Midterm Review

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Problem Solving using Java

- Problem solving method/process
- Java language basics
- Using Java API classes
- Algorithms and programming patterns

Problem Solving Method/Process

- Analyze the problem
 - A kind of computational problem that we solve by writing a computer program
 - Input Data \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Output Data
- Design algorithm/solution (a Java program)
- Implement Java program
 - Removing compilation errors
 - Removing runtime/logic errors
- Verification and validation

Java Language Basics

- JDK and JRE
- Define Java class with the main method
- Variables and data types
- Control structures

Data and Variables

- Input Data \rightarrow Program \rightarrow Output Data
- Use variables to store input, output, and intermediate data
 - Data are stored in the computer's memory
- Variable: named allocation of the computer's memory
 - In Java, named and typed

Variables and Data Types

- In java:
 - Primitive data types
 - Numerical types (integer and floating point)
 - Character
 - Boolean
 - Reference data types
 - String
 - Scanner
 - Declare and use variables
 - Operations

Control Structures

- Selection/branching
 - the if statement and variations
 - the switch statement
- Iteration/loop
 - the while loop
 - the for loop
 - the do-while loop

Java API Classes

- Math
- Character
- String

Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Learning from solutions to known problems
 - Numerical algorithms and programming patterns
 - Logical algorithms and programming patterns
 - String algorithms and programming patterns
 - Data input algorithms and programming patterns
 - Ordered type algorithms (numerical and String) and programming patterns
 - Sequence of Input algorithms and programming patterns

Numerical Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Absolute value; toggling: 0<-->1 and -1<-->1; parity; divisibility; primality
- 2. Root finding

Logical algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Toggling true <--> false
- Logical disjunction and conjunction

String Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Picking out tokens from whitespace
- Finding the nth word in a String
- Counting substrings
- Replacement

Data Input Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Organized data with header (count prefix)
- End of data (e.g., using sentinel, i.e., trailing token)
- Sum and average of multiple inputs

Ordered type Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- 1. Maximum (minimum) of two
- 2. Maximum (minimum) of three
- 3. Checking for ascending (descending) order of two
- 4. Checking for ascending (descending) order of three
- 5. Sorting two or three values (numerical or Strings)

Sequence of Input Algorithms and Programming Patterns

- Counting items having a common property
- Accumulations. (sum and average)
- Checking for ascending (descending)

Questions?