

CFS2160: Software Design and Development



Lecture 11: Patterns

And generally being neat.

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We can probably also expect to be able to reuse some of the code from that project, probably with a few cosmetic changes.

Patterns



Abstracting further, we can generalise.

This problem involves a basic class, and another class that contains a collection of these.

It's a classic Design Pattern.



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FundRaiser

This will need:

- Instance variables for name, amount raised and probably an ID.
- > Getters and setters for the above.
- > A method to print the details out neatly formatted.
- Maybe some way to allow fundraisers to be sorted?

FundRaisingTeam

This will need:

- > Instance variable for a collection of FundRaiser objects.
 - ➤ An ArrayList will be fine.
- Methods to add and maybe delete team members.
- > A method to print out the whole team, neatly.
- > A method to find the total raised.
- > Some way to sort the team in order of amount raised.

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This will need:

- > To create objects to represent all the fundraisers.
- > To add them to the team.
- > To print the report as required.

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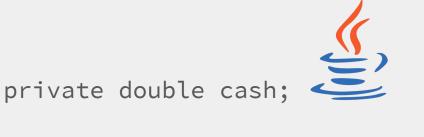
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This is the message!
One of the tricks of programming well is to use stuff that is already there, and is tried and tested.

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And we use this to print the money in the required format.



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As with many things Java, there are several ways to do this.
We'll pick a simple one that works for tables.
See StringBuilder for an

alternative.

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This is actually all we need for this task since all the output is strings. Check the docs for more details.

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Warning

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We will gloss over details, and return to it later on.

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It is obvious that June should be "sorted" before Fred.

So what piece of information does Java need in order to do that for us?

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OK, so Comparable is an *interface* which basically defines the methods that need to exist in order for a class to be "sortable".

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We then add a method called compareTo which does the comparison.

The return value indicates how the two objects should be ordered.



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public int compareTo (FundRaiser fr) {
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Remember that here we are sorting the higher values to the top so the final list in the report is in *descending* order.

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It'll sort pretty much anything as long as it knows how to compare.

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Again, suitable import statements are needed:

java.util.Collections

FundRaiser

```
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    public void printFormatted () {
        NumberFormat gb = NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance (Locale.UK);
        final String formatString = "%-4s %-12s %8s";
        System.out.println (String.format (formatString, this.id, this.name,
                                           gb.format (this.amountRaised)));
```

FundRaisingTeam

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public class FundRaisingTeam {
    private static final String TEAM_NAME = "Poppleton Dogs Home";
    private ArrayList <FundRaiser> fundRaisers;
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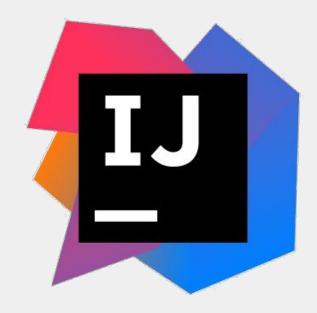
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public class FundRaisingTeam {
    private static final String TEAM_NAME = "Poppleton Dogs Home";
    private ArrayList <FundRaiser> fundRaisers;
    public void sortTeam () {
        Collections.sort (this.fundRaisers);
    }
}
```

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public class FundRaisingTeam {
    private static final String TEAM_NAME = "Poppleton Dogs Home";
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    public void printTeam () {
        if (this.fundRaisers.isEmpty ()) {
            System.out.println ("No fundraisers in this team.");
        else {
            for (FundRaiser fr : fundRaisers) {
               fr.printFormatted ();
```

IntelliJ Demo Time





Git



https://github.com/TonyJenkins/fundraiser-demo.git