

Misc Reprised

Lecture 17, Oct 23

Administrivia

- P3 starts on Thurs
- Group project
- You select your groups
- 3-4 people/group
- Be ready w/ your groups on Thurs...

Past & Future

- Last time
- Today:
 - Hacking hint o' the day
 - Midterm back
 - Review of midterm questions
 - P2M2 crit

Hacking hint

- Java is large, complex language
 - Lots of weird constructs and very subtle effects
- Same is true of almost all (useful) langs
- Libraries add complication
- Often find yourself depending on functionality that you aren't sure about
- Could go to a book...

Micro-experiments

- Often, fastest thing to do is *try* something in tiny, demo program
- 5-10 min to code
- Much easier to work w/ it there than in big, hairy, real program
 - Faster
 - Controlled
 - Isolated
 - Throwaway

Midterm results

- $\mu=50.3$
- $\sigma=12.2$
- $range=[31,72]$

- Calibration: midterm worth ~6-8% of final grade
 - Compare: labs ~15%
- Remember: class is curved

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Midterm review: Q3: Mem diagrams