CS 112: Array Lists

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Issues with Arrays

- It's awkward to remove elements
- It's awkward to add in the middle while keeping all other elements
- We must know the size when it is declared
- We can't change the size (shrink or grow) later

Solution: ArrayList!

- We can increase/decrease the size of an ArrayList
- We can access by index (just like an Array)
- We get nice methods for finding, adding, deleting objects.

Note:

ArrayLists hold a list of objects (stores references)

Basic Usage

```
import java.util.ArrayList; // So we can declare an ArrayList
public class ArrayListPractice {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
      // declare a new ArrayList that contains base type
         Strings
     ArrayList<String> myStrings = new ArrayList<String>();
      // The base type (String here) is called the "type
         parameter"
      // Note: ArrayLists must contain *objects* and not
         *primitives*
     myStrings.add("When");
     mvStrings.add("is");
     myStrings.add("lunch?");
      System.out.print(myStrings); // [When, is, lunch?]
      System.out.print(myStrings.size()); // prints:
      System.out.print(myStrings.get(1)); // prints:
```

Comparison: Arrays, ArrayLists

```
int[] intArray = new int[2];
ArrayList<Integer> intArrayList = new ArrayList<Integer>(); //
   initial size 0
intArray[0] = -3;
intArrayList.add(-3); // autoboxing
intArray[1] = 42;
intArrayList.add(1,42); // autoboxing
intArray[0] = 99;
intArrayList.set(0, 99); // autoboxing
System.out.println(intArray[1]); // 42
System.out.println(intArrayList.get(1)); // 42 (autoboxing)
```

Printing/For Each

```
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(intArray)); // [99, 42]
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for (int element : intArray) { // 99 42
    System.out.print(element + " ");
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Pair Programming (count off): Sequentially implement each of my Favorite Foods lists, now using an ArrayList

Some ArrayList Methods

Method	Action
myList.add(value);	Adds value to <i>end</i>
myList.get(index);	Finds value at that index
myList.isEmpty();	true if list is empty (otherwise false)
myList.set(index, value);	Replaces entry at given index with value
myList.size();	Gives number of elements in list
myList.indexOf(value);	Returns first index of value (or -1 if value not
	present)
myList.remove(index);	Removes entry at given index
myList.add(index, value)	Adds value so that its index is the given index.
	Everything else shifts right
myList.remove(value)	Adds first occurrance of value (if present)
	Note: you need to explicitly autobox
	Integers!

Some Nuances

```
int[] testArray = new int[5];
ArrayList<Integer> testArrayList = new ArrayList<Integer>(5);
    // Initial size 0, initial *capacity* 5
for (int i=0; i<5; i+=2) {testArray[i] = i;} // compiler OK
    with this
//for (int i=0; i<4; i+=2) {testArrayList.add(i,i);} //
    compiler NOT OK with this
//testArrayList.set(0,1); // compiler NOT OK with this either
// intArrayList.remove(99); // Will not compile!
intArrayList.remove(Integer.valueOf(99));</pre>
```

```
class Range {
   private int length;
   private int[] elements;
   Range(int num) {
      length = Math.max(0, num); // If num < 0 length is 0</pre>
      elements = new int[length];
      for (int i = 0; i < length; i++) {
         elements[i] = i;
   Range (int num1, int num2, int step) {
      length = Math.max(0, (num2-num1)/step); // if num1 >
          num2, length is 0
      elements = new int[length];
      for (int i = 0; i < length; i ++) {
         elements[i] = num1 + i * step;
   public String toString() {
      return Arrays.toString(elements);
```

Pair Programming:

Refactor our Range class to use an ArrayList instead of an Array. If time:

```
/**
* Removes all occurrences of i in the elements of this
* @param i number which is entirely removed from elements
*/
void rmAll(Integer i) {
   // TODO
/**
* Returns the concatenation of two RangeAL lists
* @param range2 is concatenated behind this
* @return this followed by range2
*/
RangeAL concat (RangeAL range2) {
   // TODO
```

https:

//www.programiz.com/java-programming/library/arraylist

Why do we need both?

- Array benefits
 - Faster retrieval from Array
 - Less space used in Array

- ArrayList benefits
 - ArrayList can be lengthened or shortened (more flexible)
 - ArrayList comes with lots of useful methods
- Note: ArrayList is a class implementation of collection interface
 - We'll see more later: LinkedList, Stack, PriorityQueue

Use Array when speed is a priority and you know what size you'll need.

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