

# CS2030S Recitation

Week 9: Problem Set 6



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# Recap



# Recap: Maybe

- `NullPointerException` is annoying (R.I.P Tony Hoare)
- Bake the possibility of being “nothing” within the type of the object
- Conceptually just a box
  - `None` represents having no value (empty box)
  - `Some` is a “box” with the value inside
- Use APIs to interact with the value inside
  - Can chain API calls since they always return a `Maybe<T>`

# Recap: Maybe APIs

- `of`: Creates a `Maybe` containing our value (or `None` if given a `null`)
  - “Lifting” a type `T` into type `Maybe<T>`
- `map`: Takes a function (`T → U`)
  - If `Some`, apply function on the value
  - If `None`, propagate the `None`
- `filter`: Takes a predicate function
  - If `Some`, apply function and convert to `None` if function returns `false`
  - If `None`, propagate the `None`

# Recap: More APIs

- `flatMap`: Takes in  $f: T \rightarrow \text{Maybe}\langle U \rangle$ 
  - If `Some`, apply  $f$  and flatten the maybe
  - If `None`, propagate the `None`
- `orElse`: Takes in  $f: () \rightarrow U$ 
  - If `Some`, return value
  - If `None`, return  $f()$
- `ifPresent`: Takes in  $f: T \rightarrow ()$ 
  - If `Some`, consume the value with  $f$
  - If `None`, propagate the `None`

# Q1: Finding internship

Rewrite using functional style using Maybe (single return statement)

```
Maybe<Internship> match(Resume r) {  
    if (r == null) {  
        return Maybe.none();  
    }  
    Maybe<List<String>> optList = r.getListOfLanguages();  
    List<String> list;  
    if (optList.equals(Maybe.none())) {  
        list = List.of();  
    } else {  
        list = optList.get(); // cannot call  
    }  
    if (list.contains("Java")) {  
        return Maybe.of(findInternship(list));  
    } else {  
        return Maybe.none();  
    }  
}
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- This is taken care of with of
  - Maybe.of(r)

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- We see that the return type of `getListOfLanguages` is a `Maybe`
  - Hint that we should use `flatMap`
  - `.flatMap(x → x.getListOfLanguages())`

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- If None, stays None so we just can continue normally with mapping etc
  - Use filter to check if contains “Java”
  - `.filter(lst → lst.contains("Java"))`

# Recap: Anonymous Class

- Declare a local class and instantiate in one statement
- Has the form `new X(arguments) { body }`
  - `X` is the class/interface that you inherit from
  - `body` is the methods of that class, just no constructor

# Recap: Functions and $\lambda$ -functions

- If an anonymous class implements an interface with one method
- Then it is kinda like a function (only one method to call)
- $\lambda$ -function is an *anonymous* function
- Can replace these functional interface with lambda expressions
  - (arguments)  $\rightarrow$  { body }
  - Can omit type of variables and { } if it is a single return statement
- Stack and heap treats anonymous functions as anonymous classes
- More concepts like currying and closure can be seen in notes

## Q2: Draw stack and heap diagram

```
class A {  
    private int x;  
  
    public A(int x) {  
        this.x = x;  
    }  
    public int get() {  
        // Line A  
        return this.x;  
    }  
}
```

With the following in main:

```
A a = new A(5);  
Producer<Integer> p = () → a.get();  
p.produce();
```

**The End bye!**

