

CSSE 220 Day 2

Class, Objects, and Methods in Java
UML Class Diagram Basics

Your questions about ...

- ▶ The syllabus
 - ▶ Java
 - ▶ etc.
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- ▶ Could everyone checkout and commit the HW1 project?

Announcements

- ▶ Sit on the right side or as close to the front on the left side of the room as you can.
- ▶ Please consider making your picture on ANGEL visible to students in your courses.
 - ◻ Home → Preferences (wrench icon) → Personal info
- ▶ **If you want all of your ANGEL mail to also go to your regular mail, you can set it that way.**
 - Home → Preferences → System Settings
- ▶ You can subscribe to the ANGEL discussion forums. (From the Communicate menu)

More announcements

▶ Cell Phones

- please set ringers to silent or quiet.
 - Minimize class disruptions.
 - But sometimes there are emergencies.

▶ Personal needs

- If you need to leave class for a drink of water, a trip to the bathroom, or anything like that, you need not ask me. Just try to minimize disruptions.

- ▶ Please be here and have your computer up and running by class time as best you can.

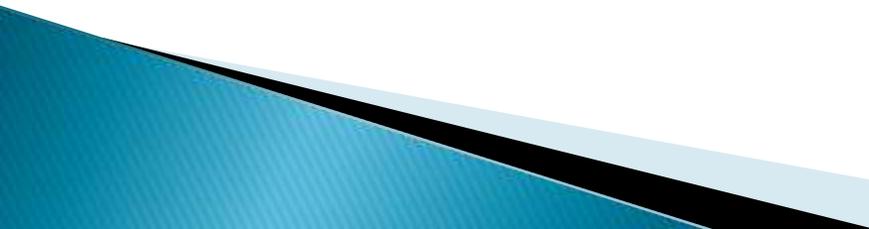
Bonus points for reporting bugs

- ▶ In the textbook
 - ▶ In any of my materials.
 - ▶ Use the Bug Report Forum on ANGEL
 - ▶ More details in the Syllabus
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Some major emphases of 220

- ▶ ***Reinforce from 120:***
 - Procedural programming (functions, conditionals, loops, etc)
 - Using objects
- ▶ ***Object-Oriented Design***
 - Major emphasis on interfaces
 - GUI programming using Java Swing
 - UML class diagrams
- ▶ ***Software Engineering concepts***
- ▶ ***Data Structures***
 - Introduce algorithm efficiency analysis
 - Abstract data types
 - Specifying and using standard data structures
 - Implementing simple data structures (lists)
- ▶ ***Recursion***
- ▶ ***Sorting and searching algorithms***
 - as examples for the above

What will I spend my time doing?

- ▶ Small programming assignments in class
 - ▶ Larger programming problems, mostly outside of class
 - Exploring the JDK documentation to find the classes and methods that you need
 - Debugging!
 - Reviewing other students' code
 - ▶ Reading (a lot to read at the beginning; less later)
 - Thinking about exercises in the textbooks
 - Some written exercises, mostly from the textbook
 - ▶ Discussing the material with other students
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Identifiers (Names) in Java

- ▶ The rules:
 - Start with letter or underscore (`_`)
 - Followed by letters, numbers, or underscores
- ▶ The conventions:
 - `variableNamesLikeThis`
 - `methodNameLikeThis (...)`
 - `ClassNameLikeThis`

Variables in Java

- ▶ Like C:

- `int xCoordinate = 10;`

- ▶ But Java catches some mistakes:

```
int width, height, area;  
area = width * height;
```



What does this do in C?

- Java will detect that `width` and `height` aren't initialized!

Using Objects and Methods

- ▶ Works just like Python:

- `object.method(argument, ...)`

Implicit
argument

Explicit
arguments

“Who does What,
With What?”

- ▶ Java Example:

```
String name = "Bob Forapples";  
PrintStream printer = System.out;
```

```
int nameLen = name.length();  
printer.printf("'%s' has %d characters", name, nameLen);
```

The dot notation is
also used for *fields*

Separating Use from Implementation

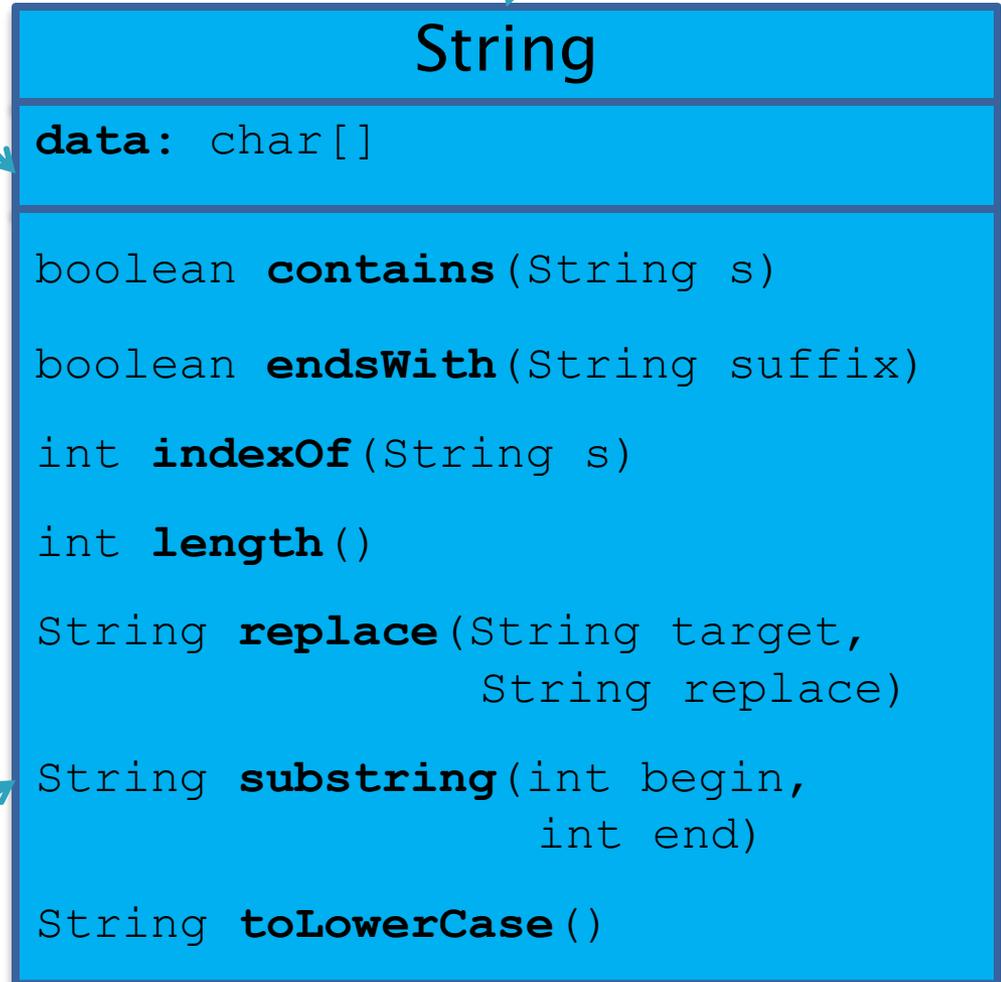
- ▶ Can use methods of an object without knowing how they are implemented
 - Recall zellegraphics from csse 120:
`line.setWidth(5)`

UML Class Diagram

- ▶ Shows the:
 - **Attributes** (data, called **fields** in Java) and
 - **Operations** (functions, called **methods** in Java) of the objects of a class
- ▶ Does *not* show the implementation
- ▶ Is *not* necessarily complete

Fields

Class name



Methods

String methods are *immutable* - if the method produces a String, the method *returns* that String rather than mutating (changing) the implicit argument

Exercise

- »» Checkout ObjectsAndMethods from SVN
Work on UsingStrings.java

Passing Parameters

- ▶ Arguments can be any expression of the “right” type
 - See example...
- ▶ What happens if we try to give `substring()` an explicit argument that isn't a number?
 - How does the compiler know that `rhit.length()` evaluates to a number?
 - What's the return type of `length()`?
- ▶ Static types help the compiler catch bugs.
 - Important in large programs

```
String rhit = "Rose-Hulman";
System.out.println("Rose");
System.out.println(rhit.substring(0, 4));
System.out.println(rhit.substring(0, 2+2));
System.out.println(rhit.substring(0, rhit.length() - 7));
System.out.println("Rose-Hulman".substring(0, 4));
```

Primitive types

| Primitive Type | What It Stores | Range |
|----------------|-----------------------|--|
| byte | 8-bit integer | -128 to 127 |
| short | 16-bit integer | -32,768 to 32,767 |
| int | 32-bit integer | -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647 |
| long | 64-bit integer | -2^{63} to $2^{63} - 1$ |
| float | 32-bit floating-point | 6 significant digits (10^{-46} , 10^{38}) |
| double | 64-bit floating-point | 15 significant digits (10^{-324} , 10^{308}) |
| char | Unicode character | |
| boolean | Boolean variable | false and true |

figure 1.2

The eight primitive types in Java

Most common
number types in
Java code

Exercise

»» Work on SomeTypes.java

Constructing Objects

x, y, width, height

▶ Example:

```
Rectangle box = new Rectangle(5, 10, 20, 30);
```

▶ Several steps are happening here:

1. Java reserves space for a *Rectangle* object
2. *Rectangle*'s **constructor** runs, filling in slots in object
3. Java reserves a variable named *box*
4. *box* is set to refer to the object

Accessors and Mutators

▶ *Accessor* methods

- Get a value from an object
- Examples:
 - `box.getHeight()`
 - `box.getWidth()`

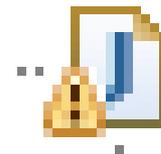
▶ *Mutator* methods

- Change the *state* of an object (i.e., the value of one or more fields)
- Examples:
 - `box.translate(10, 20)`
 - `box.setSize(5, 5)`

Tip: Use mutators with care!

Reminder: In all your code:

- ▶ **Write appropriate comments:**
 - Javadoc comments for public fields and methods.
 - Explanations of anything else that is not obvious.
- ▶ **Give self-documenting variable and method names:**
 - Use name completion in Eclipse, Ctrl-Space, to keep typing cost low and readability high.
- ▶ **Use Ctrl-Shift-F in Eclipse to format your code.**
- ▶ **Take care of all auto-generated TODO's.**
 - Then delete the TODO comment.
- ▶ **Correct ALL compiler warnings.**
 - Quick Fix is your friend!



Java Documentation

- »» API Documentation, Docs in Eclipse, Writing your own Docs

Java API Documentation

- ▶ What's an API?

- Application Programming Interface

- ▶ The Java API on-line

- Google for: **java api documentation 6**

- Or go to: <http://java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/>

- Also hopefully on your computer at

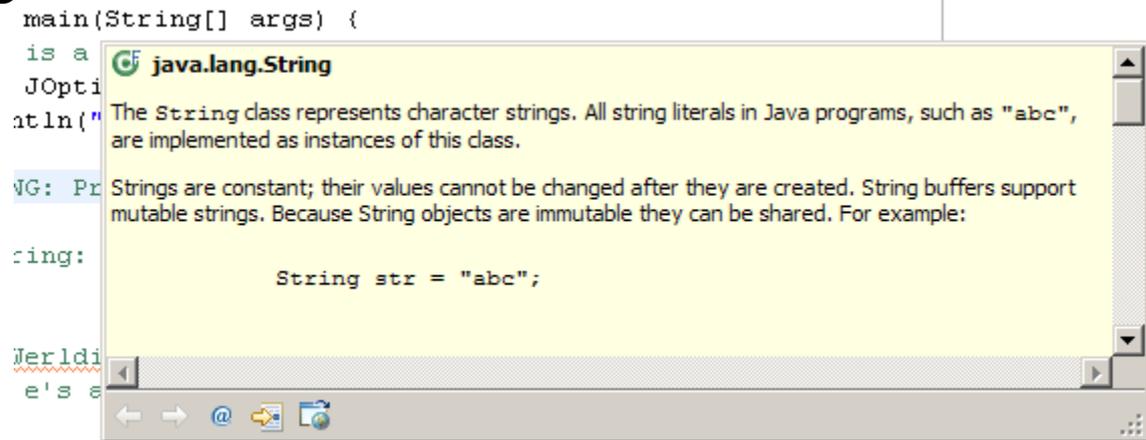
C:\Program Files\Java\jdk1.6.0_14\docs\api\index.html

You need the 6 to get the current version of Java



Java Documentation in Eclipse

- ▶ Setting up Java API documentation in Eclipse
 - Should be done already,
 - If the next steps don't work for you, instructions are in today's homework
- ▶ Using the API documentation in Eclipse
 - Hover text
 - Open external documentation (Shift-F2)



Exercise

- »» Finish quiz and pass it in
Continue working on
homework