CSE 331 Software Design & Implementation

Autumn 2024 Section 1 – HW1 and Tools

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Welcome

- Let's all introduce ourselves:
 - Name and pronouns
 - Year
 - What other classes you are taking this quarter
 - Food that starts with the first letter of your name

Administrivia

• HW 1 released later today, due Saturday (October 5th) at 11pm

Coding Setup

Software we will use

- **Bash**: command-line shell (built-in on Mac, see course website to download Windows version)
 - Run echo "\${BASH_VERSION}" to check for download
- **Git**: version control system (built-in on Mac, Windows version comes with Bash, above)
- **Node**: executes JavaScript code on the command-line (see link on course website to install)
 - Run node -v to check for download
- **NPM**: package manager (comes with Node, above)
- VS Code or the editor of your choice

Node Demo

- Node: executes JavaScript code on the command-line (see link on course website to install)
 - Run node -v to check for download

- Useful for playing with the JavaScript language
- Try this to see what it does (does it crash?)
 - first start node and then type this in:

const x = {a: 1, b: "two"};
console.log(x.c);

Git Demo

• **Git**: version control system (built-in on Mac, Windows version comes with Bash, above)

- Almost all professionals use some kind of version control system
 - git is probably the most popular today
 - git can be tricky to learn / understand
- We will only need it for getting the starter code
 - here is the command for sec1 (similar command for HW1)

git clone
https://gitlab.cs.washington.edu/cse331-24au-materials/sec01.git

NPM Demo

- **NPM**: package manager (comes with Node)
- Used to
 - install all the libraries needed for our code
 - compile, test, and run our code
- Use this command to install the libraries needed for sec1

```
npm install --no-audit
```

(leaving off --no-audit will generate some **bogus** error messages)

VSCode Demo

• VS Code or the editor of your choice

- VS Code is relatively lightweight IDE
 - primary support for JavaScript and TypeScript (good for us)
- Extensions provide support for other languages and tools

NPM Start

• **NPM**: package manager (comes with Node)

• Use this command to start

npm run start

• Then navigate to this URL in Chrome to see it work

http://localhost:8080

Browser Operation

• Browser reads the URL to find the server to talk to



• Contact the given server and request the given path:



Browser Operation



- HTML page can load JavaScript
 - starter code's index.html includes index.tsx
- Each time the page loads, browser executes index.tsx

Development Environment



- "npm run start" starts a server that the browser can contact
 - server is running on this machine (localhost)
 - (more on servers later this quarter...)
- This server returns index.html but adds compiled JS into the page
 - also adds code to reload if the source code is changed!

Custom Server (Review)

• Query Parameters (e.g. ?name=Fred) in requests (req)

```
const F = (req, res) => {
    if (req.query.name === undefined) {
        res.status(400).send({response: "Missing
        'name'"});
        return;
    }
    res.send(`Hi, ${req.query.name}`);
}
```

HTTP Terminology (Review)

- **HTTP** Request include:
 - URL: Path and query parameters
 - Method: Get/Post
 - Get is used to read data on the server (can paste raw url in browser and get result back)
 - Post is used to change data on the server (cannot paste raw url in browser)
 - Body (for Post only)
 - used for sending large or non-string data to server
- **HTTP** Response Status Codes include:
 - 200 (ok)
 - 400-499 (Client error)
 - 500-599 (Server error)

Bug Journalling

Practice Log: https://comfy.cs.washington.edu/service/hw1-practice Homework Log: https://comfy.cs.washington.edu/service/hw1-practice

Debugging Log

New Entry



Breaks: 0 (in minutes) — subtracted from end time - start time

Failure

Briefly describe the program behavior that looks wrong:

Experiments

New Experiment

Error

Did you find the error? Choose ~



Bug Journaling

- Before you start debugging: Add a bug log entry and document the error and start time of when you started debugging
- After you have finished debugging: Fill out the log entry with your findings from the debugging session. This will include:
 - Any experiments you ran to find the bug
 - If you found the code error (if so, where)
 - If you found the defect (if so, where)
 - If type checking would have prevented the bug and why
- Be sure to click `Save Log` after adding an entry as to not lose progress
- 1 bug should be 1 log entry. Do not split a single bug into multiple log entries.
- For initial HWs, you must debug for at least 4 hours and at most
 6 hours regardless of whether you fix the bug or not

Debugging Tips

- Check the easy stuff (save files, restart server)
- Create the smallest input that re-creates the error
- Look for common small errors
 - using ==
 - misnaming variables. Note: Type checkers will help you catch misnamed functions/variables, not just incorrect types
 - incorrect arguments
- Use Scientific Method to gain understanding of problem
- Talk through the problem with someone