

Advanced Topics on Classes and Objects



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Equality (1)

- Recall that
 - A **primitive** variable stores a primitive *value*
e.g., `double d1 = 7.5; double d2 = 7.5;`
 - A **reference** variable stores the *address* to some object (rather than storing the object itself)
e.g., `Point p1 = new Point(2, 3)` assigns to `p1` the address of the new `Point` object
e.g., `Point p2 = new Point(2, 3)` assigns to `p2` the address of *another* new `Point` object
- The binary operator `==` may be applied to compare:
 - **Primitive** variables: their *contents* are compared
e.g., `d1 == d2` evaluates to *true*
 - **Reference** variables: the *addresses* they store are compared (rather than comparing contents of the objects they refer to)
e.g., `p1 == p2` evaluates to *false* because `p1` and `p2` are addresses of *different* objects, even if their contents are *identical*.

Equality (2.1)

- Implicitly:
 - Every class is a *child/sub* class of the `Object` class.
 - The `Object` class is the *parent/super* class of every class.
- There is a useful *accessor method* that every class *inherits* from the `Object` class:

- ```
boolean equals(Object other)
```

Indicates whether some other object is “equal to” this one.

- The default definition inherited from `Object`:

```
boolean equals(Object other) {
 return (this == other);
}
```

e.g., Say `p1` and `p2` are of type `Point` **v1** without the `equals` method redefined, then `p1.equals(p2)` boils down to `(p1 == p2)`.

- Very often when you define new classes, you want to **redefine / override** the inherited definition of `equals`.

## Equality (2.2): Common Error

```
int i = 10;
int j = 12;
boolean sameValue = i.equals(j);
```

### **Compilation Error:**

the `equals` method is only applicable to reference types.

**Fix:** write `i == j` instead.

## Equality (3)

```
class PointV1 {
 double x; double y;
 PointV1(double x, double y) { this.x = x; this.y = y; }
}
```

```
1 PointV1 p1 = new PointV1(2, 3);
2 PointV1 p2 = new PointV1(2, 3);
3 System.out.println(p1 == p2); /* false */
4 System.out.println(p1.equals(p2)); /* false */
```

- At L4, given that the `equals` method is not explicitly redefined/overridden in class `PointV1`, the default version inherited from class `Object` is called.  
Executing `p1.equals(p2)` boils down to `(p1 == p2)`.
- If we wish to compare contents of two `PointV1` objects, need to explicitly redefine/override the `equals` method in that class.

# Requirements of equals

Given that reference variables `x`, `y`, `z` are not `null`:

- 

$$\neg x.equals(null)$$

- **Reflexive** :

$$x.equals(x)$$

- **Symmetric**

$$x.equals(y) \iff y.equals(x)$$

- **Transitive**

$$x.equals(y) \wedge y.equals(z) \Rightarrow x.equals(z)$$

## Equality (4.1)

- How do we compare *contents* rather than addresses?
- Define the **accessor method** `equals`, e.g.,

```
class PointV2 {
 double x; double y;
 public boolean equals (Object obj) {
 if (this == obj) { return true; }
 if (obj == null) { return false; }
 if (this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false; }
 PointV2 other = (PointV2) obj;
 return this.x == other.x && this.y == other.y; } }
}
```

```
String s = "(2, 3)";
PointV2 p1 = new PointV2(2, 3); PointV2 p2 = new PointV2(2, 3);
System.out.println(p1.equals(p1)); /* true */
System.out.println(p1.equals(null)); /* false */
System.out.println(p1.equals(s)); /* false */
System.out.println(p1 == p2); /* false */
System.out.println(p1.equals(p2)); /* true */
```

## Equality (4.2)

- When making a method call `p.equals(o)`:
  - Variable `p` is declared of type `Point V2`
  - Variable `o` can be declared of any type (e.g., `Point V2`, `String`)
- We define `p` and `o` as **equal** if:
  - Either `p` and `o` refer to the same object;
  - Or:
    - `o` is not null.
    - `p` and `o` at runtime point to objects of the same type.
    - The `x` and `y` coordinates are the same.
- **Q:** In the `equals` method of `Point`, why is there no such a line:

```
class PointV2 {
 boolean equals(Object obj) {
 if(this == null) { return false; }
 }
}
```

**A:** If `this` was `null`, a `NullPointerException` would have occurred and prevent the body of `equals` from being executed.



## Equality (4.3)

```

1 class PointV2 {
2 boolean equals (Object obj) { ...
3 if(this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false; }
4 PointV2 other = (PointV2) obj;
5 return this.x == other.x && this.y == other.y; } }

```

- Object obj at L2 declares a parameter obj of type Object.
- PointV2 other at L4 declares a variable p of type PointV2. We call such types declared at compile time as **static type**.
- The list of *applicable attributes/methods* that we may call on a variable depends on its **static type**.
  - e.g., We may only call the small list of methods defined in Object class on obj, which does not include x and y (specific to Point).
- If we are SURE that an object's "actual" type is different from its **static type**, then we can **cast** it.
  - e.g., Given that this.getClass() == obj.getClass(), we are sure that obj is also a Point, so we can cast it to Point.
- Such cast allows more attributes/methods to be called upon (Point) obj at L5.

## Equality (5)

Two notions of **equality** for variables of *reference* types:

- **Reference Equality**: use `==` to compare *addresses*
- **Object Equality**: define `equals` method to compare *contents*

```
1 PointV2 p1 = new PointV2(3, 4);
2 PointV2 p2 = new PointV2(3, 4);
3 PointV2 p3 = new PointV2(4, 5);
4 System.out.println(p1 == p1); /* true */
5 System.out.println(p1.equals(p1)); /* true */
6 System.out.println(p1 == p2); /* false */
7 System.out.println(p1.equals(p2)); /* true */
8 System.out.println(p2 == p3); /* false */
9 System.out.println(p2.equals(p3)); /* false */
```

- Being *reference*-equal implies being *object*-equal.
- Being *object*-equal does **not** imply being *reference*-equal.

## Equality (6.1)

**Exercise:** Persons are *equal* if names and measures are equal.

```
1 class Person {
2 String firstName; String lastName; double weight; double height;
3 boolean equals (Object obj) {
4 if(this == obj) { return true; }
5 if(obj == null || this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
6 return false; }
7 Person other = (Person) obj;
8 return
9 this.weight == other.weight && this.height == other.height
10 && this.firstName.equals (other.firstName)
11 && this.lastName.equals (other.lastName); } }
```

**Q:** At L5, will we get NullPointerException if obj is Null?

**A:** **No** ∴ Short-Circuit Effect of ||

obj is null, then obj == null evaluates to **true**

⇒ no need to evaluate the RHS

The left operand obj == null acts as a **guard constraint** for the right operand this.getClass() != obj.getClass().

## Equality (6.2)

**Exercise:** Persons are *equal* if names and measures are equal.

```
1 class Person {
2 String firstName; String lastName; double weight; double height;
3 boolean equals (Object obj) {
4 if (this == obj) { return true; }
5 if (obj == null || this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
6 return false; }
7 Person other = (Person) obj;
8 return
9 this.weight == other.weight && this.height == other.height
10 && this.firstName.equals (other.firstName)
11 && this.lastName.equals (other.lastName); } }
```

**Q:** At L5, if swapping the order of two operands of disjunction:

`this.getClass() != obj.getClass() || obj == null`

Will we get `NullPointerException` if `obj` is `Null`?

**A:** **Yes** ∴ Evaluation of operands is from left to right.

## Equality (6.3)

**Exercise:** Persons are *equal* if names and measures are equal.

```
1 class Person {
2 String firstName; String lastName; double weight; double height;
3 boolean equals(Object obj) {
4 if(this == obj) { return true; }
5 if(obj == null || this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
6 return false; }
7 Person other = (Person) obj;
8 return
9 this.weight == other.weight && this.height == other.height
10 && this.firstName.equals(other.firstName)
11 && this.lastName.equals(other.lastName); } }
```

**L10 & L11** call equals method defined in the String class.

When defining equals method for your own class, **reuse** equals methods defined in other classes wherever possible.

## Equality (6.4)

Person collectors are equal if containing equal lists of persons.

```
class PersonCollector {
 Person[] persons; int nop; /* number of persons */
 public PersonCollector() { ... }
 public void addPerson(Person p) { ... }
}
```

Redefine/Override the equals method in PersonCollector.

```
1 boolean equals (Object obj) {
2 if(this == obj) { return true; }
3 if(obj == null || this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
4 return false; }
5 PersonCollector other = (PersonCollector) obj;
6 boolean equal = false;
7 if(this.nop == other.nop) {
8 equal = true;
9 for(int i = 0; equal && i < this.nop; i++) {
10 equal = this.persons[i].equals(other.persons[i]); } }
11 return equal;
12 }
```

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## Equality in JUnit (7.1)

- **assertSame**(obj1, obj2)
  - Passes if obj1 and obj2 are references to the same object
  - $\approx$  `assertTrue(obj1 == obj2)`
  - $\approx$  `assertFalse(obj1 != obj2)`

```
PointV1 p1 = new PointV1(3, 4); PointV1 p2 = new PointV1(3, 4);
PointV1 p3 = p1;
assertSame(p1, p3); /* pass */ assertEquals(p2, p3); /* fail */
```

- **assertEquals**(exp1, exp2)
  - $\approx$  `exp1 == exp2` if exp1 and exp2 are **primitive type**

```
int i = 10; int j = 20; assertEquals(i, j); /* fail */
```

- $\approx$  `exp1.equals(exp2)` if exp1 and exp2 are **reference type**
  - Q:** What if equals is not explicitly defined in obj1's declared type?
  - A:**  $\approx$  `assertSame(obj1, obj2)`

```
PointV2 p4 = new PointV2(3, 4); PointV2 p5 = new PointV2(3, 4);
assertEquals(p4, p5); /* pass */
assertEquals(p1, p2); /* fail :: different PointV1 objects */
assertEquals(p4, p2); /* fail :: different types */
```

## Equality in JUnit (7.2)

```
@Test
public void testEqualityOfPointV1() {
 PointV1 p1 = new PointV1(3, 4); PointV1 p2 = new PointV1(3, 4);
 assertFalse(p1 == p2); assertFalse(p2 == p1);
 /* assertSame(p1, p2); assertSame(p2, p1); */ /* both fail */
 assertFalse(p1.equals(p2)); assertFalse(p2.equals(p1));
 assertTrue(p1.x == p2.x && p2.y == p2.y);
}

@Test
public void testEqualityOfPointV2() {
 PointV2 p3 = new PointV2(3, 4); PointV2 p4 = new PointV2(3, 4);
 assertFalse(p3 == p4); assertFalse(p4 == p3);
 /* assertSame(p3, p4); assertSame(p4, p4); */ /* both fail */
 assertTrue(p3.equals(p4)); assertTrue(p4.equals(p3));
 assertEquals(p3, p4); assertEquals(p4, p3);
}

@Test
public void testEqualityOfPointV1andPointv2() {
 PointV1 p1 = new PointV1(3, 4); PointV2 p2 = new PointV2(3, 4);
 /* These two assertions do not compile because p1 and p2 are of different types. */
 /* assertFalse(p1 == p2); assertFalse(p2 == p1); */
 /* assertSame can take objects of different types and fail. */
 /* assertSame(p1, p2); */ /* compiles, but fails */
 /* assertSame(p2, p1); */ /* compiles, but fails */
 /* version of equals from Object is called */
 assertFalse(p1.equals(p2));
 /* version of equals from PointP2 is called */
 assertFalse(p2.equals(p1));
}
}
```



## Equality in JUnit (7.3)

```
@Test
public void testPersonCollector() {
 Person p1 = new Person("A", "a", 180, 1.8); Person p2 = new Person("A", "a", 180, 1.8);
 Person p3 = new Person("B", "b", 200, 2.1); Person p4 = p3;
 assertFalse(p1 == p2); assertTrue(p1.equals(p2));
 assertTrue(p3 == p4); assertTrue(p3.equals(p4));

 PersonCollector pc1 = new PersonCollector(); PersonCollector pc2 = new PersonCollector();
 assertFalse(pc1 == pc2); assertTrue(pc1.equals(pc2));

 pc1.addPerson(p1);
 assertFalse(pc1.equals(pc2));

 pc2.addPerson(p2);
 assertFalse(pc1.persons[0] == pc2.persons[0]);
 assertTrue(pc1.persons[0].equals(pc2.persons[0]));
 assertTrue(pc1.equals(pc2));

 pc1.addPerson(p3); pc2.addPerson(p4);
 assertTrue(pc1.persons[1] == pc2.persons[1]);
 assertTrue(pc1.persons[1].equals(pc2.persons[1]));
 assertTrue(pc1.equals(pc2));

 pc1.addPerson(new Person("A", "a", 175, 1.75));
 pc2.addPerson(new Person("A", "a", 165, 1.55));
 assertFalse(pc1.persons[2] == pc2.persons[2]);
 assertFalse(pc1.persons[2].equals(pc2.persons[2]));
 assertFalse(pc1.equals(pc2));
}
```

# Why Ordering Between Objects? (1)

Each employee has their numerical id and salary.

e.g., (*alan*, 2, 4500.34), (*mark*, 3, 3450.67), (*tom*, 1, 3450.67)

- **Problem**: To facilitate an annual review on their statuses, we want to arrange them so that ones with smaller id's come before ones with larger id's.s  
e.g.,  $\langle \textit{tom}, \textit{alan}, \textit{mark} \rangle$
- Even better, arrange them so that ones with larger salaries come first; only compare id's for employees with equal salaries.  
e.g.,  $\langle \textit{alan}, \textit{tom}, \textit{mark} \rangle$
- **Solution** :
  - Define **ordering** of Employee objects.  
[ Comparable interface, compareTo method ]
  - Use the library method `Arrays.sort`.

## Why Ordering Between Objects? (2)

```
class Employee {
 int id; double salary;
 Employee(int id) { this.id = id; }
 void setSalary(double salary) { this.salary = salary; } }
```

```
1 @Test
2 public void testUncomparableEmployees() {
3 Employee alan = new Employee(2);
4 Employee mark = new Employee(3);
5 Employee tom = new Employee(1);
6 Employee[] es = {alan, mark, tom};
7 Arrays.sort(es);
8 Employee[] expected = {tom, alan, mark};
9 assertEquals(expected, es); }
```

**L8** triggers a *java.lang.ClassCastException*:  
*Employee cannot be cast to java.lang.Comparable*

:: `Arrays.sort` expects an array whose element type defines a precise *ordering* of its instances/objects.

# Defining Ordering Between Objects (1.1)

```
class CEmployee1 implements Comparable<CEmployee1> {
 ... /* attributes, constructor, mutator similar to Employee */
 @Override
 public int compareTo(CEmployee1 e) { return this.id - e.id; }
}
```

- Given two CEmployee1 objects `ce1` and `ce2`:
  - `ce1.compareTo(ce2) > 0` [ `ce1` "is greater than" `ce2` ]
  - `ce1.compareTo(ce2) == 0` [ `ce1` "is equal to" `ce2` ]
  - `ce1.compareTo(ce2) < 0` [ `ce1` "is smaller than" `ce2` ]
- Say `ces` is an array of CEmployee1 (`CEmployee1[] ces`), calling `Arrays.sort(ces)` re-arranges `ces`, so that:

$$\underbrace{ces[0]}_{\text{CEmployee1 object}} \leq \underbrace{ces[1]}_{\text{CEmployee1 object}} \leq \dots \leq \underbrace{ces[ces.length - 1]}_{\text{CEmployee1 object}}$$

## Defining Ordering Between Objects (1.2)

```
@Test
public void testComparableEmployees_1() {
 /*
 * CEmployee1 implements the Comparable interface.
 * Method compareTo compares id's only.
 */
 CEmployee1 alan = new CEmployee1(2);
 CEmployee1 mark = new CEmployee1(3);
 CEmployee1 tom = new CEmployee1(1);
 alan.setSalary(4500.34);
 mark.setSalary(3450.67);
 tom.setSalary(3450.67);
 CEmployee1[] es = {alan, mark, tom};
 /* When comparing employees,
 * their salaries are irrelevant.
 */
 Arrays.sort(es);
 CEmployee1[] expected = {tom, alan, mark};
 assertEquals(expected, es);
}
```

## Defining Ordering Between Objects (2.1)

Let's now make the comparison more sophisticated:

- Employees with higher salaries come before those with lower salaries.
- When two employees have same salary, whoever with lower id comes first.

```
1 class CEmployee2 implements Comparable<CEmployee2> {
2 ... /* attributes, constructor, mutator similar to Employee */
3 @Override
4 public int compareTo(CEmployee2 other) {
5 int salaryDiff = Double.compare(this.salary, other.salary);
6 int idDiff = this.id - other.id;
7 if(salaryDiff != 0) { return -salaryDiff; }
8 else { return idDiff; } } }
```

- **L5:** `Double.compare(d1, d2)` returns  
-  $(d1 < d2)$ ,  $0$  ( $d1 == d2$ ), or  $+$  ( $d1 > d2$ ).
- **L7:** Why inverting the sign of `salaryDiff`?
  - $this.salary > other.salary \Rightarrow Double.compare(this.salary, other.salary) > 0$
  - But we should consider employee with *higher* salary as “smaller”.  
 $\therefore$  We want that employee to come *before* the other one!

## Defining Ordering Between Objects (2.2)

Alternatively, we can use extra `if` statements to express the logic more clearly.

```
1 class CEmployee2 implements Comparable<CEmployee2> {
2 ... /* attributes, constructor, mutator similar to Employee */
3 @Override
4 public int compareTo(CEmployee2 other) {
5 if(this.salary > other.salary) {
6 return -1;
7 }
8 else if (this.salary < other.salary) {
9 return 1;
10 }
11 else { /* equal salaries */
12 return this.id - other.id;
13 }
14 }
```

## Defining Ordering Between Objects (2.3)

```
1 @Test
2 public void testComparableEmployees_2() {
3 /*
4 * CEmployee2 implements the Comparable interface.
5 * Method compareTo first compares salaries, then
6 * compares id's for employees with equal salaries.
7 */
8 CEmployee2 alan = new CEmployee2(2);
9 CEmployee2 mark = new CEmployee2(3);
10 CEmployee2 tom = new CEmployee2(1);
11 alan.setSalary(4500.34);
12 mark.setSalary(3450.67);
13 tom.setSalary(3450.67);
14 CEmployee2[] es = {alan, mark, tom};
15 Arrays.sort(es);
16 CEmployee2[] expected = {alan, tom, mark};
17 assertEquals(expected, es);
18 }
```



## Defining Ordering Between Objects (3)

When you have your class `C` implement the interface `Comparable<C>`, you should design the `compareTo` method, such that given objects `c1`, `c2`, `c3` of type `C`:

- **Asymmetric** :

$$\neg(c1.compareTo(c2) < 0 \wedge c2.compareTo(c1) < 0)$$

$$\neg(c1.compareTo(c2) > 0 \wedge c2.compareTo(c1) > 0)$$

∴ We don't have  $c1 < c2$  and  $c2 < c1$  at the same time!

- **Transitive** :

$$c1.compareTo(c2) < 0 \wedge c2.compareTo(c3) < 0 \Rightarrow c1.compareTo(c3) < 0$$

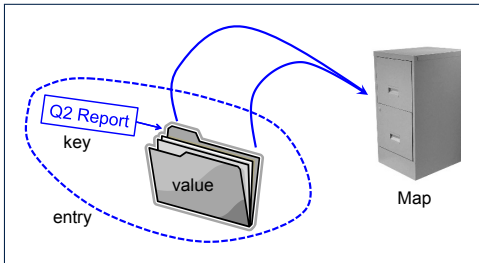
$$c1.compareTo(c2) > 0 \wedge c2.compareTo(c3) > 0 \Rightarrow c1.compareTo(c3) > 0$$

∴ We have  $c1 < c2 \wedge c2 < c3 \Rightarrow c1 < c3$

**Q.** How would you define the `compareTo` method for the `Player` class of a rock-paper-scissor game? [**Hint:** Transitivity]

# Hashing: What is a Map?

- A **map** (a.k.a. table or dictionary) stores a collection of *entries*.



| ENTRY        |       |
|--------------|-------|
| (SEARCH) KEY | VALUE |
| 1            | D     |
| 25           | C     |
| 3            | F     |
| 14           | Z     |
| 6            | A     |
| 39           | C     |
| 7            | Q     |

- Each **entry** is a pair: a *value* and its (*search*) *key*.
- Each **search key** :
  - Uniquely* identifies an object in the map
  - Should be used to *efficiently* retrieve the associated value
- Search keys must be *unique* (i.e., do not contain duplicates).

# Hashing: Arrays are Maps

- Each array *entry* is a pair: an object and its *numerical* index.  
 e.g., say `String[] a = {"A", "B", "C"}`, how many entries?  
 3 entries: `(0, "A")`, `(1, "B")`, `(2, "C")`
- *Search keys* are the set of numerical index values.
- The set of index values are *unique* [e.g.,  $0 \dots (a.length - 1)$ ]
- Given a *valid* index value  $i$ , we can
  - *Uniquely* determines where the object is  $[(i + 1)^{th} \text{ item}]$
  - *Efficiently* retrieves that object  $[a[i] \approx \text{fast memory access}]$
- Maps in general may have *non-numerical* key values:
  - Student ID [student record]
  - Social Security Number [resident record]
  - Passport Number [citizen record]
  - Residential Address [household record]
  - Media Access Control (MAC) Address [PC/Laptop record]
  - Web URL [web page]

# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map

- **Problem:** Support the construction of this simple map:

| ENTRY        |       |
|--------------|-------|
| (SEARCH) KEY | VALUE |
| 1            | D     |
| 25           | C     |
| 3            | F     |
| 14           | Z     |
| 6            | A     |
| 39           | C     |
| 7            | Q     |

Let's just assume that the maximum map capacity is 100.

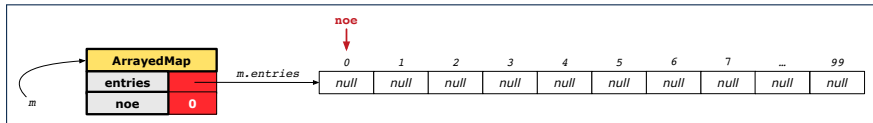
- **Naive Solution:**

Let's understand the expected runtime structures before seeing the Java code!

# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (0)

After executing `ArrayedMap m = new ArrayedMap()`:

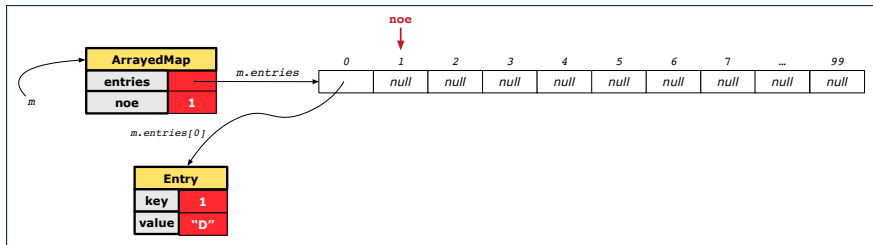
- Attribute `m.entries` initialized as an array of 100 `null` slots.
- Attribute `m.noe` is 0, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 0.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 0.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (1)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(1, "D"))`:

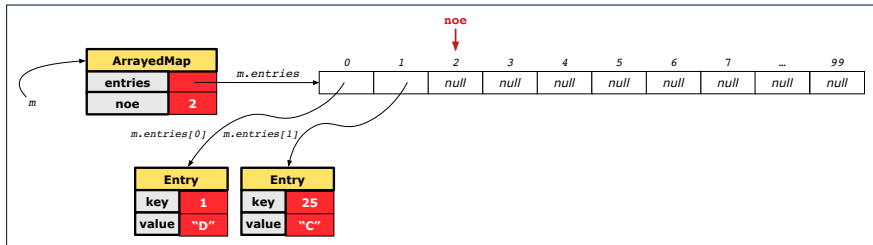
- Attribute `m.entries` has 99 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noE` is 1, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 1.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 1.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (2)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(25, "C"))`:

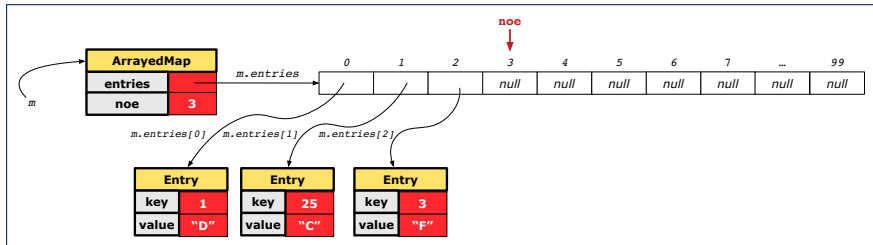
- Attribute `m.entries` has 98 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noe` is 2, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 2.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 2.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (3)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(3, "F"))`:

- Attribute `m.entries` has 97 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noe` is 3, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 3.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 3.

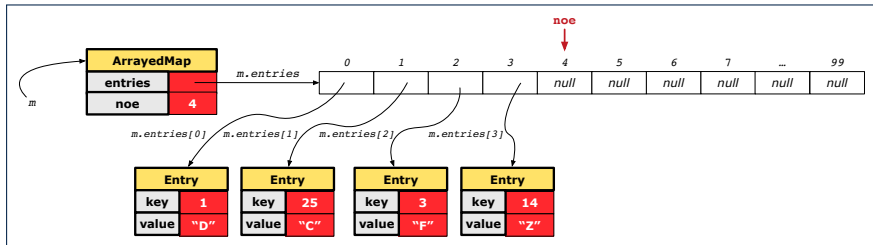




# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (4)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(14, "Z"))`:

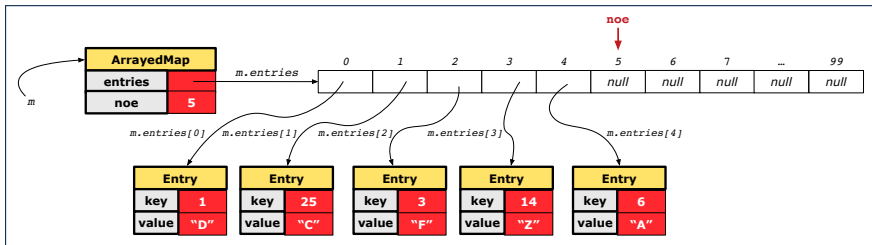
- Attribute `m.entries` has 96 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noe` is 4, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 4.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 4.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (5)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(6, "A"))`:

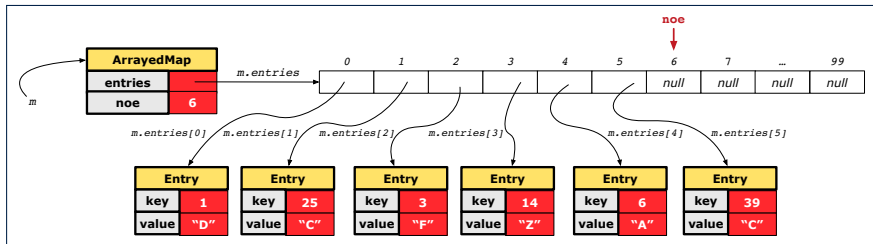
- Attribute `m.entries` has 95 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noë` is 5, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 5.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 5.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (6)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(39, "C"))`:

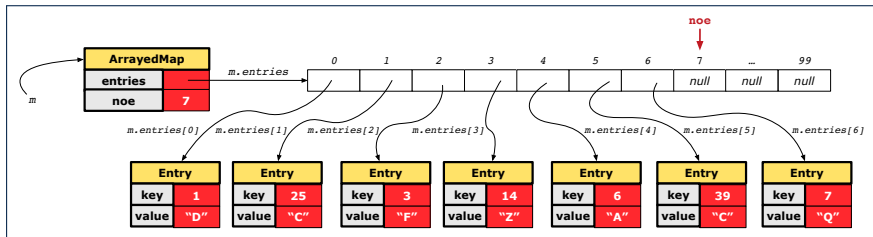
- Attribute `m.entries` has 94 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noë` is 6, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 6.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 6.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (7)

After executing `m.put(new Entry(7, "Q"))`:

- Attribute `m.entries` has 93 null slots.
- Attribute `m.noE` is 7, meaning:
  - Current number of entries stored in the map is 7.
  - Index for storing the next new entry is 7.



# Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (8.1)

```
public class Entry {
 private int key;
 private String value;

 public Entry(int key, String value) {
 this.key = key;
 this.value = value;
 }
 /* Getters and Setters for key and value */
}
```

## Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (8.2)

```
public class ArrayedMap {
 private final int MAX_CAPACITY = 100;
 private Entry[] entries;
 private int noe; /* number of entries */
 public ArrayedMap() {
 entries = new Entry[MAX_CAPACITY];
 noe = 0;
 }
 public int size() {
 return noe;
 }
 public void put(int key, String value) {
 Entry e = new Entry(key, value);
 entries[noe] = e;
 noe++;
 }
}
```

**Required Reading:** Point and PointCollector

## Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (8.3)

```
@Test
public void testArrayedMap() {
 ArrayedMap m = new ArrayedMap();
 assertTrue(m.size() == 0);
 m.put(1, "D");
 m.put(25, "C");
 m.put(3, "F");
 m.put(14, "Z");
 m.put(6, "A");
 m.put(39, "C");
 m.put(7, "Q");
 assertTrue(m.size() == 7);
 /* inquiries of existing key */
 assertTrue(m.get(1).equals("D"));
 assertTrue(m.get(7).equals("Q"));
 /* inquiry of non-existing key */
 assertTrue(m.get(31) == null);
}
```

## Hashing: Naive Implementation of Map (8.4)

```
public class ArrayedMap {
 private final int MAX_CAPACITY = 100;
 public String get (int key) {
 for(int i = 0; i < noe; i ++) {
 Entry e = entries[i];
 int k = e.getKey();
 if(k == key) { return e.getValue(); }
 }
 return null;
 }
}
```

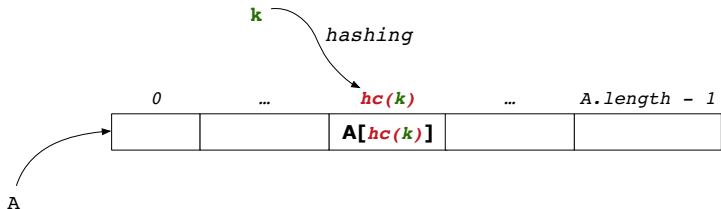
Say entries is: {(1, D), (25, C), (3, F), (14, Z), (6, A), (39, C), (7, Q), null, ... }

- How efficient is `m.get(1)`? [ 1 iteration ]
  - How efficient is `m.get(7)`? [ 7 iterations ]
  - If `m` is full, worst case of `m.get(k)`? [ 100 iterations ]
  - If `m` with  $10^6$  entries, worst case of `m.get(k)`? [  $10^6$  iterations ]
- ⇒ `get`'s worst-case performance is **linear** on size of `m.entries`!

A much **faster** (and **correct**) solution is possible!



# Hashing: Hash Table (1)

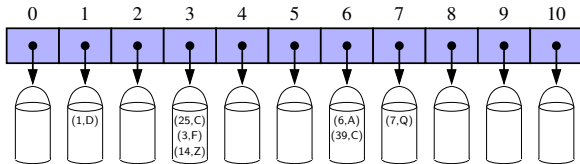


- Given a (numerical or non-numerical) search key  $k$ :
  - Apply a function  $hc$  so that  $hc(k)$  returns an integer.
    - We call  $hc(k)$  the **hash code** of key  $k$ .
    - Value of  $hc(k)$  denotes a **valid index** of some array  $A$ .
  - Rather than searching through array  $A$ , go directly to  $A[ hc(k) ]$  to get the associated value.
- Both computations are fast:
  - Converting  $k$  to  $hc(k)$
  - Indexing into  $A[ hc(k) ]$

# Hashing: Hash Table as a Bucket Array (2.1)

For illustration, assume  $A.length$  is 11 and  $hc(k) = k \% 11$ .

| $hc(k) = k \% 11$ | (SEARCH) KEY | VALUE |
|-------------------|--------------|-------|
| 1                 | 1            | D     |
| 3                 | 25           | C     |
| 3                 | 3            | F     |
| 3                 | 14           | Z     |
| 6                 | 6            | A     |
| 6                 | 39           | C     |
| 7                 | 7            | Q     |

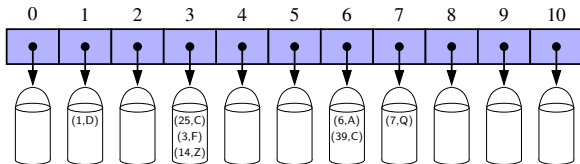


- Collision:** unequal keys have same hash code (e.g., 25, 3, 14)  
 $\Rightarrow$  Unavoidable as number of entries  $\uparrow$ , but a *good* hash function should have sizes of the buckets uniformly distributed.

## Hashing: Hash Table as a Bucket Array (2.2)

For illustration, assume  $A.length$  is 10 and  $hc(k) = k \% 11$ .

| $hc(k) = k \% 11$ | (SEARCH) KEY | VALUE |
|-------------------|--------------|-------|
| 1                 | 1            | D     |
| 3                 | 25           | C     |
| 3                 | 3            | F     |
| 3                 | 14           | Z     |
| 6                 | 6            | A     |
| 6                 | 39           | C     |
| 7                 | 7            | Q     |



- **Collision:** unequal keys have same hash code (e.g., 25, 3, 14)  
⇒ When there are *multiple entries* in the *same bucket*, we distinguish between them using their *unequal* keys.

# Hashing: Contract of Hash Function

- Principle of defining a hash function *hc*:

$$k1.equals(k2) \Rightarrow hc(k1) == hc(k2)$$

Equal keys always have the same hash code.

- Equivalently, according to contrapositive:

$$hc(k1) \neq hc(k2) \Rightarrow \neg k1.equals(k2)$$

Different hash codes must be generated from unequal keys.

- What if  $\neg k1.equals(k2)$ ?
  - $hc(k1) == hc(k2)$
  - $hc(k1) \neq hc(k2)$
- What if  $hc(k1) == hc(k2)$ ?
  - $\neg k1.equals(k2)$
  - $k1.equals(k2)$

[collision e.g., 25 and 3]  
 [no collision e.g., 25 and 1]

[collision e.g., 25 and 3]  
 [sound hash function]

inconsistent hashCode and equals

# Hashing: Defining Hash Function in Java (1)

The `Object` class (common super class of all classes) has the method for redefining the hash function for your own class:

```
1 public class IntegerKey {
2 private int k;
3 public IntegerKey(int k) { this.k = k; }
4 @Override
5 public int hashCode() { return k % 11; }
6 @Override
7 public boolean equals(Object obj) {
8 if(this == obj) { return true; }
9 if(obj == null) { return false; }
10 if(this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false; }
11 IntegerKey other = (IntegerKey) obj;
12 return this.k == other.k;
13 } }
```

**Q:** Can we replace **L12** by `return this.hashCode() == other.hashCode()`?

**A:** *No* ∴ When collision happens, keys with same hash code (i.e., in the same bucket) cannot be distinguished.

# Hashing: Defining Hash Function in Java (2)

```
@Test
public void testCustomizedHashFunction() {
 IntegerKey ik1 = new IntegerKey(1);
 /* 1 % 11 == 1 */
 assertTrue(ik1.hashCode() == 1);

 IntegerKey ik39_1 = new IntegerKey(39); /* 39 % 11 == 6 */
 IntegerKey ik39_2 = new IntegerKey(39);
 IntegerKey ik6 = new IntegerKey(6); /* 6 % 11 == 6 */

 assertTrue(ik39_1.hashCode() == 6);
 assertTrue(ik39_2.hashCode() == 6);
 assertTrue(ik6.hashCode() == 6);

 assertTrue(ik39_1.hashCode() == ik39_2.hashCode());
 assertTrue(ik39_1.equals(ik39_2));

 assertTrue(ik39_1.hashCode() == ik6.hashCode());
 assertFalse(ik39_1.equals(ik6));
}
```

# Hashing: Using Hash Table in Java

```
@Test
public void testHashTable() {
 Hashtable<IntegerKey, String> table = new Hashtable<>();
 IntegerKey k1 = new IntegerKey(39);
 IntegerKey k2 = new IntegerKey(39);
 assertTrue(k1.equals(k2));
 assertTrue(k1.hashCode() == k2.hashCode());
 table.put(k1, "D");
 assertTrue(table.get(k2).equals("D"));
}
```

# Hashing: Defining Hash Function in Java (3)



- When you are given instructions as to how the `hashCode` method of a class should be defined, override it manually.
- Otherwise, use Eclipse to generate the `equals` and `hashCode` methods for you.
  - Right click on the class.
  - Select `Source`.
  - Select `Generate hashCode() and equals()`.
  - Select the relevant attributes that will be used to compute the hash value.



# Hashing:

## Defining Hash Function in Java (4.1.1)

**Caveat**: Always make sure that the `hashCode` and `equals` are redefined/overridden to work together consistently.

e.g., Consider an alternative version of the `IntegerKey` class:

```
public class IntegerKey {
 private int k;
 public IntegerKey(int k) { this.k = k; }
 /* hashCode() inherited from Object NOT overridden. */
 @Override
 public boolean equals(Object obj) {
 if(this == obj) { return true; }
 if(obj == null) { return false; }
 if(this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false; }
 IntegerKey other = (IntegerKey) obj;
 return this.k == other.k;
 }
}
```

# Hashing:

## Defining Hash Function in Java (4.1.2)

```
public class IntegerKey {
 private int k;
 public IntegerKey(int k) { this.k = k; }
 /* hashCode() inherited from Object NOT overridden. */
 @Override
 public boolean equals(Object obj) {
 if(this == obj) { return true; }
 if(obj == null) { return false; }
 if(this.getClass() != obj.getClass()) { return false; }
 IntegerKey other = (IntegerKey) obj;
 return this.k == other.k;
 } }

```

- o **Problem?**
  - Default implementation of hashCode () from the Object class:  
Objects with *distinct* addresses have *distinct* hash code values.
  - Violation of the Contract of hashCode ():  
 $hc(k1) \neq hc(k2) \Rightarrow \neg k1.equals(k2)$
- o What about equal objects with different addresses?

# Hashing: Defining Hash Function in Java (4.2)

```
1 @Test
2 public void testDefaultHashFunction() {
3 IntegerKey ik39_1 = new IntegerKey(39);
4 IntegerKey ik39_2 = new IntegerKey(39);
5 assertTrue(ik39_1.equals(ik39_2));
6 assertTrue(ik39_1.hashCode() != ik39_2.hashCode()); }
7 @Test
8 public void testHashTable() {
9 Hashtable<IntegerKey, String> table = new Hashtable<>();
10 IntegerKey k1 = new IntegerKey(39);
11 IntegerKey k2 = new IntegerKey(39);
12 assertTrue(k1.equals(k2));
13 assertTrue(k1.hashCode() != k2.hashCode());
14 table.put(k1, "D");
15 assertTrue(table.get(k2) == null); }
```

**L3, 4, 10, 11:** Default version of `hashCode`, inherited from `Object`, returns a *distinct* integer for every new object, *despite its contents*. [ **Fix:** Override `hashCode` of your classes! ]

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