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- The only significant change is the private field table and its initialization in the MySet() constructor. This addresses both issues:
- Extensibility: The MySet on the right column does not include the containsKey() method in its interface and the new field table is private. Hence, we can change the internal representation of MySet to another class (e.g., a List) without impacting any clients of MySet.
- **Subtyping**: MySet doesn't inherit from Hashtable, so it can't be substituted for a Hashtable in client code. Previously using Hashtables still works as expected.



```
1 /* Implementation of MySet using delegation */
 2 class MySet {
      private Hashtable table;
      MySet() {
          table = Hashtable();
      void put(Object element) {
          if (!containsValue(element)){
             table.put(element, this);
10
      boolean containsValue(Object element) {
          return (table.containsKey(element));
13
14
      /* Other methods omitted */
16 }
```

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- **Delegation** is the alternative to implementation inheritance that should be used when reuse is desired.
- A class is said to delegate to another class if it implements an operation by resending a message to another class.
- Delegation makes explicit the dependencies between the reused class and the new class.