

## Assignment 2: Data Structure Hierarchy

You will not be turning in this assignment.  
 Time allocation (max): thinking, 2 hour; mapping, 3 hours

***Build a type hierarchy for the common data structures.***

Many data structures depend on other data structures for their definition. For example, rational numbers depend upon integers, since rational numbers are composed of two integers.

Here is *a listing of most common data types*. Can you construct an inheritance hierarchy which defines their dependencies? You can claim that some entries are not data structures. It will also help if you divide the task into subgroups such as elementary data structures, efficient storage structures, mathematical structures, exotic structures, implementation hacks, etc.

bit	array	font
byte	sequence	screen image
bit stream	list	point
character	linked list	2D graphic
string	doubly linked list	3D graphic
stream	association list (bucket)	sound bite
	circular list	video image
truth value		video stream
boolean (proposition)	stack	color
propositional sentence	queue	
function	priority queue	hyperlink
relation	vector	URL
equality relation	matrix	socket
partial ordering relation	table	button
total ordering relation	dictionary	checkbox
		panel
set	tree	window
bag (multiset)	binary search tree	scrollbar
infinite set	balanced binary tree	menu
ordering (ranking)	red-black tree	
non-negative integer	B-tree	equation
integer	splay tree	procedure
rational number	binomial heap	buffer
real number (specific precision)	fibonacci heap	error (exception)
complex number	graph	file
random number	directed graph	directory
	directed acyclic graph	continuation
object	inheritance graph	namespace
class		package
pattern	tuple	script
persistent object	hash table	pointer

**Challenge problem:** include *all* of the data structures above in the inheritance hierarchy, noting the arbitrary design decisions (ie some forms support a choice of subcomponents).