Day 2

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today's agenda

- a quick look back (Monday's class)
- assignments
  - a1 is due on Monday
  - a2 will be available on Monday and is due the following Monday
- testing
  - black box and white box testing
- problem solving
- More Java
  - Classes/Objects

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aside: what do the following lines do?

```
boolean b = false;
b || true;
if( b = true ) System.out.println("hi");
```

last time...

- reference data types (objects)
  - everything that isn't a primitive data type
  - `new` operator allocates memory for objects
- memory model
  - primitive data type variables store actual values (data)
  - everythign else stores reference to actual object (or `null`)
  - it gets messy...

last time...

```
/* hello world */
public class HelloWorld{
  public static void main(String[] args){
    System.out.println("hello, world!");
  }
}
```

- access modifier `public`
  - top level access modifier specifies who can see `HelloWorld`
  - member level access modifier specifies who can access `main`
- (non access) modifier `static`
  - allows a method to be called without an instance of the class
- return type `void`
  - it is a Java keyword that tells us that a method returns nothing
  - it is not an actual Java type
- `System.out`
  - `System` is a class with three attributes/fields `in`, `out` and `err`
  - `out` is a `PrintStream` object, it is "standard output"
  - `println` is a method of `out`

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- we can look at the API for the System class <link>
- API - application programming interface
  - specifies how to use a given class

running hello world

```
/* Java hello world */
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```

- Java convention is that
  - class name is capitalized (use camel case if more than one word)
  - class `XXX` must be in the file `XXX.java`
  - so `HellowWorld` must be in the file `HelloWorld.java`
- first we need to compile the source code into Java bytecode
  - IDE will have a compile button
  - `javac HelloWorld.java` from console window (shell)
  - this creates `HelloWorld.class`, which is the Java bytecode
- next, we run the bytecode in the JVM (Java virtual machine)
  - `java HelloWorld` from the console window runs out program!
  - the JVM executes the `main` method of our program

What we didn't get to...

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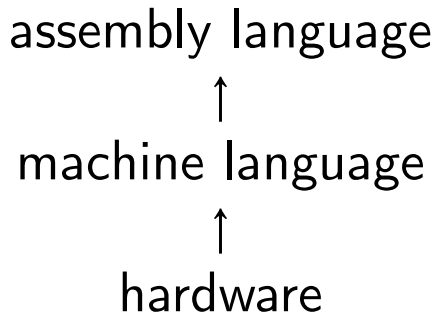

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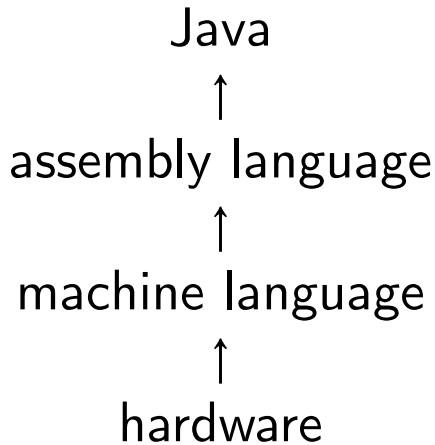

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`Math.sin(0.172)` computes the sine of 0.172 radians. We don't really care *how* it does it, we just care that it gives us the right value.

`System.out.println("hi")` prints the characters h and i to the screen. How does this actually happen? Do we care how it happens?

Procedural programming

- program is a sequence of function calls
- helps us write structured programs
  - this helps `us` write better programs (Software Engineering)
- code that does one thing is grouped into a procedure (function/method)
  - helps us achieve modularization
- code that is repeated during the execution of the program is put in a procedure (function/method)
  - lets us write less code (less testing and maintenance!))

You have already been doing this in COMP1005/1405.

Procedural programming

```
public class Game{
  static int updateGame(int lives){...}
  static boolean checkContinue(){...}
  static void updateGraphics(){..}

  public static void main(String[] args){
    int lives = 3;
    boolean keepPlaying = true;
    while(lives > 0 && keepPlaying){
      lives = updateGame(lives);
      keepPlaying = checkContinue();
      updateGraphics();
    }
  }
}
```

Procedural programming

In Java, procedural programming involves writing and using a collection of `static` functions

You will most likely still use objects when writing code in this style in Java

- arrays are objects
- strings are objects

command line arguments vs user input

both are ways of providing some information to your program

- command line arguments
  - input is entered before program runs
  - input is passed as parameters to `main` method (`args`)
  - (not practical for many user inputs)
  - ((very useful for testing))
- user input
  - input is entered while program is running
  - standard input is the keyboard
  - (very flexible and useful)

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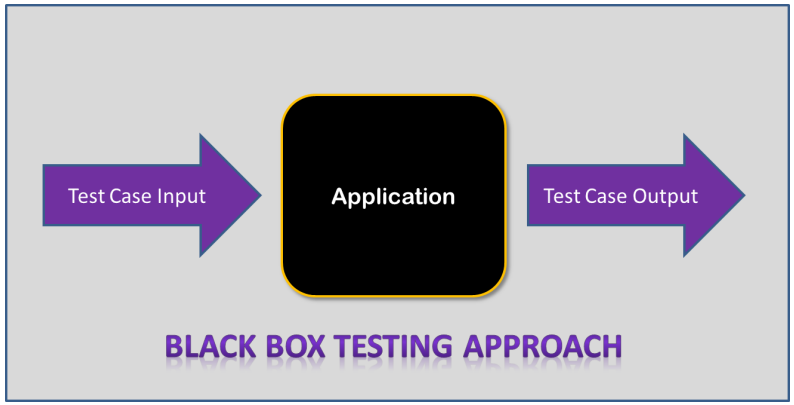

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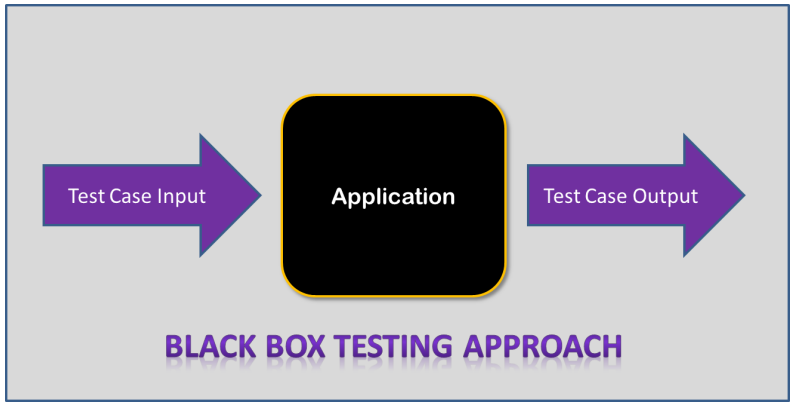

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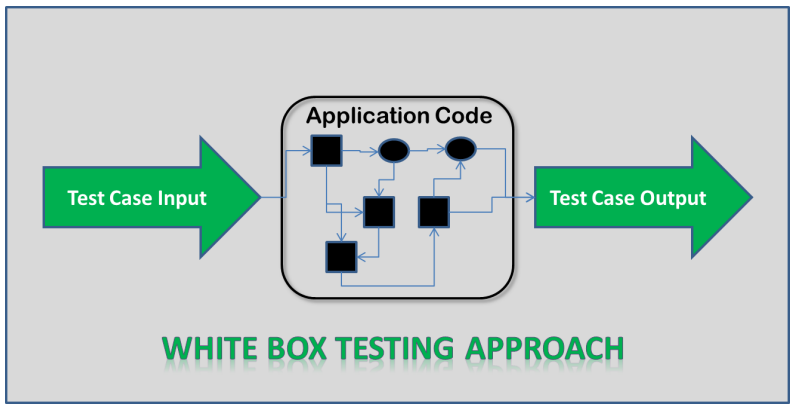

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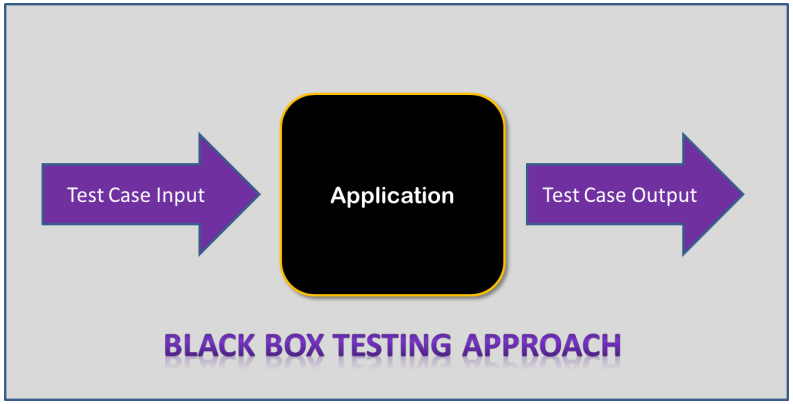

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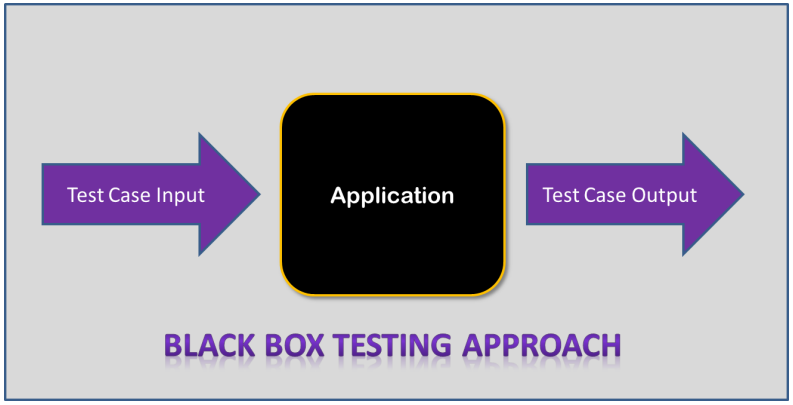

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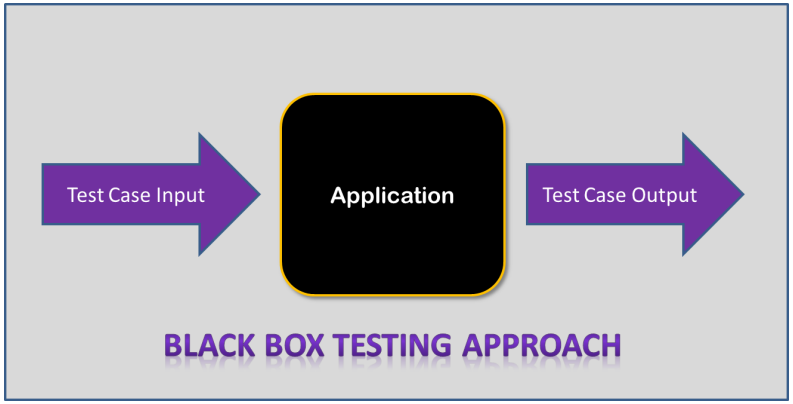

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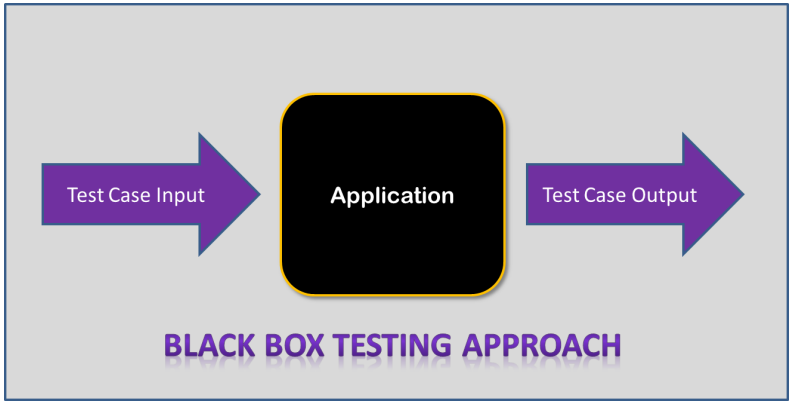

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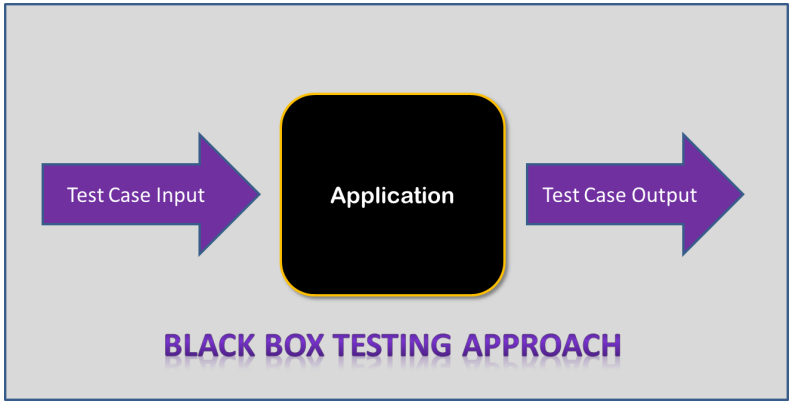

Test the contract

- boundary cases
- near-boundary cases (off-by-one error?)
- extreme cases (does the program scale?)
- special cases (program dependent, all of the above)
- typical/average cases

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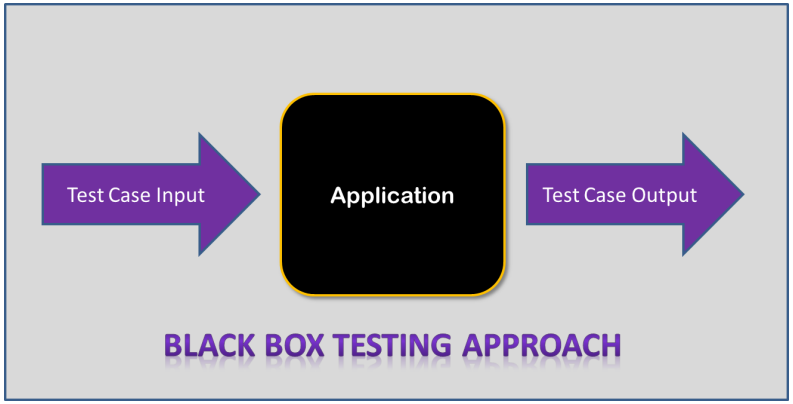

- test each method individually
- test methods interacting with each other
- test entire program

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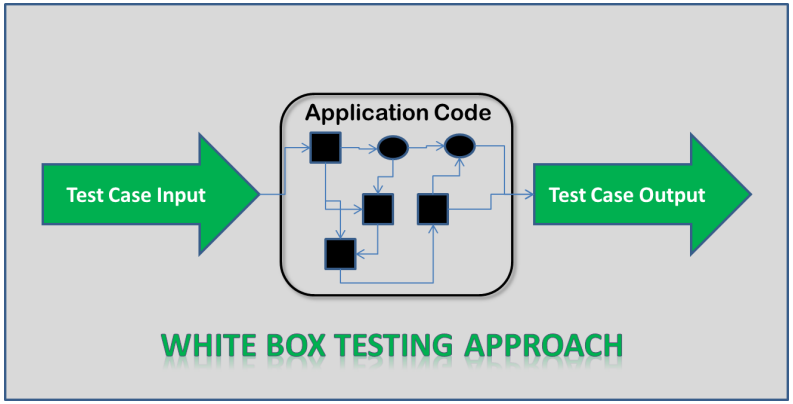

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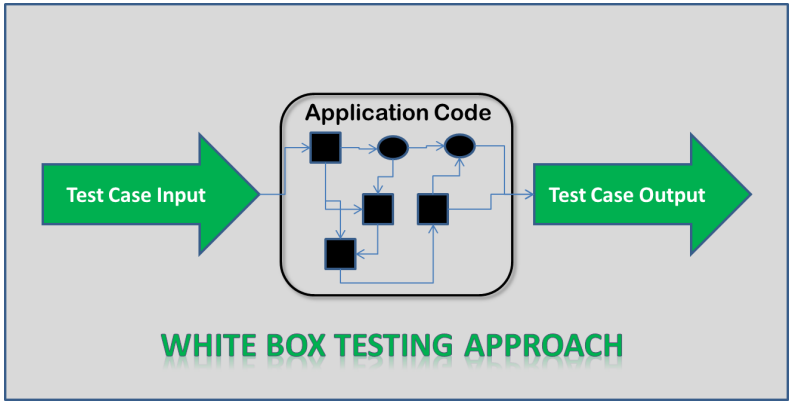

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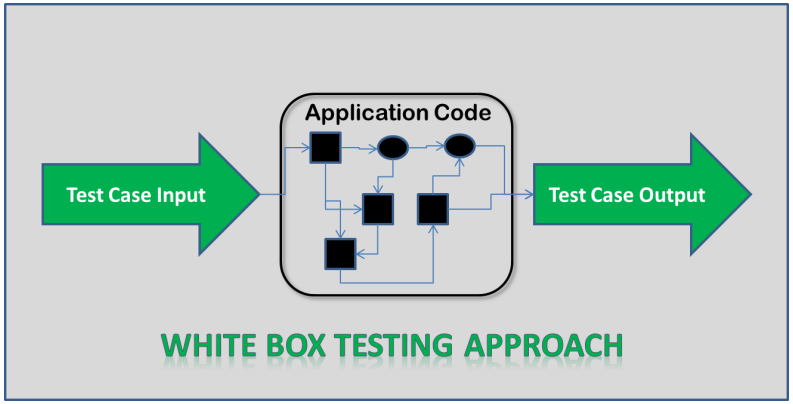

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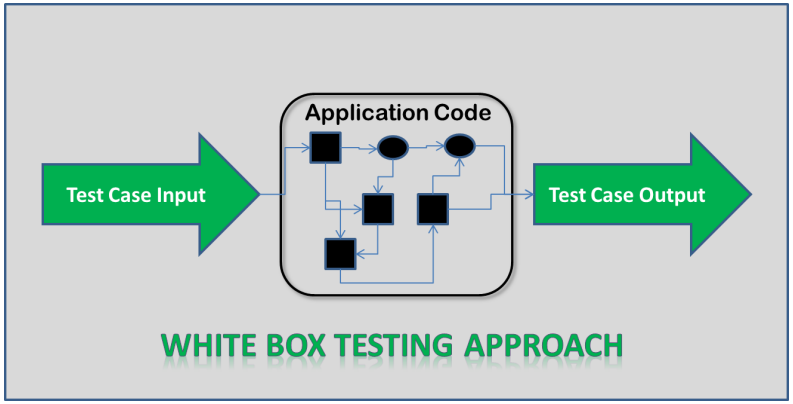

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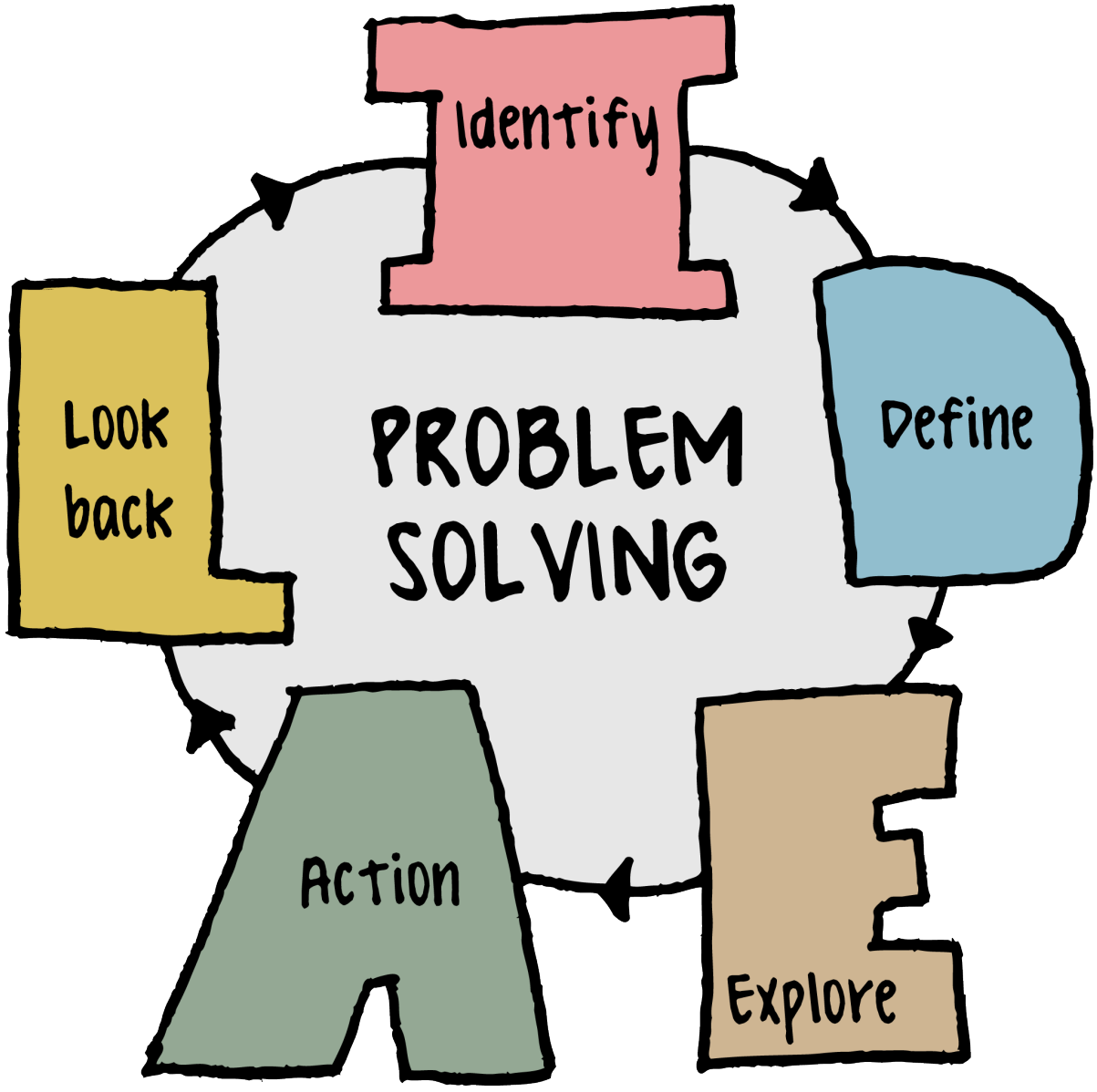
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Problem Solving

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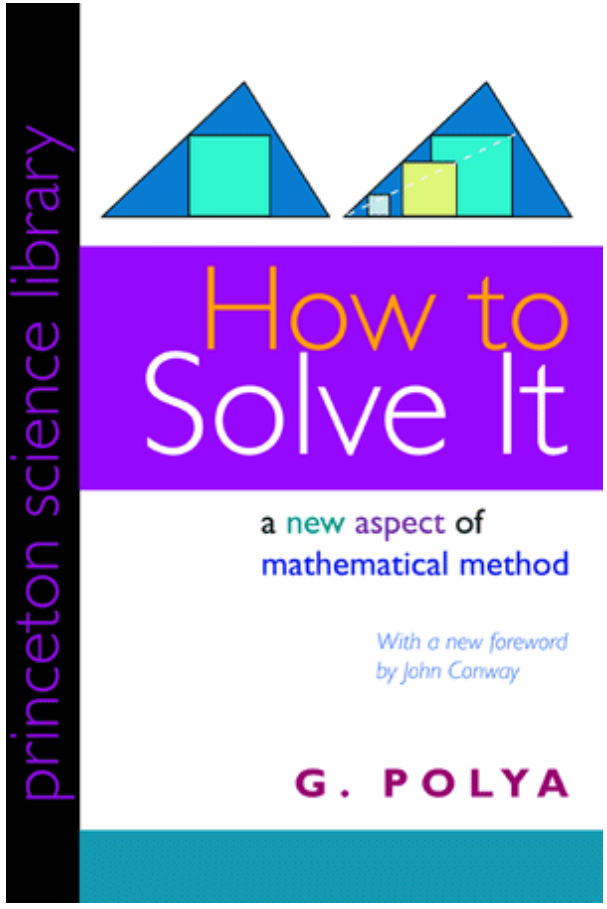

Problem Solving

Using the given **data** to find the **unknown** such that the **condition** is satisfied.

- the data is the information you have.
- the unknown is the information you want.
- the condition is the constraints on the problem.
  These are rules (often implicit) that must be followed.

Alternatively...

Using the given **data** to achieve a **goal** such that the **condition** is satisfied.

Using the given **data** to create an **algorithm/program** that achieves a **goal** such that the **constraints** are satisfied.

Problem Solving

The four phases of problem solving

1. Understand the problem.
   - identify the data/unknown/condition
2. Devise a plan.
   - choose a technique/heuristic/approach
   - start over if needed
3. Carry out the plan.
   - execute your plan
   - check each step
   - start over if needed
4. Look back.
   - reflect on what you did
   - start over if needed

Problem Solving

General strategies

- Related problems
  - transform the problem into one you already know how to solve
- Abstraction
  - remove details that are not relevant to the problem
- Divide and Conquer
  - break the problem into (smaller) sub-problems
- Backward Chaining
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  - Work on a simpler problem that isn't easily divided.
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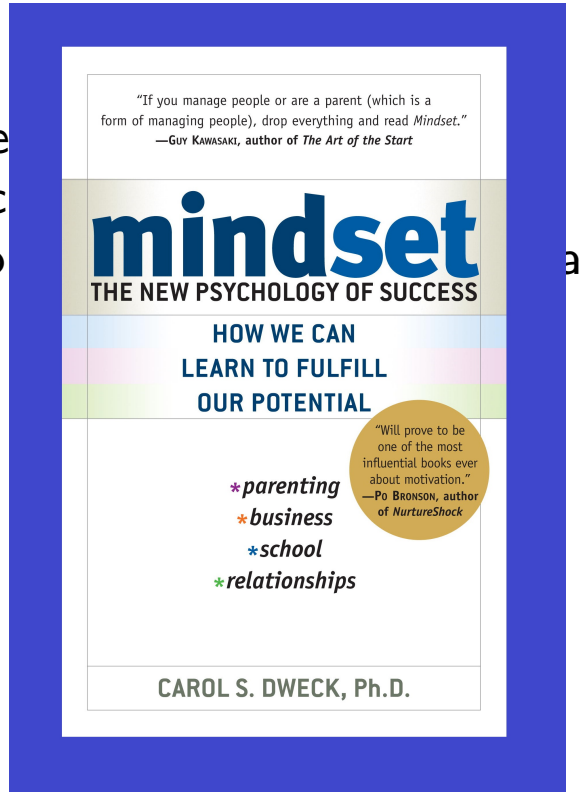


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- array was good for collecting together data of the same type (doesn't work for different data though)
- this is essentially a `record` in Pascal or a `struct` in C

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- declare variable of type `Student` like any other variable
  - `Student s;`
- instantiate the actual object with `new` and constructor
  - `s = new Student();`
- access attributes with `dot` operator
  - `s.name = "fig";`

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```
Student s = new Student();
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- `Student()` is a constructor for Student class
- Java will provide a default constructor
  - if and only if you do not provide any constructors
  - default constructor has no input parameters
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- Java keyword `this`
  - used in constructors and instance methods
  - a reference to the current object
  - has other uses we'll discuss later
- `this` is needed here because attributes `name` and `id` are not in scope (the input parameters `name` and `id` are in scope)

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- I will often include it in constructors for this course

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    public Object(){}

    /* 11 methods */
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- `java.lang.Object`
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  - we get all public attributes from the parent class
  - we get all public methods from the parent class
  - we get none of the constructors
- we say that Student is an Object
  - this is the "is-a" relationship
- we say that Student has a String
  - this is the "has-a" relationship
  - this is class composition (not inheritance)

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- a class can only have one parent class
- every class, except `Object`, has exactly one parent class
- we get a hierarchy of classes
  - a family tree of classes

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- what do we get from `Object`?

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  - ...
  - get method from `Object`

inheritance - method overriding

let's see some examples...