

Final Exam Review

CPSC 2150

Midterm 1

Encapsulation—Grouping related data and operations (classes and objects). It helps us keep this data in sync

Information Hiding—How we control access to encapsulated data (visibility settings)

- This lets us ensure people set it correctly!
- Removes implementation details (separation of concerns)

Separation of Concerns—Every module has its own concerns and isolates that from the rest of the system

Contract—Outlines the responsibilities of the implementer (the function itself) and the client (who calls the function)

Precondition: The client's responsibility to the implementor.

Postcondition: The guarantees the implementer makes (if preconditions are met)

Invariants: Something that is "always" true (usually about a class attribute). They are guaranteed to be true after the constructor is called, and before or after public methods, but private methods are not guaranteed!

Entity Objects—Represent some real world entity or abstract concept; usually a noun.

DrivetrainVelocityController

Boundary Objects—Encapsulate the interactions with other systems (or the user). *Display*

Control Objects—Responsible for the actual flow of the program, sticks all the pieces together. *main()*, *opcontrol()*, *Routine*

Interface—Represents interactions between classes in a system. Describes the what classes do, but not the how. Expresses some sort of coherent concept. Interfaces allow for dynamic dispatch

Declared Type—The type of a variable at compile time, can be an interface, a class, or a primitive.

Dynamic Type—The type of a variable at runtime, must be a class or a primitive. Can use `instanceof` operator to determine runtime type

Coding to Interface—Put all your declared types in an interface. Benefits: Easier implementation swapping, and allows implementation to change without users needing to worry about it.

Interface Specification—Because the implementation is now swappable, we need to define all responsibilities in the interface itself. *Initialization Ensures* specifies what will be true after calling the constructor, *Defines* allow us to define a concept for the specification (usually maps to private variables), *Constraints* restrict how the defines can act (think invariants)

Correspondences—Allow us to connect *Defines* to private variables in a specific implementation.

Midterm 2

Testing

The process of verifying programs to be correct. The compiler provides a form of testing, to ensure that types match, and operations are possible, but correct programs always have stricter requirements than just compilation.

Failure — Any deviation of the observed behavior from the specified behavior

Erroneous State — the system is in a state such that further processing of the system will result in a failure.

Fault — the mechanical or algorithmic cause of the erroneous state (i.e. the bug)

A fault leads to an erroneous state leads to a failure!

Testing — The systematic attempt to find bugs in a planned way in the system. Cannot prove that faults do not exist, but can only show that faults do exist! You can only do this with formal verification (see below)

Test Case — A set of inputs and the associated expected output. Test cases show us the failure but don't show us where the bug in our code is.

Routine Test Case — Tests the standard operation. Should be a simple input and output

Boundary Test Case — Based on the contracts, test for some edge case or special number. This number should still follow the associated contract!

Challenging Test Case — The types of test cases that, if you were writing, may find difficult or error-prone.

Unit Testing — Test all of the individual components of the software separately. For example, testing a single method in a class to ensure it has the correct output

- Focus on just one small part of the program

Integration Testing — Testing to ensure that multiple components of the system work together correctly. For example, ensuring that the entire class works as expected.

System Testing — Testing the entire end-user system

Test Stub — Partial implementation of lower-level components to aid in the testing of higher-level components. Can be avoided if you implement and test the lower-level

components first. *Example: a stub implementation of the database that gives the same response to each query to make sure your business logic works.*

Test Driver — Partial implementation of component that depends on the test component. Calls the test for that component to ensure it functions correctly.

Final Review

String Theory

A string is a series of zero or more entries of any other mathematical type. It is not a type in Java, instead it's a mathematical structure, like a set.

An empty string is denoted by $\langle \rangle$, or `empty_string`

Concatenation

Combines two strings together. Notated like $A \circ B$.

For example, if

$A = \langle 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$ and

$B = \langle 4, 3, 2, 1 \rangle$, then

$A \circ B = \langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 3, 2, 1 \rangle$

Length

Gets the number of elements in the string. Notated like $|s|$

For example,

$|\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle| = 5$

$|\text{empty_string}| = 0$

Reverse

Reverses the order of the number of elements in the string. Notated like $\text{Reverse}(s)$

For example,

$\text{Reverse}(\langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle) = \langle 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 \rangle$

$\text{Reverse}(\langle \rangle) = \langle \rangle$

Prt_Btwn

Finds a substring of the given string, between two positions m and n . Includes m , does not include n . Notated like $\text{Prt_Btwn}(m, n, s)$

For example,

$\text{Prt_Btwn}(2, 4, \langle 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle) = \langle 3, 4 \rangle$

Occurs_Ct

Determines the number of times an item x occurs in the string. Notated like $\text{Occurs_Ct}(x, s)$

For example,

$\text{Occurs_Ct}(2, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle) = 4$

$\text{Occurs_Ct}(7, \langle 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle) = 0$

Designing Large Systems

Requirements Drift — When programming complex systems, developers have a tendency to write code which slowly drifts away from its requirements.

Intentional Design — When working professionally, you will need to be careful, as projects can be enormous, spanning multiple teams over multiple years. **Old code doesn't go away!**

Encapsulation — Group all related functionality together, so each module is responsible for different portions of the software

Information Hiding — How we mediate access to encapsulated information, with the purpose being to establish safeguards

Separation of Concerns — Make sure each component does one thing, and does it well! You should isolate side effects of your program as much as possible.