

CS 211 Accelerated Stream - Sept 27-28, 2000

Instances inherit properties from other instances - part II

- > dynamic property values and types
- > dynamic property add & remove
- > dynamic "change propagation" for everything that's dynamic,
- > dynamic inheritance hierarchy
- > selective value & type inheritance (container decides at run-time)
- > single inheritance

This a different approach than last lecture, and **adds** capabilities to **dynamically add** (and remove) **properties that were not initially declared when the object class was defined.**

It uses a HashMap to associate the current properties and values with the object which is receiving the inherited properties.

"**Container-decides**" selective inheritance means that an author of a class can say "this property is not inheritable," i.e., a container can be selective about what properties can be inherited from it.

"**Containee-decides**," means that an object can say "I want to inherit just color from object instance b0, and just background-color from b1," i.e., a containee can be selective about what properties it inherits.

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// ...much elided; visibility modifiers have been dropped.

import java.awt.Color;

import java.util.Map;      // ...maps keys to values [Map is an interface]
import java.util.HashMap; // ...implements Map with a hash table

class Length {
    int pts; // ...for simplicity, assume that pts are the universal units

    Length(int pts) { this.pts = pts; }

    public String toString()
    { return String.valueOf(pts) + " pts"; }
}

class Element {
    // the local table of (propertyName, value) pairs...
    Map localCSSPropertyValues = new HashMap();

    // the local table of (propertyName, isInheritable) pairs...
    Map localCSSPropertyIsInheritables = new HashMap();

    // the static table of default values...
    static Map defaultCSSPropertyValues = new HashMap();

    static {
        setCSSPropertyDefaultValue("color", Color.black);
    }
}
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    setCSSPropertyDefaultValue("padding-left", new Length(0));
}

// the static table of default isInheritable settings...
static Map defaultCSSPropertyIsInheritables = new HashMap();

static {
    setCSSPropertyDefaultIsInheritable("color", true);
    setCSSPropertyDefaultIsInheritable("padding-left", false);
}

Element container; // ...a root element has container == null

Element()
    { container = null; }

Element getContainer()
    { return container; }

void setContainer(Element container)
    { this.container = container; }

boolean isRoot()
    { return (container == null); }

Object getCSSProperty(String propertyName)
    { return getCSSProperty(propertyName, false); }

Object getCSSProperty(String propertyName, boolean attemptingToInherit)
{
    Object value = localLookup(propertyName);

    if (value != null) {
        if (attemptingToInherit && ! isInheritable(propertyName))
            // not inheritable...
            return getCSSPropertyDefaultValue(propertyName);

        // override container...
        return value;
        // [...more precisely, local value takes precedence over any values
        // that might be defined further up in the container hierarchy.]
    }

    if (container == null)
        // no value defined...
        return getCSSPropertyDefaultValue(propertyName);

    // attempt to inherit value from container...
    return container.getCSSProperty(propertyName, true);
}

void setCSSProperty(String propertyName, Object value) {
    if (value == null)
        { unsetCSSProperty(propertyName); return; }
}

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    localCSSPropertyValues.put(propertyName, value);

    // note that the isInheritable flag is not modified in
    // this case...
}

void setCSSProperty(String propertyName, Object value,
                    boolean isInheritable) {
    setCSSProperty(propertyName, value);

    if (value != null)
        localCSSPropertyIsInheritables.put(propertyName,
            new Boolean(isInheritable));
}

void unsetCSSProperty(String propertyName) {
    localCSSPropertyValues        .remove(propertyName);
    localCSSPropertyIsInheritables.remove(propertyName);
}

// methods that interact with the element's local tables...
// [in a "real" version these would have restricted visibility.]

Object localLookup(String propertyName)
    { return localCSSPropertyValues.get(propertyName); }

boolean isInheritable(String propertyName) {
    Boolean b = (Boolean) localCSSPropertyIsInheritables.get(propertyName);

    if (b != null) { return b.booleanValue(); }

    return getCSSPropertyDefaultIsInheritable(propertyName);
}

// methods for maintaining the static defaults...

static Object getCSSPropertyDefaultValue(String propertyName)
    { return defaultCSSPropertyValues.get(propertyName); }

static void setCSSPropertyDefaultValue(String propertyName,
    Object value)
    { defaultCSSPropertyValues.put(propertyName, value); }

static boolean getCSSPropertyDefaultIsInheritable(String propertyName) {
    Boolean b = (Boolean)
defaultCSSPropertyIsInheritables.get(propertyName);
    return (b != null) ? b.booleanValue() : true;

    // ...so, properties are inheritable, unless specified otherwise.
}

static void setCSSPropertyDefaultIsInheritable(String propertyName,
    boolean isInheritable) {

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    defaultCSSPropertyIsInheritables.put(propertyName,
        new Boolean(isInheritable));
}

// ...a "real" version would most likely need a property iterator...
}

class BlockElement extends Element { /* ... */ }
class InlineElement extends Element { /* ... */ }

class HTMLElement extends Element { /* ... */ }
class BodyElement extends Element { /* ... */ }

class ParagraphElement extends BlockElement { /* ... */ }
class UnorderedListElement extends BlockElement { /* ... */ }
class ListItemElement extends BlockElement { /* ... */ }
class BoldElement extends InlineElement { /* ... */ }

class ElementTest {
    public static void main(String[] as) {
        // <html>                                <!-- html -->
        //   <body>                                <!-- body -->
        //     <p style="color: red; padding-left: 10pt"> <!-- p0 -->
        //       <b>bold and red</b>                <!-- b0 -->
        //       <ul style="color: green">         <!-- ul0 -->
        //         <li> <b>bold and green</b>       <!-- li0 & b1 -->
        //       </ul>
        //     </p>
        //   </body>
        // </html>

        HTMLElement html = new HTMLElement();
        BodyElement body = new BodyElement();
        ParagraphElement p0 = new ParagraphElement();
        BoldElement b0 = new BoldElement();
        UnorderedListElement ul0 = new UnorderedListElement();
        ListItemElement li0 = new ListItemElement();
        BoldElement b1 = new BoldElement();

        body.setContainer(html);
        p0.setContainer(body);
        b0.setContainer(p0);
        ul0.setContainer(p0);
        li0.setContainer(ul0);
        b1.setContainer(li0);

        p0.setCSSProperty("color", Color.red);
        p0.setCSSProperty("padding-left", new Length(10));

        ul0.setCSSProperty("color", Color.green);

        System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
        System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // red
                                                         // (inherited from
p0)

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System.out.print ("b1.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("color")); // green
                                                    // (inherited from
ul0)

System.out.print ("p0 .padding-left has-value ");
System.out.println(p0 .getCSSProperty("padding-left")); // 10 pts (local)
System.out.print ("ul0.padding-left has-value ");
System.out.println(ul0.getCSSProperty("padding-left")); // 0 pts
                                                         // (not inherited)

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// properties can be dynamically modified...

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System.out.println();

System.out.println("p0.color = blue");
p0 .setCSSProperty("color", Color.blue);

System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // blue
                                                    //(inherited from p0)

// ...i.e., "bold and red" is now in blue.

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// ...and properties can likewise be dynamically overridden...

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System.out.println("b0.color = red");
b0 .setCSSProperty("color", Color.red);

System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // red
                                                    // (local value overrides p0)

// ...i.e., "bold and red" is back to red.

System.out.println("unset b0.color");
b0 .setCSSProperty("color", null);

System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // blue
                                                    // (inherited from p0)

// ...i.e., "bold and red" is blue again.

System.out.println("p0.color = red");
p0 .setCSSProperty("color", Color.red);

System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // red
                                                    // (inherited from p0)

// ...i.e., "bold and red" is back to red.

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// it's possible to add and remove properties dynamically...

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System.out.println();

Element.setCSSPropertyDefaultValue("behavior", "no-op");

ul0.setCSSProperty("behavior", "javascript:closeWindow()");

System.out.print ("b1.behavior has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("behavior"));
                        // closeWindow() (inherited from ul0)

ul0.unsetCSSProperty("behavior");

System.out.print ("b1.behavior has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("behavior")); // no-op
                                                    // (default value)

// ...and a property's "type" can change at run-time...

System.out.println();

ul0.setCSSProperty("behavior", "javascript:closeWindow()");

System.out.print ("b1.behavior has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("behavior"));
                        // javascript:closeWindow() (inherited from ul0)

// ...i.e., b1.behavior is a String.

Runnable hello = new Runnable() {
    public void run() { System.out.println("hello"); }
    public String toString()
        { return "<a Runnable that prints \"hello\">"; }
};

ul0.setCSSProperty("behavior", hello);

System.out.print ("b1.behavior has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("behavior"));
                        // <a Runnable that prints "hello" // (inherited from ul0)

// ...i.e., b1.behavior is an anonymous Runnable.

ul0.unsetCSSProperty("behavior");

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// the inheritance hierarchy itself is also dynamic...

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System.out.println();

System.out.println("b0.container = li0");
b0 .setContainer(li0);
System.out.println("b1.container = p0");
b1 .setContainer(p0);

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System.out.print ("b0.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")); // green
                                                    // (inherited from ul0)

System.out.print ("b1.color has-value ");
System.out.println(b1.getCSSProperty("color")); // red
                                                    //(inherited from p0)

// ...i.e., "bold and green" is now in red, and "bold and red"
// is in green, :).
}
}
// actually, System.out.println(b0.getCSSProperty("color")) prints...
// java.awt.Color[r=255,g=0,b=0]
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