

Programming Problem: Write your own HashMap

See the partially-written BlueJ project, `Hash Map`. This project has three classes:

- `Entry`: Completely written. An object of this class represents a single entry in the map.
- `APHashMap`: Represents a `HashMap`. You have to write some methods.
- `Tester`: Completely written. You can call `Tester.test()` to test your `APHashMap`.

Methods in `APHashMap` for you to write

- `private int hash(K key)`

This returns a hash index for the given key. This value is given by the formula:

$$H = |h(k) \text{MOD} n|$$

- $h(k)$ is the built-in Java hash code. You can get this hash code by doing,

`x.hashCode()`

on any Java object. This works because `hashCode()` is an instance method in the `Object` class, and every Java object inherits from `Object`.

- n is the length of the array entries.
- $|\dots|$ indicates absolute value (so we don't get a negative index).

So the idea of this function is to take any `Key` object, and "convert" it into a valid index in the array.

- `public V put(K key, V value)`

Works like the familiar `put()` method.

- `public V get(K key)`

Works like the familiar `get()` method.

- `public V remove(K key)`

Works like the familiar `remove()` method.

- `public void printMap()`

Prints each pair in the map.

Sample Terminal output from the method `Tester.test()`

```
*****
* First loop: Adding new items to the map *
*****
```

Adding new key/value pair: (apples, 10)

Map is now:

apples, 10

Size = 1

Adding new key/value pair: (bananas, 17)

Map is now:

apples, 10

bananas, 17

Size = 2

Adding new key/value pair: (cherries, 32)

Map is now:

apples, 10

cherries, 32

Size = 2

Adding new key/value pair: (dates, 24)

Map is now:

apples, 10

cherries, 32

dates, 24

Size = 3

Adding new key/value pair: (elderberries, 6)

Map is now:

elderberries, 6

cherries, 32

dates, 24

Size = 3

Adding new key/value pair: (figs, 11)

Map is now:

figs, 11

elderberries, 6

cherries, 32

dates, 24

Size = 4

Adding new key/value pair: (grapefruit, 3)

Map is now:

```
figs, 11
grapefruit, 3
cherries, 32
dates, 24
-----
Size = 4
```

After adding all pairs, the state of the map is:

```
-----
figs, 11
grapefruit, 3
cherries, 32
dates, 24
-----
```

```
*****
* Second loop: Testing the get() method *
*****
```

```
apples returns 3
bananas returns 32
cherries returns 32
dates returns 24
elderberries returns 3
figs returns 11
grapefruit returns 3
```

```
*****
* Third loop: Testing the remove() method *
*****
```

```
Removing apples returns 3
Map is now:
```

```
-----
figs, 11
cherries, 32
dates, 24
-----
Size = 3
```

```
Removing bananas returns 32
Map is now:
```

```
-----
figs, 11
dates, 24
-----
Size = 2
```

```
Removing cherries returns null
Map is now:
```

```
-----
figs, 11
dates, 24
-----
Size = 2
```

Removing dates returns 24

Map is now:

figs, 11

Size = 1

Removing elderberries returns null

Map is now:

figs, 11

Size = 1

Removing figs returns 11

Map is now:

Size = 0

Removing grapefruit returns null

Map is now:

Size = 0