

L4: Interfaces and Implementations, ArrayList

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Logistics, Coming up

- Today, Wednesday, 1/24
 - APT 1 due
- This Friday, 1/26
 - Discussion 2: APTs, Sets, Strings, Git
- Next Monday 1/29
 - Project 0: Person201 due (warmup project)
- Next Wednesday 1/31
 - APT 2 due

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Daytime Office Hours

- Mondays 10am-12pm with Mark
 - LSRC D309
- Tuesdays 1-3pm with Eamon
 - LSRC D309
- Thursdays 10-11am, 3-4pm with Alex
 - LSRC D344 and Zoom

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Reminder: Course Resources

- [Getting Help](#)
- [zyBook](#) →
- [Java4Python](#)

1. Introduction to Java	
2. Integers, Doubles, Booleans	
3. Characters and Strings	
4. Input / Output	
5. Branches / If Statements	
6. Loops	
7. Arrays	
8. Introduction to Data Structures and Algorithms	
9. Object-Oriented Programming in Java	
10. Interfaces, Implementations, ArrayList	
11. Maps and Sets	
12. Hashing and Inheritance	
13. Efficiency and Complexity of Algorithms	
14. Memory, Pointers, and LinkedList	
15. Debugging and Testing	
16. Recursion	
17. Sorting Theory and Practice	
18. Stacks, Queues, Heaps	
19. Binary Search Trees	
20. Greedy	
21. Binary Heaps	
22. Balanced Binary Search Trees	
23. Graphs	
24. Graph Algorithms	

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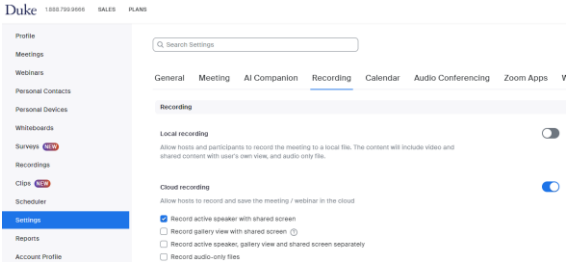
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P0: Enabling Cloud Recordings



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P0: Submitting to Gradescope

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OOP (Object-Oriented Programming) Wrapup

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Public vs. Private

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

Record.java > %s Record

1 public class Record {
2 public String displayName;
3 private int uniqueID;
4
5 public Record(String name, int id) {
6 displayName = name;
7 uniqueID = id;
8 }
9 }

PublicPrivate.java > ...

1 public class PublicPrivate {
2
3 public static void main (String[] args) {
4 Record rec = new Record("Fain", 12345);
5 System.out.println(rec.displayName);
6 System.out.println(rec.uniqueID);
7 }
8 }

Can access this public instance variable

Cannot access this private instance variable

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What about neither?

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

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2     public String displayName;
3     private int uniqueID;
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5     public Record(String name, int id) {
6         displayName = name;
7         uniqueID = id;
8     }
9 }
```

```
J Record.java > ...
1 class Record {
2     String displayName;
3     int uniqueID;
4
5     Record(String name, int id) {
6         displayName = name;
7         uniqueID = id;
8     }
9 }
```

- **No modifier** – Can be accessed by code *in the same package*.
- Almost the same as Public for 201 code
- Use Public/Private!

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.contains for List

contains

boolean contains(Object o)

Returns true if this list contains the specified element. More formally, returns true if and only if this list contains at least one element *e* such that (*o*==null ? *e*==null : *o.equals(e)*).

Specified by:
contains in interface Collection<E>

Parameters:
o - element whose presence in this list is to be tested

Returns:
true if this list contains the specified element

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What is printed?

```
1 public class Blob {
2     public String color;
3     public String shape;
4     public Blob(String color, String shape) {
5         this.color = color;
6         this.shape = shape;
7     }
8
9     @Override
10    public boolean equals(Object obj) {
11        Blob other = (Blob) obj;
12        if (other.shape.equals(this.shape)) {
13            return true;
14        }
15        return false;
16    }
17 }
18
```

Blobs are equal if they have the same shape (and any colors)

```
1 import java.util.ArrayList;
2
3 public class BlobDriver {
4     public static void main(String[] args) {
5         ArrayList<Blob> myBlobs = new ArrayList<>();
6         String[] colors = {"red", "white", "blue", "green"};
7         String[] shapes = {"round", "oblong", "square"};
8         for (String color : colors) {
9             for (String shape : shapes) {
10                 Blob newBlob = new Blob(color, shape);
11                 if (!myBlobs.contains(newBlob)) {
12                     myBlobs.add(newBlob);
13                 }
14             }
15         }
16         System.out.println(myBlobs.size());
17     }
18 }
```

Try adding a Blob of every color-shape combination

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Why use Classes/objects?

- Because you must in Java
- Formal specification for complex data structures
- Convenience and ease of correct programming
- Composition, Interfaces, & Implementations, Extending & Inheritance – More later!

It's ok to not be fully "convinced" yet. But OOP has proven itself to be a powerful paradigm for designing complex, scalable software.

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Interfaces and Implementations

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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

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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

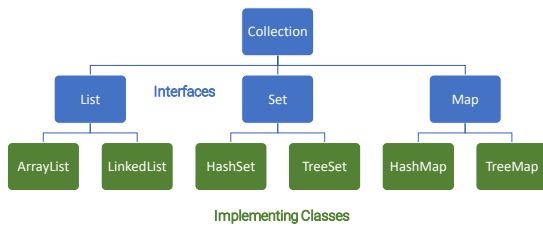
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The Java Collection Hierarchy



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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 [documentation](#)

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Interface vs. Implementation

Cannot instantiate an Interface object itself, but rather an **implementation** of that Interface

```
1 public class InterfaceExample {
2     public static void main(String[] args) {
3         List<String> strList = new List<>();
4     }
5 }
```

What is an **implementation**?

- Must override and implement **all** methods.
- Can have any instance variables.

```
DIYList.java > 5 DIYList
1 import java.util.List;
2 public class DIYList implements List {
3     // Add unimplemented methods
4 }
5

6 public class DIYList implements List {
7
8     @Override
9     public int size() {
10        // TODO Auto-generated method stub
11        return 0;
12    }
13 }
```

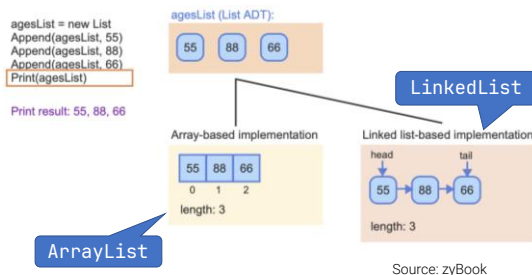
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Multiple Implementations of the Same Interface



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Implementations must have all methods of the Interface

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

```
17 public static List<String> inBothLists(List<String> aList,
18                                     List<String> bList) {
19     List<String> retList = new ArrayList<>();
20     for (String s : aList) {
21         if (bList.contains(s)) {
22             retList.add(s);
23         }
24     }
25     return retList;
26 }
```

Method doesn't even "know" how aList and bList are implemented.

Since retList is an ArrayList which implements List, it is a valid return.

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ArrayList Implementation

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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.

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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



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DIY (do it yourself) ArrayList

Live Coding



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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.*

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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:
 - $1+2+4+8+16+\dots+N$

Has 100 more positions (arithmetic growth)

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

Algebra to our rescue!

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ArrayList Growth and Algebra

Geometric growth

$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + N$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\approx \log_2 N} 2^i$$

$$\approx 2N$$

Geometric series formula:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a r^i = a \left(\frac{1 - r^{n+1}}{1 - r} \right)$$

Arithmetic growth

$$1 + 101 + 201 + \dots + N$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\approx N/100} 1 + 100i$$

$$\approx \frac{N^2}{200}$$

Arithmetic series formula:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) (a_1 + a_n)$$

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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!

```

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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Experiment to verify hypothesis

Live Coding



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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 $\approx 2N$ 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 .

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ArrayList add to the front is not efficient

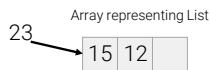
add

```
public void add(int index,
               E element)
```

[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.



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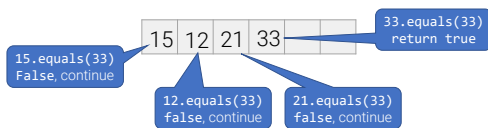
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ArrayList contains revisited

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

`list.contains(33)`



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