

1 CS3134 #4

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2 Administrivia

- HW#1 is out
- What did recitations cover?
 - We do need *some* basic OO concepts
 - Apologies for lack of synchronization between myself and the TAs
 - Apologies for the room mess-up yesterday

3 Agenda

- Again, try to finish up Java/OO introduction
- Segue into arrays & lists

4 Java refresher

- “this” keyword
- Where main can belong...
- Packages
 - What does it mean to *import*?
 - Java.util.* or java.io.*
- Exceptions
- BufferedReader example
- Javadocs, books – can’t guarantee board code

5 Java refresher II

- We’re going to wait on subclassing, polymorphism, and inner classes
- More complex example: employee database
 - Employee class
 - Constructors
 - Getters/setters
 - Print info
 - Runner program
 - Create a few employees, stick into array, and iterate through them
 - Array, eh? Iterate? What’s those?

6 Lists

- Chapter 2 deals with “arrays”; most common form of lists, but definitely not the only one
- Use the sample applet and play with it – supports:
 - New
 - Fill
 - Insert
 - Find
 - Delete
- These are *abstract operations* for a list – note how it doesn’t assume array

indices, etc. We'll answer "why?" later

7 Lists II

- Implementing each of these operations
 - New: `new type[]`;
 - Initialization – default and custom `{}`
 - Access an element by index
- Sample book program starts with these primitives and works with them manually
 - Need to divide this into multiple classes
 - Read the book for the iterative examples

8 Lists III

- We want to create an *interface* for a list: what the user has to deal with
 - Next refinement: `setElem(i)` and `getElem(i)`
 - Still too much work!
- Higher-level interface definitions: *abstraction*
 - `Insert()`
 - `Delete()`
 - `Find()`

9 Next time...

- Ordered lists – can we be more efficient with them?