

Inner Classes, Graphics Programming

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Announcements

- Changing offices:
 - Sara: Smith 447
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- No office hours on Thursday--moving day!
 - CPM will be down at least Thursday, maybe longer
- Assignment 3: Printed Submission Changes
 - Do not print Javadocs, include link in README
 - Do not print Java files again if already in script file
 - Changes are reflected in assignment writeup
- Final Exam: Friday, August 11, 7-9 p.m.

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Review

- Streams
- Collections

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Using StringBuffer in toString

- Example of `toString()` in Chicken class used String concatenation
- Better to use a `StringBuffer`
 - Strings are immutable
 - StringBuffers are mutable
 - More code but more efficient

Chicken.java

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Inner/Nested Classes

- An `inner class` is a class that is defined inside of another class
- Why would you want inner classes?
 - An object of an inner class can `directly access` the implementation (private/protected members) of the object that defined it
 - Inner classes can be `hidden` from other classes in the same package
 - Inner classes are very convenient with event-driven (GUI) programming
 - Can implement helper classes/functions

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An Example – A Timer Callback

- Java has a class **Timer**
 - generates an **action event** every **interval**
 - **Interval**: specified when Timer object created
 - In **javax.swing** package
- Register an object to listen for event
 - Registered object does something in response to event

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Event Handling

- Registered object should implement the **java.awt.event.ActionListener** interface
- **ActionListener** specifies method:

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event);
```

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Event Handling – A Simple Example

- **BankAccount** class
 - add interest to account every second
- Create a Timer object that creates an event every second
- `balance` field is private
 - no public methods to change balance
- need an object that is an ActionListener and modifies the private balance field of account object

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Event Handling – A Simple Example

- Use an inner class
 - inner classes can directly access the private/protected fields of their outer, or enclosing, object
- Inside **BankAccount** class, create an inner class, **InterestAdder**
 - must implement the ActionListener interface

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The Inner Class: InterestAdder

```
class BankAccount
{
    private double balance;
    public BankAccount(double initBalance)
    { balance = initBalance; }

    private class InterestAdder
        implements ActionListener
    {
        private double rate;

        public InterestAdder(double intRate)
        { rate = intRate; }

        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt)
        { . . . }
    }
}
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```

Creating the Timer and Registering the Inner Class

- add **start()** to the BankAccount class
 - create a Timer to create events every second
 - register the InterestAdder to listen for events
 - start timer

```
public void start()
{
    ActionListener adder = new InterestAdder(rate);
    // specify callback time in milliseconds
    Timer t = new Timer(1000, adder);
    t.start();
}
```

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The actionPerformed() Method

- Implement actionPerformed() method of InterestAdder class

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
{
    double interest = balance * rate / 100;
    balance += interest;
    NumberFormat formatter =
        NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance();
    System.out.println("balance = " +
        formatter.format(balance));
}
```

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Inner Class Data Fields Access

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent event)
{
    double interest = balance * rate / 100;
    balance += interest;
}
```

- **rate** field is rate field of InterestAdder class
- **balance** field is balance field of the outer BankAccount class object
- an inner class directly accesses its data fields and those of its outer object

[BankAccount.java](#)

Note compiled class names

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Inner Class Data Fields Access

- Inner class always has an **implicit reference** to the object that created it (the enclosing object)
 - reference is invisible
 - allows inner class to directly access all of the fields of the outer class object
- Internally, compiler adds a parameter to the inner class constructor that is a reference to the outer object
 - Compiler does transparently

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Example Summary

- Timer object requires an object of a class that implements the **ActionListener** interface
- If a regular (not inner) class, it would access the account balance of the BankAccount object through **public** methods
- BankAccount would need to provide those methods to **all** classes, which is **not** the correct thing to do
- ➔ The InterestAdder inner class can access the balance, but no other class has this privilege

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Accessing Inner Classes

- InterestAdder: a private inner class
 - only BankAccount objects could use class
- If InterestAddr were public
 - any other class could have also created and used InterestAdder objects
 - refer to outside of the outer class as `OuterClass.InnerClass`
 - any other portions of our program could make objects of class `BankAccount.InterestAdder`

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Alternative Inner Class Constructor

- using an object of the outer class

```
public class Bird extends ZooAnimal {
    int beakLength;
    class Cage {
        Shape shape;
        Material material;
    }
}

Bird b = new Bird();
Bird.Cage bc = b.new Cage();
```

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Local Inner Classes

- Only used inner class name **InterestAdder** once when we created it in **BankAccount's** **start()** method
 - we can use a **local inner class**
 - specific/**local** to **one method only**
 - define inner classes within a block of code
 - additionally have access to any **final** variables within the block of code

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Local Inner Classes

```
public void start(double rate)
{
    class InterestAdder implements ActionListener
    {
        public InterestAdder(double intRate)
        { . . . }
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt)
        { . . . }
        private double rate;
    }

    ActionListener adder = new InterestAdder(rate);
    Timer t = new Timer(1000, adder);
    t.start();
}
```

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Local Inner Classes

- Local classes do not have an access modifier
 - **automatically restricted** to the block (method) in which they are defined
- InterestAdder class is completely hidden from outside world
 - no method besides start() knows about the class
- We could also change the local inner class to access the local variables on their enclosing method
 - must make such variables final first

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Local Inner Classes and Local Variables

```
public void start(final double rate)
{
    // local to start method
    class InterestAdder implements ActionListener
    {
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt)
        {
            double interest = balance * rate / 100;
            balance += interest;
        }
    }

    ActionListener adder = new InterestAdder();
    Timer t = new Timer(1000, adder);
    t.start();
}
```

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Local Inner Classes and Local Variables

- InterestAdder class does not need **rate** instance variable
 - uses parameter variable of the method that contains InterestAdder class definition
- InterestAdder class does not have a constructor

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Anonymous Inner Classes

- When using a local inner class, we can take this process a step further
- If you only want to make a **single** object of a certain class, you do not need to give the class a name!
 - Called an **anonymous inner class**


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Anonymous Inner Classes

Where construction parameters would go



```
public void start(final double rate)
{
    ActionListener adder = new ActionListener( )
    {
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent evt)
        {
            double interest = balance * rate / 100;
            balance += interest;
        }
    };
    Timer t = new Timer(1000, adder);
    t.start();
}
```

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Anonymous Inner Classes

- Confusing syntax!
- Create a new class that implements the ActionListener interface
 - required method, actionPerformed(), is defined inside the braces
- Any needed parameters are inside the parentheses, following the **supertype** name:

```
new SuperType (construction parameters)
{
    inner class methods and data
};
```

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Anonymous Inner Classes

- **Supertype** can be an interface or a class
 - If an interface, inner class implements the interface and required methods
 - If a class, the inner class extends that class
- **Anonymous inner classes do **not** have constructors**
 - Parameters are passed to the superclass constructor
 - If your inner class implements an interface, rather than extend a class, you cannot have construction parameters

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Anonymous Inner Classes

- **Carefully differentiate between**
 - construction of a new object of a class
 - construction of an object of an anonymous inner class that extends that class...

```
// this is a Person object
Person queen = new Person("Mary");

// this is an object of an anonymous
// inner class extending the Person class
Person count = new Person("Dracula") { . . .};
```

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Static Inner Classes

- If inner classes are declared as static, they do not have the implicit reference to an instance of the outer class
 - Not associated with an instance of the enclosing class

```
Bird.Cage bc = Bird.Cage()
```

- Useful for grouping classes, similar to packages

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Enums

- More powerful than enums in C
 - New to Java 1.5
- Enums in Java are like inner **class** declarations
- Has static **values()** method
 - Returns **array** of values in order declared

```
enum Color { Red, Yellow, Green };  
Color current = Color.Red;
```

- Can add functionality to enum
- Can be used in switch statements

```
cards.Card.java  
cards.Deal.java  
Planet.java  
Operation.java
```

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Summary of Inner Classes

Type	Scope	Inner?	Summary
Static	Member	No	Can access static fields of enclosing class.
Member	Member	Yes	Accesses static and non-static fields of enclosing class. Associated w/ an instance of enclosing class.
Local	Local	Yes	Local to a block of code. Can access final fields of containing scope. Java statement.
Anonymous	Only point defined	Yes	Not named. Class definition and object instantiation in same statement. Java expression.

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AWT Programming

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AWT Programming

- Prior to Java 2 (version 1.2), all graphics programming was done with the **Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT)**
- AWT relies on **peer entities** to draw its graphics components
 - e.g., an AWT window maps to a system peer window (a AWT window maps to a Windows or X-Windows window)
- Operating system draws the peer entity based on what is in the AWT entity

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AWT Programming

- Drawing peer entities is a very **slow** process
- A bug in the peer graphics code, e.g., as the AWT code that makes the window entity, could cause hard-to-reproduce and platform-dependent errors
- Java 2 introduced **Swing, javax.swing**
- Swing still uses AWT frames
 - directly draws on them
 - operating system does not
 - Makes graphics process platform-independent
 - Improves speed

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Swing and AWT

- Swing does not completely replace AWT
- Using the Swing graphics programming model
 - speeds things up
 - allows more efficiently writing graphics program code
- We will write graphics code that uses Swing
- We may return to AWT later
 - what AWT offers that Swing does not

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Frames

- Most basic unit of graphics programming
- A window that is not contained within another window
 - or a **top-level window**
- An example of a **container**
 - A **container** is something that can contain other user interface components
- **JFrame** Swing class implements a frame

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Frames

- The most basic type of frame...

```
import javax.swing.*;
public class SimpleFrameTest {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        SimpleFrame frame = new SimpleFrame();
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}
class SimpleFrame extends JFrame {
    public SimpleFrame() {
        setSize(WIDTH, HEIGHT);
    }
    public static final int WIDTH = 300;
    public static final int HEIGHT = 200;
}
```

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Analyzing Example

- Import the `javax.swing` package
 - `javax` stands for “Java eXtension”
 - Swing is an extension to the Java language
- A frame has a default size of 0 x 0 pixels
 - extend the `JFrame` class with **SimpleFrame**
 - constructor of `SimpleFrame` sets the size of a `SimpleFrame` object to `WIDTH` x `HEIGHT`
 - in this case 300 x 200 pixels.

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Frames

- Inside the **SimpleFrameTest** class we create a new object of type **SimpleFrame**
- Creating a frame does not mean frame is displayed on screen
 - have to explicitly call `setVisible(true)` to have the system display the frame
- Call `setVisible(true)` in the method that creates the frame
 - e.g., the `main()` method of the test class

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Frame Methods

- JFrame is derived from `java.awt.Frame`
 - Frame class is derived from Container class
 - Container: anything that can contain UI components
- JFrame object (or any class derived from a JFrame) has methods that are defined in `JFrame`, `Frame`, and `Container` classes
 - Can use these methods in any JFrame object

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Components & Containers

- Components
 - Abstract class
 - Everything you see is a component
 - Superclass of Container
 - Many methods
 - some deprecated: be careful
- Container
 - Concrete implementation of Component
 - Base class of many classes
 - Can add and remove components to container

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Container Methods

- setSize()
 - sets the size of the frame in pixels
- setLocation()
 - sets the location of the frame (provide the coordinates of where the top-left corner should be placed)
- setBounds()
 - sets both the size and location of the frame
 - provide the information needed for setSize() and setLocation()

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Container Methods

- `getSize()`
 - returns size of frame
- `getLocation()`
 - returns the current location of the frame, relative to the enclosing container
- `getLocationOnScreen()`
 - returns the current location of the frame, using absolute screen coordinates

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Window Methods

- Top-level window
- No borders
- No Menu Bar
- `dispose()`
 - closes window and reclaims resources associated with it
- `toBack()`
 - Sends window to back, may lose focus/activation
- `toFront()`
 - Bring to front, make this the focused window

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Frame & its Methods

- Top-level window with title and borders
- setTitle()
 - sets the title of the frame (displayed in the title bar)
- setResizable()
 - can the user resize the frame?

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Frame Methods

- getExtendedState()
- setExtendedState(int state)
- States (defined constants):
 - NORMAL
 - ICONIFIED
 - MAXIMIZED_HORIZ
 - MAXIMIZED_VERT
 - MAXIMIZED_BOTH

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Screen Resolution

- Since people use various screen resolutions, how can a programmer determine how big to make the frame?
 - Determine the screen resolution
 - Obtain system-information, such as screen resolution, using a **Toolkit** object
 - Toolkit has a method `getScreenSize()` that returns the screen resolution as a **Dimension** class object
 - Toolkit, Dimension: part of `java.awt` package

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Screen Resolution

- Dimension object holds a width and height value, in pixels
 - public instance fields

```
Toolkit kit = Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit();
Dimension screenSize = kit.getScreenSize();
int screenWidth = screenSize.width;
int screenHeight = screenSize.height;
```

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Example: A Centered Window

```
class CenteredFrame extends JFrame
{
    public CenteredFrame()
    {
        Toolkit kit = Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit();
        Dimension screenSize = kit.getScreenSize();
        int screenHeight = screenSize.height;
        int screenWidth = screenSize.width;

        setSize(screenWidth / 2, screenHeight / 2);
        setLocation(screenWidth / 4, screenHeight / 4);

        setTitle("My Centered Frame");
    }
}
```

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Drawing on a Frame

- JFrame contains **ContentPane**
 - a Container object within the JFrame holds components you add, placing them in the frame
 - the part of the frame that holds UI components

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Using a Content Pane

- To put a component in a JFrame
 - get an object variable that refers to the content pane
 - make a component
 - add the component to the content pane

```
Container contentPane = getContentPane();
Component comp1 = . . .; // make a component
Component comp2 = . . .; // make a component
contentPane.add(comp1); // add comp1 to the c-panel
contentPane.add(comp2); // add comp2 to the c-panel
```

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Adding a Panel

- **JPanel** implements a panel
 - A panel has a surface on which you can draw
 - A panel is itself a **container**
 - can add components to a panel
 - Useful in designing layouts

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Drawing on a Panel

- To draw on a panel:
 - Define a new class that extends the JPanel class
 - Override the `paintComponent()` method in derived class
- `paintComponent()` method takes one parameter
 - an object of type **Graphics**
- **Graphics** object: a collection of settings for drawing images and text, such as colors and fonts
- All drawing in Java must go through a Graphics object

Drawing on a Panel

```
class MyPanel extends JPanel
{
    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        // code for drawing goes here
    }
}
```

The paintComponent Method()

- `paintComponent()` is called **automatically** by the system whenever the container needs to be redrawn on the screen
 - Do not call this method yourself
 - It will be called when it needs to be
- If you need to force repainting of the screen, call the `repaint()` method
 - causes `paintComponent()` to be called for all needed components with appropriate Graphics objects

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Drawing on a Panel

- The `paintComponent()` method, which does the drawing, takes a Graphics object
- Measurements on a Graphics object is done in pixels, as an offset from the top-left corner
 - The (0,0) coordinates represent the top-left corner of the container on which you are drawing

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Drawing on a Panel

- Displaying text is a special type of drawing, called **rendering text**
- To render text on a panel, call **drawString()**

```
class HelloWorldPanel extends JPanel
{
    public static final int MESSAGE_X = 75;
    public static final int MESSAGE_Y = 100;

    public void paintComponent(Graphics g)
    {
        super.paintComponent(g);

        g.drawString("Hello World.",
            MESSAGE_X, MESSAGE_Y);
    }
}
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```

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Drawing on a Panel

- Notice we call the superclass (JPanel) **paintComponent()** method
- The JPanel class has its own idea on how to draw/paint the panel
 - Fills in the background color
- To make sure background color gets filled, call the superclass **paintComponent()** method
 - Every JPanel should color its background

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Changing the Text Font

- Previous code drew text using default system font
- We can also change the font
- We need to determine which fonts are installed on machine running the program

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Determining the Available Fonts

- **GraphicsEnvironment** class
 - Represents the graphical environment of the system
 - call `getAvailableFontFamilyNames()`
 - Returns an array of Strings
 - Each String contains the name of a font installed on the system

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Determining the Available Fonts

- To list all fonts installed on a particular system:

```
import java.awt.*;

public class ListFonts
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        String[] fontNames = GraphicsEnvironment
            .getLocalGraphicsEnvironment()
            .getAvailableFontFamilyNames();
        for (int i=0; i < fontNames.length; i++)
            System.out.println(fontNames[i]);
    }
}
```

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Determining the Available Fonts

- Your program can look through font to see if font(s) it wants is available on system
- Five fonts are always available
 - always mapped to some font on machine running the program
 - SansSerif
 - Serif
 - Monospaced
 - Dialog
 - DialogInput

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Creating a Font Object

- After you know the type of font you want, make a **Font** object that represents the font on the system
 - constructor for a Font object takes three arguments:
 - a String with the font name
 - a constant (defined in the Font class) that describes the font style (plain, **bold**, *italic*, or ***bold italic***)
 - an integer for the point size

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Creating a Font Object

```
Font sansbold14 = new Font("SansSerif", Font.BOLD, 14);  
Font helvi12    = new Font("Helvetica", Font.ITALIC, 12);
```

- After a Font object has been created, you can change the font that the Graphics object uses by calling `setFont()`
- For example...

```
Font sansbold14 = new Font("SansSerif", Font.BOLD, 14);  
g.setFont(sansbold14);  
g.drawString("Hello there in SansSerif.", 75, 100);
```

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