Functional Interfaces - Lambda Document (v1)

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Functional Interface

1) Interface with exactly one method

2) Optionally marked with @FunctionalInterface

3) Functional interfaces are used for cases where we need to pass around functionality

@FunctionalInterface

interface IAdder{

int add(int a, int b);

}

Lambda Expression

Lambda expressions are basically instances of functional interfaces

lambda expressions are added in Java 8

1)Expression

```
IAdder<Integer> adder=(a,b)->a+b;
```

-> is used to separate arguments and body of expression

LHS of -> denotes arguments to function

RHS of ->denotes body of expression

2) Block (set of statements)

```
 IAdder<Integer> adder=(a,b)->{
    int c= a+b;
    return c;
};
```

Builtin Functional Interfaces

1) Supplier

2) Consumer

3) Predicate

4) Function

Supplier

Represents function that takes no argument and return a result of Type T

```
@FunctionalInterface
public interface Supplier<T> {
    T get();
}
```

```
Supplier<Student>supplier=()->new Student();
Student student=supplier.get();
```

Consumer

Represents function that takes one argument and does NOT return anything

```
@FunctionalInterface
public interface Consumer<T> {
    void accept(T t);
}
```

```
How to use it
Consumer<String> up=(arg)->{
    String upperCase=arg.toUpperCase();
    System.out.println(upperCase);
};
up.accept("hello");
```

BiConsumer

Represents function that takes two arguments and does NOT return anything

```
@FunctionalInterface
public interface BiConsumer<T, U> {
    void accept(T t, U u);
}
```

```
BiConsumer<String,Integer>con=(input,times)->{
    String result="";
    for (int i=0;i<times;i++){
        result=result+input;
    }
    System.out.println(result);
};
con.accept("hello",3);
```

Predicate

Represents a function that takes an argument and returns true or false

```
Predicate<Integer>isEven=arg->arg%2==0;
boolean result=isEven.test(11);
System.out.println(result);
```

BiPredicate

Represents a function that takes two argument and returns true or false

```
BiPredicate<String,Integer> isLengthExpected= (input,length)->input.length()==length;
boolean result=isLengthExpected.test("hello",5);
System.out.println(result);
```

Function

Represents a function that takes one argument and returns the result

```
@FunctionalInterface
public interface Function<T, R> {
    R apply(T t);
}
```

```
Function<String,Integer>length=arg->arg.length();
int result=length.apply("hello");
```

BiFunction

Represents a function that takes two arguments and returns the result

```
@FunctionalInterface
public interface BiFunction<T, U, R> {
    R apply(T t, U u);
}
```

```java
BiFunction<String,Integer,String>concat=(input,times)->{
    String result="";
    for(int i=0;i<times;i++){
        result=result+input;
    }
    return result;
};
String result=concat.apply("hello",3);
```

UnaryOperator

Represents function that takes one argument and return result of same type

```java
@FunctionalInterface
public interface UnaryOperator<T> extends Function<T, T> {
    static <T> UnaryOperator<T> identity() {
        return t -> t;
    }
}
UnaryOperator<Integer>twicer=(input)->input*2;
int result=twicer.apply(10);
```

It is same as

```java
Function<Integer,Integer>twicer=(input)->input*2;
int result=twicer.apply(10);
```

BinaryOperator

Represents function that takes two arguments and return result of same type

```java
BinaryOperator<Integer>power=(input,times)->{
    int result=1;
    for (int i=0;i<times;i++){
        result=result*input;
    }
    return result;
};
int result=power.apply(10,3);
```

It is same as

```java
BiFunction<Integer,Integer,Integer>power=(input,times)->{
    int result=1;
    for (int i=0;i<times;i++){
        result=result*input;
    }
}
```

```
        return result;
};
int result=power.apply(10,3);
```

Method Reference

1) A method reference provides a way to refer to a method without executing it

2) It relates to lambda expressions because return type is compatible functional interface

```
Consumer<String>consumer=(input)->System.out.println(input)
Or
Consumer<String>consumer=System.out::println

<class or instance name> :: <method name>
Double colon specifies method reference
```

Method Reference Types

1) Reference to Static method using classname

2) Reference to Instance method using instance

3) Reference to constructor using syntax Classname::new

Method reference using classname

```
 BinaryOperator<Integer>operator=Adder::add;

 int result=operator.apply(1,2);


public class Adder{
public static int add(int a,int b){
   return a+b;
}
}
```

Method reference using instance

```
 Adder adder=new Adder();

 BinaryOperator<Integer>operator=adder::add;

 int result=operator.apply(1,2);


public class Adder{
public  int add(int a,int b){
   return a+b;
}
}
```

Constructor Reference

Reference to constructor using syntax Classname::new

```java
class Student{
  String name;
  public Stud(String arg){
    this.name=arg;
  }


void doSomething(){
  Function<String,Student>function=Student::new;
  Student result=function.apply("scooby");
}


Get instance of Arraylist
Supplier<ArrayList>supplier= ArrayList::new;
ArrayList list=supplier.get();
}
```