# Anonymous Classes for File & Sorting (Ch 4.3 – 4.5)

# Java Odds & Ends (For Assignment 2)

#### **Command Line**

Compile your project and open a terminal / command line to:

Pun: java <package>.<class> your args here

package ca.cmpt213.as1content;
public class DemoArguments {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 // Print all arguments
 for (String arg : args) {
 System.out.println("Argument: " + arg);
 }
 }
}

C:\...\daProject\out\production\daProject> java ca.cmpt213.as1content.DemoArguments Hello world!

Argument: Hello Argument: World!

C:\...\daProject\out\production\daProject>

#### Formatted Printing

- Use printf() to print formatted numbers:
   System.out.printf(<format string>, <arg0>, ...);
  - Format String:...
  - Arguments: Extra data to print.
- Example: System.out.printf("%s! Is it %b that you're %d?%n", "Waldo", true, 42);

#### **Common Conversion Specifiers**

%d	decimal (int)
%x	hexadecimal
%f	float
%s	String
%b	boolean
%n	new line (like \n)

#### Formatted Printing (cont)

- Formatting floats and columns
  - Round to 2 decimal-point places:...
  - Use at least 5 columns to print:...
  - Print with comma groupings:...
- Examples

```
double a = 154.7599;
int b = 98765431;
System.out.printf("Values: %,15.2f, %,5d%n", a, b);
```

Values:

154.76, 98,765,431

- PrintWriter Note
  - Using PrintWriter to write to System.out, call it's flush() method when done output.

#### Wrappers & Shuffle

- Primitive data types cannot be use when you need a class (such as in an ArrayList).
  - Wrapper:...
  - Java has immutable wrappers for primitive data types:
     Integer, Double, Boolean, Character, etc

```
    Example:
        // Create the ArrayList
        List<Double> values = new ArrayList<>();

        // Make a Double wrapper object from the double value.
        values.add(new Double(6));
        values.add(new Double(0));
        values.add(4);

        // Shuffle (generate a random permutation):
        java.util.Collections.shuffle(values);
```

# File, FileFilter and Anonymous Classes

#### File Class

#### File Access

- Use the File class to work with file names: File file = new File("C:/t/file.txt");

#### Useful methods:

Get the path

file.getAbsolutePath()

– Does the file exist?

file.exist()

Get it's size in bytes...

- Is it a directory?

file.isDirectory()

Get all files in the folder...

#### FileFilter

- Making listFiles() filter
  - We need to tell listFiles() what type of files we want.
  - Let's write a method it can call to ask us (for each file) if we want to accept it:..
- Interface
  - An interface is...
- Java puts accept() into an interface public interface FileFilter { boolean accept(File pathName); }

## Using FileFilter

- Process to use FileFilter:
  - 1) Write a custom-filter class which...

(Similar to inheritance).

- 2) Instantiate our custom-filter.
- 3) Pass our custom-filter to File's listFiles() function.
- 4) Use the results!

#### Anonymous Classes

- Anonymous class:
- Useful when you need a short custom class to...
  - custom sorting
  - filtering files in a list
  - a button's callback

Generic Example

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    ClickHandler buttonAction = new ClickHandler() {
        @Override
        public void handleClick(){
            System.out.println("Clicked!");
        }
    };
    setButtonCallback(buttonAction);
```

ClickHandler is the interface (fictitious).

Use IDE to add

to the anonymous class.

(IntelliJ: Alt-Enter)

# Use a anonymous FileFilter

```
private static void demoFileFilter() {
    // Create the filter (an anonymous class)
                                                            Note the ()
    FileFilter filter = new FileFilter() {
        @Override
        public boolean accept(File file) {
             return file.getName().endsWith(".txt");
    // Use the filter (with callback)
    File folder = new File("C:/t/");
    File[] fileList = folder.listFiles(filter);
    for (File subFile : fileList) {
        System.out.println(" sub file: " + subFile.getAbsolutePath());
```

#### Anonymous Object & Class

- Anonymous Object:..
- Anonymous Class:..

```
private static void demoFileFilter() {
    File folder = new File("C:\\t\\");
    // Create filter (anonymous object of an anonymous class)
    File[] fileList = folder.listFiles(new FileFilter() {
        @Override
        public boolean accept(File file) {
             return file.getName().endsWith(".txt");
                                                               Note the \});
    });
    for (File subFile : fileList) {
        System.out.println(" sub file: " + subFile.getAbsolutePath());
```

# Sorting with Comparable

#### Sorting

- Java & Sorting
  - built-in sorting for collection: arrays, ArrayList, etc.
  - Calling Java's sort method for collections: java.util.Collections.sort( myCars );
  - Elements in the collection must implement the Comparable (generic) interface:

```
interface Comparable<Type> {
    // Compare this object with the specified object returning
    // negative integer for this < obj
    // zero for this == obj
    // positive integer for this > obj
    int compareTo(Type obj);
}
```

# Sorting Example

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
                                                             Output:
   // Create the list with some items:
                                                             Pen [Blue, 75%]
    ArrayList<Pen> list = new ArrayList<Pen>();
                                                             Pen [Green, 14%]
    list.add(new Pen("Green", 14));
                                                             Pen [Orange, 20%]
    list.add(new Pen("Orange", 20));
    list.add(new Pen("Blue", 75));
   // Sort the list
                                         class Pen implements Comparable<Pen> {
    java.util.Collections.sort(list);
                                             String colour;
                                             int filled;
   // Output the list.
                                             // ... Some content omitted...
    for (Pen item : list) {
        System.out.println(item);
                                             @Override
                                             public int compareTo(Pen other) {
                                                 return colour.compareTo(
                                                         other.colour);
```

#### Notes on sort

- Comparable interface defines the...
  - This is the one order which you choose as the default order for your class.
- java.util.Collections.sort() method does:
  - Copies all elements into an array,
  - Sorts the array,
  - Copies each element back into the original data type
- Guaranteed "fast" sort
  - $O(n \log(n))$  performance (which is good)

# Sorting with Comparator

## Multiple Sort Orders

- What about sorting by a number of different orders?
  - The Comparable interface only allows us to define..
  - What if I want to sort Pens by colour, or by filled %?
- Must create a Comparator:
  - Create an extra little class which implements a custom comparison function.
  - This class implement the Comparator interface.
  - We create an instance of this class when sorting.

#### Comparator Interface

- Comparator interface:
  - Used by sort algorithms.
  - It's a generic type: so you specify a type.

```
interface Comparator<Type> {
    // Compare 2 objects for custom order.
    // Returns:
    // negative integer for o1 < o2
    // zero for o1 == o2
    // positive integer for o1 > o2
    int compare(Type o1, Type o2);
}
```

#### Implement Comparator

- Make a new class which has one purpose:
  - Implement compare() to give the special sort order.

```
class PenSortByFilled implements Comparator<Pen> {
    // Return a negative number if o1 < o2
    // Return 0 if equal.
    // Return a positive number if o1 > o2.
    @Override
    public int compare(Pen o1, Pen o2) {
        return o1.getFilled() - o2.getFilled();
    }
}
```

 Call sort() by passing an instance of this class: java.util.Collections.sort(list, new PenSortByFilled());

## Sorting Example with Comparator

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   // Create the list with some items:
   ArrayList<Pen> list = new ArrayList<Pen>();
   list.add(new Pen("Green", 14));
   list.add(new Pen("Orange", 20));
   list.add(new Pen("Blue", 75));
   // Sort the list
   Collections.sort(list, new PenSortByFilled());
   // Output the list.
   for (Pen item : list) {
                                              Output:
      System.out.println(item);
                                              Pen [Green, 14%]
                                              Pen [Orange, 20%]
                                              Pen [Blue, 75%]
```

DemoSort.java

#### Strategy Pattern

- FileFilter & Comparator
  - Each defines a special purpose class to..
  - Often used as anonymous classes, and anonymous objects.
  - These are examples of the...
- Strategy Pattern

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 The algorithm (in our anonymous classes) can change without changing the general function (java.util.Collections.sort()).

#### Summary

- Formatted printing with printf(): %n, %d, %f, ...
- Wrappers: Turn primitives into objects.
  - Double, Integer, Boolean, Character
- File: For working with files
  - FileFilter interface for filtering files.
- Sorting
  - Natural order (single order): Comparable
  - Custom order (many orders): Comparator
- Anonymous classes & objects
  - Example of the Strategy Pattern.