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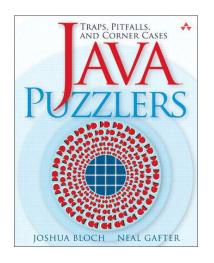


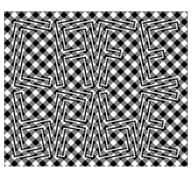
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DISCLAIMER!

- Todos los ejemplos aquí presentados se han extraído de conferencias de Joshua Bloch & Neal Gafter
- ► Todo el código mostrado en esta presentación compila correctamente

1. "Let's start with a hello world"

```
public class HelloWorld {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
      "Hello World!".chars().forEach(System.out::print);
   }
}
```



2. "Life's Persistent Questions"

```
public class SimpleQuestion {
   static boolean yesOrNo(String s) {
        s = s.toLowerCase();
        if (s.equals("yes") || s.equals("y") || s.equals("t"))
            s = "true";
        return Boolean.getBoolean(s);
   }

   public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(
            yesOrNo("true") + " " + yesOrNo("YeS"));
   }
}
```



2. "Life's Persistent Questions"

```
public static boolean getBoolean(String name)
```

The <code>java.lang.Boolean.getBoolean(String name)</code> returns true if and only if the system property named by the argument exists and is equal to the string "true". A system property is accessible through <code>getProperty</code>, a method defined by the System class.

If there is no property with the specified name, or if the specified name is empty or null, then false is returned.

2. Possible Solution

2. But this is even better...

1 & 2 Moral

- Strange and terrible methods lurk in libraries
 - Some have innocuous sounding names
- ► If your code misbehaves
 - ► Make sure you're calling the right methods
 - Read the library documentation
- ▶ Don't use similar names for wildly different behaviors (API designers)

3. "Searching for the one... and 130"

```
public class Searching {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    String[] strings = {"0", "1", "2", "3", "129", "130"};
    // Translate String array into List of Integer
    List < Integer > integers = new ArrayList < Integer > ();
    for (String s : strings) {
      integers.add(Integer.valueOf(s));
    System.out.println(
      Collections.binarySearch(integers, 1, cmp) + ", "
      + Collections.binarySearch(integers, 130, cmp));
  }
  static Comparator<Integer> cmp = new Comparator<Integer>() {
    public int compare(Integer o1, Integer o2) {
      return o1 < o2 ? -1 : (o1 == o2 ? 0 : 1):
 };
```



3. "Searching for the one... and 130"

► The comparator is broken; autoboxing is tricky

```
public static Integer valueOf(String s) throws
   NumberFormatException {
        return Integer.valueOf(parseInt(s, 10));
}
public static Integer valueOf(int i)
```

Returns an Integer instance representing the specified int value. If a new Integer instance is not required, this method should generally be used in preference to the constructor Integer(int), as this method is likely to yield significantly better space and time performance by caching frequently requested values. This method will always cache values in the range -128 to 127, inclusive, and may cache other values outside of this range.

How do we fix it?

```
// Possible solution 1
static Comparator<Integer> cmp = new Comparator<Integer>() {
 public int compare(Integer o1, Integer o2) {
    return o1 < o2 ? -1 : (o1 > o2 ? 1 : 0);
};
// Possible solution 2
static Comparator<Integer> cmp = new Comparator<Integer>() {
 public int compare(Integer o1, Integer o2) {
   return o1 < o2 ? -1 : (o1.equals(o2) ? 0 : 1);
};
```

(Arguably) better

```
static Comparator < Integer > cmp = new Comparator < Integer > () {
   public int compare(Integer o1Boxed, Integer o2Boxed) {
      // Unbox arguments to force value comparison
      int o1 = o1Boxed;
      int o2 = o2Boxed;

    return o1 < o2 ? -1 : (o1 == o2 ? 0 : 1);
   }
};</pre>
```

Moral:

- Autoboxing blurs but does not erase distinction between primitives and boxed primitives
- Only four of the six comparison operators work on boxed primitives
 - >, <, <=, >= work
 - ► ==,! = do not work!
- It's very hard to test for broken comparators

4. "When words collide"

```
public class PrintWords {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
   System.out
        .println(Words.FIRST + " " + Words.SECOND + " " +
            Words. THIRD):
 }
public class Words { // Compile against this version
  public static final String FIRST = "the";
  public static final String SECOND = null;
  public static final String THIRD = "set";
}
public class Words { // Run against this version
  public static final String FIRST = "physics";
  public static final String SECOND = "chemistry";
  public static final String THIRD = "biology";
```



4. "When words collide"

- Constant variables are inlined
- ➤ Constant variables: final primitive or String variable, whose value is a compile-time constant (See JLS 4.12.4, 13.4.9, 15.28)
- ► A final String variable initialized to null is not a constant variable

```
public class Words {
  public static final String FIRST = "the";// Constant
  public static final String SECOND = null;// Not a constant
  public static final String THIRD = "set";// Constant
}
```

4. How to prevent constants from being inlined?

```
// Return its argument
private static String ident(String s) {
   return s;
}

// None of this fields are constant variables
public class Words {
   public static final String FIRST = ident("the");
   public static final String SECOND = ident(null);
   public static final String THIRD = ident("set");
}
```

Moral

- Constant variables are inlined (primitives and Strings, null is not a constant)
- Use constant variables only for entities whose value will never change

5. "The joy of Sets"

```
public class ShortSet {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Set<Short> s = new HashSet<Short>();
    for (short i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
        s.add(i);
        s.remove(i-1);
    }
    System.out.println(s.size());
}</pre>
```



Moral

- Collection<E>.remove takes Object, not E (also Collection.contains, Map.get)
- Integral arithmetic always results in int or long
- Avoid mixing types
- ► Avoid short; prefer int and long

6. "More joy of Sets"

```
public class UrlSet {
  private static final String[] URL_NAMES = {
      "http://www.etsiinf.upm.es/",
      "https://population.io/",
      "http://www.fi.upm.es/",
      "http://www.catsthatlooklikehitler.com/",
      "https://apolloinrealtime.org/"};
  public static void main(String[] args) throws
      MalformedURLException {
    Set < URL > favorites = new HashSet < URL > ():
    for (String urlName : URL_NAMES) {
      favorites.add(new URL(urlName));
    }
    System.out.println(favorites.size());
```



► El método equals y hashCode de la clase URL están rotos

Two URL objects are equal if they have the same protocol, reference equivalent hosts, have the same port number on the host, and the same file and fragment of the file.

Two hosts are considered equivalent if both host names can be resolved into the same IP addresses; else if either host name can't be resolved, the host names must be equal without regard to case; or both host names equal to null.

Since hosts comparison requires name resolution, this operation is a blocking operation.

6. Possible solution

```
public class UrlSet {
  private static final String[] URI_NAMES = {
      "http://www.etsiinf.upm.es/",
      "https://population.io/",
      "http://www.fi.upm.es/",
      "http://www.catsthatlooklikehitler.com/",
      "https://apolloinrealtime.org/"};
  public static void main(String[] args) throws
      MalformedURLException, URISyntaxException {
    Set < URI > favorites = new HashSet < URI > ();
    for (String urlName : URI_NAMES) {
      favorites.add(new URI(urlName));
    }
    System.out.println(favorites.size());
```

Moral

- ▶ Do not use URL as a Set element or Map key
 - equals and hashCode aren't well defined
 - They do not obey their general contracts!
- Use URI instead
 - Make URL from URI as necessary
- equals should not depend on environment

7. Is Schrodinger's cat alive?

```
public class SchrodingersCat {
 public static final SchrodingersCat CAT = new
      SchrodingersCat();
 private SchrodingersCat() { }
 private static final Boolean LIVING = true;
 private final Boolean alive = LIVING;
 private final Boolean lives() {
   return alive;
 public static void main(String[] args) {
   System.out.println(CAT.lives() ? "of course" : "RIP");
```



7. Another look

```
public class SchrodingersCat {
 // Recursive class initialization
 public static final SchrodingersCat CAT = new
      SchrodingersCat();
 private SchrodingersCat() { }
 private static final Boolean LIVING = true: // Too late
 private final Boolean alive = LIVING;
 private final Boolean lives() {
    return alive;
 public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println(CAT.lives() ? // Auto-unboxing
      "of course" : "RIP"):
```



7. Possible solution

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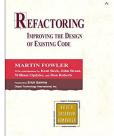
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Moral

- Wrapped primitive aren't primitives
 - Prefer primitives to wrapped primitives
- Auto-unboxing can occur when you least expect it
 - It can cause NullPointerException
- ▶ Never use Boolean as a three-valued return type
 - Almost guarantees NullPointerException
- ▶ Watch out for circularities in class initialization
 - Construct instances at end of class initialization

Bonus: más libros







Bonus: otros recursos

- Repo con código de los ejemplos y slides
 - A
- Videos
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1vQf4qyMXg&ab_channel= UserGroupsatGoogle
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSfylUXhpkA&t=1957s&ab_channel=DevoxxFR
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