

Agenda

Jack: A simple, high-level programming language

- Hello World
- Basic language constructs
- Object-oriented programming: object and list examples

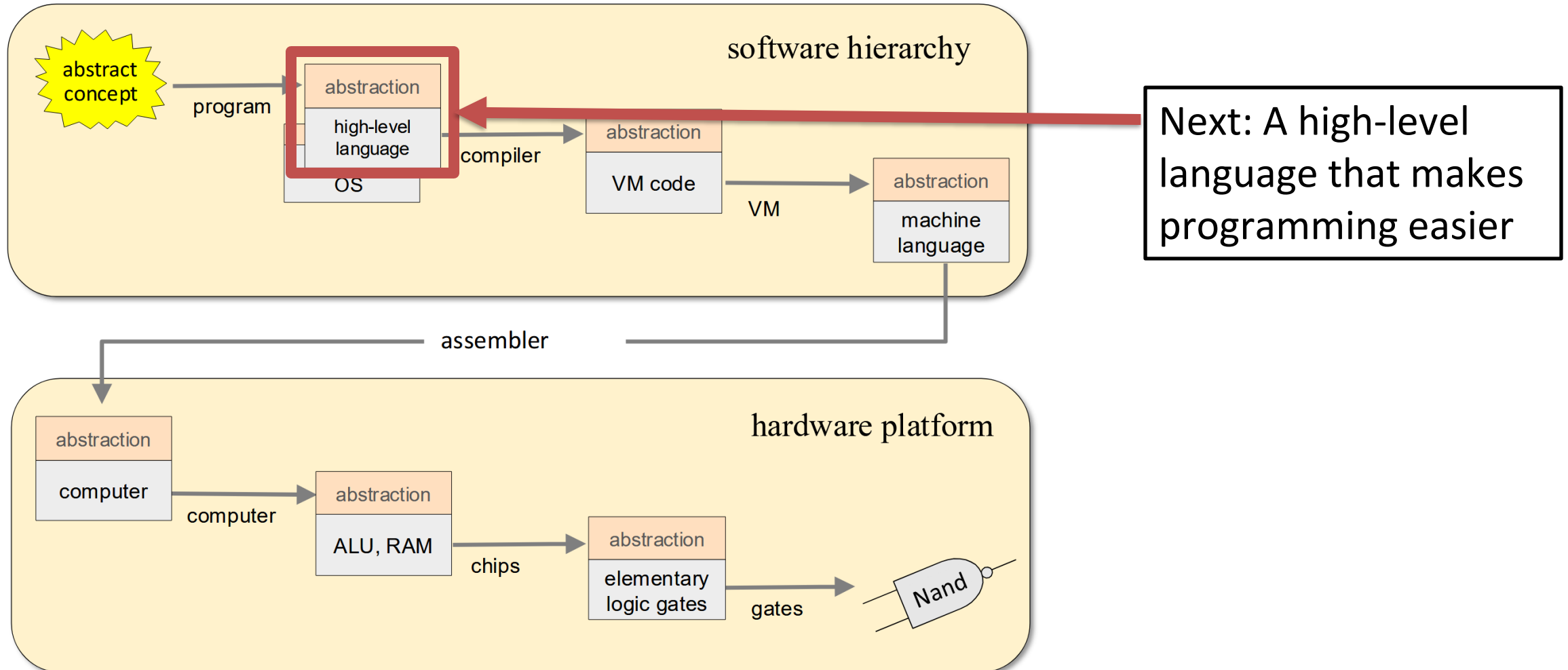
Formal specification

Built-in features (via OS system library)

- strings
- math
- graphics
- input/output

(with slides from nand2tetris)

The big picture: Hack



Goals

Understand how high-level languages ...

- handle primitive and class types
- deal with strings, arrays, and lists
- create, represent, and dispose objects
- interact with the host OS

Hello World

```
class Main {  
  function void main() {  
    do Output.printString("Hello World");  
    do Output.println();  
    return;  
  }  
}
```

Need to define one main function

OS files need to be included with the user program

Our convention will be to put applications in their own directory

To compile to vm code:

./JackCompiler.sh <DirectoryName>

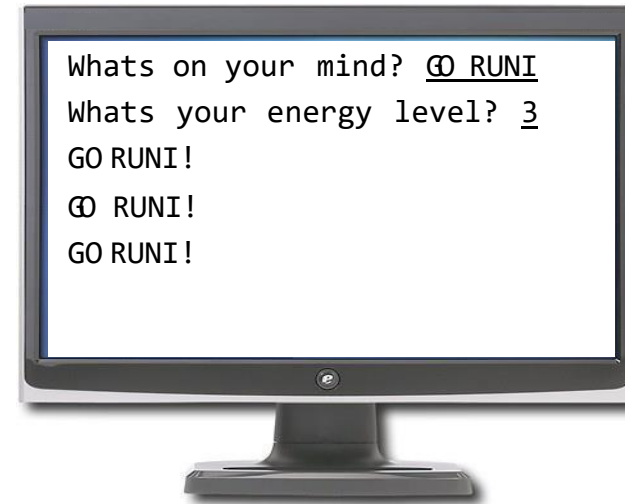
To test, open the directory in the VM emulator:

./VMEulator.sh

Your goal is for your compiled machine code to run in your simulated computer.

Jack program example

```
/** Performs some interaction with the user.*/
class Main {
  function void main() {
    var String s;
    var int energy, i;
    let s = Keyboard.readLine("Whats on your mind?");
    let s = s.appendChar(33); // the character '!'
    let energy = Keyboard.readInt("Whats your energy level?");
    let i = 0;
    while (i < energy) {
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Basic language constructs

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Comments

`/** API block comment */`

`/* block comment */`

`// comment to end of line`

White

space

(ignored)

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Program structure

Jack program: One or more Jack classes, one of which must be named Main

Main must have at least one function, named main

Program's entry point:

Main.main

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            let i = i + 1;  
        }  
        return;  
    }  
}
```

Data types

Built-in primitives:

- int
- char
- boolean

Class types:

- Standard library types, like String
- Programmer-defined types

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Control flow

- if
- while
- do

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```

Input / output

Keyboard (OS class):

library of methods for
reading from the
keyboard

Output (OS class):

library of methods for
writing text to the
screen

Lecture plan

High-level programming (tutorial)

- ✓ Program example
- ✓ Basic language constructs

➔ Object-based programming

- Example: Points
- Example: Lists

We assume basic OOP and recursion knowledge, at the level of an Introduction to CS course.

The Jack language (specification)

- The language
- The operating system

Application development (project 9)

- Jack applications
- Application example
- Graphics optimization

Procedural programming

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    }  
    return;  
  }  
}
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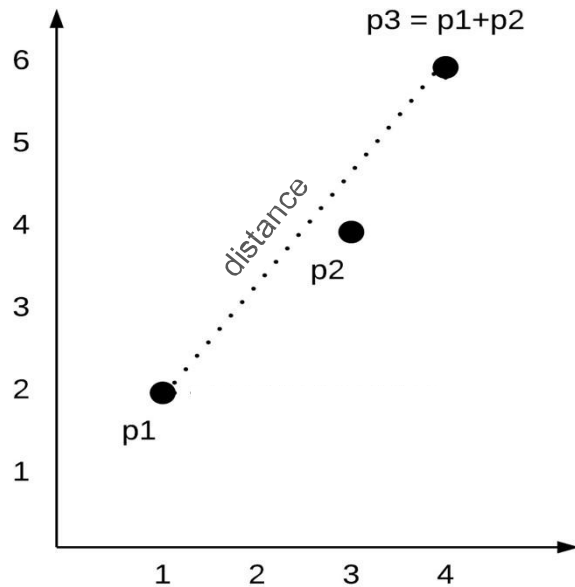
Simple program:

- Procedural
- One class / one function
- No objects

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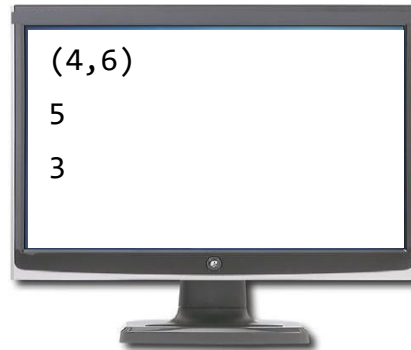
Example

A `Point` class that represents and manipulates 2D points



Client code

```
...  
var Point p1, p2, p3;  
let p1 = Point.new(1,2);  
let p2 = Point.new(3,4);  
let p3 = p1.plus(p2);  
do p3.print();  
do Output.printInt(p1.distance(p3));  
do Output.printInt(Point.getPointCount());  
...
```



OO Programming

Point class API

```
/** Represents a 2D point. */
class Point {
    /** Constructs a point from the given coordinates */
    constructor Point new(int ax, int ay)

    /** Returns the number of points constructed so far */
    function int getPointCount()

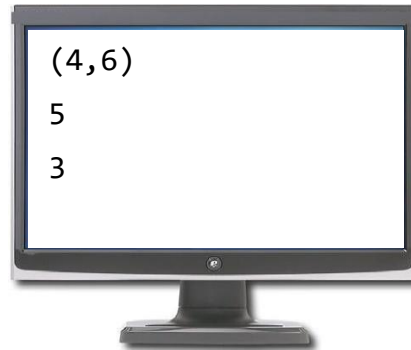
    /** Returns the sum of this point and the other point */
    method Point plus(Point other)

    /** Returns the Euclidean distance between this point and the other point */
    method int distance(Point other)

    /** Prints this point, as "(x,y)" */
    method void print() {
        // More Point methods...
    }
}
```

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var Point p1, p2, p3;
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do Output.printInt(Point.getPointCount());
...
```



Uses Point as an abstract data type

OO Programming: Point class

```
/** Represents a 2D point. */
class Point {

    // The coordinates of this point:
    field int x, y;

    // The number of point objects constructed so far:
    static int pointCount;

    /** Constructs a point and
     * initializes it with the given
     * coordinates */
    constructor Point new(int ax, int ay) {
        let x = ax;
        let y = ay;
        let pointCount = pointCount + 1;
        return this;
    }

    /** Returns the x coordinate of this point */
    method int getx() { return x; }

    /** Returns the y coordinate of this point */
    method int gety() { return y; }

    /** Returns the number of Points constructed so far */
    function int getPointCount() {
        return pointCount;
    }

    // Class declaration continues on the right.
```

```
/** Returns a point which is this
 * point plus the other point */
method Point plus(Point other) {
    return Point.new(x + other.getx(),
                     y + other.gety());
}

/** Returns the Euclidean distance between
 * this point and the other point */
method int distance(Point other) {
    var int dx, dy;
    let dx = x - other.getx();
    let dy = y - other.gety();
    return Math.sqrt((dx*dx) + (dy*dy));
}

/** Prints this point, as "(x,y)" */
method void print() {
    do Output.printString("(");
    do Output.printInt(x);
    do Output.printString(",");
    do Output.printInt(y);
    do Output.printString(")");
    return;
}

} // End of Point class declaration.
```

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OO Programming: Point class

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Jack class declaration

A sequence of:

- *field* declarations,
- *static* variable declarations,
- *subroutine* declarations
(constructors, methods, functions)

OO Programming: Point class

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Visibility

- All fields are private
- All methods are public

Accessing a field x

- Of the current object:
Simply access x
(same as accessing this.x)
- Of another object:
Use a get / set method,
e.g. anotherPoint.getx()

OO Programming: Creating objects

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    // More Point methods...
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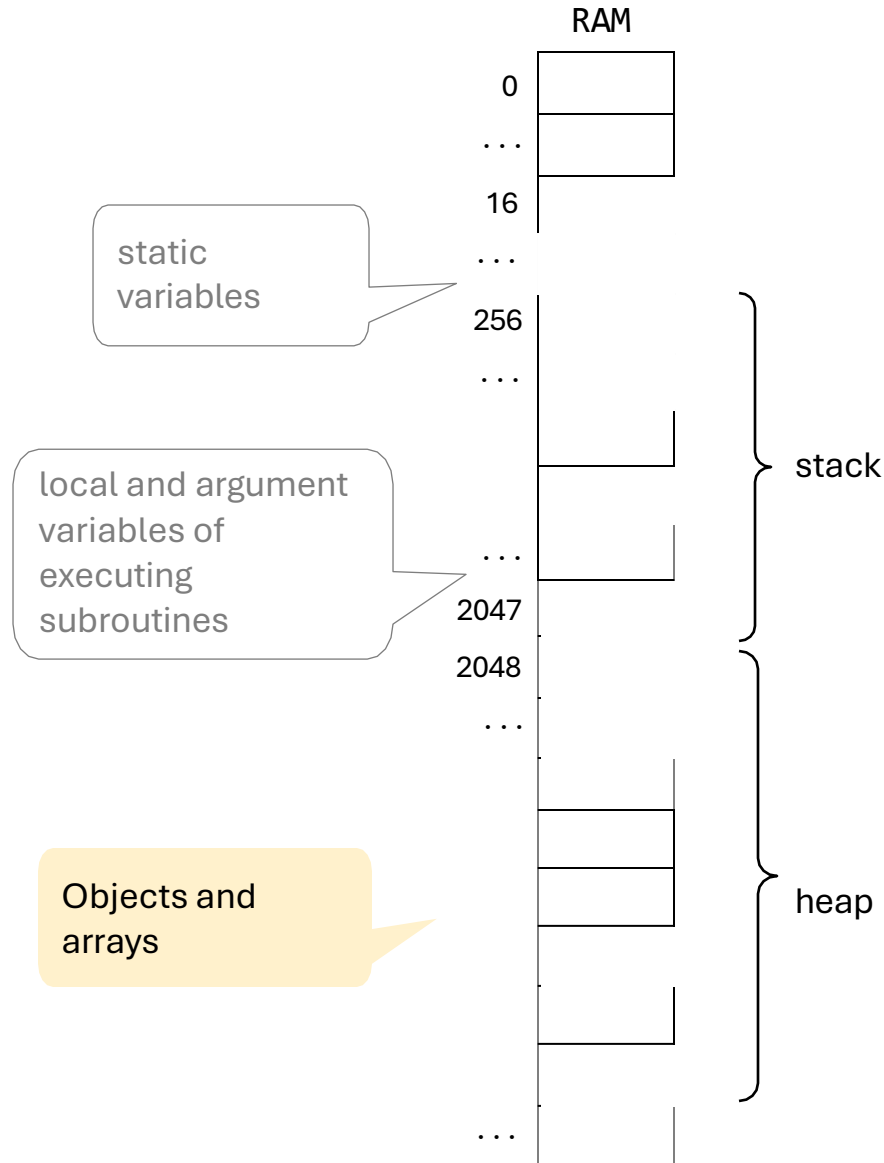
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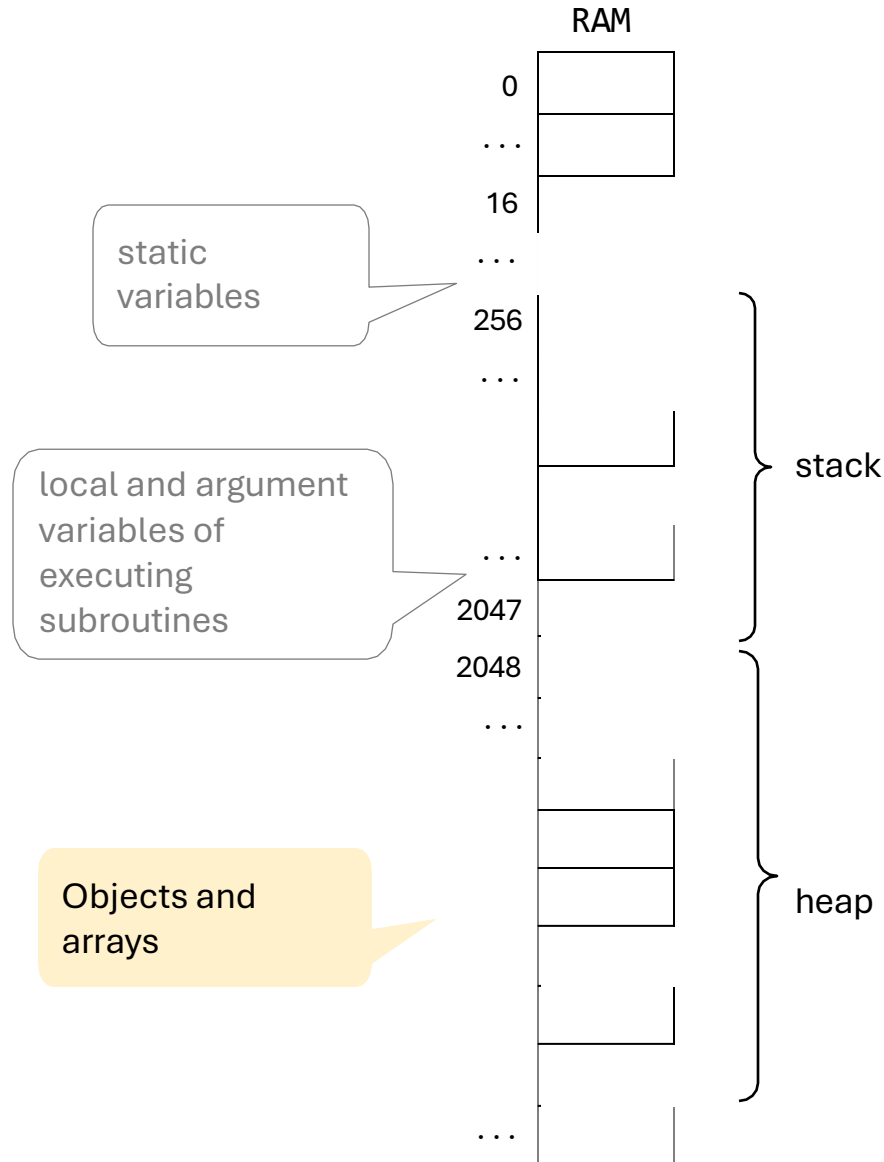
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Suppose:

SP is 256

LCL is 256

p1 (local 0) has location 2048

p2 (local 1) has location 2068.

Draw their data in RAM

OO Programming: Destroying objects

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    field int x, y;

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    static int pointCount;

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     initializes it with the given
     coordinates */
    constructor Point new(int ax, int ay) {
        let x = ax;
        let y = ay;
        let pointCount = pointCount + 1;
        return this;
    }

    /** Disposes this point. */
    method void dispose() {
        // Calls an OS function that frees the memory
        // used by this object
        do Memory.deAlloc(this);
        return;
    }
}
```

Best practice

1. When an object is no longer needed, dispose it
(Jack has no garbage collection)
2. If you write a class that has one or more constructors, write also a dispose method.

Client

```
code
var Point p1;
let p1 = Point.new(1,2);
...
// When the object is no longer needed:
do p1.dispose();
...
```

Lists

List: The value `null`, or a value followed by a list

list
examples

`(null)`

`(3, (5, null))`

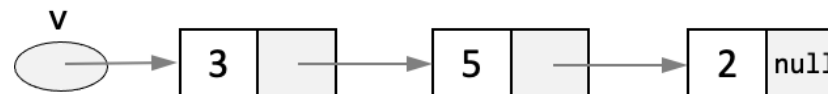
`(3, (5, (2, null)))`

commonly documented
as

`(3)`

`(3, 5)`

`(3, 5, 2)`



List representation

List class

```
/** A linked list of integers. */  
class List {  
    /** Creates a List */  
    constructor List new(int car, List cdr)  
  
    /** Prints this list */  
    method void print() {  
  
    /** Disposes this list */  
    method void dispose() {  
  
    // More list processing methods  
}
```

Abstraction

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Implementation

Recursive definition:
An int, followed by a List



List processing

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Client code

```
// Builds, prints, and disposes a list
class Main {
    function void main() {
        // Creates the list (3, 5, 2)
        var List v;
        let v = List.new(2,null);
        let v = List.new(5,v);
        let v = List.new(3,v);
        do v.print(); // Prints 3, 5, 2
        do v.dispose();
        return;
    }
}
```

We'll discuss methods for:

- Constructing a list
- Iterating a list
- Disposing a list



The goal

Illustrating how *objects* are created and managed.

List construction

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class List {
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    /** Creates a List. */
    constructor List new(int car, List cdr) {
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        let next = cdr;
        return this;
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Visualize the creation
of the linked list

List iteration

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  /** Constructor (code omitted) */

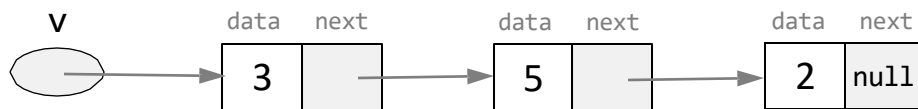
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  method int getData() { return data; }
  method int getNext() { return next; }

  /** Prints this list */
  → method void print() {
    var List current; // creates a List variable and initializes
    let current = this; // it to the first element of this list

    while (~(current = null)) {
      do Output.printInt(current.getData());
      do Output.printChar(32); // prints space
      let current = current.getNext();
    }
    return;
  } // More List methods...
}
```

client code

```
...
var List v;
// populates the list (code omitted)
...
→ do v.print();
do Output.printChar(33); // prints '!'
...
```



List iteration

Visualize the execution
of the print method

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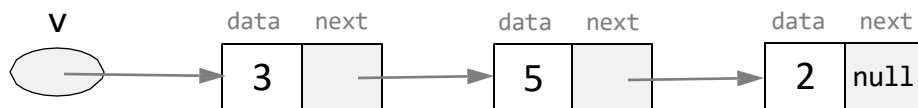
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List disposal: Recursive access

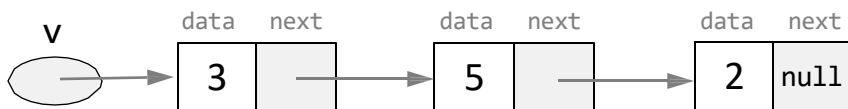
List class

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class List {
  field int data; // an int value
  field List next; // followed by a list of int values
  // Constructor and other List methods (code omitted)
  /** Disposes this list */
  // by recursively disposing its tail
  method void dispose() {
    if (~(next = null)) {
      do next.dispose();
    }
    // Frees the memory of this list
    do Memory.deAlloc(this);
    return;
  }
}
```

Client

```
var List v;
// builds the list (2, 3, 5), code
// omitted
...
do v.dispose();
...
```

We'll use the dispose method to illustrate recursive list processing.



List disposal: Recursive access

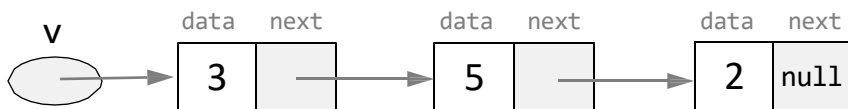
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  }
}
```

Client

```
var List v;
// builds the list (2, 3, 5), code
// omitted
...
do v.dispose();
...
```

Visualize the execution of
dispose



Syntax

```
/** Procedural processing example */
class Main {
  /* Inputs numbers and computes their average */
  function void main() {
    var Array a;
    var int length;
    var int i, sum;
    let length = Keyboard.readInt("How many numbers? ");
    let a = Array.new(length); // constructs the array
    let i = 0;
    while (i < length) {
      let a[i] = Keyboard.readInt("Enter a number: ");
      let sum = sum + a[i];
      let i = i + 1;
    }
    ...
  }
}
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- Symbols
- Constants
- Identifiers

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  }
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Space characters, newline characters, and comments are ignored.
The following comment formats are supported:

```
// Comment to end of line
/* Comment until closing */
/** API documentation comment */
```

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            let sum = sum + a[i];
            let i = i + 1;
        }
        ...
    }
}
```

Syntax elements

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class, constructor, method, function

int, boolean, char, void

var, static, field

let, do, if, else, while, return

true, false, null

this

Program components

Primitive types

Variable declarations

Statements

Constant values

Object reference

Syntax

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}
```

Syntax elements

- White space / comments
- keywords
- Symbols
- Constants
- Identifiers

- () Used for grouping arithmetic expressions and for enclosing parameter-lists and argument-lists;
- [] Used for array indexing;
- { } Used for grouping program units and statements;

- , Variable list separator;
- ; Statement terminator;
- = Assignment and comparison operator;
- . Class membership;
- + - * / & | ~ < > Operators.

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- *Integer constants* are values in the range 0 to 32767. Negative integers like -13 are not constants but rather expressions consisting of a unary minus operator applied to an integer constant.
- *String constants* are enclosed within double quote (") characters and may contain any character except newline or double quote, which can be obtained by calling the OS functions `String.newLine()` and `String.doubleQuote()`.
- *Boolean constants* can be true or false.
- The constant `null` represents a null reference.

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Syntax elements

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Identifiers are composed from arbitrarily long sequences of letters (A to Z, a to z), digits (0 to 9), and "_". The first character must be a letter or "_".

The language is case sensitive: x and X are treated as different identifiers.

Variables

Variable kind	Description	Declared in	Scope
static variables	<code>static type varName1, varName2, ... ;</code> Only one copy of each static variable exists, and this copy is shared by all the object instances of the class (like <i>private static variables</i> in Java)	class declaration	The class in which they are declared.
field variables	<code>field type varName1, varName2, ... ;</code> Every object (instance of the class) has a private copy of the field variables (like <i>member variables</i> in Java)	class declaration	The class in which they are declared, except for functions, where they are undefined.
local variables	<code>var type varName1, varName2, ... ;</code> Local variables are created just before the subroutine starts running and are disposed when it returns (like <i>local variables</i> in Java)	subroutine declaration	The subroutine in which they are declared.
parameter variables	<code>type varName1, varName2, ...</code> Used to pass arguments to the subroutine. Treated like local variables whose values are initialized “from the outside”, just before the subroutine starts running.	subroutine signature	The subroutine in which they are declared.

Statements

Statement	Syntax	Description
let	<code>let <i>varName</i> = <i>expression</i>;</code> or <code>let <i>varName</i>[<i>expression1</i>] = <i>expression2</i>;</code>	An assignment operation (where <i>varName</i> is either single-valued or an array). The variable kind may be <i>static</i> , <i>local</i> , <i>field</i> , or <i>parameter</i> .
if	<code>if (<i>expression</i>) { <i>statements1</i> } else { <i>statements2</i> }</code>	Typical <i>if</i> statement with an optional <i>else</i> clause. The curly brackets are mandatory even if <i>statements</i> is a single statement.
while	<code>while (<i>expression</i>) { <i>statements</i> }</code>	Typical <i>while</i> statement. The curly brackets are mandatory even if <i>statements</i> is a single statement.
do	<code>do <i>function-or-method-call</i>;</code>	Used to call a function or a method for its effect, ignoring the returned value.
return	<code>Return <i>expression</i>;</code> or <code>return;</code>	Used to return a value from a subroutine. The second form must be used by functions and methods that return a void value. Constructors must return the expression <code>this</code> .

Expressions

A *Jack expression* is one of the following:

- A *constant*
- A *variable name* in scope. The variable may be *static*, *field*, *local*, or *parameter*
- The *this* keyword, denoting the current object (cannot be used in functions)
- An *array element* using the syntax *Arr[expression]*, where *Arr* is a variable name of type *Array* in scope
- A *subroutine call* that returns a non-void type
- An expression prefixed by one of the unary operators - or ~:
 - *expression*: arithmetic negation
 - ~ *expression*: boolean negation (bit-wise for integers)
- An expression of the form *expression op expression* where *op* is one of the following binary operators:
 - + - * / Integer arithmetic operators
 - & | Boolean And and Boolean Or (bit-wise for integers) operators
 - < > = Comparison operators
- (*expression*): An expression in parenthesis

Exercise: What type of variable?

Exercise: What type of expression?

The Hack character set

key	code
(space)	32
!	33
"	34
#	35
\$	36
%	37
&	38
'	39
(	40
)	41
*	42
+	43
,	44
-	45
.	46
/	47

key	code
0	48
1	49
...	...
9	57

:	58
;	59
<	60
=	61
>	62
?	63
@	64

key	code
A	65
B	66
C	...
...	...
Z	90

[	91
/	92
]	93
^	94
_	95
`	96

key	code
a	97
b	98
c	99
...	...
z	122

{	123
	124
}	125
~	126

key	code
newline	128
backspace	129
left arrow	130
up arrow	131
right arrow	132
down arrow	133
home	134
end	135
Page up	136
Page down	137
insert	138
delete	139
esc	140
f1	141
...	...
f12	152

Strings

Examples

```
...  
var String s;  // Creates an object variable (pointer)  
var char c;    // Creates a primitive variable  
...  
  
// Sets s to "ABC"  
let s = String.new(3);  
let s = s.appendChar(65);  
let s = s.appendChar(66);  
let s = s.appendChar(67);  
  
// Alternatively, the Jack compiler allows:  
let s = "ABC";  
  
// Gets the value at index 1 (the char code of  
'B') let c = s.charAt(1);
```

Exact specs: OS string class API.

Classes declaration

```
class Foo {  
    field variable declarations  
    static variable  
    declarations subroutine  
    declarations  
}
```

- Jack program = collection of one or more Jack classes
- Class = basic compilation unit
- Each class `Foo` is stored in a separate `Foo.jack` file
- The class name's first character must be an uppercase letter.

Subroutine declaration

```
constructor | method | function type subroutineName (parameter-list) {  
    local variable declarations  
    statements  
}
```

Jack subroutines

Constructors: create new objects

Methods: operate on the current

object **Functions:** static methods

Subroutine types and return values

Method and function type can be either `void`, a primitive data type, or a class name;

Each subroutine must end with the statement `return value`, or `return`.

Subroutine calls

Subroutine call syntax: *subroutineName(argument-list)*

The number and type of arguments must agree with those of the subroutine's parameters; Each argument is an expression of unlimited complexity.

Examples:

```
class Foo {  
    ...  
    method void f() {  
        var Bar b;      // Declares a local variable of class type Bar  
        var int i;       // Declares a local variable of primitive type  
        ...             int  
  
        do Foo.p(3);     // Calls function p of the current class;  
                        // (a function name must include the class name)  
  
        do g();          // Calls method g of the current class on the this object;  
                        // Note: Cannot be called from within a function (static  
                        // method)  
        do Bar.h();      // Calls function h of class Bar  
  
        let b = Bar.r(); // Calls function or constructor r of class Bar  
  
        do b.q();        // Calls method q of class Bar on object b (which is of type  
        Bar)  
        ...  
    }
```

Arrays

Examples

```
...  
var Array arr;  
var String s;  
let s = "Hello World!"  
...  
let arr = Array.new(4);  
let arr[0] = 12;  
let arr[1] = false;  
let arr[2] = Point.new(5,6);  
let arr[3] = s;  
...
```

Jack arrays are ...

- Implemented as instances (objects) of an OS class named `Array`
- Untyped

A multi-dimensional array is obtained by creating an array of arrays.

Casting

Characters and integers can be converted into each other:

```
var char c;  
// Sets c to 'A'  
let c = 'A'; // Not supported by the Jack language  
let c = 65;  // 'A'  
// Sets c to 'A' (workaround, if needed)  
var String s;  
let s = "A"; let c = s.charAt(0);
```

An integer can be assigned to a reference variables, in which case it is treated as a memory address:

```
var Array arr;    // Creates a pointer variable  
let arr = 5000;   // OK...  
let arr[100] = 17; // Sets RAM[5100] to 17
```

An object can be converted into an array, and vice versa:

```
var Array arr;  
let arr = Array.new(2);  
let arr[0] = 2; let arr[1] = 5;  
var Point p;    // A Point object has two int coordinates  
let p = arr;    // Sets p to the base address of the memory block representing the array [2,5]  
do p.print()    // Prints "(2,5)" (using the print method of the Point class)
```

Particular syntax features

`var`: must precede local variable declaration: `var int x;`

`let`: must precede assignments: `let x = 0;`

`do`: must precede calling a method or a function outside an expression: `do reduce();`

`{ }`: must be used to enclose a code block, even if it contains a single statement:
`if (a > 0) { return a; } else { return -a; }`

A function or a method declaration must end with `return`; or with `return expression`;

A constructor declaration must end with `return this`;

No operator priority:

The value of this expression is unpredictable: `2 + 3 * 4`

To enforce operator priority, use parentheses: `2 + (3 * 4)`

Jack is weakly typed, allowing exotic casting.

Some of these features...

- Make the writing of Jack programs (project 9) a bit harder;
- Make the writing of a Jack compiler (projects 10-11) much easier.

The Jack OS standard class library

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        while (i < length) {
            let a[i] = Keyboard.readInt("Enter a number:");
            let sum = sum + a[i];
            let i = i + 1;
        }
        do Output.printString("The average is ");
        do Output.printInt(sum / length);
        return;
    }
}
```

Most programming languages
(Java, Python, Jack...) are
simple

What makes them powerful and
seemingly complex is an open-
ended *standard class library*

The standard class library can be
seen as a language-specific OS.

The Jack OS

Jack OS

A collection of supplied Jack classes;

Implements a standard class library (similar (in concept) to Java's standard class library)

Implemented in Jack (.vm files that are compiled into your executable)

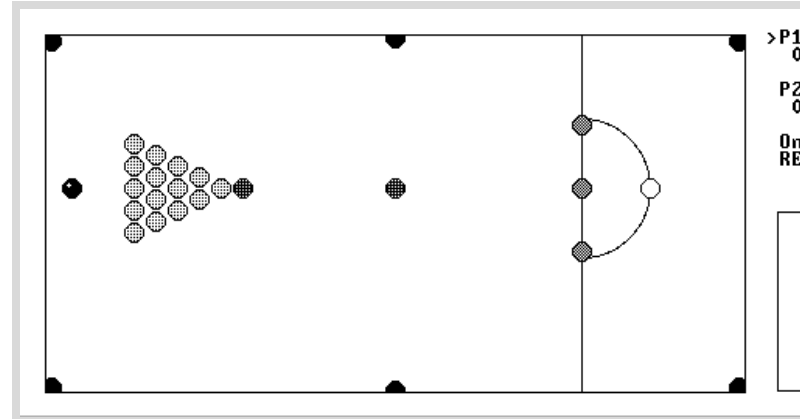
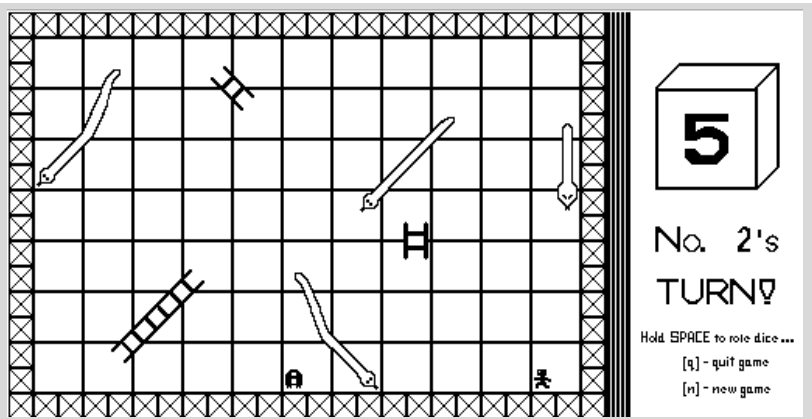
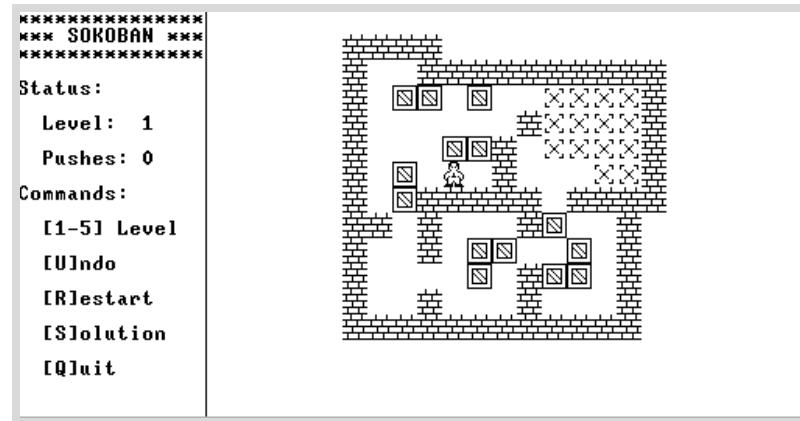
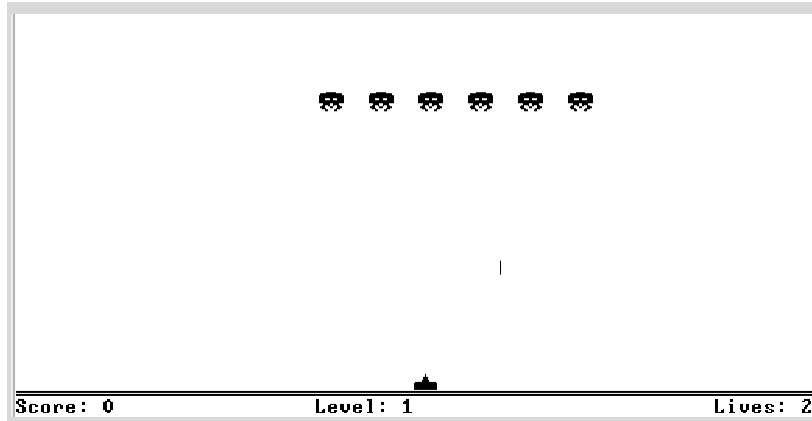
Purpose

Closes gaps between high-level programs and the host hardware;

Provides efficient implementations of commonly-used functions and ADTs.

Functionality: Sys, Math, String, Keyboard, Output, Screen, Array, Mem (See the book for details)

Sample Jack programs



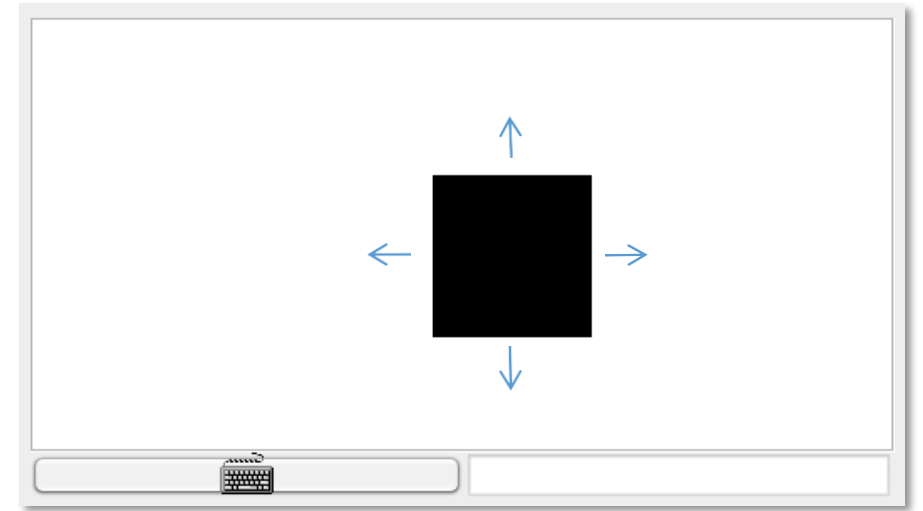
More examples: Search “Nand to Tetris game” in Youtube.

Program example: Square Dance

Square: Represents a graphical Square object;

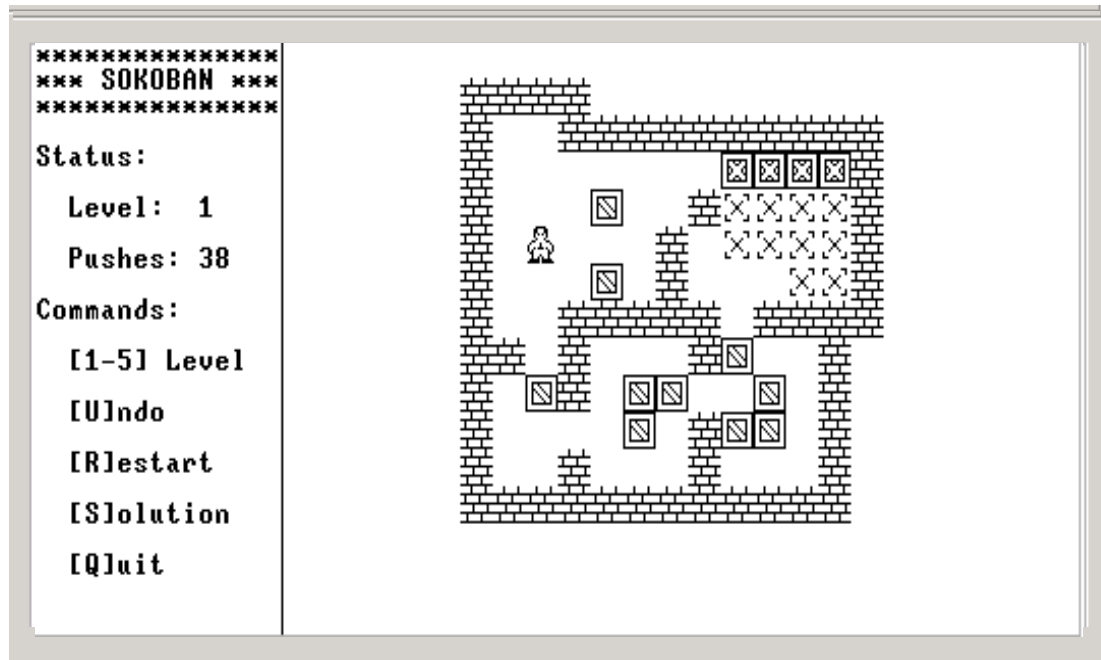
SquareGame: Creates a Square, then enters a loop that captures, and responds to, the user's inputs;

Main: Creates a SquareGame, and launches the game.

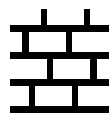


Optimizing graphics: Sprites

Sokoban (by Golan Parashi)



Basic graphical
elements
(*sprites*):



Standard drawing: Using the OS library Screen

Image drawing code

```
// Draws the top row
do Screen.drawPixel(6,1);
do Screen.drawPixel(7,1);
...
do Screen.drawPixel(12,1);
...
// Draws the bottom row
do Screen.drawPixel(3,16);
...
do Screen.drawPixel(15,16);
```

Efficiency

75 pixel drawing
operations

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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Optimized drawing: Writing directly to the screen memory map

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00001111111100000 = 4064

0001100000110000 = 6192

0001001010010000 = 4752

...

Image drawing code

```
// Draws the sprite
do Memory.poke(addr0, 4064);
do Memory.poke(addr1, 6192);
do Memory.poke(addr2, 4752);
...
```

Efficiency

16 memory write
operations

Best Practice

For simple graphics, use the
standard OS library (`Screen`)

For high-performance sprites, use
the bitmap editor, and `Memory.poke`