Collections in Java

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Collections Overview

- Data structure implementations found within the java.util package
- Nicely organized into a class hierarchy of: interface -> abstract class -> (multiple) concrete classes
- We'll focus primarily on List / Set / Map (interfaces) and the most commonly used concrete implementations ArrayList / HashSet / HashMap

Collection interface

- The Collection interface is the super interface/type of almost all the concrete types within the Java collections classes.
- Generically defined
- o public interface Collection \(E > element \(m \) \(Z \) \(\text{V} \) • Defines generic method useful for all implementations of a collection. The most commonly used are:
 - boolean contains(Object obj)
 - boolean add(E element)
 - boolean remove(Object obj) \$35 to collection & in
 - void clear()
 - Iterator<E> iterator()

Collection Usage

```
public class CollectionExample {
         public static void main(String[] args) {
             Collection<String> collection = CollectionsFactory.getCollection("foo", "bar");
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             collection.add("something else");
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             int size = collection.size(); // 3
             boolean notTrue = collection.isEmpty(); // false
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             collection.remove("something else");
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             size = collection.size(); // 2
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             collection.clear();
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             size = collection.size(); // 0
             collection.isEmpty(); // true
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```

Iterator

Defines a way to traverse elements of a Collection

Iterator / for-each

 Anything that implements interface Iterable<T> can be used in a foreach; which includes Collection types.

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public interface Iterable<T> {
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           /**
            * Returns an iterator over a set of elements of type T.
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             @return an Iterator.
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           Iterator<T> iterator();
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Iterator / for-each (cont)

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public static void main(String[] args) {
    Collection<String> collection = CollectionsFactory.getCollection("foo", "bar");

for (String value : collection) {
    // do something interesting
    }
}
```

Removal

What does this program print?

Removal (cont)

Now what does it print?

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Removal (cont)

Before explaining what went wrong (exactly) here's how to correctly remove from a Collection while iterating.

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public static void main(String[] args) {
    Collection<String> collection = CollectionsFactory.getCollection("foo", "bar", "third");
    System.out.printf("%d%n", collection.size());
    Iterator<String> iterator = collection.iterator();
   while (iterator.hasNext()) {
        iterator.next();
        iterator.remove();
    System.out.printf("%d%n", collection.size());
```

Removal (cont)

- Only safe way to remove from a Collection while iterating is to use the Iterator remove method.
 - Careful, must call next method before calling remove.
- So what went wrong? As always, look at the code...
 - Generated for-each uses the Iterator internally (as we have done with a while loop and a hasNext call).
 - The hasNext checks the cursor size against the collection size
 - The next call checks for modification.
 - SO -> with only 2 elements in the list the iteration is shortcircuited before the ConcurrentModificationException can be thrown.

List Interface

- The List interface extends Collection
- Used when order matters (think of List as a replacement for arrays).
- Two main concrete types of List

 ArrayList
 LinkedList
 Use ArrayList when random access is important. It is also dynamically resized. Internally it is implemented with an array that is resized itsut

(doubling each time resizing is necessary)

- Use LinkedList when fast insertions is important. Internally it is implemented as a doubly linked list. 2720 whown
- There's also something called **Vector**. Do not use this class. It is synchronized but as we'll see in the Concurrency lecture there are much better ways now to handle concurrency.

List (cont)

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
   List<String> list = new ArrayList<String>(2);
   list.add("foo");
   list.add("bar");
   System.out.printf("%dnd element is %s", 2, list.get(1));
}
```

Note the argument to the constructor - expected size of the List.
 Always do this. Otherwise you'll have lots of resizing operations.

Set Interface

- The Set interface extends Collection
- Used when fast retrieval at an unknown location is necessary.
- Two main concrete types of Set
 - HashSet
 - TreeSet

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Use **TreeSet** when iteration order is important and needs to be sorted.

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Set (cont)

 Note the argument to the constructor - expected size of the Set. Do this when possible. Otherwise you'll have lots of resizing operations. The second argument is the "load factor"; i.e., at what point should the set be resized.

HashSet Gotcha

```
public class Item {
         private String value;
        public Item(String value) {
            this.value = value;
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        public String getValue() {
            return value;
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        public void setValue(String value) {
            this.value = value;
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        @Override public boolean equals(Object o) {
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            if (this == 0) {
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                return true;
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            if (o == null || getClass() != o.getClass()) {
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                return false;
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            Item item = (Item) o;
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            return (value == null ? item.value == null : value.equals(item.value));
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        @Override public int hashCode() {
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            return value != null ? value.hashCode() : 0;
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```

HashSet Gotcha (cont)

What does this print?

```
Interview problem
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Set<Item> set = new HashSet<>(2, 1.0f);
    Item foo = new Item("foo");
    set.add(foo);
    System.out.printf("%s%n", set.contains(foo)); whe set table variable is botter
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    foo.setValue("foos");
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Map Interface

- Very often used. Maps a key to a value. Watton and Three common to a
- Three common types.
 - HashMap most common. Uses a hash table implementation.
 - o TreeMap analogous to TreeSet, used for ordering. Uses a redblack tree data structure.
 - LinkedHashMap hybrid linked-list and hash-table implementation. Uses a doubly linked list to maintain ordering of always use HashMap keys.
- There's also a type called **Hashtable** but do **not** use. Other implementations are better. Similar to **Vector** this is synchronized but with Java 1.5 there are many better alternatives (which we'll discuss in the Concurrency lectures).

```
public static void main(String[] args) {

Map<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>(2, 1.0f);

map.put("foo", 12);

map.put("bar", 10000);

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System.out.printf("Key foo is mapped to %d%n", map.get("foo"));

key
```

 Note the argument to the constructor - expected size of the Map. Do this when possible. Otherwise you'll have lots of resizing operations. The second argument is the "load factor"; i.e., at what point should the map be resized.

Additional Data Structures

Queue - push/pop operations. Many implementations for FIFO or LIFO
 Deque - double ended queue
 PriorityQueue - uses a heap data structure to maintain first element

based on the priority ordering. Uses a Comparator to maintain order.

- NavigableSet sorted Set with methods to return elements of closest match; i.e., floor or ceiling to some element or return a collection of elements 'higher' than another.
- There's also many **Concurrent** versions (i.e., **ConcurrentHashMap**) which offer performant implementations within a threaded context. We'll talk about these in the Concurrency lectures.

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Convenience methods/constructors

• There are many methods defined within Collection / Map which aid in batch operations and constructor of a collection from another.

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    public static void main(String[] args) {
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       Collection<String> collection = CollectionsFactory.getCollection("foo", "bar");
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        List<String> list = new ArrayList<>(collection);
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        Set<String> set = new HashSet<>(2);
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        set.retainAll(list);
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Views / Wrappers

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    Convert an array to a List

// Arrays.asList takes a varargs
List<String> list = Arrays.asList("foo", "bar", "something else");

    Get a <u>sub-list</u> from a List amay with the blandex

// careful! bounds check may result in an ArrayOutOfBoundsException
List<String> partial = list.subList(1, 10);
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Views / Wrappers (cont)

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 - Returns a runtime safe collection. I.e., parameters are checked for type correctness at runtime. Not often necessary, most common would be legacy code. Instead ensure you correctly leverage generics and type safety from compiler

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Algorithms

Suppress Warnings ("unchecked");

Collections class defines many commonly used algorithms.

Collections.sort - variant of merge-sort. Sorts based on

(rew item: I) Comparator.

Collections.reverse - useful when necessary. Don't write your

own.

Collections.shuffle - useful when necessary. Don't write your

own.
Collections.binarySearch - extremely useful. Prefer when searching for an item within a collection that doesn't offer O(1)

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System.arrayCopy - use this to copy array types. Much more performant than manually copying (iterating and copying) as it uses native code.

Read Chapter 14

All sections

Homework 8

https://github.com/NYU-CS9053/Spring-2016/homework/week8