Object Oriented Programming

Java

Part 11: Input/Output

Introduction

- It is common to separate the data entering and leaving the environment to the program in binary information and textual information.
- Binary information: constituted by zeros and ones which codify any data type and need to be interpreted by the application.
- Textual information: constituted by characters and digits which in Java correspond to the primitive type char (UTF-16).

java.io package (1)

- All classes manipulating files are contained in java.io.
- Classes that require access to file must contain:

```
import java.io.*;
```

java.io package (2)

- The java.io package is divided in 5 parts:
 - 1. Byte stream:
 - input stream.
 - output stream.
 - 2. Character stream:
 - readers.
 - writers.
 - 3. Data stream, which deal with primitive data types (int,...) and strings (String).
 - 4. Object stream, which transcribe objects to Bytes and viceversa.
 - 5. Class File, which deals with file attributes.

Pre-defined streams

- J2SE provides the final static class System. This class contains three static fields:
 - InputStream in: input stream of the program (usually the keyboard)
 - PrintStream out: output stream of the program (usually the monitor)
 - PrintStream err: error stream (usually coincides with System.out)

Binary streams

- InputStream: classe abstracta que lê fluxos binários de informação.
- OutputStream: classe abstracta que escreve fluxos binários de informação.
- PrintStream: subclasse concreta de OutputStream que escreve fluxos não necessariamente binários de informação.

InputStream class (1)

• Some methods of the InputStream class:

void close()

Closes this input stream and releases any system resources associated with the stream.

abstract int read()

Reads the next byte of data from the input stream. The value byte is returned as an int in the range 0 to 255. If no byte is available the value -1 is returned.

int read(byte[] b)

Reads bytes from the input stream and stores them into the buffer array b. The number of bytes actually read is returned as an integer.

int read(byte[] b, int off, int len)

Reads up to len bytes of data from the input stream into an array of bytes. An attempt is made to read as many as len bytes, but a smaller number may be read. The number of bytes read is returned as an integer.

InputStream class (2)

long skip(long n)

Skips over and discards n bytes of data from this input stream. The skip method may end up skipping over some smaller number of bytes, possibly 0 (e.g. EOF). The actual number of bytes skipped is returned. If n is negative, no bytes are skipped.

boolean markSupported()

Tests if this input stream supports the mark and reset methods.

void mark(int readLimit)

Marks the current position in this input stream. A subsequent call to the reset method repositions this stream at the last marked position so that subsequent reads re-read the same bytes. The readlimit arguments tells this input stream to allow that many bytes to be read before the mark position gets invalidated.

void reset()

Repositions this stream to the position at the time the mark method was last called on this input stream.

OutputStream class

• Some methods of OutputStream:

close()

Closes this output stream and releases any system resources associated with this stream.

void flush()

Flushes this output stream and forces any buffered output bytes to be written out.

void write(byte[] b)

Writes b.length bytes from the specified byte array to this output stream.

void write(byte[] b, int off, int len)

Writes len bytes from the specified byte array starting at offset off to this output stream.

PrintStream class

• Some methods of PrintStream:

```
void print(boolean b)
void print(char c)
void print(char[] c)
void print(double d)
void print(float f)
void print(int i)
void print(long l)
void print(Object obj)
void print(String s)
    Prints the value of each type.
void println()
    Prints and terminates the line.
```

Binary streams for files

- File: class that abstracts the representation of a file and directory paths.
- FileDescriptor: final class that represents an open file.
- FileInputStream: subclass of InputStream that reads binary streams from files (File or FileDescriptor).
- FileOutputStream: subclass of OutputStream that writes binary streams to files (File or FileDescriptor).

File class

Some constructors of the File class:

File(String pathname)

Creates a new File instance with this pathname string. The pathname may be relative or absolute. If it a relative pathname, then the current directory of the used is taken into consideration.

Some methods of the File class:

<pre>boolean exists() boolean canRead() boolean canWrite() boolean delete()</pre>	Tests whether the file/directory exists. Tests whether the application can read the file. Tests whether the application can write the file. Deletes the file.
<pre>long length() String getName()</pre>	Returns the length of the file. Returns the name of the file/directory.

FileDescriptor class

- A FileDescriptor object represents a value dependent of the operating system that describes an open file.
- Applications do not build objects of type
 FileDescriptor, those should be obtained
 through the getFD method of FileInputStream
 and FileOutputStream.

Classe FileInputStream

• Constructors of the FileInputStream class:

```
FileInputStream (File file)
FileInputStream (FileDescriptor fdObj)
FileInputStream (String name)
Builds a new FileInputStream for the given file.
```

• Besides the usual close, read, skip, etc, methods it also contains the method:

```
FileDescriptor getFD()
```

Returns the FileDescriptor object that represents the connection to the actual file in the file system being used by this FileInputStream.

FileOutputStream class

• Constructors of the FileOutputStream class:

```
FileOutputStream(File file, boolean append)
FileOutputStream(FileDescriptor fdObj)
FileOutputStream(String name)
FileOutputStream(String name, boolean append)
Build a FileOutputStream for the given file. The constructors that receive a boolean append write in the end of the file if append is true and write in the beginning of the file if append is false.
```

• Beside the usual close, write, etc, methods it also contains:

```
FileDescriptor getFD()
```

Returns the FileDescriptor object that represents the connection to the actual file in the file system being used by this FileOutputStream.

Examples of binary streams

```
import java.io.*;
// ...
int nbytes=0;
FileInputStream f = new FileInputStream("test");
while(f.read() != -1)
    nBytes++;
System.out.println("Number = " + nBytes);
f.close()
// ...
```

```
import java.io.*;
// ...
FileOutputStream f = new FileOutputStream("test");
f.write(65); f.write(66); f.write(67);
f.close()
// ...
```

Character streams

- Reader: abstract class that read char streams.
- Writer: abstract class that write char streams.
- InputStreamReader: subclass of Reader that is a bridge from byte streams to character streams. It reads bytes and decodes them into characters using a specified charset.
- OutputStreamWriter: subclass of Writer that is a bridge from character streams to byte streams. Characters written to it are encoded into bytes using a specified charset.

Standard charsets

- Any implementation of Java supports the following charsets:
 - US-ASCII

Seven-bit ASCII, a.k.a. ISO646-US, a.k.a. the Basic Latin block of the Unicode character set.

- ISO-8859-1ISO Latin Alphabet No. 1, a.k.a. ISO-LATIN-1.
- UTF-8
 Eight-bit UCS Transformation Format.
- UTF-16BE
 Sixteen-bit UCS Transformation Format, big-endian byte order.
- UTF-16LE
 Sixteen-bit UCS Transformation Format, little-endian byte order.
- UTF-16
 Sixteen-bit UCS Transformation Format, byte order identified by an optional byte-order mark.

InputStreamReader class (1)

• Some constructurs of InputStreamReader:

InputStreamReader(InputStream in)

Creates an InputStreamReader that uses the default character encoding (usually the one of the operating system).

InputStreamReader(InputStream in, String charsetName)

Creates an InputStreamReader with the character encoding received as parameter.

• The InputStreamReader class is a wrapper of an InputStream object.

InputStreamReader class (2)

• Some methods of InputStreamReader:

void close()

Closes this input stream reader and releases any system resources associated with this stream.

String getEncoding()

Returns the character encoding of this input stream reader.

int read()

Reads the next char of data from the input stream reader. The value byte is returned as an int in the range 0 to 255. If no byte is available the value -1 is returned.

int read(char[] cbuf, int off, int len)

Reads up to len bytes of data from the input stream into an array of bytes. An attempt is made to read as many as len bytes, but a smaller number may be read. The number of bytes read is returned as an integer.

OutputStreamWriter class (1)

• Some constructors of OutputStreamWriter:

OutputStreamWriter(OutputStream in)

Creates an OutputStreamWriter that uses the default character encoding (usually the one of the operating system).

OutputStreamWriter(OutputStream in, String charsetName)

Creates an OutputStreamWriter with the character encoding received as parameter.

• The OutputStreamWriter class is a wrapper of an OutputStream object.

OutputStreamWriter class (2)

• Some methods of OutputStreamWriter:

void close()

Closes this output stream writer and releases any system resources associated with this stream.

void flush()

Flushes this output stream and forces any buffered output bytes to be written out.

String getEncoding()

Returns the character encoding of this input stream reader.

void write(char[] cbuf, int off, int len)

Writes len characters from the specified char array starting at offset off to this output stream.

void write(String str, int off, int len)

Writes len characters from the specified String starting at position off to this output stream.

Character streams for files

- FileReader: Subclass of InputStreamReader for reading character files.
- FileWriter: subclass of OutputStreamWriter for writing character files.

FileReader class

• Constructors of FileReader:

```
FileReader (File file)
FileReader (FileDescriptor fdObj)
FileReader (String name)
Creates a FileReader for the file received as parameter.
```

FileWriter class

Constructors of the FileWriter class:

```
FileWriter (File file, boolean append)
FileWriter (FileDescriptor fdObj)
FileWriter (String name)
FileWriter (String name, boolean append)
Creates a FileWriter for the file received as parameter. The constructors that receive a boolean append write in the end of the file if append is true and write in the beginning of the file if append is false.
```

Examples of character streams (1)

```
import java.io.*;
// ...
int c, ones=0;
FileReader f = new FileReader("test");
while(c = f.read() != -1)
    if ((char)c == '1')
        ones++;
System.out.println("Occurred " + ones + "ones!");
f.close()
// ...
```

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Examples of character streams (2)

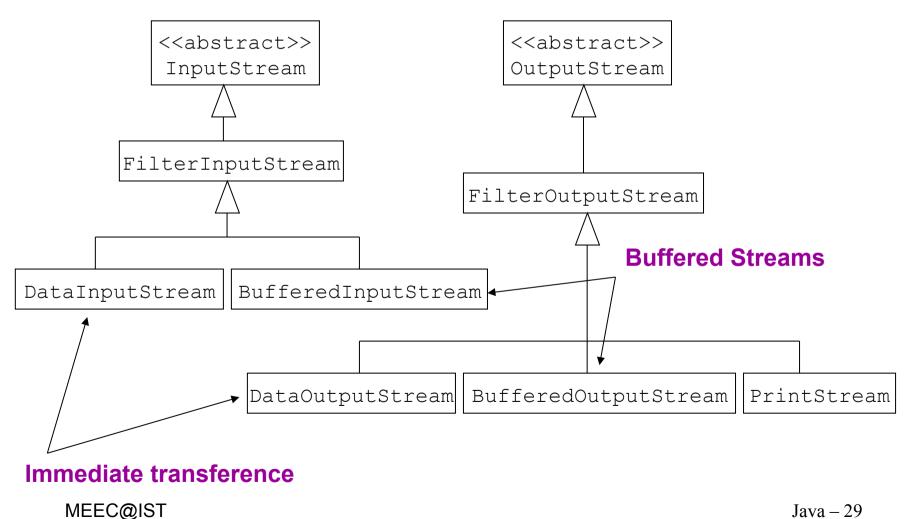
```
class ReadAnInt {
   public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
      int ch, value=0;
      Reader in = args.length==0 ?
          new InputStreamReader(System.in) :
          new FileReader(args[0]);
      for(;(ch=in.read()!=-1;)
          value=10*value+ch-(int)'0';
      System.out.println("Int read " + value);
   }
}
```

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Buffered streams (1)

- Usually, input and output streams transfer data immediately.
- In order to make the reading/writing operations more efficient, one should use a buffer.

Buffered streams (2)



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Buffered streams (3)

- FilterInputStream: subclass of InputStream that contains some other input stream, which it uses as its basic source of data, possibly transforming the data along the way or providing additional functionality.
- FilterOutputStream: subclass of OutputStream that simply overrides all its methods with versions that pass all requests to the underlying output stream.
- FilterReader: abstract subclass of Reader for reading filtered character streams.
- FilterWriter: asbtract subclass of Writer for writing filtered character streams.

Buffered streams (4)

• Usually, subclasses of FilterInputStream, FilterOutputStream, FilterReader and FilterWriter may further override some of the methods of these superclasses as well as provide additional methods and fields.

Buffered streams (5)

```
public class UppercaseConverter extends FilterReader {
    public UppercaseConverter(Reader in) {
         super(in);
    public int read()
    throws IOException {
         int c = super.read();
         return (c==-1 ? c : Character.toUpperCase((char)c);
    public int read(char[] buf, int offset, int count)
    throws IOException {
         int n = super.read(buf, offset, count);
         int ultimo = offset+n;
         for (int i=offset;i<ultimo;i++)</pre>
             buf[i] = Character.toUpperCase(buf[i]);
         return n;
```

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Buffered streams (6)

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
    FileReader src = new FileReader(args[0]);
    FilterReader fr = new UppercaseConverter(src);
    int c;
    while ((c=f.read())!=-1)
        System.out.print((char)c);
    System.out.println();
}
```

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Buffered streams (7)

- BufferedInputStream: subclass of FilterInputStream adds the ability to buffer the input and to support the mark and reset methods.
- BufferedOutputStream: subclass of FilterOutputStream that implements a buffered output stream.
- BufferedReader: subclass of Reader with buffered input and mark and reset methods.
- BufferedWriter: subclass of Writer with buffered output.

Buffered streams (8)

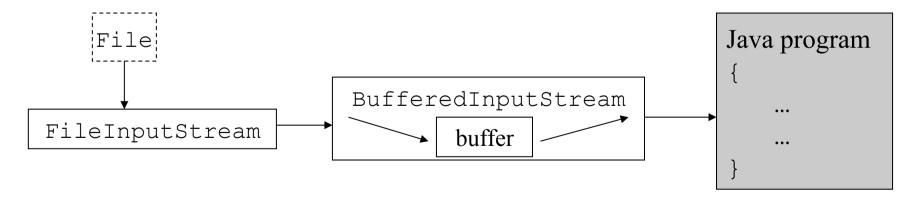
Constructors of BufferedInputStream class:

```
BufferedInputStream(InputStream in)
BufferedInputStream(InputStream in, int size)
```

Creates a BufferedInputStream wrapping the input stream received as parameter. The size in the second constructor is related to the size of the buffer.

Buffered streams (9)

- When a read is initially called in a BufferedInputStream, a read is invoked in the underlying input stream, filling the buffer (if there are sufficient data).
- New calls to the read method return data from the buffer.
 When all the buffer has been read, a read is invoked again in the underlying input stream.
- This process continues until the input is completely read.



Buffered streams (10)

• Constructors of BufferedOutputStream class:

```
BufferedOutputStream(OutputStream out)
BufferedOutputStream(OutputStream out, int size)
```

Creates a BufferedOutputStream wrapping the output stream received as parameter. The size in the second constructor is related to the size of the buffer.

Buffered streams (11)

- Similarly to the read method:
 - The write method of the BufferedOutputStream stores data from successive writes in the stream's buffer, flushing the buffer to the underlying output stream only when the buffer is full.
 - This buffer may contain data from several write methods invoked over a BufferedInputStream, so that several writes in the BufferedInputStream correspond to only one write in the underlying output stream.

Buffered streams (12)

The write is done via array of bytes:

```
void write(byte[] b,int off,int len)
void write(byte b)
```

- Before closing a buffered output stream, it is necessary to invoke flush, so that all bytes stored in the stream's buffer are flushed:
- After the flush a close is needed: void close()

Buffered streams (13)

• Constructors of BufferedReader:

```
BufferedReader(Reader in)
BufferedInputStream(Reader in, int size)
```

Creates a BufferedReader wrapping the reader received as parameter. The size in the second constructor is related to the size of the buffer.

• Constructors of BufferedWriter:

```
BufferedWriter(Writer out)
BufferedWriter(Writer out, int size)
```

Creates a BufferedWriter wrapping the writer received as parameter. The size in the second constructor is related to the size of the buffer.

Buffered streams (14)

• Some methods of BufferedWriter class:

```
void newLine()
    Writes a new line that depends on the system (not necessarily
'\n').
```

Examples of buffered streams (1)

```
new BufferedInputStream(new FileInputStream("foo.in"));

new BufferedReader(new FileReader("foo.in"));

new BufferedOutputStream(new FileOutputStream("foo.out"));

new BufferedWriter(new FileWriter("foo.out"));
```

Examples of buffered streams (2)

```
import java.io.*;
public class Teste {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
         BufferedOutputStream idOut;
         try {
             idOut = new BufferedOutputStream(
                  new FileOutputStream(args[0]));
             for(char c='a';c<='z';c++) {
                  idOut.write((byte)c);
                  idOut.write((byte)'\n');
             idOut.flush();
             idOut.close();
         } catch(IOException e) {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
```

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Examples of buffered streams (3)

```
BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader(
    new InputStreamReader(System.in));
try {
    String input = stdin.readLine();
    System.out.println("Line: " + input);
} catch(IOException e) {
    System.err.println("Error in reading");
}
```

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Data streams (1)

- DataInput: interface that provides reading bytes from a binary stream and reconstructing from them data in any of the Java primitive types and strings.
- DataOutput: interface that provides converting data from any of the Java primitive types and strings to a series of bytes and writing these bytes to a binary stream.
- DataInputStream: implementation of DataInput.
- DataOutputStream: implementation of DataOutput.
- RandomAccessFile: class that implements both
 DataInput e DataOutput, which support both reading
 and writing to a random access file.

Data streams (2)

• Read/write methods:

Type	Write	Read
boolean	void writeBoolean(boolean)	boolean readBoolean()
char	void writeChar(char)	char readChar()
byte	void writeByte(byte)	byte readByte()
short	<pre>void writeShort(short)</pre>	short readShort()
int	<pre>void writeInt(int)</pre>	int readInt()
long	<pre>void writeLong(long)</pre>	long readLong()
float	<pre>void writeFloat(float)</pre>	float readFloat()
double	void writeDouble(double)	double readDouble()
String	void writeUTF(String)	String readUTF()

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Data stream example

```
import java.io.*;
public class Teste {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
         DataOutputStream idOut;
         try {
             idOut = new DataOutputStream(
                  new FileOutputStream(args[0]));
             for (int k=0; k<10; k++)
                  idOut.writeUTF("Linha " + k + "\n");
             idOut.close();
         } catch(IOException e) {
             System.out.println(e.getMessage());
```

Random access file

- There are two standard ways for accessing a file:
 - Sequential access is limited by a sequential access order, from the beginning to the end of the file.
 - Random access allows arbitrary forward and backward access in the file.

RandomAccessFile class (1)

- RandomAccessFile implements both DataInput and DataOutput interfaces.
- Constructors of the RandonAccessFile class:

RandomAccessFile(File file, String mode)
RandomAccessFile(String name, String mode)

Creates a random access file stream to read from, and optionally to write to, the file specified by the File/String argument. The mode argument specifies the access mode in which the file is to be opened. The permitted values are: "r" (for reading) or "rw" (reading and writing), among others

RandomAccessFile class (2)

Some reading methods:

```
int read()
int read(byte[])
int read(byte[], int offset, int length)
boolean readBoolean()
byte readByte()
char readChar()
double readDouble()
float readFloat()
int readInt()
long readLong()
short readShort()
String readUTF()
```

RandomAccessFile class (3)

Some writing methods:

```
void write(byte[])
void write(byte[], int offset, int length)
void writeBoolean(boolean b)
void writeByte(int v)
void writeBytes(String s)
void writeChar(int v)
void writeChars(String s)
void writeDouble(double v)
void writeFloat(float v)
void writeInt(int v)
void writeLong(long v)
void writeShort(int v)
void writeUTF(String str)
```

RandomAccessFile class (4)

Some positioning method:

```
Sets the file-pointer at pos, measured from the beginning of this file, at which the next read or write occurs.

long length()
Returns the length of the file.

long setLength(long newLength)
Sets the length of this file.

int skipBytes(int n)
Attempts to skip over n bytes of input discarding the skipped bytes.
The actual number of bytes skipped is returned.
```

RandomAccessFile class (5)

```
File data = new File("..", "info");
RandomAcessFile f = new RandomAcessFile(data, "rw");
for(int i=65;i<91;i++)
    f.write(i) // write the alphabet
byte[] ler = new byte[10];
f.seek(4); // jumps for the 5th byte
f.read(ler,0,5); // read the first 5 positions
for(int=0;i<5;i++)
    System.out.println((char)ler[i] + ":");
f.seek(3); // jumps for the 4th byte
System.out.println((char)f.read());</pre>
```

In the terminal is printed E:F:G:H:I:D

Object streams

- ObjectInputStream: subclass of InputStream for reading serialized objects.
- ObjectOutputStream: subclass of OutputStream to serialize objects.
- Serializable: interface that must be implemented by classes that require serialization.
- The ObjectInputStream and ObjectOutputStream classes, when used jointly with FileInputStream and FileOutputStream, respectively, allow to store the objects in an application in a persistent way.

ObjectInputStream class (1)

Some constructores of ObjectInputStream:

ObjectInputStream (InputStream in)

Creates an ObjectInputStream wrapping the input stream argument.

• Some methods of ObjectInputStream:

boolean defaultReadObject()

Reads the non-static and non-transient fields of the current class from this stream.

Object readObject()

Reads the object from the input stream.

- Classes that require atypical serialization should implement:
 - private void readObject(ObjectInputStream stream)
 throws IOException, ClassNotFoundException;

ObjectInputStream class (2)

Other reading methods:

```
int read()
int read(byte[], int offset, int length)
boolean readBoolean()
byte readByte()
char readChar()
double readDouble()
float readFloat()
int readInt()
long readLong()
short readShort()
String readUTF()
```

ObjectOutputStream class (1)

Some constructors of ObjectOutputStream:

ObjectOutputStream(OutputStream out)

Creates an ObjectOutputStream wrapping the outpup stream argument.

• Some methods of ObjectInputStream:

protected boolean defaultWriteObject()

Writes the non-static and non-transient fields of the current class to this stream.

void writeObject(Object obj)

Writes the object the output stream.

- Classes that require atypical serialization should implement:
 - private void writeObject(ObjectOutputStream stream)
 throws IOException, ClassNotFoundException;

ObjectOutputStream class (2)

• Other writing methods:

```
void write(byte[])
void write(byte[], int offset, int length)
void writeBoolean(boolean b)
void writeByte(int v)
void writeBytes(String s)
void writeChar(int v)
void writeChars(String s)
void writeDouble(double v)
void writeFloat(float v)
void writeInt(int v)
void writeLong(long v)
void writeShort(int v)
void writeUTF(String str)
```

Examples of object streams (1)

```
FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream("foo.out");
ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(fos);
oos.writeInt(12345);
oos.writeObject("Today");
oos.writeObject(new Date());
oos.close();
fos.close();
```

```
FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream("foo.out");
ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(fis);
int i = ois.readInt();
String hoje = (String) ois.readObject();
Date data = (Date) ois.readObject();
ois.close();
fis.close();
```

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Examples of object streams (2)

Serialization of an HashMap object in a file for future use:

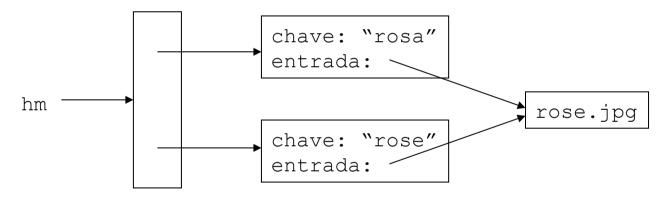
```
FileOutputStream fos = new FileOutputStream("hm.out");
ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(fos);
HashMap<?,?> hm = getHashMap();
oos.writeObject(hm);
```

 A new copy of the object may be loaded from the previous serialization:

```
FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream("hm.out");
ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(fis);
HashMap<?,?> hm = (HashMap<?,?>) ois.readObject();
```

Serialization with shared references (1)

 The serialization preserves the integrity of the graph of objects in memory:



• When the HashMap is loaded again into memory from the previous serialization, there will be two references to the same object rose.jpp, and not two references to two different copies of rose.jpg.

Serialization with shared references (2)

 When this is not desired one can use the following methods:

void writeUnshared(Object obj)

Writes an unshared object to the <code>ObjectOutputStream</code> . This method is identical to <code>writeObject</code>, except that it always writes the given object as a new, unique object in the stream (as opposed to a back-reference pointing to a previously serialized instance).

Object readUnshared()

Reads an unshared object from the <code>ObjectInputStream</code>. If readUnshared is called to describing a back-reference (the stream representation of an object which has been written previously to the stream), an <code>ObjectStreamException</code> will be thrown.

Serializable interface (1)

- An object can be written in an object stream only if its class implement the Serializable interface.
- If an attribute value is not intended to be serialized, the transient modifier should be used (in this case the null iterator is sent to the object stream).
- The Serializable interface has no methods or attributes.

Serializable interface (2)

```
public class Nome implements java.io.Serializable {
    private String name;
    private long id;
    private transient boolean hashComputed = false;
    private transient int hash;
    private static long nextID = 0;
    public Name(String name) {
         this.name = name;
         id = nextId++;
    public int hashCode() {
         if (!hashComputed) {
             hash = name.hashCode();
             hashComputed = true;
         return hash;
    //overriding equals and other methods...
```

Serializable interface (3)

```
public class Name implements java.io.Serializable {
    private String name;
    private long id;
    private transient int hash;
    private static long proxID = 0;
    public Nome(String name) {
        this.name = name;
        id = nextId++;
        hash = name.hashCode();
    private void writeObject(ObjectOutputStream out)
    throws IOException {
         out.writeUTF(nome);
         out.writeLong(id);
    // ... continues in the next slide
```

Serializable interface (4)

```
private void readObject(ObjectInputStream in)
throws IOException, ClassNotFoubdException {
    nome = in.readUTF();
    id = in.readLong();
    hash = name.hashCode();
}

public int hashCode() {
    return hash;
}
//overriding equals and other methods...
}
```

Serializable interface (5)

```
private void writeObject(ObjectOutputStream out)
throws IOException {
   out.defaultWriteObject();
}
```

```
private void readObject(ObjectInputStream in)
throws IOException, ClassNotFoubdException {
   in.defaultReadObject();
   hash = name.hashCode();
}
```