Object-oriented programming

Lecture №6

String, Collections

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Question?

- Contract
- Object
- Class
- Abstraction
- Encapsulation
- Hierarchy
- Modularity

Strings

- string: An object storing a sequence of text characters.
 - Unlike most other objects, a String is not created with new.

String name = "text";
String name = expression;

• Examples:

String name = "Marla Singer"; int x = 3; int y = 5; String point = "(" + x + ", " + y + ")";

Indexes

• Characters of a string are numbered with 0-based *indexes*:

String name = "P. Diddy";

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
char	Ρ	•		D	i	d	d	У

- The first character's index is always 0
- The last character's index is 1 less than the string's length
- The individual characters are values of type char (seen later)

String methods

Method name	Description		
indexOf(str)	index where the start of the given string appears in this string (-1 if it is not there)		
length()	number of characters in this string		
<pre>substring(index1, index2) or</pre>	the characters in this string from <i>index1</i> (inclusive) to <i>index2</i> (<u>exclusive</u>);		
<pre>substring(index1)</pre>	if <i>index2</i> omitted, grabs till end of string		
toLowerCase()	a new string with all lowercase letters		
toUpperCase()	a new string with all uppercase letters		

• These methods are called using the dot notation:

```
String gangsta = "Dr. Dre";
System.out.println(gangsta.length()); // 7
```

String method examples

// index 012345678901
String s1 = "Stuart Reges";
String s2 = "Marty Stepp";
System.out.println(s1.length()); // 12
System.out.println(s1.indexOf("e")); // 8
System.out.println(s1.substring(7, 10)) // "Reg"
String s3 = s2.substring(2, 8);
System.out.println(s3.toLowerCase()); // "rty st"

• Given the following string:

// index 0123456789012345678901
String book = "Building Java Programs";

- How would you extract the word "Java" ?
- How would you extract the first word from any string?

Modifying strings

• Methods like substring, toLowerCase, etc. create/return a new string, rather than modifying the current string.

```
String s = "lil bow wow";
s.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(s); // lil bow wow
```

• To modify a variable, you must reassign it:

```
String s = "lil bow wow";
s = s.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(s); // LIL BOW WOW
```

Strings as parameters

```
public class StringParameters {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        sayHello("Marty");
        String teacher = "Helene";
        sayHello(teacher);
    }
    public static void sayHello(String name) {
        System.out.println("Welcome, " + name);
    }
}
```

Output:

Welcome, Marty Welcome, Helene

Strings as user input

• Scanner's next method reads a word of input as a String.

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
name = name.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(name + " has " + name.length() +
       " letters and starts with " + name.substring(0, 1));
```

Output: What is your name? <u>Madonna</u> MADONNA has 7 letters and starts with M

• The nextLine method reads a line of input as a String.

```
System.out.print("What is your address? ");
String address = console.nextLine();
```

Comparing strings

• Relational operators such as < and == fail on objects.

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
if (name == "Barney") {
   System.out.println("I love you, you love me,");
   System.out.println("We're a happy family!");
}
```

- This code will compile, but it will not print the song.
- == compares objects by *references*, so it often gives false even when two Strings have the same letters.

The equals method

• Objects are compared using a method named equals.

```
Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("What is your name? ");
String name = console.next();
if (name.equals("Barney")) {
    System.out.println("I love you, you love me,");
    System.out.println("We're a happy family!");
}
```

• Technically this is a method that returns a value of type boolean, the type used in logical tests.

String test methods

Method	Description
equals(str)	whether two strings contain the same characters
equalsIgnoreCase(str)	whether two strings contain the same characters, ignoring upper vs. lower case
startsWith(str)	whether one contains other's characters at start
endsWith(str)	whether one contains other's characters at end
contains (str)	whether the given string is found within this one

```
String name = console.next();
```

```
if (name.startsWith("Dr.")) {
```

System.out.println("Are you single?");

```
} else if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("LUMBERG")) {
```

```
System.out.println("I need your TPS reports.");
```

}

Type char

• char : A primitive type representing single characters.

- Each character inside a String is stored as a char value.
- Literal char values are surrounded with apostrophe (single-quote) marks, such as 'a`, '4`, '\n`, '\'`, '\t`, '\\'
- It is legal to have variables, parameters, returns of type char

```
char letter = 'S';
System.out.println(letter); // S
```

• char values can be concatenated with strings.

```
char initial = 'P';
System.out.println(initial + " Diddy"); // P Diddy
```

The charAt method

• The chars in a String can be accessed using the charAt method.

```
String food = "cookie";
char firstLetter = food.charAt(0); // 'c'
System.out.println(firstLetter + " is for " + food);
System.out.println("That's good enough for me!");
```

• You can use a for loop to print or examine each character.

```
String major = "CSE";
for (int i = 0; i < major.length(); i++) {
    char c = major.charAt(i);
    System.out.println(c);
}
Output:
C
S
E</pre>
```

char vs. int

- All char values are assigned numbers internally by the computer, called ASCII values.
 - Examples:
 - 'A' is 65, 'B' is 66, ' is 32
 'a' is 97, 'b' is 98, '*' is 42
 - Mixing char and int causes automatic conversion to int. 'a' + 10 is 107, 'A' + 'A' is 130
 - To convert an int into the equivalent char, type-cast it. (char) ('a' + 2) is 'c'

charvs.String

- "h" is a String
 'h' is a char (the two behave differently)
- String is an object; it contains methods
 String s = "h";
 s = s.toUpperCase(); // 'H'
 int len = s.length(); // 1
 char first = s.charAt(0); // 'H'
- char is primitive; you can't call methods on it

```
char c = 'h';
c = c.toUpperCase(); // ERROR: "cannot be dereferenced"
```

- What is s + 1? What is c + 1?
- What is s + s? What is c + c?

Comparing char values

• You can compare char values with relational operators:

'a' < 'b' and 'X' == 'X' and 'Q' != 'q'

• An example that prints the alphabet:

```
for (char c = 'a'; c <= 'z'; c++) {
    System.out.print(c);
}</pre>
```

• You can test the value of a string's character:

```
String word = console.next();
if (word.charAt(word.length() - 1) == 's') {
    System.out.println(word + " is plural.");
}
```

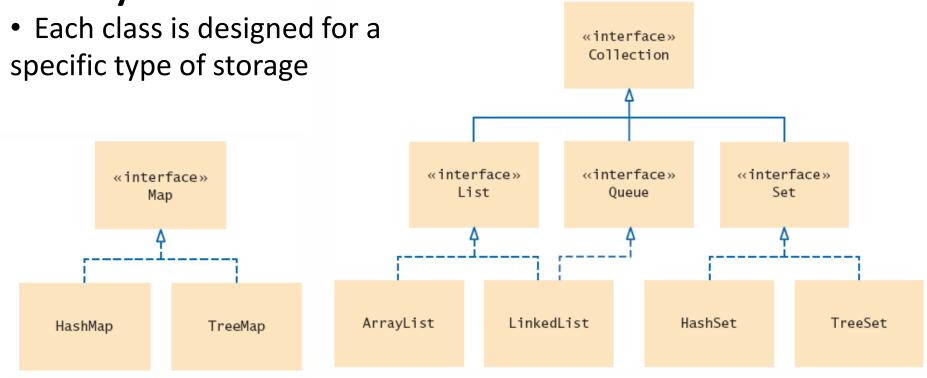
Java Collections Framework

- 1. When you need to organize **multiple objects** in your program, you can place them into a **collection**
- 2. The Array class that was introduced later is one of many collection classes that the standard Java library supplies
- 3. Each interface type is implemented by one or more classes

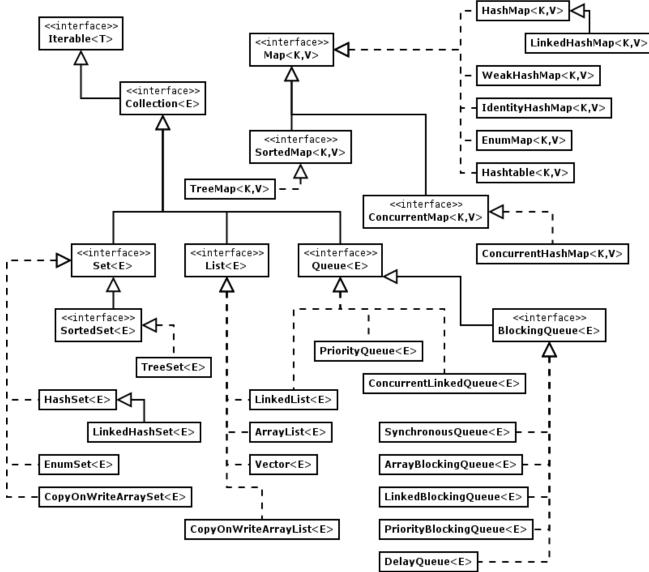
A collection groups together elements and allows them to be accessed and retrieved later

Collections Framework Diagram

 Each collection class implements an interface from a hierarchy



Collections Framework Diagram



Limitations of Arrays

- Size must be specified upon creation
- Can't add/remove/insert elements later
- No built-in methods for searching, etc.
- Can't print arrays without Arrays.toString (or Arrays.deepToString)

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
value	12	49	-2	26	5	17	-6	84	72	3

ArrayLists

- A variable type that represents a list of items.
- You access individual items by index.
- Store a single type of **object** (String, etc.)
- Resizable can add and remove elements
- Has helpful methods for searching for items

```
import java.util.*;
```

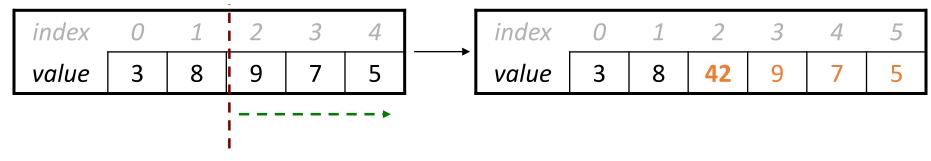
ArrayList<String> myArrayList = new ArrayList<>();

ArrayList Methods

<pre>List.add(value);</pre>	appends value at end of list
<pre>List.add(index, value);</pre>	inserts given value just before the given index, shifting subsequent values to the right
<pre>list.clear();</pre>	removes all elements of the list
<pre>List.get(index)</pre>	returns the value at given index
<pre>list.indexOf(value)</pre>	returns first index where given value is found in list (- 1 if not found)
<pre>List.isEmpty()</pre>	returns true if the list contains no elements
<pre>list.remove(index);</pre>	removes/returns value at given index, shifting subsequent values to the left
<pre>List.remove(value);</pre>	removes the first occurrence of the value, if any
<pre>list.set(index, value);</pre>	replaces value at given index with given value
<pre>list.size()</pre>	returns the number of elements in the list
<pre>list.toString()</pre>	returns a string representation of the list such as "[3, 42, -7, 15]"

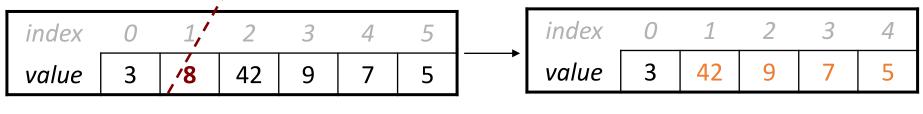
Insert/remove

- If you insert/remove in the front or middle of a list, elements **shift** to fit.
 - list.add(2, 42);
 - shift elements right to make room for the new element



list.remove(1);

• shift elements left to cover the space left by the removed element



Lists and Sets • Ordered Lists



- ArrayList
 - Stores a list of items in a dynamically sized array
- LinkedList
 - Allows **speedy** insertion and removal of items from the list

A **list** is a collection that maintains the order of its elements.

Lists and Sets

• Unordered Sets



• HashSet

- Uses hash tables to speed up finding, adding, and removing elements
- TreeSet
 - Uses a binary tree to speed up finding, adding, and removing elements

A **set** is an unordered collection of unique elements.

Stacks and Queues

- Another way of gaining efficiency in a collection is to reduce the number of operations available
- Two examples are:
 - Stack
 - Remembers the order of its elements, but it does not allow you to insert elements in every position
 - You can only add and remove elements at the top
 - Queue
 - Add items to one end (the tail)
 - Remove them from the other end (the head)
 - Example: A line of people waiting for a bank teller

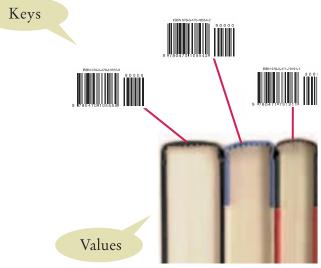


Maps • A map stores **keys**, **values**, and the associations between them

- Example:
- Barcode keys and books

A map keeps associations between key and value objects.

- Keys
 - Provides an easy way to represent an object (such as a numeric bar code, or a Student Identification Number)
- Values
 - The actual object that is associated with the key



The Collection Interface (1)

• List, Queue and Set are specialized interfaces that inherit from the Collection interface

Table 1 The Methods of the Collection Interface

• All share the following commonly used methods

Collection <string> coll = new ArrayList<string>();</string></string>	The ArrayList class implements the Collection interface.
<pre>coll = new TreeSet<string>()</string></pre>	The TreeSet class implements the Collection interface.
<pre>int n = coll.size();</pre>	Gets the size of the collection. n is now 0.
<pre>coll.add("Harry"); coll.add("Sally");</pre>	Adds elements to the collection.
<pre>String s = coll.toString();</pre>	Returns a string with all elements in the collection. s is now "[Harry, Sally]"
<pre>System.out.println(coll);</pre>	Invokes the toString method and prints [Harry, Sally].

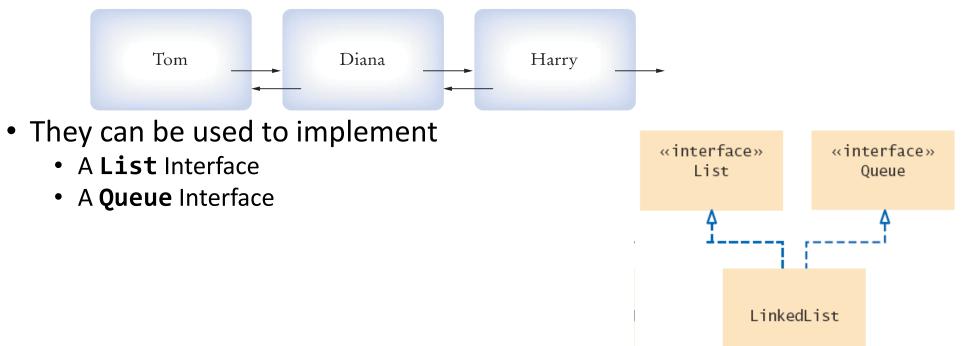
The **Collection** Interface (2)

Table 1 The Methods of the Collection Interface

Collection <string> coll = new ArrayList<string>();</string></string>	The ArrayList class implements the Collection interface.
<pre>coll.remove("Harry"); boolean b = coll.remove("Tom");</pre>	Removes an element from the collection, returning false if the element is not present. b is false.
<pre>b = coll.contains("Sally");</pre>	Checks whether this collection contains a given element. b is now true.
<pre>for (String s : coll) { System.out.println(s); }</pre>	You can use the "for each" loop with any collection. This loop prints the elements on separate lines.
<pre>Iterator<string> iter = coll.iterator()</string></pre>	You use an iterator for visiting the elements in the collection

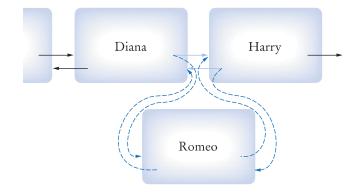
Linked Lists

- Linked lists use references to maintain an ordered lists of 'nodes'
 - The 'head' of the list references the first node
 - Each node has a value and a reference to the next node



Linked Lists Operations

- Efficient Operations
 - Insertion of a node
 - Find the elements it goes between
 - Remap the references
 - Removal of a node
 - Find the element to remove
 - Remap neighbor's references
 - Visiting all elements in order
- Inefficient Operations
 - Random access





Each instance variable is declared just like other variables we have used.

LinkedList: Important Methods

Table 2 Working with L	inked Lists		
<pre>LinkedList<string> list = new LinkedList<string>();</string></string></pre>	An empty list.		
list.addLast("Harry");	Adds an element to the end of the list. Same as add.		
list.addFirst("Sally");	Adds an element to the beginning of the list. list is now [Sally, Harry].		
list.getFirst();	Gets the element stored at the beginning of the list; here "Sally".		
list.getLast();	Gets the element stored at the end of the list; here "Harry".		
<pre>String removed = list.removeFirst();</pre>	Removes the first element of the list and returns it. removed is "Sally" and list is [Harry]. Use removeLast to remove the last element.		
ListIterator <string> iter = list.listIterator()</string>	Provides an iterator for visiting all list elements		

Generic Linked Lists

• The Collection Framework uses Generics

• Each list is declared with a type field in < > angle brackets

LinkedList<String> employeeNames = . . .;

LinkedList<String> LinkedList<Employee>

List Iterators

□When traversing a LinkedList, use a ListIterator

• Keeps track of where you are in the list.

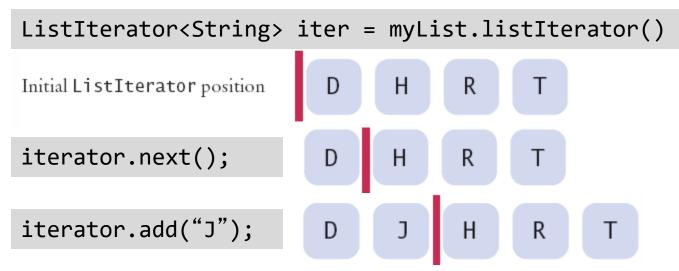
Use an **iterator** to:

- Access elements inside a linked list
- Visit other than the first and the last nodes

LinkedList<String> employeeNames = . . .; ListIterator<String> iter = employeeNames.listIterator()

Using Iterators

• Think of an iterator as pointing **between** two elements (think of cursor in word processor)



Note that the generic type for the listIterator must match the generic type of the LinkedList

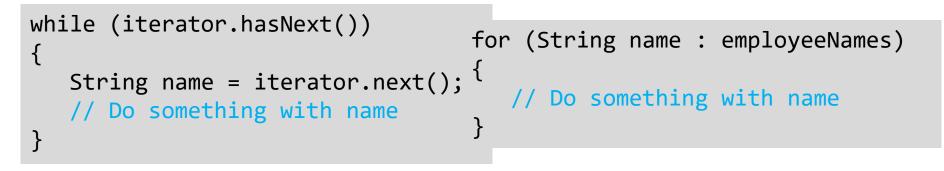
Iterator and ListIterator Methods

- **Iterators** allow you to move through a list easily
 - Similar to an index variable for an array

Table 3 Methods of the Iterator and ListIterator Interfaces			
<pre>String s = iter.next();</pre>	Assume that iter points to the beginning of the list [Sally] before calling next. After the call, s is "Sally" and the iterator points to the end.		
<pre>iter.previous(); iter.set("Juliet");</pre>	The set method updates the last element returned by next or previous. The list is now [Juliet].		
iter.hasNext()	Returns false because the iterator is at the end of the collection.		
<pre>if (iter.hasPrevious()) { s = iter.previous(); }</pre>	hasPrevious returns true because the iterator is not at the beginning of the list. previous and hasPrevious are ListIterator methods.		
iter.add("Diana");	Adds an element before the iterator position (ListIterator only). The list is now [Diana, Juliet].		
<pre>iter.next(); iter.remove();</pre>	remove removes the last element returned by next or previous. The list is now [Diana].		

Iterators and Loops

 Iterators are often used in while and "for-each" loops hasNext returns true if there is a next element next returns a reference to the value of the next element



- Where is the iterator in the "for-next" loop?
 - Iterators are used 'behind the scenes'

Adding and Removing with Iterators

- Adding iterator.add("Juliet");
 - A new node is added **AFTER** the Iterator
 - The Iterator is moved past the new node
- Removing
 - Removes the object that was returned with the last call to next or previous
 - It can be called only once after next or previous
 - You cannot call it immediately after a call to add.(why?)

```
If you call the removeIfmethod improperly, it throws{an IllegalStateException.it
```

```
while (iterator.hasNext())
{
   String name = iterator.next();
   if (condition is true for name)
    {
      iterator.remove();
   }
}
```

ListDemo.java (1)

• Illustrates adding, removing and printing a list

```
import java.util.LinkedList;
    import java.util.ListIterator;
2
 3
 4
    /**
        This program demonstrates the LinkedList class.
 5
6
    */
    public class ListDemo
 7
8
       public static void main(String[] args)
 9
10
        {
11
           LinkedList<String> staff = new LinkedList<String>();
12
           staff.addLast("Diana");
13
           staff.addLast("Harry");
14
           staff.addLast("Romeo");
15
           staff.addLast("Tom");
16
17
           // | in the comments indicates the iterator position
18
19
           ListIterator<String> iterator = staff.listIterator(); // |DHRT
20
           iterator.next(); // D|HRT
           iterator.next(); // DH|RT
21
22
```

ListDemo.java (2)

23 24	// Add more elements after second element		
25 26	iterator.add("Juliet"); // DHJ RT iterator.add("Nina"); // DHJN RT		
27 28 29	iterator.next(); // DHJNR T		
30 31	// Remove last traversed element		
32 33	<pre>iterator.remove(); // DHJN T</pre>		
34 35		// Print all elements	
36 37 38	1	System.out.println(staff); System.out.println("Expected: [Diana, Harry, Juliet, Nina, Tom]");	
39	}		

Program Run

[Diana, Harry, Juliet, Nina, Tom] Expected: [Diana, Harry, Juliet, Nina, Tom]

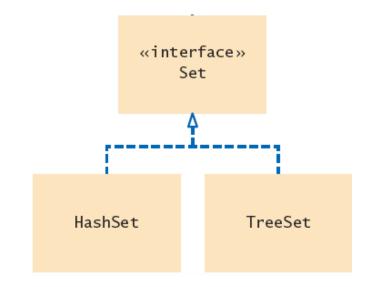
15.3 Sets

- A set is an **unordered** collection
 - It does not support duplicate elements
- The collection does not keep track of the order in which elements have been added
 - Therefore, it can carry out its operations more efficiently than an ordered collection

The HashSet and TreeSet classes both implement the Set interface.

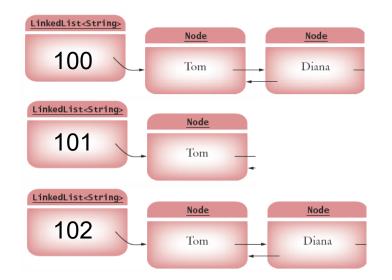
- HashSet: Stores data in a Hash Table
- TreeSet: Stores data in a Binary Tree
- Both implementations arrange the set elements so that finding, adding, and removing elements is efficient

Set implementations arrange the elements so that they can locate them quickly



Hash Table Concept

- Set elements are grouped into <u>smaller collections</u> of elements that **share the same characteristic**
 - It is usually based on the result of a **mathematical** calculation on the contents that results in an **integer value**
 - In order to be stored in a hash table, elements must have a method to compute their integer values



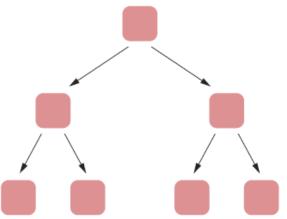
hashCode

- The method is called **hashCode**
 - If multiple elements have the same hash code (so-called clash), they are stored in a LinkedList
- The elements must also have an **equals method** for checking whether an element equals another like:
 - String, Integer, Point, Rectangle, Color, and all collection classes

Set<String> names = new HashSet<String>();

Tree Concept

- Set elements are kept in sorted order
 - Nodes are not arranged in a linear sequence but in a tree shape



• In order to use a TreeSet, it must be possible to **compare** the elements and determine which one is "**larger**"

TreeSet

- Use TreeSet for classes that **implement** the **Comparable** interface
 - String and Integer, for example
 - The nodes are arranged in a 'tree' fashion so that each 'parent' node has two child nodes.
 - The node to the **left** always has a **'smaller'** value
 - The node to the **right** always has a **'larger'** value

Set<String> names = new TreeSet<String>();

Iterators and Sets

- Iterators are also used when processing sets
 - hasNext returns true if there is a next element
 - next returns a reference to the value of the next element
 - add via the iterator is not supported for TreeSet and HashSet

```
Iterator<String> iter = names.iterator();
while (iter.hasNext())
{
   String name = iter.next();
   // Do something with name
   }
```

- Note that the elements are **not visited in the order** in which you inserted them.
- They are visited in the order in which the set keeps them:
 - Seemingly random order for a HashSet
 - Sorted order for a TreeSet

Working With Sets (1)

Table 4 Working with Sets			
Set <string> names;</string>	Use the interface type for variable declarations.		
<pre>names = new HashSet<string>();</string></pre>	Use a TreeSet if you need to visit the elements in sorted order.		
<pre>names.add("Romeo");</pre>	Now names.size() is 1.		
<pre>names.add("Fred");</pre>	Now names.size() is 2.		
<pre>names.add("Romeo");</pre>	names.size() is still 2. You can't add duplicates.		
if (names.contains("Fred"))	The contains method checks whether a value is contained in the set. In this case, the method returns true.		

Working With Sets (2)

Table 4 Working with Sets

<pre>System.out.println(names);</pre>	Prints the set in the format [Fred, Romeo]. The elements need not be shown in the order in which they were inserted.
<pre>for (String name : names) { }</pre>	Use this loop to visit all elements of a set.
<pre>names.remove("Romeo");</pre>	Now names.size() is 1.
<pre>names.remove("Juliet");</pre>	It is not an error to remove an element that is not present. The method call has no effect.

SpellCheck.java (1)

```
import java.util.HashSet;
    import java.util.Scanner;
 2
   import java.util.Set;
 3
    import java.io.File;
 4
    import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
 5
 6
 7
     /**
       This program checks which words in a file are not present in a dictionary.
 8
 9
    */
    public class SpellCheck
10
11
    {
12
       public static void main(String[] args)
13
          throws FileNotFoundException
14
       £
          // Read the dictionary and the document
15
16
          Set<String> dictionaryWords = readWords("words");
17
          Set<String> documentWords = readWords("alice30.txt");
18
19
          // Print all words that are in the document but not the dictionary
20
21
22
          for (String word : documentWords)
23
24
             if (!dictionaryWords.contains(word))
25
26
                System.out.println(word);
27
28
```

SpellCheck.java (2)

29	}
30	
31	/**
32	Reads all words from a file.
33	Oparam filename the name of the file
34	@return a set with all lowercased words in the file. Here, a
35	word is a sequence of upper- and lowercase letters.
36	*/
37	<pre>public static Set<string> readWords(String filename)</string></pre>
38	throws FileNotFoundException
30 39	
40	{
	<pre>Set<string> words = new HashSet<string>();</string></string></pre>
41	<pre>Scanner in = new Scanner(new File(filename));</pre>
42	// Use any characters other than a-z or A-Z as delimiters
43	<pre>in.useDelimiter("[^a-zA-Z]+");</pre>
44	<pre>while (in.hasNext())</pre>
45	{
46	words.add(in.next().toLowerCase());
47	}
48	return words;
49	}
50	}

Program Run

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Programming Tip

- Use Interface References to Manipulate Data Structures
 - It is considered good style to store a **reference** to a HashSet or TreeSet in a variable of type Set.

```
Set<String> words = new HashSet<String>();
```

• This way, you have to **change only one line** if you decide to use a TreeSet instead.

Programming Tip

- Unfortunately the same is not true of the ArrayList, LinkedList and List classes
 - The get and set methods for random access are very inefficient (why)
- Also, if a method can operate on **arbitrary collections**, use the **Collection interface** type for the parameter:

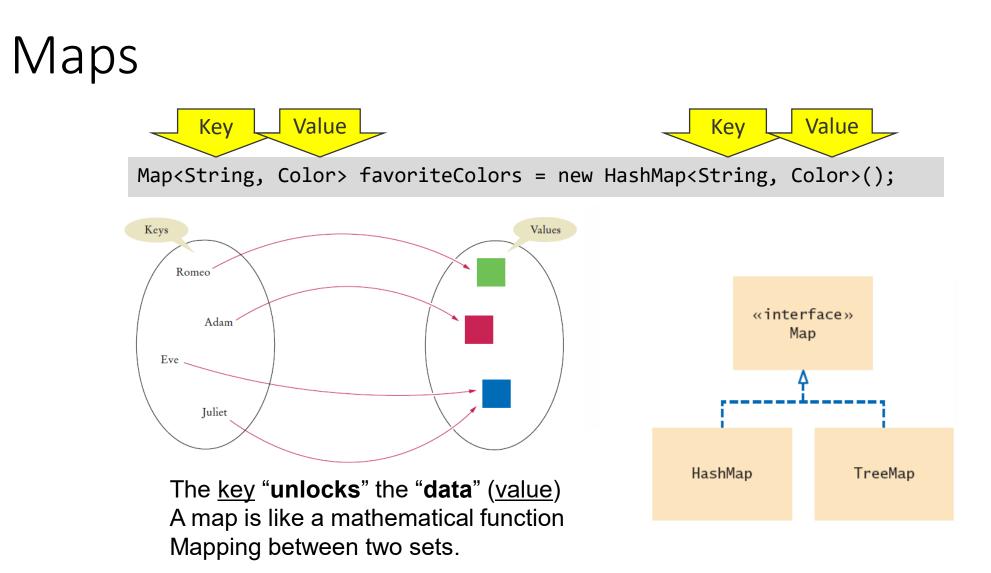
public static void removeLongWords(Collection<String> words)

Maps

- A map allows you to associate elements from a key set with elements from a value collection.
 - The **HashMap** and **TreeMap** classes both implement the Map interface.
 - Use a map to look up objects by using a key.

HashMap Examples

- Phone book: name -> phone number
- Search engine: URL -> webpage
- **Dictionary**: word -> definition
- Bank: account # -> balance
- Social Network: name -> profile
- **Counter**: text -> # occurrences
- And many more...

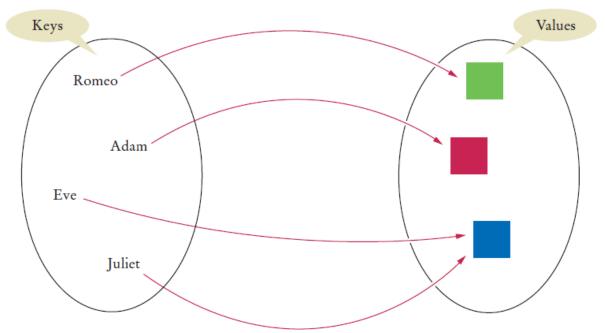


Working with Maps (Table 5)

Map <string, integer=""> scores;</string,>	Keys are strings, values are Integer wrappers. Use the interface type for variable declarations.
<pre>scores = new TreeMap<string, integer="">();</string,></pre>	Use a HashMap if you don't need to visit the keys in sorted order.
<pre>scores.put("Harry", 90); scores.put("Sally", 95);</pre>	Adds keys and values to the map.
<pre>scores.put("Sally", 100);</pre>	Modifies the value of an existing key.
<pre>int n = scores.get("Sally"); Integer n2 = scores.get("Diana");</pre>	Gets the value associated with a key, or null if the key is not present. n is 100, n2 is null.
<pre>System.out.println(scores);</pre>	Prints scores.toString(), a string of the form {Harry=90, Sally=100}
<pre>for (String key : scores.keySet()) { Integer value = scores.get(key); }</pre>	Iterates through all map keys and values.
<pre>scores.remove("Sally");</pre>	Removes the key and value.

Key Value Pairs in Maps

• Each key is **associated** with a value



Map<String, Color> favoriteColors = new HashMap<String, Color>(); favoriteColors.put("Juliet", Color.RED); favoriteColors.put("Romeo", Color.GREEN); Color julietsFavoriteColor = favoriteColors.get("Juliet"); favoriteColors.remove("Juliet");

Iterating through Maps

• To **iterate** through the map, use a keySet to get the list of keys:

```
Set<String> keySet = m.keySet();
for (String key : keySet)
{
    Color value = m.get(key);
    System.out.println(key + "->" + value);
}
```

To find all values in a map, 1/ iterate through the key set and 2/ find the values that correspond to the keys.

MapDemo.java

```
import java.awt.Color;
    import java.util.HashMap;
 2
    import java.util.Map;
 3
    import java.util.Set;
 4
 5
    /**
 6
       This program demonstrates a map that maps names to colors.
 7
 8
    */
    public class MapDemo
 9
10
11
       public static void main(String[] args)
12
13
          Map<String, Color> favoriteColors = new HashMap<String, Color>();
          favoriteColors.put("Juliet", Color.BLUE);
14
15
          favoriteColors.put("Romeo", Color.GREEN);
          favoriteColors.put("Adam", Color.RED);
16
17
          favoriteColors.put("Eve", Color.BLUE);
18
          // Print all keys and values in the map
19
20
21
          Set<String> keySet = favoriteColors.keySet();
22
          for (String key : keySet)
23
24
             Color value = favoriteColors.get(key);
             System.out.println(key + " : " + value);
25
26
          }
27
28
```

Program Run

Juliet : java.awt.Color[r=0,g=0,b=255] Adam : java.awt.Color[r=255,g=0,b=0] Eve : java.awt.Color[r=0,g=0,b=255] Romeo : java.awt.Color[r=0,g=255,b=0]

What data structure should I use?

- Use an **array** if...
 - Order matters for your information
 - You know how many elements you will store
 - You need the most efficiency
- Use an ArrayList if...
 - Order matters for your information
 - You do not know how many elements you will store, or need to resize
 - You need to use ArrayList methods

• Use a HashMap if...

- Order doesn't matter for your information
- You need to store an *association* between two types of information
- You do not know how many elements you will store, or need to resize
- You need to use HashMap methods

Algorithms for collection

- sort(List), sort(List, Comparator)
- binarySearch(List, Object), binarySearch(List, Object, Comparator)
- reverse(List)
- shuffle(List), shuffle(List,Random)
- fill(List,Object)
- copy(List, List)
- min(Collection), min(Collection, Comparator)
- max(Collection), max(Collection,Comoarator)

```
List<String> strList = new ArrayList<String>();
strList.add("A");
strList.add("C");
strList.add("B");
strList.add("Z");
strList.add("E");
Collections.sort(strList);
for (String str: strList) {
System.out.print(" " + str);
```