

Advanced Programming Techniques in Java

Sets

Lecture 23



Class Objectives

- Sets (Section 11.2)



Review: Specification of Abstract Data Type

- Only the top element of a stack is subject to operations performed by a stack
- We need the ability to
 - test for an empty stack (empty)
 - inspect the top element (peek)
 - retrieve the top element (pop)
 - put a new element on the stack

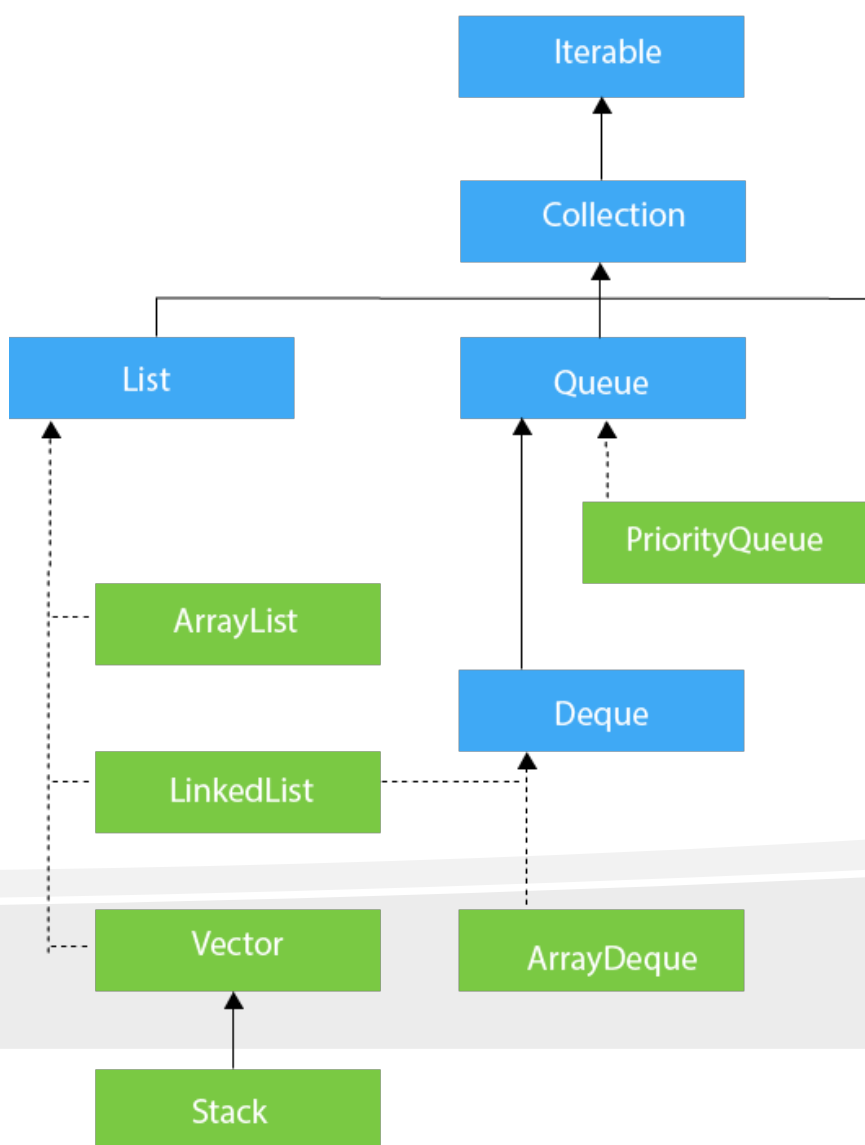


Methods	Behavior
<code>boolean empty()</code>	Returns true if the stack is empty
<code>E peek()</code>	Returns the object at the top of the stack
<code>E pop()</code>	Returns the object at the top of the stack and removes it
<code>E push(E obj)</code>	Pushes an item onto the top of the stack



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Review: Collections Framework D





Words in a book

- Write an application that reads in the text of a book, user type words, and tells whether those words are in the book.
- How would we implement this with a List?

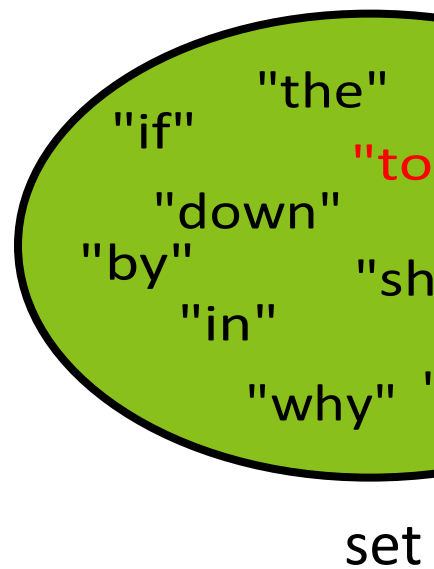


Sets

- **Set:** A collection of unique values (no duplicates allowed)
operations efficiently:
 - `add`, `remove`, `search` (`contains`)
 - We don't think of a set as having indexes; we just add about order



`set.contains("to")`
→
`set.contains("be")`



Set

- Java has an interface named `Set<E>` to represent



- We will discuss two `Set` implementations in Java:
- Java's set implementations have been optimized so that

Java `Set` interface

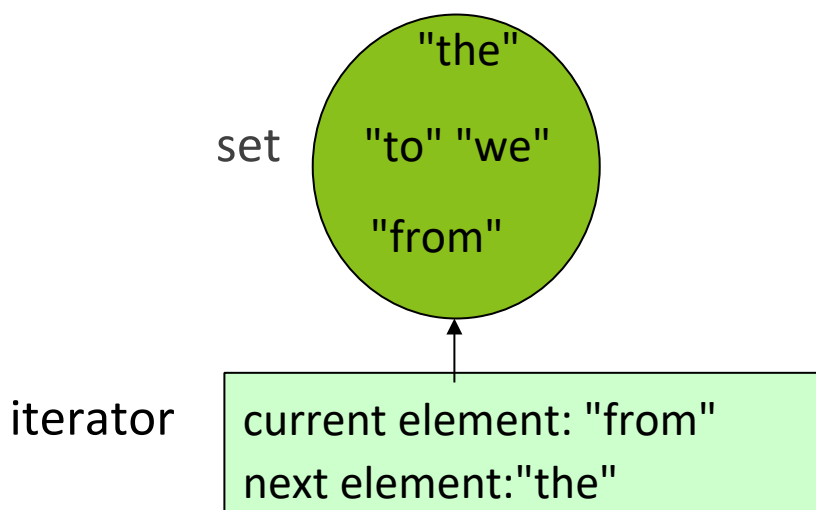
- Interface `Set` has exactly the methods of the `Collection` interface. `HashSet` classes implement the `Set` interface.
- `Set<Integer> set1 = new TreeSet<Integer>();`
- `Set<Integer> set2 = new HashSet<Integer>();`
- **Notice:** The following `List` methods are missing
- `get(index)`



- `add(index, value)`
- `remove(index)`

Java Set interface

- To access each element of a set we need to use its



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Set

usage example

- The following code illustrates the usage of a set:

```
Set<String> strings= new HashSet<String>();  
strings.add("Larry"); strings.add("Moe");  
strings.add("Curly"); strings.add("Moe");    //  
duplicate, won't be added strings.add("Shemp");  
strings.add("Moe");    // duplicate, won't be a
```

System.out.println(strings); ■ Output:

```
[Moe, Shemp, Larry, Curly]
```

- Notice that the order of the strings doesn't match the order in which they were added. This is because the set uses the natural alphabetical order.



Set

methods

```
List<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();  
...  
Set<Integer> set1 = new TreeSet<Integer>();  
Set<String> set2 = new HashSet<String>(list);
```

- Can construct an empty set, or one based on a given collection

<code>add(value)</code>	adds the given value to the set
<code>contains(value)</code>	returns <code>true</code> if the given value is in the set
<code>remove(value)</code>	removes the given value from the set
<code>clear()</code>	removes all elements of the set
<code>size()</code>	returns the number of elements in the set
<code>isEmpty()</code>	returns <code>true</code> if the set's size is 0



Set

<code>toString()</code>	returns a string such as "
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concepts

- The set can be searched incredibly quickly
- `contains` method often needs to examine just one element
- `HashSet` is implemented using a special internal array
 - Places elements into specific positions based upon integer
 - Don't need to know the details only that you can `add`, `remove`
 - Drawbacks stores elements in unpredictable order



Example 1

- Find the unique words in a file
- This code ignores duplicate words in the file

```
Set<String> words = new HashSet<String>();  
Scanner in = new Scanner(new File("test.txt"))  
while(in.hasNext()) {  
    String word = in.next();  
    word = word.toLowerCase();  
    words.add(word);  
}  
System.out.println("Number of unique words =")
```



Example 1 (using `HashSet<E>`)

- `HashSet<E>(list)`
- This constructor that accepts another collection as a unique elements from that collection into the `Set`
- We use this constructor to find out whether a list contains

```
public static boolean hasDuplicates(List<Integer> list) {  
    Set<Integer> set = new HashSet<Integer>(list);  
    return set.size() < list.size();  
}
```




Drawback of a Set

- Does not store elements by indexes
- This code does not compile because there is no `get`

```
// remember: Set<String> words = new Hash  
  
for (int i=0; i< words.size(); i++)  
    String word = words.get(i); //error  
    System.out.println(word);  
}
```



Iterators on Set

- The following version works correctly


```
// remember: Set<String> words = new Hash  
  
Iterator<String> itr= words.iterator();  
while (itr.hasNext()){  
    String word = itr.next();  
    System.out.println(word);  
}
```

- Shorter alternative:

```
for (String word: words) {  
    System.out.println(word);  
}
```



}



TreeSet

- We can use a `TreeSet` for the previous code

```
Set<String> strings= new TreeSet<String>();  
strings.add("Larry"); strings.add("Moe");  
strings.add("Curly"); strings.add("Moe");    //  
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strings.add("Moe");    // duplicate, won't be  
System.out.println(strings);
```

- Output:

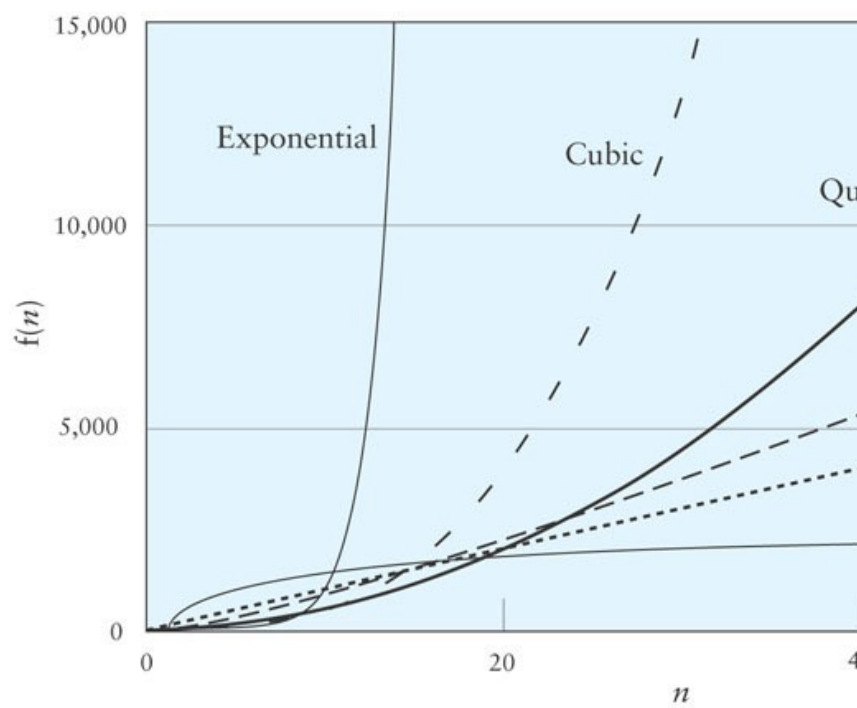
```
[Curly, Larry, Moe, Shemp]
```


- `TreeSet`: implemented using a "binary search tree"
elements are stored in sorted order



TreeSet

- Stores elements in sorted order using an internal **balanced** search tree





TreeSet

vs. HashSet

- A `TreeSet` stores its elements in the natural order
- `TreeSet` can only be used with elements with an ordering
- Any class type that implements the `Comparable` interface
- You cannot use it for elements that do not implement the `Comparable` interface, it will throw a runtime error
- `TreeSet` is slightly (often not noticeably) slower than `HashSet`



Sets and ordering

- `HashSet` : elements are stored in an unpredictable

```
Set<String> names = new
HashSet<String>(); names.add("Jake");
names.add("Robert"); names.add("Marisa");
names.add("Kasey");
System.out.println(names);
// [Kasey, Robert, Jake, Marisa]
```

- `TreeSet` : elements are stored in their "natural" so

```
Set<String> names = new TreeSet<String>();
...
```



```
// [Jake, Kasey, Marisa, Robert]
```

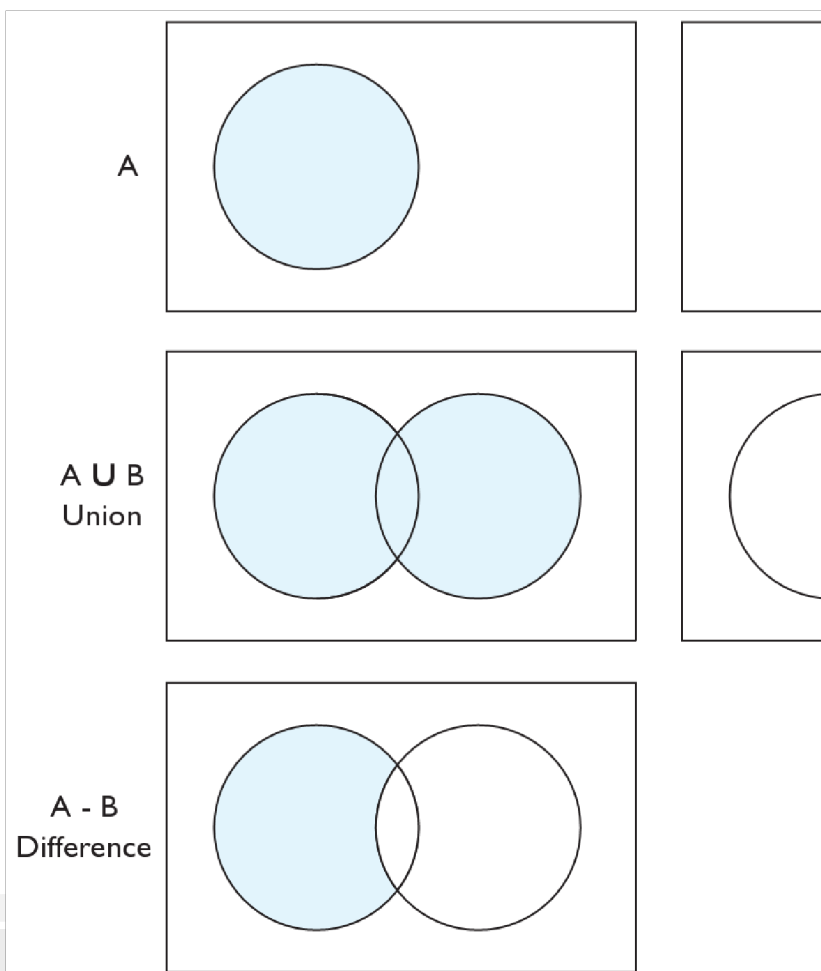
Strengths

- HashSet
 - Extremely fast performance for add, remove, contain
 - Can be used with any type of objects as its element
- TreeSet
 - Elements are stored in sorted order
 - Must be used with elements that can be compared



Set operations

- Sets support common operations to combine them sets:





Typical set operations

- Sometimes it is useful to compare sets:
- **Subset:** S1 is a subset of S2 if S2 contains every element of S1
- `containsAll` tests for a subset relationship
- It can be useful to combine sets in the following ways:
- **Union:** S1 union S2 contains all elements that are in either S1 or S2
- `addAll` performs set union



- **Intersection:** `S1 intersect S2` contains only the elements common to both sets. `performSetIntersection` performs set intersection.
- **Difference:** `S1 difference S2` contains the elements in `S1` that are not in `S2`. `removeAll` performs set difference.

Write a lottery program

- Generate at random a winning lottery ticket of 6 lotto numbers. Depending on how many numbers match the winning ticket, there are different prizes.



- User should enter unique numbers (no duplicates)
- Number of lotto can be up to 40
- We will use sets for storing the winning lotto numbers
- No duplicates (lotto numbers are not duplicated)
- Fast search (search if a player's number is in the winning numbers)

Winning numbers

- Write a method to generate the winner numbers



```
public static final int NUMBERS = 6;
public static final int MAX_NUMBER = 40;

public static Set<Integer> createWinningNumbers() {
    Set<Integer> winningNumbers = new
    TreeSet<Integer>(); Random r = new Random(); while
    (winningNumbers.size() < NUMBERS) { int number =
    r.nextInt(MAX_NUMBER) + 1;
    winningNumbers.add(number);
    } return
    winningNumbers;
}
```



Player's numbers

- Write a method to read the player's numbers

```
// reads the player's lottery ticket from the console
public static Set<Integer> getTicket() {
    Set<Integer> ticket = new TreeSet<Integer>();
    Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.print("Type your " + NUMBERS + " numbers: ");
    while (ticket.size() < NUMBERS) { int number = console.nextInt();
        ticket.add(number);
    }
}
```



```
    return ticket;  
}
```

Check for winners?



Check for winners

- Option 1: search the winning number set to see whether player's ticket



Check for winners

- Option 2: Find the intersection between the winning a

```
Set<Integer> winningNumbers = createWinningNumbers()  
Set<Integer> ticket = getTicket();
```

```
// keep only the winning numbers from the user's ti  
Set<Integer> intersection = new TreeSet<Integer>(ti  
intersection.retainAll(winningNumbers);  
System.out.println("You had" + intersection.size())
```



Calculate prize

```
if (intersection.size() > 0) { double prize =  
    100 * intersection.size();  
    System.out.println("The matched numbers are  
    System.out.println("Your prize is $" + prize.  
}
```

Type your 6 unique lotto numbers: 2 8 15 18 21 32
Your ticket numbers are [2, 8, 15, 18, 21, 32] The
39] You had 2 matching numbers.



The matched numbers are [15, 18]

Your prize is \$200.0