

CSSE 220 Day 27

Linked List Implementation
Abstract Data Types
Data-structure-palooza

Checkout *LinkedLists2* project from SVN

Questions

Data Structures

- »» Understanding the engineering trade-offs when storing data

Data Structures Recap

- ▶ Efficient ways to store data based on how we'll use it
- ▶ The main theme for the last 1 / 6 of the course
- ▶ So far we've seen `ArrayLists`
 - Fast addition to end of list
 - Fast access to any existing position
 - Slow inserts to and deletes from middle of list

Another List Data Structure

- ▶ What if we have to add/remove data from a list frequently?
- ▶ `LinkedLists` support this:
 - Fast insertion and removal of elements
 - Once we know where they go
 - Slow access to arbitrary elements



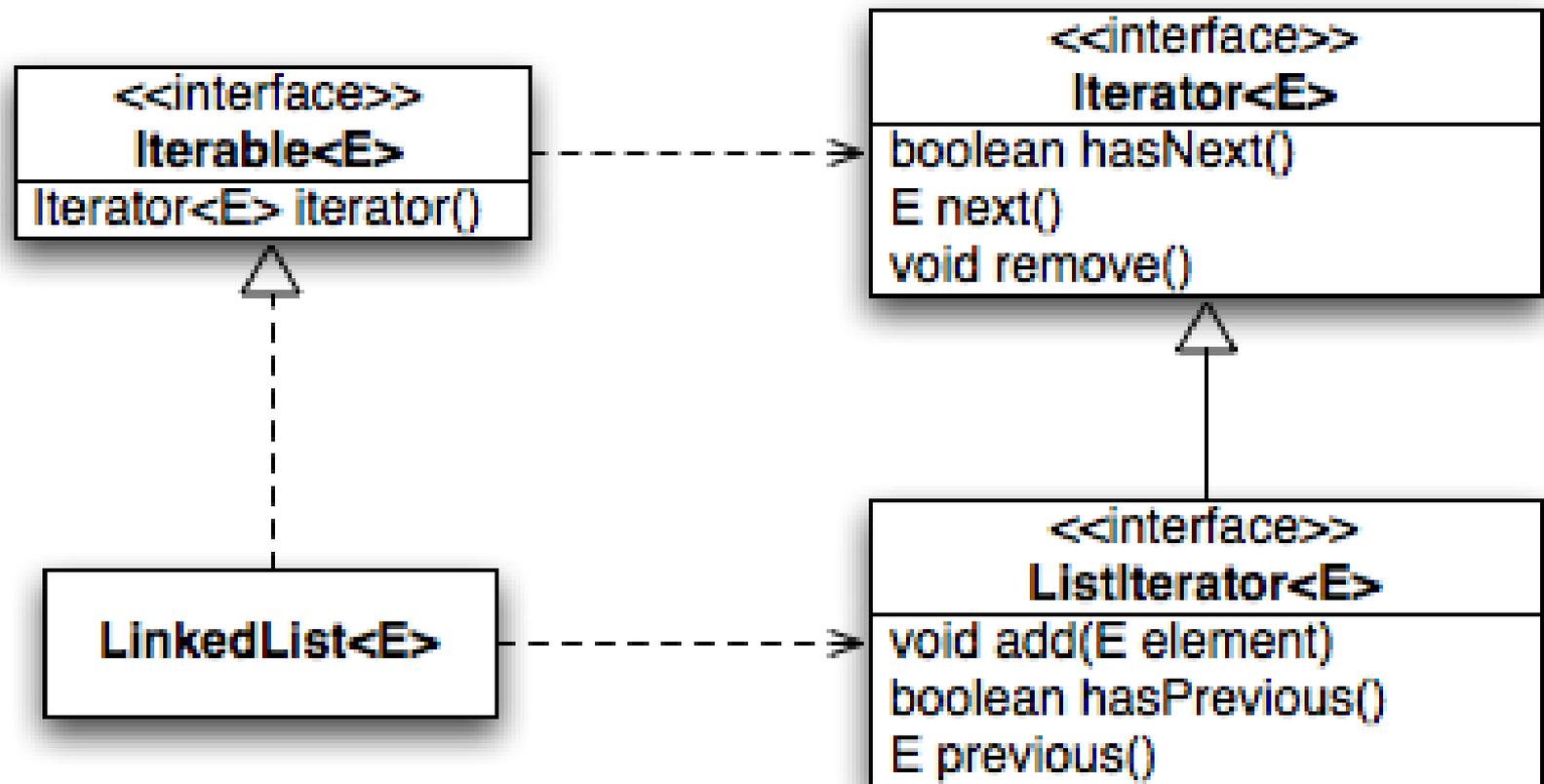
“random access”

LinkedList<E> Methods

- ▶ **void addFirst(E element)**
- ▶ **void addLast(E element)**
- ▶ **E getFirst()**
- ▶ **E getLast()**
- ▶ **E removeFirst()**
- ▶ **E removeLast()**

- ▶ What about accessing the middle of the list?
 - **LinkedList<E> implements Iterable<E>**

Accessing the Middle of a LinkedList



An Insider's View

```
for (String s : list) {  
    // do something  
}
```

```
Iterator<String> iter =  
    list.iterator();
```

```
while (iter.hasNext()) {  
    String s = iter.next();  
    // do something  
}
```

Enhanced For Loop

What Compiler Generates

Implementing LinkedList

- ▶ A simplified version, with just the essentials
- ▶ Won't implement the `java.util.List` interface
- ▶ Will have the usual linked list behavior
 - Fast insertion and removal of elements
 - Once we know where they go
 - Slow random access



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Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

- ▶ Boil down data types (e.g., lists) to their essential operations
 - ▶ Choosing a data structure for a project then becomes:
 - Identify the operations needed
 - Identify the abstract data type that most efficiently supports those operations
 - ▶ Goal: that you understand several basic abstract data types and when to use them
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Common ADTs

- ▶ Array List
- ▶ Linked List
- ▶ Stack
- ▶ Queue
- ▶ Set
- ▶ Map

Implementations for all of these are provided by the **Java Collections Framework** in the **java.util** package.

Array Lists and Linked Lists

Operations Provided	Array List Efficiency	Linked List Efficiency
Random access	$O(1)$	$O(n)$
Add/remove item	$O(n)$	$O(1)$

Stacks

- ▶ A last-in, first-out (LIFO) data structure
- ▶ Real-world stacks
 - Plate dispensers in the cafeteria
 - Pancakes!
- ▶ Some uses:
 - Tracking paths through a maze
 - Providing “unlimited undo” in an application

Operations Provided	Efficiency
Push item	$O(1)$
Pop item	$O(1)$

Implemented by
Stack, **LinkedList**,
and **ArrayDeque** in
Java

Queues

- ▶ A first-in, first-out (FIFO) data structure
- ▶ Real-world queues
 - Waiting line at the BMV
 - Character on Star Trek TNG
- ▶ Some uses:
 - Scheduling access to shared resource (e.g., printer)

Operations Provided	Efficiency
Enqueue item	$O(1)$
Dequeue item	$O(1)$

Implemented by
LinkedList and
ArrayDeque in Java

Sets

- ▶ **Unordered collections without duplicates**
- ▶ Real-world sets
 - Students
 - Collectibles
- ▶ Some uses:
 - Quickly checking if an item is in a collection



Operations	HashSet	TreeSet
Add/remove item	$O(1)$	$O(\lg n)$
Contains?	$O(1)$	$O(\lg n)$

Can hog space

Sorts items!

Maps

- ▶ Associate **keys** with **values**
- ▶ Real-world “maps”
 - Students
 - Collectibles
- ▶ Some uses:
 - Associating student ID with transcript
 - Associating name with high scores

Operations	HashMap	TreeMap
Insert key-value pair	$O(1)$	$O(\lg n)$
Look up value for key	$O(1)$	$O(\lg n)$

Can hog space

Sorts items by key!

Work Time

- »» Finish LinkedList or work on Dam Beavers