CompSci 201, L4: Interfaces and Implementations, ArrayList

Logistics, Coming up

- Today, Wednesday, 1/25
 - APT 1 due (need to do 4 for full credit)
- This Friday, 1/27
 - Discussion 2
- Next Monday 1/30
 - Prjoect 0: Person201 due (warmup project)
- Next Wednesday 2/1
 - APT 2 due

Reminder: Java4Python Resource

Might find the <u>Java4Python</u> extended intro to Java for Python programmers helpful for translating.

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OOP (Object-Oriented Programming) Wrapup

Public vs. Private

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public static void main (String[] args) {

System.out.println(rec.uniqueID);

Record rec = new Record("Fain", 12345);

System.out.println(rec.displayName);

- Public Can be accessed by code outside of the class.
- **Private** Can *only* be accessed by code inside of the class. PublicPrivate.java > ...

Run | Debug

public class PublicPrivate {

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Record.java > 😤 Record
    public class Record {
        public String displayName;
        private int uniqueID;
        public Record(String name, int id) {
            displayName = name;
            uniqueID = id;
```

Can access this **public** instance variable

Cannot access this **private** instance variable

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(Im)mutability

- An object is **immutable** if you cannot change it after creation. Methods that change objects are called **mutators.**
- Java Strings are immutable, even though you can "append" to them. Creates a new String and copies all characters every time!

String s = "Hello";
s += " World"; More like

String sOld = "Hello"; String sNew = "" + sOld + " World";

(and then get rid of sOld)

Static belongs to the class

- Regular instance variables and methods are called on an object.
- Static methods are called on the class, do not use any instance variables. Often utility "functions"



APT and OOP, making a PSVM method

Suppose you're working on the <u>SandwichBar APT</u>.

1	<pre>public class SandwichBar {</pre>
2	<pre>public int whichOrder(String[] available, String[] orders){</pre>
3	// fill in code here
4	return 0;
5	}
6	}

Remember what you know about Java OOP:

- whichOrder is a regular method, need to call on an object of the SandwichBar class.
- whichOrder has parameters, need to supply those.
- All java programs must begin in a PSVM method.

APT and OOP, making a PSVM method



Interfaces and Implementations

Abstract Data Type (ADT)

- **ADT** specifies **what** a data structure does (functionality) but not **how** it does it (implementation).
- API (Application Program Interface) perspective: What methods can I call on these objects, what inputs do they take, what outputs do they return?
- For example, An abstract List should...
 - Keep values in an order
 - Be able to add new values, grow
 - Be able to get the first value, or the last, etc.
 - Be able to get the size of the list

Java Interface

- One primary way Java formalizes ADTs is with interfaces, which "specify a set of abstract methods that an implementing class must override and define." – ZyBook
- 3 most important ADTs we study are all interfaces in Java!
 - List: An ordered sequence of values
 - Set: An unordered collection of *unique* elements
 - Map: A collection that associates keys and values

The Java Collection Hierarchy



Implementing Classes

What is a collection?

public interface Collection<E> extends Iterable<E>

The root interface in the *collection hierarchy*. A collection represents a group of objects, known as its *elements*. Some collections allow duplicate elements and others do not. Some are ordered and others unordered. The JDK does not provide any *direct* implementations of this interface: it provides implementations of more specific subinterfaces like Set and List. This interface is typically used to pass collections around and manipulate them where maximum generality is desired.

- Java API data structures storing groups of objects likely based on the Collection interface.
- Lists, Sets, Maps, and more
- Useful static methods (such as sorting) in java.util.Collections (like Java.util.Arrays), see API <u>documentation</u>

Interface vs. Implementation

Interfaces need an *implementing class* specified at creation.



What is an implementation? Can have any instance variables. Must override and implement *all* methods.



Multiple Implementations of the Same Interface



A list ADT is commonly implemented using array and linked list data structures. But, a programmer need not have knowledge of which data structure is used to use the list ADT.

Implementations all have (at least) the same methods as the Interface

Doesn't matter for correctness whether the argument Lists are ArrayList or LinkedList, because both implement .contains().



ArrayList Implementation

Algorithmic tradeoffs depend on the implementation

Often, we are interested in how the **efficiency** of operations on data structures depends on **scale**. For an **ArrayList** with N values how efficient is...

- get(). Direct lookup in an Array. "Constant time" does not depend on size of the list.
- **contains()**. Loops through Array calling .equals() at each step. Takes longer as list grows.
- **size()**. Returns value of an instance variable tracking size, does not depend on size of the list.
- add(). Depends.

How does ArrayList add work?

Implements List (can grow) with Array (cannot grow). How?

Keep an Array with extra space at the end. Two cases when adding to end of ArrayList:

- 1. Space left add to first open position.
- 2. No space left Create a new (larger) array, copy everything, then add to first open position.

Array representing List



DIY (do it yourself) ArrayList





How efficient is ArrayList add?

For an **ArrayList** with N values, 2 cases:

- 1. Space left One Array assignment statement, constant time, does not depend on list size.
- 2. No space left Copy entire list! Takes N array assignments!

How often are we in the second slow case? Depends on *how much we increase the Array size by in case 2.*

ArrayList Growth

Starting with Array length 1, if you keep creating a new Array that...

Is twice as large (geometric growth)

- Must copy at sizes:
 - 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ...
- Total values copied to add N values:
 - 1+2+4+8+16+...N

Has 100 more positions (arithmetic growth)

- Must copy at sizes:
 - 1, 101, 201, 301, ...
- Total values copied to add N values:
 - 1+101+201+301+...+N

Algebra to our rescue!

ArrayList Growth and Algebra

Arithmetic growth

Geometric growth



Math and Expectations in 201

- **Do not** expect you to formally derive closed form expressions / give proofs.
- **Do** expect you to recognize:
 - Geometric growth: $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + N$ is *linear*, $\approx 2N$.
 - Arithmetic growth: $1 + 101 + 201 + \dots + N$ is quadratic, $\approx \frac{N^2}{200}$.
- Patterns like these show up again and again!

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3 int n = 100;
4 int numIterations = 0;
5 for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {
6 for (int j=0; j<i; j++) {
7 numIterations += 1;
8 }
9 }

numIterations: 4950
n*(n-1)/2): 4950
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Which version is more efficient? Small N?

Total number of values copied while growing ArrayList with different growth patterns



Which version is more efficient? Larger N?

Total number of values copied while growing ArrayList with different growth patterns



Experiment to verify hypothesis

Live Coding



ArrayList add (to end) is (amortized) efficient

According to the Java 17 API documentation: "The add operation runs in *amortized constant time...*" – What does that mean?

- With geometric growth (e.g., double size of Array whenever out of space): Need ≈ 2N copies to add N elements to ArrayList.
- The *average* number of copies per add is thus $\frac{2N}{N} = 2$, a constant that does not depend on N.

ArrayList add to the front is not efficient

add

Java 17 API documentation of add

Inserts the specified element at the specified position in this list. Shifts the element currently at that position (if any) and any subsequent elements to the right (adds one to their indices).

Always requires shifting the entire Array, even if there is space available.



ArrayList contains revisited

contains loops through the Array calling
.equals() at each step. May check every element!

list.contains(33)

