Designing an ADT



- The design of an ADT should evolve naturally during the problem-solving process
- Questions to ask when designing an ADT
 - What data does a problem require?
 - What operations does a problem require?

Examples: polynomial, appointment book

• ADT can suggest other ADTs

Appendix 1. Java Exceptions (review)



- Exception
 - A mechanism for handling an error during execution
 - A method indicates that an error has occurred by throwing an exception

- Catching exceptions
 - try block
 - A statement that might throw an exception is placed within a try block
 - Syntax

```
try {
    statement(s);
} // end try
```



- Catching exceptions (Continued)
 - catch **block**
 - Used to catch an exception and deal with the error condition
 - Syntax

```
catch (exceptionClass identifier) {
   statement(s);
} // end catch
```



- Types of exceptions
 - Checked exceptions
 - Instances of classes that are subclasses of the java.lang.Exception class
 - Must be handled locally or explicitly thrown from the method
 - Used in situations where the method has encountered a serious problem



Checked exceptions

```
public class TestExceptionExample {
   public static void getInput(String fileName) {
     FileInputStream fis;
     fis = new FileInputStream(fileName);
     // file processing code appears here
   } // end getInput
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
  getInput("test.dat");
```

} // end main

} // end TestExceptionExample





- Types of exceptions (Continued)
 - Runtime exceptions
 - Used in situations where the error is not considered as serious
 - Can often be prevented by fail-safe programming
 - Instances of classes that are subclasses of the RuntimeException class
 - Are not required to be caught locally or explicitly thrown again by the method

- Throwing exceptions
 - A throw statement is used to throw an exception throw new exceptionClass (stringArgument);
- Defining a new exception class
 - A programmer can define a new exception class

```
class MyException extends Exception {
  public MyException(String s) {
    super(s);
  } // end constructor
} // end MyException
```



Implementing ADTs



- Choosing the data structure to represent the ADT's data is a part of implementation
 - Choice of a data structure depends on
 - Details of the ADT's operations
 - Context in which the operations will be used
- Implementation details should be hidden behind a wall of ADT operations
 - A program would only be able to access the data structure using the ADT operations

An Array-Based Implementation of the ADT List

- An array-based implementation
 - A list's items are stored in an array items
 - A natural choice
 - Both an array and a list identify their items by number
 - A list's kth item will be stored in items[k-1]





Figure 4-11

An array-based implementation of the ADT list

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public class ListArrayBased
implements ListInterface {

private static final int MAX_LIST = 50; private Object items[]; // an array of list items private int numItems; // number of items in list

Appendix 2. Arrays in Java (review)



- Arrays are sequences of identically typed values
- Values are stored at specific numbered positions in the array
 - The first value is stored at index 0, the second at index 1, the *i*th at index *i*-1, and so on
 - The last item is stored at position *n*-1, assuming that *n* values are stored in the array
- Values are stored sequentially in main memory

Arrays in Java

- To declare an array follow the type with (empty) []s
 - int[] grade; //or
 - int grade[]; //both declare an int array
- In Java arrays are objects!



Objects in Java

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String t = s;





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 - int[] grade; //or
 - int grade[]; //both declare an int array
- In Java arrays are objects so must be created with the new keyword
 - To create an array of ten integers:
 - int[] grade = new int[10];
 - Note that the array size has to be specified, although it can be specified with a variable at run-time

Arrays in Java



- When the array is created memory is reserved for its contents
- Initialization lists can be used to specify the initial values of an array, in which case the new operator is not used
 - int[] grade = {87, 93, 35}; //array of 3
 ints
- To find the length of an array use its .length variable
 - int numGrades = grade.length; //note: not
 .length()!!

Array Indexing

- int[] arr = {3,7,6,8,1,7,2};
 creates a new integer array with seven
 elements
 - The elements are assigned values as given in the initialization list
- Individual elements can be accessed by referring to the array name and the appropriate index
 - int x = arr[3]; would assign the value of the fourth array element (8) to x
 - arr[5] = 11; would change the sixth element of the array from 7 to 11
 - arr[7] = 3; would result in an error because the index is out of bounds









Arrays and Main Memory



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Offset Calculations



- Given something like grade[2] = 23; how do we find a particular element in the array?
- We know the address of the first element in the array
- Because we know the type of the values stored in the array, we know the size of each element in the array
 - 4 bytes in the case of an int
- We know which element we want to access
- We can therefore calculate the address of the desired element as being:
 - address of first element + index * size of stored type

Passing Arrays to Methods

- Array variables are reference variables
 - When an array variable is passed as an argument to a method the method is being given the address of an array object
 - Not a new copy of the array object
- Any changes made to the array in the method are therefore made to the original (and only) array object
 - If this is not desired, a copy of the array should be made within the method



Arrays are Static Data Structures



- The size of an array must be specified when it is created with new and cannot be changed
- If the array is full new items can't be added to it
 - There are, time consuming, ways around this
 - To avoid this problem make arrays much larger than they are needed
 - However this wastes space