# CS 5004: Lecture 13

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## At the start of every lecture

- 1. Pull the latest code from the lecture-code repo
- 2. Open the Evening\_lectures folder
- 3. Copy this week's folder somewhere else
  - So you can edit it without causing GitHub conflicts
- 4. Open the code:
  - 1. Find the build.gradle file in the folder called LectureX
  - 2. Double click it to open the project

# Agenda

#### Functional programming

- Concepts
- Lambdas
- Using Streams
- Functions as objects

# Concepts

# Imperative vs. declarative programming

#### **Imperative**

- Specify how to do something
- Object-oriented

#### **Declarative**

- Specifies what to do
- Functional

**Real world:** even when taking an OOD approach, may include \*some\* functional programming

lambdas

## **Immutability**

A tenet of functional programming

- An object should be immutable
- Rather than change state, create a new copy with the new state

### What is a function?

Think back to 5002...

- All elements in the domain are mapped to a value in the codomain
- There cannot exist elements in the domain with no image in the codomain
- A single element in the domain can only map to one element in the codomain

### **Functional methods**

#### A method is functional if:

- Does not mutate anything outside the function
- Does not mutate arguments
- Does not throw errors or exceptions
  - Functional programming: no side effects!
- Always returns a value
- When called with the same argument, always returns the same result

#### **Functional Java**

Using the Stream API

- Start with a **stream** of data e.g. a stream of objects in a collection
  - Apply a series of operations/transformation to the stream
  - Reduce or collect the stream

# Familiar stream example: Java 10

#### Stream oriented

- IO = "input/output"
- I/O stream a communication channel ("pipe") between a source and a destination that allows us to create a flow of data
- A stream is a sequence of data.
- Data is read 1+ bytes at a time directly from the stream

### I/O Stream

- Input source: e.g. a file, another program, device
- Output destination: e.g. a file, another program, device
- The kind of data streamed: e.g. bytes, ints, objects

### Reading a file

```
try ( BufferedReader reader =
    new BufferedReader(new FileReader("filename"))) {
   String line = "";
   while ((line = reader.readLine()) != null) {
     ...
   }
}
catch...
```

### Reading with a Stream...

#### Related to something we've already seen:

#### Collections can be streamed

Streams can be generated by a built-in Collection e.g.

```
List<Integer> nums = new LinkedList();

Stream<Integer> numStream = nums.stream();

Preturns a stream of the Integers in the given linked I
```

returns a *stream* of the Integers in the given linked list All objects implementing **Collection** have this method.

?

Key point: a stream is a **sequence of data** 

```
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```

→ a sequence of Integers

### What can we do with streams?

- Generate
- Iterate
- Filter
- Map input to output
- Count
- Sort
- ...and more

# Lambdas

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#### What are they for?

- Functions that only need to be used once
- Keeping code short and tidy



## Some (non-Java) examples

#### Things I use anonymous functions for

```
32 df_basic["age"] = df_basic.apply(lambda defendant: normalize_age(defendant, df_basic["age"].max()), axis=1)
```

- Instead of iterating through every row in a large dataset
- Shorter
- Only needs to happen once

# Some (non-Java) examples

#### Things I use anonymous functions for

Event handling, callbacks

- Only needs to happen under specific circumstances
- Doesn't make sense to be called anywhere else

```
export const sendMessage = (msg, callbackFunc) => {
    socket.emit("new message", msg);

    socket.on("all messages", result => {
        callbackFunc(result);
    })
}
```

### When to use lambdas?

- ...to replace for loops/small helper methods:
- When a particular loop or helper is used in only one place e.g. called only from one method
  - If used in multiple places → named method
- Logic is fairly simple and short:
  - Complex/long logic in a lambda is very hard to follow → use named method instead

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```

#### **Equivalent to:**

```
int addNumbers(int a, int b) {
  return a + b;
}
```

When used to do something with items in a collection, parameters don't need types...Java knows what type is in the collection

```
(a, b) -> { return a + b; }
```

(Simple) methods don't need braces or a return

$$(a, b) -> a + b$$

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```
a -> a * a
```

#### **Equivalent to:**

```
int square(int a) {
  return a * a;
}
```

# **Using Streams**

#### **Functional Java**

#### Uses the Stream API

- Start with a stream of data e.g. a stream of objects in a collection
  - Apply a series of operations/transformation to the stream
  - Reduce or collect the stream

Create a stream of known objects e.g.

```
Stream.of(anObj, anotherObj, obj3);
```

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- For every object in the stream...pass it to...
- Some operation (e.g. square the number)...returned as next input

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- Single line of code → infinite output (without additional methods):
- 2 4 16 256 65536 4294967296 .... forever...

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...any ideas what that line does?

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- ...takes a stream of Integers from 0-49 and selects only the even numbers.
  - Can be used on other types of stream too

• limit() - Limits the number of items to look at e.g.

```
Stream.iterate(2, i -> i * i).limit(3);
```

... what does this line do?

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Stops after 3 items: 2, 4, 16

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...what is this line doing?
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Stream.of("a", "b", "c").map(s -> s.toUpperCase());
Equivalent to:
// letters is a LinkedList containing "a", "b",
"C" ...
for (String s: letters) {
  s = s.toUpperCase();
```

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#### Perform operations on the objects in the stream:

- Intermediate operations perform actions before further processing
- Terminal operations "final" operations
  - i.e. you can't tack on any additional operations such as filter, map...
- Reductions make the stream smaller, possibly just one value

### Terminal operations – some examples

• forEach() - Basically a for-each loop but tidier...

```
Stream.of("a", "b", "c").map(s ->
s.toUpperCase())
.forEach(s -> System.out.println(s));
```

Converts each String in the Stream to an upper case String then prints it

Can't print from map() → requires a return

### Terminal operations – some examples

• forEach() - simplified syntax

```
Stream.of("a", "b", "c").map(s ->
s.toUpperCase())
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

Already knows the parameter—each object in the stream

Note the ::, not a typo!

#### Terminal operations – some examples

• collect() - gather the items into a new collection e.g.

```
List<String> letters = Stream.of("a", "b", "c")
    .map(s -> s.toUpperCase())
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
```

Returns the result of the operation as a new list.

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#### Reductions – some examples

```
•average(), count(), max() etc... e.g.
 Stream.iterate(2, i -> i * i).limit(3).count();
 Returns the number of items: 3
 Stream.iterate(2, i -> i * i).limit(3)
                                 .mapToInt(i -> i)
                                 .sum();
```

Returns the sum of the items: 22

## Functional programming: Summary

- Stream gets mapped, filtered, reduced, and collected in some order
- Lambdas: unnamed methods (functions) that can be applied to a stream
- In functional programming, objects are **immutable**:
  - Rather than change an existing object, copy it and return with new state

### Example: functionalcountrycodes

#### New version:

- CountryCodeProcessor.java uses a stream for processing
  - processInput

```
private Map<String, String> processInput(List<String> lines) {
  return lines.stream()
              .map(line -> line.replaceAll("\"",""))
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#### Terminal operation - Many possible outcomes e.g.

- Collectors.counting() // number of elements in the stream
- Collectors.joining() // join into String
- Collectors.groupingBy() // group by parameter → hash map

#### Produces a map

Need to define a key and a value

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#### Example: functionalcountrycodes

- CountryCodeProcessor.java uses a stream for processing
  - processInput
- ...but not file reading. Why?
  - readFile
- Could we do something like this instead?

Try it and see what happens

#### Streams are for one-time use only

You probably tried something like this:

```
private Stream<String> readFile(String path) {
  try (Stream<String> lines
    = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(path)).lines()) {
    return lines;
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  ··· → streams need to be used when they're created
     A solution: read and process at the same time (has it's own
     problems)
```

#### Exercise 1: streams & lambdas

In functional package, FunctionalPractice class, main method:

- Use a List to store multiple Books
- Use streams & lambdas on the List to:
  - make a new List containing only books published before a certain date
  - make a new List containing only books in a particular price range
  - get the total price of all books in the list
  - get the average price of all books in the list
- Refer to the Java 11 Streams docs
  - Google "Java 11 Streams"

## Break (10 mins)

10 8 6 4 2 0

### Filtering by year, price

### Total, average price

# Total, average price

In case the stream is empty

Built-in collections can be turned in to **streams** using **stream()**:

Use **filter()** to select only the items that meet some condition:

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#### Parameter passed to right side of lambda

• Represents each object in the stream (a Book in this example)

filter() takes a lambda expression:

#### **Boolean condition**

- Only stream objects that return true will be considered in the next operation
- i.e. Books whose year field is less than year

collect(Collectors.tolist()) returns the remaining items as a new list:

Use **map()** to *transform* each object in stream:

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```
List<Book> saleBooks = books.stream().filter(b -> b.getYear() <
year)

.map(b -> {
    b.setPrice(b.getPrice * 0.9f); Use {} if the lambda function
    return b; contains multiple lines
})
.collect(Collectors.toList());
```

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.collect(Collectors.toList());
The lambda function must return an Object
```

map() takes a lambda expression:

...map() can also be used to convert stream elements to a different type

Streams of Integers or Doubles can use average(), min(), and max():

```
Integer oldestPubDate = books.stream().mapToInt(b -> b.getYear()).min();
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To map an Object to Integer or Double:

- mapToInt(...)
- mapToDouble(...)

### map() vs. flatMap()

#### What does list contain?

### map() vs. flatMap()

### What does list contain? ... a list of lists of Strings

### map() vs. flatMap()

### To get a list of words, use flatMap()

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the starting point, passed in along with the first element in the stream

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This example does the same as:

### Stream API

- We've seen just a small subset of the API!
- Read the docs for more
- (We'll see some more variations in the practice finals)

#### Functions can be saved as variables

```
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- Only one parameter
- Must inherit Object

### Different syntax, same outcome:

### t = parameter name

Call it whatever you want (doesn't have to be t)

### Different syntax, same outcome:

### =, ->, and ; instead of ()

- Single-line operations don't need { }
- Multi-line operations do
- Don't always need return

```
T oldObj = new T();
R newObj = functionName.apply(oldObj);
```

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function variable name
```

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```

Use Function.apply() to call the function

```
T oldObj = new T();
R newObj = functionName.apply(oldObj);

pass in the required parameter
```

## Example

```
Function<Book, Book> discountBook = b -> {
  b.setPrice(b.getPrice() * 0.9f);
  return b;
};
// aBook is $10
discountBook.apply(aBook);
// aBook is $9
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```
Function<Book, Book> discountBook = b -> {
  b.setPrice(b.getPrice() * 0.9f);
  return b;
                   No. The argument is modified
                   > create a new book instead
// aBook is $10
discountBook.apply(aBook);
// aBook is $9
```

# Uses of Functions as Objects

- Tidying up stream operations
- If you want a method to accept a function as a parameter
- If you want a function to be accessible to only one object
  - e.g. event listeners
- a design choice

```
private void transform(Shape s,
   Function<Shape, Shape> change) {
   change.apply(s);
   redraw();
}

transform(myShape, scaleUp);
transform(myShape, scaleDown);
transform(myShape, moveLeft);
```

# Exercise 2: Functions as parameter practice

Add two function objects to the FunctionalPractice class:

- Discount a book by 10% (same as prev slide)
- Double the price of the book

Add a static method to the FunctionalPractice class:

- Book adjustPrice(Book book, Function<Book, Book> adjuster)
- Could be used to either decrease or increase the price

# Exercise 2: Functions as parameter practice

```
private static Function<Book, Book> discountBook = b -> {
   Book newBook = new Book(b.getTitle(),b.getAuthor(),b.getYear(), price: b.getPrice() * 0.9f);
   return newBook;
};

private static Function<Book, Book> doublePrice = b -> {
   Book newBook = new Book(b.getTitle(),b.getAuthor(),b.getYear(), price: b.getPrice() * 2);
   return newBook;
};

private static Book adjustPrice(Book book, Function<Book, Book> adjuster) {
   return adjuster.apply(book);
}
```

```
Book cheaper = FunctionalBook.adjustPrice(b1, discountBook);
```