

# Tut-Lab Week 5

## Aims:

- Understand polymorphism and interface type design
- Gain practical experience implementing an interface type
- Learn to evaluate different class implementations
- Use and understand different notions of equality in Java

## Preparation:

- Review the definitions of sets and their basic operations

## Sets

- Define a **Set<E>** interface type that can handle elements of a generic type **E**
  - Consider operations on set membership (adding and removing elements, testing membership), and basic operations on sets (union, intersection, subset)
  - Include an equals method for sets
- Define a class realizing the **Set<E>** interface that uses an **ArrayList<E>** to store the elements
  - **Pay particular attention to equality of sets and set elements**
- Explain how your code enforces the class invariant that all elements of a set are distinct
- By having **Set<E>** implement **Iterable<E>**, define a method `iterator()` that returns an iterator over sets
  - This method is straightforward (one line of Java)
- Write a test class for **Set<E>** that uses a **Scanner** to read elements from an input file, then add them to various sets (e.g. of type **String**)
  - Each line of the input should contain the elements of one set