### Public-Service Announcements

 "CSUA has a Welcome BBQ on Wednesday, 2 September at 7PM in the Woz. Open to anyone interested in computer science. Please drop by our office located in 311 Soda Hall"

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### Administrivia

- Please make sure you have used our "Account Administration" link to obtain an account and to register it,
- If you did not complete Lab #1, please try to do so by tonight. It is esepcially important to set up your central reppository
- If you decide not to take this course after all, please tell Tele-BEARS ASAP, so that we have a reasonably accurate count of class membership.

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## Lecture #2: Let's Write a Program: Prime Numbers

**Problem:** want java Primes U to print prime numbers through U.

You type: java Primes 101

It types: 2 3 5 7 11 13 17 19 23 29 31 37 41 43 47 53 59 61 67 71 73 79 83 89 97 101

**Definition:** A prime number is an integer greater than 1 that has no divisors smaller than itself other than 1.

### **Useful Facts:**

- $k \le \sqrt{N}$  iff  $N/k \ge \sqrt{N}$ , for N, k > 0.
- If k divides N then N/k divides N.

So: Try all potential divisors up to and including the square root.

### Plan

```
public class Primes {
    /** Print all primes up to ARGS[0] (interpreted as an
    * integer), 10 to a line. */
public static void main(String[] args) {
    printPrimes(Integer.parseInt(args[0]));
}

/** Print all primes up to and including LIMIT, 10 to
    * a line. */
private static void printPrimes(int limit) {
    /*{ For every integer, x, between 2 and LIMIT, print it if
        isPrime(x), 10 to a line. }*/
}

/** True iff X is prime */
private static boolean isPrime(int x) {
    return /*( X is prime )*/;
}
```

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## Testing for Primes

```
private static boolean isPrime(int x) {
  if (x <= 1)
    return false;
  else
    return !isDivisible(x, 2); // "!" means "not"
}
/** True iff X is divisible by any positive number >= K and < X,
 * given K > 1. */
private static boolean isDivisible(int x, int k) {
  if (k \ge x)
                        // a "guard"
    return false:
  else if (x \% k == 0) // "%" means "remainder"
    return true;
  else // if (k < x & x & x & != 0)
    return isDivisible(x, k+1);
}
```

### Iteration

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- isDivisible is tail recursive, and so creates an iterative process.
- Traditional "Algol family" production languages have special syntax for iteration. Four equivalent versions of isDivisible:

```
if (k \ge x)
                                            while (k < x) \{ // !(k >= x)
                                              if (x \% k == 0)
      return false;
    else if (x \% k == 0)
                                                return true;
      return true;
                                              k = k+1;
                                              // or k += 1, or k++ (yuch).
    else
      return isDivisible(x, k+1);
                                            return false;
    int k1 = k;
                                            for (int k1 = k; k1 < x; k1 += 1) {
                                             if (x \% k1 == 0)
    while (k1 < x) {
      if (x \% k1 == 0)
                                                return true:
        return true;
      k1 += 1;
                                            return false:
    return false;
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```

## Thinking Recursively

Understand and check isDivisible (13,2) by tracing one level.

```
/** True iff X is divisible by
 * some number >=K and < X,
 * given K > 1. */
private static boolean isDivisible...
 if (k >= x)
   return false;
 else if (x % k == 0)
   return true;
 else
   return isDivisible(x, k+1);
}
```

Lesson: Comments aid understanding. Make them count!

- Call assigns x=13, k=2
- Body has form 'if (k >= x)  $S_1$  else  $S_2$ '.
- Since 2 < 13, we evaluate the first else
- Check if  $13 \mod 2 = 0$ : it's not.
- Left with isDivisible(13,3).
- Rather than tracing it, instead use the comment:
- Since 13 is not divisible by any integer in the range 3..12 (and 3 > 1), isDivisible(13,3) must be false, and we're done!
- Sounds like that last step begs the question. Why doesn't it?

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## Using Facts about Primes

- We haven't used the Useful Facts from an earlier slide. Only have to check for divisors up to the square root.
- So, reimplement isPrime:

```
private static boolean isPrime(int x) {
     if (x <= 1)
       return false:
     else
       return !isDivisible(x, 2, (int) (Math.round(Math.sqrt(x) + 1.0))
       // "(int) E" is "convert to int". Math.round => a 'long'.
   }
   private static boolean isDivisible(int x, int k, int lim) {
     if (k \ge lim)
                         // a "guard"
       return false:
     else if (x \% k == 0) // "%" means "remainder"
       return true:
     else // if (k < x & x & x & k != 0)
       return isDivisible(x, k+1);
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```

# Final Task: printPrimes

```
/** Print all primes up to and including LIMIT, 10 to
  * a line. */
private static void printPrimes(int limit) {
}
```

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## printPrimes: One solution

```
/** Print all primes up to and including LIMIT, 10 to
 * a line. */
private static void printPrimes(int limit) {
    int np;
   np = 0;
   for (int p = 2; p <= limit; p += 1) {
        if (isPrime(p)) {
            System.out.print(p + " ");
           np += 1;
            if (np \% 10 == 0)
                System.out.println();
        }
   }
    if (np % 10 != 0)
        System.out.println();
}
```

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