
CS206

Generics

ArrayList

Lab Feb 23

/**
 * Removes the element at the specified position in this
 * list. Shifts any subsequent elements to the left
 * (subtracts one from their indices),
 *
 * @param index the index of the element to be removed
 */

```
public void remove(int index) throws IndexOutOfBoundsException {  
    if (index > count) {  
        throw new IndexOutOfBoundsException("Can only get where  
there are already items");  
    }  
    if (index < 0) {  
        throw new IndexOutOfBoundsException("Cannot retrieve from  
negative location");  
    }  
    arra[index] = null;  
    for (int i = index; i < count; i++) {  
        arra[i] = arra[i+1];  
    }  
    count--;  
}
```

Reading from Files

- In, StdIn classes are not part of Java 11
 - do not use them
- Scanner
 - could use for reading files
 - DO NOT
 - DO USE for reading from keyboard
- BufferedReader
 - Use this for reading from files (lab 2, EchoCount)

Generics

- A way to write classes and methods that can operate on a variety of data types without being locked into specific types at the time of definition
 - When objects are created, they are locked to a class
 - Allows for code checking at compile time
 - Automatic casting to appropriate types
- General Idea: Write definitions & implementations with “Generic” parameters

Generic Alternative

- ArraList class from Tuesday
 - It is defined to store Object
 - So it can store anything
- It is generally a BAD idea to store different types of data in a single data structure.

Generic Methods

```
import java.util.Random;
/*****
 * @author gTowell
 * Created: August 28, 2019
 * Modified: Jan 24, 2019
 * Purpose:
 * Generic Methods
 *****/
public class NormalClassWithGenericMethod {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer[] jj = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 }; // NOTE AUTOBOXING!!!
        new GenericMethod().randomize(jj);
        for (int j : jj)
            System.out.println(j);
        String[] ss = { "A", "B", "c", "d", "E", "F" };
        new GenericMethod().randomize(ss);
        for (String s : ss)
            System.out.println(s);
    }

    // The Fisher-Yates shuffle
    public <T> void randomize(T[] data) {
        Random r = new Random();
        for (int i = data.length; i>0; i--) {
            int tgt = r.nextInt(data.length);
            T temp = data[i];
            data[i]=data[tgt];
            data[tgt]=temp;
        }
    }
}
```

— generic swap method??

Generic Class

```
/**
 * Simple generic class example
 * @author gtowell
 *
 * @param <A>
 */
public class GenericClass<A> {
    /** A non-generic value */
    private double amount;
    /** A generic value */
    private A otherValue;
    /**
     * Constructor.
     * @param other the generic value
     * @param amt a double value.
     */
    public GenericClass(A other, double amt) {
        this.otherValue = other;
        this.amount = amt;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        GenericClass<String> gString = new GenericClass<String>("ASDF", 24.5);
        System.out.println(gString);
        GenericClass<Double> gDouble = new GenericClass<Double>(99.5, 44.5);
        System.out.println(gDouble);
        GenericClass<BufferedReader> gBR = new GenericClass<BufferedReader>(
            new BufferedReader(new StringReader("When in the course")), 99.8);
        System.out.println(gBR);
    }
}
```

write a toString function
for this class

Generics Restrictions

- No instantiation with primitive types
 - `Genre<Double>` ok, but `Genre<double>` is NOT
- Can not declare static instance variables of a parameterized type
- Can not create arrays of parameterized types
 - but you can create an array of `Object` then cast
 - ~~`T[] array = new T[10]`~~
 - `T[] array = (T[])new Object[10]`

Creation with Type Parameters

- When constructing an class with generics, you must specify the type of elements via <>

```
ArrayList<String> l1 = new ArrayList<>(100);  
ArrayList<Integer> l2 = new ArrayList<>();
```

Reimplementation of ArrayList

- Mostly, just change "Object" to "T"

```
public interface ArraListInterface<T> {  
    boolean add(T t);  
    boolean add(int index, T t) throws IndexOutOfBoundsException;  
    void remove(int index) throws IndexOutOfBoundsException;  
    T get(int index) throws IndexOutOfBoundsException;  
    boolean set(int index, T t) throws IndexOutOfBoundsException;  
    int size();  
    int indexOf(T t);  
    void clear();  
}
```

ArrayList indexOf(T t)

- Problem ... how can you compare equality of two generics
 - The only functions you can assume exist for a generic are those with Object.

- Solution: Override Equals!!!

Generics and Equals

```
public class Place {
    private String zip, city, state;
    public String getZip() { return zip; }
    // Other stuff not shown
    @Override
    public boolean equals(Object o) {
        if (o instanceof Place) {
            return zip.equals(((Place) o).getZip());
        }
        return super.equals(o); // return false;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Place p1 = new Place("19380", "a", "b");
        Place p2 = new Place("19380", "aaaa", "bbbb");
        Place p3 = new Place("19385", "a", "b");
        Integer ii = 10;
        System.out.println("p1 p2: " + p1.equals(p2));
        System.out.println("p1 p3: " + p1.equals(p3));
        System.out.println("p1 ii: " + p1.equals(ii));
        System.out.println("p2 p3: " + p2.equals(p3));
    }
}
```

Groups

- For the ArraList class write:

```
/**
 * Returns the index of the first occurrence of the specified element in this
 * list, or -1 if this list does not contain the element. More formally, returns
 * the lowest index i such that (o==null ? get(i)==null : o.equals(get(i))), or
 * -1 if there is no such index.
 *
 * @param t the item to be found
 * @return the index of the first occurrence of the specified element in this
 *         list, or -1 if this list does not contain the element
 */
int indexOf(T t);
```

A toString method that returns a print representation of every object in the ArraList.

2d ArraList

```
public class AL2d {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ArraList<ArraList<String>> al2d = new ArraList<>();  
        al2d.add(new ArraList<String>());  
        // etc  
        al2d.get(0).add("Hello");  
        al2d.get(0).add(1);  
    }  
}
```

Not legal!

add a string to
the inner AL

Add an AL to the
“outer” AL

a real mouthful!

Using an ArrayList

- Problem: Write a program to collect then print all unique words in a file
- Difficulty: you do not know the number of distinct words!
 - Solutions
 - Bad: allocate a really big array
 - Use ArraList!

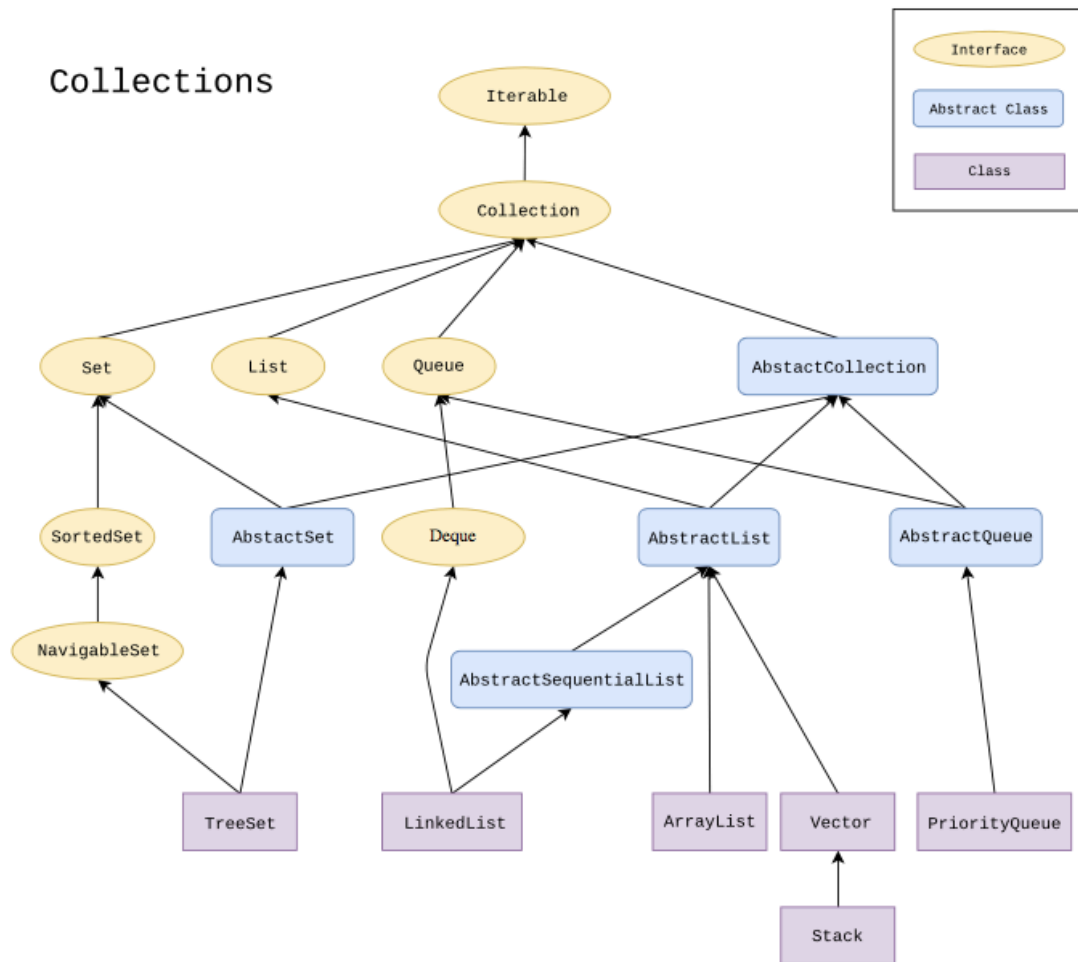
WordCounter — Count the unique words in file!

WordCounter.java

java.util.ArrayList

- Implements much the same interface as ours
 - Their implementation has a few more functions
- Theirs is probably more more efficient.
- Part of Java collections framework
- `import java.util.ArrayList`
- Use `ArrayList` rather than `ArraList` (ours) for Homework 3.

Collections



Lab

- Go to Park 231 (The CS computer labs!!!!)
 - read my document about using the computers in the lab (link near the top of class web page).
- Log into a Unix machine (You may do this in pairs) but there should be just about enough to work solo in the two rooms.
- Start a terminal
- execute `ls` in the terminal
- take a picture of your screen
- send me the picture
- log out