CMSC 132: OBJECT-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING II



Sets and Maps

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Properties

- Collection of elements without duplicates
- No ordering (i.e., no front or back)
- Order in which elements added doesn't matter

Implementation goal

- Offer the ability to find / remove element quickly
- Without searching through all elements



Map Definition

- Map (associative array)
 - Unordered collection of keys
 - For each key, an associated object
 - Can use key to retrieve object
- Can view as array indexed by any (key) value
 - Example

A["key1"] = ...



Collection & Map Hierarchies

In Java a map is not a Java Collection (e.g., TreeMap does not implement Iterable)



How Do Sets Work in Java?

- Finding matching element is based on equals()
- To build a collection for a class
 - Need to define your own equals(Object) method and you need to make sure the Java Hash Code Contract is satisfied
 - Default equals() uses reference comparison
 - I.e., a.equals(b) \rightarrow a == b
 - a, b equal only if reference to same object
 - Many classes have predefined equals() methods
 - Integer.equals() → compares value of integer
 - String.equals() → compares text of string

Set Concrete Classes

- HashSet
 - Elements must satisfy the Java Hash Code Contract
- LinkedHashSet
 - HashSet supporting ordering of elements
 - Elements can be retrieved in order of insertion
- TreeSet
 - Elements must be comparable
 - Implement Comparable or provide Comparator
 - Guarantees elements in set are sorted
- You can create one type of set of out of another type
 - For example, a sorted set out of a HashSet
 - After processing data efficiently (hashSet) you would like to print values in sorted order
- **Example:** SetsMapsCode

Map Interface Methods

- Methods
 - void put(K key, V value)
 - V get(Object key)
 - V remove(Object key)
 - int size()
 - void clear()
 - boolean containsKey(Object key)
 - boolean containsValue(Object value) // looks for value
 - boolean isEmpty()
 - Set<K> keySet()
 - Collection<V> values()
 - Set<Map.Entry<K,V>> entrySet()
 - Map.Entry<K,V> is a nested class

- // inserts element
- // returns element
- // removes element
- // key-value mappings
- // clears the map
- // looks for key
- // empty map?
- // entire set of keys
- // values in the map
- // set view of the mapping

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 - Elements can be retrieved in sorted order
- Example: SetsMapsCode
- Every class provides a constructor that allows you to create a Map out of another kind of map:
 - **Example:** new TreeMap(hashMap)

Map Properties

- Map keys & map objects
 - Can also treat keys & values as collections
 - Access using keySet(), values()
 - Aliasing
 - Each key refers only a single object
 - But object may be referred to by multiple keys
 - Keys & values may be of complex type
 - Map<Object Type1, Any Object Type2>
 - Including other collections, maps, etc...

Map Implementation

Implementation approaches

- Two parallel arrays
 - Unsorted
 - Sorted
- Linked list
- Binary search tree
- Hash table
- Java Collections Framework
 - TreeMap \rightarrow uses red-black (balanced) tree
 - HashMap \rightarrow uses hash table

