

Recitation 11



Lambdas added to Java 8

Customizing Comparison

`new TreeSet<E>()`

- uses `compareTo` built into the elements

But what if you want to use a different order?

- reverse order
- case insensitive

TreeSet's constructor can take a *Comparator*:

- `new TreeSet<K>(Collections.reverseOrder())`

Anonymous Inner Class

Goal: sort non-negative integers modulo n

```
int n = ...; // > 0
... = new TreeSet<Integer>(
    new Comparator<Integer>() {
        public int compare(Integer x, Integer y) {
            return x % n - y % n;
        }
    }
);
```

Can access variables that are assigned to exactly once

This is clunky!
Old Java

Lambdas

Only one abstract method to implement, so we can use a lambda!

```
int n = ...; // > 0
... = new TreeSet<Integer>(
    (Integer x, Integer y) -> x % n - y % n
);
```

parameters arrow expression

Can still access variables that are assigned to exactly once

Java takes care of turning this *lambda* into a *Comparator*

Try it Out

```
/** Print out the lower-cased versions of the
 * non-empty strings in strs in order of length. */
public void practice(List<String> strs) {
    // no loops!
    strs.removeIf(                                     );
    strs.replaceAll(                                   );
    strs.sort(                                         );
    strs.forEach(                                     );
}
```

Answer

```
/** Print out the lower-cased versions of the
 * non-empty strings in strs in order of length. */
public void practice(List<String> strs) {
    // no loops!
    strs.removeIf(s -> s.isEmpty());
    strs.replaceAll(s -> s.toLowerCase());
    strs.sort((s1, s2) -> s1.length() - s2.length());
    strs.forEach(s -> System.out.println(s));
}
```

More Complex Lambdas

```
/** Maps [a, b, c] to [a, a, b, b, c, c] */
public <T> List<T> doubleList(List<T> list) {
    List<T> d = new ArrayList<T>();
    list.forEach(t -> {
        d.add(t);
        d.add(t);
    });
    return d;
}
```

Diagram: A red bracket on the right side of the lambda block is labeled "block". A red line points from the text "braces" to the closing curly brace of the lambda block.

More Complex Lambdas

```
List<List<Integer>> lists = ...; // no nulls
// sort so that [1, 3] is before [2, 4, 5]
lists.sort((List<Integer> left, List<Integer> right) -> {
    if (left.size() > right.size())
        return left.size() - right.size();
    for (int i = 0; i < left.size(); i++)
        if (left.get(i) > right.get(i))
            return left.get(i) - right.get(i);
    return left.size() - right.size();
});
```

The lambda's block can return values!

Try it Out

```
/** Remove any non-increasing elements. */
public void filter(List<List<Integer>> lists) {
}
}
```

Answer

```
/** Remove any non-increasing elements. */
public void filter(List<List<Integer>> lists) {
    lists.removeIf((List<Integer> list) -> {
        int prev = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
        for (int i : list) // Ignoring nulls ☺
            if (prev > i) return true;
            else prev = i;
        return false;
    });
}
}
```

Difference: Fields

Anonymous classes can have fields

```
/** Maps [3, 4, 5] to [3, 7, 12] */
public void sumPrev(List<Integer> ints) {
    ints.replaceAll(new UnaryOperator<Integer>() {
        int sum = 0;
        public Integer apply(Integer i) {
            sum += i;
            return sum;
        }
    });
}
```

Difference: this

```
class Foo {
    void bar() {
        baz(new Anon() {
            Object func() {
                return this;
            }
        });
    }
}

class Foo {
    void bar() {
        baz(() -> this);
    }
}
```

Diagram: A red arrow points from the `this` in the lambda to the `baz` call in the `bar` method. Another red arrow points from the `this` in the lambda to the `baz` call in the `bar` method of the second class.

Watch out!!!