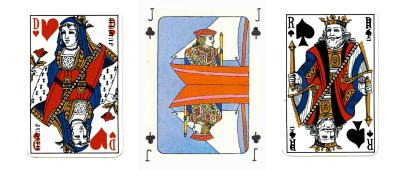
Lecture 14: Modular Programming



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Object Oriented Programming

Objected oriented programming (OOP).

- Programming paradigm based on data types.
- An object stores a data type value; variable name refers to object.
- "Everything" in Java is an object.

OOP enables:

- Data abstraction.
- ➡ Modular programming.
 - Encapsulation.
 - Inheritance.

Religious wars ongoing.

Review

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

A Java class allows us to define a data type by:

- Specifying a set of variables.
- Defining operations on those values.

Break up a program into smaller pieces.

- Class = program that defines a data type.
- Client = program that uses a data type.

Modular Programming

Modular programming.

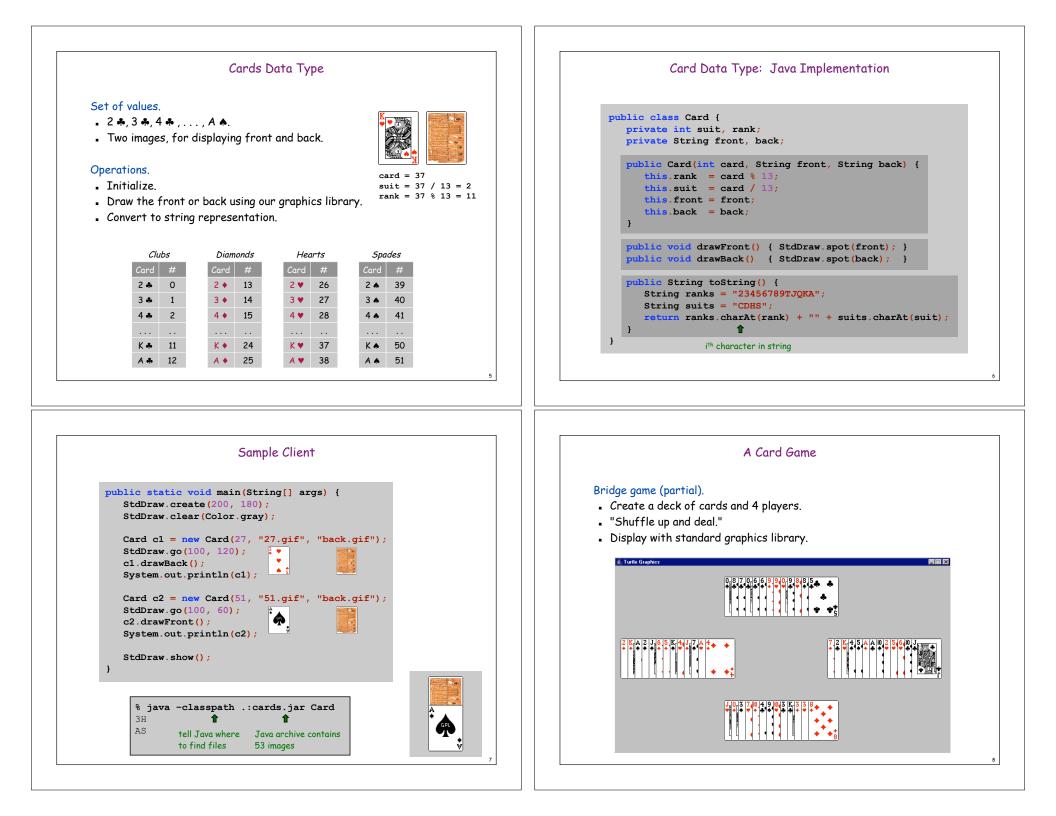
- Break a large program into smaller independent modules.
- ➡ Ex: Card, Deck, Player, Blackjack, Casino.
 - Ex: Switch, Gate, Adder, ALU, FlipFlop, Decoder, Memory, TOY.

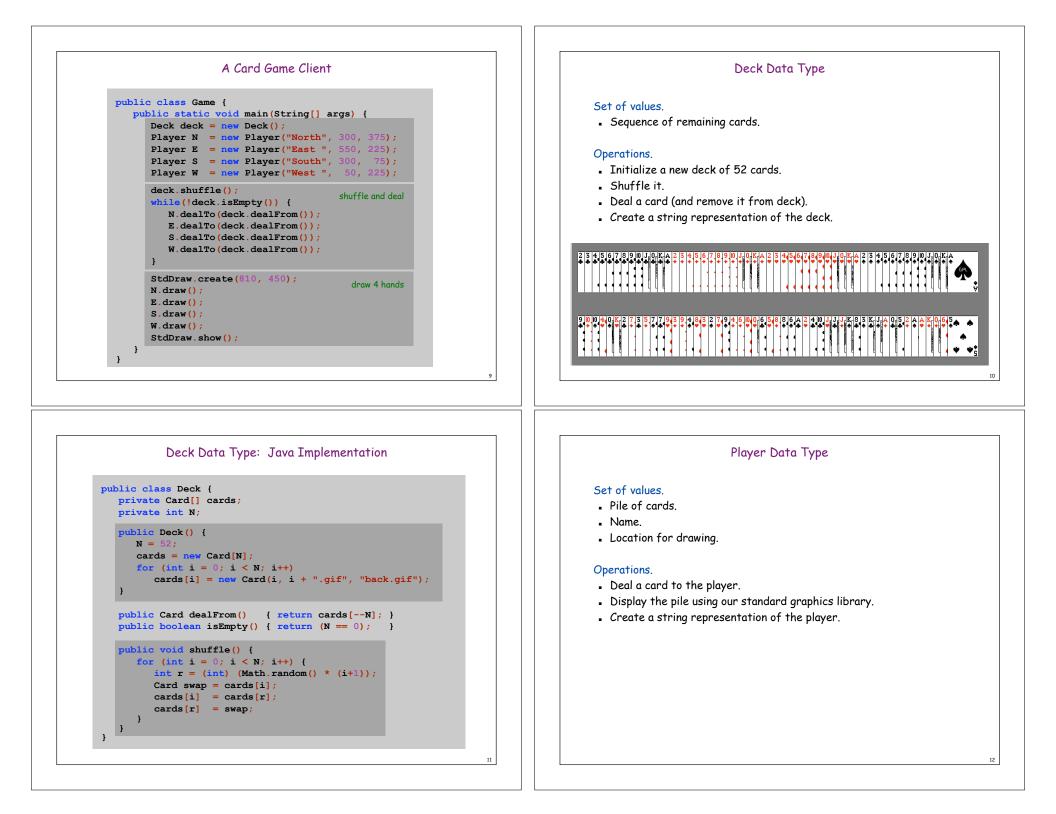
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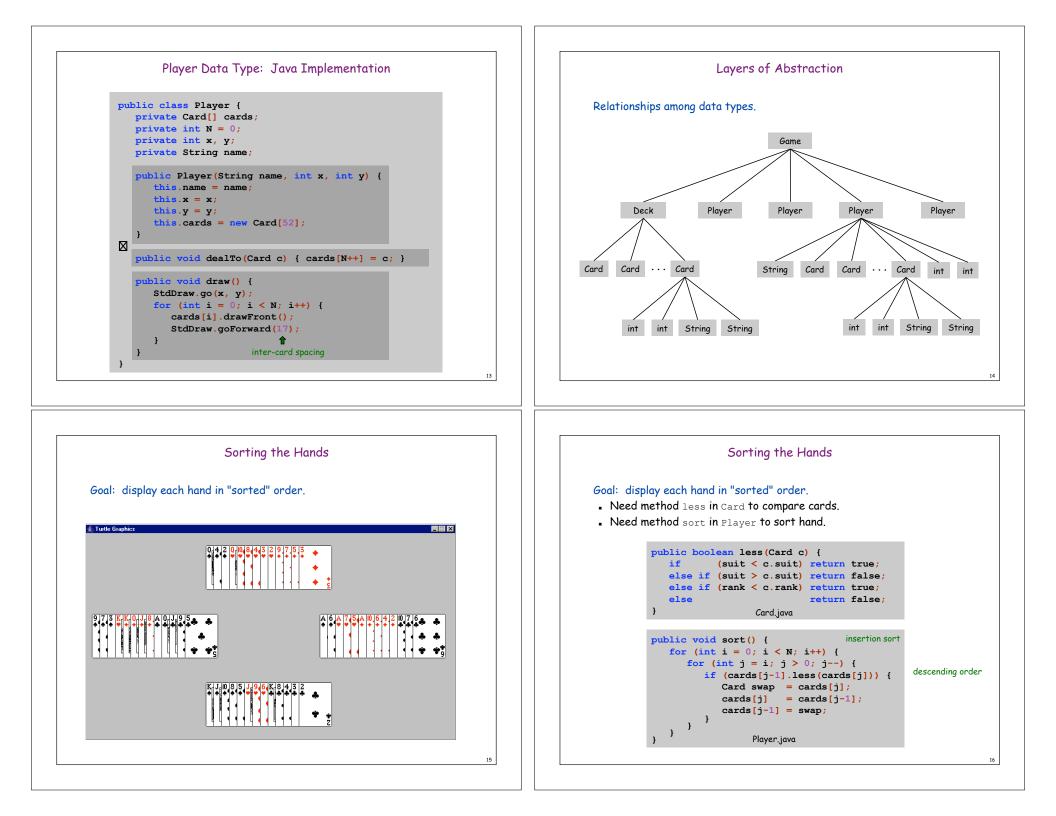
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- Reuse code.

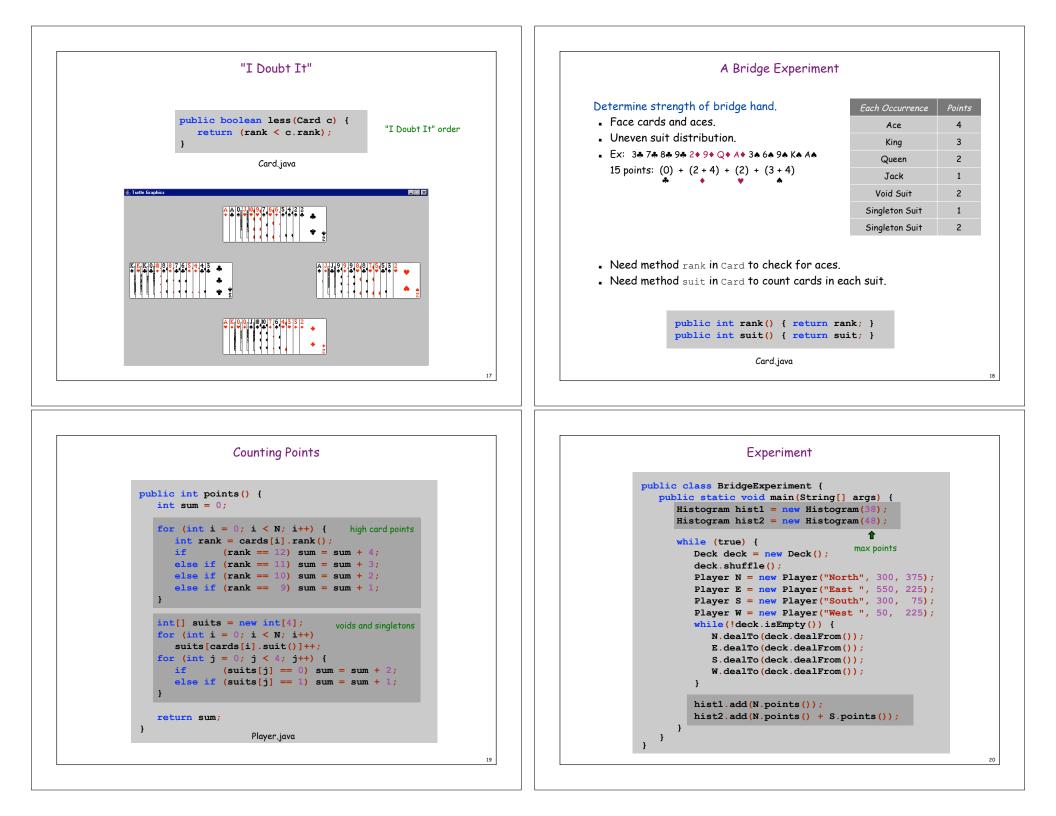
Modular programming in Java.

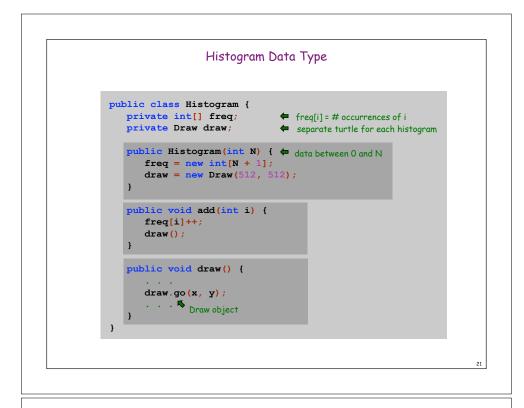
- Define new classes in terms of old ones.
- Keep classes small.











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Summary

Modular programming.

- Break a large program into smaller independent modules.
- Ex: Card, Deck, Player, Game, Casino,....

Debug and test each piece independently (unit testing).

- Each class can have its own main.
- Spend less overall time debugging.

Divide work for multiple programmers.

- Software architect specifies data types.
- Each programmer writes, debugs, and tests one.

Reuse code.

- Ex: reuse Histogram with gambler's ruin.
- Ex: reuse Card, Deck to make blackjack or poker game.

Announcements

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- <u>http://www.cs.princeton.edu/ugradpgm/life.html</u>
- 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 March 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)

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