Lecture 1: Mobile Application & Product Development

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Course objective

The goal of this course is to teach you modern Android application development and software project management. Upon successful completion of this course, you will have planned, developed, and tested your own Android applications.
Android application layers

Presentation

Domain (business logic)

Data
Textbook/Materials/Resources

- https://developer.android.com/
- https://android-developers.googleblog.com/
- Optional: Android Programming: The Big Nerd Ranch Guide
Grading Policy

- Class participation and group work - 15%
- Programming Assignments - 25%
- Midterm exam - 30%
- Final project - 30%
Academic Integrity/Honesty Policy

“You only learn if your work is your own.”

- [https://www.jjay.cuny.edu/academic-integrity-0](https://www.jjay.cuny.edu/academic-integrity-0)
Other Classroom Policies

- No makeups will be given for the midterm.
- You will have two weeks for each programming assignment. Late assignments will be graded down 10% per day late.
- The lecturers reserve the right to give unannounced quizzes if it appears students are not putting the time in to prepare for class.
- See Syllabus for the full list of policies and the full schedule.
Did you prepare?
Local Version Control Systems (LVCS)

- File change history is kept on a local database, allowing the user to recreate what a file looked like at any point in time (e.g., RCS).
Disadvantages of LVCS and CVCS

- **LVCS:**
  - No capability to collaborate/share with other developers.
  - Single point of failure - broken hard drive + no back ups == ☠

- **CVCS:**
  - Single point of failure - broken hard drive + no back ups == ☠
Centralized Version Control System (CVCS)

- File change history is kept on a private centralized server, allowing a team of developers to collaborate on a shared project by checking out the latest “snapshots” of files (e.g., CVS, Subversion).
Distributed Version Control System (DVCS)

- Clients fully mirror a code repository, including its history (e.g., Git, Mercurial).

Git

Delta based version-control

Checkins Over Time


File A  Δ1  Δ2

File B  Δ1  Δ2

File C  Δ1  Δ2  Δ3

Git - stream of snapshots

Checkins Over Time

Version 1  
File A
File B
File C

Version 2  
A1
B
C1

Version 3  
A1
B
C2

Version 4  
A2
B1
C2

Version 5  
A2
B2
C3

Git - initialization

- Any directory can be turned into a git repository by using running `git init` in command line.
- Once a directory is initialized as a git repository, create a file called `.gitignore` and type out any files/directories that you don’t want git to track. For example:
  - Build directories and output binaries
  - Secret files
  - IDE configuration files
  - Sample `.gitignore` file for an android repo: [https://github.com/github/gitignore/blob/master/Android.gitignore](https://github.com/github/gitignore/blob/master/Android.gitignore)
Git lifecycle diagram

- Untracked
- Unmodified
- Modified
- Staged

- Add the file
- Edit the file
- Stage the file
- Commit
- Remove the file

Git lifecycle commands

- `git add .`
  - Stage all new and edited files to get them ready to commit
- `git reset .`
  - Unstage all staged files
- `git commit -m "Commit message"`
  - Commit all staged files as a snapshot
- `git status`
  - Your best friend
Git - branching

- All git repos start off on the master branch.
- Use `git checkout -b [branch_name]` to create a new branch off of the current branch and check it out. For example, `git checkout -b testing`:

When collaborating with other developers, you’ll want to pull in their changes from time to time into your own branch.

- **Merging**: Pulls in commits from another branch (e.g., from `master` to your working branch) as a new `merge` commit.
- **Rebasing**: Pull in commits from another branch (e.g., from `master` to your working branch) and copies your working branch’s commits one-by-one, preserving a clean linear history.
- To collaborate with other developers, you need to manage your repositories on remote servers (e.g., Github, Gitlab, etc.).
- We’ll be using Github for most of your programming assignments and for your final project.
- To authenticate your local machine with your Github account, set up an SSH key: https://help.github.com/articles/connecting-to-github-with-ssh/
Android Studio + Java

- Unlike compiled languages (e.g., Pascal or C), Java uses both a compiler and an interpreter.
- Compiled languages need to be re-compiled when their program needs to run on a different architecture.
- Java is compiled (to java bytecode) and interpreted (by Java Virtual Machine), so any java program that’s compiled on one architecture can also run on any other architecture (as long as it has a java interpreter).
- Android Studio comes bundled with OpenJDK, an open source implementation of Java, so you don’t have to install any other SDKs in order to develop.
Java - Data types and variables

System.out.println("hello world");

int count = 4;

Just like C/C++, Java has its own main method, which is the entry point into a program.

count is a variable (a container for data) and int is its type (i.e., the kind of data it is)

hello world is a literal (actual data)
Primitives are built in data types in a programming language. The image to the left shows the primitive data types of Java. They’re the building blocks of a much more complicated data type, known as class.

For example:

- **String** class is an array of **char**.
- **Date** class can be seen as a composite of three **ints** (for month, day, and year).

The variables (or **fields**) of a **class** define what sort of operations are valid on it, these operations are known as **methods**.
Java - methods

AccessModifier ReturnType MethodName(optional parameter list) {

}

- AccessModifier - used to control the visibility of a method
- ReturnType - used to declare what type of data this method returns (void returns nothing)
- MethodName - used to name the method
- optional parameter list - can have 0 to n types of parameters

There is a special type of method called the constructor, which can be called when an object needs to be created using `new`. Java has no concept of destructor methods.
Java - class and method

class Student {
    String name;
    String id;
    int level;

    Student(String name, String id, int level) {
        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
        this.level = level;
    }

    void printName() {
        System.out.println(name);
    }
}

Student student = new Student(name: "Bharg", id: "3D2Y", level: 1);
student.println();
Student student1 = student;
Java - conditional, iteration, and arrays

- These are all really similar to how C/C++ does things, so we don’t need to go in depth.
- If you’ve used any sort of these statements in another programming language, chances are you’ll pick this up in Java really easily.
- See sections 4, 5, and 6 in the primer reading for assignment 1 if you’d like to go in depth.
Java - inheritance

- Inheritance is the process of one class inheriting the features (fields and methods) of another class.
- A class can only *inherit* from one other class.
- A class can be *inherited* by any number of classes.
- So, a child can have only one parent, but a parent can have many children.

```java
class <child-class> extends <parent-class> {
}
```
class Person {
    String name;
    String id;

    Person(String name, String id) {
        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
    }

    void printName() {
        System.out.println(name);
    }
}

class Lecturer extends Person {
    String email;

    Lecturer(String name, String id, String email) {
        super(name, id);
        this.email = email;
    }
}

class Student extends Person {
    int level;

    Student(String name, String id, int level) {
        super(name, id);
        this.level = level;
    }
}
Java - abstract and interface classes

- **Abstract classes:**
  - cannot be instantiated, but can contain implementation of fields and methods
  - can only be inherited (by using `extends` keyword)

- **Interface classes:**
  - cannot be instantiated, and cannot contain any implementation details
  - used to specify a “contract” or “blueprint” of what methods a class can implement
  - can only be implemented (by using `implements` keyword)

- A class can *extend* only one type, but can *implement* many types
### Access Levels

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[https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/accesscontrol.html](https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/accesscontrol.html)