1 Boxes and Pointers II

Draw a box and pointer diagram for each code block.

(a) \texttt{char a = 'a'; char b = 'a';}
\texttt{b = 'b';}
\texttt{int[] x = {1, 2, 3}; int[] y = x;}
\texttt{y[2] = 7;}

\texttt{a} has a value of \texttt{'a'} and \texttt{b} has a value of \texttt{'b'}. \texttt{x} and \texttt{y} should both point to the same/only array, which has values \texttt{[1, 2, 7]}.

(b) \texttt{IntList myList = IntList.list(1, 2, 3);}
\texttt{IntList myList2 = myList;}
\texttt{myList.tail.tail.head = 7;}

\texttt{myList} and \texttt{myList2} should both point to the same/only \texttt{IntList} sequence, which has values \texttt{1, 2, 7}.

(c) \texttt{IntList[] myList3 = new IntList[3];}
\texttt{myList3[0] = IntList.list(1, 2);}
\texttt{myList3[1] = IntList.list(2);}

\texttt{myList3} should point to an array, where the first two elements point to \texttt{IntLists} and the third is \texttt{null}.

2 Objects Refresher

Answer the following questions about the \texttt{Avatar} class.

\texttt{public class Avatar {}
\texttt{    public static String electricity; public String fluid;}
\texttt{    public Avatar(String str1, String str2) {}
\texttt{        Avatar.electricity = str1;}
\texttt{        this.fluid = str2;}
\texttt{    }}
\texttt{    public static void main(String[] args) {}
\texttt{        Avatar fool1 = new Avatar("one ", "two");}
\texttt{        Avatar foo2 = new Avatar("three ", "four");}
\texttt{        System.out.println(fool1.electricity + fool1.fluid);}
\texttt{        fool1.electricity = "I declare ";}
\texttt{        fool1.fluid = "a thumb war";}
\texttt{        System.out.println(fool2.electricity + fool2.fluid);}
\texttt{    }}
\texttt{}}
(a) Determine what would be printed after executing the main method of class Avatar.

The main method will print the following:
three two
I declare four

(b) If we changed only line 2 such that electricity is an instance variable and fluid is a class variable instead, would this code still compile or which other lines would also need to be changed and in what way?

Avatar on line 5 will no longer work if electricity was no longer static; it would cause a compile-time error because we cannot reference instance variables using a static class reference. But, this would still work on line 6 even if fluid is made static since an instance variable can be used to reference a static class reference.

(c) Reverting our changes from part (b) and starting from the original code, will adding the following method to class Avatar cause any errors during compilation or execution?

```java
public static String getFluid() {
    return fluid;
}
```

The method will cause a compile-time error because we can not reference an instance variable (in this case, fluid) from inside a static context.

When the object is not specified (the thing before the period) in a field access or method call, Java will use this. by default. However, since the new method is static, this does not exist and therefore an error is thrown.

3 Min/Max

Given an array A, return a 2 element array B where B[0] is the minimum element of A and B[1] is the maximum element of A.

```java
import static java.lang.Math.max; // max(a, b) returns max of a, b
import static java.lang.Math.min; // min(a, b) returns min of a, b

public static int[] minMax(int[] A) {
    int maxVal = Integer.MIN_VALUE; // smallest int in Java
    int minVal = Integer.MAX_VALUE; // largest int in Java

    int[] B = new int[2];

    for (int i = 0; i < A.length; i++) {
        maxVal = max(maxVal, A[i]);
        minVal = min(minVal, A[i]);
    }
    B[0] = minVal;
    B[1] = maxVal;
    return B;
}
```
4 Reverse

Given an array $A$, reverse its elements in place (do not create any new arrays; this should be a destructive method).

```java
public static void reverse(int[] A) {
    for (int i = 0; i < A.length / 2; i++) {
        int temp = A[A.length - i - 1];
        A[A.length - i - 1] = A[i];
        A[i] = temp;
    }
}
```