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- P3 released today!
 - OOP, Interfaces
- Quiz 2 @ home next Tuesday (5/23)
 - No Section on 5/23
 - Logistics shared on Ed
 - Links & access details will be sent on Monday

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(PCM) Optional

Optional is a Java class that is used to handle situations where a value is *sometimes* there.

Like a collection, Optional uses <> to denote the type it contains..

e.g., Optional < String >, Optional < Integer >, Optional < Point >

(PCM) Optional Methods

Method	Description
Optional.empty()	Creates an empty Optional object
Optional.of()	Creates an Optional object holding the object it's given
isEmpty()	Returns true if there is no value stored, and false otherwise
isPresent()	Returns true if there is a value stored, and false otherwise
get()	Returns the stored object from the Optional (if one is stored; otherwise throws a NoSuchElementException)

The Optional class has more than just these methods, but these are what you'll need to focus on for this class!

(PCM) Optional Methods

isEmpty(), isPresent(), and get() are called like normal instance methods (on an actual instance of Optional).

```
Optional.of(...) and Optional.empty() are called differently

(Like the Math class methods)
```

(PCM) Why Optional?

Using Optional can help programmers avoid NullPointerExceptions by making it explicit when a variable may or may not contain a value.

•Remember – null refers to the absence of an object!

There are other Optional methods (that you should explore in your own time if you're interested) that can be really useful to cleanly work with data that may or may not be present.

Student / Course Example one more time...

Let's add two more methods to Course.java:

```
public void setCourseEvalLink(String url)
public Optional<String> getCourseEvalLink()
```

The link to the evaluations for a course doesn't usually exist until the last few weeks of the quarter. What if a client calls getCourseEvalLink before one is set up?

Optional to the rescue!

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Goal for Today

Review some of the data structures we've talked about this quarter

Understand how Java organizes them with interfaces

Collections: What *classes* have we seen so far?

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Collections: What interfaces have we seen so far?

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Dumb Data Structures

We're going to create our own versions of these classes so we can dig into how they all relate to each other!

BUT they're going to be real dumb.

If you want to get a sense of how they're *actually* implemented, go take CSE 123!

DumbArrayIntList

```
DumbArrayIntList()
add(int value)
add(int index, int value)
contains(int value)
isEmpty()
get(int index)
set(int index, int value)
remove(int index)
```

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IntCollection Relationships

