

CS 1112 Final Exam Review

Objects and Classes

- **Class:** A file that specifies *properties* and *methods* (functions) associated with the item that the class represents
 - Contains a *constructor*, a special method that creates new objects
 - A class can have *subclasses*
- **Object:** One *instance* of a class
 - Objects of the same class have the same properties and the same methods
 - The properties of objects of the same class can have *different values*

Objects and Classes example: Animal

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        name; species; age; hasTail
    end

    methods

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            % set properties of a
        end

        function birthday(self)
            self.age = self.age+1;
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        function c = checkHasTail(self)
            % return 1 if hasTail = 1, else 0
        end

        function c = isOlder(self, otherAnimal)
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    end
end
```

Note that the end keyword is used to close the following:

1. The classdef
2. The properties section
3. The methods section
4. Each function inside the methods section

Objects and Classes: Constructors

Constructor: A method (function) that creates a new object

- Must have the same name as the class
- Can take in parameters to set property values
- Use `nargin` to ensure that constructor can be called without any arguments

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```
function a = Animal(n, s, a, hT)
    if (nargin == 4)
        a.name = n;
        a.species = s;
        a.age = a;
        a.hasTail = hT;
    end
end
```

If 4 arguments are not provided, the 4 properties will be set to default values.

Objects and Classes: Create/reference objects

Create new objects by calling the constructor, which returns a *reference to the new object* that should be stored in a variable.

Example: `a = Animal('Bobbert', 'pig', 2, 1);`

 `% Creates an animal object with the properties:`
 `% name = 'Bobbert', species = 'pig', age = 2, hasTail = 1`

Create an empty array of Animal objects using `.empty()`

Example: `b = Animal.empty();`

Check if an object/object array is empty using `isempty(<reference>)`

Example: `isempty(a)` returns 0, `isempty(b)` returns 1

Objects and Classes: Calling methods

Each method in a class takes in a minimum of one parameter (named 'self'), which *is a reference to the object calling the method*

Syntax for calling a method:

<reference>.<methodName> (2nd through last argument)

Equivalently (but better to use above way),

<methodName> (self, rest of arguments)

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How to use this method:

```
% Object reference should be
% created first
a = Animal('Bobbert', 'pig', 2, 1);

% Call method
a.birthday();

% See result of method call
disp(a.age) % 3 will be displayed
```

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Implementation of this method:

```
function c = checkHasTail(self)
    if (self.hasTail == 1)
        c = 1;
    else
        c = 0;
    end
end
```



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Implementation of this method:

```
function c = isOlder(self, otherAnimal)
    if (self.age > otherAnimal.age)
        c = 1;
    else
        c = 0;
    end
end
```

How to use this method:

```
a = Animal('Bobbert', 'pig', 2, 1);
b = Animal('Bob', 'frog', 1, 0);
disp(a.isOlder(b)) % will display 1
disp(b.isOlder(a)) % will display 0
```

Objects and Classes: Arrays of objects

Objects of the same class
can be stored in a simple
vector/array.

Objects of different classes
could be stored in a cell
array.

Example: Write a function that takes in a vector `z` of `Animal` objects and returns a vector of the indices from `z` which contain objects whose species is 'pig':

```
function idx = findPigs(z)
idx = []; k = 1;
for i=1:length(z)
    if(strcmp(z(i).species, 'pig'))
        idx(k) = i;
        k = k+1;
    end
end
```

Objects and Classes: Accessibility

Keywords *public*, *private*, *protected* can be used to restrict access to properties.

- **Public** properties: can be directly in any subclasses any other files that create objects of this class
- **Private** properties: cannot be directly accessed outside the class
- **Protected** properties: can only be directly accessed by subclasses

Direct access means being able to access a property via statements such as:

```
<reference>.propertyName
```

Indirect access could be in the form of:

```
<reference>.getPropertyValue()
```

% Need “getter” methods to access private or protected properties

Objects and Classes: Inheritance

- A class can have subclasses that share properties and methods.
 - **Private** properties are not inherited, but can be accessed through methods
 - **Protected** properties are inherited; all subclasses can access them
 - **Public** properties are inherited; all classes can access them
- **In the constructor of a subclass**, there must be a call to the superclass constructor (using “@” notation)

Objects and Classes example: Animal and Bird

```
classdef Animal < handle
    properties (Access = protected)
        name; species; age; hasTail
    end
    methods
        function a = Animal(n, s, a, hT)
            % set properties of a
        end
        function birthday(self)
            self.age = self.age+1;
        end
        function c = checkHasTail(self)
            % return 1 if hasTail = 1, else 0
        end
        function c = isOlder(self, otherAnimal)
            % return 1 if older than otherAnimal
        end
    end
end
```

```
classdef Bird < Animal
    properties (Access = private)
        color
    end
    methods
        function b = Bird(c, n, s, a)
            b = b@Animal(n, s, a, 1);
            b.color = c;
        end
        function c = getColor(self)
            c = self.color;
        end
    end
end
```

Bird is a subclass of Animal and inherits all of its protected properties.
Bird has one additional property, color.

Structs

Structs provide a way to group related data together into one variable. Each piece of data is labeled by a field name.

A struct can be created using the struct function. Example:

```
point1 = struct('x', 1, 'y', 2);
```

Spring 2015 Prelim: Question 4

```
r=0; % number of rooms processed so far
for i= 1:length(D)
    pos= strfind(D{i}, ' ');
    for k= 1:2:length(pos)
        id= D{i}(pos(k)+1:pos(k+1)-1);
        seats= str2double(D{i}(pos(k+1):pos(k+2)));
        r= r+1;
        Q(r)= MakeRoom(id, seats);
    end
end
```

Review question 3b: Sorting structs

```
n= length(Pts);
dis= zeros(1,n); % stores the distance of each point from the origin
dis(1)= sqrt(Pts(1).x^2 + Pts(1).y^2);
for i= 1:n-1
    % Sort dis(1:i+1) given that dis(1:i) is sorted
    dis(i+1)= sqrt(Pts(i+1).x^2 + Pts(i+1).y^2);
    j= i;
    need2swap= dis(j+1) < dis(j);
    while need2swap
        % swap elements in dis array
        tempd= dis(j);
        dis(j)= dis(j+1);
        dis(j+1)= tempd;
        % swap elements in Pts array
        tempp= Pts(j);
        Pts(j)= Pts(j+1);
        Pts(j+1)= tempp;
        j= j-1;
        need2swap= j>0 && dis(j+1)<dis(j);
    end
end
end
```

Open coding questions 1: Pascal's triangle

```
function p = pascalVector(lev)

p= 1;    % values in level 0 of Pascal's triangle
for currentLevel= 1:lev
    % Temporary vec (q) for current level
    q= ones(1,currentLevel+1);

    % Use the general formula for INTERNAL entries
    for i= 2:length(p)
        q(i)= p(i-1) + p(i);
    end

    p= q;    % Update p
end
```