

“Systems” Part of the Class

- What is the “system”?
 - Loosely defined as anything that’s not your application
- Why should you care?
 - Learn more about the pieces that constitute a large part of your daily computing life
 - The boundaries between the different pieces are becoming increasingly fussy in this age, so an “application” can have elements of “the system” built in

CS 126 Lecture S1: Introduction to Java

Outline

- **Introduction**
 - **History**
 - **Java vs. C**
 - **How to learn**
- The basics
- Object-oriented niceties
- Intro to applets
- Conclusions

Roadmap

- Java
 - Superficially, a continuation of the programming part
 - But, there is a profound connection between Java and OS
- Operating systems
 - The missing link between hardware and applications
- Networking

History (cont.)

- Joy and Gosling joined forces, FirstPerson, Inc. (1992)
 - Targeting consumer electronics: PDAs, appliances, phones, all with cheap infra-red kind of networks
- Need a language that's small, robust, safe, secure, wired
 - Started working on C++--
 - Soon gave up hope, decided to start from scratch
- Again, a little ahead of its time
 - PDAs died with the demise of Apple Newton
 - Switched to interactive TV (ITV)
 - The resulting language was called "Oak"
 - Then ITV died too
- The net exploded in 1993
 - Oak became Java!

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History

- Bill Joy and Sun
 - BSD god at Berkeley
 - Founding of Sun (early 80s)
 - "The network is the computer" (a little ahead of its time)
 - Missed the boat on PC revolution
 - Sun Aspen Smallworks (1990)
- James Gosling
 - Early fame as the author of "Gosling Emacs" (killed by GNU)
 - Then onto Sun's "NeWS" window system (killed by X)
 - Lesson 1: keeping things proprietary is kiss of death
 - Lesson 2: power of integrating three things:
 - + an expressive language
 - + network-awareness, and
 - + a GUI (graphical user interface)

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Java vs. C

- Comparison inevitable, but...
- "Java is best taught to people not contaminated by C"
 - Important to "think Java", instead of "translating C to Java"
- Similarities between C and Java are skin-deep
 - Syntactic sugar to make it easy to swallow
 - Terseness is good
 - Underlying philosophies are like day and night
- Theme of this class: levels of abstraction
 - C exposes the raw machine
 - Java virtualizes the machine

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History (cont.)

- Many success stories in CS
 - Very much like what we said about Unix
 - Not a technological breakthrough
 - All of the features of Java were present in earlier research systems
 - The "genius" lies in the good taste of assembling a small and elegant set of powerful primitives that fit together well and tossing everything else
- Luck helps a lot too

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How to Learn

- The best language to learn on-line, which is the best way to learn Java!
 - <http://www.javasoft.com>
 - <http://java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial/index.html>
 - <http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.3/docs/api/index.html>
- Start with existing code, read code, read docs
- Experiment by making small changes and adding functionality progressively
- My personal opinion: learning a second programming language in a class is a waste of time :-)
- So, it's really just a highlight

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Java vs. C (cont.)

- Bad things you **can** do in C that you **can't** do in Java
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 - Ignoring wounds (error handling)
- Dangerous things you **have to** do in C that you **don't** in Java
 - Handling ammo (memory management: malloc/free)
- Good things that you **can** do in C but you don't; Java **makes** you
 - Good practices (object-oriented methodology)
- Good things that you **can't** do in C but you **can** now
 - Kills with a single bullet (portability)
- An interesting lesson in abstraction (and politics?): making things better by “taking away” power
- [We will revisit these differences after we learn more about Java]

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Your First Java Program

```
mocha:tmp% cat > hello.java
class hello {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello World!");
    }
}
mocha:tmp% javac hello.java
mocha:tmp% ls hello.*
hello.class hello.java
mocha:tmp% java hello
Hello World!
```

- Source file: “**hello.java**”
- Java compiler: **javac**
- Byte code: “**hello.class**”
- Java interpreter: **java**
- Can install JDK on any machine, including your PC
- Other tools in JDK: **jdb**, **javadoc**

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Outline

- **Introduction**
- **The basics**
 - **First Java program and tools of trade**
 - **Classes, methods, and objects**
 - **Arrays**
 - **“Pointers”**
 - **Libraries**
- Object-oriented niceties
- Intro to applets
- Conclusions

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Classes, Methods, and Objects

```
public class MyStack {
    Object[] items;
    int n;

    public MyStack() {
        items = new Object[1000];
        n = 0;
    }
    public void push(Object item) {
        items[n++] = item;
    }
    public Object pop() {
        return items[--n];
    }
    public boolean empty() {
        return n == 0;
    }
}
```

MyStack.java

```
import MyStack;

class StackTest {
    public static void
    main(String[] args) {

        MyStack s = new MyStack();
        s.push("first");
        s.push("second");
        s.push("third");
        while (!s.empty())
            System.out.println
            (s.pop());
    }
}
```

StackTest.java

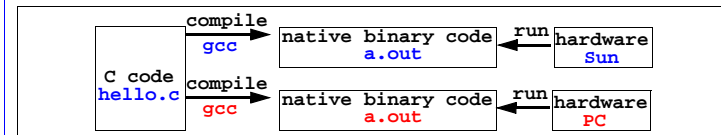
- (Don't need to understand everything in this code, yet)
- A program is a sequence of classes (no .h files!)
- A class is like a struct, one difference: methods: operations that act on the data that makes up the class
- A method is like a function. (Note how they are invoked.)
- An object to a class in Java is like a variable to a type in C

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Compiling vs. Interpreting



- Interpreter: a level of abstraction: the “virtual machine”
- The advantage of interpreting is beyond portability
- A convenient place to exercise all sorts of control
- Disadvantage: slower

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Arrays (still same example)

```
public class MyStack {
    Object[] items;
    int n;

    public MyStack() {
        items = new Object[1000];
        n = 0;
    }
    public void push(Object item) {
        items[n++] = item;
    }
    public Object pop() {
        return items[--n];
    }
    public boolean empty() {
        return n == 0;
    }
}
```

MyStack.java

- Arrays are first class citizen of Java.
- No other back-doors of accessing them, for example, no pointer arithmetic
- Array reference bounds are checked at run time
 - No seg faults possible, tremendous help in reducing headaches
 - Also important implications for safety, security, and encapsulation

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More Thoughts/Details on This Example

```
public class MyStack {
    Object[] items;
    int n;

    public MyStack() {
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        n = 0;
    }
    public void push(Object item) {
        items[n++] = item;
    }
    public Object pop() {
        return items[--n];
    }
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    }
}
```

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    main(String[] args) {

        MyStack s = new MyStack();
        s.push("first");
        s.push("second");
        s.push("third");
        while (!s.empty())
            System.out.println
            (s.pop());
    }
}
```

StackTest.java

- Other than the primitives such as int, char, boolean, all variables are objects
- Concepts of object declaration, allocation, and a constructor
- How to design a Java program: think objects!
 - What objects do I break the problem into?
 - What operations do they allow?
 - How do I implement them using even smaller objects?

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Java Libraries (Packages)

- Huge number of pre-written libraries
- Always check before you reinvent something of your own
- Watch out for version differences
 - <http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.3/docs/api/index.html>
 - Reading these docs is a major part of learning/programming Java
 - Get a big picture of what they are but read details on-demand
 - “java.util” library has a lot of useful data structure stuff: linked list, stacks, ...
- On the next slide, I will give a third implementation of the stack using a library class: **Vector** is an array that doesn't require you to pre-specify a size and doesn't fill up!

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Pointers and Linked List

```
class MyNode {
    Object item;
    MyNode next;

    MyNode(Object item,
            MyNode next) {
        this.item = item;
        this.next = next;
    }
}
```

```
public class MyStack {
    MyNode list = null;

    public MyStack() {}
    public void push(Object item) {
        list = new MyNode
            (item, list);
    }
    public Object pop() {
        Object obj = list.item;
        list = list.next;
        return obj;
    }
    public boolean empty() {
        return list == null;
    }
}
```

MyStack.java

- Officially no pointers anywhere, behind the scene, each object is a pointer, called a **reference**, special **null** reference part of language
- No pointer arithmetic, no *****, no **->**, no **free()**, no pointer bugs, no pain
- Reimplement stack using a linked list
 - **push()** code tricky: it allocates a new node, made by calling the constructor, which puts the old list head into the next field of the new node.

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Outline

- Introduction
- The basics
- **Object-oriented niceties**
 - Inheritance
 - Encapsulation
 - Code reuse
 - Multiple implementations
- Intro to applets
- Conclusions

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Example Use of Library

```
import java.util.*;
public class MyStack {
    Vector items;
    public MyStack() {
        items = new Vector();
    }
    public void push(Object item) {
        items.addElement(item);
    }
    public Object pop() {
        int end = items.size()-1;
        Object obj = items.elementAt
            (end);
        items.removeElementAt
            (end);
        return obj;
    }
    public boolean empty() {
        return items.isEmpty();
    }
}
```

Sort of like #include

Vector is a class implemented by the java.util library, called a package

All of these are operations implemented by the package. You find out about them by reading the documentation, which you can download as a whole or read online.

MyStack.java

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Encapsulation and Access Control

```
public class MyStack {
    protected Object[] items;
    protected int n;

    public MyStack() {
        items = new Object[1000];
        n = 0;
    }
    public void push(Object item) {
        items[n++] = item;
    }
    public Object pop() {
        return items[--n];
    }
    public boolean empty() {
        return n == 0;
    }
}
```

MyStack.java

- User of this class sees only what he's allowed to see
- Three key words:
 - **private**: accessible only by this class
 - **protected**: subclasses can see it too
 - **public**: accessible to all
 - (additional deals for "packages", read about them on-line if you care)

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Inheritance

```
public class MyImprovedStack extends MyStack {
    public Object pop() {
        if (n <= 0) {
            return null;
        }
        return items[--n];
    }
    public Object peek() {
        if (n <= 0) {
            return null;
        }
        return items[n-1];
    }
}
```

MyImprovedStack.java

- **MyImprovedStack** is a subclass of **MyStack**
- This example: adding functionality
- Another example use: "specialization"--a **student** class inherits from a **person** class

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Multiple Implementations

```
import MyStack;
import MyArrStack;
import MyListStack;
class StackTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MyStack s;
        s = new MyArrStack();
        s.push("first"); s.push("second");
        while (!s.empty()) System.out.println(s.pop());

        s = new MyListStack();
        s.push("first"); s.push("second");
        while (!s.empty()) System.out.println(s.pop());
    }
}
```

StackTest.java

- As long as a common interface is agreed upon
- We can pick and choose different implementations
- How's this done? Next slide...

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Code Reuse

```
import MyStack;
class StackTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MyStack s1 = new MyStack();
        s1.push("first"); s1.push("second");
        while (!s1.empty()) System.out.println(s1.pop());
        MyStack s2 = new MyStack();
        s2.push(new Integer(1)); s2.push(new Integer(2));
        while (!s2.empty()) System.out.println(s2.pop());
    }
}
```

StackTest.java

- This example: no need to write different codes for stack of Strings and stack of Integers

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Java vs. C (Revisit)

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Abstract Classes

```
public abstract class MyStack {  
    public abstract void push(Object item);  
    public abstract Object pop();  
    public abstract boolean empty();  
}
```

MyStack.java

```
import MyStack;  
public class MyArrStack extends MyStack {  
    .....  
}
```

MyArrStack.java

```
import MyStack;  
public class MyListStack extends MyStack {  
    .....  
}
```

MyListStack.java

- Abstract classes specify interfaces, no implementation
- Implementations inherit abstract classes and fill in implementation details

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What We Have Learned

- These are highlights, by no means complete
- Best way of learning
 - Study the tutorial online
 - Read and experiment with existing code
 - Read docs
- **I don't expect people to memorize or be able to reproduce syntactic details**
- **I do** expect people to be able to **read** and **understand** given code and concepts discussed

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Mini-Outline

- **Your first applet and more tools of trade**
- **Life cycle of an applet, “funny” part**
 - You have to write a whole bunch of methods you don't call
 - You call a whole bunch of methods that you didn't write
- **Simple drawing and events**

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Applets: Beyond Animated Clowns

- What can you do when you can slurp code over the net?
- Extensibility
 - Bill Joy: “No more protocols; just code!”
 - No need for hard wired **network protocols**
 - No need for hard wired information **content protocols**
- A brave new world
 - New way of structuring applications (local or distributed)
 - New way of structuring operating systems (local or distributed)
- Today is only an introduction to the bare basics
 - Encourage interested people to explore on their own
 - It's fun and there's nothing hard

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Life Cycle of an Applet

```
import java.applet.Applet;
import java.awt.Graphics;

public class Simple extends Applet {
    StringBuffer buffer;

    public void init() {
        buffer = new StringBuffer();
        addItem("initializing... ");
    }

    public void start() {
        addItem("starting... ");
    }

    public void stop() {
        addItem("stopping... ");
    }

    public void destroy() {
        addItem("preparing for unloading...");
    }

    void addItem(String newWord) {
        System.out.println(newWord);
        buffer.append(newWord);
        repaint();
    }

    public void paint(Graphics g) {
        g.drawString(buffer.toString(), 5, 15);
    }
}
```

- **init()**: browser calls it when applet first loaded
- **start()**: start execution (eg. after becoming visible)
- **stop()**: stop execution (eg. after switching to different page)
- **destroy()**: clean up after final exit
- **paint()**: browser tells it it's time to redraw

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Your First Java Applet

```
import java.applet.Applet;
import java.awt.Graphics;

public class Hello extends Applet {
    public void paint(Graphics g) {
        g.drawString("Hello world!", 125, 95);
    }
}
```

Hello.java

```
hello.html
<HTML><BODY>
<APPLET CODE=Hello.class WIDTH=300 HEIGHT=200></APPLET>
</BODY></HTML>
```

- To try it
 - Compile: **javac Hello.java**
 - Test: **appletviewer hello.html**
 - Or: put all these files in a publicly accessible directory (such as ~/public_html and view using **netscape**)
- What happens
 - .html and .class files are slurped over the net
 - The browser has a virtual machine (interpreter) in it
 - It checks for security violations and runs it if ok.

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Example (cont.) -- Drawing

```
public void paint(Graphics g) {
    // draw a black border and a white background
    g.setColor(Color.white);
    g.fillRect(0, 0, getSize().width - 1,
              getSize().height - 1);
    g.setColor(Color.black);
    g.drawRect(0, 0, getSize().width - 1,
              getSize().height - 1);

    // draw the spot
    g.setColor(Color.red);
    if (spot != null) {
        g.fillOval(spot.x - RADIUS,
                  spot.y - RADIUS,
                  RADIUS * 2, RADIUS * 2);
    }
}
```

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A Slightly Larger Example

```
import java.applet.Applet;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;

class Spot {
    public int size;
    public int x, y;

    public Spot(int size) {
        this.size = size;
        this.x = -1;
        this.y = -1;
    }
}

public class ClickMe extends Applet
    implements MouseListener {
    private Spot spot = null;
    private static final int RADIUS = 7;
}
```

A helper class for the dot

Later

A constant that can't be changed

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Example (cont.) -- Event Handling

```
public class ClickMe extends Applet
    implements MouseListener {
    ...
    public void init() {
        addMouseListener(this);
    }
    public void mousePressed(MouseEvent event) {
        if (spot == null) {
            spot = new Spot(RADIUS);
            spot.x = event.getX();
            spot.y = event.getY();
            repaint();
        }
    }
    public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent event) {}
    public void mouseReleased(MouseEvent event) {}
    public void mouseEntered(MouseEvent event) {}
    public void mouseExited(MouseEvent event) {}
}
```

MouseListener is an interface. ClickMe promises to implement everything specified by the interface. (Kind of like multiple inheritance in C++)

"this" is the reference to this instance of the class.

As long as ClickMe promises to implement the interface, it can now accept mouse events.

The browser calls the applet through this method when the mouse is pressed.

Figure out where the mouse is and trigger a paint() through repaint().

Don't need these, but a promise is a promise.

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The “Truth” (cont.)

- “Productive”
 - Much less debugging headaches: no pointer probs, exceptions
 - Stealing has never been easier: the net, portability, reusability
 - Excellent documentation
 - Large and growing body of libraries to help: utilities, media, GUI, networking, threads, databases, cryptography...
 - Flip side: versions, large libraries
- “Slow”
 - Interpreted, too many tiny objects and methods
 - Flip side: just-in-time compiling can make things almost as fast as native code
- “Hype”
 - Important for momentum which translates into community expertise and support, applications, tools, and libraries
 - Flip side: hasty decision-making to feed the frenzy
- Only game in town?
 - Unprecedented roles for scripting languages on the net

The “Truth”

- “KISS”
 - Large number of complicated features of C++ gone
 - The language is incredibly small
 - Flip side: huge number of libraries and you can’t be a serious Java programmer without knowing a lot about them
- “Modern”
 - Garbage collection, strongly typed, exceptions, support for multi-threading and networking
 - Flip side: ideas have been around in the research community for ages: Modula-3, Smalltalk, Lisp, C++, Object C
- “Secure”
 - A nice three-tier protection system: verifier, class loader, and security manager.
 - Can reason about it formally
 - Flip side: bugs