

LEC 04

ArrayList

ArrayList

BEFORE WE START

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Lecture Outline

- **Announcements** ◀
- ArrayList Recap
- ArrayList Examples

Announcements

- Programming Assignment 0 due Thursday, Oct 10th at 11:59 PM
- Plan to release C0 grades and feedback tomorrow!
 - General grading turnaround is ~1 week
 - Resubmission Cycle 0 will also be released tomorrow
 - Due Tues Oct 15
 - Eligible assignment(s): C0
- Quiz 0 is next Tuesday (Oct 15)!
 - Check the Ed post for instructions and logistics
 - Practice Quiz to be released later today (and solutions posted over the weekend)

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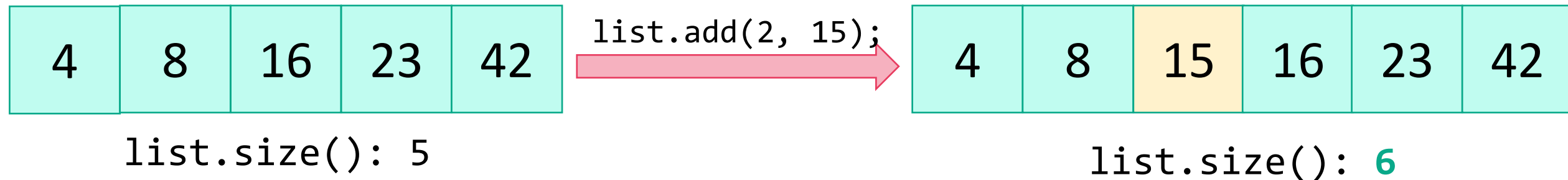
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ArrayList

ArrayLists are very similar to arrays

- Can hold multiple pieces of data (elements)
- Zero-based indexing
- Elements must all have the same type
 - ArrayLists can only hold Objects, so might need to use “wrapper” types: Integer, Double, Boolean, Character, etc.

But ArrayLists have dynamic length (so they can resize!)



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ArrayList Methods Usage

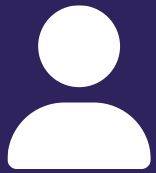
- Whenever referring to “the ArrayList”, we are referring to the ArrayList we’re calling the method *on*!

```
List<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();  
list.add("hello");  
list.add(0, "world");  
list.indexOf("world"); // what is the output?
```

```
String[] list = new String[2];  
list[0] = "hello";  
list[0] = "world";  
list[1] = "hello";  
//... indexOf?
```

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Practice : Think

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    for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) {  
        System.out.println(" " + i + ") " + list.get(i));  
    }  
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- C) Prints out the list from front to back
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“Plain English” descriptions are what we are generally looking for in your method comments!

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loadFromFile

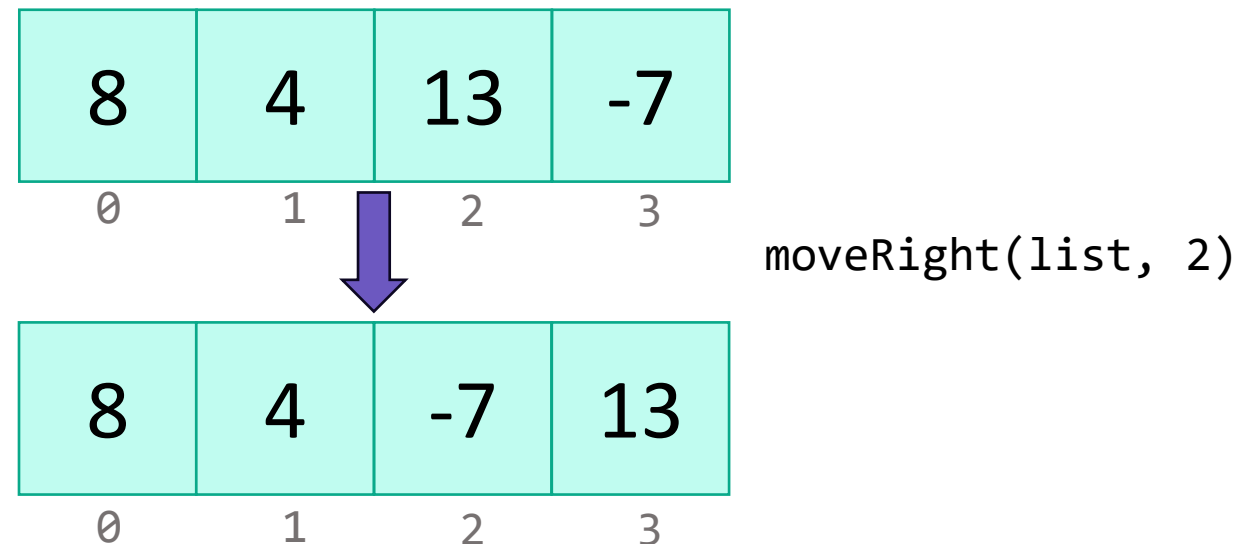
Write a method called `loadFromFile` that accepts a `Scanner` as a parameter and returns a new `ArrayList` of `Strings` where each element of the `ArrayList` is a line from the `Scanner`, matching the order of the `Scanner`'s contents.

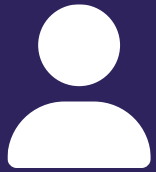
e.g., the first line in the `Scanner` is stored at index 0, the next line is stored at index 1, etc.

moveRight

Write a method called `moveRight` that accepts an `ArrayList` of integers `list` and an `int n` and moves the element at index `n` one space to the right in `list`.

For example, if `list` contains `[8, 4, 13, -7]` and our method is called with `moveRight(list, 2)`, after the method call `list` would contain `[8, 4, -7, 13]`.





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- B) `int element = list.remove(n);`
`list.add(n, element);`
- C) `list.add(n);`
`list.remove(n-1);`
- D) `int element = list.remove(n);`
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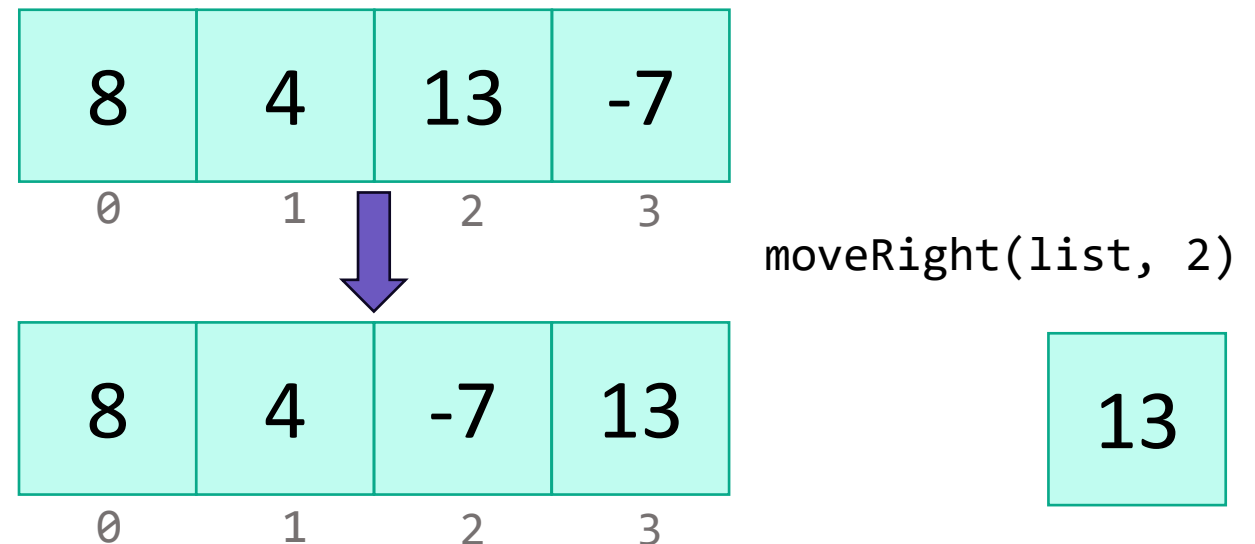
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Edge Cases! (And Testing)

When writing a method, especially one that takes input of some kind (e.g., parameters, user input, a Scanner with input) it's good to think carefully about what assumptions you can make (or cannot make) about this input.

Edge case: A scenario that is uncommon but possible, especially at the “edge” of a parameter's valid range.

- ? What happens if the user passes a negative number to `moveDown`?
- ? What happens if the user passes a number larger than the length of the list to `moveDown`?

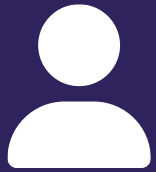
More [testing tips](#) on the course website's Resources page!

compareToList

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- 5 (list1 at 0, list2 at 1)
- 7 (list1 at 2, list2 at 0)



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Spend 1 min on your own thinking about how you would implement this method! (focus on *pseudocode*)

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Spend **2** min discussing about how you would implement this method with a neighbor! (focus on *pseudocode*)

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topN

Write a method called `topN` that accepts an `ArrayList` of characters `list` and an `int n` and returns a new `ArrayList` of characters that contains the first `n` elements of `list`.

For example, if `list` contained
`['m', 'a', 't', 'i', 'l', 'd', 'a']`,
a call to `topN(list, 4)` would return an `ArrayList`
containing `['m', 'a', 't', 'i']`