CS106A Review Session

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Topic List

• Karel
• Java constructs
• Graphics + Animation
• Memory (Pass-by-reference vs. pass by value)
• Event-driven programming
• Characters and Strings
Tips:

- Pseudocode first
- Decompose the problem
- Might be limitations on constructs
  - E.g. no Java features (variables, break, etc.)
Mail Karel
Karel is in a world with walkways to houses that have mail to pick up. Karel should go to every house in order, go up the walkway and take all the mail (beepers). House walkways can be any distance apart, and have guide walls on the left and right up to the mailbox.

Challenge: solve this before proceeding to solution!
Mail Karel

Loop:
- if there’s a house:
  pick up mail
- if front is clear:
  move

Pick up mail:
- traverse walkway
- take mail
- traverse walkway
public void run() {
    while (frontIsClear()) {
        if (leftIsClear()) {
            pickUpMail();
        }
        if (frontIsClear()) {
            move();
        }
    }
    if (leftIsClear()) {  // maybe house on the last square!
        pickUpMail();
    }
}
private void pickUpMail() {
    turnLeft();
    traverseWalkway();
    takeMail();
    turnAround();
    traverseWalkway();
    turnLeft();
}
private void traverseWalkway() {
    move();
    while (leftIsBlocked() && rightIsBlocked()) {
        move();
    }
}
private void takeMail() {
    while (beepersPresent()) {
        pickBeeper();
    }
}
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For or While?

- **WHILE**
  - Read in user input until you hit the SENTINEL

- **FOR**
  - Iterate through a string

- **WHILE**
  - Move Karel to a wall

- **FOR**
  - Put down 8 beepers
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Methods let you define custom Java commands.
Parameters let you provide a method some information when you are calling it.
Return values let you give back some information when a method is finished.
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Example: readInt

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We call `readInt`

We give `readInt` some information (the text to print to the user)
When we include values in the parentheses of a method call, this means we are passing them as parameters to this method.

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int x = readInt("Your guess? ");
```
When finished, readInt gives us information back (the user's number) and we put it in x.

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When we set a variable equal to a method, this tells Java to save the return value of the method in that variable.

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Parameters: drawBlueRect

Tells Java this method needs two ints in order to execute.

```java
private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    // use width and height variables
    // to draw a rect at 0, 0
}
```
Parameters: drawBlueRect

Inside drawBlueRect, refer to the first parameter value as width...

```csharp
private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    // use width and height variables
    // to draw a rect at 0, 0
}
```
Parameters: drawBlueRect

```java
private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    // use width and height variables
    // to draw a rect at 0, 0
}
```

...and the second parameter value as `height`.
We call `drawBlueRect`

`drawBlueRect(50, 20);`

We give `drawBlueRect` some information (the size of the rect we want)
Parameters: drawBlueRect

```cpp
int width = ... 70
int height = ... 40
...
```

drawBlueRect(width, height);
Parameters: drawBlueRect

```java
int width = ... 70
int height = ... 40
...

drawBlueRect(70, 40);
```
Parameters: `drawBlueRect`

drawBlueRect(70, 40);
Parameters: drawBlueRect

private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    // use width and height variables
    // to draw a rect at 0, 0
}
private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    GRect rect = new GRect(width, height); // 70x40
    ...
}

Parameters: drawBlueRect
Parameters: "drawBlueRect"

Parameter names do not affect program behavior.
public void run() {
    int width = ... 70
    int height = ... 40
    drawBlueRect(width, height);
}

private void drawBlueRect(int width, int height) {
    ...
}

Parameters: drawBlueRect

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When this method finishes, it will return a double.

```java
private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    ...
}
```
private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    double centimeters = meters * 100;
    return centimeters;
}

Returns the *value of this expression* (centimeters).
public void run() {
    double cm = metersToCm(10);
    ...
}

Setting a variable *equal* to a method means we save the method’s return value in that variable.

```java
public void run() {
    double cm = metersToCm(10);
    ...
}
```
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    ...

    double cm = metersToCm(meters);
    println(cm + " centimeters.");
}

private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    double centimeters = meters * 100;
    return centimeters;
}
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    ...
    double cm = metersToCm(meters);
    println(cm + " centimeters.");
}

private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    double centimeters = meters * 100;
    return centimeters;
}
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    ...

    double cm = metersToCm(meters);
    println(cm + " centimeters.");
}

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    double centimeters = meters * 100;
    return centimeters;
}
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    ...
    double cm = metersToCm(meters);
    println(cm + " centimeters.");
}
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    println(metersToCm(meters) + " cm.");
}

private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    ...
}
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    println(metersToCm(meters) + " cm.");
}

private double metersToCm(double meters) {
    ...
}

You can use a method's return value directly in an expression.
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    ...

    metersToCm(meters); // Does nothing!
    ...
}
public void run() {
    double meters = readDouble("# meters? ");
    ...
    700
    metersToCm(meters);  // Does nothing!
    ...
}
public void run() {
    String str = "Boo!! It is halloween."
    println(trickOrTreat(str, 6))
    int candy = 5
    int costume = 6
    candy = howMuchCandy(candy, costume)
    println("I got " + candy + " candy(ies)"");
}

private String trickOrTreat(String str, int num1) {
    num1 *= 2
    return str.substring(num1, str.length() - 1)
}

private int howMuchCandy(int costume, int candy) {
    int num3 = costume + candy / 2
    return num3 % 3;
}

(Dug up from an old program – do not write code like this at home! :) )
public void run() {
    String str = “Boo!! It is halloween.”;
    println(trickOrTreat(str, 6));
    ...
}
private String trickOrTreat(String str, int num1) {
    num1 *= 2; // 12
    return str.substring(num1, str.length() - 1);
}
public void run() {
    String str = "Boo!! It is halloween."
    println(trickOrTreat(str, 6));
...
public void run() {
    ...
    int candy = 5;
    int costume = 6;
    candy = howMuchCandy(candy, costume);
    println("I got "+ candy + " candy(ies)");
}
private int howMuchCandy(int costume, int candy) {
    int num3 = costume + candy / 2;
    return num3 % 3;
}
private int howMuchCandy(int costume, int candy) {
    int num3 = costume + candy / 2; // 8
    return num3 % 3; // 2
}
public void run() {
    ...  
    int candy = 5;
    int costume = 6;
    candy = howMuchCandy(candy, costume);
    println("I got " + candy + " candy(ies)"); 
}
Program Trace

• **Tricky spots:** precedence, parameter/variable names...
• Draw pictures! / Label variable values
Graphics and Animation
• Look at lecture slides for lists of different GObject types and their methods
• Remember: the x and y of GRect, GOval, etc. is their upper left corner, but the x and y of GLabel is its leftmost baseline coordinate.
• Remember: a label’s height is gotten from getAscent.
Animation

Standard format for animation code:
(see Event-Driven Programming for example program)

```java
while (CONDITION) {
    updateGraphics();
    performChecks();
    pause(PAUSE_TIME);
}
```
Memory
• Stack and heap
  – **Stack** is where local variables live
  – **Heap** is where objects live

• When you make an object, the local variable (what you named it) is a box that stores an **address** where the object actually lives.

• When you make a primitive, the local variable is a box that stores the **actual value**.
Memory

• `==` is dangerous because it compares what’s in the variable boxes!
  – For primitives, ok
  – For objects, compares their addresses! So only true if they’re the exact same object living in the exact same place.
• **Parameters:** when you pass a parameter, Java passes a copy of whatever is in the variable’s box.
  
  – For primitives – a copy of their **value**
  – For objects – a copy of their **address!** So there’s still only 1 object version
public void run() {
    GRect rect = new GRect(0,0,50,50);
    fillBlue(rect);
    add(rect);    // rect is blue!
}

private void fillBlue(GRect myRect) {
    myRect.setFilled(true);
    myRect.setColor(Color.BLUE);
}
public void run() {
    int x = 2;
    addTwo(x);
    println(x); // x is still 2!
}

private void addTwo(int x) {
    x += 2; // this modifies addTwo’s COPY!
}
public void run() {
    int x = 2;
    x = addTwo(x);
    println(x);  // x is still 2!
}

private int addTwo(int x) {
    x += 2;  // this modifies addTwo’s COPY!
    return x;
}
Event-Driven Programming
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• **Example**: mouse events

• **Two** ways for Java to execute your code: from `run()` and from event handler (mouseClicked, mouseMoved, etc.).

• These programs are **asynchronous** – code is not run in order any more, since you don’t know when the user will interact with your program!
Event-Driven Programming

1. Sign up for notifications for mouse events
2. Implement the method corresponding to what event you care about (e.g. `mousePressed`, `mouseMoved`).
3. Java will call that method whenever the corresponding event occurs.
public class ColorChangingSquare extends GraphicsProgram {

    /* Size of the square in pixels */
    private static final int SQUARE_SIZE = 100;

    /* Pause time in milliseconds */
    private static final int PAUSE_TIME = 1000;

    public void run() {
        GRect square = new GRect(SQUARE_SIZE, SQUARE_SIZE);
        square.setFilled(true);
        add(square, (getWidth() - SQUARE_SIZE) / 2,
            (getHeight() - SQUARE_SIZE) / 2);

        /* Note: we meant to have this infinite loop */
        while (true) {
            square.setColor(rgen.nextColor());
            pause(PAUSE_TIME);
        }
    }

    /* Private instance variables */
    private RandomGenerator rgen = RandomGenerator.getInstance();
}
Let’s write a program like “random color-changing square”, but when you click the shape changes between a square and a circle.

The shapes should always be the same random color, even if you click in between colors changing.

Challenge: solve this before proceeding to solution!
Color-Changing Shape

Modifications:

• Have a **square and circle** at the same time
• Change the colors of **both** every PAUSE_TIME
• On click, add one and remove the other
private static final int SQUARE_SIZE = 100;
private static final int PAUSE_TIME = 100;
private GRect square;
private GOval circle;
private boolean isShowingSquare = true;

private RandomGenerator rgen = 
RandomGenerator.getInstance();
public void run() {
    setup();
    while (true) {
        Color c = rgen.nextColor();
        square.setColor(c);
        circle.setColor(c);
        pause(PAUSE_TIME);
    }
}
private void setup() {

double x = (getWidth() - SQUARE_SIZE) / 2.0;

double y = (getHeight() - SQUARE_SIZE) / 2.0;

square = new GRect(x, y, SQUARE_SIZE, SQUARE_SIZE);

circle = new GOval(x, y, SQUARE_SIZE, SQUARE_SIZE);

square.setFill(true);

circle.setFill(true);

add(square); // only add square!

addMouseListners();
}
public void mouseClicked(MouseEvent e) {
    if (isShowingSquare) {
        remove(square);
        add(circle);
    } else {
        remove(circle);
        add(square);
    }
    isShowingSquare = !isShowingSquare; // flip boolean
}
Characters and Strings
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• A **char** is a **primitive type** that represents a single letter, digit, or symbol. Uses single quotes (‘’).

• Computers represent **chars** as numbers under the hood (ASCII encoding scheme).

• A string is an **immutable object** that represents a sequence of characters. Uses double quotes (""`).
char uppercaseA = ‘A’;

// We need to cast to a char so the type on the right matches
// the type on the left (char arithmetic defaults to int)
char uppercaseB = (char)(uppercaseA + 1);

int lettersInAlphabet = ‘Z’ – ‘A’ + 1;
// equivalent: ‘z’ – ‘a’ + 1
// A to Z and a to z are sequential numbers.
Characters

Useful Methods in the **Character** Class

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<td>Determines if the specified character is an uppercase letter.</td>
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<td><code>static boolean isWhitespace(char ch)</code></td>
<td>Determines if the specified character is whitespace (spaces and tabs).</td>
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*Using portions of slides by Eric Roberts*
• **Note:** chars are **primitives**. This means we can’t call methods on them!

• Instead we use the `Character` class and call methods on it. We pass in the character of interest as a **parameter**.

• These methods **do not change the char**! They return a modified char.
char ch = ‘a’;
Character.toUpperCase(ch);    // does nothing!
ch.toUpperCase();            // won’t compile!
ch = Character.toUpperCase(ch);  // ✔

if (Character.isUpperCase(ch)) {
    println(ch + " is upper case!");
}
• **Note:** strings are (immutable) objects. This means we can call methods on them!

• We *cannot change a string after creating it*. We can *overwrite* the entire variable with a new string, but we cannot go in and modify an existing string.

• Strings can be combined with ints, doubles, chars, etc.
## Strings

### Useful Methods in the `String` Class

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<td><code>char charAt(int index)</code></td>
<td>Returns the character at the specified index. Note: Strings indexed starting at 0.</td>
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<td>Returns substring beginning at <code>p1</code> and extending through end of string.</td>
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<td><code>boolean equals(String s2)</code></td>
<td>Returns true if string <code>s2</code> is equal to the receiver string. This is case sensitive.</td>
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<td><code>int compareTo(String s2)</code></td>
<td>Returns integer whose sign indicates how strings compare in lexicographic order.</td>
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<td><code>int indexOf(char ch)</code> or <code>int indexOf(String s)</code></td>
<td>Returns index of first occurrence of the character or the string, or -1 if not found.</td>
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<td><code>String toLowerCase()</code> or <code>String toUpperCase()</code></td>
<td>Returns a lowercase or uppercase version of the receiver string.</td>
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Strings

String str = "Hello world!"; // no new needed
str.toUpperCase(); // does nothing!
str = str.toUpperCase(); // ✔

for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++) {
    println(str.charAt(i));
}
// prints each char on its own line
Putting It All Together

String str = "'ello mate!";
str = str.substring(1);
str = 'H' + str;  // str = "Hello mate!"
String newStr = "";
for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++) {
    newStr = str.charAt(i) + newStr;
}
// newStr = "!etam olleH"
println("B" + 8 + 4);
// prints “B84”
println("B" + (8 + 4));
// prints “B12”
println(‘A’ + 5 + “ella”);
// prints “70ella (note: ‘A’ corresponds to 65)”
// just an example; you don’t need to know int values of chars!
println((char)(‘A’ + 5) + “ella”);
// prints “Fella”
Type Conversion

• This seems nonsensical - but it’s not!

• **Just use precedence rules** and keep track of the type along the way. Evaluate 2 at a time.

```java
println('A' + 5 + “ella”);
// ‘A’ + 5 is int (70), int + “ella” is string
println((char)('A' + 5) + “ella”);
// ‘A’ + 5 is char (’F’), char + “ella” is string
```
Lets write a method that, given a string, removes all strings within asterisks and returns the result.

```java
String str = "int s = 2; * This is 2 *";
println(removeComments(str)); // "int s = 2; "
str = "Hi * Hello * Hello";
println(removeComments(str)); // "Hi Hello"
str = "No comments!";
println(removeComments(str)); // "No comments!"
```

Challenge: solve this before proceeding to solution!
Super helpful Strings pattern: given a string, iterate through and build up a **new string**. (Since strings are immutable!)

```java
String oldStr = ...;
String newStr = "";
for (int i = 0; i < oldStr.length(); i++) {
    // build up newStr
}
```
private String removeComments(String str) {
    String newStr = "";
    boolean inComment = false;
    for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++) {
        if (str.charAt(i) == '*') inComment = !inComment;

        // Note: if at end of comment, inComment already false!
        if (!inComment && str.charAt(i) != '*') {
            newStr += str.charAt(i);
        }
    }

    return newStr;  // DON’T FORGET!!
}
Parting Words
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• Try to get to every problem
• Don’t rush to coding too quickly
• Pseudocode!
• Look over the practice midterm
Good Luck!