

Advanced Programming Techniques in Java

ArrayList

Lecture 17 Class Objectives

- ArrayList (section 10.1)



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- Errors (Section 1.3)
 - Complexity & Running time (section 13.2)



Review: ArrayList of any type

- When constructing an ArrayList, you must specify the type between < >
- By making the ArrayList class a Generic class, the same code can handle different types
- Syntax:** `ArrayList<Type> name = new ArrayList<Type>();`

```
ArrayList<String> names = new ArrayList<String>();
```

- Java 7's shorter "diamond operator" syntax

```
ArrayList<String> names = new ArrayList<String>();
```



Review: ArrayList of any type (cont.)

- You can store any type of object in an ArrayList
- `ArrayList<Point> points = new ArrayList<P>`
- The `points` list will manipulate and return Points
- `ArrayList<Color> points = new ArrayList<C>`
- The `points` list will manipulate and return Colors

Review: Issues with dynamic arrays

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- Assume you have an ArrayList words words = ago] - You want to add ‘~’ before each word
 - for (int i=0; i < words.size();
 - words.add(i, ' ~');
 - }
- Does this work? - NO!

Review: Issues with dynamic memory

- We now want to redo this operation (remove ‘~’)
- Write code that removes every other element starting from index 1:
four, ~, score, ~, and, ~, seven, ~, years,

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- Does this work? Why?

```
for (int i=0; i < words.size()
      words.remove(i);
}
```

- Output words = [four, ~, score, ~, and, ~, s
= [four, ~, ~, and, ~, seven, ~, years, ~,
and, seven, ~, years, ~, ago] ...

Review: Solution 1

- Again, dynamic shifting causes the problem
- Once you remove an element, all the rest are shifted to the left

Correct solution:



```
for (int i=0; i < words.size(); i++) { wor  
}
```

- Output words = [four, score, and, seven, ye
ago]

“Backwards” solution 1

```
for (int i=words.size()-2; i>=0; i-=2) {  
    words.remove(i);  
}
```

- Output



```
words = [~, four, ~, score, ~, and, ~, seven, ~, ye
words = [~, four, ~, score, ~, and, ~, seven, years
...
words = [four, score, and, seven, years, ago]
```

Accessing items

- To get an element at a specific index you can use the `get()` method.

```
int sum=0;
for (int i=0; i < list.size();
     i++) {
```



```
String s = list.get(i); sum  
s.length();  
}
```

Avoid expensive shifts

- Every time you call the `add` and `remove` method you shift the array ▪ That's expensive!
- You can use `set(int index, E value)`
- It replaces the element at the `index` position with the `value`
- **Example:** `list.set(0, "Harvard");`



- This replaces the first element in the list

Problem

- Write a program that reads a file and displays the words
 - **First display all words**
 - Then display them with all plurals capitalized
 - Then display them in reverse order
 - **Then display them with all plural words removed**



Solution v. 1



```
ArrayList<String> allWords = new ArrayList<String>();
Scanner input = new Scanner(new File("words.txt"));
while (input.hasNext()) {
    String word = input.next();
    allWords.add(word);
}
System.out.println(allWords);

// Remove all plural words
for (int i = 0; i < allWords.size(); i++) {
    String word = allWords.get(i);
    if (word.endsWith("s")) {
        allWords.remove(i);
        i--;
    }
}
```



}



Searching for elements

- You can search the list for an element:

```
if (list.contains("Chemistry")) {  
    System.out.println("Chemistry is found");  
} else {  
    System.out.println("Chemistry is not found");  
}
```
 - Output: Chemistry is not found.
 - **contains (Object o)** Returns true if the list contains the specified element.
- ## Where is my element?
- Sometimes you may need to know where a value is located in a list.

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- Example: you want to replace the first occurrence of a word
 - You must tell the `set` method where the word to be replaced is located
 - Use `indexOf(Object o)`

The content of the list
need to create a new list

```
public static void replace (ArrayList<String> list,  
                          int index = list.indexOf(target); if  
(index>=0) { list.set(index, replacement); } }
```

How contains and indexOf

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- How do search methods `contains`, `indexOf` and `lastIndexOf` know what they are looking for?
 - Remember: objects are just references to a memory address, not the objects themselves!
 - They are using the `equals` method

Out-of-bounds

- Legal indexes are between **0** and the **list's size() - 1**
- Reading or writing any index outside this range will cause an **out-of-bounds exception**

index	0	1	2	3	value
	Marty	Kevin	Vicki	Larry	



```
ArrayList<String> names = new ArrayList<String>();
names.add("Marty");      names.add("Kevin");
names.add("Vicki");      names.add("Larry");
System.out.println(names.get(0));          //
System.out.println(names.get(3));          //
System.out.println(names.get(-1));        //
names.add(9, "Aimee");                  //
```

ArrayList methods

add(value)	appends value at end
add(index, value)	inserts given value shifting subsequent



clear()	removes all elements
indexOf(value)	returns first index w/ (1 if not found)
get(index)	returns the value at
remove(index)	removes/returns val subsequent values
set(index, value)	replaces value at gi
size()	returns the number
toString()	returns a string repr as "[3, 42, -7,



ArrayList methods (cont.)

addAll (list)	adds all elements from the given list to this list
addAll (index, list)	(at the end of the list, or at the specified index)
contains (value)	returns true if given value is contained in this list
containsAll (list)	returns true if this list contains all elements of the given list
equals (list)	returns true if given other list contains same elements in same order
iterator()	returns an object used to iterate through the list (listIterator())
listIterator()	(later)
lastIndexOf (value)	returns last index value is contained in this list
remove (value)	finds and removes the given element from this list
removeAll (list)	removes any elements from this list that are contained in the given list
retainAll (list)	removes any elements not contained in the given list



subList(from , to)	returns the sub-portion of indexes from (inclusive) to to (exclusive)
toArray()	returns the elements in the list as an array

Arrays VS. ArrayList

- Construction

```
String[] names = new String[5];
```

```
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
```

- Storing a value `names[0] = "Jessica";` `list.add("Jessica");`

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list.add("Jessica");
```

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- Retrieving a value

```
String s = names[0];  
String s = list.get(0);
```

Arrays vs. ArrayList (cont.)

- Doing something to each value that starts with "B"

```
for (int i = 0; i < names.length; i++) {  
    if (names[i].startsWith("B")) { ... }  
  
}  
  
  
for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) { if  
    (list.get(i).startsWith("B")) { ... }  
}
```



- Seeing whether the value "Benson" is found `if (n`

```
if (list.contains("Benson")) { ... }
```

Use `contains` to eliminate dup

- Assume you have the following file, and you want to
names ■ *Maria Derek Erica Livia Jack Anita Kendall Maria Li*

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- **Output** list = [Maria, Derek, Erica, Livia, Jack Jamie]

Use contains to eliminate dup

- Assume you have the following file, and you want to remove the duplicate names
 - *Maria Derek Erica Livia Jack Anita Kendall Maria Livia*



```
Scanner input = new Scanner(new File("names.txt"));
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
while (input.hasNext()) {
    String name = input.next();
    if (!list.contains(name))
        list.add(name);
}
System.out.println("list = " + list)
```

- **Output** list = [Maria, Derek, Erica, Livia, Jack, Jamie]



ArrayList and enhanced for loop

- New loop syntax:

```
for (<type> <name> : <collection>) {  
    <statement(s)>;  
}
```

- This syntax can be used to examine an ArrayList

```
int sum = 0; for (String s : list) { sum  
+= s.length(); }  
System.out.println("Total of lengths = "
```



Easier but trickier!

- You cannot skip elements with this syntax
- You cannot modify the lists while you are iterating over them

```
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
for (String s : list) {
    System.out.println(s);
    list.remove(0);
}
```

- **ConcurrentModificationException** error





Errors



Three main categories of

- Syntax Errors
- Run-time errors
- Logic errors

Syntax Errors

- You have a typo somewhere or wrote the compiler didn't understand
- Easy to find because you just need to compile your code

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- Syntax errors are UNACCEPTABLE if you never even had the chance to run your program
 - The compiler actually tells you what's wrong with your code
 - If you are overwhelmed by a multitude of errors, just look at them one at a time (top-most) and compile again

Run-time Errors

- Run-time errors: Your program crashes during execution
- Reasonably easy to find with thorough testing, though **much** harder if code is complex



multithreaded and the error is the condition

- Trace back where it happens to figure wrong with the code; debuggers can be helpful with this type of error

Logic Errors

- Hardest ones to fix
- Program doesn't crash but produces the wrong output; it doesn't do what you intended



- May result in code that leads to condition and manifests itself as somewhere else
- Hardest part is that the bug usually comes from your thought processes, making the wrong line of code is producing the bug even if it isn't

Purposes of Testing

- To make sure the software
 - meets the requirements that guided its development,
 - responds correctly to all kinds of inputs

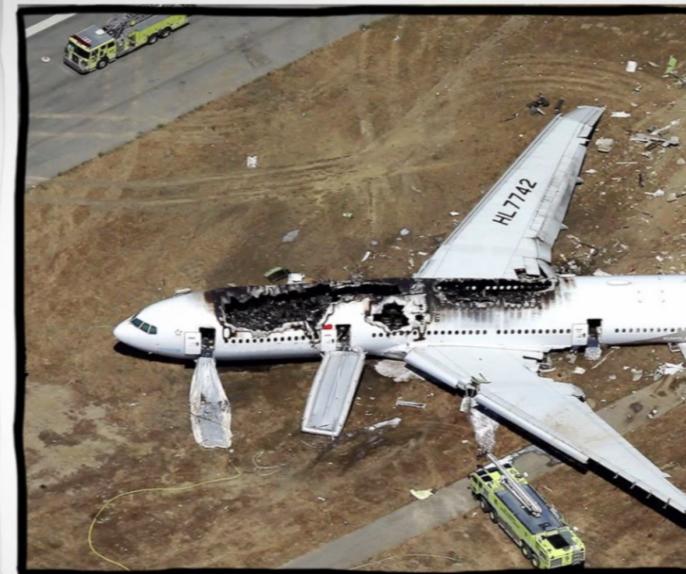
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- performs its functions within an acceptable error tolerance,
 - is sufficiently usable,
 - can be installed and run in its intended environment, and
 - achieves the general result its stakeholders expect.

Why is Testing Important?

China Airlines Flight 140, April 2010



Airplane Crash



264 People

Why is Testing Important?



Why is Testing Important?



April, 1999

Failed Satellite Launch



Why is Testing Important?

May, 1996



U.S. Bank Accounts



823 Customers paid \$920 million

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- With experience, you can identify modules
 - However, this can lead to a

Pesticide Paradox

- If the same tests are repeated over time, eventually the same test cases will find new bugs
- This is called the Pesticide Paradox
- To overcome this, the test cases are regularly reviewed and revised, and new and different test cases are added to help find new bugs.

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- You can never claim that you have a **FREE** system
 - Why?
 - Absence of error is a fallacy

7 Testing Principles

- Testing shows presence of defects
- Exhaustive Testing is impossible
- Early Testing
- Defect Clustering

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- Pesticide Paradox
 - Testing is context dependent
 - Absence of errors is a fallacy





Data Structure

Runtime Eff



Data structure

- a way to store and organize data in order and modification.
- no single data structure optimal for all problems.
- usually optimized for a specific problem.
- important to know the strength and limitations of them.

Examples:

- Trees (binary search trees, red-black trees).
- Stacks (last in, first out), queues (first in, first out), priority queues.



Algorithms

Algorithms:

- well-defined computational procedure
- takes value or set of values as input.
- produces value or set of values as output
- tool for solving a **well-specified** problem. An instance of a problem consists of the input needed to compute a solution to the problem.
- correct algorithm solves the given problem

Sorting problem:

Input: A sequence of n numbers a_1, \dots, a_n



Output: A permutation a_1, \dots, a_n of the input
that $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_n$.

Efficiency

Computing time and memory are bounded resources

Efficiency:

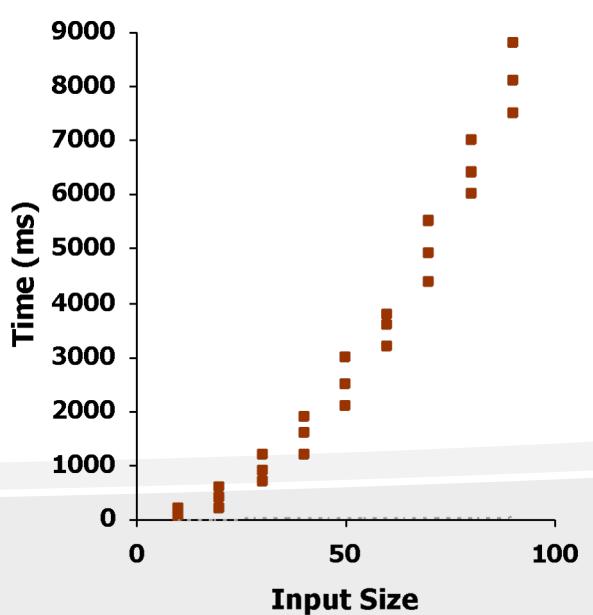
- Different algorithms that solve the same problem differ in their efficiency.
- More significant than differences due to hardware (memory, disks, ...) and software (OS, compiler, ...).



=> Running Time/Computational Complexity

Empirical Analysis

- Run time can be studied experimentally
 - Write a program implementing the algorithm
 - Run the program with inputs of varying size
 - Get an accurate measure of the actual running time

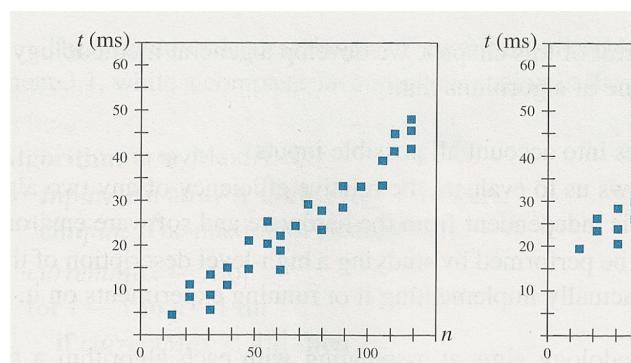


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- Plot the results



Limitations of Empirical Analysis

- Experiment can be done only on a limited set of test inputs
- Difficult to compare the efficiency of two algorithms under same environment
 - Hardware environment (processor, clock, rate, memory)
 - Software environment (OS, programming language, compiler)



- Necessary to implement and execute an algorithm to measure its performance