### E6: Iterator

### **Use the Iterator Pattern:**

- Create a class called InClassExercise, and then, in its main method, create an ArrayList called stringArrayList. Add the following five strings to stringArrayList: "one", "two", "three", "four", "five". Then, use a for loop and the index of stringArrayList to print all these five strings out to the console.
- 2. For **stringArrayList** above, can you use an iterator to traverse the five strings inside, without using the index? Yes, you can use an iterator to traverse the five strings inside without using indices.
- 3. If change **stringArrayList** into a **TreeSet**, how do you traverse the five strings use an iterator? **You** would traverse the TreeSet the same way you traversed the ArrayList using an iterator.

## Output:

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ArrayList Regular For Loop:
one two three four five
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ArrayList Iterator:
one two three four five
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TreeSet Iterator:
apple banana cherry date elderberry
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# **Implement an Iterator for StringArray:**

- 4. Create a class called **StringArray** that is able to store a number of String objects. Create an instance variable, String[] values, (internal data storage) of **StringArray** to store all the strings.
- 5. Create a constructor for **StringArray**, which is able to build an object of **StringArray** using the parameter.

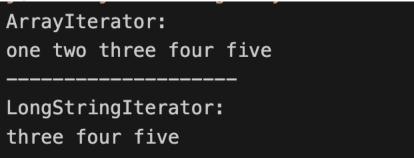
public StringArray(String[] values)

- 6. Make the class StringArray implements Iterable interface. So that it can generate iterators. What function do you need to implement this interface? What should be returned by that function? I need to implement the iterator() function which returns an Interator<String> object
- 7. Create an inner class called **Arraylterator** in **StringArray**. This is our first iterator. Create an int variable called **current** inside **Arraylterator**. it works as an index for our iterator.
- 8. Make **Arraylterator** implements **Iterator** interface, so that it becomes an iterator. What functions do you need to implement this interface? Implement these functions. You need to implement hasNext() which returns a Boolean and next() which returns a string.
- 9. Go back to your **StringArray** class, what should be returned by the **iterator()** function? It returns a new object of the Arraylterator() class which inherits the Iterator<String> class.
- 10. So far, an iterator is done. Create a main method, and build an object of **StringArray**, add five strings in step 1 to it. Traverse and print them out.

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11. Create another iterator (inner class) **LongStringIterator**. This new iterator traverses only String elements equal or longer than 4 characters.

# Output:



What to turn in: similar as E5.