# Understanding code: 211 - TreeSet

## Dataset (fullSet)

The fullSet contains contacts sorted by name:

- Charlie Brown with phone (333) 444-5555
- Daffy Duck with email daffy@google.com
- Linus Van Pelt with email lvpelt2015@gmail.com
- Lucy Van Pelt with phone (564) 208-6852
- **Maid Marion** with phone (123) 456–7890
- Mickey Mouse with phone (999) 888-7777
- **Minnie Mouse** with phone (456) 780-5666
- **Robin Hood** with phone (564) 789–3000

## **Explanation of the Output**

#### ceiling(Daffy Duck)

o Finds the smallest contact greater than or equal to "Daffy Duck". Since "Daffy Duck" exists in fullSet, it returns "Daffy Duck" with email [daffy@google.com].

#### higher (Daffy Duck)

o Finds the smallest contact strictly greater than "Daffy Duck", so it skips "Daffy Duck" and returns "Linus Van Pelt" with email [lvpelt2015@gmail.com].

#### ceiling(Daisy Duck)

o "Daisy Duck" doesn't exist in the fullSet, so ceiling finds the next closest contact alphabetically, which is "Linus Van Pelt".

#### 4. higher (Daisy Duck)

o Similar to ceiling, higher returns "Linus Van Pelt" as it's the next greater contact after "Daisy Duck".

### ceiling(Robin Hood)

o "Robin Hood" is in the set, so ceiling (Robin Hood) returns "Robin Hood" itself with phone (564) 789-3000.

#### 6. higher (Robin Hood)

o "Robin Hood" is the last entry in the set, so higher (Robin Hood) has no greater contact, resulting in null.

## 7. ceiling (Snoopy) and higher (Snoopy)

o "Snoopy" is beyond the last entry in the set and isn't present, so both ceiling and higher return null.

# **Summary**

The ceiling method finds the closest match at or above the specified element, while higher only looks for strictly greater elements. When the specified contact doesn't exist, they return the nearest larger contact or null if none exists.

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for (Contact c : List.of(daffy, daisy, first, archie)) {
    System.out.printf("floor(%s)=%s%n", c.getName(), fullSet.floor(c));
    System.out.printf("lower(%s)=%s%n", c.getName(), fullSet.lower(c));
}
System.out.println("------");
```

In this example, floor and lower methods are used to navigate the sorted TreeSet called fullSet to find elements based on their relative position to each Contact object.

- floor (Contact c): Finds the largest element less than or equal to the specified contact.
- lower (Contact c): Finds the largest element strictly less than the specified contact.

## **Explanation of Output with Data:**

- **Charlie Brown**: [] [(333) 444-5555]
- **Daffy Duck**: [daffy@google.com] []
- Linus Van Pelt: [lvpelt2015@gmail.com] []
- Lucy Van Pelt: [] [(564) 208-6852]
- **Maid Marion**: [] [(123) 456-7890]
- Mickey Mouse: [] [(999) 888-7777]
- **Minnie Mouse**: [] [(456) 780-5666]
- **Robin Hood**: [] [(564) 789-3000]And the sample output:

#### 1. floor(Daffy Duck) and lower(Daffy Duck):

- o floor ("Daffy Duck") returns "Daffy Duck" itself, as it's present in the set.
- o lower("Daffy Duck") returns "Charlie Brown" as it's the largest element before "Daffy Duck".

#### 2. floor (Daisy Duck) and lower (Daisy Duck):

- o "Daisy Duck" is not in fullSet.
- o floor ("Daisy Duck") returns "Daffy Duck" (the nearest, largest element less than or equal to "Daisy Duck").
- o lower("Daisy Duck") also returns "Daffy Duck" as it's strictly before "Daisy Duck".

#### 3. floor(Charlie Brown) and lower(Charlie Brown):

- o floor("Charlie Brown") returns "Charlie Brown" as it's in fullSet.
- o lower("Charlie Brown") returns null because there's no element before "Charlie Brown".

#### 4. floor (Archie) and lower (Archie):

- o "Archie" isn't in fullSet, and it's alphabetically before "Charlie Brown".
- o Both floor ("Archie") and lower ("Archie") return null since there's no element less than or equal to "Archie" in the set.

These methods provide efficient ways to search within a sorted TreeSet when an element's position matters, such as finding elements that are near or immediately precede a given key.