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Assignment 1

Academic Honesty Policy

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Objectives

- To understand and implement array-based data structures using generics.
- To design and develop code that demonstrates basic encapsulation, abstraction, and polymorphism.

Array Implementation Using Generics

Part 1: Getting Started

- Open Eclipse and create a Java Project (File -> New -> Java Project)
- Give a project name (For example: assignment 1 CPSC 215)
- Go to Project -> Right Click -> New Package
- Give a package name (For example: assignment_1_CPSC215)
- Now to create the classes, go to package -> Right Click -> New Java class.
- Paste contents of the given files. Keep the first line in place (package "package_name";)
- Understand the code structure before starting to write code.

You are provided the following classes.

- FixedArray.java (Need to complete)
- FixedArrayTest.java (Don' change)

Part 2: FixedArray Class

Review the FixedArray.java class that demonstrates the use of generics. The file includes the following features:

- **Encapsulation**: The data members array and size are private, ensuring they are accessed and modified only through methods.
- **Abstraction**: Methods like insert, remove, swap, display, and clear provide a clear interface for interacting with the array.
- Polymorphism: The use of generics allows the array to store any data type (e.g., String, Integer, Double).

Tasks:

1. Complete the Following Methods in FixedArray.java:

- insert(T element): Adds an element to the array at the end. Ensure that no elements can be added when the array is full.
- remove(int index): Removes an element from a specific index and shifts elements appropriately.
- clear(): Clears all elements in the array and resets the size to zero.
- swap(int index1, int index2): Swaps two elements in the array based on their indices.

2. Provided Methods:

- display(): Displays all elements in the array.
- getSize(): Returns the current size of the array.

Part 3: Main Class

Review Main.java contains pre-written code to test the FixedArray class. It demonstrates the application of object-oriented principles:

- **Encapsulation**: The FixedArray class is accessed through its public methods.
- Polymorphism: The generic array stores different data types such as String and Number.

Tasks (contd):

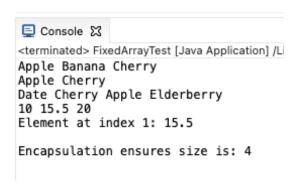
- 3. Run the provided code to:
 - Test the insert method by adding elements to the array.
 - Test the remove method by deleting an element from a specific index.
 - Test the swap method by swapping two elements in the array.
- 4. **Review the use** of abstraction and encapsulation by analyzing how data is accessed and manipulated through methods.
- 5. **Experiment by adding additional test cases** to verify edge scenarios (e.g., attempting to insert into a full array, removing an invalid index).

Note:

When completing the methods, you need to handle the following edge cases:

- Attempting to insert an element into a full array.
- Trying to remove an element at an invalid index (negative index or index out of bounds).
- Swapping elements when one or both indices are invalid.
- Ensuring no NullPointerException occurs when displaying or clearing the array.

Sample Output:



Part 4: Submission

Upon the completion of your lab, upload your submission to the Moodle course website as a single Zip file. (FixedArray.java and FixedArrayTest.java)
