3.3 Designing Data Types

Procedural programming. [verb-oriented]

- Tell the computer to do this.
- Tell the computer to do that.

Alan Kay's philosophy. Software is a simulation of the real world.

- . We know (approximately) how the real world works.
- Design software to model the real world.

Objected oriented programming (OOP). [noun-oriented]

- Programming paradigm based on data types.
- Identify things that are part of the problem domain or solution.
- Things in the world know things: instance variables.
- Things in the world do things: methods.

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Alan Kay

Alan Kay. [Xerox PARC 1970s]

- Invented Smalltalk programming language.
- Conceived Dynabook portable computer.
- Ideas led to: laptop, modern GUI, OOP.

"The computer revolution hasn't started yet."

"The best way to predict the future is to invent it."

"If you don't fail at least 90 percent of the time, you're not aiming high enough."





Alan Kay 2003 Turing Award

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Bond. What's your escape route? Saunders. Sorry old man. Section 26 paragraph 5, that information is on a need-to-know basis only. I'm sure you'll understand.

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Abstract Data Types

Data type. Set of values and operations on those values. Ex. int, String, Complex, Vector, Document, GuitarString, Tour, ...

Abstract data type. Data type whose internal representation is hidden.

Separate implementation from design specification.

- Class provides data representation and code for operations.
- Client uses data type as black box.
- API specifies contract between client and class.



Client



Intuition



API - volume - change channel - adjust picture - decode NTSC signal

Implementation - cathode ray tube

- electron gún - Sony Wega 36XBR250
- 241 pounds

client needs to know how to use API implementation needs to know what API to implement

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Implementation and client need to agree on API ahead of time.

Counter Data Type

Counter. Data type to count electronic votes.



Oops. Al Gore receives -16,022 votes in Volusia County, Florida.

Intuition



Client

API - volume - change channel - adjust picture - decode NTSC signal



Implementation - gas plasma monitor - Pioneer PDP-502MX - wall mountable - 4 inches deep

client needs to know how to use API implementation needs to know what API to implement

Can substitute better implementation without changing the client.

Counter ADT

Counter. Abstract data type to count electronic votes.

	<pre>public class Counter { private int count;</pre>			
	public public public }	<pre>Counter() void hit() int get()</pre>	<pre>{ count = 0; { count++; { return count;</pre>	} } }
Does not compile.		Counter c = new Counter();		

c.count = -16022;

Benefit. Can guarantee invariant that each data type value remains in a consistent state.

Changing Internal Representation

Java ADTs.

- Keep data representation hidden with private access modifier.
- Expose API to clients using public access modifier.



e.g., to polar coordinates

Advantage. Can switch internal representation without changing client. Note. All our data types are already ADTs!

Time Bombs

Internal representation changes.

- . [Y2K] Two digit years: January 1, 2000.
- [Y2038] 32-bit seconds since 1970: January 19, 2038.
- . [VIN numbers] We'll run out by 2010.



www.cartoonstock.com/directory/m/millenium_time-bomb.asp

Lesson. By exposing data representation to client, need to sift through millions of lines of code in client to update.

Ask, Don't Touch

Abstract data types.

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- Don't touch data and do whatever you want.
- Instead, ask object to manipulate its data.

"Ask, don't touch."



Adele Goldberg Former president of ACM Co-developed Smalltalk

Lesson. Limiting scope makes programs easier to maintain and understand.

"principle of least privilege"

Modular Programming

Red States, Blue States



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Modular programming. Model problem by decomposing into components.

Polygon. Geometric primitive. Region. Name, postal abbreviation, polygonal boundary. Vote tally. Number of votes for each candidate. Election map. Regions and corresponding vote tallies for a given election.



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Boundary Data: States within the Continental US

Geographic Boundaries

USA data file. State names and boundary points.

Data source: US census bureau, www.census.gov/tiger/boundary.



State data files. County names and boundary points.

Data source: US census bureau, www.census.gov/tiger/boundary.







Polygon Data Type: Java Implementation

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```
public class Polygon {
   private int N;
                            // number of boundary points
   private double[] x, y; // the points (x[i], y[i])
   // read from input stream
   public Polygon(In in) {
       N = in.readInt();
       x = new double[N];
       y = new double[N];
       for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {</pre>
          x[i] = in.readDouble();
          y[i] = in.readDouble();
       }
   }
   public void fill() { StdDraw.filledPolygon(x, y); }
   public double perimeter()
                                                   { ... }
   public boolean contains(double x0, double y0) { ... }
   public String toString()
                                                   { ... }
}
```

Polygon: Pieces and Holes

Pieces. A state can be comprised of several disjoint polygons.

Holes. A county can be entirely inside another county.



Region Data Type

Region Data Type: Java Implementation







Election Returns: By State

Election Returns

Election returns. Number of votes for Bush, Kerry, Nader by region.

Data source: David Leip, www.uselectionatlas.org.

% more USA2004.txt
Alabama,1176394,693933,13122,
Alaska,190889,111025,10684,
Arizona,1104294,893524,14767,
Arkansas,572898,469953,12094,
California,550826,6745485,164546,
Colorado,1101255,1001732,27343,
Connecticut,693826,857488,27455,
Delaware,171660,200152,3378,
District of Columbia,21256,202970,3360,
Florida,3964522,3583544,61744,
Georgia,1914254,1366149,21472,
Hawaii,194191,231708,3114,
Idaho,409235,181098,8114,
Kansas,736456,434993,16307,

Kentucky,1069439,712733,13688, ... Virginia,1716959,1454742,26666, Washington,1304894,1510201,43989, West Virginia,423778,326541,5568, Wisconsin,1478120,1489504,29383, Wyoming,167629,70776,5023,



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Election Returns: By County

Election returns. Number of votes for Bush, Kerry, Nader by region.

Data source: David Leip, www.uselectionatlas.org.



Vote Tally Data Type: Java Implementation



Vote Tally Data Type

VoteTally. Represents the election returns for one region.



Screen Scraping the Election Returns

Screen scrape. Data available on Web; download html and parse.

http://uselectionatlas.org/RESULTS/datagraph.php?year=2004&fips=34

<div>



2004 Presidential Election Data Graphs - New Jersey

by County

<div class="info"><table cellpadding="2"><td style="width:100px" rowspan="3">AtlanticKerry</ td>52.5%55,746</ td><div class="bardem" style="width: 26.8%"> :</div>BushAdvectorBush<t class="per">46.6%class="dat">49,487 td><div class="barrep" style="width:23.8%"> </ div>0ther class="per">0.8%864<div class="baroth" style="width:1.0%"> </div></ tr>
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Election Scraper (sketch)



Election Map

Election Map Data Type

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ElectionMap. Represents the election map for a given election.





Election Map Data Type: Java Implementation

```
public class ElectionMap {
  private int N;
  private Region[] regions;
  private VoteTally[] votes;
  public ElectionMap(String name, int year) {
     In in = new In(name + ".txt");
      // read in bounding box and rescale coordinates
     N
             = in.readInt();
     regions = new Region[N];
     votes = new VoteTally[N];
     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {</pre>
        String name = in.readLine();
        String usps = in.readLine();
         Polygon poly = new Polygon(in);
         regions[i] = new Region(name, usps, poly);
         votes[i]
                   = new VoteTally(name, usps, year);
      }
   }
  public void show() {
     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {</pre>
        StdDraw.setPenColor(votes[i].getColor());
         regions[i].draw();
     }
  }
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```

Modular Programming

Relationships among data types.



Visual Display of Quantitative Information

Red states, blue states. Creates a misleading and polarizing picture.



Edward Tufte. Create charts with high data density that tell the truth.

Data Visualization



http://www.princeton.edu/~rvdb/JAVA/election2004

Idea. [Robert J. Vanderbei] Assign color based on number of votes.

- a₁ = Bush votes.
- a₂ = Nader votes.
- a₃ = Kerry votes.





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Purple New Jersey

Purple America

% java ElectionMap NJ 2004



% java ElectionMap USA 2004

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Purple America

% java ElectionMap USA-county 2004



Data Visualization: Design Issues

Remark. Humans perceive red more strongly than blue.

Remark. Amount of color should be proportional to number of votes, not geographic boundary.

Remark. Project latitude + longitude coordinates to 2d plane.





Mercator projection

Albers projection

3D Visualization

3D visualization. Volume proportional to votes; azimuthal projection.



Robert J. Vanderbei www.princeton.edu/~rvdb/JAVA/election2004



Cartograms

Cartogram. Area of state proportional to number of electoral votes.



Michael Gastner, Cosma Shalizi, and Mark Newman www-personal.umich.edu/~mejn/election

Summary

Modular programming.

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- Break a large program into smaller independent modules.
- Ex: Polygon, Region, VoteTally, ElectionMap, In, Out.

Ex 1. Build large software project.

- Software architect specifies API.
- Each programmer implements one module.
- Debug and test each piece independently. [unit testing]

Ex 2. Build reusable libraries.

- Language designer extends language with ADTs.
- Programmers share extensive libraries.
- Ex: In, Out, Draw, Polygon, ...