

Objectives

- Collection Framework

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Iteration over Code: Assignment 4

- Demonstrates typical design/implementation process
 - Start with original code design
 - Inheritance from GamePiece class
 - Realize it could be designed better
 - Make GamePiece class abstract
 - Use an array of GamePiece objects
 - Easier to add new functionality to Game
- Major part of problem-solving is figuring out how to break problem into smaller pieces
- Reminders
 - Heed my warnings
 - Start simple, small (e.g., Goblin only moves left)

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Review

- What are jar files? How are they used?
- What is the classpath?
- Compare and contrast abstract classes and interfaces
 - When should a class be abstract?
 - When should you create/use an interface?
- What is the syntax for Generics? How are they used?
- True or False:
 - If you extend an abstract class, you have to override all abstract methods.
 - You can instantiate an abstract class
 - You can have an object variable of an abstract class
 - You can have an object variable of an interface
- 112 review: what are *lists*, *sets*, and *dictionaries*?

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Review: Interfaces vs Abstract Classes

Interfaces

- Only specification (no implementation)
- Any class can implement
 - Because classes can implement multiple interfaces
- Implementing methods multiple times
- Adding a method to interface will break classes that implement that interface

Abstract Classes

- Contain partial implementation
- Child classes can't extend/subclass multiple classes
- Add non-abstract methods without breaking subclasses

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Review: Java Collections Framework

- *Unified architecture* for representing and manipulating collections
- More than arrays
 - More flexible, functionality, dynamic sizing
- In `java.util` package

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Review: Collections Framework

- **Interfaces**
 - Abstract data types that represent collections
 - Collections can be manipulated *independently* of implementation
- **Implementations**
 - Concrete implementations of collection interfaces
 - Reusable data structures
- **Algorithms**
 - Methods that perform useful computations on collections, e.g., searching and sorting
 - Reusable functionality
 - **Polymorphic**: same method can be used on many different implementations of collection interface

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List Interface

- An *ordered* collection of elements
- Can contain duplicate elements
- Has control over where objects are stored in the list

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List Interface

- **boolean** `add(<E> o)`
 - Returns boolean so that List can refuse some elements
 - e.g., refuse adding `null` elements
- `<E> get(int index)`
 - Returns element at the position `index`
 - Different from Python: no shorthand
 - Can't write ~~`list[pos]`~~
- **int** `size()`
 - Returns the number of elements in the list
- And more!
 - `contains`, `remove`, `toArray`, ...

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<E>: Generics!

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Generic Collection Interfaces

- Declaration of the Collection interface:

```
public interface Collection<E> ...
```

Type
parameter

- <E> means interface is generic for **element class**
- When declare a Collection, **specify type** of object it contains
 - Allows compiler to verify that object's *type* is correct
 - Reduces errors at runtime
- Example, a hand of cards:

Always declare type
contained in collections

```
List<Card> hand = new ArrayList<Card>();
```

Added in Java 7:

```
List<Card> hand = new ArrayList<>();
```

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Comparing: Before & After Generics

• Before Generics

```
List myList = new LinkedList();
myList.add(new Card(4, "clubs"));
...
Card x = (Card) myList.get(0);
```

- List of Objects
- Need to cast to the desired child class

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• After Generics

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```

- If you try to add not-a-Card, compiler gives an error

✓ Improved readability and robustness

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Types Allowed with Generics

- Can only contain Objects, not primitive types
- Autoboxing and Autounboxing to the rescue!

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WRAPPER CLASSES

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Wrapper Classes

- Sometimes need an instance of an Object
 - Ex: to store in Lists and other Collections
- Each primitive type has a **Wrapper class**
 - Examples: Integer, Double, Long, Character, ...
- Include functionality of parsing their respective data types

```
int x = 10;
Integer y = Integer.valueOf(x);
Integer z = Integer.valueOf("10");
```

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Wrapper Classes

- **Autoboxing** – automatically create a wrapper object

```
Integer y = 11; // implicitly 11 converted to Integer,
               // e.g., Integer.valueOf(11)
```

- **Autounboxing** – automatically extract a primitive type

```
Integer x = Integer.valueOf(11);
int y = x.intValue();
int z = x; // implicitly, x is x.intValue();
```

Converts right side to whatever is needed on the left

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Effective Java: Unnecessary Autoboxing

```
Long sum = 0L;
for (long i=0; i < Integer.MAX_VALUE; i++) {
    sum += i;
}
System.out.println(sum);
```

- Can you find the inefficiency from object creation?
- How can you fix the inefficiency?

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Autobox.java

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Effective Java: Unnecessary Autoboxing

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    sum += i;           Constructs 231 Long instances
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```

- How can you fix the inefficiency?

Autobox.java
AutoboxFixed.java

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```

Lessons:

- Prefer primitives to boxed primitives
- Watch for unintentional autoboxing

Autobox.java
AutoboxFixed.java

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Common List Implementations

● ArrayList

- Resizable array
- Used most frequently
- Fast

When should you use one vs the other?

● LinkedList

- Use if adding elements to ends of list
- Use if often delete from middle of list
- Implements Deque and other methods so that it can be used as a stack or queue

How would you find the other implementations of List?

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API Notes

- ArrayList and LinkedList extend from AbstractList, which implements List interface

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Implementation vs. Interface

Implementation choice only affects performance

- Preferred Style:

1. Choose an implementation
2. Assign collection to variable of corresponding **interface** type

```
Interface variable = new Implementation();
Example: List<Card> hand = new ArrayList<>();
```

- Methods should accept interfaces—not implementations

Why is this the preferred style?

```
public void method( Interface var ) {...}
```

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Implementation vs. Interface

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- Preferred Style:

1. Choose an implementation
2. Assign collection to variable of corresponding **interface** type

- Why?

- Program does not depend on a given implementation's methods
 - Access only using interface's methods
- Programmer can change implementations
 - Performance concerns or behavioral details

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Design Principle: Program to an Interface

- (Not an implementation)
- Implementation choice only affects performance
- Methods should accept interfaces—not implementations

```
public void method( Interface var ) {...}
```

- Makes code more resilient to change
 - Can change implementation and not affect interface

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Traversing Collections: For-each Loop

- For-each loop:

```
for (Object o : collection)
    System.out.println(o);
```

Or whatever data type is appropriate

- Valid for all Collections

➤ Maps (and its implementations) are not Collections

- But, Map's `keySet()` is a Set and `values()` is a Collection

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Discussion of Deck Class

`cards.Deck.java`

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Set Interface

- No duplicate elements
 - Needs to determine if two elements are “logically” the same (`equals` method)
- Models mathematical set abstraction

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Set Interface

- `boolean add(<E> o)`
 - Add to set, only if not already present
- `int size()`
 - Returns the number of elements in the list
- And more! (`contains`, `remove`, `toArray`, ...)
- Note: no `get` method – can't get #3 from the set because sets aren't ordered.

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Some Set Implementations

● HashSet



- Implements set using *hash table*
 - add, remove, and contains each execute in $O(1)$ time
- Used more frequently
- Faster than TreeSet
- No ordering

● TreeSet

- Implements set using a *tree*
 - add, remove, and contains each execute in $O(\log n)$ time
- Sorts

MAPS

Maps

- Python called these *dictionaries*
- Maps keys (of type $\langle K \rangle$) to values (of type $\langle V \rangle$)
- No duplicate keys
 - Each key maps to at most one value

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Declaring Maps

- Declare types for both keys and values
- `class HashMap<K, V>`

```
Map<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
```

Keys are Strings

Values are Integers

```
Map<String, List<String>> map = new HashMap<>();
```

Keys are Strings

Values are Lists of Strings

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Map Interface

- `<V> put(<K> key, <V> value)`
 - Returns old value that key mapped to
- `<V> get(Object key)`
 - Returns value at that key (or null if no mapping)
- `Set<K> keySet()`
 - Returns the set of keys

And more ...

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A few Map Implementations

- `HashMap`
 - Fast
- `TreeMap`
 - Sorting
 - Key-ordered iteration
- `LinkedHashMap`
 - Fast
 - Insertion-order iteration

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`MapExample.java`

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Looking Ahead

- Assignment 4 Due Before Class