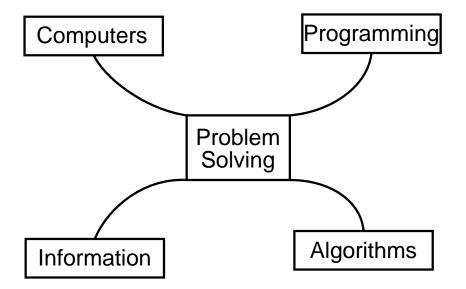
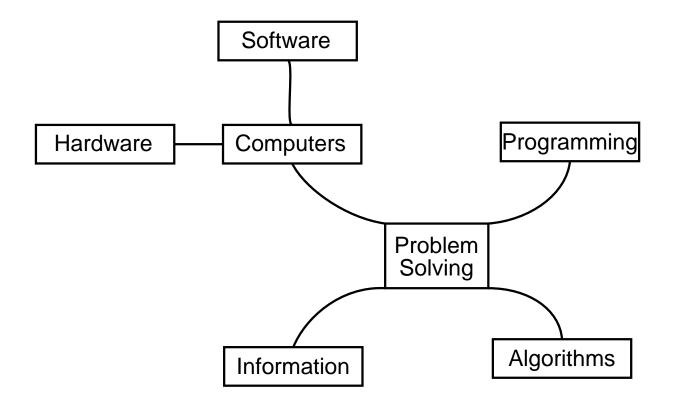
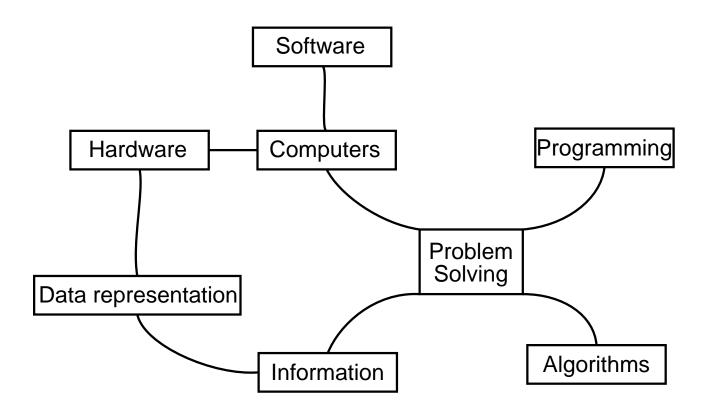
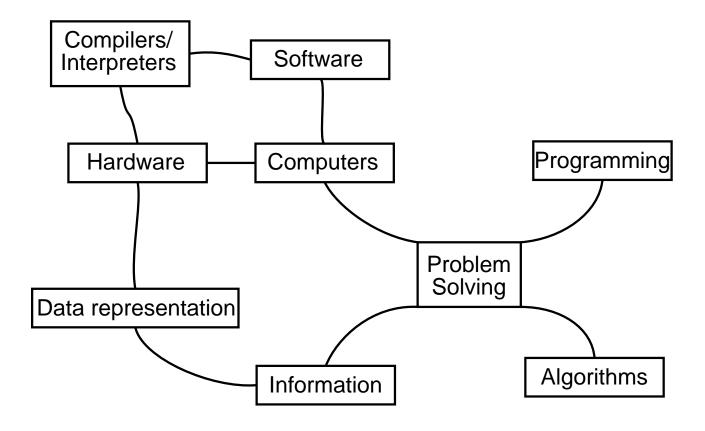
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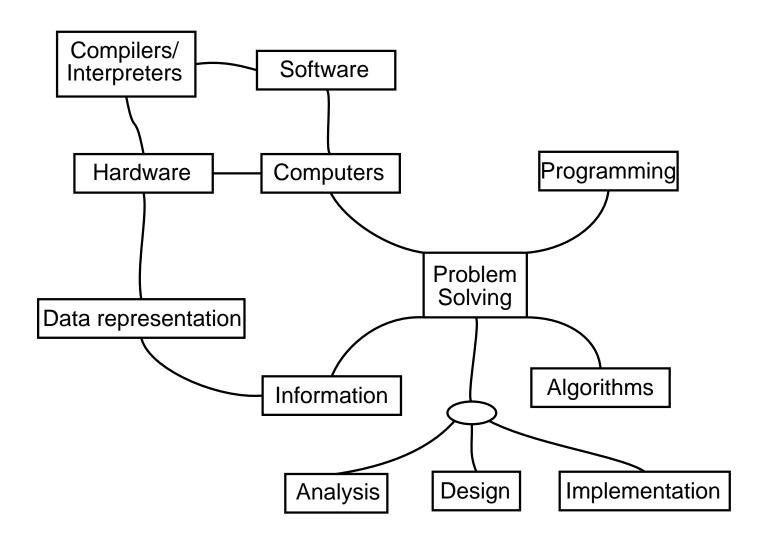
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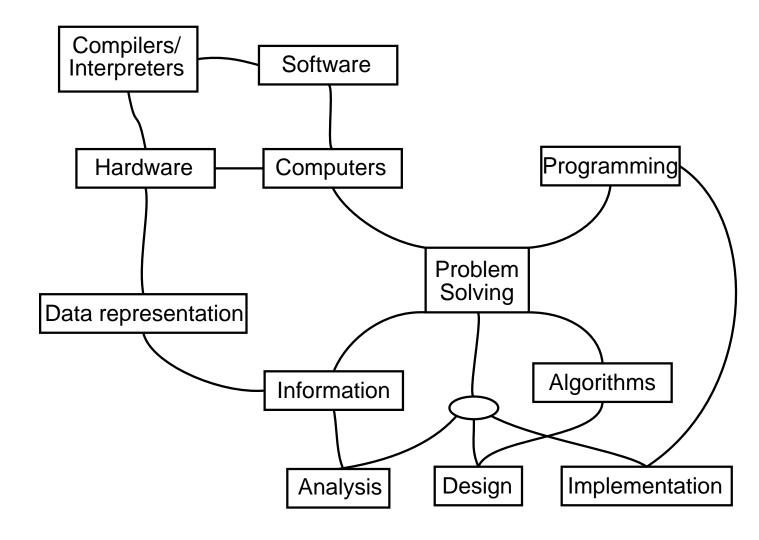


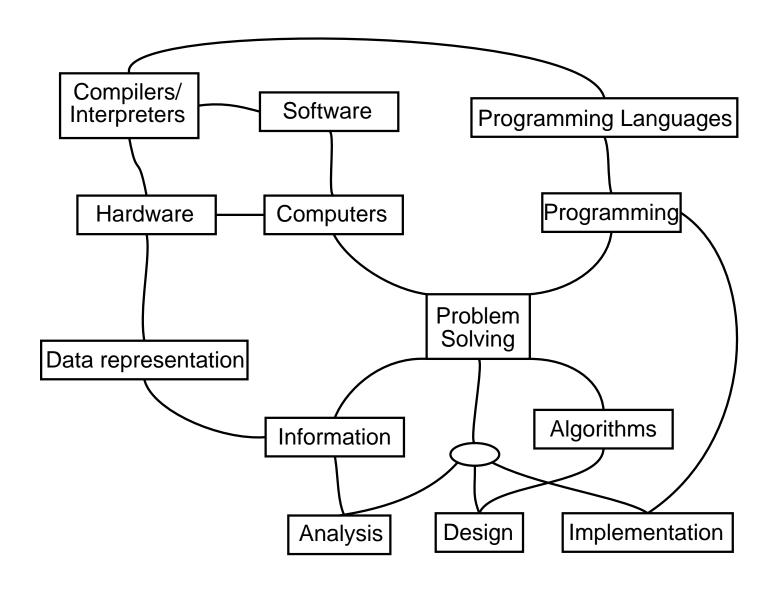












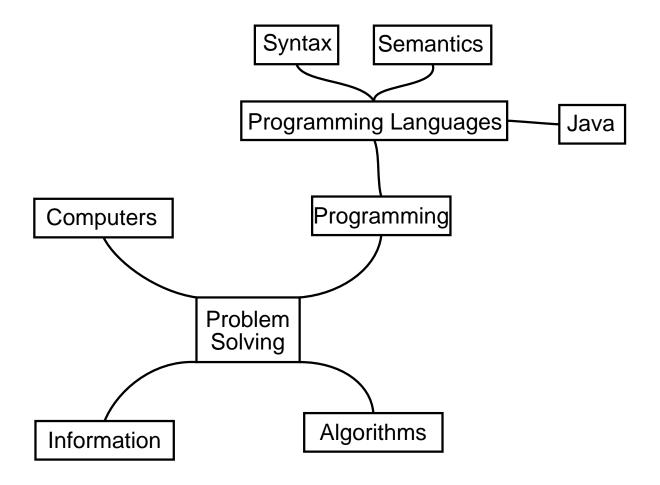
Problem solving

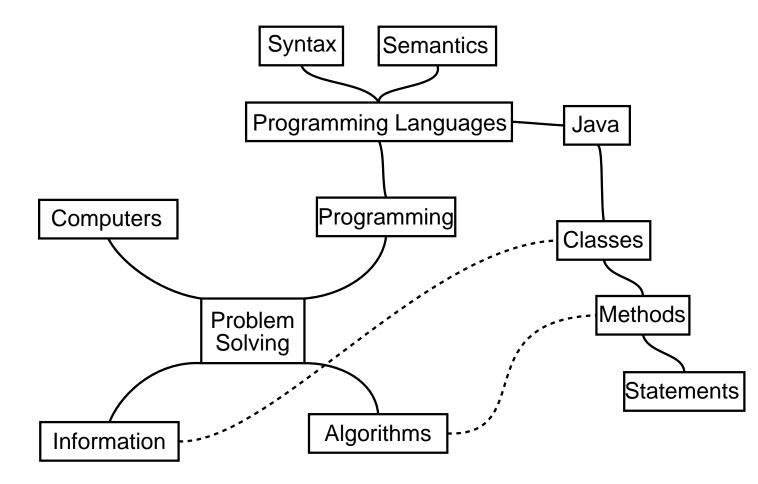
- Clear statement of the problem
- Analysis (of the problem)
- Design
- Implementation
- Testing / Verification
- Maintenance

Analysis

- Goal: to obtain a precise understanding the problem
- Things to do in analysis:
 - Determine inputs and outputs
 - Determine general and specific requirements
 - Make or obtain precise definitions of concepts involved
 - Determine the relevant information to the problem
 - Determine the relationship between different elements or pieces of information of the problem
 - Make explicit any relevant assumptions







- Variable declarations
- Assignment
- Conditionals
- Loops
- Method calls



Variables

- A variable is a memory cell with a name (identifier)
- A variable can change its value
- A variable has a data type
- Variable declaration

```
type identifier;
type identifier = expression;
type id1, id2, id3;
type id1 = e1, id2 = e2, id3 = e3;
```

- The type of a variable can be
 - * Primitive (e.g. int, boolean, etc.)
 - * User-defined (i.e. a class)

- Assignment
 - Changes the value of a variable
 variable = expression;
 - Expressions:
 - * arithmetic: int type
 - * boolean
 - * string



Conditionals: making decisions

```
— if
  if (condition)
    statement_or_block;
if-else
  if (condition)
    statement_or_block1;
  else
    statement_or_block2;
switch
  switch(int_or_char_expr) {
    case int_or_char_expr1: statements1;
    case int_or_char_expr2: statements2;
    default: statementsn;
  }
```

Loops: Repetition
 while
 while (condition)
 statement_or_block;
 do-while
 do
 statement_or_block
 while(condition);
 for
 for (init; condition; statement)
 statement_or_block;

- Method calls
 - normal

```
objectreference.methodname(arg1, arg2, ..., argn
```

static

```
classname.methodname(arg1, arg2, ..., argn)
```

• Messages to self

```
methodname(arg1, arg2, ..., argn)
this.methodname(arg1, arg2, ..., argn)
```



Control-flow

- Statements are executed sequentially
- The order in which statements appear matters

```
int x;
x = 8;
x = x + 3;
if (x >= 10) {
    System.out.println("OK");
}
else {
    System.out.println("Error");
}
```

Control-flow

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if (x >= 10) {
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}
else {
    System.out.println("Error");
}
x = x + 3;
```

Control-flow

- Loops
- Termination: a loop may fail to terminate

```
int i;
i = 0;
while (i < 10) {
    System.out.print(i);
}</pre>
```

• To terminate, the body of the loop must have some "advance" statements, i.e. statements which will eventually make the condition false.

```
int i;
i = 0;
while (i < 10) {
    System.out.print(i);
    i++;
}</pre>
```

- Objects are composite data that can react to messages
- Classes define the structure and behaviour of objects
- Objects are not classes
 - A class is a data type
 - An object is an instance of a class



- Defining classes
 - Attributes (instance variables): characteristics of the objects
 - Methods: how objects react to messages
- Using classes
 - Creating objects
 - Accessing attributes
 - Invoking (calling) methods: sending messages



• Defining classes:

```
public class ClassName {
    // Attribute definitions
    // Method definitions
}
```

• Defining attributes:

```
type identifier;
```

Note: different classes can have attributes with the same name

- Defining methods:
 - normal

```
type name(type1 p1, type2 p2, ..., typen pn)
{
    list_of_statements;
}

- static

static type name(type1 p1, type2 p2, ..., typen {
    list_of_statements;
}
```

Note: different classes can have methods with the same name

- Using classes:
 - Creating objects:
 type objectreference;
 objectreference = new type(args);
 where type is a class.
- Accessing attributes:

objectreference.attributename

only if the attribute is defined in *objectreference*'s class.

• Calling methods:

objectreference.methodname(arg1,arg2,...,argn)

only if the method is defined in *objectreference*'s class, and the types of the arguments are the same as the types of the parameters.



Methods calls

• If class A is defined as

```
class A {
  void m() { ... }
}
```

• and a variable x has a reference to an A object:

```
A x;

x = new A();
```

• then method m can be applied to x

```
x.m();
```

 But if method p is not defined in A, it cannot be applied to x

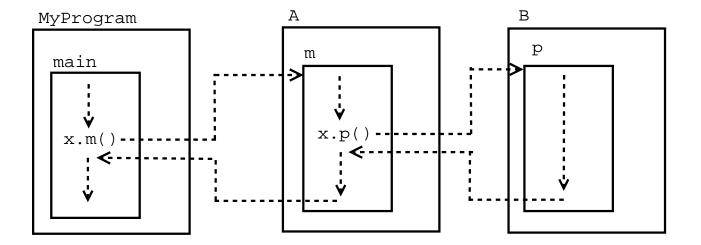
```
x.p(); // Error
```

Method calls

- Control flow
- Frames and parameter passing
- Access to variables
 - Parameters
 - Local variables
 - Object attributes
- Static methods
- Static variables
- Recursive methods



Methods calls: control flow



```
Methods calls: parameter passing public class Stereo {
    double volume;
    void set_volume(double v)
    {
        volume = v;
    }
    double get_volume()
    {
        return volume;
    }
}
public class SoundSystem {
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Stereo mystereo = new Stereo();
        double x, factor = 2;
        System.out.println("Testing...");
        x = 4.0;
        mystereo.set_volume( x * factor );
        System.out.println(mystereo.get_volume());
    }
}
```

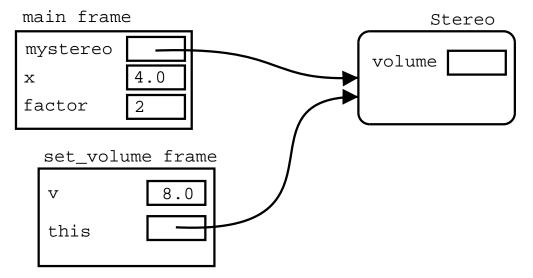
Before calling mystereo.set_volume(x*factor)



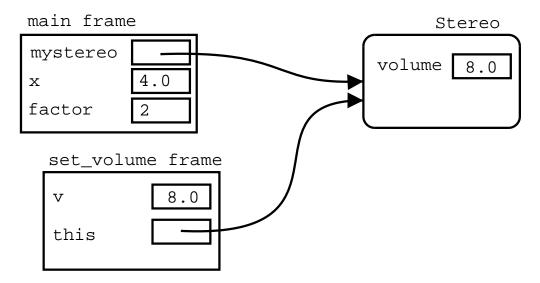
First its arguments (x*factor) are evaluated: Evaluating x*factor in the main frame results in 8.0



A frame for set_volume is created, and the argument is assigned to the parameter: v = 8.0;



The current method (main) is suspended, and the body of the called method (set_volume) is executed in the context of the current frame (the set_volume frame):





Finally the called method frame is discarded, and computation of the calling method (main) is resumed in the instruction immediately after the method call.





Static methods

- Static methods have no direct effect on objects
- When calling a static method, the frame does not have a "this" reference
- Therefore they cannot access any object attributes
- They can access only:
 - Parameters
 - Local variables
 - static variables (shared between all objects in the class)
- Non-static methods can access both static and nonstatic methods and variables
- Static methods cannot access non-static methods and non-static instance variables



Objects as first class values

Objects can be passed as parameters and returned as values

```
public class Rabbit {
    void jump() { ... }
  public class Cage {
    void shake(Rabbit a)
      a.jump();
    Rabbit create()
    {
      return new Rabbit();
...elsewhere...
  Rabbit bugs = new Rabbit();
  Cage c = new Cage();
  c.shake(bugs);
  Rabbit wester = c.create();
```

Objects as first class values

Objects can be attibutes of other objects

```
public class Rabbit {
    void jump() { ... }
  }
  public class Cage {
    Rabbit my_rabbit;
    void put(Rabbit a)
      my_rabbit = a;
    Rabbit get()
    {
      return my_rabbit;
...elsewhere...
  Rabbit bugs = new Rabbit();
  Cage c = new Cage();
  c.put(bugs);
  Rabbit wester = c.get();
```

Methods: divide and conquer

If a problem is too complex, then its solution should be done by dividing the problem into smaller subproblems, and solving each subproblem in a separate method. The solution to the entire problem is then achieved by combining the solutions of the subproblems (by calling the necessary methods.)



- A method can be reused in different contexts
- Calling a method is "the same" as substituting its body in place of its call (replacing the parameters by the actual arguments,) but
- If we define a method, we can simply call it from more than one context without having to do copy and paste.



Determining whether n is a prime number or not:

```
boolean result;
int i;

result = true;
i = 2;
while (i < n && result) {
   if (n % i == 0) {
      result = false;
   }
   i++;
}</pre>
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
   static void print_primes(int m)
   {
     boolean result;
     int n;
     n = 1;
     while (n <= m) {
        // Find out if n is prime...
        if (result)
            System.out.println(n);
        n++;
     }
   }
}</pre>
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static void print_primes(int m)
  {
    boolean result;
    int i, n;
    n = 1;
    while (n \le m) \{
      result = true;
      i = 2;
      while (i < n && result) {
        if (n \% i == 0) {
          result = false;
        }
        i++;
      if (result)
        System.out.println(n);
      n++;
    }
  }
}
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n)
  {
    boolean result;
    int i;
    result = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < n && result) {
      if (n \% i == 0) {
        result = false;
      i++;
    return result;
  //... rest of the class
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static void print_primes(int m)
  {
    boolean result;
    int i, n;
    n = 1;
    while (n \le m) \{
      result = true;
      i = 2;
      while (i < n && result) {
        if (n \% i == 0) {
          result = false;
        }
        i++;
      if (result)
        System.out.println(n);
      n++;
    }
  }
}
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n) { ... }
  static void print_primes(int m)
  {
    boolean result;
    int n;
    n = 1;
    while (n \le m) \{
      result = is_prime(n);
      if (result)
        System.out.println(n);
      n++;
    }
  }
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n) { ... }

  static void print_primes(int m)
  {
    int n;

    n = 1;
    while (n <= m) {
        if (is_prime(n))
            System.out.println(n);
        n++;
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

Problem: given three numbers, determine whether all of them are prime or their sum is prime



```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n) { ... }

  static void threenumbers(int a, int b, int c)
  {
    if (is_prime(a) && is_prime(b) && is_prime(c)
        || is_prime(a+b+c)) {
      return true;
    }
    return false;
}
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n) { ... }

  static void threenumbers(int a, int b, int c)
  {
    return (is_prime(a) && is_prime(b) && is_prime(b) && is_prime(a+b+c));
  }
}
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n) { ... }
  static void threenumbers(int a, int b, int c)
  {
    boolean result1, result2, result3, result4;
    int i;
    result1 = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < a && result1) {
      if (a % i == 0) {
        result1 = false;
      i++;
    }
    result2 = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < b && result2) {</pre>
      if (b \% i == 0) {
        result2 = false;
```

```
}
      i++;
    }
    result3 = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < c && result3) {</pre>
      if (c \% i == 0) {
        result3 = false;
      i++;
    }
    result4 = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < a+b+c && result4) {
      if ((a+b+c) \% i == 0) {
        result4 = false;
      }
      i++;
    }
    return result1 && result2 && result3 || result
}
```

```
public class MyMathProcedures {
  static boolean is_prime(int n)
  {
    boolean result;
    int i;
    result = true;
    i = 2;
    while (i < Math.sqrt(n) && result) {</pre>
      if (n \% i == 0) {
        result = false;
      i++;
    return result;
  //... rest of the class
```

Recursion

- A recursive method is a method that calls itself (directly or indirectly.)
- A recursive definition is a definition of something in terms of itself
- Some recursive definitions don't make sense, (e.g. from Webster's: growl: to utter a growl), but others do
- For example:
 - A list of numbers is either:
 - * A single number, or
 - * A number followed by a list of numbers.
 - For example:
 - * 5 is a list of numbers
 - * 7, 5 is a list of numbers (because 5 is a list)
 - * 6, 7, 5 is a list of numbers (because 7, 5 is a list)
 - * 8, 6, 7, 5 is a list of numbers (because 6, 7, 5 is a list)



Recursive functions

• Factorial: the factorial of a natural number n, written n! is the multiplication of the first n positive integers, i.e.

$$n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (n-2) \cdot (n-1) \cdot n \tag{1}$$

But note that

$$1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (n-2) \cdot (n-1) = (n-1)!$$
 (2)

So by (1) and (2) we get

$$n! = (n-1)! \cdot n \tag{3}$$

But we have to assume a "base case", by defining

$$0! = 1 \tag{4}$$

Recursive functions (contd.)

Hence, (3) and (4) together gives us an alternative, and recursive definition of (1):

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ (n-1)! \cdot n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This can be implemented as a static recursive method:

```
static int factorial(int n)
{
    if (n == 0) {
       return 1;
    }
    return factorial(n-1)*n;
}
```

Execution of recursive methods

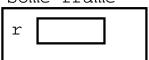
Consider the following client for this factorial function:

```
int r;
r = factorial(4);
```

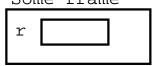
Its execution proceeds as follows:

This is executed in some frame:

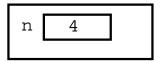
Some frame



When we call factorial(4); a new frame for the method is created: Some frame



factorial frame



We execute the body of factorial; n is not 0 so we execute

return factorial(n-1)*n;

which in this frame is the same as

return factorial(4-1)*4;



```
factorial frame

pending computation:
return factorial(3)*4;

factorial frame

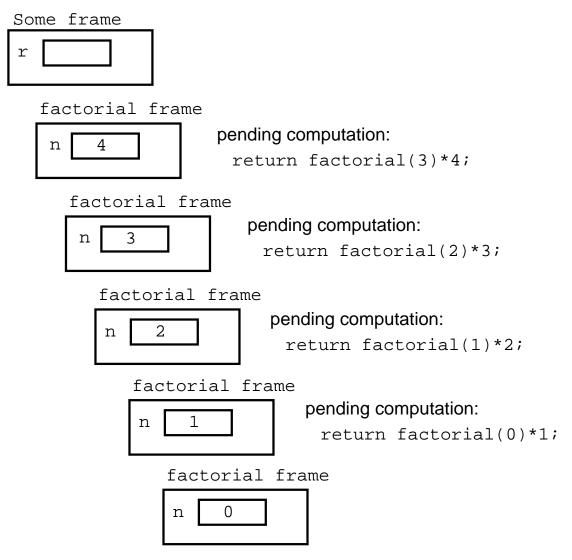
n 3

Again, we execute the body of factorial;
again, n is not 0 so we execute
return factorial(n-1)*n;
which in this frame is the same as
return factorial(3-1)*3;
```

```
Some frame
r
  factorial frame
                     pending computation:
        4
    n
                       return factorial(3)*4;
     factorial frame
                         pending computation:
            3
       n
                          return factorial(2)*3;
         factorial frame
               2
         n
Again, we execute the body of factorial;
again, n is not 0 so we execute
   return factorial(n-1)*n;
which in this frame is the same as
    return factorial(2-1)*2;
```



```
Some frame
r
  factorial frame
                     pending computation:
        4
   n
                       return factorial(3)*4;
      factorial frame
                        pending computation:
            3
       n
                          return factorial(2)*3;
         factorial frame
                           pending computation:
         n
               2
                             return factorial(1)*2;
            factorial frame
             n
   Again, we execute the body of factorial;
   again, n is not 0 so we execute
      return factorial(n-1)*n;
   which in this frame is the same as
      return factorial(1-1)*1;
```

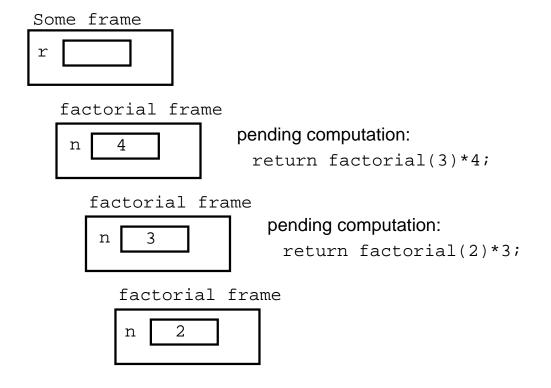


Now, we have reached the base case, and n is 0, so we execute: return 1;

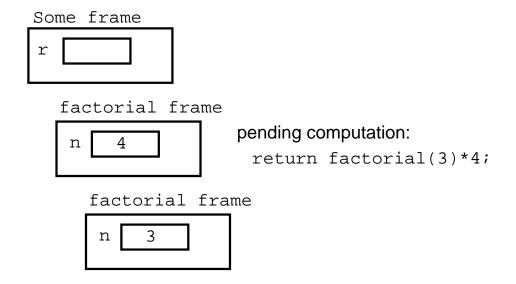
We get rid of the frame, and pass the returned value to the caller

```
Some frame
r
  factorial frame
                      pending computation:
         4
    n
                       return factorial(3)*4;
      factorial frame
                         pending computation:
            3
       n
                           return factorial(2)*3;
         factorial frame
                           pending computation:
         n
               2
                             return factorial(1)*2;
             factorial frame
                   1
             n
   The pending computation here was:
      return factorial(0)*1;
   and the method called factorial(0)
   returned 1, so this pending computation is now:
      return 1*1;
   We get rid of the frame, and pass the returned value to the caller
```

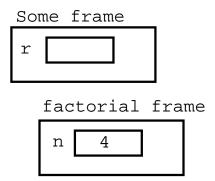




```
The pending computation here was:
    return factorial(1)*2;
and the method called factorial(1)
returned 1, so this pending computation is now:
    return 1*2;
We get rid of the frame, and pass the returned value to the caller
```



The pending computation here was:
 return factorial(2)*3;
and the method called factorial(2)
returned 2, so this pending computation is now:
 return 2*3;
We get rid of the frame, and pass the returned value to the caller



The pending computation here was:
 return factorial(3)*4;
and the method called factorial(3)
returned 6, so this pending computation is now:
 return 6*4;
We get rid of the frame, and pass the returned value to the caller



Some frame

r 24

The pending computation here was:

which returned 24, so this pending computation is now:

$$r = 24;$$

Recursion on other types

- Problem: given a string s, return the reverse of the string
- Analysis:
 - Notation:
 - * rev(s) is the reverse of s
 - st s_i is the i-th character of s
 - * len(s) is the length of s
 - * $\mathsf{rest}(s)$ is the string s without its first character s_0 (i.e. $\mathsf{rest}(s) = s_1 s_2 ... s_n$ where $n = \mathsf{len}(s) 1$)
 - Formal definition of reverse:

$$rev(s) = \begin{cases} "" & \text{if } s = "" \\ rev(rest(s)) + s_0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Reverse (contd.)

• For example:

$$rev("abcd") = rev("bcd") + 'a'$$

$$= (rev("cd") + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= ((rev("d") + 'c') + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= (((rev("") + 'd') + 'c') + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= ((("" + 'd') + 'c') + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= (("d" + 'c') + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= ("dc" + 'b') + 'a'$$

$$= "dcba"$$

Reverse (contd.)

```
public class MoreStringOperations {
  static String reverse(String s)
  {
    if (s.equals("")) {
      return ";
    return reverse(rest(s))+s.charAt(0);
  }
  static String rest(String s)
  {
    String result ="";
    int i = 1;
    while (i < s.length()) {</pre>
      result = result + s.charAt(i);
      i++;
    return result;
}
```

Double recursion

- ullet Problem: Compute the n-th Fibonacci number
- Analysis: The Fibonacci sequence 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...is defined by:

$$fib(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \leq 2\\ fib(n-1) + fib(n-2) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

• Implementation:

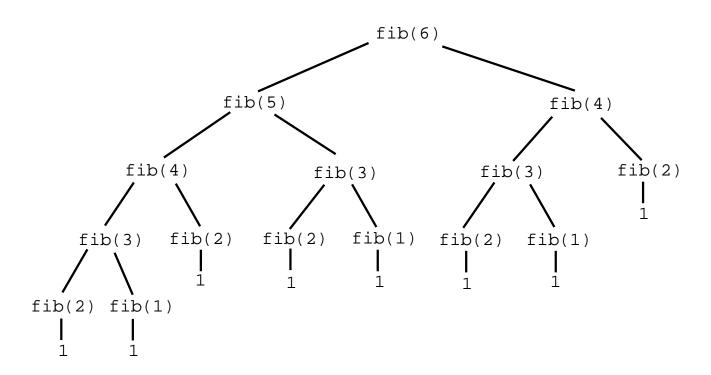
```
static int fib(int n)
{
    if (n <= 2) {
        return 1;
    }
    return fib(n-1)+fib(n-2);
}</pre>
```

Iteration vs recursion

• Iterative solution to the Fibonacci problem:

```
static int fib(int n)
{
    int a, b, c, i;
    a = 1;
    b = 1;
    c = 1;
    i = 3;
    while (i <= n) {
        c = a + b;
        a = b;
        b = c;
        i++;
    }
    return c;
}</pre>
```

Execution trees



Method overloading

- There can be several (static or not) methods with the same name...
- ...but the type or number of parameters must be different



Example

```
public class A {
  void f(int x)
  {
    System.out.println("one: "+x)
  }
  void f(boolean x)
  {
    System.out.println("two: "+x)
  }
}
public class B {
  void g()
    A u = new A();
    u.f(5);
    u.f(false);
}
```

Same for static methods

```
public class A {
  static void f(int x)
  {
    System.out.println("one: "+x)
  static void f(boolean x)
  {
    System.out.println("two: "+x)
}
public class B {
  void g()
    A.f(5);
    A.f(false);
}
```

The end

