

CS 113 – Computer Science I

Lecture 21 – Searching!

Tuesday 11/21/2023

Announcements

HW08 – Due Wednesday 11/22

Class design

Mid-semester feedback survey

HW09 – Big OOP – due Wednesday 12/06

Midterm 2

Thursday 11/30

Material:

- Midterm 1 material

- Loops

- Classes & OOP

Midterm 2 study tips

Read the textbook

Vocab section in each textbook chapter:

- Write out the definitions yourself

Do the practice problems in the textbook

- Code solutions: <https://github.com/ChrisMayfield/ThinkJavaCode2>

Outline

- Reviewing relationships!
- Searching

Subtyping vs Subclassing

Interfaces (subtyping)

- **implements**
- Guarantees same types have same functions
 - Though the same functions are implemented differently
- A class can implement multiple interfaces
- An interface can extend another interface

Inheritance (subclassing)

- **extends**
- Reuses implementations
- Consequences:
 - Dependent on base class
 - Changes in superclass affects all subclasses
 - Can re-use code inside classes
- A class can extend just one parent class

Outline

- Reviewing relationships!
- **Searching**

Searching

Finding whether an item is in a collection

Applications:

- Specific email in an inbox
- Word in a document
- Course in a list of course offerings
- Professor is on RateMyProfessor
- ...

Common search problems

Is an item in an array?

- Returns: True or False

Where in an array is the item?

- Returns: the index (an integer)
 - Standard: -1 if the item is not found

How many times does the item appear in an array?

- Returns: a count (an integer)

What is the min, max, or average value in an array?

- Returns: the value (double)

Searching in Bank

Do we have an account for a specific person/name

Idea:

- Iterate through each BankAccount in the array

 - Check if the current bank account's name is the same as the name we are searching for.

 - If yes:

 - return True;

 - return False;

Searching in an array of Animals

Does our collection contain a specific Animal?

Idea:

- Iterate through each Animal in the array

 - Check if the current animal is the same as the animal we are searching for.

 - If yes:

 - return True;

 - return False;

Comparing objects

Recall: variables for objects are references (pointers) to objects

`==`

Compares whether the two references are the same

`Object.equals(Object obj)`

compares two objects

Every (base) class should implement this

Searching in our array of Animals

Where in our collection is the specific Animal?

Idea:

- Iterate through each Animal in the array

 - Check if the current point is the same as the animal we are searching for.

 - If yes:

 - return the index;

 - return False;

Searching in our array of Animals

Where in our collection is the specific Animal?

Idea:

- Iterate through each Animal in the array

 - Check if the current point is the same as the animal we are searching for.

 - If yes:

 - return the index;

 - return -1;

Searching in our array of Animals

How many animals in our collection are less than 5lbs?

Linear Search

These previous approaches are examples of linear search

Check each item in a collection one by one

Why is this call linear search?

Time it takes to search increases *linearly* with the size of the list

Linear Search

What happens (in terms of speed) when the list is very large?

The search becomes slower

In what cases do we do the most work (i.e. perform the most comparisons)?

When the item is not in the list

In what cases do we do the least amount of work?

When the item is the first element in the list

Binary Search

If we could change the list, is there a way to search more efficiently?

Yes, if the list is sorted

Guessing game – in class exercise

Pair up:

- Person A chooses a number between 1 and 100
- Person B guesses the number
- Until the guess is correct:
 - Person A tells whether the guess is too high or too low
 - Person B guesses again

Binary Search

Assuming list is sorted in ascending order

High-level Algorithm:

- Step 1: Find the midpoint of the list:
 - if the search value is at the midpoint – we are done!
 - if the value we are searching for is above the midpoint,
 - Search right: cut our list in half and repeat step 1 with the right half of the list
 - If the value we are searching for is below the midpoint
 - Search left: cut out list in half and repeat step 1 with the left half of the list

Binary Search – Initial Values

lowIndex, highIndex, midIndex

lowIndex = 0

highIndex = length of the array – 1

midIndex = $\frac{lowIndex + highIndex}{2}$

Binary Search – Initial Values

`lowIndex, highIndex, midIndex`

If value at `midIndex` == `searchValue`:

Success!

If value at `midIndex` < `searchValue`:

`lowIndex = midIndex + 1`

update `midIndex`

If value at `midIndex` > `searchValue`:

`highIndex = midIndex - 1`

update `midIndex`

Binary search

String[] ls = {
 0 1 2 3 4 5
-20, -4, 44, 58, 99, 145}

Search for 99

low	mid	high	ls[mid]

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 99

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 99

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44
3	4	5	99 (found!)

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 30

low	mid	high	ls[mid]

Binary search

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Search for 30

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 30

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44
0	0	1	-20

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 30

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44
0	0	1	-20
1	1	1	-4

Binary search

String[] ls = {⁰-20, ¹-4, ²44, ³58, ⁴99, ⁵145}

Search for 30

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	2	5	44
0	0	1	-20
1	1	1	-4
2		1	Not found!

Binary search w/ Strings

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

```
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};
```

Search for "cow"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]

Binary search w/ Strings

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

```
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};
```

Search for "cow"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"

Binary search w/ Strings

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

```
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};
```

Search for "cow"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"
4	5	7	"dog"

Binary search w/ Strings

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

```
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};
```

Search for "cow"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"
4	5	7	"dog"
4	4	4	"cow"!

Binary search

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};

Search for “elephant”

low	mid	high	ls[mid]

Binary search

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};

Search for "elephant"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"

Binary search

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};

Search for "elephant"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"
4	5	7	"dog"

Binary search

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};

Search for "elephant"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"
4	5	7	"dog"
6	6	7	"fish"

Binary search

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
String[] ls = {"bear", "bird", "bug", "cat", "cow", "dog", "fish", "lion"};

Search for "elephant"

low	mid	high	ls[mid]
0	3	7	"cat"
4	5	7	"dog"
6	6	7	"fish"
6		6	