Course Staff

Instructors:

- Professor Keshav Pingali
- Professor David Schwartz

TA's:

- Each TA will lead one or two recitation sections.
- Your TA is your main point of contact for the course: get to know him/her well.

Consultants: in Upson 304

Office hours: TBA online

Course Administrator: Helene Croft in Upson 5146

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Lecture 1

Overview of CS/ENGR 211

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Sections

- 10 sections
- Each section will be led by someone on staff
- \bullet Sections may cover material not covered in class: you must show up
- Pick one section and attend it
- No permission needed to switch sections

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Lectures

- TR 10:10-11:00 AM, Olin 155
- Attendance is mandatory
- Lecture notes will be online. Print them before class and bring them to class.
- Readings will be posted online together with lecture notes.

Java Bootcamp

- CS 211 assumes basic Java knowledge: classes, objects, methods, instance variables
- \bullet Students with little or no Java knowledge: attend Java bootcamp
- Bootcamp will be taught by Professor Schwartz
- \bullet Time and place: Upson B17, September 2/4 (TR), 7:30PM-10:30PM

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CS 212

- 1 credit project course
- substantial project
- 1 lecture per week
- \bullet required for CS majors
- \bullet strongly advised to take 211 and 212 in same semester

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Coursework

- \bullet 6 assignments involving both programming and written answers: 42% of grade
- Exercises: 3%
- $\bullet\,$ Two prelims: 15% of grade each
- \bullet Final exam: 25% of grade
- These weights may change.

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Academic Excellence Workshops

- Two-hour labs in which students work together in co-operative setting.
- One credit S/U course based on attendance.
- See course homepage for details

Objectives of CS 211

Learn the following.

- Concepts in modern programming languages:
- 1. recursion, induction
- 2. classes, objects
- 3. inheritance, interfaces
- Efficiency of programs
- Data structures: arrays, lists, stacks, queues, trees, hash-tables, graphs.

• Graphs and graph algorithms

• Binary search trees

• Hash tables

• Search structures

Priority queues

Sequence structures

StacksQueues

• Software engineering: How to organize large programs

This is not a course on Java programming.

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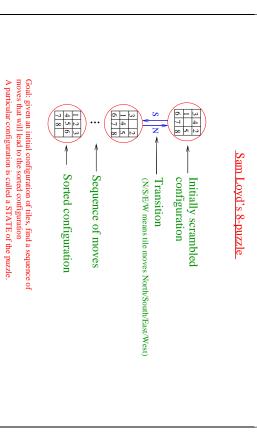
Assignments

- Assignments may be done by teams of two students.
- You can do them by yourself if you like.
- Finding a partner: post to newsgroup or email dis@cs.cornell.edu
- Monogamy is strongly encouraged, polygamy/polyandry is strongly discouraged, and divorces are permitted in case of irreconcilable differences.
- See syllabus and code of academic integrity online

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Lecture Sequence

- $\bullet~$ Ur-Java: simple non-OO language
- Induction and recursion
- Overview of OO programming
- Interfaces
- Lists and Trees
- Inheritance
- Searching and sorting
- Asymptotic complexity
- Inner classes



Solutions for this state:

Sorted State

State Transition Diagram for a 2x2 Puzzle

- SWN - WSENWSENW - SWEWN

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Course is organized around concrete examples.

- Game of 8-puzzle
- Virtual machine: SaM
- others...

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Writing code for simulating 8-puzzle

- 1. What operations should puzzle objects support?
- 2. How do we represent configurations?
- 3. How do we specify an initial configuration?
- 4. What algorithm do we use to solve a given initial configuration?
- 5. What kind of GUI makes sense for puzzles?

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Graph

- State Transition Diagram in previous slide is an example of a GRAPH.
- Graph has
- NODES: in our example, these are the puzzle states
- EDGES: connections between pairs of nodes.
- nodes and edges may be annotated with some information.
- Other examples of graphs: airline routes, roadmaps, ...
- Path problems in graphs:
- Is there a path from node A to node B?
- What is the shortest path from A to B?
- Traveling Salesman's problem
- Hamiltonian cycles
-see later in semester

Heart of SaM: a Stack and Stack Pointer (SP)

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Stack: an array of integers
Stack grows when integer is "pushed" on top.
Stack shrinks when integer is "popped" from top.
Stack starts at address 0 and grows to larger addresses.
Stack pointer: first "free" address in stack
(initialized to 0)

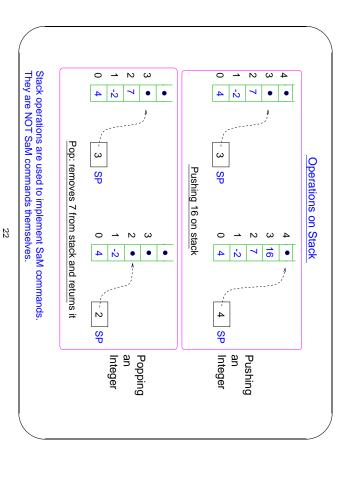
Note: For now, assume only integers can be pushed on stack. SaM actually allows floats, characters, etc. to be pushed, and it tracks type of data. GUI will display type (I:integer,F:float,...), but ignore this for now.

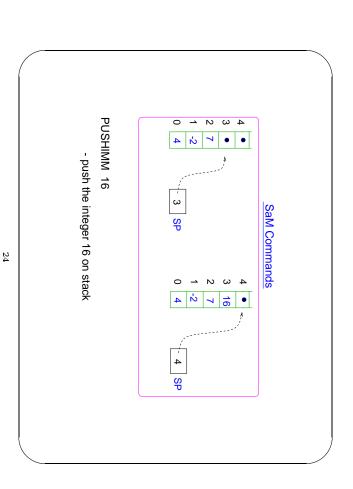
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What is SaM?

SaM is a simple StAck Machine:

- (i) Modeled roughly after the Java Virtual Machine (JVM).
- (ii) Use it to understand how computers work at the assembly language level (.class file level)
- (iii) Use it to understand how compilers work
- (iv) You can download it from course homepage





SaM commands ALL arithmetic/logical operations pop values from stack perform operation and push result. PUSHIMM *some integer*

ADD //pushes that integer on stack //adds them and pushes result //pops two values from top of stack

//pops two values (say top and below) //and pushes result of doing (below - top)

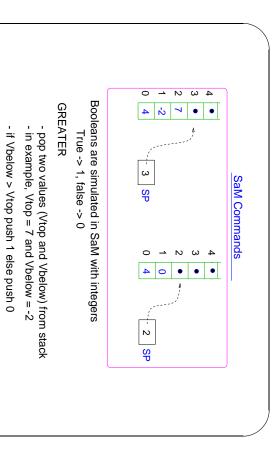
GREATER // boolean values are simulated using 0/1 (false/true)

TIMES

STOP //terminate execution of program

//logical AND

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in example, we would push 0.

4 & 0 'n 7 SaM Commands Ν

ADD

- pop two values from stack (7 and -2)add them (5)
- push result

SUB: similar; result would be (-2) - (7) = -9

1. What operations must SaM objects support?

2. How do we represent the internal state of SaM?

3. How do we load programs from a file?

4. How do we write code to interpret each of the opcodes?

5. What GUI do we use?

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Here are two simple SaM programs:

PUSHIMM 5

PUSHIMM 4

PUSHIMM 3

TIMES PUSHIMM 2

TIMES

TIMES

STOP //should leave 120 on top of stack

PUSHIMM 5

PUSHIMM 4

GREATER

STOP //should leave 1 on top of stack

By the end of CS 211, you will be able to design and write moderately large, well-structured programs to simulate such systems.