Java 8 Workshop
Lambda Expressions and the Stream API

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What's new in Java 8?

- Lambda Expressions
- Stream API
- The `Optional` data type
- Security Enhancements
- JavaFX Improvements
- New and Improved Tools
- … and much more!

Setup and Goals

- Download https://github.com/jdifebo/java8 and import into IDE
- Configure libraries for unit tests
  - Open file EmployeeManagerTest.java
  - Add JUnit4 to classpath by hovering over one of the compilation errors
  - Choose “Run Tests”
  - All tests should fail
- Implement methods using lambda expressions and Stream API
  - Each method can be implemented in a single line by chaining Stream operations!

What are Lambda Expressions?

- A lambda expression is an anonymous function that is typically passed as a parameter to other functions.
- While Lambda Expressions are new to Java, they have been around for decades in other languages.

Javascript

```
function(x){return x * 2}
```

Javascript (ES6)

```
x => x * 2
```

Ruby

```
{|x| x * 2}
```

Java 8

```
x -> x * 2
```

Lambda Expressions in Java 8

- Several existing interfaces have been modified to allow using Lambda Expressions
  - Now marked with `@FunctionalInterface` annotation
  - Functional interfaces have exactly one abstract method
  - Examples include `Comparator`, `Runnable`, `ActionListener`
- New interfaces created specifically for lambda expressions and streams

Sorting a List of Employees

- Goal: Write a method that takes `List<Employee> employees` and sorts the list based on the `name` attribute
- No return value, just sort the input list

Without Java 8

```
public static void sortEmployeesByName(List<Employee> employees) {
    employees.sort(new Comparator<Employee>(){
        @Override
        public int compare(Employee e1, Employee e2) {
            return e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName());
        }
    });
}
```

Sorting a List of Employees

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- No return value, just sort the input list

With Java 8

```
public static void sortEmployeesByName(List<Employee> employees) {
    employees.sort((e1, e2) -> e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName()));
}
```

- We can actually do slightly better, we'll revisit the Comparator class later

Lambda Expression Details

```
(e1, e2) -> e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName())
```

- `(e1, e2)` are the parameters, both of type `Employee`
  - We can pick whatever names we want, I could choose `(x, y)` if I wanted to
  - Type Inference is used to figure out the type that these should be, so we don't need to specify that they are of type `Employee`
  - Still strongly typed, will throw compile-time errors for mistakes
- `e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName())` is the method body
  - No return statement needed for one-line methods

Example: Lambda Expressions

- Goal: Implement the sortEmployeesByName method in EmployeeManager.java
- First unit test should pass!

With Java 8

```
public static void sortEmployeesByName(List<Employee> employees) {
    employees.sort((e1, e2) -> e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName()));
}
```

Method References

- Provides easy-to-read lambda expressions for methods that already have a name
- Can be used anywhere that a lambda expression can be used
- Refer to a static method using `ClassName::methodName`
- Refer to an object's methods with `objectName::methodName`

Sorting a List of Employees

- Goal: Use a method reference to sort a list of employees

With Java 8 Method References

```
public class LambdaExpressionExample {
    /* other methods up here*/

    public void sortEmployeesByName(List<Employee> employees) {
        employees.sort(LambdaExpressionExample::compareEmployeesByName);
    }

    private static int compareEmployeesByName(Employee e1,Employee e2) {
        return e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName());
    }
}
```

What is the Stream API?

[A stream is a] sequence of elements supporting sequential and parallel aggregate operations.

- Stream JavaDoc

- A stream is not a data structure, similar to iterators
- A "sequence of elements" can include
  - Collections (`List` and `Set`)
  - Objects from a database
  - Lines from a file (via `BufferedReader`)
  - Arbitrary mathematical sequences like the Fibonacci sequence
    - Can be infinite!

Stream API: anyMatch()

- Returns `true` if any element in the stream matches the given condition
- Input is a function that has one parameter and returns a boolean
  - We can use a lambda expression!

Stream API: anyMatch()

- Goal: Write a method that takes a `String name` and returns `true` if any employee in the list has that name

Without Java 8

```
public boolean containsName(String name) {
    for (Employee employee : employees){
        if (employee.getName().equals(name)){
            return true;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```

Example: anyMatch()

- Goal: Write a method that takes a `String name` and returns `true` if any employee in the list has that name

With Java 8

```
public boolean containsName(String name) {
    return employees.stream()
                .anyMatch(employee -> employee.getName().equals(name));
}
```

- Exercise: Implement this one too!

Stream API: allMatch() and noneMatch()

- Methods work exactly the same as `anyMatch()`
- `allMatch()` returns true if all elements in the stream satisfy the given function
- `noneMatch()` returns true if no elements in the stream satisfy the given function

Stream API: allMatch()

- Goal: Write a method that takes an `int salary` and returns `true` if all employees have salaries greater than that value

Without Java 8

```
public boolean areAllSalariesGreaterThan(int salary){
       for (Employee employee : employees){
              if (!(employee.getSalary() > salary)){
                     return false;
              }
       }
       return true;
}
```

Exercise: allMatch()

- Goal: Write a method that takes an `int salary` and returns `true` if all employees have salaries greater than that value

Without Java 8

```
public boolean areAllSalariesGreaterThan(int salary){
       return employees.stream().allMatch( ? ? ? ? ? );
}
```

Solution: allMatch()

- Goal: Write a method that takes an `int salary` and returns `true` if all employees have salaries greater than that value

Without Java 8

```
public boolean areAllSalariesGreaterThan(int salary){
       return employees.stream()
                    .allMatch(employee -> employee.getSalary() > salary);
}
```

Aside: The Optional Class

- Class `Optional<T>` defined in java.util
- Useful when a method might not return a value
- Better than returning `null` since it informs the user that they must check if the value is present
- Contains methods like `isPresent()`, `get()`, and `orElse()`

Optional: Sample Usage

- **Suppose that** `getName()` **returns** `Optional<String>`

Sample Usage

```
Optional<String> name = getName();
if (name.isPresent()){
    System.out.println(name.get());
}
else {
    System.out.println("No name was found!");
}
```

Optional: Sample Usage

- **Suppose that** `getName()` **returns** `Optional<String>`

Provide a default value

```
Optional<String> name = getName();
System.out.println(name.orElse("No name was found!"));
```

Throw an exception

```
Optional<String> name = getName();
System.out.println(name.orElseThrow(() -> new Exception()));
```

Throw an exception with a method reference

```
Optional<String> name = getName();
System.out.println(name.orElseThrow(Exception::new));
```

Optional: Sample Usage

- **Suppose that** `getEmployee()` **returns** `Optional<Employee>`

Sample Usage

```
Optional<Employee> employee = getEmployee();
if (employee.isPresent()){
    System.out.println(employee.get().getName());
}
else {
    System.out.println("No employee was found!");
}
```

Optional: Sample Usage

- **Suppose that** `getEmployee()` **returns** `Optional<Employee>`

Better Sample Usage

```
Optional<Employee> employee = getEmployee();
System.out.println(employee.map(emp -> emp.getName())
                           .orElse("No employee was found!"));
```

What just happened?

- `employee.map()` returns a new `Optional` of a different type
  - `emp -> emp.getName()` means the new `Optional` will be of type `String` since `emp.getName()` returns a `String`
- Now that we have an `Optional<String>` again, we can use `.orElse("No employee was found!")` to provide a default `String` value

Stream API: max()

- Returns an `Optional` containing the maximum element of a stream
  - Will return an empty `Optional` if the stream is empty
- Takes 1 parameter, a `Comparator` function
- There is also a `min()` function

- Goal: Write a method that finds the employee with the highest salary in a list and return an `Optional<Employee>` of that employee
  - Return an empty `Optional` if the list is empty

Stream API: max()

Without Streams

```
public Optional<Employee> findHighestPaidEmployee(
                                                List<Employee> employees) {
    if (employees.size() == 0 ){
        return Optional.empty();
    }
    else {
        Employee highestEmployee = employees.get(0);
        for (Employee employee : employees){
        if (employee.getSalary() > highestEmployee.getSalary()){
                highestEmployee = employee;
            }
        }
        return Optional.of(highestEmployee);
    }
}
```

Exercise: max()

- Goal: Write a method that finds the employee with the highest salary in a list and return an `Optional<Employee>` of that employee
  - Return an empty `Optional` if the list is empty

Without Streams

```
public Optional<Employee> findHighestPaidEmployee(
                                          List<Employee> employees) {
    return employees.stream().max( ? ? ? ? ? );
}
```

  - Reminder: max() takes a `comparator<Employee>`, a function that takes 2 employees as parameters and returns either a negative number, 0, or a positive number to denote order

Solution: max()

- Goal: Write a method that finds the employee with the highest salary in a list and return an `Optional<Employee>` of that employee
  - Return an empty `Optional` if the list is empty

Without Streams

```
public Optional<Employee> findHighestPaidEmployee(
                                              List<Employee> employees) {

    return employees.stream()
      .max((e1, e2) -> Integer.compare(e1.getSalary(), e2.getSalary()));
}
```

Exercise: Optionals

- Goal: Write a method that finds the name of the employee with the highest salary
  - Return "*No employees were found!*" if the list is empty

Without Streams

```
public Optional<Employee> findHighestPaidEmployee(
                                              List<Employee> employees) {

    return employees.stream()
      .max((e1, e2) -> Integer.compare(e1.getSalary(), e2.getSalary()))
      . ? ? ? ?
      . ? ? ? ?;
}
```

Solution: Optionals

- `map()` because we don't care about the entire employee, only the employee's name
- `orElse()` to provide a default value

Without Streams

```
public Optional<Employee> findHighestPaidEmployee(
                                              List<Employee> employees) {

    return employees.stream()
      .max((e1, e2) -> Integer.compare(e1.getSalary(), e2.getSalary()))
      .map(emp -> emp.getName())
      .orElse("No employees were found!");
}
```

Terminal vs Intermediate Operations

- Terminal operations return a useful value
  - `anyMatch()` returns a `boolean`
  - `max()` returns an `Optional`
- Intermediate operations return a new stream as a result
  - Does not modify the source of the stream (the underlying list for example)
  - Can be chained together into a pipeline to perform several operations
  - Use lazy evaluation; no work will be done until a terminal operation is called
  - Examples include `filter()`, `map()`, `sorted()`, `limit()`, `distinct()`

Stream API: map() and collect()

- `map()` creates a new stream by applying a function to each element of an existing stream
- `collect()` "combines" elements of a stream in some way
  - Usually used for putting elements into a new collection
    - Convenience classes can be used via the `Collectors` class
    - i.e. `.collect(Collectors.toList())`
    - Alternatively can specify your own functions for more precise behavior
  - This is a terminal operation since it returns a useful object and not a stream

Stream API: map() and collect()

- Goal: Write a method that returns a `List<String>` of the employees' names

Without Java 8

```
public List<String> extractEmployeeNames(List<Employee> employees){
    List<String> names = new ArrayList<String>(employees.size());
    for (Employee employee : employees){
        names.add(employee.getName());
    }
    return names;
}
```

Example: map() and collect()

- Goal: Write a method that returns a `List<String>` of the employees' names

With Java 8

```
public List<String> extractEmployeeNames(List<Employee> employees){
    return employees.stream()
                    .map(emp -> emp.getName())
                    .collect(Collectors.toList());
}
```

With Java 8 and Method References

```
public List<String> extractEmployeeNames(List<Employee> employees){
    return employees.stream()
                    .map(Employee::getName)
                    .collect(Collectors.toList());
}
```

Stream API: filter() and count()

- `filter()` creates a new stream by removing some elements from the original stream
  - Takes a function that returns a boolean, just like `anyMatch()`
- `count()` simply returns the number of elements in the stream
  - Returns a `long`, just in case the stream is huge!

Stream API: filter() and count()

- Goal: Write a method takes a `String office` and returns the number of employees at that office

Without Java 8

```
public long countEmployeesAtOffice(String office) {
	long count = 0;
	for (Employee employee : employees){
		if (employee.getOffice().equals(office)){
			count++;
		}
	}
	return count;
}
```

Example: filter() and count()

- Goal: Write a method that takes `List<Employee> employees` and returns the number of employees whose office is equal to "Ann Arbor"

With Java 8

```
public long countEmployeesAtOffice(String office) {
    return employees.stream()
       .filter(employee -> employee.getOffice().equals(office))
       .count();
}
```

Exercise: Combine map, collect, and filter

- Goal: Write a method takes a `String office` and returns a `List<String>` of the names of employees at that office

With Java 8

```
public List<String> findEmployeeNamesAtOffice(String office) {
    return employees.stream()
                    .? ? ? ?
                    .? ? ? ?
                    .? ? ? ?;
}
```

Stream API: distinct()

- `distinct()` creates a new stream by removing duplicate elements from the original stream
  - Takes no parameters
  - Uses `.equals()` to check for equality

Exercise: distinct()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the number of different offices there are among the employees
  - Hint: You need other stream methods too!

With Java 8

```
public long countNumberOfOffices() {




}
```

Exercise: distinct()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the number of different offices there are among the employees
  - Hint: You need other stream methods too!

With Java 8

```
public long countNumberOfOffices() {
       return employees.stream()
              .map(Employee::getOffice)
              .distinct()
              .count();
}
```

Exercise: distinct() again

- Goal: Write a method that returns a `String` that is a comma-separated list of all of the different offices
  - Hint: use `Collectors.joining(CharSequence delimiter)`

With Java 8

```
public Set<String> findDistinctOffices() {



}
```

Exercise: distinct() again

- Goal: Write a method that returns a `String` that is a comma-separated list of all of the different offices
  - Hint: use `Collectors.joining(CharSequence delimiter)`

With Java 8

```
public Set<String> findDistinctOffices() {
       return employees.stream()
              .map(Employee::getOffice)
              .distinct()
              .collect(Collectors.joining(", "));
}
```

Stream API: findFirst() and findAny()

- `findFirst()` returns an `Optional` containing the first element in the stream
  - Returns an empty Optional if the stream has no elements
- `findAny()` returns an `Optional` containing an element in the stream
  - Not guaranteed to be the first element
  - Might be faster when processing streams in parallel
- Usually want to perform a `filter()` first

Exercise: findAny()

- Goal: Write a method that takes a `String office` and returns an `Optional<Employee>` of any employee at that office
  - Return an empty `Optional` if no employee is found

With Java 8

```
public Optional<Employee> findAnyEmployeeAtOffice(String office){



}
```

Exercise: findAny()

- Goal: Write a method that takes a `String office` and returns an `Optional<Employee>` of any employee at that office
  - Return an empty `Optional` if no employee is found

With Java 8

```
public Optional<Employee> findAnyEmployeeAtOffice(String office){
       return employees.stream()
              .filter(employee -> employee.getOffice().equals(office))
              .findAny();
}
```

Stream API: sorted() and limit()

- `sorted()` creates a new stream by sorting the original stream
  - One version takes no parameters, uses natural ordering
  - Second version takes a `Comparator` just like `max()`
- `limit()` truncates the stream to be no longer than a given size
  - Takes a `long` as a parameter
  - If the stream isn't that long, the entire stream is returned

Stream API: sorted() and limit()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the 10 highest paid employees in Ann Arbor

With Java 8

```
public List<Employee> tenHighestPaidAnnArbor(List<Employee> employees){
    return employees.stream()
      .filter(emp -> emp.getOffice().equals("Ann Arbor"))
      .sorted((e1, e2) -> Integer.compare(e1.getSalary(), e2.getSalary()))
      .limit(10)
      .collect(Collectors.toList());
}
```

Revisiting Comparators

- Comparator class has some static methods to easily make comparators

To sort employees by the name field	
`Replace this`	`(e1, e2) -> e1.getName().compareTo(e2.getName())`
`With this`	`Comparator.comparing(employee -> employee.getName())`
`Or better`	`Comparator.comparing(Employee::getName)`

To sort employees by salary in decending order
`Comparator.comparingInt(Employee::getSalary).reversed()`

- `comparingInt, comparingLong, comparingDouble` useful for primitive types to avoid unnecessary boxing and unboxing
- `reversed()` takes a comparator and returns a comparator in the opposite order

Revisiting Comparators

- https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Comparator.html
- Is a functional interface
  - Has only one method that needs to be implemented
  - Compatible with lambda expressions and method references to implement the single method
- Has default methods such as `reversed()`
  - Interface with implemented methods????
  - Required to expand behavior of existing classes without breaking existing implementations

Stream API: mapToInt()

- `mapToInt()` returns an `IntStream`, a special type of stream to deal with `int` primitives
  - Takes a function that maps to an `int`, e.g. `emp -> emp.getSalary()`
  - Has `average()` and `sum()` convenience methods that don't work on arbitrary objects
- `mapToDouble()` and `mapToLong()` also exist for those primitives

Example: mapToInt()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the average employee salary
  - Return 0 if the list is empty

With Java 8

```
public double findAverageSalary(){
    return employees.stream()
                    .mapToInt(Employee::getSalary)
                    .average()  // this returns an OptionalDouble!
                    .orElse(0);
}
```

Exercise: mapToInt()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the total salary of all employees at an office

With Java 8

```
public int findTotalSalaryOfOffice(String office) {



}
```

Solution: mapToInt()

- Goal: Write a method that returns the total salary of all employees at an office

With Java 8

```
public int findTotalSalaryOfOffice(String office) {
	return employees.stream()
		.filter(employee -> employee.getOffice().equals(office))
		.mapToInt(Employee::getSalary)
		.sum();
}
```

Important Notes and Fun Facts

- To preserve correct behavior, two rules must be followed
  1. Streams must be non-interfering (they do not modify the stream source)
  2. Must be stateless (results should not depend on any state that might change during execution)
- Streams cannot be reused after a terminal operation is invoked
  - Remember, no work is done until a terminal operation is used
- In some cases, streams can be infinite
  - Many methods will never return for infinite streams

Recap of Stream Methods

- Intermediate Operations
  - `map()`
  - `filter()`
  - `distinct()`
  - `sorted()`
  - `limit()`
  - `mapToInt()`, `mapToDouble()`, `mapToLong()`
- Terminal Operations
  - `anyMatch()`, `allMatch()`, `noneMatch()`
  - `max()`, `min()`
  - `collect()`
  - `count()`
  - `findAny()`

Other Important Methods

- `reduce()`
  - Extremely flexible, can be used to implement several terminal operations
  - Rarely needed in practice
- `collect()` (the other method signature)
  - Useful for loading data into arbitrary data structures
  - Most use cases are already covered by the `Collectors` class

Other Important Methods

- `toArray()`
  - Excellent if legacy code expects an array and not a list, use it if you need to
- `forEach()`
  - Also extremely flexible, lets the programmer execute arbitrary code for each element in a stream
  - Very easy to violate stream contract and potentially get unexpected behavior
  - Can just write a for loop instead

Parallel Processing

- Many streams implement the `.parallel()` method
- Automatically enables parallel processing of the stream
  - Work is divided between multiple threads
  - After threads complete, end result is then merged together
- Can actually be less efficient for small streams with simple operations
  - Millions of elements is still "small".
- Can potentially be much faster for very large streams or when the operations involved are time consuming

Parallel Processing

- As with all parallel processing, side-effects must be carefully accounted for
  - Two threads modifying the same variable at the same time will cause errors
- Side-effects are highly discouraged even for sequential streams

Parallel Processing Gone Wrong

- What is the output of the following code?

100000, 47270, 46942, 65382, or 40942?

Bad Parallel Processing

```
static int n = 0;
public static void main(String[] args) {
    IntStream.range(0, 100000).parallel().forEach(i -> n++);
    System.out.println(n);
}
```

Summary

- Streams can perform useful operations on collections
- Intermediate operations return new streams based on modifying the elements of the previous stream
- Terminal operations return useful values
- Stream operations can take lambda expressions to shorten code
- Many streams support parallel execution
  - Must be extra careful to ensure correct behavior

Thank You!

Questions?