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com.george.als.entities.lifeforms

# Class ALifeForm

java.lang.Object



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```

```
public abstract class ALifeForm
extends java.lang.Object
```

The base class for all life forms The class creates and updates all of the life forms on the current map It holds the name and type of life form The x and y positions of the life form And all the other information that is used to update their positions on the map

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## Nested Class Summary

static class	<a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a>
	The direction the life form can move

## Constructor Summary

<a href="#">ALifeForm</a> (java.lang.String name, java.lang.String type, com.george.als.world.Map map)
Contructor for creating a Herbivore or Carnivore

## Method Summary

void	<a href="#">checkBugHasNest</a> () Check if the life form has a nest
boolean	<a href="#">checkFood</a> (com.george.als.entities.food.Food food) Checks if the food the bug is moving to still exists on the map Prevents the bug searching for food that has been eaten
boolean	<a href="#">detectObstacle</a> ( <a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a> direction) Detects and obstacle one cell ahead of the bug in the given direction
<a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a>	<a href="#">getCurrentDirection</a> ()
int	<a href="#">getEnergy</a> () Gets the bugs energy
com.george.als.entities.food.Food	<a href="#">getFood</a> ()
com.george.als.entities.food.Food	<a href="#">getFoodAt</a> (int x, int y) Gets the food at a particular position
com.george.als.entities.food.Food	<a href="#">getFoodToMoveTo</a> () Gets the food the bug needs to move to

com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest	<a href="#">getHome()</a> Gets the bugs home nest
boolean	<a href="#">getInNest()</a> Gets if the bug is in its nest
com.george.als.world.Map	<a href="#">getMap()</a> Gets the map the bug belongs to
int	<a href="#">getMaxSmellingDistance()</a> Gets the bugs smelling distance
boolean	<a href="#">getMovingToFood()</a> Gets if the bug is moving to food
boolean	<a href="#">getMovingToNest()</a> Gets if the bug is moving to its nest
java.lang.String	<a href="#">getName()</a> Gets the name of the bug
<a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a>	<a href="#">getRandomDirectionToMove()</a> Generates a random direction to move by using random numbers *
java.lang.String	<a href="#">getType()</a> Gets the type of bug
int	<a href="#">getX()</a> Gets the bugs X position
int	<a href="#">getY()</a> Gets the bugs y position
void	<a href="#">move()</a> ( <a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a> direction) Moves the bug in a direction This method is called by moveToFood, moveToNest, moveToParent
void	<a href="#">moveToFood()</a> (com.george.als.entities.food.Food food) Moves the bug to a food item on the map Uses the A* search algorithm
void	<a href="#">moveToNest()</a> (com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest nest) Moves the bug to a nest on the map Uses the A* start search algorithm
boolean	<a href="#">overFood()</a> Checks if the bug is standing over food
void	<a href="#">setCurrentDirection()</a> ( <a href="#">ALifeForm.Direction</a> direction) Sets the current Direction
void	<a href="#">setEnergy()</a> (int energy) sets the bugs energy
void	<a href="#">setFoodToMoveTo()</a> (com.george.als.entities.food.Food foodToMoveTo) Sets the bugs food to move to
void	<a href="#">setHome()</a> (com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest home) Sets the bugs home nest
void	<a href="#">setInNest()</a> (boolean inNest) Sets if the bug is in its nest
void	<a href="#">setMovingToFood()</a> (boolean movingToFood) Sets if the bug is moving to food
void	<a href="#">setMovingToNest()</a> (boolean movingToNest) sets if the bug is moving to a nest
void	<a href="#">setName()</a> (java.lang.String name)

	Sets a bugs name
void	<a href="#"><code>setX</code></a> (int x) sets the bugs x position
void	<a href="#"><code>setY</code></a> (int y) sets the bugs y position
com.george.als.entities.food.Food	<a href="#"><code>smellFood</code></a> () Checks for food in a give radius This radius is determined by maxSmellingDistance
java.lang.String	<a href="#"><code>toString</code></a> ()
void	<a href="#"><code>update</code></a> () The bug update method that is overridden by the different types of bug

### Methods inherited from class java.lang.Object

`equals`, `getClass`, `hashCode`, `notify`, `notifyAll`, `wait`, `wait`, `wait`

## Constructor Detail

### ALifeForm

```
public ALifeForm(java.lang.String name,
                 java.lang.String type,
                 com.george.als.world.Map map)
```

Contructor for creating a Herbivore or Carnivore

#### Parameters:

name - the name of the life form  
type - the type of the life form  
map - the map it belongs to

## Method Detail

### getName

```
public java.lang.String getName()
```

Gets the name of the bug

#### Returns:

the bugs name

### getType

```
public java.lang.String getType()
```

Gets the type of bug

#### Returns:

the bugs type

## getX

```
public int getX()
```

Gets the bugs X position

**Returns:**

the bugs x coordinate

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## getY

```
public int getY()
```

Gets the bugs y position

**Returns:**

the bugs y coordinate

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## getEnergy

```
public int getEnergy()
```

Gets the bugs energy

**Returns:**

the bugs energy

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## getMaxSmellingDistance

```
public int getMaxSmellingDistance()
```

Gets the bugs smelling distance

**Returns:**

the bugs smelling distance

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## getMovingToFood

```
public boolean getMovingToFood()
```

Gets if the bug is moving to food

**Returns:**

if the bug is moving to food

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## getHome

```
public com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest getHome()
```

Gets the bugs home nest

**Returns:**

the bugs nest

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## getMap

```
public com.george.als.world.Map getMap()
```

Gets the map the bug belongs to

**Returns:**

the bugs map

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## getInNest

```
public boolean getInNest()
```

Gets if the bug is in its nest

**Returns:**

if the bug is in its nest

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## getMovingToNest

```
public boolean getMovingToNest()
```

Gets if the bug is moving to its nest

**Returns:**

if the bug is moving to its nests

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## getFoodToMoveTo

```
public com.george.als.entities.food.Food getFoodToMoveTo()
```

Gets the food the bug needs to move to

**Returns:**

the food the bug is moving to

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## setName

```
public void setName(java.lang.String name)
```

Sets a bugs name

**Parameters:**

name - the new name

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## setX

```
public void setX(int x)
```

sets the bugs x position

**Parameters:**

x - the new x position

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## setY

```
public void setY(int y)
```

sets the bugs y position

### Parameters:

y - the new y position

---

## setEnergy

```
public void setEnergy(int energy)
```

sets the bugs energy

### Parameters:

energy - the new energy

---

## setMovingToFood

```
public void setMovingToFood(boolean movingToFood)
```

Sets if the bug is moving to food

### Parameters:

movingToFood - the boolean value

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## setHome

```
public void setHome(com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest home)
```

Sets the bugs home nest

### Parameters:

home - the new home nest

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## setInNest

```
public void setInNest(boolean inNest)
```

Sets if the bug is in its nest

### Parameters:

inNest - the boolean value

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## setMovingToNest

```
public void setMovingToNest(boolean movingToNest)
```

sets if the bug is moving to a nest

### Parameters:

movingToNest - the boolean value

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## setFoodToMoveTo

```
public void setFoodToMoveTo(com.george.als.entities.food.Food foodToMoveTo)
```

Sets the bugs food to move to

### Parameters:

foodToMoveTo - the new food the bug should move to

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## getCurrentDirection

```
public ALifeForm.Direction getCurrentDirection()
```

### Returns:

the current direction the life form is moving

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## setCurrentDirection

```
public void setCurrentDirection(ALifeForm.Direction direction)
```

Sets the current Direction

### Parameters:

direction - the new direction the life form is to move

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## update

```
public void update()
```

The bug update method that is overridden by the different types of bug

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## checkBugHasNest

```
public void checkBugHasNest()
```

Check if the life form has a nest

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## moveToFood

```
public void moveToFood(com.george.als.entities.food.Food food)
```

Moves the bug to a food item on the map Uses the A\* search algorithm

### Parameters:

food - the food to move to

### See Also:

AStarPathFinder

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## moveToNest

```
public void moveToNest(com.george.als.entities.nest.Nest nest)
```

Moves the bug to a nest on the map Uses the A\* start search algorithm

**Parameters:**

nest - the nest to move to

**See Also:**

AStarPathFinder

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**move**

```
public void move(ALifeForm.Direction direction)
```

Moves the bug in a direction This method is called by moveToFood, moveToNest, moveToParent

**Parameters:**

direction - the direction to move the bug

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**getFood**

```
public com.george.als.entities.food.Food getFood()
```

**Returns:**

the food at the bugs current position

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**getFoodAt**

```
public com.george.als.entities.food.Food getFoodAt(int x,  
                                                    int y)
```

Gets the food at a particular position

**Parameters:**

x - the x coordinate

y - the y coordinate

**Returns:**

the food at a the x and y coordinate

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**overFood**

```
public boolean overFood()
```

Checks if the bug is standing over food

**Returns:**

true if standing over food, false if not

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**smellFood**

```
public com.george.als.entities.food.Food smellFood()
```

Checks for food in a give radius This radius is determined by maxSmellingDistance

**Returns:**

the food item that is found

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**checkFood**



```
public boolean checkFood(com.george.als.entities.food.Food food)
```

Checks if the food the bug is moving to still exists on the map Prevents the bug searching for food that has been eaten

**Parameters:**

food - the food to check

**Returns:**

true if the food still exist, false if not

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## detectObstacle

```
public boolean detectObstacle(ALifeForm.Direction direction)
```

Detects and obstacle one cell ahead of the bug in the given direction

**Parameters:**

direction - the direction to check

**Returns:**

true if there is an obstacle, false if not

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## getRandomDirectionToMove

```
public ALifeForm.Direction getRandomDirectionToMove()
```

Generates a random direction to move by using random numbers \*

**Returns:**

the directio to move

**See Also:**

[Random](#)

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## toString

```
public java.lang.String toString()
```

**Overrides:**

toString in class java.lang.Object

**Returns:**

the bug information to a string

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