

Announcements

- FINAL EXAM Monday May 21, 1:30pm
- Review Session
 - Wednesday May 16, 7-9pm

Recitation 12

Root Finding, Sorting, Stacks, Queues

Outline

- Linked Lists
- Sorting
- Queues

Object References

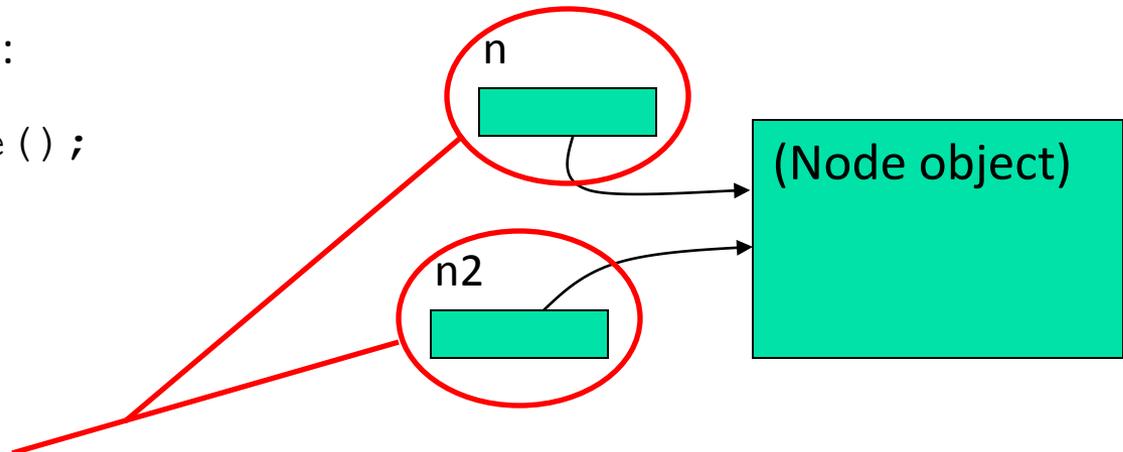
Let's start with a class called "Node"

Node.java

```
class Node {  
  
}
```

To create an instance of Node:

```
Node n = new Node ();  
Node n2 = n;
```



These are **object references**. Notice how there is only ONE object, and each reference "refers" to it.

Fun with References

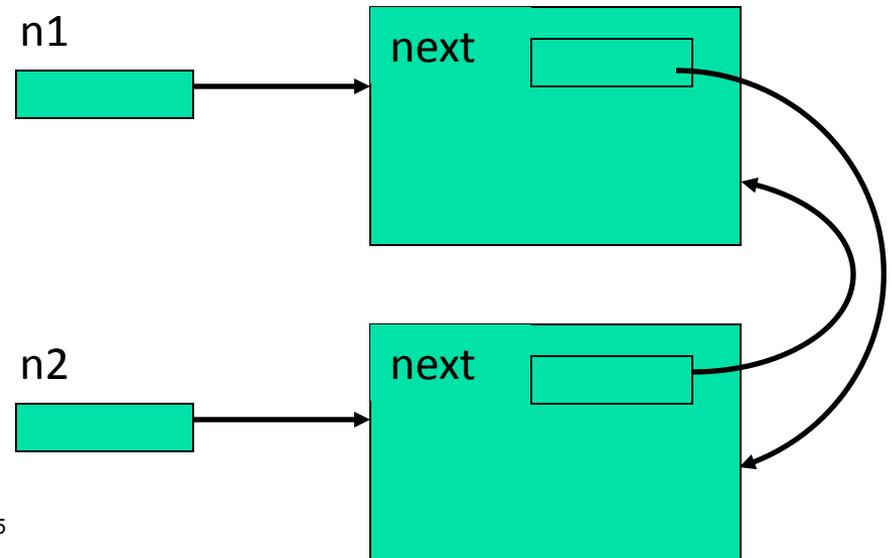
Let's add to our Node class

Node.java

```
class Node {  
    Node next;  
}
```

Now, let's use the following code:

```
Node n1 = new Node();  
Node n2 = new Node();  
n2.next = n1;  
n1.next = n2;
```



Serious Work with References

Let's add a data member to store some information.

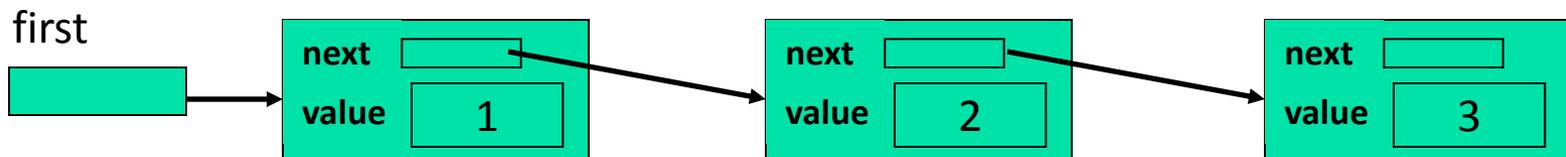
(It could be a primitive type or an object reference...
or anything else you want)

Node.java

```
class Node{  
    Node next;  
    int value;  
}
```

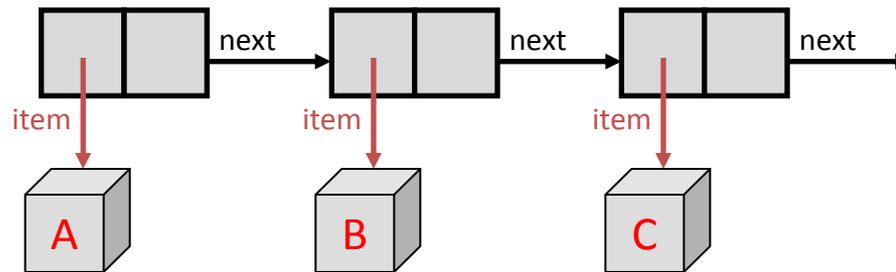
Now, let's use the following code:

```
Node first = new Node();  
first.value=1;  
first.next = new Node();  
first.next.value=2;  
first.next.next = new Node();  
first.next.next.value = 3;
```



Linked Lists

- A linked list is made of a series of Nodes, each with:
 - an associated item object
 - a reference to the next node of the list
- Simplified “double-box” picture:



- Traverse the list by following each node’s “next” reference

SLinkedList

For convenience, create a class with references to the first & last nodes, with methods, so we don't have to re-write the manipulation code each time.

Our original
Node class

```
public class SLinkedList implements List{

    private int length = 0;
    private Node first = null;
    private Node last = null;

    private static class Node {
        Object item;
        Node next;
        Node( Object o, Node n ){ item = o; next = n; }
    }

    public int size() { /*code...*/ }
    public boolean isEmpty() { /*code...*/ }
    public boolean contains(Object o) { /*code...*/ }
    public void clear() { /*code...*/ }
    // various add() and remove() methods...
}
```

What's so great about Linked Lists?

BIG Pros:

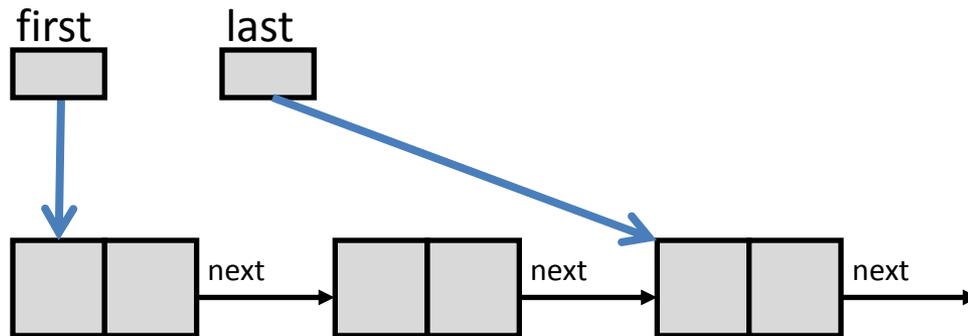
- A Linked List can grow dynamically.
(To resize an array you have to create a new, larger array, and copy everything over)
- A linked list does NOT need contiguous memory.
(A Java 1-D array has to occupy contiguous memory. When storing large amounts of data, finding back-to-back-to-back... memory can be impossible)

Cons:

- The references add overhead.
- Access is slower than an array.
- The code to maintain a Linked List can be complex.
- Depending on how the 'links' (references) are structured, you may only be able to traverse one way...

Linked List: Tips

- Always think of special cases
 - What if your list is empty?
 - What if there is only one element?
- Always draw a diagram!



Sorting

- Sortable objects implement `Comparable<Object>` or have `Comparator` defined
- `Comparable`:
 - Define `compareTo()`
 - For `object.compareTo(other)`:
 - returns 1 if `other` higher ranked than `object`
 - returns 0 if equally ranked
 - returns -1 otherwise

Sorting

- **Comparator:**
 - New class `Object1Object2Comparator`
 - Implements `Comparator<Object>`
 - Must define `compare()`. For `compare(a, b)`:
 - returns 1 if b higher ranked than a
 - return 0 if equally ranked
 - returns -1 otherwise

Sorting Exercise

- Sort restaurants by rating (high to low) then distance (close to far)

```
public class Restaurant {
    String name;
    int rating;
    double distance;

    public Restaurant(String n, int r, double d){
        name = n;
        rating = r;
        distance = d;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return name + ": " + rating + "/5.0, " + distance + " meters away.";
    }
}
```

Stacks and Queues

- Structures store, manage data
- For data with an inherent order
 - Think of structures like a line to get into a movie
- Stacks: people are added and removed from same end of line
 - Last person in an elevator is the first person out of the elevator
- FIFO Queue: people added to back of line, removed from front
 - *First In First Out*, the way you expect a ticket line to work

Stacks

- Single end
- LIFO: Last In First Out
 - push(): add an element
 - pop(): remove top element
- Applications:
 - Simulation: robots, machines
 - Recursion: pending function calls
 - Reversal of data

Stack Interface

```
import java.util.*;           // For exception

public interface Stack
{
    public boolean isEmpty();
    public void push( Object o );
    public Object pop() throws
        EmptyStackException;
    public void clear();
}
```

Queues

- Two ends
- FIFO: First In First Out
 - push(): add an element to top
 - pop(): remove bottom element
- Applications:
 - Simulation: lines
 - Ordered requests: device drivers, routers, ...
 - Searches

Queue Interface

```
import java.util.*;

public interface Queue
{
    public boolean isEmpty();
    public void add( Object o );
    public Object remove() throws
        NoSuchElementException;
    public void clear();
}
```

Exercise

- What is the final output?
 - Add {2, 4, 6, 8} to a stack #1
 - Remove three items from stack, place in queue
 - Remove two items from queue, place in stack #2
 - Remove one item from stack #2, place in queue
 - Remove one item from stack #1, place in stack #2

Queue:

{6, 4}

Stack #2:

{2, 8}

Exercise

- Write a class to store a queue in a linked list
 - What happens when you remove the last object?
 - What happens when you try to remove an object from an empty list?

```
public interface Queue {  
  
    public void enqueue(int item);           // add to end  
    public int dequeue() throws Exception; // remove from front  
  
}
```

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