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AP REVIEW

2011 FR QUESTIONS

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# Free Response

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- use parameter types and names as provided**
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- return from all return methods**
- return correct data type from return methods**

# Free Response

- When writing a class or methods for a class**
  - know which methods you have**
  - know which instance variables you have**
  - check for public/private on methods/variables**
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# Free Response

- When extending a class**
  - know which methods the parent contains**
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  - make sure you have super calls**
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# Free Response

- When extending abstract / implementing interface**
  - know which methods the parent contains**
  - have the original class where you can see it**
  - make sure you have super calls**
  - check for public/private on methods/variables**
  - make super calls in sub class methods as needed**
  - implement all abstract methods in sub class**

# Free Response Topics

## **ArrayList of References / Objects**

– get,set,remove,add,size – levels of abstraction

## **Matrix / 2 D Array**

– nested loops, GridWorld ( grid )

## **GridWorld or Make a Class**

– location, actor, bug, critter, grid, super, abstract

## **String / Array Question**

– find biggest, find smallest, etc.



# Hodge Podge

**One question on the A test free response is usually a random question that is hard to predict.**



**CustomerSort  
Robot  
Reservation**

# Hodge Podge

**This question usually involves an array and many times has sorting and searching components.**



# Hodge Podge

```
int[] nums = new int[10];           //Java int array
```

	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>nums</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**An array is a group of items all of the same type which are accessed through a single identifier.**

# Hodge Podge

**String s = "compsci";**

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>S</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>p</b>	<b>s</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>i</b>

**A string is a group of characters.  
The first character in the group is at spot 0.**

# **String**

## **frequently used methods**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Use</b>
<b>substring(x,y)</b>	<b>returns a section of the string from x to y not including y</b>
<b>substring(x)</b>	<b>returns a section of the string from x to length-1</b>
<b>length()</b>	<b>returns the # of chars</b>
<b>charAt(x)</b>	<b>returns the char at spot x</b>
<b>indexOf(c)</b>	<b>returns the loc of char c in the string, searching from spot 0 to spot length-1</b>
<b>lastIndexOf(c)</b>	<b>returns the loc of char c in the string, searching from spot length-1 to spot 0</b>

# **String**

## **frequently used methods**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Use</b>
<b>equals(s)</b>	<b>checks if this string has same chars as s</b>
<b>compareTo(s)</b>	<b>compares this string and s for &gt;,&lt;, and ==</b>
<b>trim()</b>	<b>removes leading and trailing whitespace</b>
<b>replaceAll(x,y)</b>	<b>returns a new String with all x changed to y</b>
<b>toUpperCase()</b>	<b>returns a new String with uppercase chars</b>
<b>toLowerCase()</b>	<b>returns a new String with lowercase chars</b>

# 2011 Question 1 - part A

```
public int limitAmplitude(int limit)
{
    int cnt = 0;
    for ( int i = 0; i < samples.length; i++ ) {
        if ( samples[i] < -limit ) {
            samples[i] = -limit;
            cnt++;
        }
        if ( samples[i] > limit ) {
            samples[i] = limit;
            cnt++;
        }
    }
    return cnt;
}
```

# 2011 Question 1 - part B

```
public void trimSilenceFromBeginning()  
{  
    int i = 0;  
    while ( samples[i] == 0 ) {  
        i++;  
    }  
  
    int[] ray = new int[ samples.length - i ];  
    for (int j = 0; j < ray.length; j++) {  
        ray[j] = samples[j+i];  
    }  
    samples = ray;  
}
```



# Abstract / Interfaces

**A typical Abstract/Interface question requires that a class be written that extends the abstract class or implements the interface and that all abstract method(s) be implemented.**



# Abstract / Interfaces

**Abstract classes are used to define a class that will be used only to build new classes.**

**No objects will ever be instantiated from an abstract class.**

# Abstract / Interfaces

**Mammal** (abstract class)



**Human**



**Whale**



**Cow**

# Abstract / Interfaces

**Any sub class that extends a super abstract class must implement all methods defined as abstract in the super class.**

# Abstract / Interfaces

```
public abstract class APlus  
{  
    public APlus(int x)  
        //constructor code not shown  
    public abstract double goForIt();  
  
    //other fields/methods not shown  
}
```

**Pet  
Item**

# Abstract / Interfaces

```
public class PassAPTest extends APlus
```

```
{  
    public PassAPTest(int x)  
    {  
        super(x);  
    }  
    public double goForIt()  
    {  
        double run=0.0;  
        //write some code - run = x*y/z  
        return run;  
    }  
}
```

```
//other fields/methods not shown  
}
```

```
public abstract class APlus  
{  
    public APlus(int x)  
        //constructor code not shown  
    public abstract double goForIt();  
    //other fields/methods not shown  
}
```

# Abstract / Interfaces

```
public interface Exampleable  
{  
    int writeIt(Object o);  
    int x = 123;  
}
```

**Methods are public abstract!**  
**Variables are public static final!**

# Abstract / Interfaces

```
public interface Exampleable  
{  
    public abstract int writeIt(Object o);  
    public static final int x = 123;  
}
```

**Methods are public abstract!**  
**Variables are public static final!**



# Abstract / Interfaces

**An interface is a list of abstract methods that must be implemented.**

**An interface may not contain any implemented methods.**

**Interfaces cannot have constructors!!!**

# Abstract / Interfaces

**Interfaces are typically used when you know what you want an Object to do, but do not know how it will be done.**

**If only the behavior is known, use an interface.**

# Abstract / Interfaces

**Abstract classes are typically used when you know what you want an Object to do and have a bit of an idea how it will be done.**

**If the behavior is known and some properties are known, use an abstract class.**

# 2011 Question 2 - part A

```
public class AttractiveCitter extends Critter  
{
```

```
    public ArrayList<Actor> getActors()  
    {  
        ArrayList<Actor> stuff;  
        stuff = new ArrayList<Actor>();  
        for ( Location loc : getGrid().getOccupiedLocations() )  
        {  
            if ( !loc.equals(getLocation()) )  
                stuff.add( getGrid().get(loc) );  
        }  
        return stuff;  
    }
```

**You must know ArrayList!**

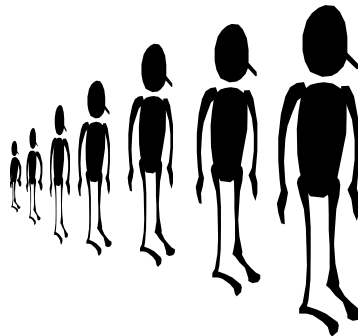
# 2011 Question 2 - part B

```
public void processActors(ArrayList<Actor> actors)
{
    for (Actor a : actors)
    {
        Location loc = a.getLocation();
        int dir = loc.getDirectionToward( getLocation() );
        Location x = loc.getAdjacentLocation(dir);
        if (getGrid().get( x ) == null) {
            a.moveTo( x );
        }
    }
}
```

**You must know ArrayList!**

# ArrayList

**A typical ArrayList question involves putting something into an ArrayList and removing something from an ArrayList.**



# ArrayList

**Arraylist is a class that houses an array.**

**An ArrayList can store any type.**

**All ArrayLists store the first reference at spot / index position 0.**

# ArrayList

```
int[] nums = new int[10];    //Java int array
```

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
nums	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**An array is a group of items all of the same type which are accessed through a single identifier.**



# **ArrayList**

## **frequently used methods**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Use</b>
<b>add(item)</b>	<b>adds item to the end of the list</b>
<b>add(spot,item)</b>	<b>adds item at spot – shifts items up-&gt;</b>
<b>set(spot,item)</b>	<b>put item at spot    <math>z[\text{spot}] = \text{item}</math></b>
<b>get(spot)</b>	<b>returns the item at spot    <math>\text{return } z[\text{spot}]</math></b>
<b>size()</b>	<b>returns the # of items in the list</b>
<b>remove()</b>	<b>removes an item from the list</b>
<b>clear()</b>	<b>removes all items from the list</b>

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
```

# ArrayList

```
List<String> ray;  
ray = new ArrayList<String>();  
ray.add("hello");  
ray.add("whoot");  
ray.add("contests");  
out.println(ray.get(0).charAt(0));  
out.println(ray.get(2).charAt(0));
```

**OUTPUT**

h

c

**ray stores String references.**

# ArrayList

```
int spot=list.size()-1;  
while(spot>=0)  
{  
  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
  
    spot--;  
  
}
```

# ArrayList

```
for(int spot=list.size()-1; i>=0; i--)  
{  
  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
  
}
```

# ArrayList

```
int spot=0;  
while(spot<list.size())  
{  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
    else  
        spot++;  
}
```

# 2011 Question 3 - part A

```
public int nextTankToFillA(int threshold)
{
    int min = filler.getCurrentIndex();
    for (int i = 0; i < tanks.size(); i++)
    {
        int curr = tanks.get(i).getFuelLevel() ;
        int min = tanks.get(min).getFuelLevel();
        if ( curr <= threshold && curr < min )
        {
            min = i;
        }
    }
    return min;
}
```

**You must know ArrayList!**

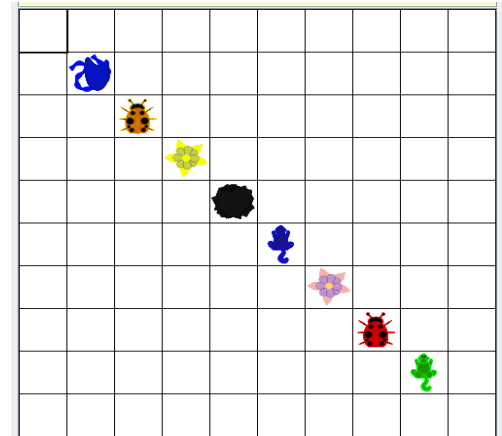
# 2011 Question 3 - part B

```
public void moveToLocation(int locIndex)
{
    if ( filler.getCurrentIndex() > locIndex) {
        if ( filler.isFacingRight()) {
            filler.changeDirection();
        }
        filler.moveForward(filler.getCurrentIndex() - locIndex);
    }
    if (filler.getCurrentIndex() < locIndex) {
        if (!filler.isFacingRight()) {
            filler.changeDirection();
        }
        filler.moveForward(locIndex - filler.getCurrentIndex());
    }
}
```

**You must know ArrayList!**

# Matrices

**One question on the A test free response will require you to manipulate a 2-dimensional array or a GridWorld grid.**

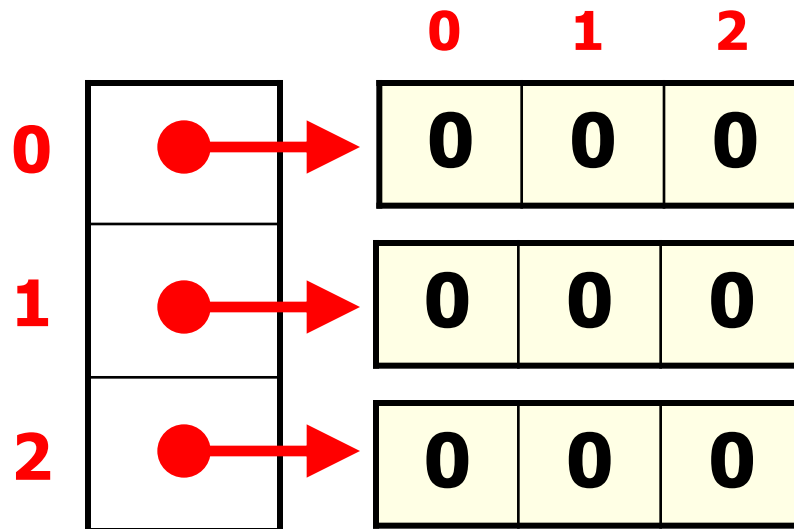




# Matrices

**A matrix is an array of arrays.**

```
int[][] mat = new int[3][3];
```



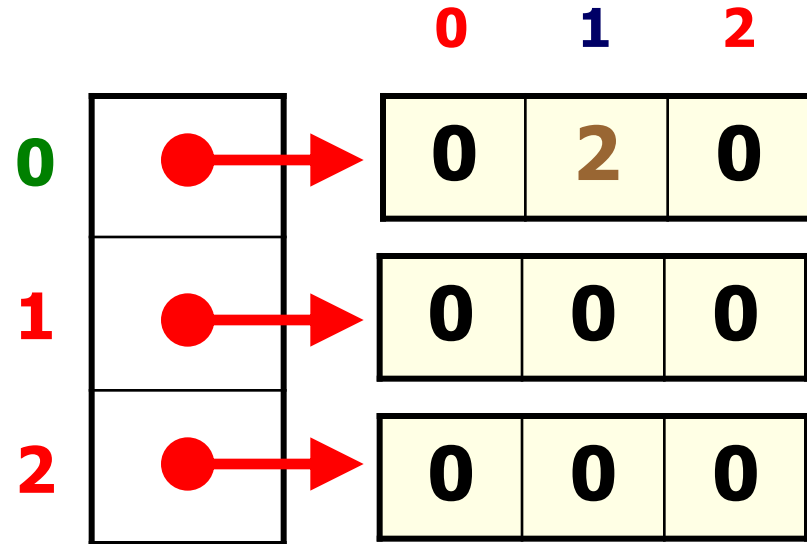
# Matrices

A matrix is an array of arrays.

```
int[][] mat = new int[3][3];  
mat[0][1]=2;
```

Which  
array?

Which  
spot?



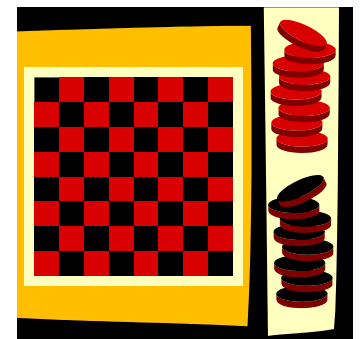
# Matrices

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	5	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	7	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	3	0	0	0

`mat[2][2]=7;`

`mat[0][3]=5;`

`mat[4][1]=3`



# Matrices

```
for( int r = 0; r < mat.length; r++)  
{  
    for( int c = 0; c < mat[r].length; c++)  
    {  
        mat[r][c] = r*c;  
    }  
}
```

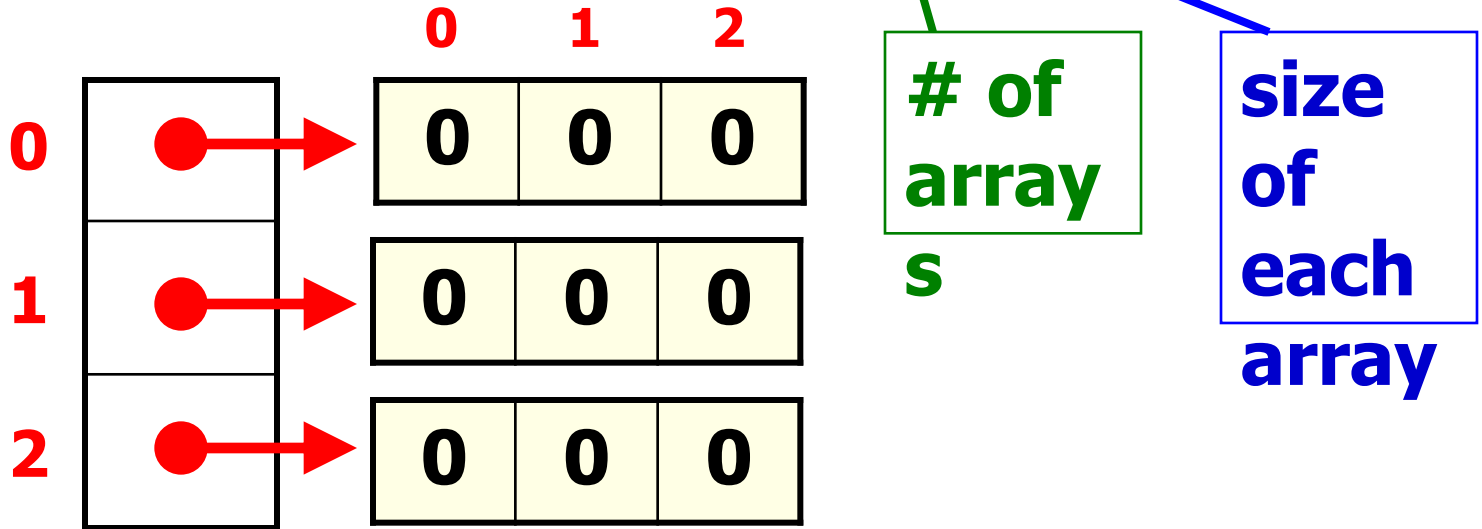
**if mat was 3x3**

0	0	0
0	1	2
0	2	4

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# Matrices

```
int[][] mat = {{5,7},{5,3,4,6},{0,8,9}};
```

```
for( int[] row : mat )  
{  
    for( int num : row )  
    {  
        System.out.print( num + " ");  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

## OUTPUT

5 7

5 3 4 6

0 8 9

# 2011 Question 4 - part A

```
private void fillBlock(String str)
{
    int pos = 0;
    for (int r = 0; r < numRows; r++ )
        for (int c = 0; c < numCols; c++ )
        {
            if (pos < str.length()) {
                letterBlock[r][c] = str.substring(pos, pos+1);
                pos++;
            } else{
                letterBlock[r][c] = "A";
            }
        }
    }
}
```

# 2011 Question 4 - part B

```
public String encryptMessage(String message)
{
    String mess = "";
    int sect = numRows * numCols;
    while (message.length() > 0)
    {
        if (sect > message.length())
            sect = message.length();

        fillBlock(message);
        mess += encryptBlock();
        message = message.substring( sect );
    }
    return mess;
}
```



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# Free Response

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# Free Response Topics

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– get,set,remove,add,size – levels of abstraction

## **Matrix / 2 D Array**

– nested loops, GridWorld ( grid )

## **GridWorld or Make a Class**

– location, actor, bug, critter, grid, super, abstract

## **String / Array Question**

– find biggest, find smallest, etc.

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