

# 12.010 Computational Methods of Scientific Programming

Lecture 20: Julia Objects, Multiple Dispatch

# Summary

- Objects v Multiple Dispatch
  - Julia does not use “classes” exactly
    - instead functions can have multiple methods
    - which method/methods are used depends on the type of arguments
    - types are used extensively within Julia to direct which methods get invoked - "multiple dispatch"

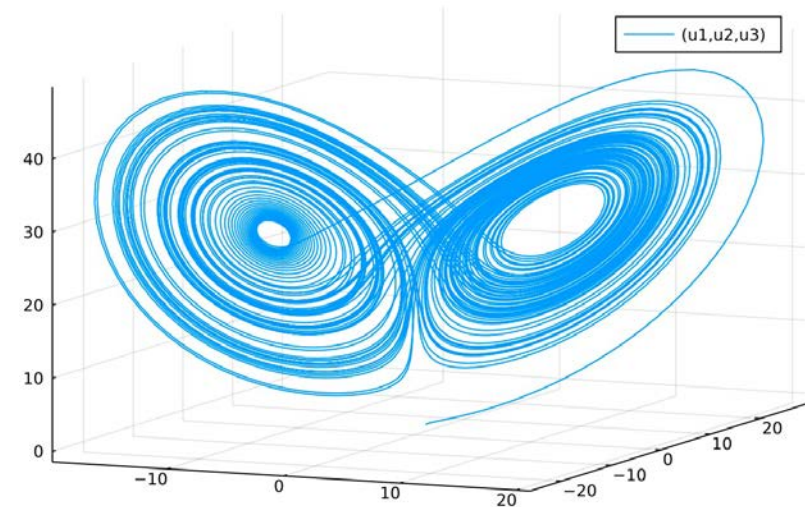
# Julia programming language cont...

ODE solve – look at Lorenz 63 again

```
l63!(du,u,p,t)
```

Steps forward the Lorenz63 equations for time  $t$   
elements 1, 2 and 3 of vector  $u$  and with parame  
Elements of  $du$  are set to  $dxdt$ ,  $dydt$  and  $dzdt$

```
julia> using DifferentialEquations, Plots
julia> u0=[1.,0.,0.]
julia> p=[10.,28.,8/3]
julia> tspan=90.,100.)
julia> prob=ODEProblem(l63!,u0,tspan,p)
julia> sol=solve(prob)
julia> plot(sol,vars=(1,2,3))
```



# Julia programming language cont...

## Defining l63.jl

- `""" ... """` is docstring
  - within docstring indent name by 4 characters, ````` creates literal block e.g.

```
help?> l63!  
search: l63!  
  
l63!(du,u,p,t)  
  
Steps forward the Lorenz63 equations for time t. Prognostic variables x, y, z are defined as  
elements 1, 2 and 3 of vector u and with parameters  $\sigma$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\beta$  defined as elements of vector p.  
Elements of du are set to dxdt, dydt and dzdt respectively.  
  
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julia> 
```

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julia> sol=solve(prob)  
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```  
  
"""  
function l63!(du,u,p,t)  
    x, y, z=u  
     $\sigma$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $\beta$ =p  
  
    dxdt= $\sigma$ *(y-x)  
    dydt= $\rho$ *x-x*z-y  
    dzdt=x*y- $\beta$ *z  
  
    du[1], du[2], du[3]=  
    dxdt, dydt, dzdt  
    return  
end
```

# Julia programming language cont...

- Defining l63.jl

- Function NAME! is a convention for indicating a function that alters/sets its arguments, by default first argument are the altered variables.
- Here we use l63! the altered variable is du.
- The arguments to l63! fit the standard layout for the Julia DifferentialEquations package ODE solver.

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    dxdt , dydt, dzdt
    return
end
```

# Julia programming language cont...

- Using l63.jl
  - To use a function directly we can use include in the REPL e.g.

```
[julia> include("l63.jl")
l63!

[julia> du=[0.,0.,0.];u0=[1.,0.,0.];p=[10.,28.,8/3]
3-element Vector{Float64}:
 10.0
 28.0
  2.6666666666666665

[julia> l63!(du,u0,p,0)

[julia> du
3-element Vector{Float64}:
-10.0
 28.0
  0.0
```

```
"""
    l63!(du,u,p,t)

Steps forward the Lorenz63 equations for time `t`.
Prognostic variables x, y, z are defined as
elements 1, 2 and 3 of vector `u` and with parameters
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      dzdt=x*y- $\beta$ *z

      du[1], du[2], du[3]=
      dxdt , dydt, dzdt
      return

end
```

# Julia programming language cont...

- Using l63.jl
  - Can also include in a notebook (see runl63.ipynb).

```
[1]: include("l63.jl")
```

```
[1]: l63!
```

```
[2]: du=[0.,0.,0.];u0=[1.,0.,0.];p=[10.,28.,8/3];
```

```
[3]: l63!(du,u0,p,0);
```

```
[4]: du
```

```
[4]: 3-element Vector{Float64}:  
 -10.0  
  28.0  
   0.0
```

```
[ ]:
```

```
"""  
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julia> plot(sol,vars=(1,2,3))  
...  
"""
```

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    du[1], du[2], du[3]=  
    dxdt, dydt, dzdt  
    return  
end
```



# Julia packages

- Most Julia code will use other packages
  - By convention examples tend to include “using”, but not package install so may need to install packages for code to work.
  - Packages are installed once and then will be available for reuse

```
.....  
    163!(du,u,p,t)  
  
Steps forward the Lorenz63 equations for time `t`.  
Prognostic variables x, y, z are defined as  
elements 1, 2 and 3 of vector `u` and with parameters  
 $\sigma$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\beta$  defined as elements of vector `p`.  
Elements of du are set to dxdt, dydt and dzdt respectively.  
  
...  
julia> using DifferentialEquations, Plots  
julia> u0=[1.,0.,0.]  
julia> p=[10.,28.,8/3]
```

```
[2]: using DifferentialEquations
```

```
ArgumentError: Package DifferentialEquations not found in current path:  
- Run `import Pkg; Pkg.add("DifferentialEquations")` to install the DifferentialEquations package.
```

```
Stacktrace:
```

```
[1] require(into::Module, mod::Symbol)  
  @ Base ./loading.jl:893  
[2] eval  
  @ ./boot.jl:360 [inlined]  
[3] include_string(mapexpr::typeof(REPL.softscope), mod::Module, code::String, filename::String)  
  @ Base ./loading.jl:1116
```



# Julia packages

- Most Julia code will use other packages
  - To install
    - using Pkg; Pkg.add("NAME")
    - a package will often download and install other dependencies
    - can also use ] in REPL to enter "Package mode"

```
(chrishill) pkg> add DifferentialEquations
```

- use backspace to exit "Package mode"
- once a package is installed it is added to ".julia" directory (or location of JULIA\_DEPOT\_PATH) and does not need to be downloaded again.

```
[2]: using DifferentialEquations

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Stacktrace:
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   @ Base ./loading.jl:1116
```

```
[*]: using Pkg; Pkg.add("DifferentialEquations")

Installing known registries into `~/julia`
  Added registry `General` to `~/julia/registries/General`
Resolving package versions...
Installed Adapt _____ v3.3.1
Installed TimerOutputs _____ v0.5.13
Installed DifferentialEquations _____ v6.20.0
Installed ConstructionBase _____ v1.3.0
Installed ExprTools _____ v0.1.6
Installed Requires _____ v1.1.3
Installed BandedMatrices _____ v0.16.11
Installed ForwardDiff _____ v0.10.23
Installed DynamicPolynomials _____ v0.3.21
Installed DEDataArrays _____ v0.2.0
Installed PolyesterWeave _____ v0.1.2
Installed LayoutPointers _____ v0.1.4
Installed StatsBase _____ v0.33.12
Installed VectorizationBase _____ v0.21.21
Installed StochasticDiffEq _____ v6.41.0
Installed SortingAlgorithms _____ v1.0.1
Installed DataValueInterfaces _____ v1.0.0
Installed PDMats _____ v0.11.3
Installed NLSolversBase _____ v7.8.2
Installed CloseOpenIntervals _____ v0.1.4
Installed RuntimeGeneratedFunctions _____ v0.5.3
Installed OffsetArrays _____ v1.10.8
Installed OrdinaryDiffEq _____ v5.67.0
Installed PoissonRandom _____ v0.4.0
Installed DataAPI _____ v1.9.0
Installed FunctionWrappers _____ v1.1.2
Installed FillArrays _____ v0.12.7
Installed DiffEqNoiseProcess _____ v5.9.0
Installed Preferences _____ v1.2.2
Installed InverseFunctions _____ v0.1.2
Installed JuliaFormatter _____ v0.18.1
Installed CEnum _____ v0.4.1
Installed ParameterizedFunctions _____ v5.12.2
Installed LaTeXStrings _____ v1.3.0
Installed CPUSummary _____ v0.1.6
Installed SpecialFunctions _____ v1.8.1
```

# Hands on

- Try `run163jl.ipynb` ( needs `163.jl` )
- May need to `Pkg.import "DifferentialEquations"` and/or `"Plots"`
- Try and create a Julia equivalent of `Lec05-ode.ipynb` (try without looking at `163_euler_julia_butterfly.ipynb` first!)

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## ODE solvers

The Lorenz 63 "butterfly" plot

( [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorenz\\_system](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lorenz_system) )

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- Using polyarea we can show how Julia uses types and multiple-dispatch to create the same sort of capabilities as object-oriented code. Julia does not have classes.
- Julia packages have a standard basic layout

```
MyPoly
MyPoly/Project.toml
MyPoly/src
MyPoly/src/MyPoly.jl
```

```
# Julia package manager can be used to create template for our
# own package.
# We will use polygon area as an example.
#
# Start by creating a template for Package called MyPoly
#
using Pkg
Pkg.generate("MyPoly")
cd("MyPoly")
Pkg.activate(".")
import MyPoly
MyPoly.greet()
~
~
```

```
$ cat MyPoly/src/MyPoly.jl
module MyPoly

greet() = print("Hello World!")

end # module
```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- Julia uses struct and type concepts
  - struct creates a type with same name as struct.
  - Here MyPoint is a type
  - The :: syntax can be used with program defined types
  - A constructor function with args matching struct members is created by default.

```
struct MyPoint
    x::Float64
    y::Float64
end
```

```
[julia> p=MyPoint(1.,0.)
MyPoint(1.0, 0.0)
```

```
[julia> typeof(p)
MyPoint
```

```
julia> █
```

```
[julia> p1=MyPoint(1.)
ERROR: MethodError: no method matching MyPoint(::Float64)
Closest candidates are:
  MyPoint(::Float64, ::Float64) at /Users/chrishill/projects/1
```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- Julia uses struct and type concepts

- struct creates a type with same name as struct.

- Here `::MyPoint` is a custom type. Multiple-dispatch uses type matching in place of functions within classes.

- Alternate constructor functions must be written

```
struct MyPoint
    x::Float64
    y::Float64
end
```

```
[julia> p=MyPoint(1.,0.)
MyPoint(1.0, 0.0)
```

```
[julia> p1=MyPoint(p)
MyPoint(1.0, 0.0)
```

```
function MyPoint(p::MyPoint)
    MyPoint(p.x, p.y)
end
```

```
[julia> p1=MyPoint(1.)
ERROR: MethodError: no method matching MyPoint(::Float64)
Closest candidates are:
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```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- Full “MyPoint” type and methods.
  - Overload “+” and “-”
  - A custom method
- Can now add this to the MyPoly package

```
"""  
    Define a point type  
"""  
struct MyPoint  
    x::Float64  
    y::Float64  
end  
  
Base.:+(p1::MyPoint,p2::MyPoint) = MyPoint( p1.x+p2.x, p1.y+p2.y )  
  
Base.:-(p1::MyPoint,p2::MyPoint) = MyPoint( p1.x-p2.x, p1.y-p2.y )  
  
function MyPoint(p::MyPoint)  
    MyPoint(p.x, p.y)  
end
```



# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- Adding to a package
- `include("xxxxx")`
- `include` starts search from directory where file with `include` lives
- typically, package component files are in same directory as the main package file

```
(base) chriss-MacBook-Pro:src chrishill$ ls
MyPoly.jl      point.jl      poly.jl
(base) chriss-MacBook-Pro:src chrishill$ cat MyPoly.jl
module MyPoly

include("point.jl")
include("poly.jl")

end # module
(base) chriss-MacBook-Pro:src chrishill$ █
```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- `poly.jl` defines polynomial functions
  - Add points
  - Compute areas
- it is included after `point.jl` so that it can reference `MyPoint` types and methods.
  - e.g. Julia type hierarchy is “acyclic”.

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```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Polyarea package

- `poly.jl`
  - needs
    - type
    - functions

```
struct MyPolyVar <: AbstractPolygon
    plist::Vector{MyPoint}
    nmax::Array{Int,1}
    ncur::Array{Int,1}
end
```

```
function area(poly::MyPolyVar)
    ta=0.
    p0=poly.plist[1]
    for i=3:poly.ncur[1]
        v1=poly.plist[i-1]-p0
        v2=poly.plist[i ]-p0
        ta=ta+(v1.x*v2.y-v1.y*v2.x)*0.5
    end
    return ta
end
```

# Julia programming language cont...

## Using Polyarea package

- Need to tell Julia where to find package

```
[ ]: # Change this to where you have MyPoly
# cd("/home/jpy_class/mit/12.010/cnh@mit.edu/poly-te

[ ]: using Pkg
Pkg.activate(".")

[ ]: using MyPoly





[ ]: p1=MyPoint(0.,0.)
p2=MyPoint(1.,0.)
p3=MyPoint(1.,1.)
p4=MyPoint(0.,1.)
p5=MyPoint(0.,0.)
poly1=MyPolyVar([p1,p2,p3,p4,p5],10)
a=area(poly1)
```

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p2=MyPoint(1,0)
p3=MyPoint(1,1)
p4=MyPoint(0,1)
p5=MyPoint(0,0)
poly1=MyPolyVar([p1,p2,p3,p4,p5],10)
a=area(poly1)
println(a)
```

# Hands on

- Try out [mypoly-julia.ipynb](#)
- uses

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| ..                                                                                                 |                     |
|  src             | Small tweaks        |
|  test           | Small tweaks        |
|  Project.toml   | Update Project.toml |

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