BEFORE WE START

Talk to your neighbors:

What is your most-used emoji?

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CSE 122 Interfaces

Questions during Class?

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Lecture Outline

- Announcements
- Interfaces Review
- More Shapes!
- Comparable

Announcements

- C2 due tomorrow (Thurs, May 18)
- P3 will be released on Fri, May 19
- Quiz 2 next Tuesday (May 23)
- Reminder that the final exam is scheduled for Tuesday (June 6) 2:30pm-4:20pm

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(PCM) Interfaces

Interfaces - define a set of *behavior* which classes can implement

... like a "certification", eg ArrayList is "certified" as a List because it can do all List behaviors.

note: interfaces say nothing about a class' state

(PCM) List Interface

List is an interface – defines the *behaviors* which make something a List, inc:

add, clear, contains, get, isEmpty, size

Any class with these behaviors can implement List

List documentation enumerates the full list of methods required to be a List: <u>https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/List.html</u>

(PCM) Why interfaces?

Abstraction

Interfaces support *abstraction* (the separation of ideas from details)

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Flexibility

public static void driveToWork(Car c) {...}

This method does not need to change if we update our implementation of Car

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Classes can Implement Multiple Interfaces

A class can implement multiple interfaces – must include all *behaviors* from each interface it implements



Classes can Implement Multiple Interfaces

public class Leaf implements Car, Battery {

}

. . .

But Leaf would have to implement:

- pushGasPedal, etc from Car
 AND
- charge, discharge from Battery

An interface can extend another

You can have one interface *extend* another

So if public interface A extends B, then to implement A a class needs to have all methods from A and B.

In the above example, A is more specific than B

An interface can extend another

We can write another interface

Polygon that extends Shape

- Square is a Polygon (and Shape)
- -Triangle is a Polygon (and Shape)
- -Circle is a Shape (but not a Polygon)

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    public void a();
}
                                  public class One implements A {
public interface B extends A {
                                      . . .
    public void b();
}
                                  public class Two implements B, D {
public interface C {
                                       . . .
    public void c();
}
                                  public class Three implements B, C {
public interface D extends A {
                                      . . .
    public void d();
                                  }
    public void e();
}
```

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A) B foo = new Two();
   foo.b();
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B) D bar = new Two();
    bar.a();
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C) D baz = new Three();
baz.a();
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D) A waldo = new Three();
waldo.b();
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 waldo.b();



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Recall the Student / Course Example from Wed

Course stored a field

```
private List<Student> roster;
```

We also had a suggestion to use a Set to store the students...

Seems like a great idea (no duplicates, not worried about keeping a specific order or indexing into it) but ... Java reasons

- HashSet won't work because of the hashCode() business I mentioned on Wed
- TreeSet won't work because what does it mean to "sort" Students

Comparable

TreeSet uses an *interface* called Comparable<E> to know how to sort its elements

Only has one required method: public int compareTo(E other)

Its return value is:

- < 0 if this is "less than" other
 - 0 if this is equal to other
- > 0 if this is "greater than" other

Comparable documentation:

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Comparable.html