

Principles of Software Construction: Objects, Design, and Concurrency

Part 2: Designing (sub-) systems

Java Collections design case study

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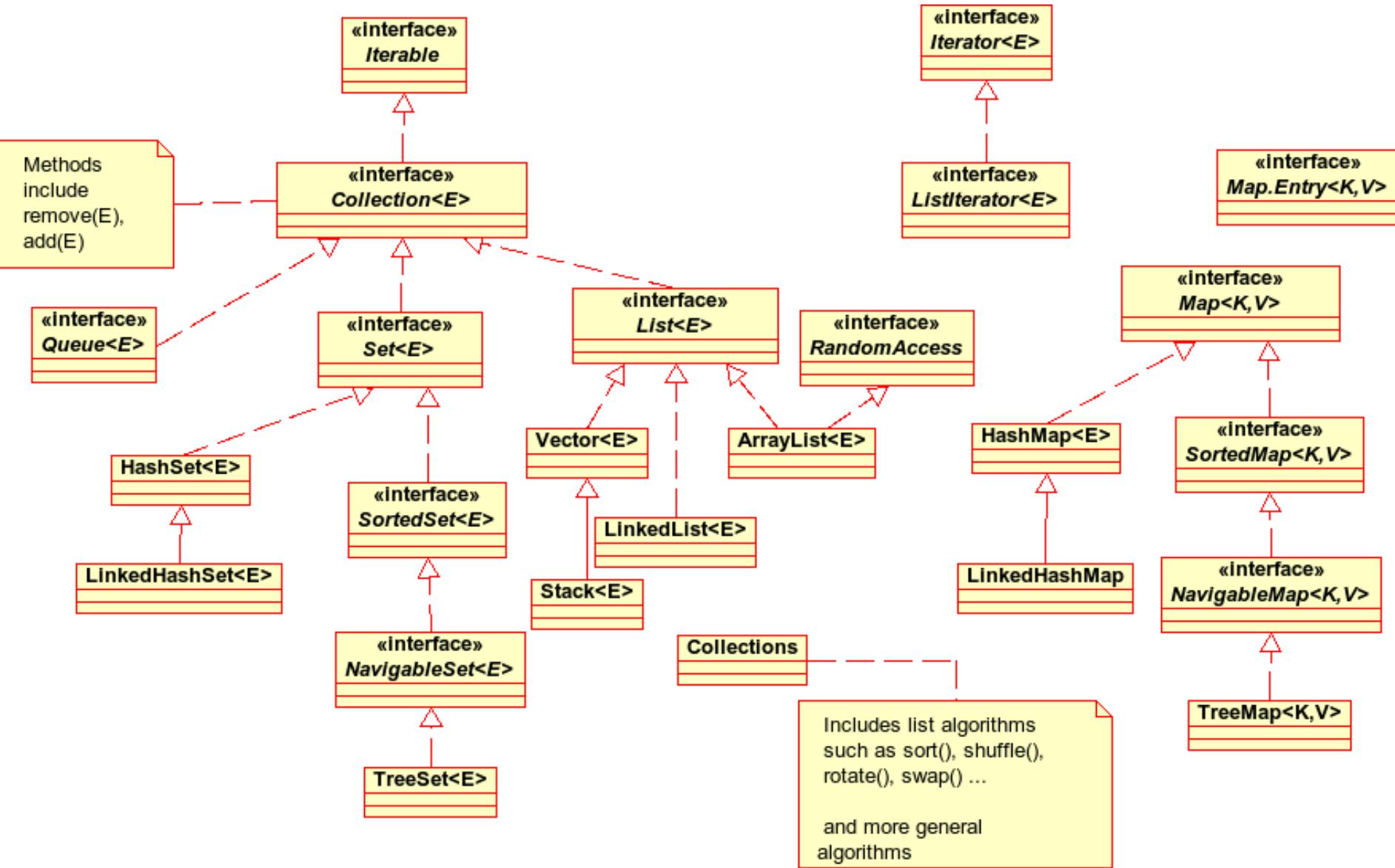
- Homework 4b due next Thursday, March 8th
- Homework 4a feedback available today at end of class
 - Can regain 75% of lost Homework 4a credit
 - Directly address TA comments when you turn in Homework 4c
 - Turn in revised design documents + scans of our feedback

Key concepts from Tuesday

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- GUIs are filled with design patterns
 - Strategy
 - Template method
 - Observer
 - Composite
 - Decorator
 - Adapter
 - Façade
 - Command
 - Chain of responsibility

Today: Java Collections



Learning goals for today

- Understand the design challenges of collection libraries.
- Recognize the design patterns used and how those design patterns achieve design goals.
 - Marker interface
 - Decorator
 - Factory method
 - Iterator
 - Strategy
 - Template method
 - Adapter

Designing a data structure library

- Different data types: lists, sets, maps, stacks, queues, ...
- Different representations
 - Array-based lists vs. linked lists
 - Hash-based sets vs. tree-based sets
 - ...
- Many alternative design decisions
 - Mutable vs. immutable
 - Sorted vs. unsorted
 - Accepts null or not
 - Accepts duplicates or not
 - Concurrency/thread-safe or not
 - ...

The philosophy of the Collections framework

- Powerful and general
- Small in size and conceptual weight
 - Must feel familiar
 - Only include fundamental operations
 - "Fun and easy to learn and use"

Overview of the Collections framework

- Core interfaces
- General-purpose implementations
- Wrapper and special-purpose implementations
- Abstract implementations for easy reuse
- Separate algorithms library

Example: How to find anagrams

- Alphabetize the characters in each word
 - cat → act, dog → dgo, mouse → emosu
 - Resulting string is called *alphagram*
- Anagrams share the same alphagram!
 - stop → opst, post → opst, tops → opst, opts → opst
- So go through word list making “multimap” from alphagram to word!

How to find anagrams in Java (1)

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
    // Read words from file and put into a simulated multimap
    Map<String, List<String>> groups = new HashMap<>();
    try (Scanner s = new Scanner(new File(args[0]))) {
        while (s.hasNext()) {
            String word = s.next();
            String alpha = alphabetize(word);
            List<String> group = groups.get(alpha);
            if (group == null)
                groups.put(alpha, group = new ArrayList<>());
            group.add(word);
        }
    }
}
```

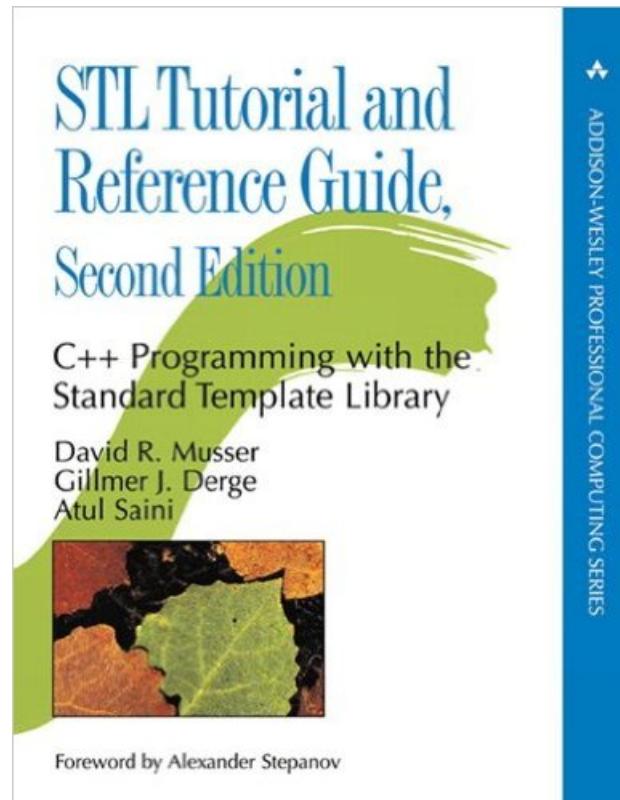
How to find anagrams in Java (2)

```
// Print all anagram groups above size threshold
int minGroupSize = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
for (List<String> group : groups.values())
    if (group.size() >= minGroupSize)
        System.out.println(group.size() + ": " + group);
}

// Returns the alphagram for a string
private static String alphabetize(String s) {
    char[] a = s.toCharArray();
    Arrays.sort(a);
    return new String(a);
}
```

Two slides in Java vs. a chapter in STL

Java's verbosity is somewhat exaggerated



The Collection interface

```
public interface Collection<E> {  
    int size();  
    boolean isEmpty();  
    boolean contains(Object element);  
    boolean add(E element);          // Optional  
    boolean remove(Object element); // Optional  
    Iterator<E> iterator();  
  
    Object[] toArray();  
    T[] toArray(T a[]);  
  
    // Bulk operations  
    boolean containsAll(Collection<?> c);  
    boolean addAll(Collection<? extends E> c); // Optional  
    boolean removeAll(Collection<?> c);   // Optional  
    boolean retainAll(Collection<?> c);   // Optional  
    void clear();                      // Optional  
  
    ...  
}
```

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The List interface: an ordered collection

```
public interface List<E> extends Collection<E> {  
    E get(int index);  
    E set(int index, E element);      // Optional  
    void add(int index, E element);   // Optional  
    Object remove(int index);        // Optional  
    boolean addAll(int index, Collection<? extends E> c);  
                                    // Optional  
    int indexOf(Object o);  
    int lastIndexOf(Object o);  
  
    List<E> subList(int from, int to);  
  
    ListIterator<E> listIterator();  
    ListIterator<E> listIterator(int index);  
}
```

The Set interface: collection of distinct items

```
public interface Set<E> extends Collection<E> {  
}
```

- Adds no methods!
- Specification requires no duplicate items in collection
- The *marker interface* design pattern
 - Marker interfaces add invariants, no code

The Map interface: key-value mapping

```
public interface Map<K,V> {  
    int size();  
    boolean isEmpty();  
    boolean containsKey(Object key);  
    boolean containsValue(Object value);  
    Object get(Object key);  
    Object put(K key, V value);      // Optional  
    Object remove(Object key);      // Optional  
    void putAll(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> t); // Opt.  
    void clear();                  // Optional  
  
    // Collection views  
    public Set<K> keySet();  
    public Collection<V> values();  
    public Set<Map.Entry<K,V>> entrySet();  
}
```

Recall the Iterator interface

```
public interface Iterator<E> {  
    boolean hasNext();  
    E next();  
    void remove(); // Optional  
}
```

Aside: The *factory method* pattern

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    boolean removeAll(Collection<?> c);      // Optional  
    boolean retainAll(Collection<?> c);      // Optional  
    void clear();                            // Optional  
  
    ...  
}
```

Defines an interface for creating an iterator, but allows collection implementation to decide which iterator to create.

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The factory method design pattern

- Problem: Subclasses need to control the type of object created
- Solution: Define a method that constructs the object; subclasses can override the method.
- Consequences:
 - Names can be meaningful, self-documenting
 - Can avoid constructing a new object
 - Might be hard to distinguish factory method from other methods

Other factory method examples

- From `java.util.Collections`:

```
List<T> emptyList();
Set<T> emptySet();
Map<K,V> emptyMap();
Set<T> singleton(T item);
List<T> singletonList(T item);
List<T> nCopies(int n, T item);
```

General-purpose implementations

| Interface | Implementation |
|-----------|----------------|
| Set | HashSet |
| List | ArrayList |
| Queue | ArrayDeque |
| Deque | ArrayDeque |
| [stack] | ArrayDeque |
| Map | HashMap |

General-purpose implementations (continued)

| Interface | Implementation(s) |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| List | LinkedList |
| Set | LinkedHashSet TreeSet EnumSet |
| Queue | PriorityQueue |
| Map | LinkedHashMap TreeMap EnumMap |

Wrapper and special-purpose implementations

- Unmodifiable collections (from `java.util.Collections`):

```
Collection<T> unmodifiableCollection(Collection<? extends T> c);  
List<T> unmodifiableList(List<? extends T> list);  
Map<K,V> unmodifiableMap(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> m);
```

- Synchronized collections (from `java.util.Collections`):

```
Collection<T> synchronizedCollection(Collection<? extends T> c);  
List<T> synchronizedList(List<? extends T> list);  
Map<K,V> synchronizedMap(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> m);
```

- A List backed from an array (from `java.util.Arrays`):

```
List<T> asList(T... a);
```



The adapter pattern: Returns a specialized list implementation that adapts the array API to the `java.util.List` API

e.g., The UnmodifiableCollection class

```
public static <T> Collection<T> unmodifiableCollection(Collection<T> c)
    return new UnmodifiableCollection<>(c);
}

class UnmodifiableCollection<E>
    implements Collection<E>, Serializable {

    final Collection<E> c;

    UnmodifiableCollection(Collection<> c) {this.c = c; }

    public int         size()                  {return c.size();}
    public boolean    isEmpty()                {return c.isEmpty();}
    public boolean    contains(Object o)      {return c.contains(o);}
    public Object[]   toArray()                {return c.toArray();}
    public <T> T[]     toArray(T[] a)        {return c.toArray(a);}
    public String     toString()               {return c.toString();}
    public boolean    add(E e) {throw new UnsupportedOperationException();}
    public boolean    remove(Object o) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException();}
    public boolean    containsAll(Collection<?> coll) { return c.containsAll(coll);}
    public boolean    addAll(Collection<? extends E> coll) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException();}
    public boolean    removeAll(Collection<?> coll) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException();}
    public boolean    retainAll(Collection<?> coll) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException();}
```

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public static <T> Collection<T> u  
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What design pattern is this?

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final Collection<E> c;  
  
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public int size() {return c.size();}  
public boolean isEmpty() {return c.isEmpty();}  
public boolean contains(Object o) {return c.contains(o);}  
public Object[] toArray() {return c.toArray();}  
public <T> T[] toArray(T[] a) {return c.toArray(a);}  
public String toString() {return c.toString();}  
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final Collection<E> c;
```

**UnmodifiableCollection
decorates Collection by
removing functionality...**

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public Object[] toArray() {return c.toArray();}  
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```

Abstract implementations for easy reuse

```
public abstract AbstractList<E> extends AbstractCollection<E>
                                implements List<E> {
    abstract public int size();
    abstract public E get(int index);

    public boolean isEmpty() { return size() == 0; }
    public boolean contains(Object element) { ... }
    public boolean add(int index, E element) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException(); }
    public boolean remove(int index) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException(); }
    ...
}
```

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    public boolean remove(int index) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException(); }
    ...
}
```

A non-iterator solution to our midterm exam problem

```
public class AdjacentPairs {  
    public static List<StringPair> of(List<StringPair> list) {  
        return new AbstractList<StringPair>() {  
            @Override  
            public StringPair get(int index) {  
                return new StringPair(list.get(index), list.get(index+1));  
            }  
  
            @Override  
            public int size() {  
                if (list.isEmpty()) {  
                    return 0;  
                }  
                return list.size() - 1;  
            }  
        };  
    }  
}
```

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public boolean isEmpty() { return size() == 0; }
```

```
public boolean contains(Object element) { ... }
```

```
public boolean add(int index, E element) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException(); }
```

```
public boolean remove(int index) { throw new UnsupportedOperationException(); }
```

```
...
```

```
}
```

The template method design pattern: size and get are primitive operations, other methods are template methods.

Reusable algorithms in `java.util.Collections`

```
static <T extends Comparable<? super T>> void sort(List<T> list);
static int binarySearch(List list, Object key);
static <T extends Comparable<? super T>> T min(Collection<T> coll);
static <T extends Comparable<? super T>> T max(Collection<T> coll);
static <E> void fill(List<E> list, E e);
static <E> void copy(List<E> dest, List<? Extends E> src);
static void reverse(List<?> list);
static void shuffle(List<?> list);
```

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e.g. sorting a Collection

- Using Collections.sort:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    List<String> list = Arrays.asList(args);  
    Collections.sort(list);  
    for (String s : list) {  
        System.out.println(s);  
    }  
}
```

Sorting your own types of objects

```
public interface Comparable<T> {  
    int compareTo(T o);  
}
```

- General contracts:
 - `a.compareTo(b)` should return:
 - < 0 if `a` is less than `b`
 - 0 if `a` and `b` are equal
 - > 0 if `a` is greater than `b`
 - Should define a total order:
 - If `a.compareTo(b) < 0` and `b.compareTo(c) < 0`, then `a.compareTo(c)` should be < 0
 - If `a.compareTo(b) < 0`, then `b.compareTo(a)` should be > 0
 - Should usually be consistent with `.equals`:
 - `a.compareTo(b) == 0` iff `a.equals(b)`

Comparable objects – an example

```
public class Integer implements Comparable<Integer> {  
    private final int val;  
    public Integer(int val) { this.val = val; }  
    ...  
    public int compareTo(Integer o) {  
        if (val < o.val) return -1;  
        if (val == o.val) return 0;  
        return 1;  
    }  
}
```

Comparable objects – another example

- Make Name comparable:

```
public class Name {  
    private final String first, last;  
    public Name(String first, String last) {  
        if (first == null || last == null)  
            throw new NullPointerException();  
        this.first = first; this.last = last;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

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            throw new NullPointerException();  
        this.first = first; this.last = last;  
    }  
    public int compareTo(Name o) {  
        int lastComparison = last.compareTo(o.last);  
        if (lastComparison != 0) return lastComparison;  
        return first.compareTo(o.first);  
    }  
}
```

} Hint: Strings implement Comparable<String>

Alternative comparisons

```
public class Employee implements Comparable<Employee> {  
    protected Name name;  
    protected int salary;  
  
    ...  
}
```

- What if we want to sort Employees by name, usually, but sometimes sort by salary?

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- What if we want to sort Employees by name, usually, but sometimes sort by salary?
- Answer: There's a Strategy pattern interface for that:

```
public interface Comparator<T> {  
    public int compare(T o1, T o2);  
}
```

Writing a Comparator object

```
public class Employee implements Comparable<Employee> {  
    protected Name name;  
    protected int salary;  
    public int compareTo(Employee o) {  
        return name.compareTo(o.name);  
    }  
}  
  
public class SalaryComparator implements Comparator<Employee> {  
    public int compare (Employee o1, Employee o2) {  
        return o1.salary - o2.salary;  
    }  
}
```

Summary

- Collections as reusable and extensible data structures
 - design for reuse
 - design for change
- Iterators to abstract over internal structure
- Decorator to attach behavior at runtime
- Template methods and factory methods to support customization in subclasses
- Adapters to convert between implementations
- Strategy pattern for sorting