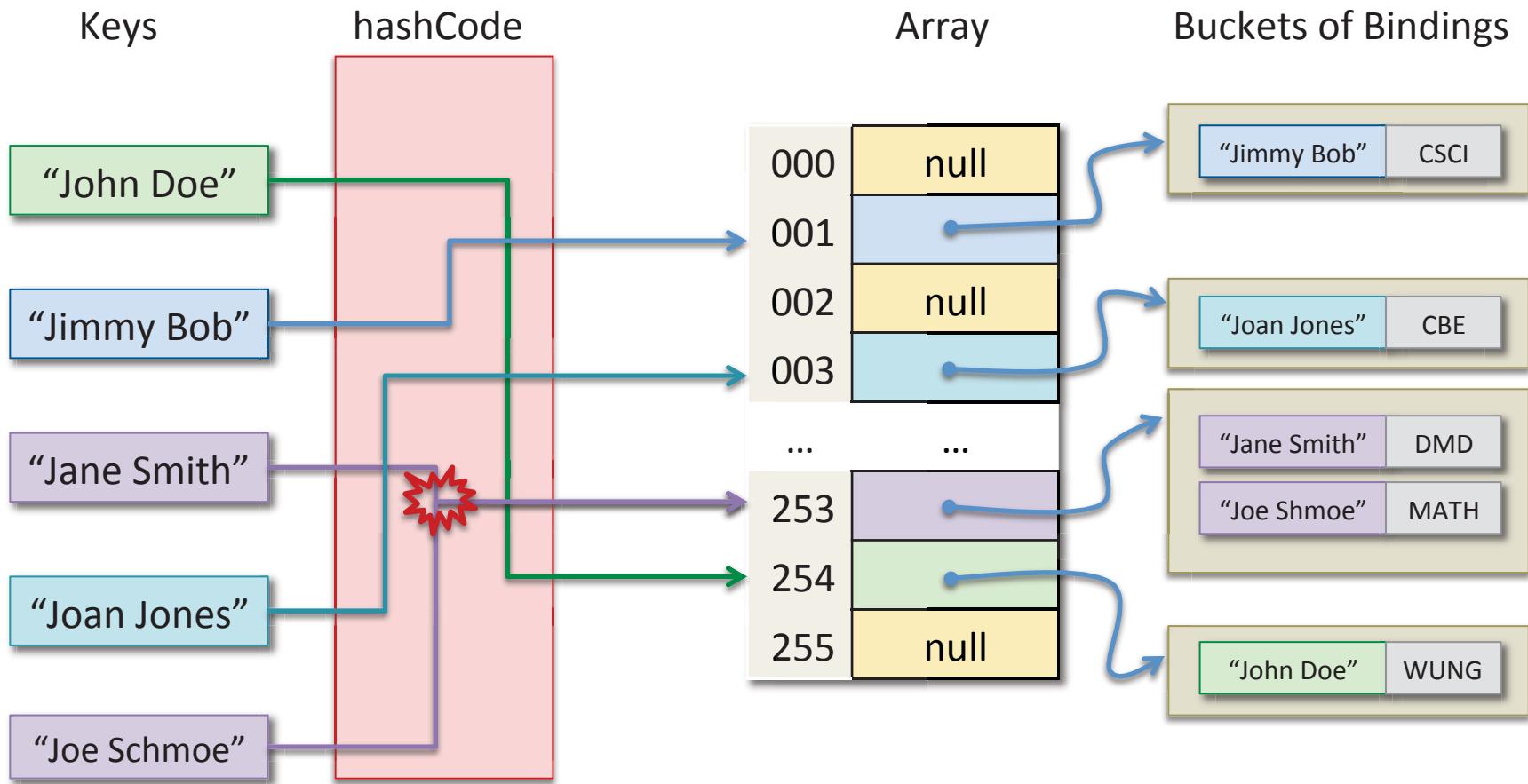
A schematic HashMap taking Strings (student names) to Undergraduate Majors. The hashCode takes each string name to an integer code, which we then take “mod 256” to get an array index between 0 and 255.

For example, “John Doe”.hashCode() mod 256 is 254.

Hash Collisions

- Uh Oh: Indices derived via hashing may not be unique!
“Jane Smith”.hashCode() % 256 → 253
“Joe Schmoe”.hashCode() % 256 → 253
- Good hashCode functions make it *unlikely* that two keys will produce the same hash
- But, it can still sometimes happen that two keys produce the same index – that is, their hashes *collide*

Bucketing and Collisions



Here, "Jane Smith".hashCode() and "Joe Schmoe".hashCode() happen to collide. The *bucket* at the corresponding index of the Hash Map array stores the map data.

Bucketing and Collisions

- Using an array of *buckets*
 - Each bucket stores the mappings for keys that have the same hash.
 - Each bucket is itself a map from keys to values (implemented by a linked list or binary search tree).
 - The buckets can't use hashing to index the values – instead they use key equality (via the key's equals method)
- To look up a key in the Hash Map:
 1. Find the right bucket by indexing the array through the key's hash
 2. Search linearly through the bucket contents to find the value associated with the key
- Not the only solution to the collision problem

Hashing and User-defined Classes

```
public class Point {  
    private final int x;  
    private final int y;  
    public Point(int x, int y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }  
    public int getX() { return x; }  
    public int getY() { return y; }  
}  
  
// somewhere else...  
Map<Point, String> m = new HashMap<Point, String>();  
m.put(new Point(1,2), "House");  
System.out.println(m.containsKey(new Point(1,2)));
```

What gets printed to the console?

1. true
2. false
3. I have no idea

ANSWER: 2 – hashCode
not implemented

HashCode Requirements

Whenever you override `equals` you must also override `hashCode` in a consistent way:

- whenever `o1.equals(o2) == true` you must ensure that `o1.hashCode() == o2.hashCode()`

Why? Because comparing hashes is supposed to be a quick approximation for equality.

- Note: the converse does not have to hold:
 - `o1.hashCode() == o2.hashCode()` does *not* necessarily mean that `o1.equals(o2)`

Example for Point

```
public class Point {  
    @Override  
    public int hashCode() {  
        final int prime = 31;  
        int result = 1;  
        result = prime * result + x;  
        result = prime * result + y;  
        return result;  
    }  
}
```

- Examples:
 - (new Point(1,2)).hashCode() yields 994
 - (new Point(2,1)).hashCode() yields 1024
- Note that equal points (in the sense of `equals`) have the same `hashCode`
- Why 31? Prime chosen to create more uniform distribution
- Note: Tools (e.g. eclipse) can *generate* this code

Recipe: Computing Hashes

- What is a good recipe for computing hash values for your own classes?
 - intuition: “smear” the data throughout all the bits of the resulting



1. Start with some constant, arbitrary, non-zero int in **result**.
2. For each significant field **f** of the class (i.e. each field taken into account when computing equals), compute a “sub” hash code **C** for the field:
 - For boolean fields: `(f ? 1 : 0)`
 - For byte, char, int, short: `(int) f`
 - For long: `(int) (f ^ (f >>> 32))`
 - For references: 0 if the reference is null, otherwise use the `hashCode()` of the field.
3. Accumulate those subhashes into the result by doing (for each field’s **C**):
`result = prime * result + c;`
4. return **result**

Hash Map Performance

- Hash Maps can be used to efficiently implement Maps and Sets
 - There are many different strategies for dealing with hash collisions with various time/space tradeoffs
 - Real implementations also dynamically rescale the size of the array (which might require re-computing the bucket contents)
 - See CIS 121 for more info!
- If the hashCode function gives a good (close to uniform) distribution of hashes, the buckets are expected to be small (only one or two elements)
- If the hashCode function gives a bad distribution (e.g. return 0;), the buckets will be large (and performance will be bad)
- Performance depends on workload

NOTE: Terminological Clash

- The word "hash" is also used in *cryptography*
 - SHA-1, SHA-2, SHA-3, MD5, etc.
- All hash functions reduce large objects to short summaries
- Cryptographic hashes have some extra requirements:
 - Are "one way" (i.e. very hard to *invert*)
 - Should only very rarely have collisions
 - Are considerably more expensive to compute than hashCode (so not suitable for hash tables)
- Never use hashCode when you need a cryptographic hash!
 - See CIS 331 for more details



Hashing: take away lessons

equals

hashCode

compareTo

Collections Requirements

- All collections invoke `equals` method on elements
 - Defaults to `==` (reference equality)
 - Override `equals` to create structural equality
 - Should always be an equivalence relation: reflexive, symmetric, transitive
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 - Override when `equals` is overridden
 - Should be “compatible” with `equals`
 - Should try to distribute hash codes uniformly
 - Iterators are not guaranteed to follow order of hashCodes
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 - Provide `compareTo` method
 - Should implement a *total order*
 - Should be compatible with `equals`
 - (i.e. `o1.equals(o2)` exactly when `o1.compareTo(o2) == 0`)

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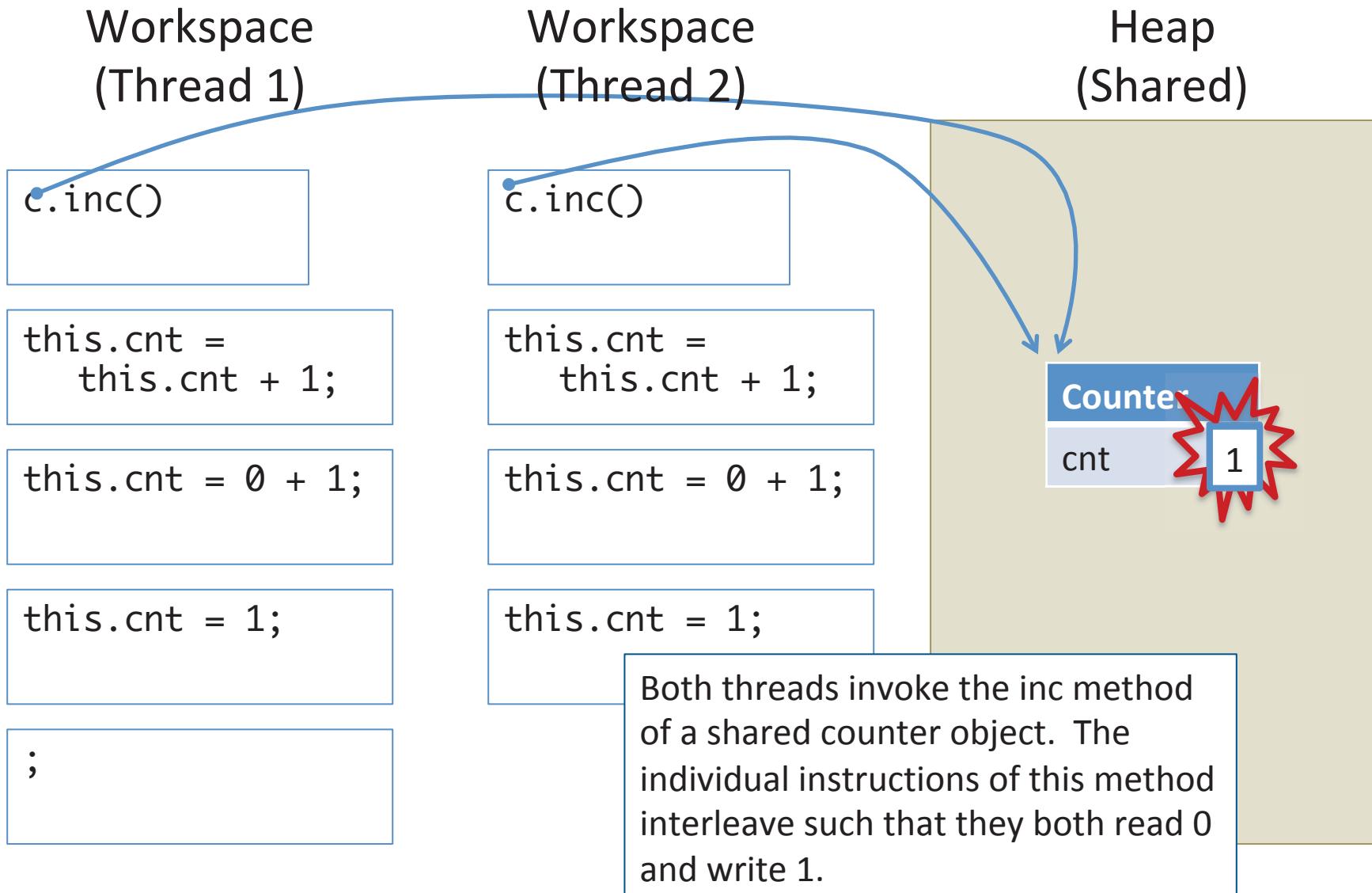
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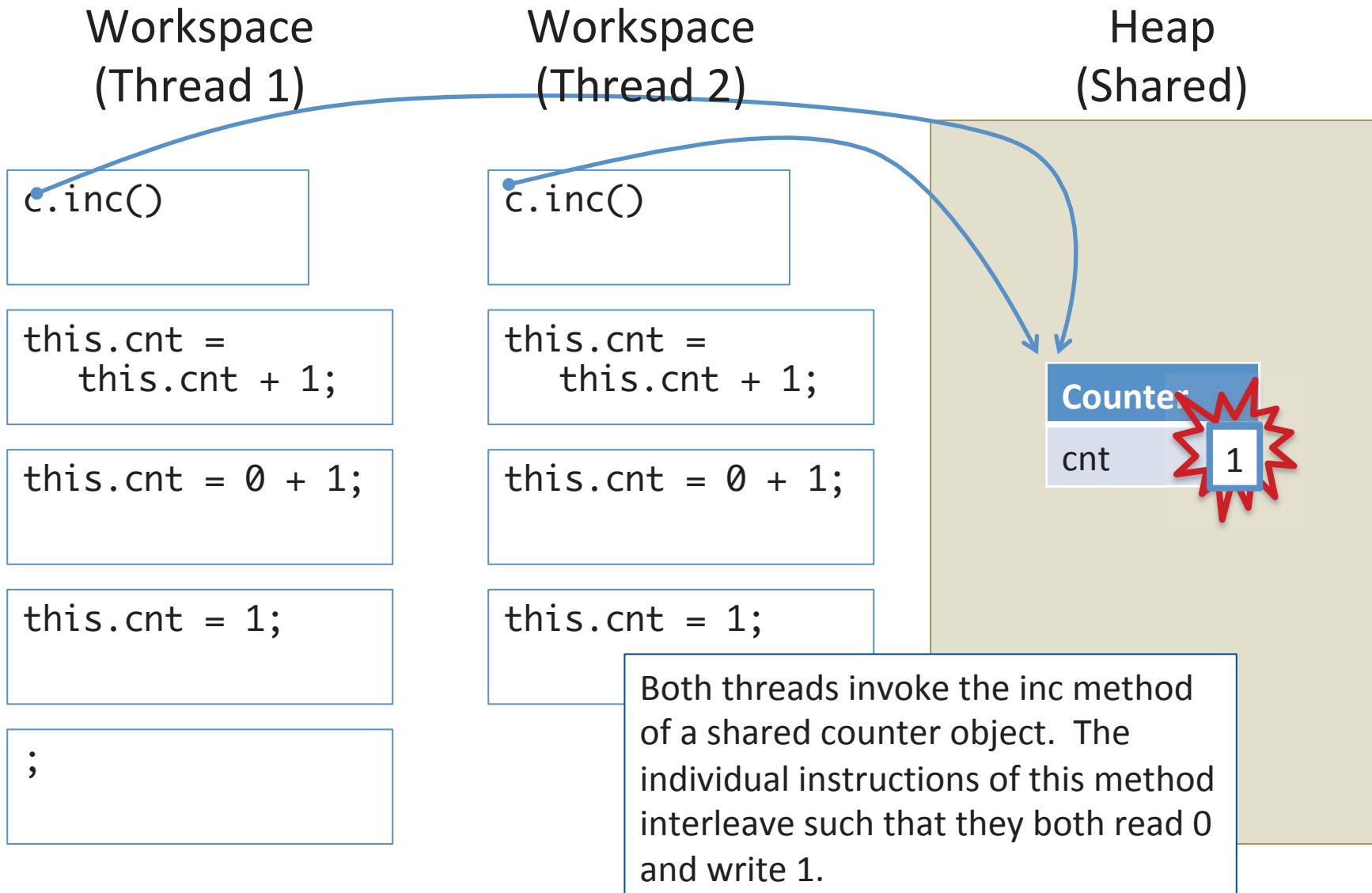
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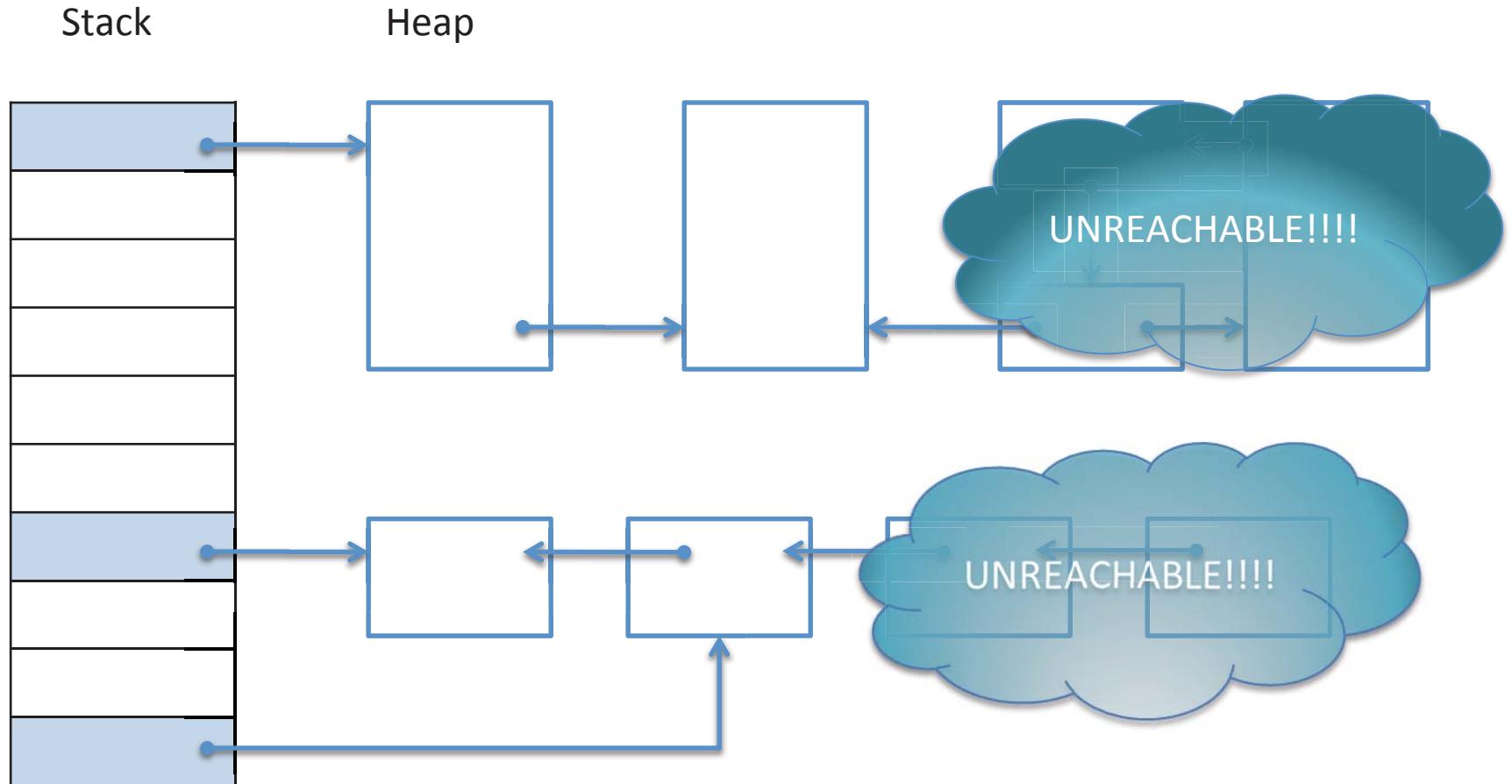
See manmem.c

Why Garbage Collection?

- Manual memory management is cumbersome & error prone:
 - Freeing the same reference twice is ill defined (crashes or other bugs)
 - Explicit free isn't modular: To properly free all allocated memory, the programmer has to know what code “owns” each object. Owner code must ensure free is called just once.
 - Not calling free leads to *space leaks*: memory never reclaimed
 - Many examples of space leaks in long-running programs
- Garbage collection:
 - Have the language runtime system determine when an allocated chunk of memory will no longer be used and free it automatically.
 - Extremely convenient and safe
 - Garbage collection does impose costs (performance, predictability)

Graph of Objects in the Heap

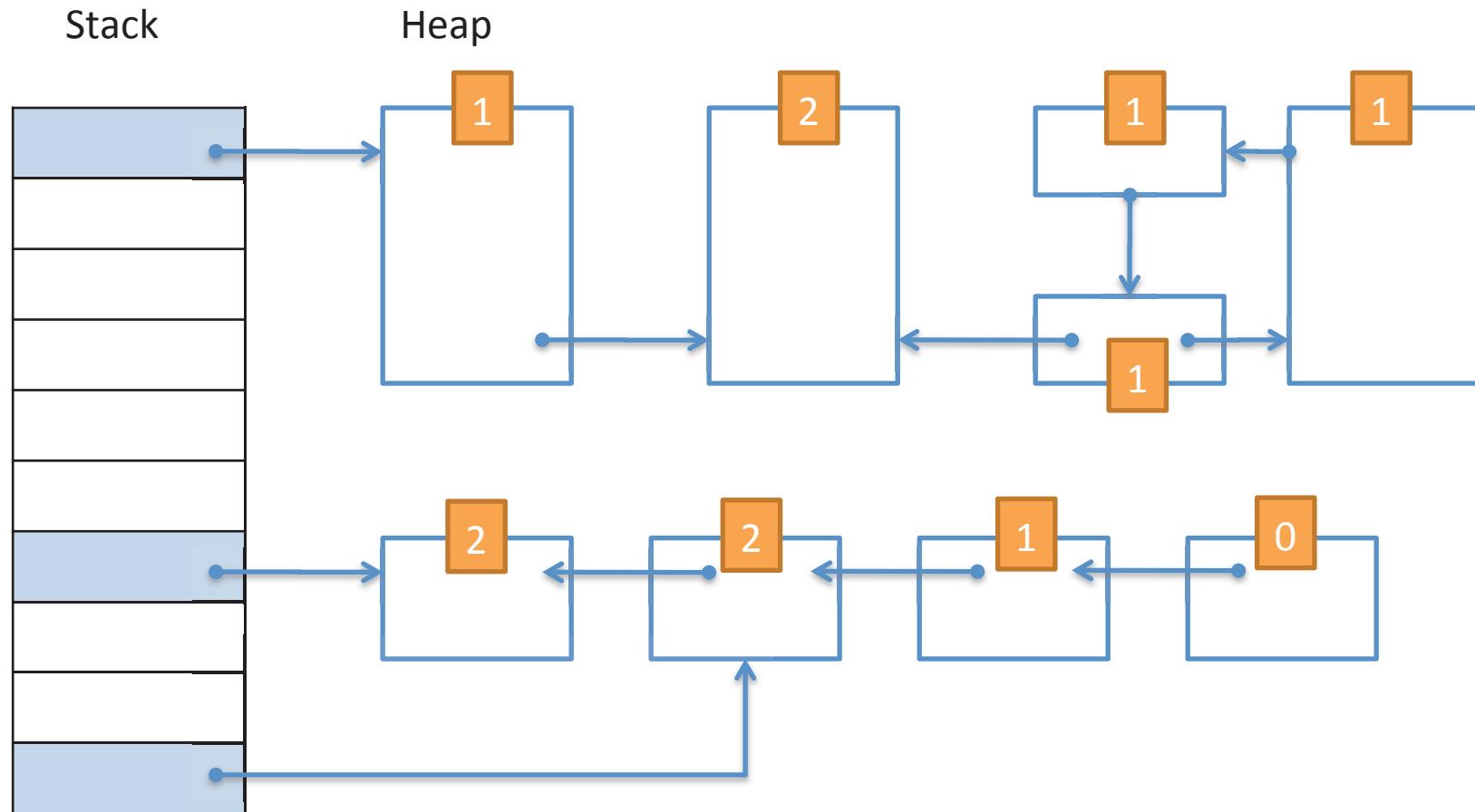
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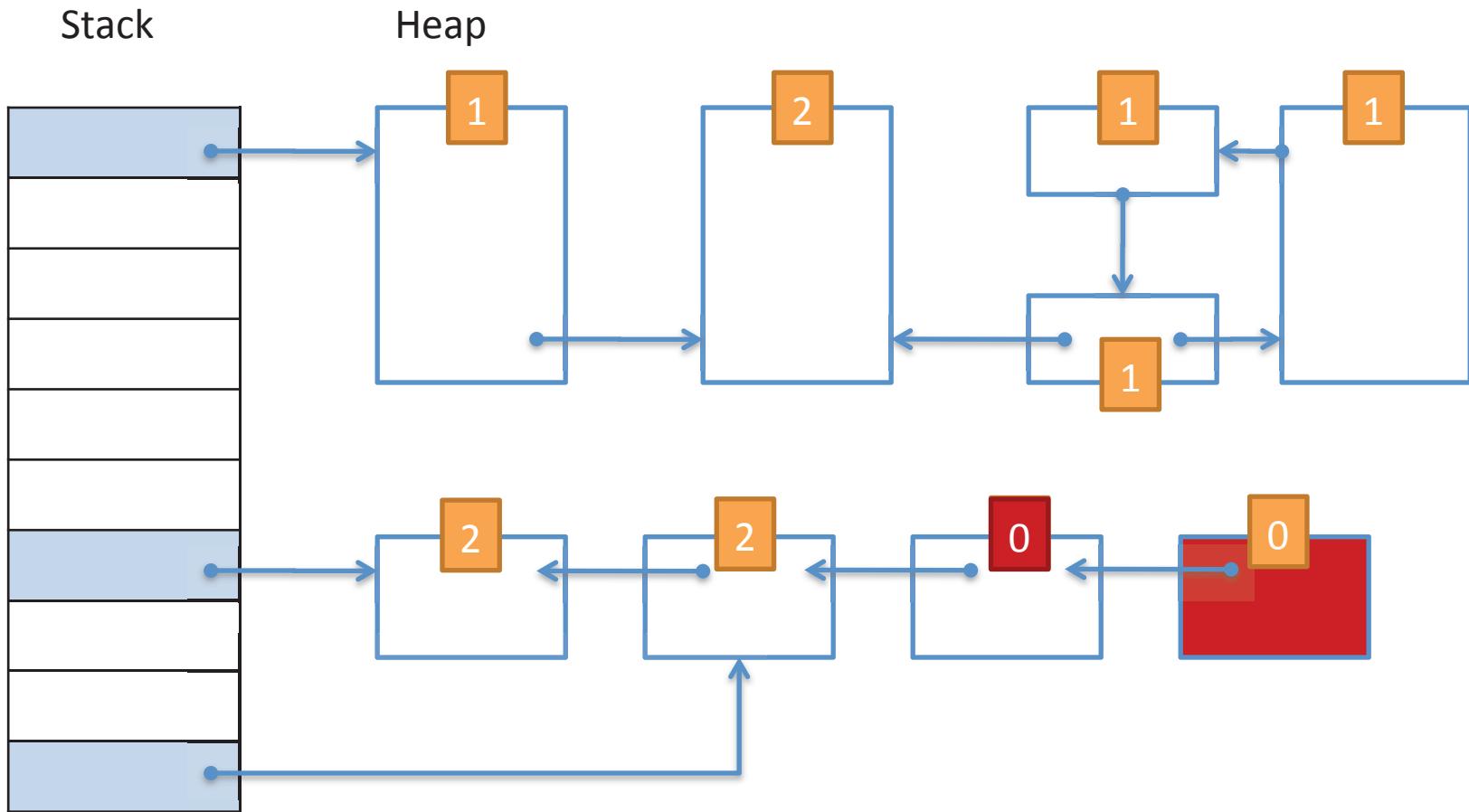
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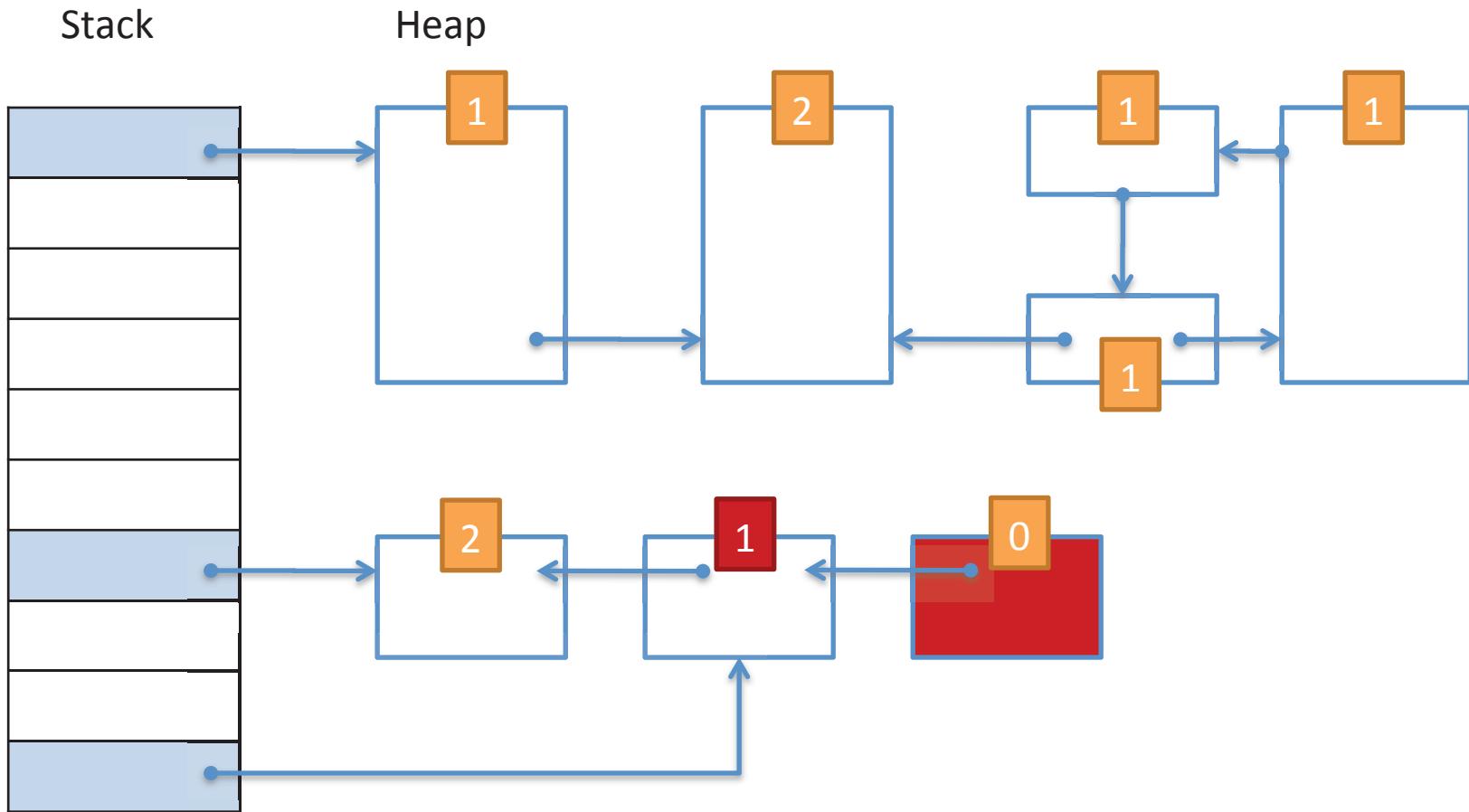
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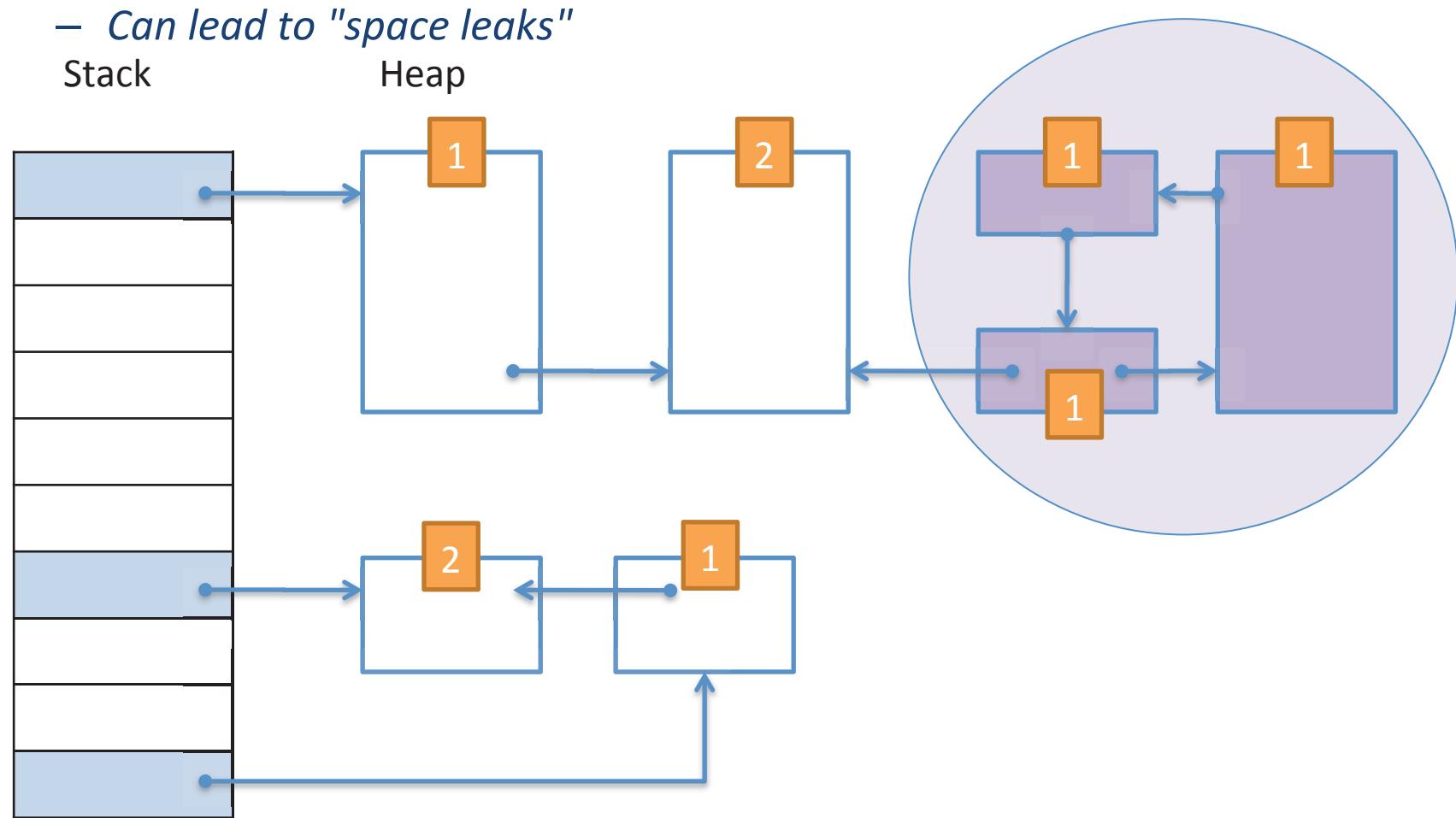
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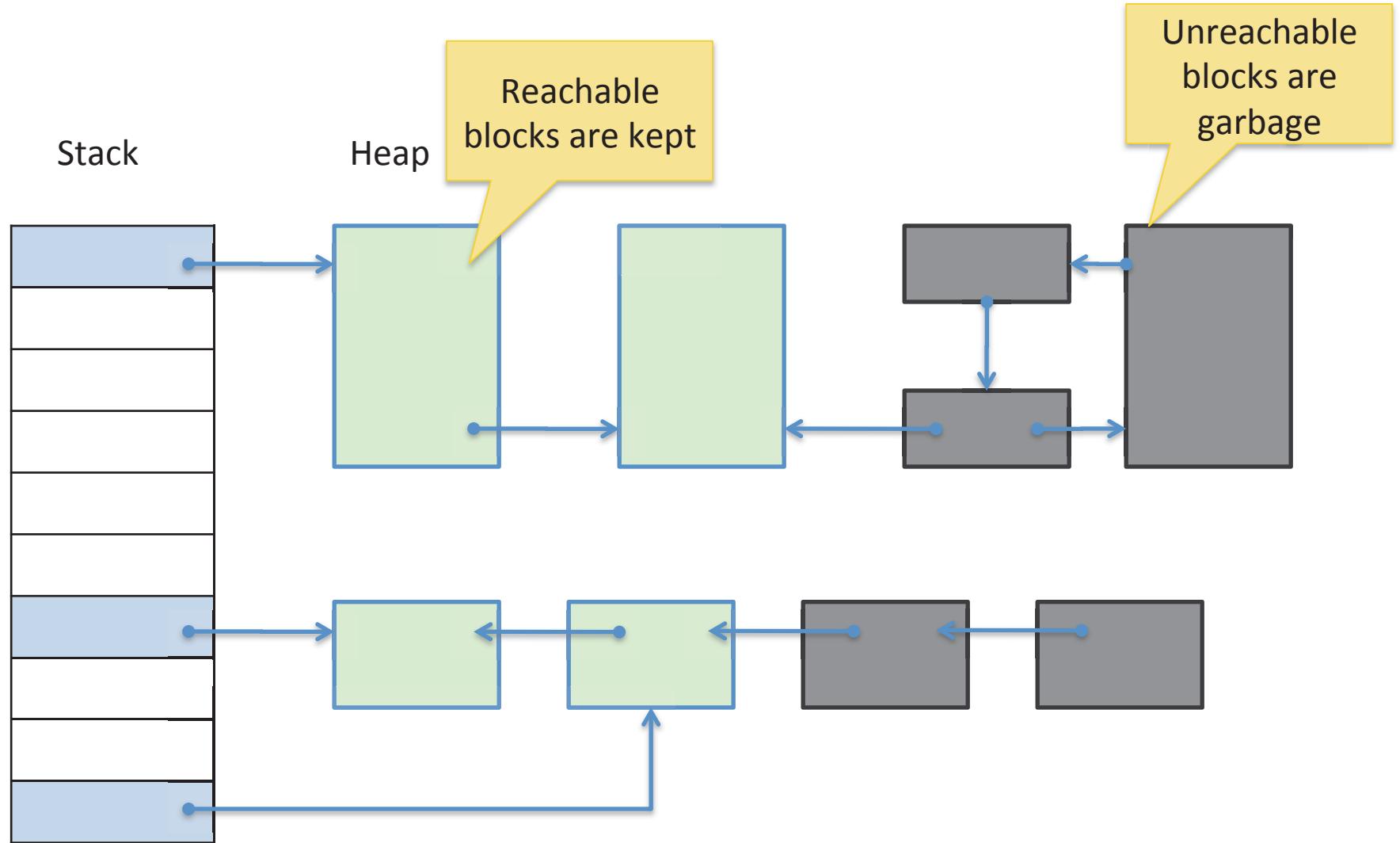
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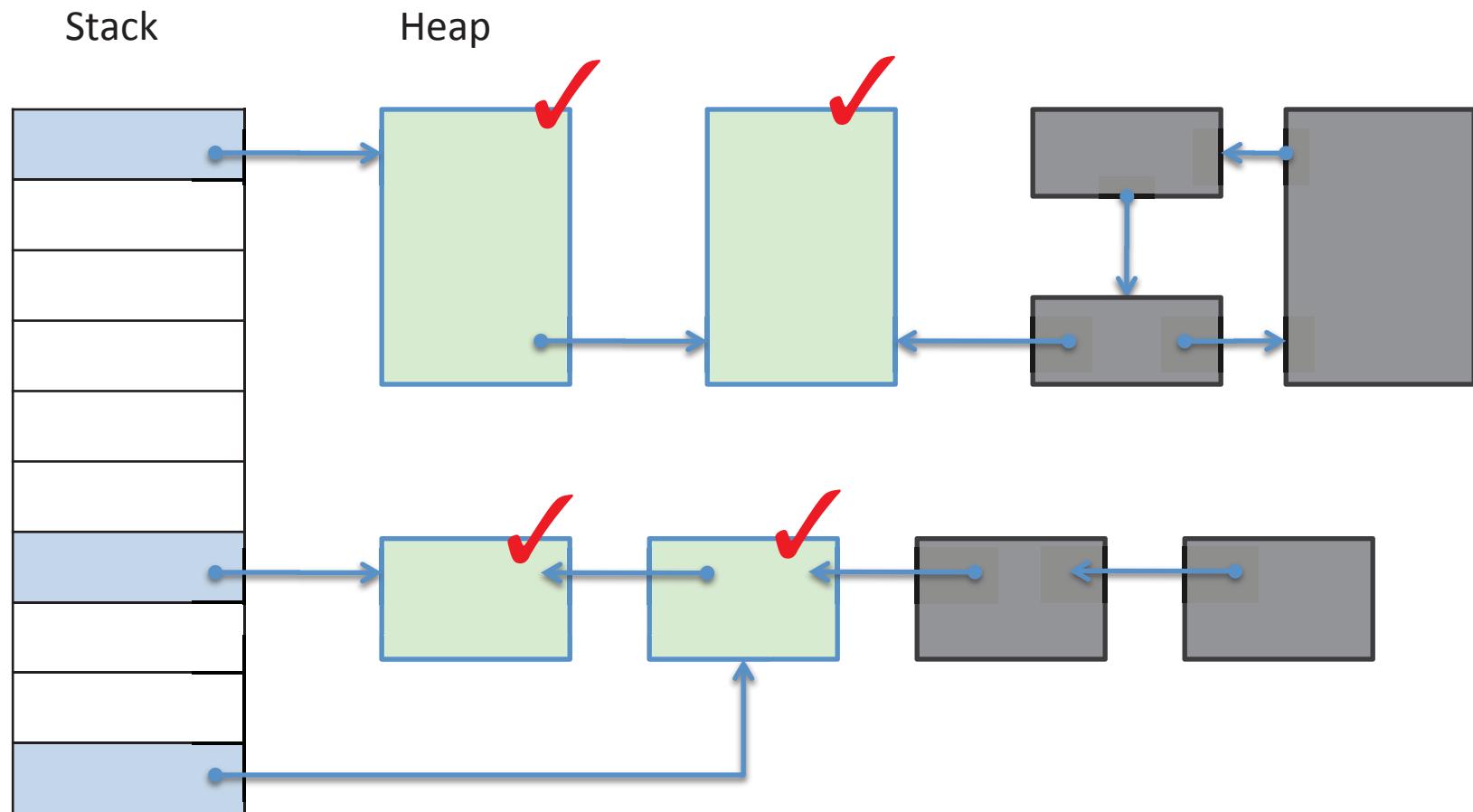
- Classic algorithm with two phases:
- Phase 1: Mark
 - Start from the roots
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- Phase 2: Sweep
 - Walk over *all* allocated objects and check for marks.
 - Unmarked objects are reclaimed.
 - Marked objects have their marks cleared.
 - Optional: compact all live objects in heap by moving them adjacent to one another. (Needs extra work & indirection to “patch up” references)
- (In practice much more complex: "generational GC")

Results of Marking Graph



Second Phase: Drop "Unreachable"

- Sweep over all objects, dropping the ones marked as unreachable and keeping the ones marked reachable.



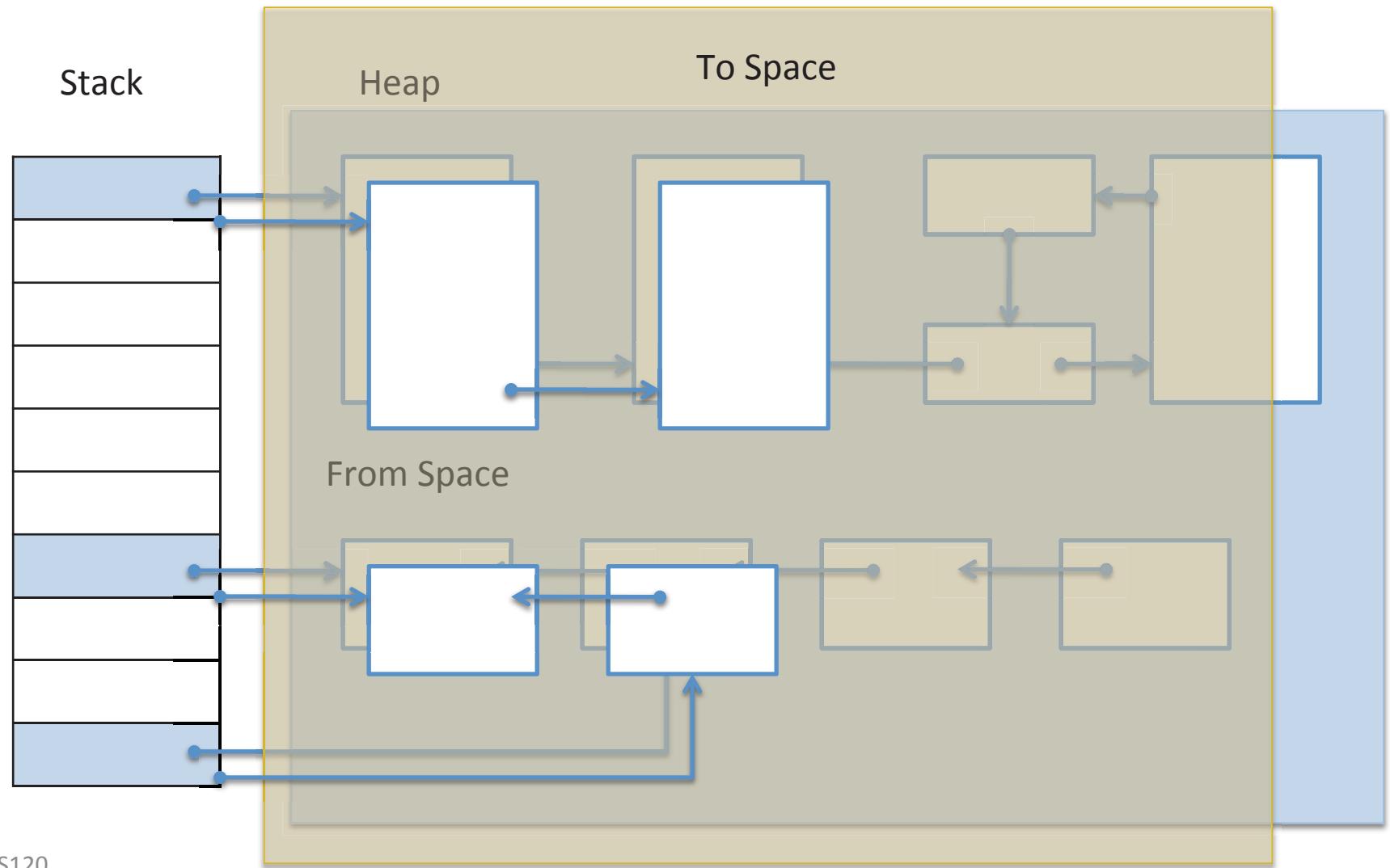
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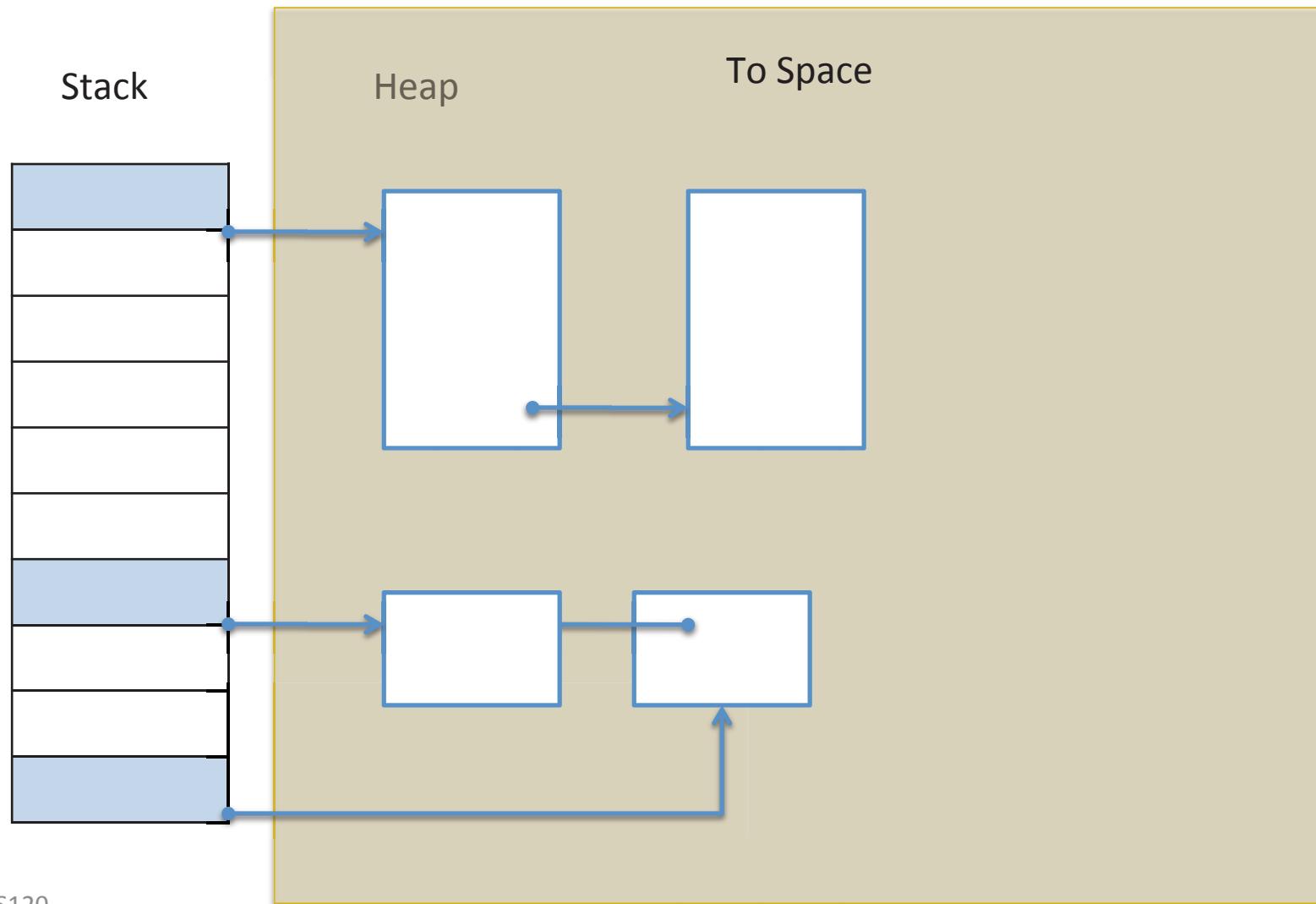
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- Like mark & sweep: collects all garbage.
- Basic idea: use *two* regions of memory
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- Garbage collection algorithm:
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Copy from "From" to "To"



Discard the "From Space"



GCDemo

See GCTest.java

Garbage Collection Take Aways

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- Sometimes can affect performance:
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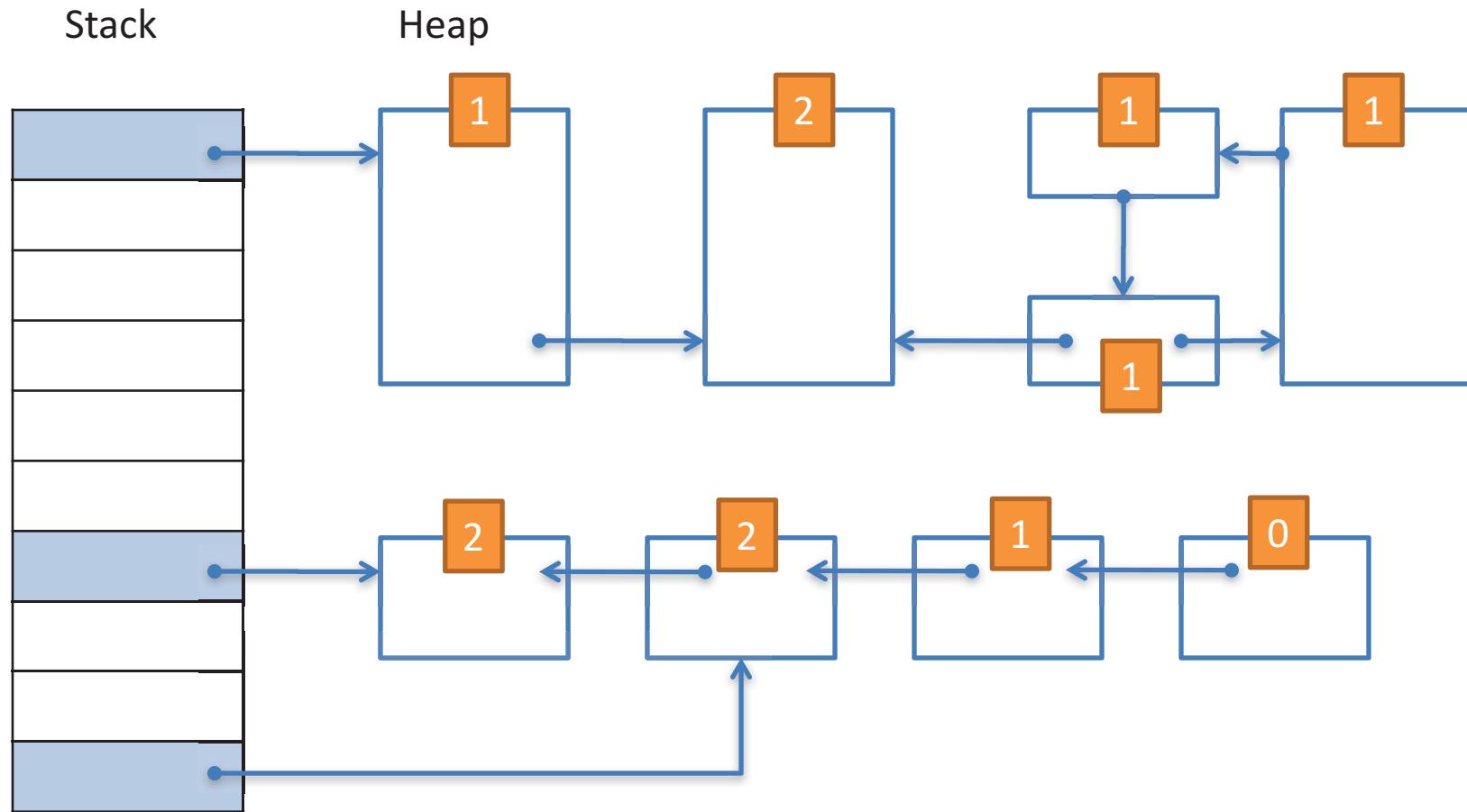
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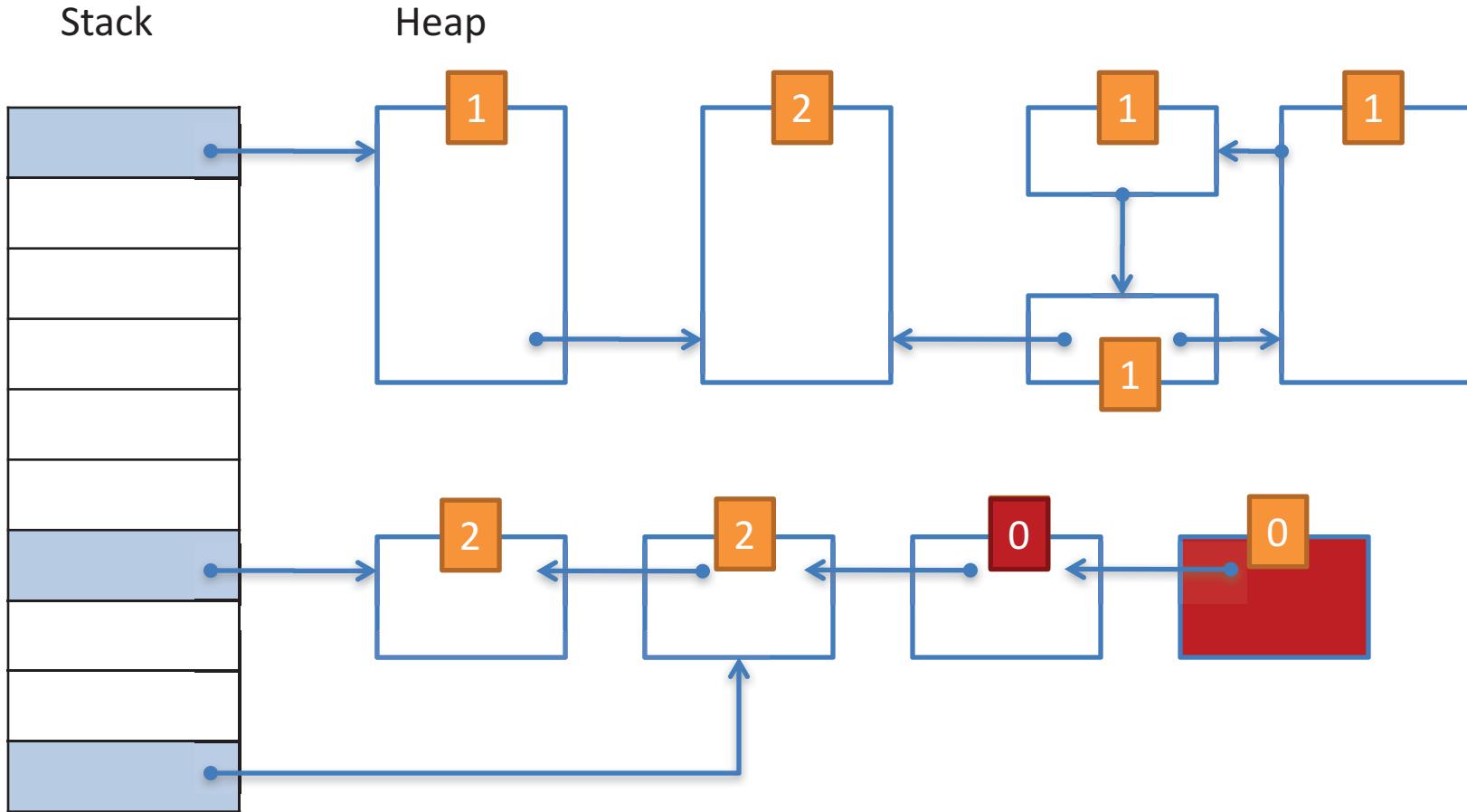
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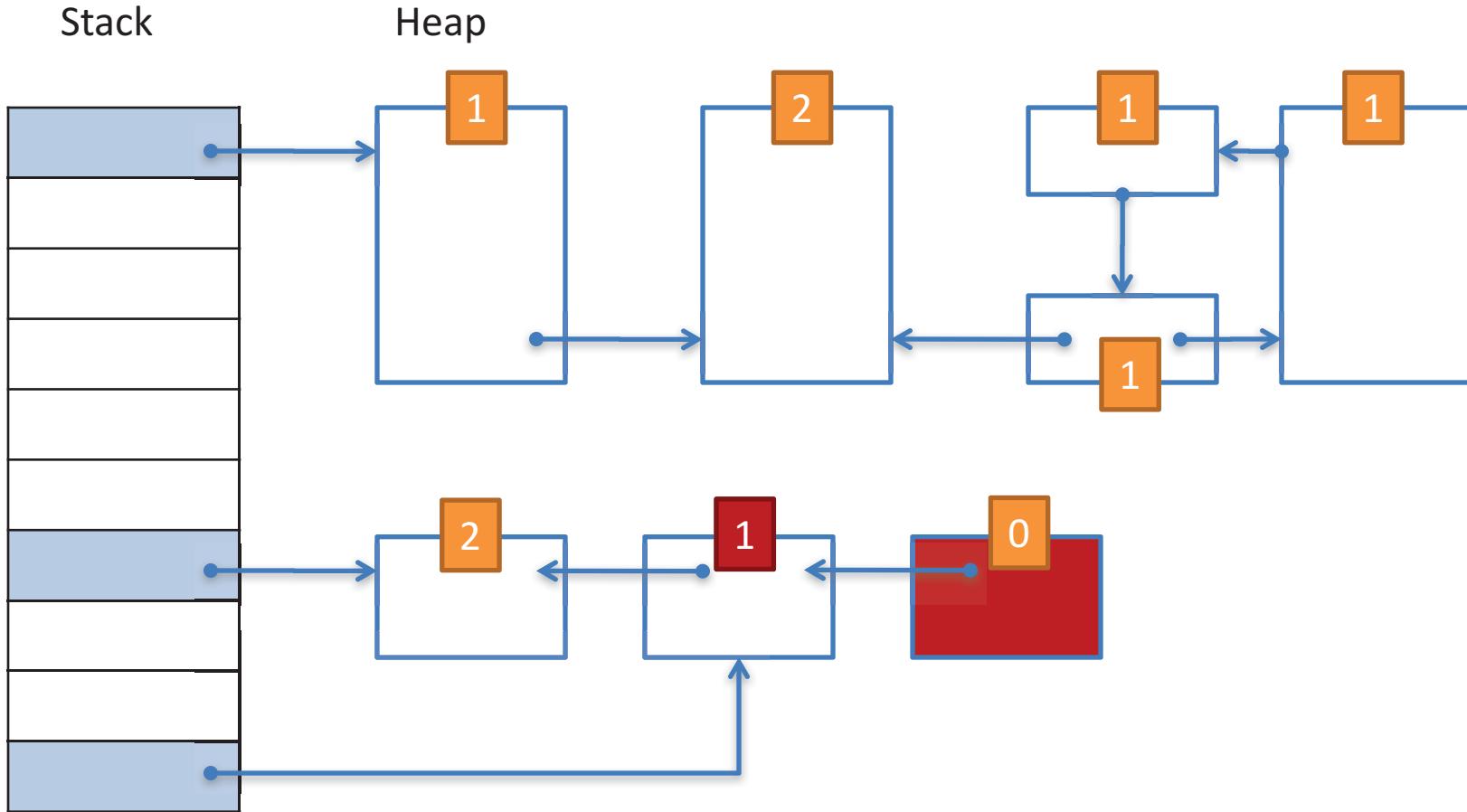
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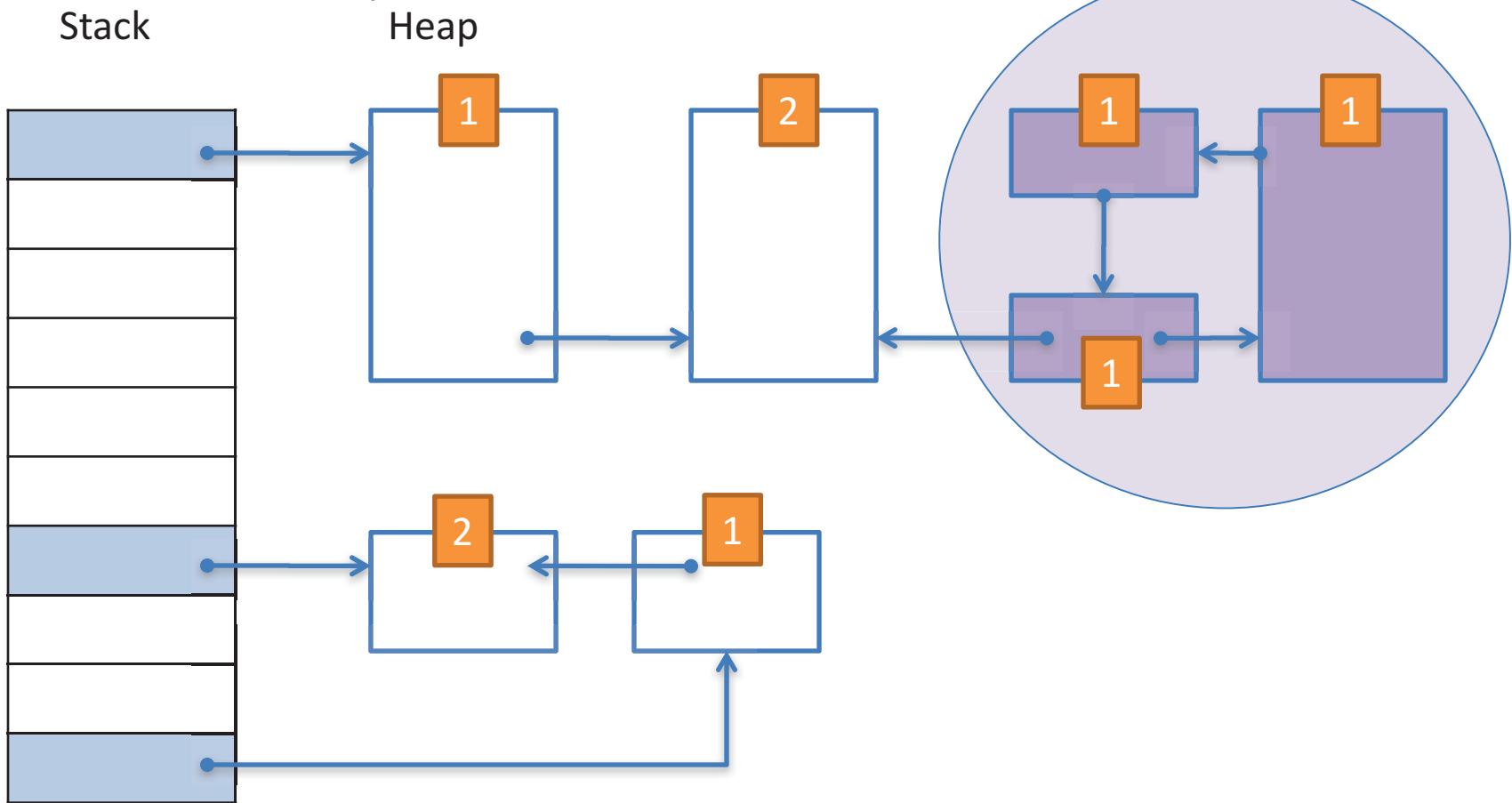
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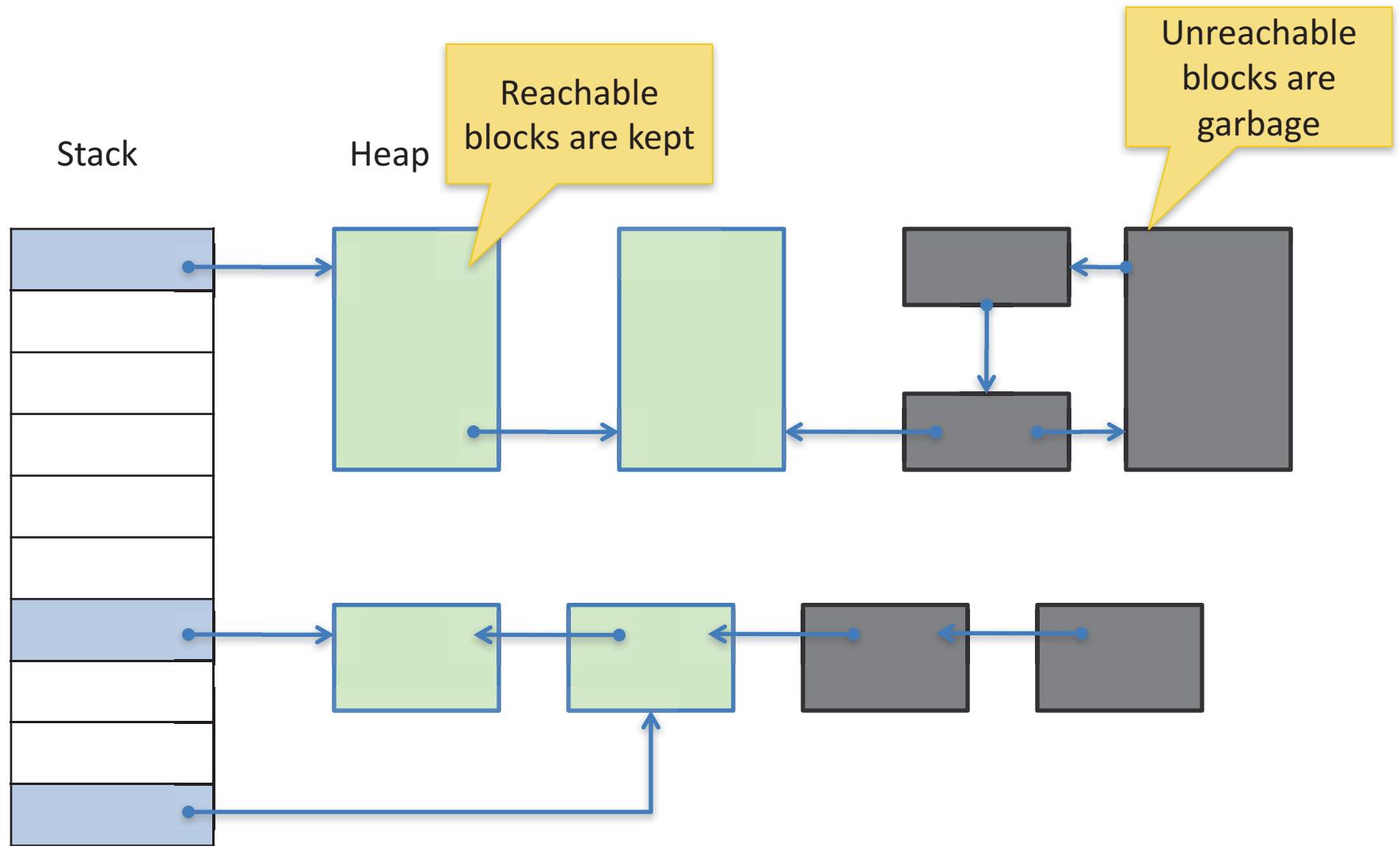
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Mark and Sweep Garbage Collection

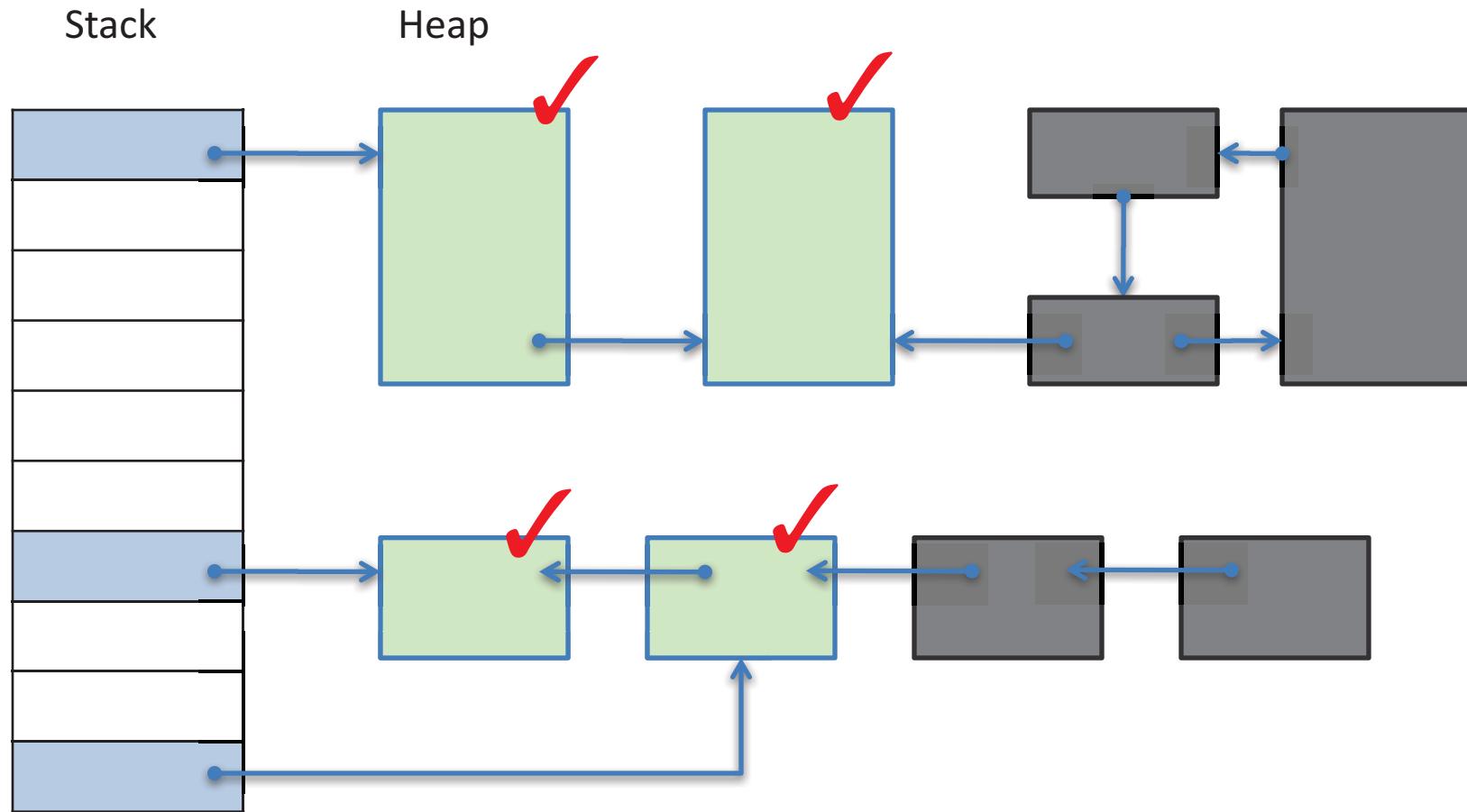
- Classic algorithm with two phases:
- Phase 1: Mark
 - Start from the roots
 - Do depth-first traversal, marking every object reached.
- Phase 2: Sweep
 - Walk over *all* allocated objects and check for marks.
 - Unmarked objects are reclaimed.
 - Marked objects have their marks cleared.
 - Optional: compact all live objects in heap by moving them adjacent to one another. (Needs extra work & indirection to “patch up” references)
- (In practice much more complex: "generational GC")

Results of Marking Graph



Second Phase: Drop "Unreachable"

- Sweep over all objects, dropping the ones marked as unreachable and keeping the ones marked reachable.



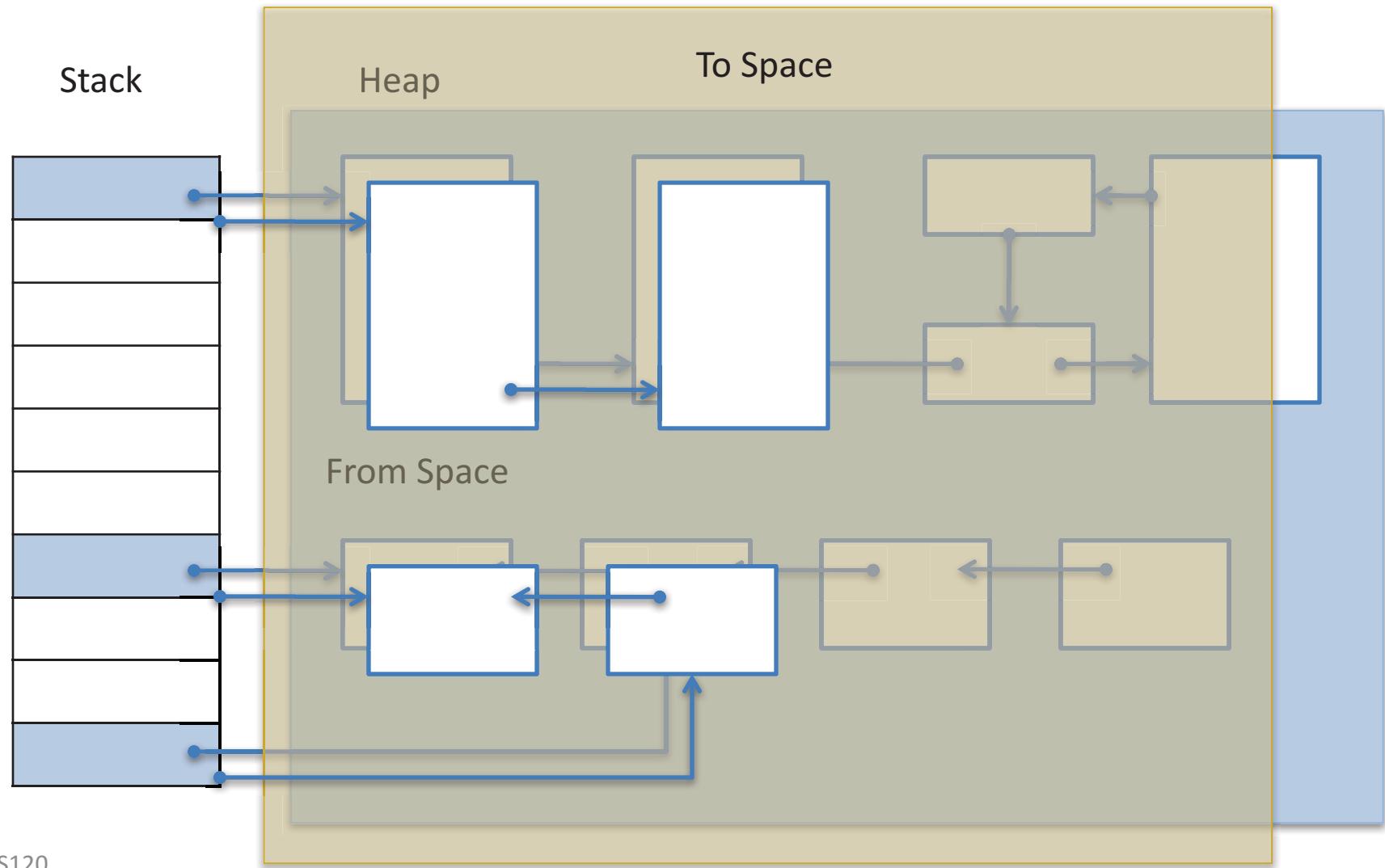
Costs & Implications

- Need to generalize to account for objects that have multiple outgoing pointers.
- Mark & Sweep algorithm reads all memory in use by the program (even if it's garbage!)
 - Running time is proportional to the total amount of allocated memory (both live and garbage).
 - Can pause the programs for long times during garbage collection.

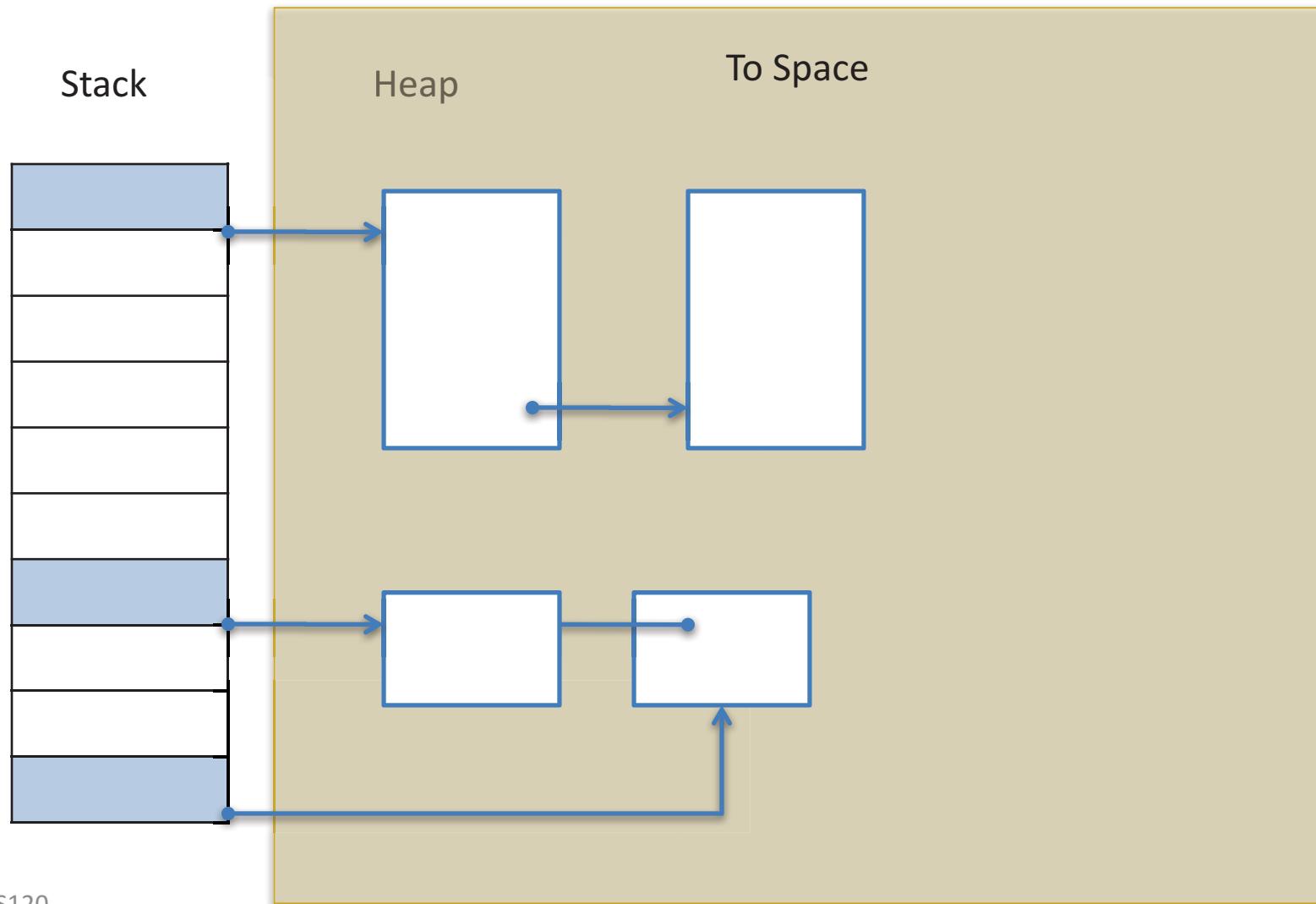
Copying Garbage Collection

- Like mark & sweep: collects all garbage.
- Basic idea: use *two* regions of memory
 - One region is the memory in use by the program. New allocation happens in this region.
 - Other region is idle until the GC requires it.
- Garbage collection algorithm:
 - Traverse over live objects in the active region (called the “*from-space*”), copying them to the idle region (called the “*to-space*”).
 - After copying all reachable data, switch the roles of the from-space and to-space.
 - All dead objects in the (old) from-space are discarded en masse.
 - A side effect of copying is that all live objects are compacted together.

Copy from "From" to "To"



Discard the "From Space"



GCDemo

See GCTest.java

Garbage Collection Take Aways

- Big idea: the Java runtime system tries to free-up as much memory as it can automatically.
 - Almost always a big win, in terms of convenience and reliability
- Sometimes can affect performance:
 - Lots of dead objects might take a long time to collect
 - When garbage collection will be triggered can be hard to predict, so there can be “pauses” (modern GC implementations try to avoid this!)
 - Global data structures can have references to “zombie” objects that won’t be used, but are still reachable ⇒ “space leak”.
- There are many advanced programming techniques to address these issues:
 - Configuring the GC parameters
 - Explicitly triggering a GC phase
 - “Weak” references

Java 1.8 Functional Programming and Lambdas

or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love
Functional Programming in Java

(See PaintF.java)

Problem – Boilerplate Code in Java

- Using anonymous inner classes (Not great, but better than named classes)

```
quit.addActionListener(new ActionListener() {  
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {  
        System.exit(0);  
    }  
});
```

- Using Lambdas (Much better!)

```
quit.addActionListener(e ->  
    System.exit(0)  
);
```

Lambdas – Why and What?

- Often implementation of anonymous classes is simple (e.g., an interface that contains only one method)
- Usually trying to pass functionality as an argument to another method, such as what action should be taken when someone clicks a button.
- Lambda expressions enable you to do this, to treat functionality as method argument, or code as data.
- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/lambdaexpressions.html>

Lambdas – Why and What?

- Helps create instances of single-method classes more easily
- Think of them as anonymous methods

```
thick.addItemListener(e -> {  
    if (e.getStateChange() == ItemEvent.SELECTED) {  
        stroke = thickStroke;  
    } else {  
        stroke = thinStroke;  
});
```

Method Argument(s)

```
SwingUtilities.invokeLater(() -> new PaintF());
```

Functional Programming + Streams

(See Streams.java)

I/O Streams

- The *stream* abstraction represents a communication channel with the outside world.
 - can be used to read or write a potentially unbounded number of data items (unlike a list)
 - data items are read from or written to a stream one at a time
- The Java I/O library uses subtyping to provide a unified view of disparate data sources and sinks.



Streams redux

- Use *streams* of elements to support functional-style operations on collections
- Key differences between streams and collections:
 - No storage (i.e., not a data structure)
 - Functional in nature (i.e., do not modify the source)
 - Possibly unbounded (i.e., computations on infinite streams can complete in finite time)
 - Consumable (i.e., similar to Iterator)
 - Laziness-seeking
 - “Find the first input String that begins with a vowel” doesn’t need to look at all Strings from the input

Creating Streams (1)

- From a [Collection](#) via the `stream()` and `parallelStream()` methods;
- From an array via [Arrays.stream\(Object\[\]\)](#);
- The lines of a file can be obtained from [BufferedReader.lines\(\)](#);
- Streams of file paths can be obtained from methods in [Files](#);
- Streams of random numbers can be obtained from [Random.ints\(\)](#);
- From static factory methods on the stream classes, such as [Stream.of\(Object\[\]\)](#), [IntStream.range\(int, int\)](#) or [Stream.iterate\(Object, UnaryOperator\)](#);
- Numerous other stream-bearing methods in the JDK, including [BitSet.stream\(\)](#), [Pattern.splitAsStream\(java.lang.CharSequence\)](#), and [JarFile.stream\(\)](#).

Creating Streams (2)

- Can create your own Low-Level Stream
- Similar to having a custom class like WordScanner that implements `Iterator`
- `Spliterator` – parallel analogue to `Iterator`
 - (Possibly infinite) Collection of elements
 - Support for:
 - Sequentially advancing elements (similar to `next()`)
 - Bulk Traversal (performs the given action for each remaining element, *sequentially* in the current thread)
 - Splitting off some portion of the input into another spliterator, which can be processed in *parallel* (much easier than doing threads manually!)

Streams Operations

- Intermediate (Stream-producing) operations
 - Similar to transform in Ocaml
 - Return a new stream
 - Always lazy
 - Traversal of the source does not begin until the terminal operation of the pipeline is executed
 - E.g., filter, map, sorted
- Terminal (value- or side-effect-producing) operations
 - Similar to fold in Ocaml
 - Produce a result or side-effect
 - E.g., forEach, reduce, findFirst, allMatch, max, min
- Combined to create Stream pipelines

Lambdas, Streams, Pipelines

- Beauty and Joy of functional programming, now in Java!

```
roster.stream()
    .filter(p ->
        p.getGender() == Person.Sex.MALE
        && p.getAge() >= 18
        && p.getAge() <= 25)
    .map(p -> p.getEmailAddress())
    .forEach(email -> System.out.println(email));
```

```
int sum = widgets.stream()
    .filter(b -> b.getColor() == RED)
    .mapToInt(b -> b.getWeight())
    .sum();
```

Functional Programming + Parallelism

(See Streams.java)

Functional Programming + Parallelism

- Parallelism by design in Java 1.8
 - Streams are functional in nature (i.e., do not modify the source)
 - Spliterator
- Much easier than doing it manually
 - No need for `synchronized`
 - No need for locks
 - Don't have to worry about race conditions!
- Use `parallelStream()` (instead of `stream()`)!
 - Java will automatically create the necessary threads and scale based on your computer's hardware

Sample Problem

- Given a list of numbers, find the sum of the squares of the numbers
- Iterative Approach**

```
int sum = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) {
    sum += list.get(i);
}
```

- Works, more likely to have bugs (off-by-one), harder to parallelize

Sample Problem

- Given a list of numbers, find the sum of the squares of the numbers
- **Functional Approach**
- Use `transform` and `fold` (aka `map` and `reduce` in Java)
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Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 40

December 11th, 2017

Semester Recap

Announcements 1

- Game Project Complete Code
 - Due: TONIGHT at midnight
- Schedule Grading Demo with your TAs!
 - You should have received an email
 - *30 point penalty if you miss your appointment and need to reschedule!*
 - *No points if you miss your appointment and do not reschedule.*
- Demo Days
 - Tuesday, December 12th noon – 2:00
 - Towne Building
 - Come take a look & you're welcome to demo your game!

Announcements 2

Final Exam:

- Friday, December 15th 6:00-8:00 PM
- 3 Locations:
 - Towne 100 Last Names A – G
 - Stiteler B6 Last Names H – Pa
 - Cohen G17 Last Names Pe -- Z

Exam Preparation

- *Comprehensive* exam over course concepts:
 - OCaml material (though we won't worry much about syntax)
 - All Java material (emphasizing material since midterm 2)
 - all course content *except lecture 33 (Code is data)*
- Closed book, but:
 - You may use one letter-sized, two-sided, *handwritten* sheet of notes during the exam.
- Mock Exam:
 - Wednesday, December 13th 6:00-8:00PM
 - Towne 100
 - See Piazza

CIS 120 Recap

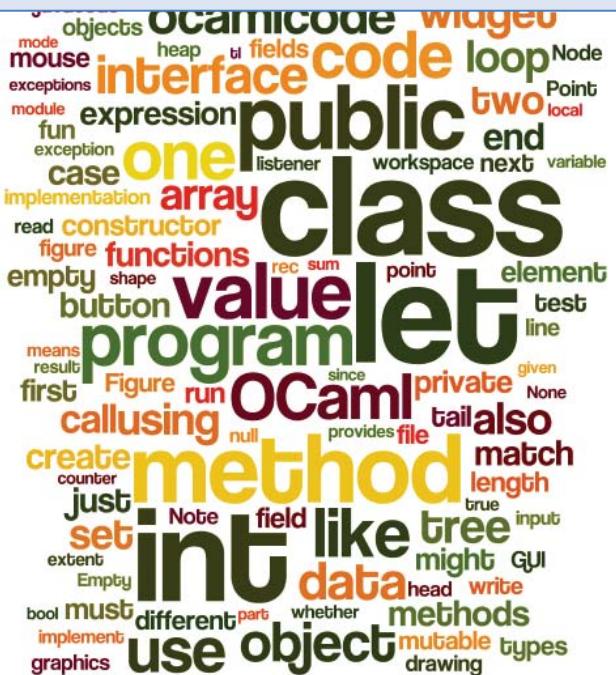
From Day 1

- CIS 120 is a course in **program design**
- Practical skills:
 - ability to write larger (~1000 lines) programs
 - increased independence ("working without a recipe")
 - test-driven development, principled debugging
- Conceptual foundations:
 - common data structures and algorithms
 - several different programming idioms
 - focus on modularity and compositionality
 - derived from first principles throughout
- It will be fun!



A word cloud centered around the word "function". Other words include Java, programming, elements, begin, need, reference, operations, unit, contains, way, event, window, stack, else, return, library, implements, classes, buttons, ASM, time, many, Displaceable, size.

Promise: A *challenging* but *rewarding* course.



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3. Sets and Maps
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CIS 120 Concepts

13 concepts in 39 lectures

Concept: Design Recipe

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What are the relevant concepts and how do they relate?

2. Formalize the interface

How should the program interact with its environment?

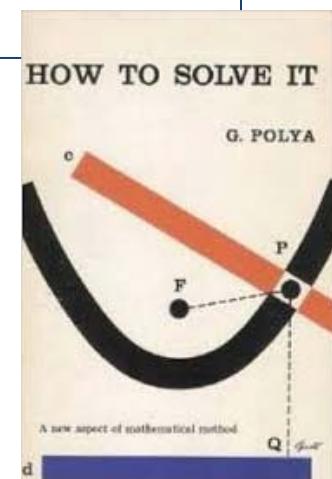
3. Write test cases

How does the program behave on typical inputs? On unusual ones? On erroneous ones?

4. Implement the required behavior

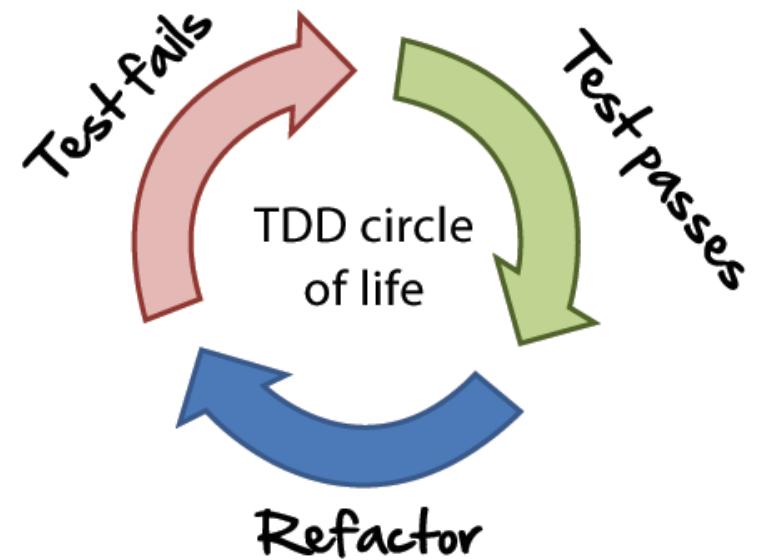
Often by decomposing the problem into simpler ones and applying the same recipe to each

"Solving problems", wrote Polya, "is a practical art, like swimming, or skiing, or playing the piano: You can learn it only by imitation and practice."



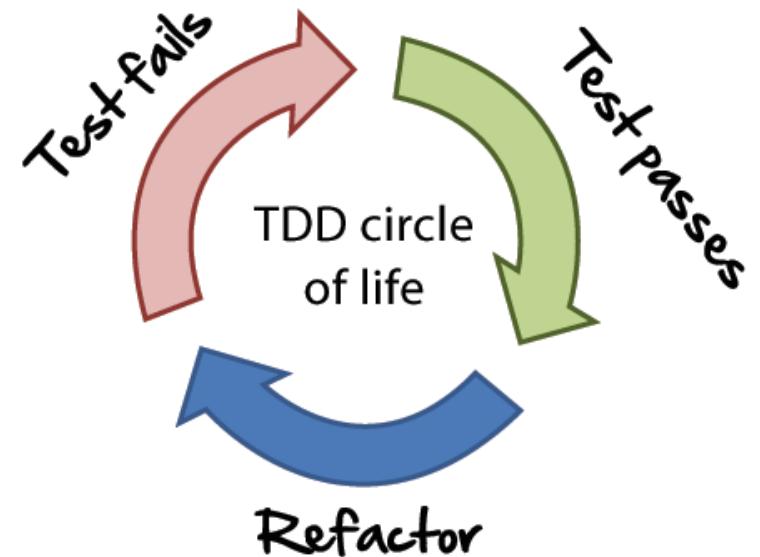
Testing

- Concept: Write tests *before* coding
 - "test first" methodology
- Examples:
 - Simple assertions for declarative programs (or subprograms)
 - Longer (and more) tests for stateful programs / subprograms
 - Informal tests for GUIs (can be automated through tools)
- Why?
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 - Industry practice; useful for coordinating teams



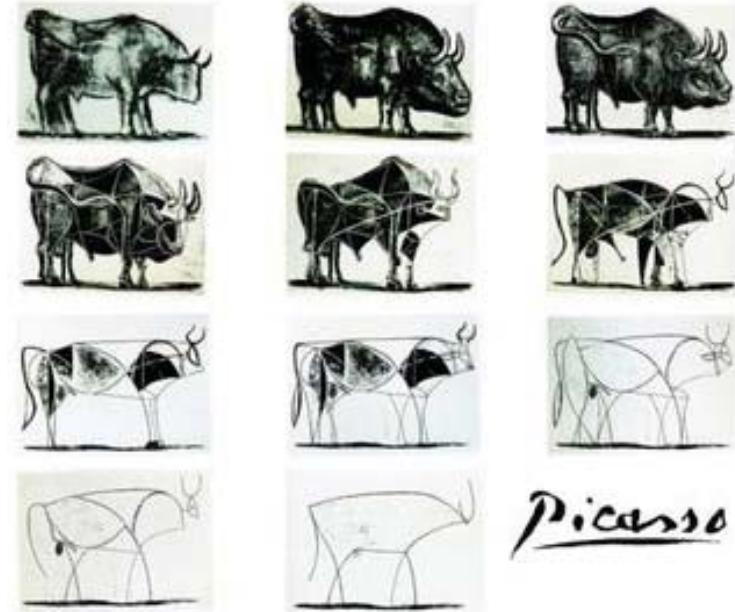
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Functional/Procedural Abstraction

- Concept: *Don't Repeat Yourself!*
 - Find ways to generalize code so it can be reused in multiple situations
- Examples: Functions/methods, generics, higher-order functions, interfaces, subtyping, abstract classes
- Why?
 - Duplicated functionality = duplicated bugs
 - Duplicated functionality = more bugs waiting to happen
 - Good abstractions make code easier to read, modify, maintain



Pablo Picasso, Bull (plates I - XI) 1945

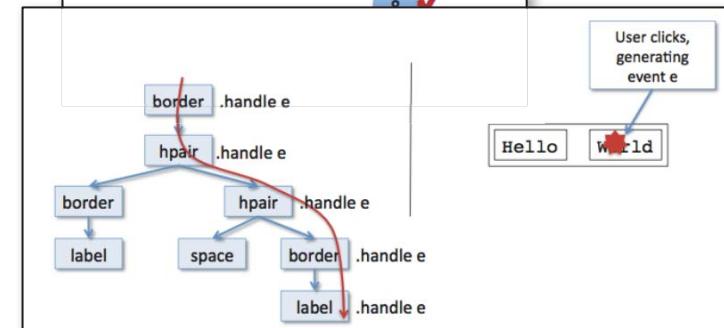
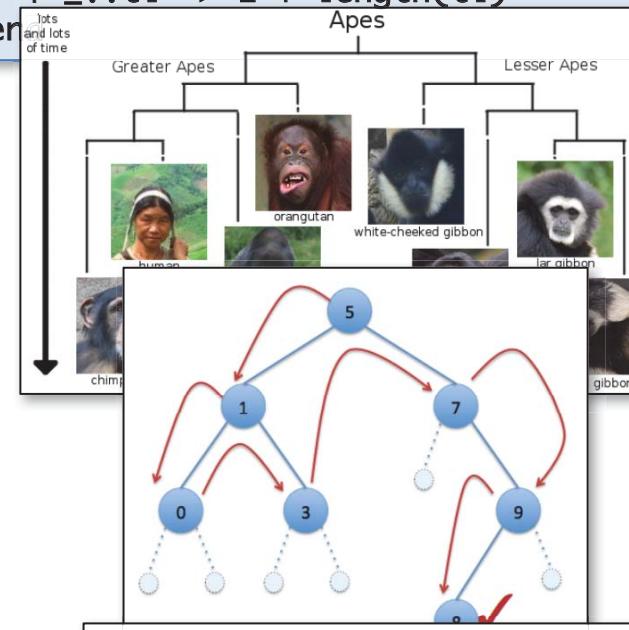
Persistent data structures

- Concept: Store data in *persistent, immutable* structures; implement computation as *transformations*. **Recursion** is the natural way of computing a function $f(t)$ when t belongs to an inductive data type:
 1. Determine the value of f for the base case(s).
 2. Compute f for larger cases by combining the results of recursively calling f on smaller cases.
 3. Same idea as mathematical induction (a la CIS 160)
- Examples: immutable lists and arrays, Images, Strings, Streams in Java
- Why?
 - Simple model of computation (no mutation)
 - Simple interface: Data structures don't have to remember their history (no communication between various parts of the program, all interfaces are explicit)
 - *Recursion* amenable to mathematical analysis (CIS 160/121)
 - Plays well with parallelism

Concept: Tree Structured data

- Lists (i.e. “unary” trees)
 - Simple binary trees
 - Trees with invariants: e.g. binary search trees
 - Widget trees: screen layout + event routing
 - Swing components
-
- Why? Trees are ubiquitous in CS!
 - file system organization
 - languages, compilers
 - domain name hierarchy www.google.com

```
let rec length (l:int list) : int =  
begin match l with  
| [] -> 0  
| _::tl -> 1 + length(tl)
```



First-class computation

- Concept: *code is a form of data* that can be defined by functions, methods, or objects (including anonymous ones), stored in data structures, and passed to other functions
- Examples: map, filter, fold (HW4), pixel transformers (HW6), event listeners (HW5, 7, 9)

```
cell.addMouseListener(new MouseAdapter() {  
    public void selectCell(MouseEvent e) {  
        selectCell(cell);  
    }  
});
```

- Why?
 - Powerful tool for abstraction: can factor out design patterns that differ only in certain computations
 - Heavily used for reactive programming, where data structures store "reactions" to various events

Types, Generics, and Subtyping

- Concept: *Static type systems* prevent errors. Every expression has a static type, and OCaml/Java use the types to rule out buggy programs. *Generics* and *subtyping* make types more flexible and allow for better code reuse.

```
let rec contains (x:'a) (l:'a list) : bool =
  begin match l with
    | [] -> false
    | h::tl -> x = a || (contains x tl)
  end
```

- Why?
 - Easier to fix problems indicated by a type error than to write a test case and then figure out why the test case fails
 - Promotes refactoring: type checking ensures that basic invariants about the program are maintained

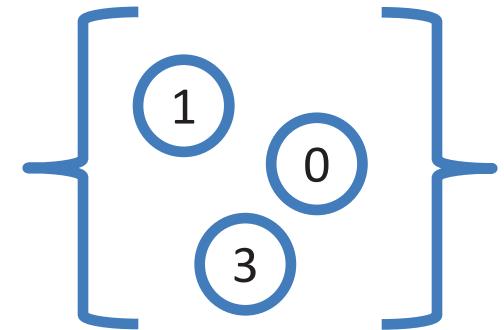
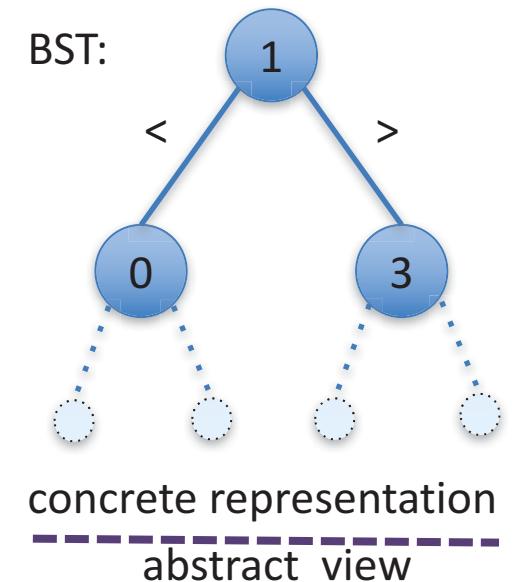
Abstract types and encapsulation

- Concept: *Type abstraction* hides the actual implementation of a data structure, describes a data structure by its interface (what it does vs. how it is represented), supports reasoning with invariants
- Examples: Set/Map interface (HW3), queues in and access

Invariants are a crucial tool for reasoning about data structures:

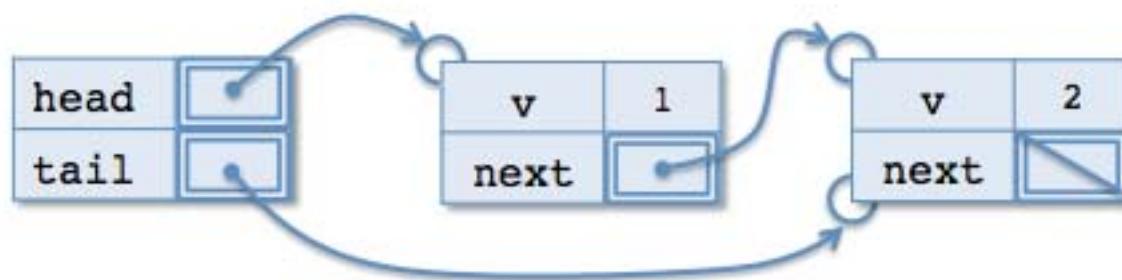
- Establish the invariants when you create the structure.
- Preserve the invariants when you modify the structure.

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Mutable data

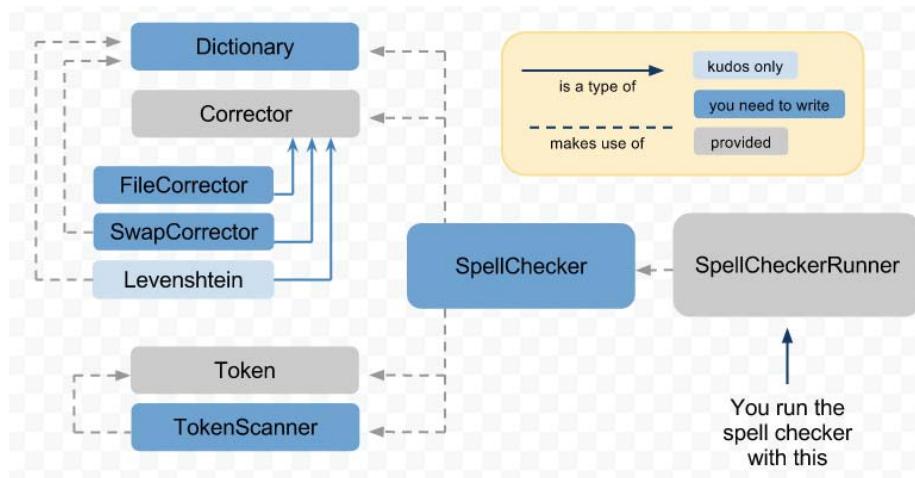
- Concept: Some data structures are *ephemeral*: computations mutate them over time
- Examples: queues, deques (HW4), GUI state (HW5, 9), arrays (HW 6), dynamic arrays, dictionaries (HW8)
- Why?
 - Common in OO programming, which simulates the transformations that objects undergo when interacting with their environment
 - Heavily used for event-based programming, where different parts of the application communicate via shared state
 - Default style for Java libraries (collections, etc.)



A queue with two elements

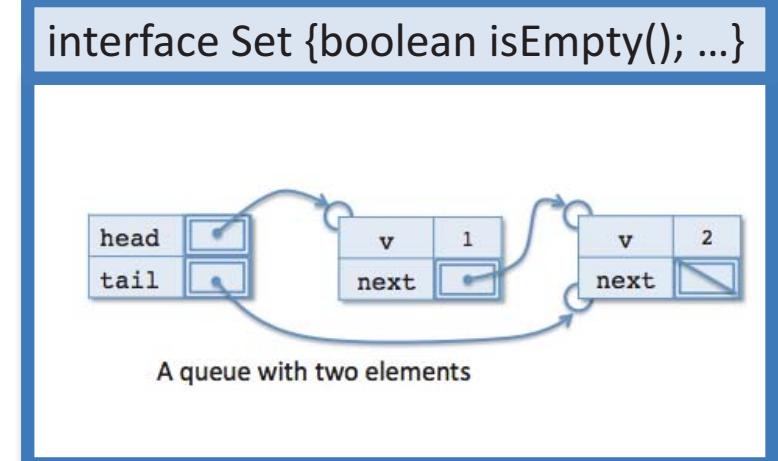
Sequences, Sets, Maps

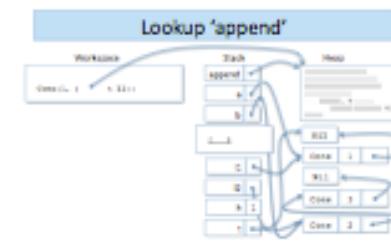
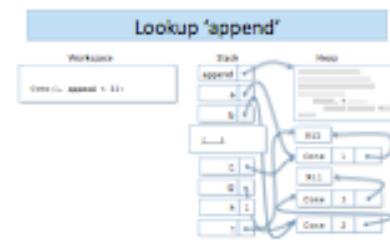
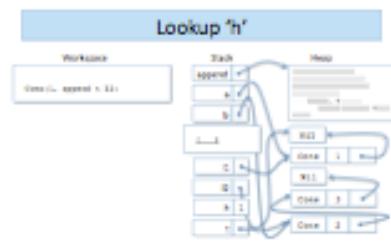
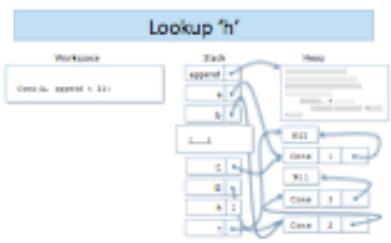
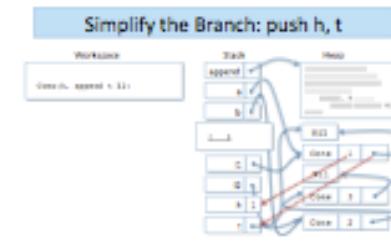
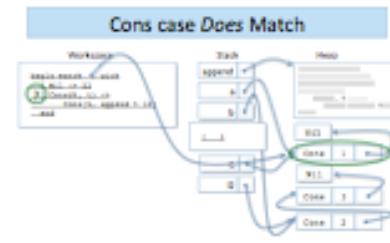
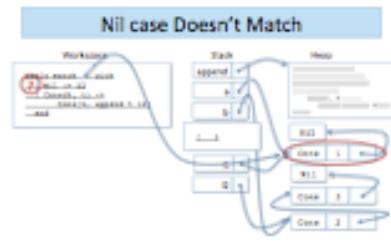
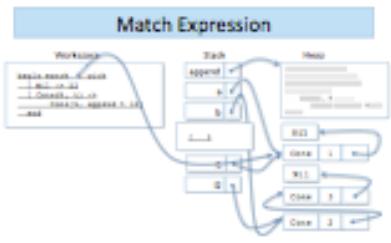
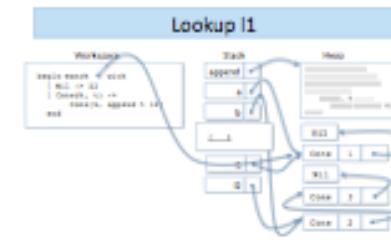
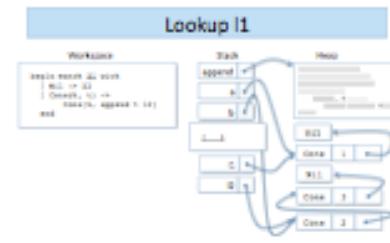
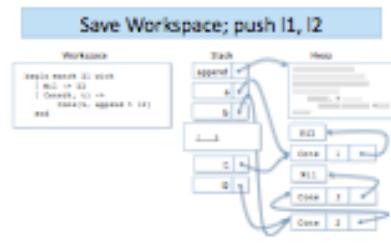
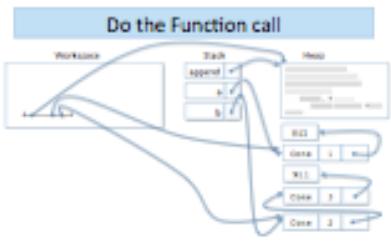
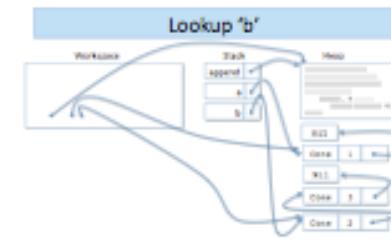
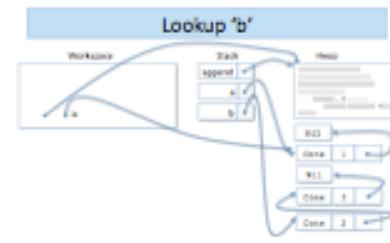
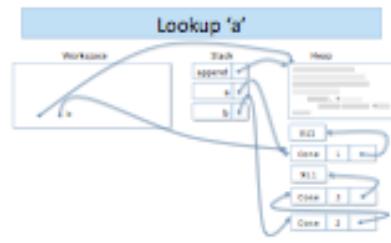
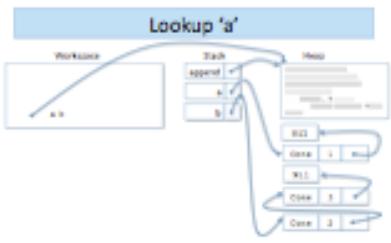
- Concept: Specific **abstract data types** of sequences, sets, and finite maps
- Examples: HW3, Java Collections, HW 7, 8
- Why?
 - These abstract data types come up again and again
 - Need aggregate data structures (collections) no matter what language you are programming in
 - Need to be able to choose the data structure with the right semantics



Lists, Trees, BSTs, Queues, and Arrays

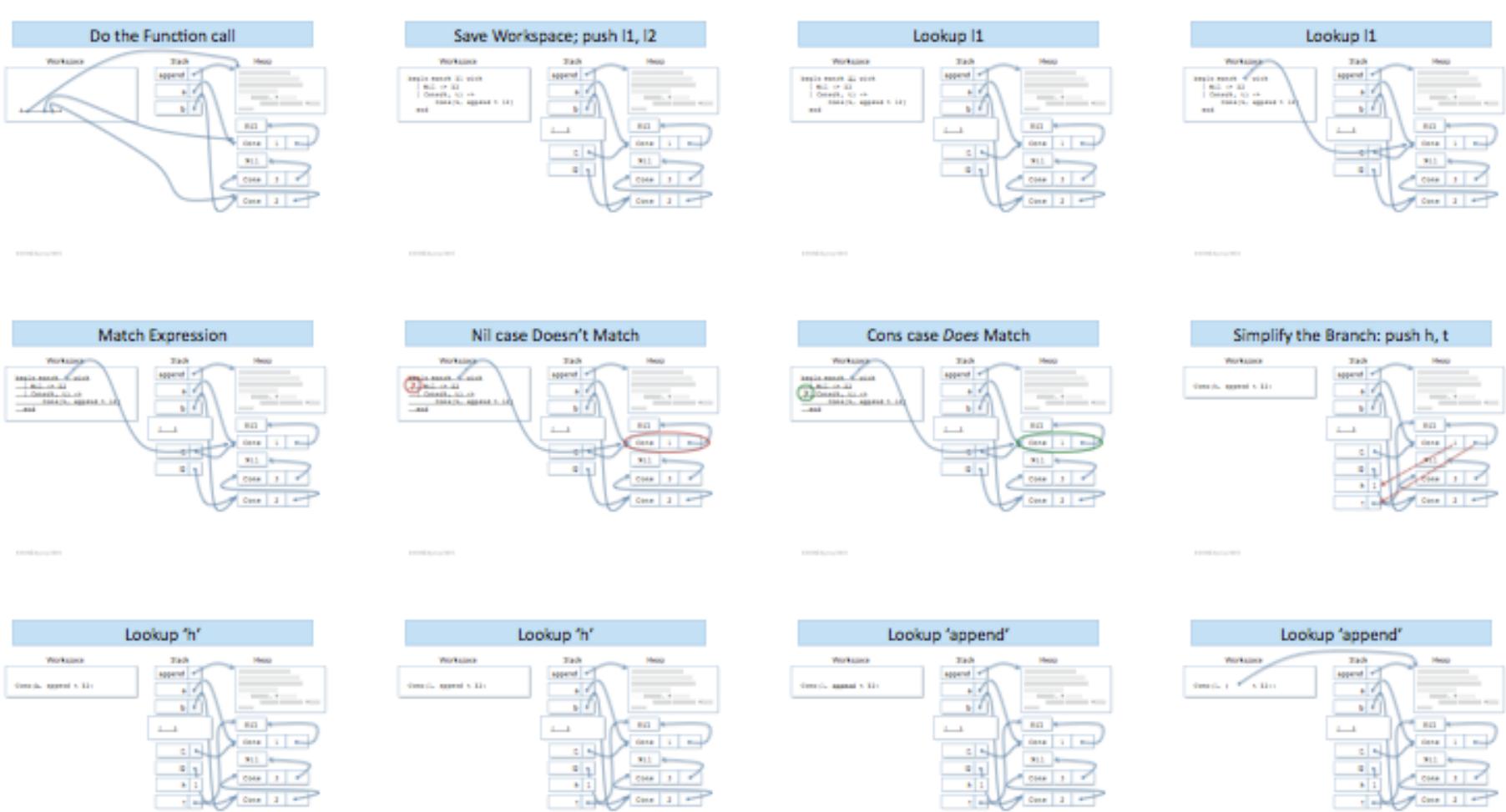
- Concept: There are *implementation trade-offs* for abstract types
- Examples:
 - Binary Search Trees vs. Lists vs. Hashing for sets and maps
 - Linked lists vs. Arrays for sequential data
- Why?
 - Abstract types have multiple implementations
 - Different implementations have different trade-offs. Need to understand these trade-offs to use them well.
 - For example: BSTs use their invariants to speed up lookup operations compared to linked lists.





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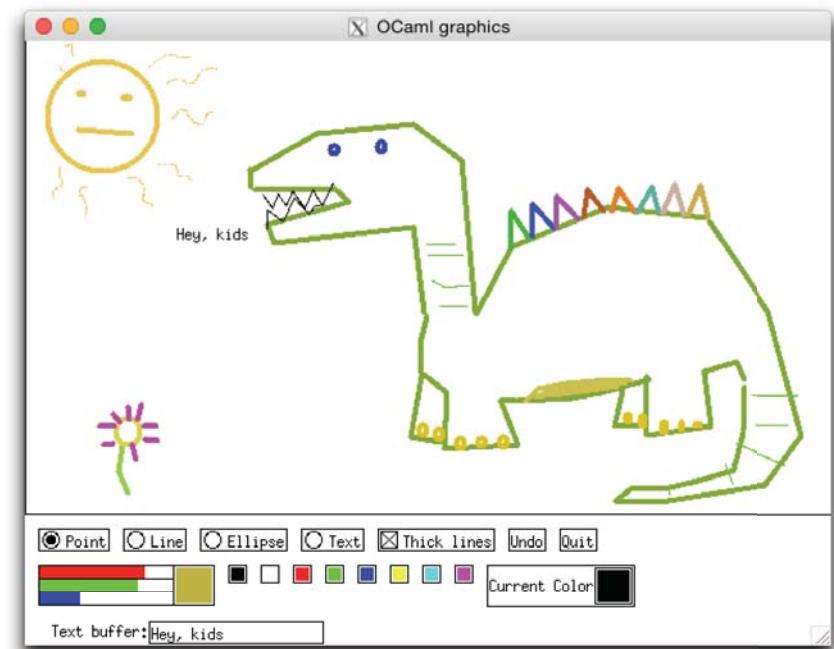


Abstract Stack Machine

- Concept: The *Abstract Stack Machine* is a detailed model of the execution of OCaml/Java
- Example: throughout the semester!
- Why?
 - To know what your program does without running it
 - To understand tricky features of Java/OCaml language (aliasing, first-class functions, exceptions, dynamic dispatch)
 - To help understand the programming models of other languages: Javascript, Python, C++, C#, ...
 - To predict performance and space usage behaviors

Event-Driven programming

- Concept: Structure a program by associating "handlers" that *react to program events*. Handlers typically interact with the rest of the program by modifying shared state.
- Examples: GUI programming in OCaml and Java
- Why?
 - Practice with reasoning about shared state
 - Practice with first-class functions
 - Necessary for programming with Swing
 - Common in GUI applications



Why OCaml?

Why some other language than Java?

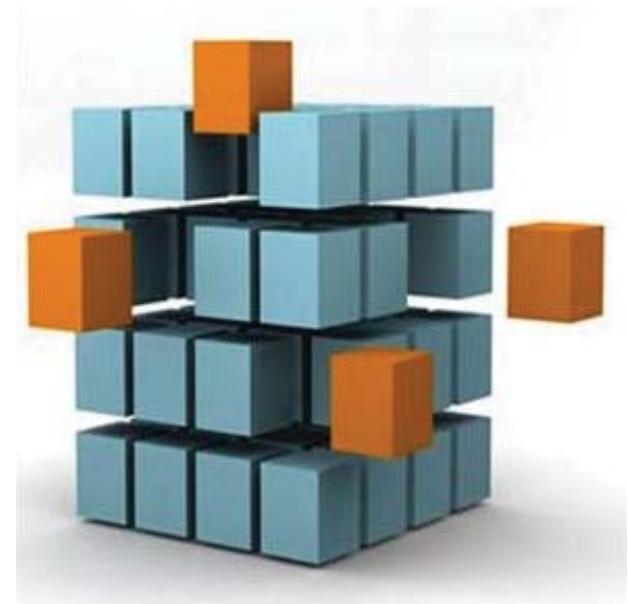
- Level playing field for students with varying backgrounds coming into the same class
- Two points of comparison allow us to emphasize language-independent concepts
- Learn concepts that generalize *across* diverse languages.

...but, why specifically OCaml?



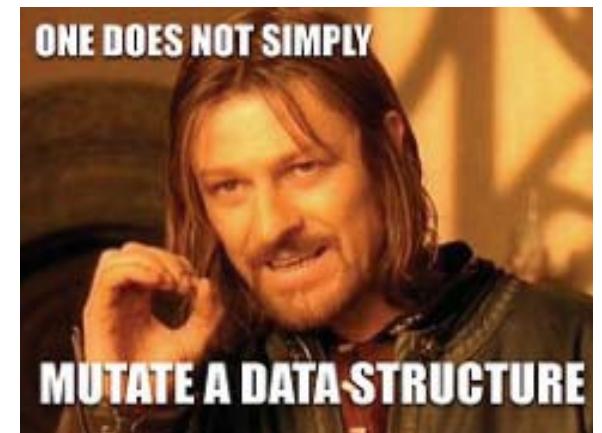
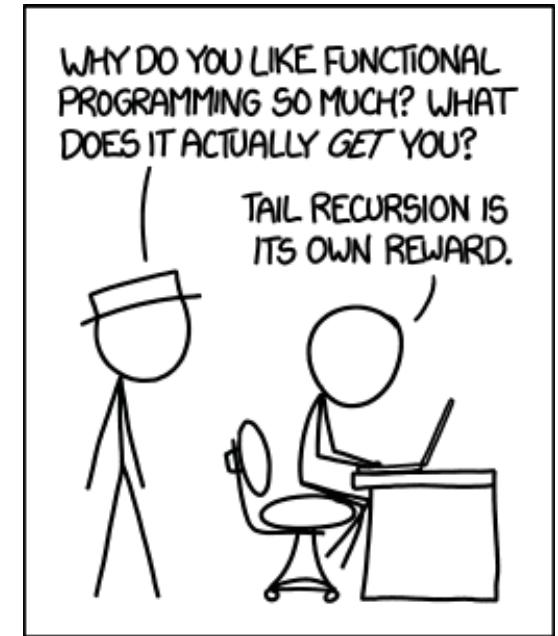
Rich, orthogonal vocabulary

- In Java: int, A[], Object, Interfaces
- In OCaml:
 - primitives
 - arrays
 - objects
 - datatypes (including lists, trees, and options)
 - records
 - refs
 - first-class functions
 - abstract types
- All of the above *can* be implemented in Java, but untangling various use cases of objects is subtle
- Concepts (like generics) can be studied in isolation, fewer intricate interactions with the rest of the language



Functional Programming

- In Java, every reference is mutable and optional by default
- In OCaml, persistent data structures are the default. Furthermore, the type system keeps track of what is and is not mutable, and what is and is not optional
- Advantages of immutable/persistent data structures
 - Don't have to keep track of aliasing. Interface to the data structure is simpler
 - Often easier to think in terms of "transforming" data structures than "modifying" data structures
 - Simpler implementation (Compare lists and trees to queues and deques)
 - Powerful evaluation model (substitution + recursion).



Why Java?

Object Oriented Programming

- Provides a different way of decomposing programs
- Basic principles:
 - Encapsulation of local, mutable state
 - Inheritance to share code
 - Dynamic dispatch to select which code gets run

- but why specifically Java?



Important Ecosystem

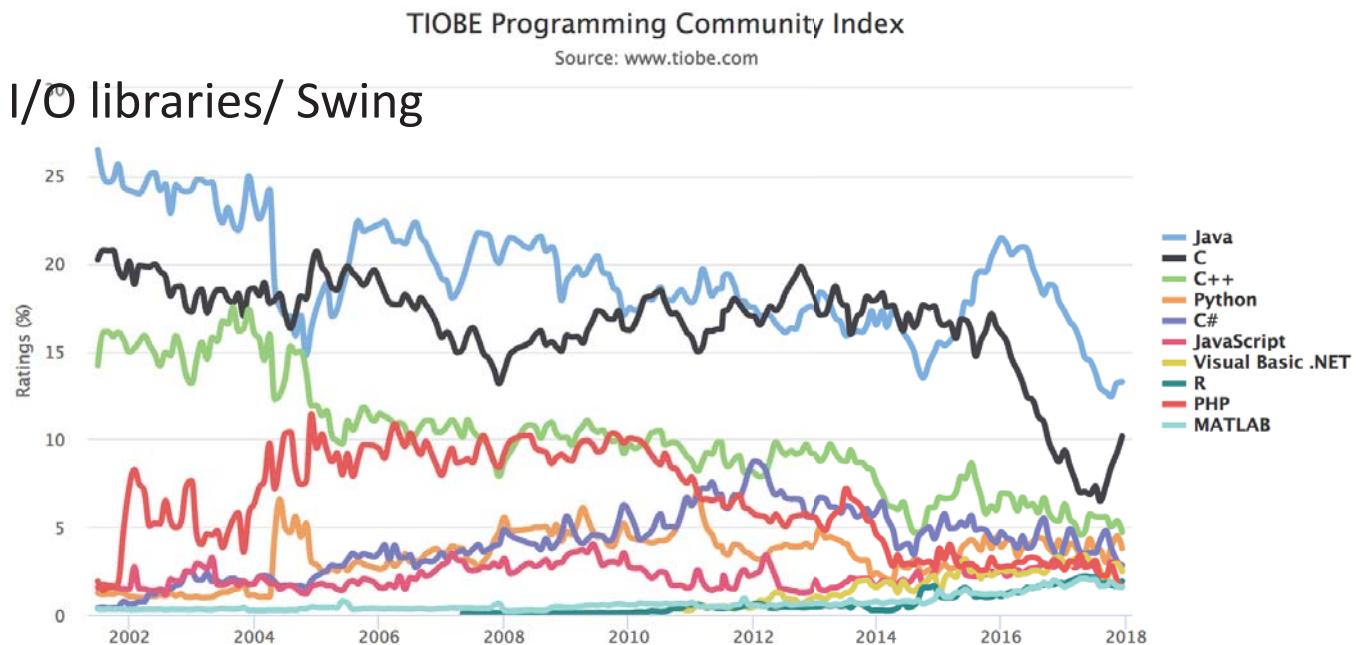


- Canonical example of OO language design
- Widely used: Desktop / Server / Android / etc.
- Industrial strength tools
 - Eclipse
 - JUnit testing framework
 - Profilers, debuggers, ...
- Libraries:
 - Collections / I/O libraries/ Swing
 - ...
- In-demand job skill

Language Rank	Types	Spectrum Ranking
1. Python	🌐	100.0
2. C	💻	99.7
3. Java	🌐💻	99.5
4. C++	💻	97.1
5. C#	🌐💻	87.7

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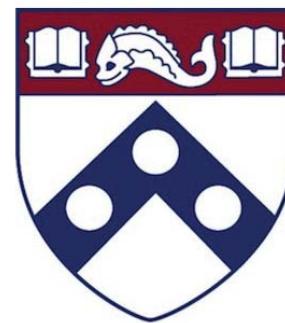
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Onward...

What Next?

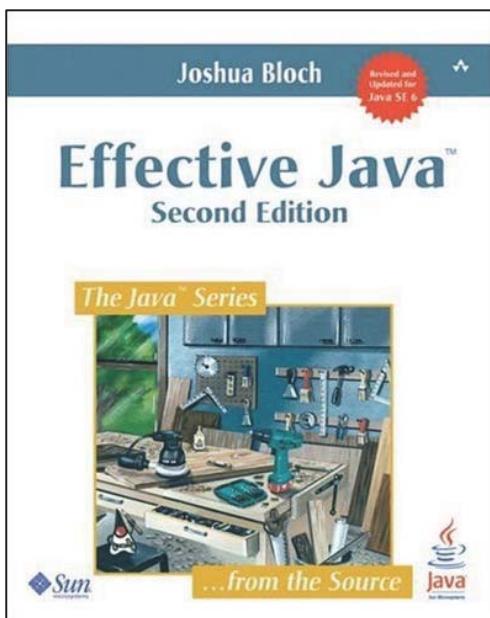
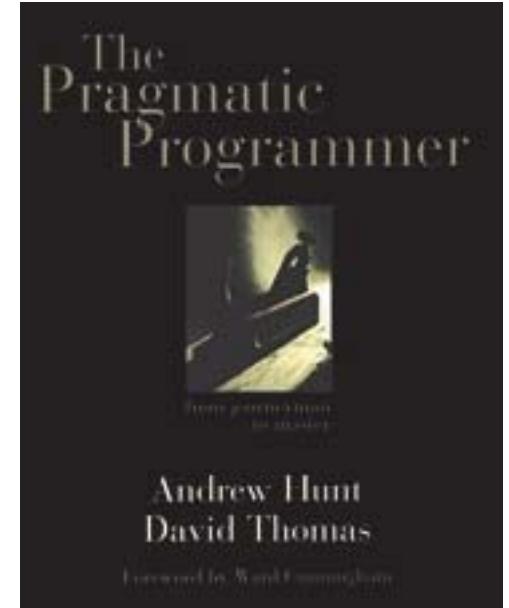
- Classes:
 - CIS 121, 262, 320 – data structures, performance, computational complexity
 - CIS 19x – programming languages
 - C++, C#, Python, Haskell, Ruby on Rails, iPhone programming
 - CIS 240 – lower-level: hardware, gates, assembly, C programming
 - CIS 341 – compilers (projects in OCaml)
 - CIS 371, 380 – hardware and OS's
 - CIS 552 – advanced programming in Haskell
 - And many more!



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The Craft of Programming

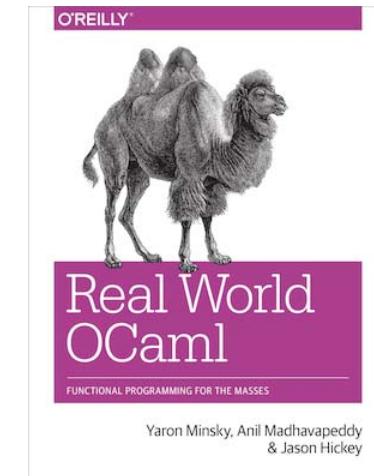
- *The Pragmatic Programmer: From Journeyman to Master*
by Andrew Hunt and David Thomas
 - Not about a particular programming language, it covers style, effective use of tools, and good practices for developing programs.



- *Effective Java*
by Joshua Bloch
 - Technical advice and wisdom about using Java for building software. The views we have espoused in this course share much of the same design philosophy.

Functional Programming

- *Real World OCaml*
by Yaron Minsky, Anil Madhavpeddy,
and Jason Hickey
 - Using OCaml in practice: learn how to leverage its rich types, module system, libraries, and tools to build reliable, efficient software.
 - <https://realworldocaml.org/>
- Explore related Languages:

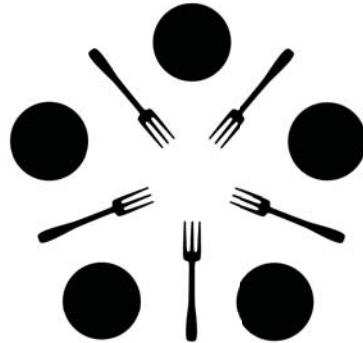


Conferences / Videos / Blogs

- curry-on.org
- cufp.org Commercial Users of Functional Programming
 - See e.g. Manuel Chakravarty's talk "A Type is Worth a Thousand Tests"
- Yaron Minsky's Jane Street Tech Blog
 - Ocaml in practice
- PHASE – Philly Area Scala Enthusiasts
- Join us! Penn's PL Club plclub.org



Ways to get Involved



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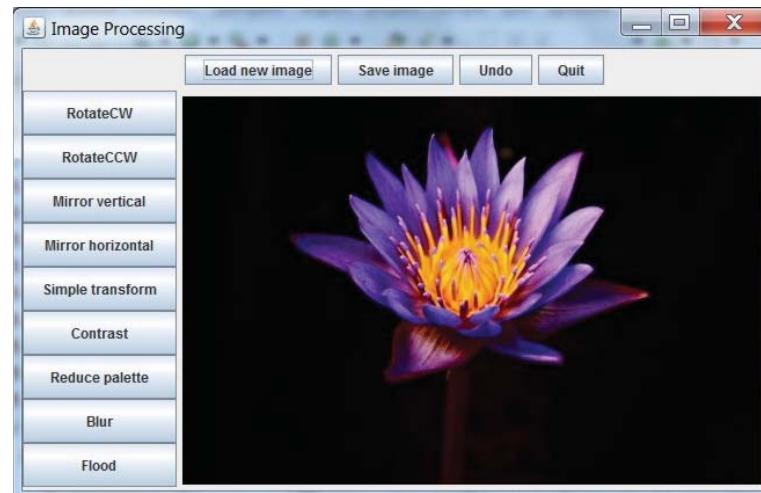
Become a TA!



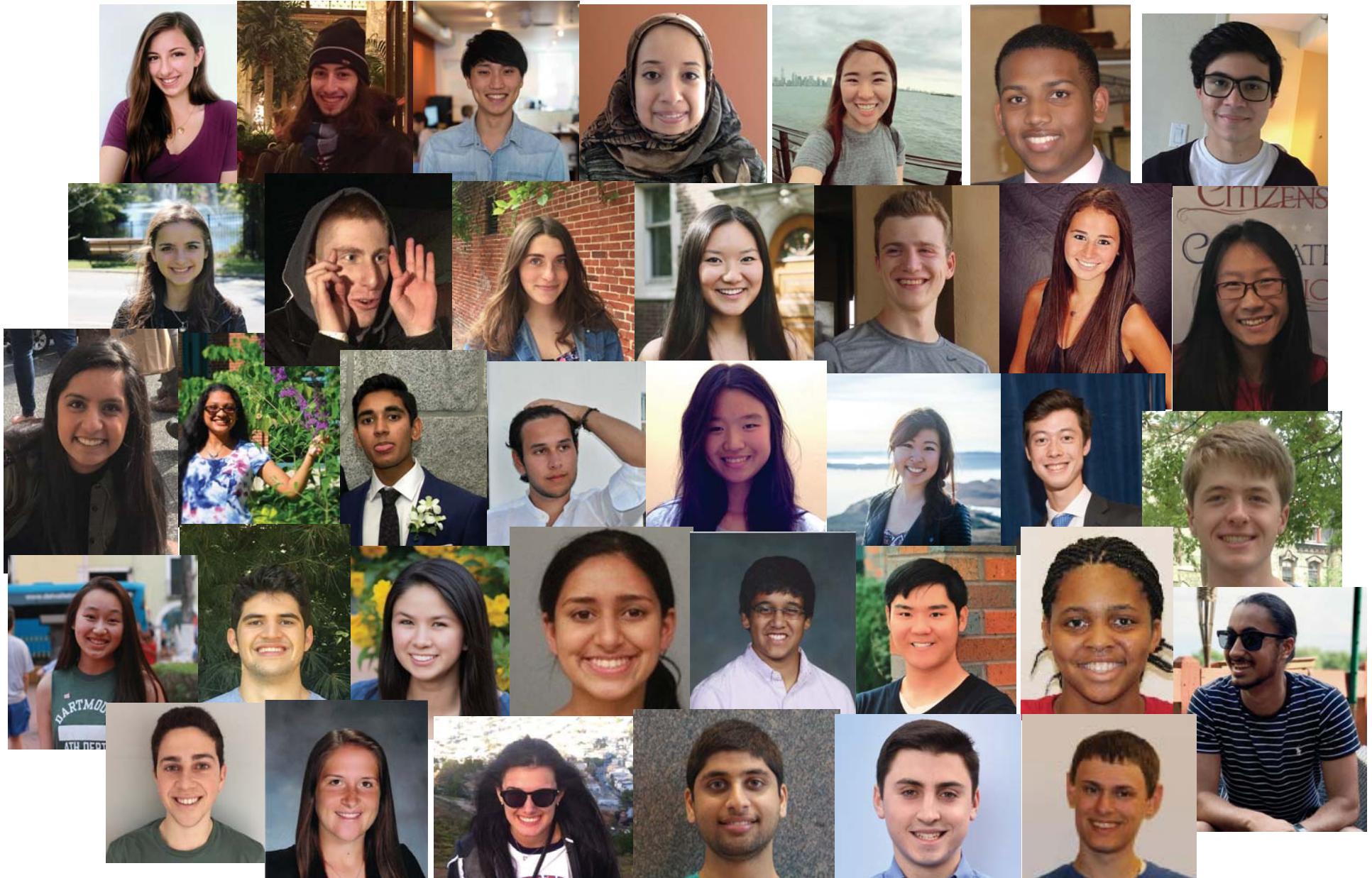
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Parting Thoughts

- Improve CIS 120:
 - End-of-term survey will be sent soon
 - Penn Course evaluations also provide useful feedback
 - We take them seriously: please complete them!



Many Thanks to the Tas!!!!



Thanks!

The image displays five distinct software interfaces:

- OCaml code editor:** Shows a snippet of OCaml code for calculating the length of a list.
- Tree diagram:** A binary tree structure with root node "AAAA".
 - Left child: ACAT
 - Left child: GCAT
 - Right child: TCGT
 - Right child: AAGA
 - Left child: TAGA
 - Right child: GAGA
- Join dialog:** Two windows showing the "Join" dialog with channel names "#bar" and "#baz".
- OCaml graphics application:** A window titled "OCaml graphics" featuring a hand-drawn illustration of a green dragon-like creature with a yellow sun and clouds in the background. The text "Hey, kids" is visible near the dragon.
- Pennstagram application:** A window titled "Pennstagram" showing a scenic view of a coastal town built on a hillside overlooking the sea. The interface includes a toolbar with various photo editing options like "RotateCW", "Border", and "Color scale".
- Diagram of SpellChecker architecture:** A diagram illustrating the architecture of a spell checker system.
 - Components include: Dictionary, Pin Hole, Corrector, Zombie, Plastic, Peaches, Custom, Token, TokenScanner, SpellChecker, and SpellCheckerRunner.
 - Relationships are shown with dashed arrows:
 - Dictionary is a type of Corrector.
 - Corrector makes use of TokenScanner.
 - TokenScanner makes use of SpellChecker.
 - SpellChecker makes use of SpellCheckerRunner.
 - A callout box provides context for the relationships:
 - "is a type of" points to the relationship between Dictionary and Corrector.
 - "makes use of" points to the relationship between Corrector and TokenScanner.
 - "You run the spell checker with this" points to the relationship between SpellChecker and SpellCheckerRunner.
 - "kudos only" is associated with the "is a type of" relationship.
 - "you need to write" is associated with the "makes use of" relationship.
 - "provided" is associated with the "You run the spell checker with this" relationship.

Who uses OCaml?



LexiFi

Google

cITRIX

Microsoft

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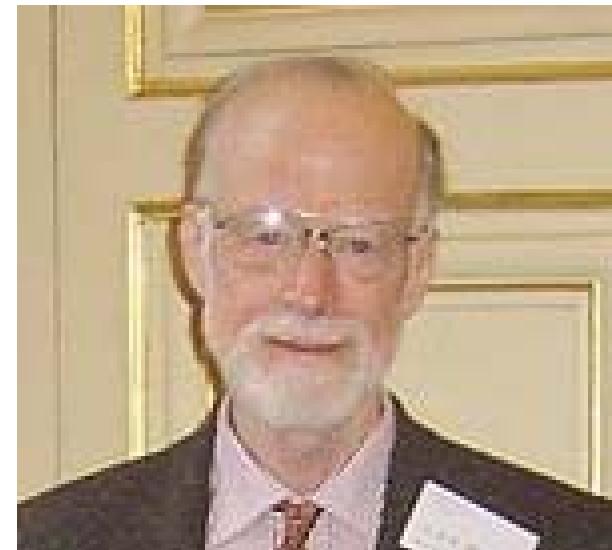
Did you attend class today?

1. yes
2. yes
3. yes
4. yes
5. maybe

The Billion Dollar Mistake

"I call it my billion-dollar mistake. It was the invention of the null reference in 1965. At that time, I was designing the first comprehensive type system for references in an object oriented language (ALGOL W). My goal was to ensure that all use of references should be absolutely safe, with checking performed automatically by the compiler. But I couldn't resist the temptation to put in a null reference, simply because it was so easy to implement. This has led to innumerable errors, vulnerabilities, and system crashes, which have probably caused a billion dollars of pain and damage in the last forty years. In recent years, a number of program analysers like PREfix and PREfast in Microsoft have been used to check references, and give warnings if there is a risk they may be non-null. More recent programming languages like Spec# have introduced declarations for non-null references. This is the solution, which I rejected in 1965. "

Sir Tony Hoare, QCon, London 2009



Better interfaces: Optional values

- In Java, optional values are the default. Any reference type could be null.
- In OCaml, references are non-null by default and optional values must be specified by the programmer. Only values of type 'a option can be None.
- In Java, every method must specify what it does if its arguments are null. Many of them don't.
- In OCaml, the type of a method tells you whether an argument may be null. We didn't have to think about optional values until homework 5!

Fundamental abstract types

- An *abstract* type is defined by its *interface* not its *implementation*.
 - Flexibility: interface can change without modification to clients
 - Security: implementation invariants can be preserved
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- In OCaml, direct expression of abstract data types through modules and signatures
 - In Java, make types abstract via access modifiers (private), provide flexibility through interfaces