

Proxy

A kind of memory buffer, saves bandwidth by saving things in a cache.

HashMap is a list of unique elements

```
private HashMap<String,Image> p = new HashMap<String,Image>();
```

Downloading an image from the Internet

```
public void downloadImage(String url) {  
    // Use a try/catch in case the URL is invalid  
    try {  
        realurl = new URL(url);  
  
        // Read an image from the URL  
        Image img = ImageIO.read(realurl);  
  
        // Put the image in the list  
        p.put(url, img);  
  
        getImage(url);  
    } catch (MalformedURLException e) {  
        // Runs if the URL is invalid  
        e.printStackTrace();  
    } catch (IOException e) {  
        // Runs on an I/O error (error connecting to the Internet)  
        e.printStackTrace();  
    }  
}
```

Use a buffer to save bandwidth, check if the image is already in the HashMap

```
public Image getImage(String url){  
  
    // Check if the image is already in the HashMap, download and add if not  
    if(p.containsKey(url) == false) {  
        downloadImage(url);  
    }  
  
    // Get image from HashMap, return it  
    Image img = this.p.get(url);  
    return img;  
}
```