

# Principles of Software Construction: Objects, Design, and Concurrency

Part 4: et cetera

Toward SE in practice: People and process

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# Administrivia

- Homework 6 available
  - Checkpoint deadline Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - Due Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

# Key concepts from Tuesday

- Java lambdas and streams

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Troll: Runs in 8.9s on Charlie's 6 year-old Intel laptop

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**Very, very slowly. I gave up after half an hour.**

# Why did the program run so slowly?

- **The streams library has no idea how to parallelize it**
  - And the heuristics fail miserably
- In the *best* case, `parallel` is unlikely to help if:
  - Stream source is `Stream.iterate`, **or**
  - Intermediate `limit` operation is used
- This *isn't* the best case
  - Default strategy for `limit` computes excess elements
  - Each Mersenne prime takes **twice as long to compute** as last one
- **Moral: do not parallelize indiscriminately!**



# What *does* parallelize well?

- Arrays, ArrayList, HashMap, HashSet, ConcurrentHashMap, int and long ranges...
- What do these sources have in common?
  - Predictably splittable
  - Good *locality of reference*
- Terminal operation also matters
  - Must be quick, or easily parallelizable
  - Best are *reductions*, e.g., min, max, count, sum
  - Collectors (AKA *mutable reductions*) not so good
- Intermediate operations matter too
  - Mapping and filtering good, limit bad

## Example – number of primes $\leq n$ , $\pi(n)$

```
static long pi(long n) {  
    return LongStream.rangeClosed(2, n)  
        .mapToObj(BigInteger::valueOf)  
        .filter(i -> i.isProbablePrime(50))  
        .count();  
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Takes 25s to compute  $\pi(10^7)$  on my machine

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In parallel, it takes 1.9s, which is 13 times as fast!

# .parallel() is merely an optimization

- Optimize Judiciously [EJ Item 67]
- Premature optimization is the root of all evil
- Don't parallelize unless you can prove it maintains correctness
- Don't parallelize unless you have a good reason to believe it will help
- **Measure performance before and after**

# Lambdas and streams summary

- When to use a lambda
  - Always, in preference to CICE
- When to use a method reference
  - Almost always, in preference to a lambda
- When to use a stream
  - When it feels and looks right
- When to use a parallel stream
  - When you've convinced yourself it has equivalent semantics and demonstrated that it's a performance win

What Josh didn't show you...

# Stream interface is a monster (1/3)

```
public interface Stream<T> extends BaseStream<T, Stream<T>> {  
    // Intermediate Operations  
    Stream<T> filter(Predicate<T>);  
    <R> Stream<R> map(Function<T, R>);  
    IntStream mapToInt(ToIntFunction<T>);  
    LongStream mapToLong(ToLongFunction<T>);  
    DoubleStream mapToDouble(ToDoubleFunction<T>);  
    <R> Stream<R> flatMap(Function<T, Stream<R>>);  
    IntStream flatMapToInt(Function<T, IntStream>);  
    LongStream flatMapToLong(Function<T, LongStream>);  
    DoubleStream flatMapToDouble(Function<T, DoubleStream>);  
    Stream<T> distinct();  
    Stream<T> sorted();  
    Stream<T> sorted(Comparator<T>);  
    Stream<T> peek(Consumer<T>);  
    Stream<T> limit(long);  
    Stream<T> skip(long);  
}
```

# Stream interface is a monster (2/3)

## // Terminal Operations

```
void forEach(Consumer<T>);           // Ordered only for sequential streams
void forEachOrdered(Consumer<T>);   // Ordered if encounter order exists
Object[] toArray();
<A> A[] toArray(IntFunction<A[]> arrayAllocator);
T reduce(T, BinaryOperator<T>);
Optional<T> reduce(BinaryOperator<T>);
<U> U reduce(U, BiFunction<U, T, U>, BinaryOperator<U>);
<R, A> R collect(Collector<T, A, R>); // Mutable Reduction Operation
<R> R collect(Supplier<R>, BiConsumer<R, T>, BiConsumer<R, R>);
Optional<T> min(Comparator<T>);
Optional<T> max(Comparator<T>);
long count();
boolean anyMatch(Predicate<T>);
boolean allMatch(Predicate<T>);
boolean noneMatch(Predicate<T>);
Optional<T> findFirst();
Optional<T> findAny();
```



# Stream interface is a monster (3/3)

**// Static methods: stream sources**

```
public static <T> Stream.Builder<T> builder();
public static <T> Stream<T> empty();
public static <T> Stream<T> of(T);
public static <T> Stream<T> of(T...);
public static <T> Stream<T> iterate(T, UnaryOperator<T>);
public static <T> Stream<T> generate(Supplier<T>);
public static <T> Stream<T> concat(Stream<T>, Stream<T>);
}
```

# In case your eyes aren't glazed yet

```
public interface BaseStream<T, S extends BaseStream<T, S>>
    extends AutoCloseable {
    Iterator<T> iterator();
    Spliterator<T> spliterator();
    boolean isParallel();
    S sequential(); // May have little or no effect
    S parallel(); // May have little or no effect
    S unordered(); // Note asymmetry wrt sequential/parallel
    S onClose(Runnable);
    void close();
}
```

# It keeps going: `java.util.stream.Collectors`

```
... toList()  
... toMap(...)  
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```
static <T,K,D,A,M extends Map<K,D>> Collector<T,?,M> groupingBy(  
    Function<? super T,? extends K> classifier,  
    Supplier<M> mapFactory,  
    Collector<? super T,A,D> downstream)
```

# Optional<T> – a third way to indicate the absence of a result

```
public final class Optional<T> {  
    boolean isPresent();  
    T get();  
  
    void ifPresent(Consumer<T>);  
    Optional<T> filter(Predicate<T>);  
    <U> Optional<U> map(Function<T, U>);  
    <U> Optional<U> flatMap(Function<T, Optional<U>>);  
    T orElse(T);  
    T orElseGet(Supplier<T>);  
    <X extends Throwable> T orElseThrow(Supplier<X>) throws X;  
}
```

## Changes to existing libraries... e.g.,

```
public interface Collection<E> {  
    ...  
    default Stream<E> stream();  
    default Stream<E> parallelStream();  
    default Spliterator<E> spliterator();  
}
```

# Overall: Streams design discussion

- Recall the fundamental API design principles...

# Today: Software engineering in practice

- An introduction to software engineering
- ~~Methodologies discussion: Test driven development~~



# What is software engineering?

# 1968 NATO Conference on Software Engineering



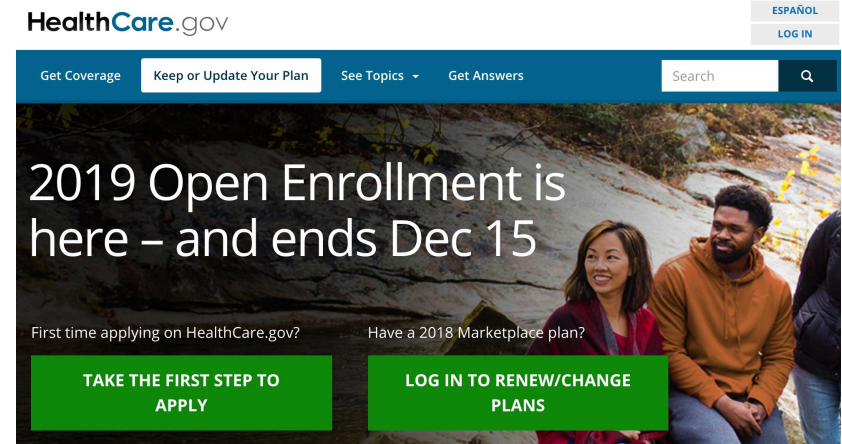
# Compare to other forms of engineering

- e.g., Producing a car or bridge
  - Estimable costs and risks
  - Well-defined expected results
  - High quality
- Separation between plan and production
- Simulation before construction
- Quality assurance through measurement
- Potential for automation



# Software engineering in the real world

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# Sociotechnical systems

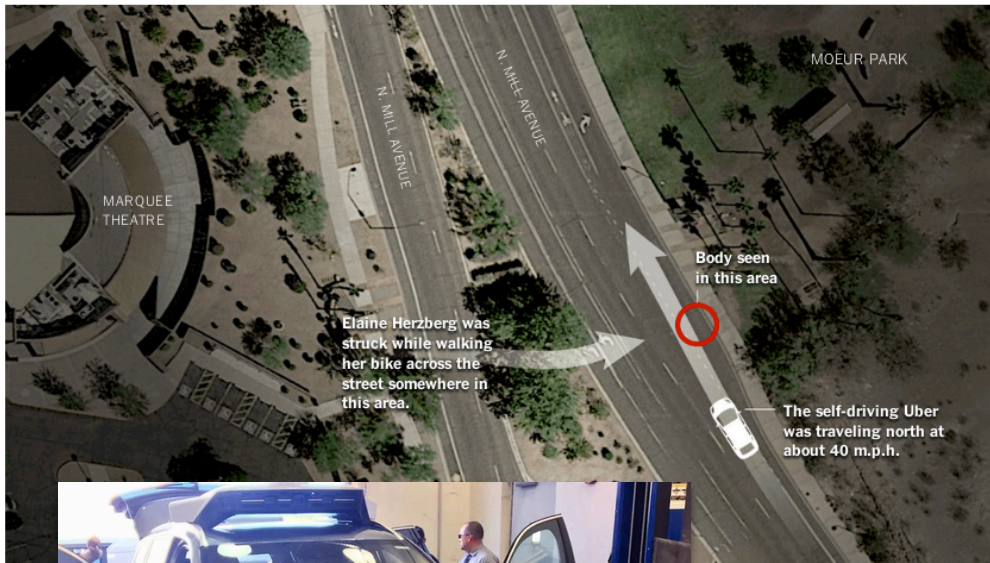
- A *sociotechnical system* is, roughly, any interlinked system of people, technology, and their environment

# How a Self-Driving Uber Killed a Pedestrian in Arizona

By TROY GRIGGS and DAISUKE WAKABAYASHI UPDATED MARCH 21, 2018

A woman was [struck and killed](#) on Sunday night by an autonomous car operated by Uber in Tempe, Ariz. It was believed to be the first pedestrian death associated with self-driving technology.

## What We Know About the Accident



## NEWS

# Uber in fatal crash had safety flaws say US investigators

6 November 2019

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An Uber self-driving test vehicle that hit and killed a woman in 2018 had software problems, according to US safety investigators.

Elaine Herzberg, 49, was hit by the car as she was crossing a road in Tempe, Arizona.

The US National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) found the car failed to identify her properly as a pedestrian.

The detailed findings raised a series of safety issues but did not determine the probable cause of the accident.

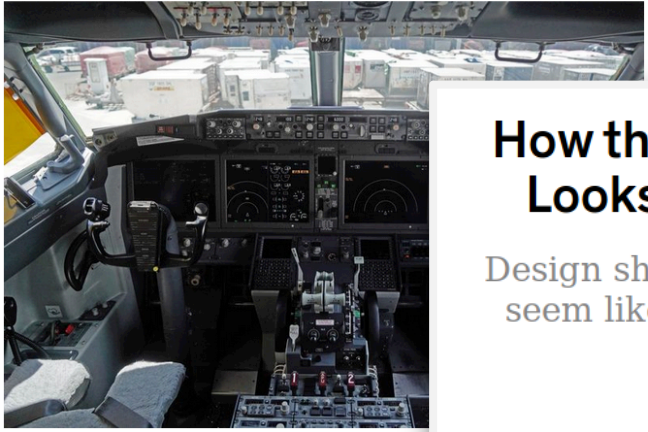
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Technology

# Boeing's 737 Max Software Outsourced to \$9-an-Hour Engineers

By Peter Robison  
June 28, 2019, 4:46 PM EDT

- ▶ Planemaker and suppliers used lower-paid temporary workers
- ▶ Engineers feared the practice meant code wasn't done right



The cockpit of a grounded 737 Max 8 aircraft. Photographer: Dimas

It remains the mystery at the heart of the crisis: how a company renowned for making seemingly basic software that has caused deadly crashes. Longtime Boeing employees say the software was complicated by a push to outsource work to contractors.

The Max software -- plagued by issues that grounded months longer -- was revealed a new flaw -- was caused by Boeing -- was laying off experienced engineers and suppliers to cut costs.

<https://spectrum.ieee.org/aerospace/aviation/future-of-aircraft-development>

# A year after the first 737 Max crash, it's unclear when the plane will fly again

Two crashes of Boeing's 737 Max 8 killed 346 people, and authorities are blaming Boeing's design, a faulty sensor and airline staff. Plus: Everything you need to know about the plane.

Kent German November 1, 2019 9:01 AM PDT



## How the Boeing 737 Max Disaster Looks to a Software Developer

Design shortcuts meant to make a new plane seem like an old, familiar one are to blame

By Gregory Travis

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Photo: Jemal Countess/Getty Images  
This is part of the wreckage of Ethiopian Airlines Flight ET302, a Boeing 737 Max



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ts 737 Max 8 that killed 346 people, Boeing is facing scrutiny over its newest and most critical aircraft models. The plane has flown around the world, and the Federal Aviation

# Major topics in 17-313 (Foundations of SE)

- Process considerations for software development
- Requirements elicitation, documentation, and evaluation
- Design for quality attributes
- Strategies for quality assurance
- Empirical methods in software engineering
- Time and team management
- Economics of software development



# The foundations of our Software Engineering program

- Core computer science fundamentals
- Building good software, organizing software projects
  - Development teams, customers, and users
  - Process, requirements, estimation, management, and methods
- The larger context of software
  - Business, society, policy
- Engineering experience
- Communication skills
  - Written and oral

# Summary

- Software engineering requires consideration of many issues, social and technical, above code-level considerations
- Interested? Take 17-313
- Shameless plug: Take API Design, 17-480