CS61B Lecture #7

Reminder:

- Discussion Change: Starting Thursday (13 September), discussion section 111 (10-11AM) will move from 3109 Etch. to 6 Evans.
- Public Service: HKN offers free drop-in tutoring Monday through Friday 11am-5pm in 290 Cory and 345 Soda. See http://hkn.eecs.berkeley.edu.
- Readings for Friday: Head First Java, chapters 7 and 8. (Cumulatively, that's all chapters through 9). Re-reading Chapter 2 of Reader #1 would also be helpful. In the lab, we also asked you to read selections from Pragmatic Unit Testing.
- Project 1 (due 3 October midnight) will be available on the Labs and HW web page starting this evening.

Today:

- Java Library Classes for lists.
- Iterators, ListIterators

Abstracting "Listness"

- So far, we've seen fairly primitive types for representing lists of things.
- Arrays:
 - Good: random access to items.
 - Bad: hard to expand, insert items, or delete items.
- Linked lists (e.g., IntList):
 - Good: easy to expand, insert, delete.
 - Bad: must access in sequence, pointer manipulation can be tricky.
- Both used to represent same thing (sequence of things), but syntax for using very different,
- So hard to switch from one to the other if you change your mind.

Useful Classes from the Java Library

- Java library has types to represent collections of objects, including
 - Lists (sequences) of objects: ArrayList, LinkedList.
 - Sets of objects: TreeSet, HashSet.
 - Maps (dictionaries): TreeMap, HashMap.
- These types are "in the package java.util."
 - Package = Set of classes and subpackages.
 - Notation: java.util.ArrayList: "The class named ArrayList in the (sub)package named util in the package named java.
- Names of these classes reflect implementations, but they "publicize" very similar interfaces to the outside.
- Thus, easy to change from using ArrayList to LinkedList, e.g.

Lists

- The list classes ArrayList and LinkedList both share many public methods, including:
 - size(), isEmpty(): Number of items, test for 0 items.
 - get(k): Get item #k, where $0 \le k < size()$.
 - remove(k): Remove item #k.
 - clear(): Make the list empty.
 - set(k, x): Set item #k to x.
 - add(x), add(k,x): Add item to end, or a position k.
 - contains (x): True iff there is an item that equals x (according to .equals method).
 - indexOf (x): Gives the position ($0 \le \cdot <$ size()) of the first item that .equals x, or -1 if there is none.
- Both expand sequence as needed (automatically).
- A few methods (unfortunately) specialized to one or the other class (e.g. LinkedList.removeFirst().

Example: Read and interleave two lists

```
/** Read the sequence of words on INPUT, and print on
   OUTPUT in reverse order. */
static void readAndReverse (Scanner input, PrintStream output) {
    ArrayList<String> L = new ArrayList<String> ();
    while (input.hasNext ())
        L.add (input.next ());
    for (k = L.size ()-1; k >= 0; k -= 1)
        output.printf ("%s ", L.get (k))
}
```

- Not shown: import java.util.ArrayList; at top of file.
- Could also use a LinkedList<String>. What problem might there be with that?

Iterators

- Problem: Indexing as for arrays (via .get) not always best (fastest) way to get items.
- Problem: But would like to use same interface (same methods, same text) for ArrayList and LinkedList.
- Abstraction to the rescue: the library has class called Iterator, which acts like a "moving finger" through a collection of objects.

```
static void printList (ArrayList<String> L) {
   System.out.printf ("{%n");
   for (Iterator<String> place = L.iterator (); place.hasNext (); )
       System.out.printf (" %s%n", place.next ());
}
```

So common, Java 1.5 introduced shorthand:

```
for (String s : L)
 System.out.printf (" %s%n", s);
```

ListIterator

- Library also has type ListIterator
- These have both .previous() and .next() methods.
- Also allow insertion.
- Look at reversal again:

```
/** Read the sequence of words on INPUT, and print on
   OUTPUT in reverse order. */
static void readAndReverse (Scanner input, PrintStream output) {
    ArrayList<String> L = new ArrayList<String> ();
   ListIterator<String> place = L.listIterator ();
    while (input.hasNext ())
      place.add (input.next ());
    while (place.hasPrevious ())
      System.out.printf ("%s ", place.previous ());
}
```

Primitive Types and Wrappers

- ArrayLists and the like can only take elements that are pointers, no ints, doubles, booleans, etc.
- So, Java library contains corresponding wrapper classes: Integer, Double, Boolean, etc.—all pointed-to objects
- the 3.
- All very tedious, so Java 1.5 converts int ⇔ Integer automatically boxes 3 to make an Integer, unboxes to get 3 back.
- So we can do things like this:

```
ArrayList<Double> sqrts = new ArrayList<Double>();
while (inp.hasNext ())
   sqrts.add (Math.sqrt (inp.nextDouble ()));
double sum = 0;
for (double x : sqrts)
   sum += x;
```

Almost painless, but, alas, expensive.