
Design for Change (class level)

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Design Tradeoffs?

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Case Study: Pines and Beetles

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Today: How Objects Respond to Messages

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Object a0 is a LodgepolePine
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```
1. Select and create agents
2. Add agents to framework
3. Invoke simulate() on the framework
4. Invoke timestep() on each agent
5. Update agent-specific state in timestep()
```
Learning Goals
- Explain the need to design for change and design for division of labor
- Understand subtype polymorphism and dynamic dispatch
  - Distinguish between static and runtime type
  - Explain static and instanceof and their limitations
- Use encapsulation to achieve information hiding
- Define method contracts beyond type signatures
- Explain the concept of design patterns, their ingredients and applications
- Identify applicability of and apply the strategy design pattern
- Write and automate unit tests

Design Goals, Principles, and Patterns
- Design Goals
  - Design for Change
  - Design for Division of Labor
- Design Principles
  - Explicit Interfaces (clear boundaries)
  - Information Hiding (hide likely changes)
- Design Patterns
  - Strategy Design Pattern
  - Composite Design Pattern
- Supporting Language Features
  - Subtype Polymorphism
  - Encapsulation

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Building Complex Systems
- Division of Labor
- Division of Knowledge and Design Effort
- Reuse of Existing Implementations

Goal of Software Design
- For each desired program behavior there are infinitely many programs that have this behavior
  - What are the differences between the variants?
  - Which variant should we choose?
- Since we usually have to synthesize rather than choose the solution...
  - How can we design a variant that has the desired properties?
**Sorting with configurable order, variant B**

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void sort(int[] list, Comparator cmp) { 
    ... 
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    mustswap = cmp.compare(list[i], list[j]); 
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(by the way, this design is called “strategy pattern”)

**Design Goals for Today**

- **Design for Change** (flexibility, extensibility, modifiability)
- also
  - Design for Division of Labor
  - Design for Understandability

**Objects**

- A package of state (data) and behavior (actions)
- Can interact with objects by sending messages
  - perform an action (e.g., move)
  - request some information (e.g., getSize)

```java
Point p = ...; 
int x = p.getX();
int y = p.getY();
```

- Possible messages described through an interface

```java
interface Point { 
    int getX();
    int getY();
    void moveUp(int y); 
    Point copy();
}
```

**Subtype Polymorphism**

- There may be multiple implementations of an interface
- Multiple implementations coexist in the same program
- May not even be distinguishable
- Every object has its own data and behavior

```java
interface Point { 
    int getX();
    int getY();
}
```

**Creating Objects**

```java
Point p = new Point() { 
    int getX() { return 3; }
    int getY() { return -10; }
};
```

**SUBTYPE POLYMORPHISM / DYNAMIC DISPATCH**

(Object-oriented language feature enabling flexibility)
Creating Objects

```java
interface IntSet {
    boolean contains(int element);
    boolean isSubsetOf(IntSet otherSet);
}

IntSet emptySet = new IntSet() {
    boolean contains(int element) {
        return false;
    }
    boolean isSubsetOf(IntSet otherSet) {
        return true;
    }
};
```

Classes as Object Templates

```java
interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}

class CartesianPoint implements Point {
    int x,y;
    CartesianPoint(int x, int y) {this.x=x; this.y=y;}
    int getX() { return this.x; }
    int getY() { return this.y; }
}

Point p = new CartesianPoint(3, -10);
```

More Classes

```java
interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}

class SkewedPoint implements Point {
    int x,y;
    SkewedPoint(int x, int y) {this.x=x + 10; this.y=y * 2;}
    int getX() { return this.x - 10; }
    int getY() { return this.y / 2; }
}

Point p = new SkewedPoint(3, -10);
```

Polar Points

```java
interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}

class PolarPoint implements Point {
    double len, angle;
    PolarPoint(double len, double angle) {
        this.len=len; this.angle=angle;
    }
    int getX() { return this.len * cos(this.angle); }
    int getY() { return this.len * sin(this.angle); }
    double getAngle() {…}
}

Point p = new PolarPoint(5, .245);
```

Implementation of interfaces

- Classes can `implement` one or more interfaces.
- **Semantics**
  - **Must provide code** for all methods in the interface(s)

```java
public class PolarPoint implements Point, IPolarPoint {…}
```
Points and Rectangles: Interface

interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}

interface Rectangle {
    Point getOrigin();
    int getWidth();
    int getHeight();
    void draw();
}

Java interfaces and classes

- Organize program functionality around kinds of abstract “objects”
  - For each object kind, offer a specific set of operations on the objects
  - Objects are otherwise opaque: Details of representation are hidden
- Distinguish interface from class:
  - Interface: expectations
  - Class: delivery on expectations (the implementation)
  - Anonymous class: special Java construct to create objects without explicit classes: `Point x = new Point();`
  - Explicitly represent the taxonomy of object types:
    - This is the type hierarchy (`*` inheritance, more on that later). A CartesianPoint is a Point

Discussion Subtype Polymorphism

- A user of an object does not need to know the object's implementation, only its interface
- All objects implementing the interface can be used interchangeably
- Allows flexible change (modifications, extensions, reuse) later without changing the client implementation, even in unanticipated contexts
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Check your Understanding

interface Animal {
    void makeSound();
}
class Dog implements Animal {
    public void makeSound() { System.out.println("bark!"); }
}
class Cow implements Animal {
    public void makeSound() { System.out.println("Mew!"); }
    public void mew() { System.out.println("Mew!"); }
}
Animal x = new Animal() {
    public void makeSound() { System.out.println("chirp!"); }
};
Animal a = new Animal();
Dog d = new Dog();
Animal b = new Cow();
b.mew();

STRATEGY DESIGN PATTERN (EXPLOITING POLYMORPHISM FOR FLEXIBILITY)

Behavioral: Strategy

void sort(int[] list, String order) {
    boolean mustswap;
    if (order.equals("up")) {
        mustswap = list[i] < list[j];
    } else if (order.equals("down")) {
        mustswap = list[i] > list[j];
    }
    ...
}
void sort(int[] list, Comparator cmp) {
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Behavioral: Strategy

- Applicability
  - Many classes differ in only their behavior
  - Client needs different variants of an algorithm
- Consequences
  - Code is more extensible with new strategies
  - Compared to conditionals
  - Separates algorithm from context
  - Each can vary independently
  - Design for change and reuse
  - Add objects and dynamism
  - Code harder to understand
- Design for change
  - Find what varies, encapsulate it
  - Allows changing/adding alternative variations later
  - Class Center is closed for extension
  - Equivalent in functional progr languages: Higher-order functions
Design Patterns

• "Each pattern describes a problem which occurs over and over again in our environment, and then describes the core of the solution to that problem, in such a way that you can use this solution a million times over, without ever doing it the same way twice" – Christopher Alexander

• Every Strategy interface has its own domain-specific interface
  – But they share a common problem and solution

Examples

• Change the sorting criteria in a list
• Change the aggregation method for computations over a list (e.g., fold)
• Compute the tax on a sale
• Compute a discount on a sale
• Change the layout of a form

Benefits of Patterns

• Shared language of design
  – Increases communication bandwidth
  – Decreases misunderstandings

• Learn from experience
  – Becoming a good designer is hard
  – Understanding good designs is a first step
  – Tested solutions to common problems
    • Where is the solution applicable?
    • What are the tradeoffs?

Illustration [Shalloway and Trott]

• Carpenter 1: How do you think we should build these drawers?

• Carpenter 2: Well, I think we should make the joint by cutting straight down into the wood, and then cut back up 45 degrees, and then going straight back down, and then back up the other way 45 degrees, and then going straight down, and repeating...

• SE example: "I wrote this if statement to handle ... followed by a while loop ... with a break statement so that..."

A Better Way

• Carpenter 1: Should we use a dovetail joint or a miter joint?

• Subtext:
  – miter joint: cheap, invisible, breaks easily
  – dovetail joint: expensive, beautiful, durable

• Shared terminology and knowledge of consequences raises level of abstraction
  – CS: Should we use a Strategy?
  – Subtext:
    • Is there a varying part in a stable context?
    • Might there be advantages in limiting the number of possible implementations?

Elements of a Pattern

• Name
  – Important because it becomes part of a design vocabulary
  – Raises level of communication

• Problem
  – When the pattern is applicable

• Solution
  – Design elements and their relationships
  – Abstract: must be specialized

• Consequences
  – Tradeoffs of applying the pattern
    • Each pattern has costs as well as benefits
    • Issues include flexibility, extensibility, etc.
    • There may be variations in the pattern with different consequences
**History: Design Patterns Book**
- Brought Design Patterns into the mainstream
- Authors known as the Gang of Four (GoF)
- Focuses on descriptions of communicating objects and classes that are customized to solve a general design problem in a particular context
- Great as a reference text
- Uses C++, Smalltalk

**Design Exercise (on paper)**
- You are designing software for a shipping company.
  - There are several different kinds of items that can be shipped: letters, books, packages, fragile items, etc.
  - Two important considerations are the **weight** of an item and its **insurance cost**:
    - Fragile items cost more to insure.
    - All letters are assumed to weigh an ounce.
    - We must keep track of the weight of other packages.
  - The company sells **boxes** and customers can put several items into them.
    - The software needs to track the contents of a box (e.g. to add up its weight, or compute the total insurance value).
    - However, most of the software should treat a box holding several items just like a single item.
  - Think about how to represent packages; what are possible interfaces, classes, and methods? (letter, book, box only)

**The Composite Design Pattern**
- **Applicability**
  - You want to represent part-whole hierarchies of objects
  - You want to be able to ignore the difference between compositions of objects and individual objects
- **Consequences**
  - Makes the client simple, since it can treat objects and composites uniformly
  - Makes it easy to add new kinds of components
  - Can make the design overly general
  - Operations may not make sense on every class
  - Composites may contain only certain components

**We have seen this before**
```java
interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}
class MiddlePoint implements Point {
    Point a, b;
    MiddlePoint(Point a, Point b) {this.a = a; this.b = b; }
    int getX() { return (this.a.getX() + this.b.getX()) / 2; }
    int getY() { return (this.a.getY() + this.b.getY()) / 2; }
}
```

**ENCAPSULATION**
(LANGUAGE FEATURE TO CONTROL VISIBILITY)
Define an interface
- Allows to provide different implementations later
- (Public) fields directly accessible from other classes
- Language constructs (public, private, protected) to control
  classes usable as type
- (Public) methods in classes usable like methods in
  client code
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Controlling Access – Best practices

Java: Classes as Types
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  - Prefer programming to interfaces (variables should
    interface type, not class type
  - Esp. whenever there are multiple implementations of a
  - Allows to provide different implementations later
  - Prevents dependence on implementation details

Interfaces vs Classes as Types

Java: Visibility Modifiers
- class Point {
  – protected int x; // constructor creating the object
  – protected int y; // constructor creating the object
  – Point(int x, int y) { // a method; other lines here

Interfaces and Classes (Review)

Hiding interior state

- class CartesianPoint { // allocates memory, calls ctor
  – Point origin; // allocates memory, calls ctor
  – int rightEnd = r.getOrigin().getX() + r.getWidth(); // S

- Client Code that will not work in this version

- polar = new CartesianPoint(3,5);
  CartesianPoint pp= new CartesianPoint(2, 4);
  pp.getX(); pp.getAngle(); // not accessible
  pp.len // not accessible
Hiding interior state

```java
class Point {
    private int x, y;
    public int getX() { return x; }
    // a method; 
    getY() is similar
    public Point(int px, int py) { x = px; y = py; }
    // constructor for creating the object
}
```

Discussion:
- What are the benefits of private fields?
- Methods can also be private – why is this useful?

Fundamental Design Principle for Change: Information Hiding
- Expose as little implementation detail as necessary
- Allows to change hidden details later

Information Hiding
- Interfaces (contracts) remain stable
- Hidden implementation can be changed easily
- => Identify what is likely to change, and hide it
- => Requires anticipation of change (judgment)
- Points example: Minimal stable interface, allows alternative implementations and flexible composition
  - (Not all change can be anticipated, causing maintenance work or reducing flexibility)

Information Hiding promotes Reuse
- Think in terms of abstractions not implementations
  - e.g., Point vs CartesianPoint
- Abstractions can often be reused
- Different implementations of the same interface possible,
  - e.g., reuse Rectangle but provide different Point implementation
- Decoupling implementations
- Hiding internals of implementations

More on reuse next week
Contracts and Clients

Contracts

• Agreement between provider and users of an object
• Includes
  – Interface specification
  – Functionality and correctness expectations
  – Performance expectations
• “Focus on concepts rather than operations”

Who’s to blame?

```java
Algorithms.shortestDistance(g, “Tom”, “Anne”);
> ArrayOutOfBoundException```

Contract and Clients

Service* implementation

Hidden from service* provider

Hidden from service* client

Service* interface

Client environment

* service = object, subsystem, …
Who’s to blame?

Algorithms.shortestDistance(g, “Tom”, “Anne”);

> -1

Who’s to blame?

Algorithms.shortestDistance(g, “Tom”, “Anne”);

> 0

Who’s to blame?

class Algorithms {
   /**
    * This method finds the
    * shortest distance between to
    * vertices. It returns -1 if
    * the two nodes are not
    * connected. */
   int shortestDistance(…) {…}
}

Who’s to blame?

Math.sqrt(-5);

> 0

Textual Specification

public int read(byte[] b, int off, int len) throws IOException

- Reads up to len bytes of data from the input stream into an array of bytes. An
  attempt is made to read as many as len bytes, but a smaller number may be read.
  The number of bytes actually read is returned as an integer. This method blocks
  until input data is available, end of file is detected, or an exception is thrown.

- If len is zero, then no bytes are read and 0 is returned; otherwise, there is an
  attempt to read at least one byte. If no byte is available because the stream is at
  end of file, the value -1 is returned; otherwise, at least one byte is read and stored
  into b.

- The first byte read is stored into element b[off], the next one into b[off+1], and so
  on. The number of bytes read is, at most, equal to len. Let k be the number of
  bytes actually read. These bytes will be stored in elements b[off] through
  b[off+k-1], leaving elements b[off+k] through b[off+len-1] unaffected.

- In every case, elements b[0] through b[off] and
  elements b[off+len] through b[b.length-1] are unaffected.

- Throws:
  - IOException - If the first byte cannot be read for any reason other than end of file,
    or if the input stream has been closed, or if some other I/O error occurs.
  - NullPointerException - If b is null.
  - IndexOutOfBoundsException - If off is negative, len is negative, or len is greater
    than b.length

public static double sqrt(double a) { …}
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  unaffected.

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    greater than b.length - off

- Specification of return
  - Timing behavior (blocks)
  - Case-by-case spec:
    - len > 0 && EOF return -1
    - len > 0 && EOF return -1
    - len > 0 && EOF return -1
    - Exactly where the data is stored
    - What parts of the array are not affected

- Multiple error cases, each with a precondition
  - Includes "runtime exceptions" not in throws clause
```

Specifications

- Contains
  - Functional behavior
  - Error cases
  - Quality attributes (performance, scalability, security, ...)

- Desirable attributes
  - Complete
  - Does not leave out any desired behavior
  - Minimal
  - Does not require anything that the user does not care about
  - Unambiguous
  - Fully specifies what the system should do in every case the user cares about
  - Consistent
  - Does not have internal contradictions
  - Testable
    - Axioms to objectively evaluate
  - Correct
    - Represents what the end user(s) need

Function Specifications

- A function's contract is a statement of the responsibilities of that
  function, and the responsibilities of the code that calls it.
- Analog: legal contracts - if you pay me $30,000, I will build a new
  room on your house
- Helps to pinpoint responsibility
- Contract structure
  - Precondition: the condition the function relies on for correct operation
  - Postcondition: the condition the function establishes after correctly
    running
- (Functional) correctness with respect to the specification
  - If the client of a function fulfills the function's precondition, the
    function will execute and when it terminates, the postcondition will be
    fulfilled
- What does the implementation have to fulfill if the client violates
  the precondition?

Formal Specifications

Advantage of formal specifications:
- runtime checks (almost) for free
- basis for formal verification
- assisting automatic analysis tools

Runtime Checking of Specifications with Assertions

```java
/*@ requires len > 0 & array.length == len
@ ensures result == sum(int i; 0 <= j & j < len; array[j]);
int total(int array[], int len);

float sum(int array[], int len) {
  int i = 0;
  while (i < len) {
    sum = sum + array[i];
    i = i + 1;
  }
  return sum;
}```
Runtime Checking with Exceptions

/*@ requires len >= 0 && array.length == len @
@ ensures result == (@sum int j; 0 <= j && j < len; array[j]) @*/
float sum(int array[], int len) {
    if (len < 0 || array.length != len) throw IllegalArgumentException(...);
    float sum = 0.0;
    int i = 0;
    while (i < len) {
        sum = sum + array[i]; i = i + 1;
    }
    return sum;
    assert ...;
}

Contacts and Interfaces

• All objects implementing an interface must adhere to the interface’s contracts
  -- Objects may provide different implementations for the same specification
  -- Subtype polymorphism: Client only cares about interface, not about the implementation

=> Design for Change

Specifications in Practice

• Describe expectations beyond the type signature
  -- Ideally formal pre- and post-conditions
  -- Textual specifications in practice
    -- Best effort approach
  -- If any specification at all
  -- Specification especially necessary when reusing code and integrating code

• Writing specifications is good practice
• Writing fully formal specifications is often unrealistic

Data Structure Invariants (cf. 122)

struct list {
    elem data;
    struct list* next;
};
struct queue {
    list front;
    list back;
};
bool is_queue(queue Q) {
    if (Q->front == NULL || Q->back == NULL) return false;
    return is_segment(Q->front, Q->back);
}

Data Structure Invariants (cf. 122)

• Properties of the Data Structure
• Should always hold before and after method execution
• May be invalidated temporarily during method execution

void enq(queue Q, elem elem s)
//@requires is_queue(Q);
//@ensures is_queue(Q);
{ ... }
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public class SimpleSet {
    int contents[];
    int size;
    //@ ensures sorted(contents);
    SimpleSet(int capacity) { … }
    //@ requires sorted(contents);
    //@ ensures sorted(contents);
    boolean add(int i) { … }
    //@ requires sorted(contents);
    //@ ensures sorted(contents);
    boolean contains(int i) { … }
}

Java: Constructors

• Special “Methods” to create objects
  – Same name as class, no return type
• May initialize object during creation
• Implicit constructor without parameters if none provided

class BPoint {
    int x,y;
    BPoint(int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }
    BPoint() { … }
    p = new BPoint(3, -10);
    a.x = 3;
    a.y = -10;
}

class APoint {
}

Explicit Interfaces

• Whenever two modules A and B communicate, it must be obvious from the text of A or B or both
• Avoid communication through shared state

Explicit Interfaces

• Behavior involving global state is hard to specify – redesign when writing lengthy specification involving the state of other objects / system state
FUNCTIONAL CORRECTNESS
(UNIT TESTING AGAINST INTERFACES)

Correctness?

Functional Correctness

• The compiler ensures that the types are correct (type checking)
  – Prevents “Method Not Found” and “Cannot add Boolean to int” errors at runtime
• Static analysis tools (e.g., FindBugs) recognize certain common problems
  – Warns on possible NullPointerExceptions or forgetting to close files
• How to ensure functional correctness of contracts beyond type correctness and bug patterns?

Excursion: Formal Verification

• Proving the correctness of an implementation with respect to a formal specification, using formal methods of mathematics.
• Formally prove that all possible executions of an implementation fulfill the specification
  – Manual effort; partial automation; not automatically decidable

Recap: Hoare-Style Verification

• Formal reasoning about program correctness using pre- and postconditions
• Syntax: \( \{ P \} S \{ Q \} \)
  – \( P \) and \( Q \) are predicates
  – \( P \) is the precondition
  – \( S \) is a program
  – \( Q \) is the postcondition
• Semantics
  – If we start in a state where \( P \) is true and execute \( S \), then \( S \) will terminate in a state where \( Q \) is true
Recap: Hoare-Logic Rules

- **Assignments**
  \[ \{ P \} x := E \{ P'[x/E] \} \]

- **Composition**
  \[ \{ P \} S \{ Q \} \quad \{ Q \} T \{ R \} \]
  \[ \{ P \} S; T \{ R \} \]

- **If statement**
  \[ \{ B \land P \} S \{ Q \} \quad \{ \neg B \land P \} T \{ Q \} \]
  \[ \{ P \} \text{if (B)} S \text{else} T \{ Q \} \]

- **While loop with loop invariant \( P \)**
  \[ \{ P \land B \} S \{ P \} \]
  \[ \{ P \} \text{while (B)} S \{ \neg B \land P \} \]

- **Consequence**
  \[ P \land \neg P \Rightarrow P' \land \neg P' \]
  \[ \{ P \} S \{ Q \} \quad \{ Q \} \]
  \[ \{ P' \} S \{ Q' \} \]

Recap: 122 midterm

```plaintext
@requires 0 < n && n <= \text{length(A)};
//@requires is_peaked(A, 0, n);
//@ensures 0 <= \text{result} && \text{result} < n;
//@ensures gt_seg(A[\text{result}], A, 0, \text{result});
//@ensures gt_seg(A[\text{result}], A, \text{result}+1, n);
int find_peak_bin(int[] A, int n)
{
    \text{lower} = 0;
    \text{upper} = n - 1;
    while (lower < upper)
    {
        \text{mid} = lower + (upper - lower)/2;
        @assert ______________ ; /* optional */
        if (A[mid] < A[mid+1])
            lower = mid+1;
        else @assert ______ ; /* optional */
            upper = mid;
    }
    @assert _______________________ ; /* optional */
    return lower;
}
```

Hoare Triples – Examples

- \{ true \} \( x := 5 \) \{ x=5 \}
- \{ x = y \} \( x := x + 3 \) \{ x = y + 3 \}
- \{ x > -1 \} \( x := x \times 2 + 3 \) \{ x > 1 \}
- \{ x=a \} \text{if (x < 0) then x := -x} \{ x=|a| \}
- \{ false \} \( x := 3 \) \{ x = 8 \}
- \{ x < 0 \} \text{while (x!=0) x := x-1} \{ \}
  - no such triple!

Testing

- Executing the program with selected inputs in a controlled environment

- Goals:
  - Reveal bugs (main goal)
  - Assess quality (hard to quantify)
  - Clarify the specification, documentation
  - Verify contracts

  "Testing shows the presence, not the absence of bugs"
  Edsger W. Dijkstra 1969

What to test?

- Functional correctness of a method (e.g., computations, contracts)
- Functional correctness of a class (e.g., class invariants)
- Behavior of a class in a subsystem/multiple subsystems/the entire system
- Behavior when interacting with the world
  - Interacting with files, networks, sensors, ...
  - Erroneous states
  - Nondeterminism, Parallelism
  - Interaction with users
- Other qualities (performance, robustness, usability, security, ...)

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Manual Testing?

- Live System?
- Extra Testing System?
- Check output / assertions?
- Effort, Costs?
- Reproducable?

Automate Testing

- Execute a program with specific inputs, check output for expected values
- Easier to test small pieces than testing user interactions
- Set up testing infrastructure
- Execute tests regularly

Example

```java
/**
 * computes the sum of the first len values of the array
 *
 * @param array array of integers of at least length len
 * @param len number of elements to sum up
 * @return sum of the array values
 */
int total(int array[], int len);
```

JUnit

```java
import org.junit.Test;
import static org.junit.Assert.assertEquals;
public class AdjacencyListTest {
    @Test
    public void testSanityTest() {
        Graph g1 = new AdjacencyListGraph(10);
        Vertex s1 = new Vertex("A");
        Vertex s2 = new Vertex("B");
        assertEquals(true, g1.addVertex(s1));
        assertEquals(true, g1.addVertex(s2));
        assertEquals(s2, g1.getNeighbors(s1)[0]);
        // more tests...
    }
}
```

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Selecting Test Cases: Common Strategies

- Read specification
- Write tests for representative case
  - Small instances are usually sufficient
- Write tests to check boundary conditions
- Are there difficult cases? (error guessing)
  - Stress tests? Complex algorithms?
- Think like a user, not like a programmer
  - The tester’s goal is to find bugs!
- Specification covered?
- Feel confident? Time/money left?

Unit Tests

- Unit tests for small units: functions, classes, subsystems
  - Smallest testable part of a system
  - Test parts before assembling them
  - Intended to catch local bugs
- Typically written by developers
- Many small, fast-running, independent tests
- Little dependencies on other system parts or environment
- Insufficient but a good starting point, extra benefits:
  - Documentation (executable specification)
  - Design mechanism (design for testability)

JUnit Conventions

- TestCase collects multiple tests (in one class)
- TestSuite collects test cases (typically package)
- Tests should run fast
- Tests should be independent
- Tests are methods without parameter and return value
- AssertionError signals failed test (unchecked exception)
- Test Runner knows how to run JUnit tests
  - (uses reflection to find all methods with @Test annot.)

Common Setup

```java
import static org.junit.Assert.assertEquals;
public class AdjacencyListTest {
  Graph g;
  @Before
  public void setUp() throws Exception {
    graph = createTestGraph();
  }
  @Test
  public void testSanityTest() {
    Vertex s1 = new Vertex("A");
    Vertex s2 = new Vertex("B");
    assertEquals(3, g.getDistance(s1, s2));
  }
}
```

Checking for presence of an exception

```java
import org.junit.*;
import static org.junit.Assert.fail;
public class Tests {
  @Test(expected = IOException.class)
  public void testSanityTestAlternative() { openNonexistingFile(); }
  @Test
  public void testSanityTest() { try { openNonexistingFile(); } catch (IOException e) { } }
}
```

assert, Assert

- assert is a native Java statement throwing an AssertionError exception when failing
  - assert expression: "Error Message"
- org.junit.Assert is a library that provides many more specific methods
  - static void assertNotNull(Object object)
  - static void fail(String message)
  - static void assertTrue(java.lang.String message, boolean condition)
- static void assertEquals(java.lang.String message, long expected, long actual); // Asserts that two longs are equal.
  - static void assertEquals(double expected, double actual, double delta); // Asserts that two doubles are equal to within a positive delta
  - static void assertEquals(java.lang.Object expected, java.lang.Object actual); // Asserts that two objects are equal.
  - static void fail(java.lang.String message) //Fails a test with the given message.

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Test organization

- Conventions (not requirements)
- Have a test class XTest for each class X
- Have a source directory and a test directory
  - Store ATest and A in the same package
  - Tests can access members with default (package) visibility
- Maven style: src/main/java and src/test/java

Testable Code

- Think about testing when writing code
- Unit testing encourages to write testable code
- Separate parts of the code to make them independently testable
- Abstract functionality behind interface, make it replaceable
- Test-Driven Development
  - A design and development method in which you write tests before you write the code!

Run tests frequently

- You should only commit code that is passing all tests
- Run tests before every commit
- Run tests before trying to understand other developers’ code
- If entire test suite becomes too large and slow for rapid feedback, run local tests (“smoke tests”, e.g. all tests in package) frequently, run all tests nightly
  - Medium sized projects easily have 1000s of test cases and run for minutes
- Continuous integration servers help to scale testing

Continuous Integration

Travis CI

Automating Test Execution
Build and Test Automation

- Compile and execute from the command line
- Dependencies to all required libraries included (or downloaded on demand)
- Build tools
  - make
  - ant
  - gradle
  - maven
  - sbt
  - ...

Write testable code

Unit testing as design mechanism
- Code with low complexity
- Clear interfaces and specifications

Outlook: Statement Coverage

- Trying to test all parts of the implementation
- Execute every statement in at least one test

- Does this guarantee correctness?
Testing and Proofs

- Testing
  - Observable properties
  - Verify program for one execution
  - Manual development with automated regression
  - Most practical approach now
  - Does not find all problems (unsound)

- Proofs (Formal Verification)
  - Any program property
  - Verify program for all executions
  - Manual development with automated proof checkers
  - Practical for small programs, may scale up in the future
  - Sound and complete, but not automatically decidable

- So why study proofs if they aren’t (yet) practical?
  - Proofs tell us how to think about program correctness
  - Important for development, inspection, dynamic assertions
  - Foundation for static analysis tools
  - These are just simple, automated theorem provers
  - Many are practical today!

Java: Static Methods

- Static methods belong to a class, not an object
- They are global (a single implementation only)
- Direct dispatch, no subtype polymorphism
- Avoid unless really only a single implementation exists (e.g., Math.min)
- Pure object-oriented languages don’t support static methods

Java: Breaking encapsulation: instanceof and typecast

- Java allows to inspect an object’s runtime type
  - Point p = ...
  - if (p instanceof PolarPoint) {
    CartesianPoint q = (PolarPoint) p;
    q.getAngle() ;
  }
  - CartesianPoint q = ...
  - Assignment to subtype requires downcast (may fail at runtime!)

What strategy to use in your project?
Instanceof breaks encapsulation

- Never ask for the type of an object
- Instead, ask the object to do something (call a method of the interface)
- If the interface does not provide the method, maybe there was a reason? Rethink design!
- Instanceof and downcasts are indicators of poor design
- They break abstractions and encapsulation
- There are only few exceptions where instanceof is needed
- Use polymorphism instead
- Pure object-oriented languages do not have an instanceof operation

Excursion: Objects vs ADTs

interface Point {
    int getX();
    int getY();
}
class CartesianPoint implements Point { … }
class PolarPoint implements Point { … }
Point p = …

p.getX() // executing method x() from object p
p.getY() // executing method y() from object p

Reminder: Subtype Polymorphism

- A type (e.g., Point) can have many forms (e.g., CartesianPoint, PolarPoint, …)
- All implementations of an interface can be used interchangeably
- When invoking a method p.x() the specific implementation of x() from object p is executed
  - The executed method depends on the actual object p, i.e.,
    on the runtime type
  - It does not depend on the static type, i.e., how p is declared

Objects and References (example)

// allocates memory, calls constructor
Point o = new PolarPoint(0, 10);
Rectangle r = new MyRectangle(o, 5, 10);
r.draw();

int rightEnd = r.getOrigin().getX() + r.getWidth(); // 5
What’s really going on?

Method Stack

main()

r : Rectangle
origin width = 5
height = 10
getOrigin() draw()

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// allocates memory, calls constructor
Rectangle r = new Rectangle(o, 5, 10);
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Anatomy of a Method Call

r.setX(5)

The receiver, an implicit argument, called this inside the method
Method arguments, just like function arguments

The method name: Identifies which method to use, of all the methods the receiver’s class defines

Static types vs dynamic types

• Static type: how is a variable declared
• Dynamic type: what type has the object in memory when executing the program (we may not know until we execute the program)

Method dispatch (conceptually)

• Step 1 (compile time): determine what type to look in
  – Look at the static type (Point) of the receiver (p)
• Step 2 (compile time): find the method in that type
  – Find the method in the interface/class with the right name
  – Error if there is no such method
  – Error if the method is not accessible (e.g., private)
• Step 3 (run time): Execute the method stored in the object

Java Specifics: The keyword **this** refers to the “receiver”

can also be written in this way:

class Point {
  int x, y;
  int getX() { return x; }
  Point(int x, int y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }
}

Method dispatch (actual; simplified)

• Step 3 (run time): Determine the run-time type of the receiver
  – Look at the object in the heap and get its class
• Step 4 (run time): Locate the method implementation to invoke
  – Look in the class for an implementation of the method
  – Invoke that implementation
**Design Goals**

- **Design for Change** such that
  - Classes are open for extension and modification without invasive changes
  - Subtype polymorphism enables changes behind interface
  - Classes encapsulate details likely to change behind (small) stable interfaces
- **Design for Division of Labor** such that
  - Internal parts can be developed independently
  - Internal details of other classes do not need to be understood, contract is sufficient
  - Test classes and their contracts separately (unit testing)

**Aside: UML class diagram notation**

- **Name of class or interface** in top compartment
- **Return type** comes after method or field
- **Methods to inherit from** in bottom compartment
- **Visible visibility** + for public, - for private, # for protected, ~ for package (not used much)

**Outlook**

- Specifying contracts, formally and informally
- Testing
- Technical realization of dynamic dispatch

- Reading assignment:
  - Chapters 14 and 16, in-class quiz on Tuesday
  - Homework 1, due Tuesday 11:59pm