Data Structures and Algorithms in Java™

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Study Guide: Hints to Exercises

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Chapter 3 Fundamental Data Structures

Hints

Reinforcement

R-3.1) Use a calculator to aid in the arithmetic.

R-3.2) You have to have your random number select a random index in the array, so be sure to keep track of the number, n, of entries in the array and do not index past index $n-1$.

R-3.3) The alphabets for most alphabet-based languages are included in the Unicode character encoding standard.

R-3.4) You may want to add a new instance variable to track if the game has been completed.

R-3.5) Make the modification in the code and test it.

R-3.6) It is okay to have an algorithm running in linear time.

R-3.7) There exists a one-line solution.

R-3.8) Consider a combined search from both ends. Also, recall that a link hop is an assignment of the form "p = p.getNext();" or "p = p.getPrev();".

R-3.9) Use a loop to traverse the list while counting.

R-3.10) You need to keep track of where you start or your method will have an infinite loop.

R-3.11) Do not include the sentinels in the count.

R-3.12) Carefully relink existing nodes.

R-3.13) Recall that a two-dimensional array in Java is really a one-dimensional array such that each entry is itself a reference to a one-dimensional array.

R-3.14) Recall the ways for doing array copying in the java.util.Arrays class.

R-3.15) You can rely on the size variable to walk the correct number of steps when traversing the lists.

R-3.16) The sentinels are irrelevant to the equivalence of two lists.

Creativity

C-3.17) You don't need to sort A.

C-3.18) It might help to sort B.

C-3.19) Add items at the "end" of the contiguous run of objects in the array. For removing an object, consider first swapping it with the object at index $n-1$.

C-3.20) Imagine what would happen if $a = 1$.

C-3.21) Recall the definition of the java.util.nextInt method and note that one of the values returned has a special property with respect to multiplication.

C-3.22) Randomly choose the first element, then the second, and so on.

C-3.23) You might want to consider using a two-dimensional array.

C-3.24) The entries $A[i][j][k]$ and $B[i][j][k]$ are the ones that need to be added.

C-3.25) This concatenation operation need not search all of L and M.

C-3.26) Splice the end of L into the beginning of M.

C-3.27) Performing the swap for a singly linked list will take longer than for a doubly linked list.

C-3.28) Consider changing the orientation of links while making a single pass through the list.

C-3.29) Try to find a matching alignment for the first node of one list.

C-3.30) You are going to have to keep two cursors and count around L.

C-3.31) Adjust the constructor to properly initialize the sentinel.

C-3.32) Blend techniques seen in the existing CircularlyLinkedList and DoublyLinkedList.

C-3.33) You will need to add a prev reference to the node, and maintain it properly whenever the list changes.

C-3.34) Make sure to properly link the new chain of nodes.

C-3.35) Make sure to create new sentinel nodes.

Projects

P-3.36) Matrix addition is defined so that if $C = A + B$, then $C[i,j] = A[i,j] + B[i,j]$. Matrix multiplication is defined so that if $C = AB$, where A is a $c \times d$ matrix and B is a $d \times e$ matrix, then $C[i,j] = \sum_{k=0}^{d} A[i,k]B[k,j]$. That is, C is a $c \times e$ matrix.

P-3.37) You should keep track of the number of game entries explicitly.

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P-3.39) You will probably need separate encrypt and decrypt arrays for the upper- and lower-case characters.

P-3.40) The original CaesarCipher implementation was already effectively a substitution cipher, with a specifically chosen encoder pattern.

P-3.41) If you get the constructor to use the correct encoder string, everything else should work.

P-3.42) A good way to generate a random encryption array is to start with the alphabet array. Then for each letter in this array, randomly swap it with some other letter in the array.