

Wrap-Up



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Why Java Interfaces Unacceptable ADTs (1)



Interface List<E>

Type Parameters:

E - the type of elements in this list

All Superinterfaces:

Collection<E>, Iterable<E>

All Known Implementing Classes:

AbstractList, AbstractSequentialList, ArrayList, AttributeList, CopyOnWriteArrayList, LinkedList, RoleList, RoleUnresolvedList, Stack, Vector

```
public interface List<E>  
    extends Collection<E>
```

An ordered collection (also known as a *sequence*). The user of this interface has precise control over where in the list each element is inserted. The user can access elements by their integer index (position in the list), and search for elements in the list.

It is useful to have:

- A *generic collection class* where the *homogeneous type* of elements are parameterized as E.
- A reasonably *intuitive overview* of the ADT.

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Java 8 List API

What You Learned



- **Design Principles:**
 - *Abstraction* [contracts, architecture, math models]
Think *above the code level*
 - Information Hiding
 - Single Choice Principle
 - Open-Closed Principle
 - Uniform Access Principle
- **Design Patterns:**
 - Singleton
 - Iterator
 - State
 - Composite
 - Visitor
 - Observer
 - Event-Driven Design
 - Undo/Redo, Command
 - Model-View-Controller

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Why Java Interfaces Unacceptable ADTs (2)



Methods described in a *natural language* can be *ambiguous*:

```
E set(int index, E element)  
    Replaces the element at the specified position in this list with the specified element (optional operation).
```

```
set  
E set(int index,  
    E element)
```

Replaces the element at the specified position in this list with the specified element (optional operation).

Parameters:

index - index of the element to replace

element - element to be stored at the specified position

Returns:

the element previously at the specified position

Throws:

UnsupportedOperationException - if the set operation is not supported by this list

ClassCastException - if the class of the specified element prevents it from being added to this list

NullPointerException - if the specified element is null and this list does not permit null elements

IllegalArgumentException - if some property of the specified element prevents it from being added to this list

IndexOutOfBoundsException - if the index is out of range (index < 0 || index >= size())

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Why Eiffel Contract Views are ADTs (1)



```
class interface ARRAYED_CONTAINER
feature -- Commands
  assign_at (i: INTEGER; s: STRING)
    -- Change the value at position 'i' to 's'.
    require
      valid_index: 1 <= i and i <= count
    ensure
      size_unchanged:
        imp.count = (old imp.twin).count
      item_assigned:
        imp [i] ~ s
      others_unchanged:
        across
          1 |..| imp.count as j
        all
          j.item /= i implies imp [j.item] ~ (old imp.twin) [j.item]
        end
    count: INTEGER
invariant
  consistency: imp.count = count
end -- class ARRAYED_CONTAINER
```

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Beyond this course... (1)



- How do I program in a language not supporting **DbC** natively?
 - Document your **contracts** (e.g., Javadoc)
 - But, it's critical to ensure (manually) that contracts are **in sync** with your latest implementations.
 - Incorporate contracts into your Unit and Regression **tests**
- How do I program in a language without a **math library**?
 - Again, before diving into coding, always start by **thinking above the code level**.
 - Plan ahead how you intend for your system to behaviour at runtime, in terms of interactions among **mathematical objects**.
 - Use **efficient** data structures to support the math operations.
 - SEQ refined to ARRAY or LINKED_LIST
 - FUN refined to HASH_TABLE
 - REL refined to a graph
 - Document your code with **contracts** specified in terms of the math models.

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Why Eiffel Contract Views are ADTs (2)



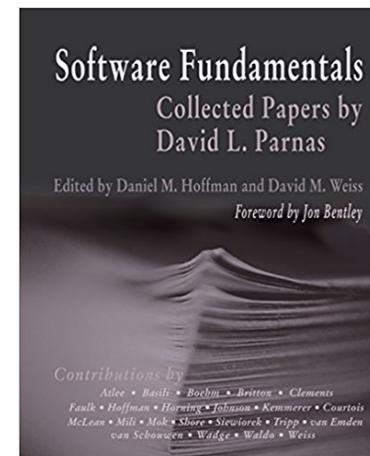
Even better, the direct correspondence from Eiffel operators to logic allow us to present a **precise behavioural** view.

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Beyond this course... (2)



- *Software fundamentals: collected papers by David L. Parnas*
- Design Techniques:
 - Tabular Expressions
 - Information Hiding

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