

# Lecture 13: Creating Data Types

## Data Types

Data type.

- Set of values and operations on those values.
- There are a few built-in "primitive" types, e.g.:

Data Type	Set of Values	Some Operations
boolean	true, false	not, and, or, xor
int	any of $2^{32}$ possible integers	add, subtract, multiply
String	any sequence of characters	concatenate, compare

We want to write programs that process other types of data.

- Complex numbers, matrices, lists, playing cards, sound waves . . .

So today: we write programs to **create** and **manipulate** custom data types.

## Defining Data Types in Java

To define a data type, define:

- Set of values.
- Operations defined on them.

A Java `class` allows us to define data types by specifying:

- A set of variables. (set of values)
- *Methods*. (operations defined on them)
- *Constructors*. (for creating and initializing new objects)

## Example: Bouncing Ball in Unit Square

```
public class Ball { Ball.java
    private double rx, ry;
    private double vx, vy;
    private double radius;
← data members
(a Ball is characterized by 5 real numbers)

    public Ball() { constructor
        rx = ry = 0.5;
        vx = 0.015 - Math.random() * 0.03;
        vy = 0.015 - Math.random() * 0.03;
        radius = 0.01 + Math.random() * 0.01;
    }

    public void move() {
        if ((rx + vx > 1.0) || (rx + vx < 0.0)) vx = -vx;
        if ((ry + vy > 1.0) || (ry + vy < 0.0)) vy = -vy;
        rx = rx + vx;
        ry = ry + vy;
↑
bounce
method 1
    }

    public void draw() { method 2
        StdDraw.go(rx, ry);
        StdDraw.spot(2 * radius);
    }
}
```

## Using Data Types in Java

A client is a program that uses a data type.

- Create *objects* with `new`.
- Invoke *methods* with dot operator to perform operations.

```
public class BallDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Ball b = new Ball();
        StdDraw.create(512, 512);
        StdDraw.setScale(0, 0, 1, 1);
        while (true) {
            StdDraw.clear();
            b.move();
            b.draw();
            StdDraw.pause(10);
        }
    }
}
```

5

## Object References

Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball();
b1.move();
b1.move();

Ball b2 = new Ball();
b2.move();

b2 = b1;
b2.move();
```

addr	value
C0	0
C1	0
C2	0
C3	0
C4	0
C5	0
C6	0
C7	0
C8	0
C9	0
CA	0
CB	0
CC	0

main memory  
(64-bit machine)

6

## Object References

Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball();
b1.move();
b1.move();

Ball b2 = new Ball();
b2.move();

b2 = b1;
b2.move();
```

addr	value
C0	0.50
C1	0.50
C2	0.05
C3	0.01
C4	0.03
C5	0
C6	0
C7	0
C8	0
C9	0
CA	0
CB	0
CC	0

registers

main memory  
(64-bit machine)

7

## Object References

Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball();
b1.move();
b1.move();

Ball b2 = new Ball();
b2.move();

b2 = b1;
b2.move();
```

addr	value
C0	0.55
C1	0.51
C2	0.05
C3	0.01
C4	0.03
C5	0
C6	0
C7	0
C8	0
C9	0
CA	0
CB	0
CC	0

registers

main memory  
(64-bit machine)

8

## Object References

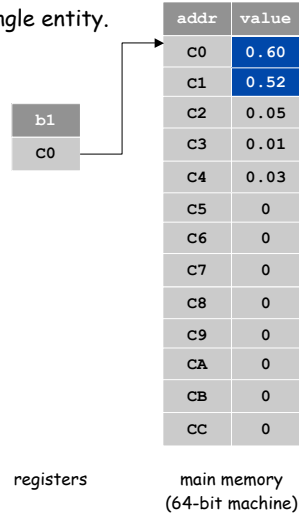
### Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball ();
b1.move ();
b1.move ();

Ball b2 = new Ball ();
b2.move ();

b2 = b1;
b2.move ();
```



9

## Object References

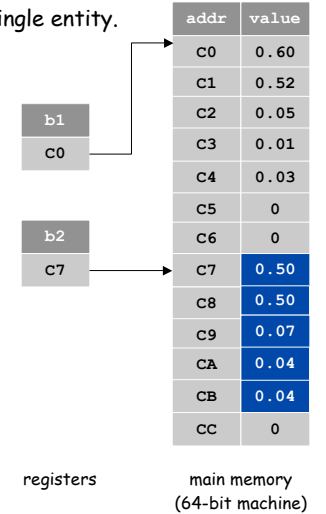
### Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball ();
b1.move ();
b1.move ();

Ball b2 = new Ball ();
b2.move ();

b2 = b1;
b2.move ();
```



10

## Object References

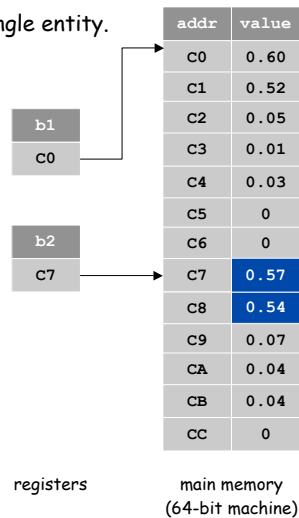
### Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball ();
b1.move ();
b1.move ();

Ball b2 = new Ball ();
b2.move ();

b2 = b1;
b2.move ();
```



11

## Object References

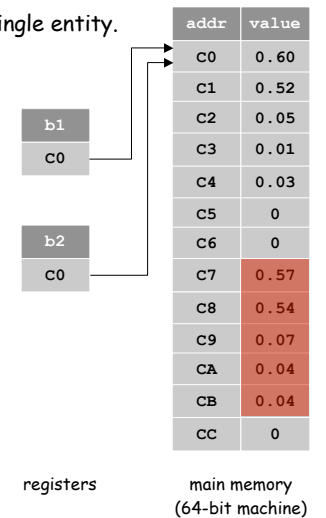
### Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball ();
b1.move ();
b1.move ();

Ball b2 = new Ball ();
b2.move ();

b2 = b1;
b2.move ();
```



Data stored in C7 - CB for abstract bit recycler.



12

## Object References

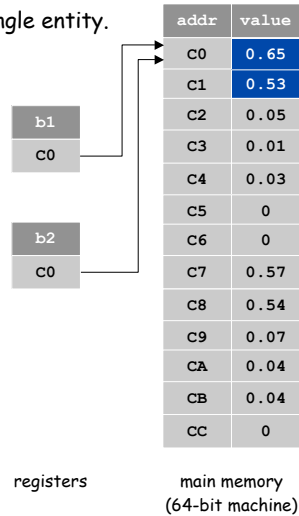
### Object reference.

- Allow client to manipulate an object as a single entity.
- Essentially a machine address (pointer).

```
Ball b1 = new Ball ();
b1.move ();
b1.move ();

Ball b2 = new Ball ();
b2.move ();

b2 = b1;
b2.move ();
```



Moving `b2` also moves `b1` since they are **aliases** that reference the same object.

13

## OOP Context

**Reference.** Variable that stores the name of a thing.

Thing	Name
Web page	www.princeton.edu
Bank account	45-234-23310076
Word of TOY memory	1C
Byte of computer memory	00FACADE
Home	35 Olden Street

### Some consequences.

- Assignment statements copy references (not objects).
- The `==` operator tests if two references refer to same object.
- Pass copies of references (not objects) to functions.
  - efficient since no copying of data
  - function can change the object

14

## Creating Many Objects

### Each object is a data type value.

- Use `new` to invoke constructor and create each one.
- Ex: create `N` bouncing balls and animate them.

```
public class BouncingBalls {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        Ball balls[] = new Ball[N];
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
            balls[i] = new Ball();

        StdDraw.create(512, 512);
        while(true) {
            StdDraw.clear();
            for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
                balls[i].move();
                balls[i].draw();
            }
            StdDraw.pause(20);
        }
    }
}
```

create and initialize  
N objects

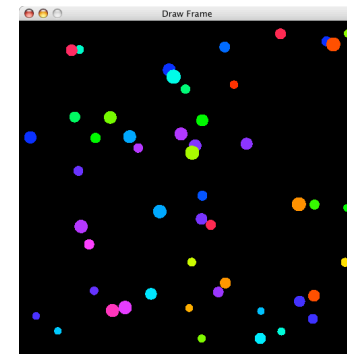
animation loop

17

## 50 Bouncing Balls

**Color.** Associate a color with each ball; paint background black.

```
% java BouncingBalls 50
```



**Scientific variations.** Account for gravity, spin, collisions, drag, . . .

18

## A Database Example

Student record: first name, last name, email address, section number.

```
public class Student {                                     Student.java
    private String first;
    private String last;
    private String email;
    private int section;

    Student(String first, String last, String email, int section) {
        this.first = first;
        this.last = last;
        this.email = email;
        this.section = section;
    }

    public boolean less(Student x) { return section < x.section; }

    public String toString() {
        return section + " " + first + " " + last + " " + email;
    }
}
```

← data members

can pass parameters to constructor

this = reference to object just created

is invoking object's section # less than x's?

returns a String representation of a student

19

## Sorting by Section Number

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
    Student[] s = new Student[N];
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
        String first = StdIn.readString();
        String last = StdIn.readString();
        String email = StdIn.readString();
        int section = StdIn.readInt();
        s[i] = new Student(first, last, email, section);
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        for (int j = i; j > 0; j--)
            if (s[j].less(s[j-1])) {
                Student swap = s[j];
                s[j] = s[j-1];
                s[j-1] = swap;
            }

    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        System.out.println(s[i]);
}
```

read in data

insertion sort

compare section #

swap references

print results

invokes toString method automatically

20

## Sample Output

```
% more students.txt
Austin Taylor actaylor 1
David Rosner drosner 4
Rebecca Allen rebecca 7
Rajiv Ayyangar ayyangar 7
Daniel Barrett drbarret 8
Nic Byrd nbyrd 7
Emily Capra ecapra 8
Johnny Clore jclore 7
Peter Combs pcombs 8
Chris D'Ambrosia cdambros 8
Andrew Ferguson owsla 7
Richa Gawande rgawande 8
Sam Grossberg sgrossbe 7
Anita Gupta aagupta 8
Weiyin He weiyinhe 8
Douglas Hohensee dgh 7
Mallory James mgjames 8
. . .
Mateusz Plucinski mplucins 5
Robert Krone rkrone 3
Yana Krasteva krasteva 5
Zhen Xia zxia 2
```

```
% java Students 127 < students.txt
1 Austin Taylor actaylor
1 Thomas Arias tarias
1 Nikola Kamburov kamburov
1 Arti Sheth asheth
1 Abraham Bassan abassan
1 Mary Bobrowski mbobrows
1 Ryan Corces-Zimmerman mcorces
1 Pierre-Etienne Genest pgenest
1 Lauren Lichtman llichtma
1 Michael Mashiba mmashiba
1 Tara Lloyd tlloyd
1 Lawrence Azzaretti lazzaret
1 Manisha Bhattacharya mbhattac
1 Matt Kopko mkopko
1 Eric Miller elmiller
1 Ishani Sud isud
2 Loan Le lle
. . .
8 Erika Sloan esloan
8 Hanlin Tang hanlint
8 Mary Wathall wathall
8 Sharon Weeks sweeks
```

21

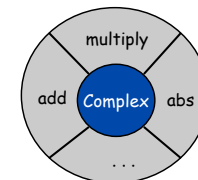
## Complex Number Data Type

**Goal.** Extend the Java language by creating a data type to manipulate complex numbers.

**Set of values.** Two real numbers (real and imaginary parts).

**Set of operations.**

- Add, subtract, multiply, divide.
- Absolute value, phase.
- Convert to string.



**Applications.**

- Fractals.
- Impedance in RLC circuits.
- Signal processing and Fourier analysis.
- Control theory and Laplace transforms.
- Quantum mechanics and Hilbert spaces.

22

## Complex Number Data Type: A Sample Client

Client program uses data type operations to calculate something.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Complex a = new Complex(5.0, 6.0);
    System.out.println("a = " + a);

    Complex b = new Complex(-2.0, 3.0);
    System.out.println("b = " + b);

    Complex c = a.times(b);
    System.out.println("c = " + c);
}
```

System knows how to print a Complex object

```
% java TestClient
a = 5.0 + 6.0i
b = -2.0 + 3.0i
c = -28.0 + 3.0i
```

$$(5 + 6i) * (-2 + 3i) = -28 + 3i$$

Remark: can't write  $c = a * b$  since no operator overloading in Java.

23

## Complex Number Data Type: Implementation

```
public class Complex {
    private double re;
    private double im;

    public Complex(double real, double imag) {
        re = real;
        im = imag;
    }

    public String toString() {
        return re + " + " + im + "i";
    }

    public double abs() {
        return Math.sqrt(re*re + im*im);
    }
}
```

24

## Complex Number Data Type: Implementation (cont)

```
public class Complex {
    ...
    public Complex plus(Complex b) {
        Complex a = this;
        Complex c = new Complex(0, 0);
        c.re = a.re + b.re;
        c.im = a.im + b.im;
        return c;
    }

    public Complex times(Complex b) {
        Complex a = this;
        Complex c = new Complex(0, 0);
        c.re = a.re * b.re - a.im * b.im;
        c.im = a.re * b.im + a.im * b.re;
        return c;
    }
}
```

$$(5 + 6i) + (-2 + 3i) = 3 + 9i$$

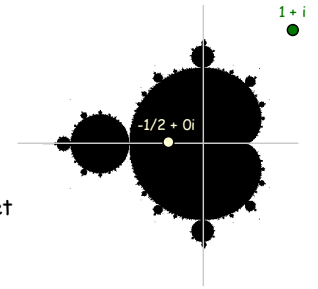
$$(5 + 6i) * (-2 + 3i) = (-10 - 18) + (15 - 12)i = -28 + 3i$$

25

## Mandelbrot Set

Mandelbrot set.

- Set of points in the plane.
- To check if  $z = x + iy$  is in set, initialize  $c_0 = z$  and iterate  $c_{t+1} = (c_t)^2 + z$ .
  - if  $|c_t|$  diverges to infinity, then  $z$  not in set
  - otherwise  $z$  is in set



i	$c_i$
0	$1 + i$ ●
1	$1 + 3i$
2	$-7 + 7i$
3	$1 - 97i$
4	$-9407 - 193i$
5	$88454401 + 3631103i$

$z = 1 + i$  not in Mandelbrot set

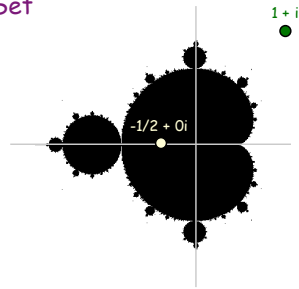
i	$c_i$
0	$-1/2$ ○
1	$-1/4$
2	$-7/16$
3	$1$
4	$-79/256$
5	$-26527/65536$

$z = -1/2$  is in Mandelbrot set

26

## Plotting the Mandelbrot Set

Plot. Color  $(x, y)$  black if  $z = x + iy$  is in the set, and white otherwise.



### Practical issues.

- Cannot plot infinitely many points.
- Cannot iterate infinitely many times.

### Approximate solution.

- Choose a finite grid of points in the plane.
- Iterate Mandelbrot function for at most 256 iterates.
  - fact: if  $|c_t| > 2$  for any  $t$ , then  $z$  not in Mandelbrot set
  - pseudo-fact: if  $|c_{256}| \leq 2$  then  $z$  "likely" in Mandelbrot set

### More dramatic picture.

- Plot  $z$  in color according to number of iterates until  $|c_t| > 2$ .

27

## Complex Number Data Type: Another Client

Mandelbrot function with complex numbers.

- Is  $z$  in the Mandelbrot set?
- Returns an integer between 0 and 255.

```
public static int mand(Complex z) {
    Complex c = z;
    for (int t = 0; t < 255; t++) {
        if (c.abs() >= 2.0) return t;
        c = c.times(c);
        c = c.plus(z);
    }
    return 255;
}
```

$c = c * c + z$

- 7 lines of code with judicious use of data types.

28

## Complex Number Data Type: Another Client

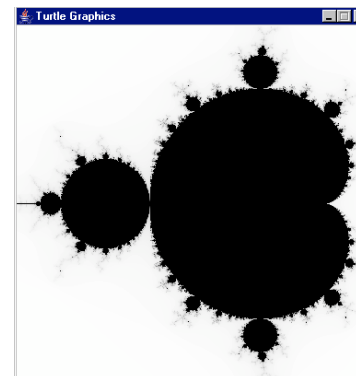
Plot the Mandelbrot set in gray scale.

```
public static void main(String args[]) {
    double xmin = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
    double ymin = Double.parseDouble(args[1]);
    double width = Double.parseDouble(args[2]);
    double height = Double.parseDouble(args[3]);
    double SIZE = 512;

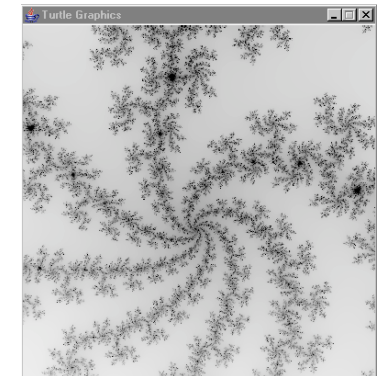
    StdDraw.create(SIZE, SIZE);           scale to screen
    for (int i = 0; i < SIZE; i++) {      coordinates
        for (int j = 0; j < SIZE; j++) {
            double x = xmin + (i * width / SIZE);
            double y = ymin + (j * height / SIZE);
            Complex z = new Complex(x, y);
            int c = 255 - mand(z);
            StdDraw.setColor(new Color(c, c, c));
            StdDraw.go(i, j); StdDraw.spot();  ← grayscale
        }
    }
    StdDraw.show();
}
```

29

## Mandelbrot Set



```
% java Mandelbrot -1.5 -1 2 2
```



```
% java Mandelbrot .10259 -.641 .0086 .0086
```

30

## Applications of Data Types

**Data type:** set of values and collection of operations on those values.

### Simulating the physical world.

- Java objects model real-world objects.
- Ex: bouncing ball, COS 126 student.
- Not always easy to make model reflect reality: collisions, gravity.

### Extending the Java language.

- Java doesn't have a data type for every possible application.
- Data types enable us to address other mathematical abstractions.
- Scientific applications: complex numbers, polynomials, matrices, ....

33

## Announcements

Thinking about majoring in Computer Science?

Or doing the Certificate in Applications of Computing?

Then: visit the all-new "Life in the Computer Science Department: A Guide for the Humble Undergraduate":

- <http://www.cs.princeton.edu/ugradpgm/life.html>
- a handy FAQ that answers many many questions

And/Or: Come talk to me

AND CERTAINLY attend at least one of:

- C.S. open house for BSE freshmen Tuesday 3/29, Friend Convocation Room, 5:45 (PM!): tours, demos, pizza (AB's welcome)
- C.S. open house for AB sophomores Tuesday April 5, C.S. Tea Room, 4 PM (but no pizza, and maybe fewer demos) (BSE's welcome)

34

## Announcements

### Not-exactly Midterm Exam

- Tomorrow night, Wed March 23, 7:30 PM, right here
- Closed book, but
- You can bring one *cheatsheet*
  - one side of one (8.5 by 11) sheet, handwritten by you
- P.S. No calculators, laptops, cellphones, etc.
- Covers first half of course
- If TOY programming is required, a TOY cheatsheet will be provided

### Helpful review session

- Tonight, Tuesday March 22, 7:30 PM, COS 105
- Not a canned presentation
- Driven by your questions

### Clark's Principles of exam preparation:

- 1) Practice! (don't just read) 2) Write your own exam 3) Study in groups

35