Problem Set 2
Due: 11:59pm Monday, September 27

Overview:
The purpose of this assignment is to give you practice with Java arrays, vectors, and loops (including nested loops). You will also get some practice with writing your own test cases and writing a class from scratch.

Reading:
- Read Chapters 10–12 of Downey’s online Java book (accessible from the Resource Links section of the CS230 home page).

Submission:
Each team should turn in a single hardcopy submission packet for all problems by slipping it under Lyn’s office door by 6pm on the due date. The packet should include:

1. a team header sheet (see the end of this assignment for the header sheet) indicating the time that you (and your partner, if you are working with one) spent on the parts of the assignment.
2. your final version of SetTableau.java from Problem 1.
3. a transcript running java SetTableau from Problem 1.
4. your final version of SetGameHistogram.java from Problem 2.
5. a transcript of your histograms from Problem 2.

Each team should also submit a single softcopy (consisting of your final ps2 directory) to the drop directory ~cs230/drop/ps2/username, where username is the username of one of the team members (indicate which drop folder you used on your hardcopy header sheet). To do this, execute the following commands in Linux in the account of the team member being used to store the code.

cd /students/username/cs230

cp -R ps2 ~cs230/drop/ps2/username/
Problem 0: The Game of Set

In this assignment, you will use the SetCard and SetHand classes you worked with in PS1 to implement a simple version of the Game of Set. Before starting the assignment, you should familiarize yourself with the rules of the game and some other classes by reading the rest of this problem.

a. The Rules of CS230 Set

In this assignment, we will play a variant of the Game of Set that is somewhat simpler than the real game. We will call our variant CS230 Set. Although the usual Game of Set has any number of players, CS230 Set will have only one player. Our variant is thus a kind of solitaire.

CS230 Set is played with a deck of the 81 possible Set cards. The game starts by dealing some number of these cards face up to form what is called the tableau. The size of the tableau remains constant as long as there are still cards left in the deck, but may shrink after the deck is empty. The game can be played with any size of tableau, but 12 cards is the default.

At each step of the game, the player tries to find three cards in the tableau that form a set. Sometimes there may not be any sets in the tableau, so the player is allowed to declare that there are no sets in the tableau. We have the following cases:

- If the player selects three cards that form a set, the player “wins” the hand consisting of the three cards. These three cards are removed from the tableau. If the deck has three or more cards, three cards are dealt from the deck to replace the three taken by the player. If the deck has fewer than three cards, all remaining cards from the deck (if any) are added to the tableau.
- If the player selects three cards from the tableau that do not form a set, the game ends.
- If the player declares that there are no sets in the tableau, the game ends, regardless of whether the declaration is true or not. In the case where the player is incorrect, the player is penalized by not being able to continue the game to win more hands. In the case where the player is correct, the game ends because there are no more sets.

When the game ends, how well the player did is measured by the total number of sets the player won. This number may range between 0 (no hands won) to 27 (the maximum number of winnable sets). In CS230 Set, this number is determined by both luck and skill – luck, because a set-less tableau can end a game early; and skill, because the player advances by finding a set in a tableau that has one.

b. The Contracts

In addition to the SetCard and SetHand contracts from PS1, the implementation of CS230 Set involves contracts for three new classes:

1. The SetTableau class represents a tableau of Set cards. See Appendix A for the contract for this class. This is the class that you will implement in Problems 1 and 2.
2. The SetDeck class represents a deck of Set cards. See Appendix B for the contract for this class.

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1 For more about the real game, see http://www.setgame.com/set/.
2 In the real version of the game, when a player correctly declares that there are no more sets, the size of the tableau is increased (if possible) by dealing three more cards from the deck.
3. The `SetGame` class represents a CS230 Set game. See Appendix C for the contract for this class.

You should study all three of the above contracts before proceeding.

c. : Game Modes

There are two modes in which the CS230 Set game can be played.

1. In **automatic mode**, a computer player automatically plays the game. Using the `leastSet` method of the `SetTableau` class, the computer player chooses the least set from the current tableau (if there is one) at every step of the game. This continues until the tableau contains no more sets. Fig. 2 shows a transcript of a sample automatic game.

```
[lyn@jaguar ps2] java SetGame automatic 12 true
----------------------------------------
1hgc 2ebt 2hbs 2hbt
2hgc 2hrs 2hrt 3fbt
3fgs 3frt 3hgc 3hrt
Found set [1hgc,2hbs,3hrt]
Automatic player has 1 sets
----------------------------------------
1fbs 2ebt 2egc 2hbt
2hgc 2hrs 2hrt 3fbt
3fgs 3frs 3frt 3hgc
Found set [2hbt,2hgc,2hrs]
Automatic player has 2 sets
----------------------------------------
1egc 1fbs 2ebt 2egc
2hrt 3egc 3fbs 3fbt
3fgs 3frs 3frt 3hgc
Found set [1egc,2egc,3egc]
Automatic player has 3 sets
----------------------------------------
1fbs 1fbt 2ebt 2hrt
3ebt 3fbs 3fbt 3fgs
3frs 3frt 3hgc 3hrc
Found set [3ebt,3fgs,3hrc]
Automatic player has 4 sets
----------------------------------------
1ebt 1fbs 1fbt 1frc
1hrc 2ebt 2hrt 3fbt
3fbt 3frs 3frt 3hgc
There are no more sets.
Automatic player won 4 sets:
[1hgc,2hbs,3hrt],[2hbt,2hgc,2hrs],[1egc,2egc,3egc],[3ebt,3fgs,3hrc]
```

Figure 1: Transcript of a sample automatic 12-card game. In this game, the automatic player wins only 4 sets.
2. In **interactive mode**, the user plays the game. At each step of the game, the user can enter one of four inputs:

   (a) A string representation of a Set hand (e.g., `[1fbt,2fgc,3frs]`) that specifies a set in the tableau.
      
      i. if the hand is a set in the tableau, the player wins this hand;
      ii. if the hand is in the tableau, but is not a set, the game ends;
      iii. if the hand string is ill-formed or not all of the cards are in the tableau, the input is assumed to be a mistake, and the player is given another chance to give an input.

   (b) The input **none** is used to declare that there are no sets in the tableau. As explained above, this ends the game.

   (c) The input **done** ends the game when the player does not wish to continue.

   (d) The input **help** displays instructions for playing the game.

Fig. 2 shows a transcript of a short game played in interactive mode.

**d. : Implementations**

You have been provided with implementations of the `SetDeck` and `SetGame` classes in the files `ps2/SetDeck.java` and `ps2/SetGame.java`. You are encouraged to study these implementations before you proceed with the implementation of `SetTableau` in Problem 1. There are two reasons to study the implementations:

1. They include some programming idioms that are handy to know. In particular, they include array, vector, and loop idioms that may be useful to you for implementing `SetTableau`.

2. A better understanding for the structure of the game and how the `SetTableau` class is used within the game may help you in your implementation.
Welcome to the CS230 Set Game!

When a Set tableau is displayed, you have the following options:
1. Type in a set appearing in the tableau -- e.g. [1ebc,2fgs,3hrt].
   * If the hand is a set in the tableau, you win it;
   * If the hand is in the tableau, but not a set, the game ends;
   * If the hand is illegal or not in the tableau,
     you will be given a chance to type in another set.
2. Type "none" (without the quotes) if you think there are no sets in the tableau.
   This ends the game whether you are right or wrong.
3. Type "done" (without the quotes) if you want to exit the game.
4. Type "help" (without the quotes) to see these instructions.

```
1ebc 1fbs 1frc
2fgc 2hrs 3fbc
3fbt 3hrs
```

Type a set hand representation, "done", "none", or "help" (w/o quotes):
[1fbs,1frc,1fgt]

Good! You now have 1 sets

```
1ebc 1fbs 1frc
2fgc 2hrs 3fbc
3fbt 3hrs
```

Type a set hand representation, "done", "none", or "help" (w/o quotes):
[1ers,2ebs,3egs]

Good! You now have 2 sets

```
1ebc 1fbs 1frc
2fgc 2hrs 3fbc
3fbt 3hrs
```

Type a set hand representation, "done", "none", or "help" (w/o quotes):
[1fbs,1frc,1fgt]

Good! You now have 2 sets

```
1ebc 1fbs 1frc
2fbc 2hrs 3fbc
3fbt 3hrs
```

Type a set hand representation, "done", "none", or "help" (w/o quotes):
none

Nope -- you missed the following sets:
[1fbt,2fgc,3frs]

Thanks for playing the CS230 Set Game!
You won 2 sets:
[[1fbs,1frc,1fgt], [1ers,2ebs,3egs]]

Figure 2: Transcript of a sample automatic 12-card game. In this game, the automatic player wins only 4 sets.
**Problem 1 [80]: Implementing SetTableau**

Flesh out the skeleton implementation of the `SetTableau` class in `ps2/SetTableau.java` so that it satisfies the contract in Appendix A. This class contains a single private instance variable named `cards` that holds a vector of the cards in the tableau. In your implementation, you should maintain the invariant that the cards in `cards` are always stored in sorted card order from least to greatest. This simplifies the implementation of the `cards`, `toString`, `tableString`, `sets`, and `leastSet` methods.

**Notes:**

Read all of the following notes before beginning your work, and refer back to them as needed.

- To begin this problem, execute the following in Linux:
  ```
  cd ~/cs230
  cvs update -d
  ```
  After this operation, all the code you need for this assignment will be in ~/cs230/ps2.

- You are provided with empty skeletons of each method in the contract. The very first thing you should do is fill in the body of each non-void instance method with a very simple stub that is incorrect in terms of behavior but allows the method to compile. For instance, a stub for an `int`-returning method might be
  ```java
  return 0;
  ```
  or
  ```java
  return 17;
  ```
  and a stub for a `SetCard`-returning method might be:
  ```java
  return null;
  ```
  or
  ```java
  return SetCard.fromString("1ebc");
  ```

  In the case of object types, `null` can always be returned in a stub, but often it is better to return a non-null instance of the object type because this will typically lead to fewer errors when testing code that uses the stub. Note that an empty method body is always a valid stub for a void method.

- To compile your class, use `javac SetTableau.java`. You should not continue with any further implementation work until your file compiles without error with the stub definitions.

- You do not have to implement the `SetTableau` methods in the order in which they are listed in the contract. In fact, for purposes of testing, you are *strongly* encouraged to implement the methods in the following order:
1. public SetTableau ()
2. public String toString ()
3. public void add (SetCard sc)
4. public SetTableau (SetCard [] scards)
5. public SetTableau (String [] cardStrings)
6. public SetTableau (String scs)
7. public int size()
8. public SetCard [] cards ()
9. public boolean contains (SetCard sc)
10. public boolean contains (SetHand sh)
11. public void remove (SetHand sh)
12. public String tableString ()
13. public SetHand [] sets ()
14. public SetHand leastSet ()

- The SetTableau skeleton you are provide with is equipped with a main method and testing methods that will help you test each of your SetTableau methods. The testing methods assume that you have implemented your methods in the order suggested above. Invoking

    java SetTableau

will invoke all of the testing methods. During development, it is more convenient to invoke individual testing methods as follows:

    java SetTableau nullaryConstructor // tests public SetTableau ()
    java SetTableau add // tests public void add (SetCard sc)
    java SetTableau cardsConstructor
       // tests public SetTableau (SetCard [] scards)
    java SetTableau cardStringsConstructor
       // tests public SetTableau (String [] cardStrings)
    java SetTableau stringConstructor // tests public SetTableau (String scs)
    java SetTableau size // tests public int size()
    java SetTableau cards // tests public SetCard [] cards ()
    java SetTableau containsCards // tests public boolean contains (SetCard sc)
    java SetTableau containsHand // tests public boolean contains (SetHand sh)
    java SetTableau remove // tests public void remove (SetHand sh)
    java SetTableau tableString // tests public String tableString ()
    java SetTableau sets // tests public SetHand [] sets ()
    java SetTableau leastSet // tests public SetHand leastSet ()

Note that there is no separate testing method for the toString method. This is because all of the above testing methods assume that toString works correctly. All of the testing methods starting at size assume that the SetTableau string constructor works properly, so you should ensure that the string constructor works properly before continuing with implementation of size, cards, etc.

- None of your methods needs to be very long. All methods can be implemented in fewer than 20 lines; many in far less than that.

- You are welcome to define any auxiliary methods you find helpful. Stylistically, such methods should be declared private.

- You may find it helpful to use some of the methods in the ArrayOps class (Appendix D) or
VectorOps class (Appendix D). In particular, several SetTableau methods require searching for a card (or the index of a card) in a vector. In all such methods, you should use VectorOps.binarySearch to perform the search. You should not use VectorOps.linearSearch, nor should you use the contains(Object x) or remove(Object x) methods in the Vector class. However, you may use the remove(int i) method from the Vector class.

- The Vector toArray method is helpful for returning a SetCard array in cards and SetHand array in sets. See examples of its use in SetGame.java.

- In tableString, the Math.sqrt and Math.ceil functions are handy. Note that Math.ceil takes a double and returns a double. You should use an (int) cast to convert it to an integer. To get a double result from dividing two integers, you first need to cast one of the integers to a double using (double). For instance, in Java, 7/2 is 3, but ((double) 7)/2, 7/((double)2), and ((double)7)/((double)2) all return 3.5.

- The hardest methods to implement are sets and leastSet. The most straightforward implementation involves a triply nested loop with indices i, j, and k such that i < j < k. Think carefully about these problems before you implement them.

- Your leastSet method should not invoke sets and extract the smallest element of the result. Although it’s often a good idea to implement one method in terms of another, the key idea behind leastSet is that it should be cheaper than sets because it only finds one set rather than all of them. Implementing leastSet in terms of sets would violate this expectation.

It is likely that your leastSet method will look very much like your sets method except for a few tweaks. This should cause some queasiness — after all, shouldn’t we abstract over common code patterns? Yes, but not yet in this case. Soon we will learn about an abstraction (called an Enumeration) that is the right way to abstract over the commonalities between leastSet and sets.

- Several SetTableau method specifications require that a RuntimeException be signaled under certain circumstances. This does not mean that your code must contain a throw for such exceptions. It may well be that other methods you invoke will throw the exception for you.

- Once you have successfully implemented SetTableau, you should be able to compile SetGame (via javac SetGame.java). Then you can play CS230 Set — in automatic or interactive mode — as described in Appendix C.
Problem 2 [20]: Game Histograms

How does the size of the tableau influence the number of sets that are typically collected in a CS230 Set game? Intuitively, it’s hard to find sets in small tableaux, so few sets will be collected when the tableau size is small. As the tableau size increases, we expect the number of sets collected in a typical game will rise.

In this problem, you will investigate how the distribution of the number of sets collected in the CS230 Set Game depends on the size of the tableau. You will do this by writing a program that makes a histogram of the number of sets collected in each of $t$ trials of an automatic game with a tableau of size $n$. A histogram is a table with indexed slots. Here, the indices range from 0 (the smallest number of sets that can be won in a game) up to and including 27 (the largest number of sets that can be won in a game). The histogram stores in index slot $i$ the number of games out of the $t$ trials in which exactly $i$ sets were won.

For example, Fig. 3 shows a sample histogram for 100 trials of a game using a tableau size of 10. The first line of the histogram says that in 14 of the 100 games played, no sets were won in the game; the second says that exactly one game was one in 13 of the 100 games; and so on. The total number of games in the histogram is 100.

```
[lyn@jaguar ps2] java SetGameHistogram 10 100
0 sets: 14
1 sets: 13
2 sets: 14
3 sets: 10
4 sets: 9
5 sets: 5
6 sets: 6
7 sets: 5
8 sets: 5
9 sets: 5
10 sets: 5
11 sets: 2
12 sets: 1
13 sets: 0
14 sets: 2
15 sets: 0
16 sets: 1
17 sets: 1
18 sets: 1
19 sets: 0
20 sets: 0
21 sets: 0
22 sets: 0
23 sets: 1
24 sets: 0
25 sets: 0
26 sets: 0
27 sets: 0
```

Figure 3: Sample histogram of 100 trials for a game with tableau size 10.

In this problem, you should write, from scratch, a class named `SetGameHistogram` in a file named `ps2/SetGameHistogram.java`. The main method of this class should produce histograms like the one in Fig. 3. Your class should have as many methods as you need to solve the problem.
You should test your class by computing histograms for all tableau sizes \( n \) between 9 and 15, inclusive. In each histogram, use 100 trials. Note that as \( n \) grows larger, the time to compute the histogram grows larger as well; be patient. For example, on my laptop, computing the histogram for \( n = 15 \) and \( t = 100 \) takes about a minute. (Yours may take more or less time, depending on the machine you are using and the efficiency of your \texttt{SetTableau} implementation.) Turn in a transcript showing your histograms.

Also, answer this question: based on your histogram results, what do you think is the most sensible default size for a game of CS230 Set? There is no right or wrong answer here – I want to hear your reasoning!

*Notes:*

- You should use the \texttt{automatic} method of the \texttt{SetGame} class to play each game. Using the \texttt{verbose} flag \texttt{false} will prevent the details of each game from being displayed on the screen.

- It does not take very much code to solve this problem. It is possible to solve it using one or two short methods, though you are welcome to use more.

**Going Further**

You are encouraged to explore improvements and extensions to the game presented in this assignment. There are many ways to improve the CS230 Set Game. The text-based interface is very clunky and could be made more user-friendly. A graphical user interface (GUI) would be even nicer. (You will learn how to implement GUIs later in the semester.) The rules of the game could be modified to be more like those in the real Game of Set. For example, the real game involves multiple players, and the tableau size is increased (if possible) when all players agree that the tableau contains no sets.
Appendix A: SetTableau Contract

The SetTableau class models the collection of cards face up on the table in the Game of Set.

Public Constructor Methods:

public SetTableau ()
Creates a tableau with 0 cards.

public SetTableau (SetCard [] scards)
Creates a tableau whose cards are the cards in scards. Throws a RuntimeException if the same card appears more than once in scards.

public SetTableau (String [] cardStrings)
Creates a tableau whose cards are determined by the string representations of cards in cardStrings. Throws a RuntimeException if any of the strings are not legal card representations or if the same card appears more than once in cardStrings.

public SetTableau (String cardsString)
Creates a tableau whose cards are determined by the string representation of the collection of cards in cardsString. The format of cardsString should be a collection of comma-separated card string representations delimited by squiggly brackets. Leading and trailing spaces on the card strings are ignored, but internal spaces are not. The cards need not be list in sorted order. Throws a RuntimeException if any of the individual card strings are not legal card representations or if the same card appears more than once in cardsString.

Here are some examples of valid cardsString arguments:

{}  // extra spaces OK
{1ebc,1fgc,2hbs,3egt,3hbc}
{3egt,2hbs,1ebc,3hbc,1fgc}  // card order is irrelevant
{ 2hbs , 3egt, 1fgc , 1ebc, 3hbc }
    // leading and trailing spaces ignored

Here are some examples of invalid arguments:

{1ebc 1fgc 2hbs}  // missing commas
1ebc,1fgc,2hbs // missing squiggles
{ 2 h b s , 3 e g t }  // internal spaces not allowed
{1ebc,1fgc,2hbs,1fgc} // duplicate card
{1ebc,1fgc,2hbs,1fgc} // 2hbs is an invalid card representation

Public Instance Methods:

public int size ()
Returns the number of cards in this tableau.

public SetCard [] cards ()
Returns all the cards of this tableau in an array. In the resulting array, the cards should be sorted from least to greatest in the card ordering.

public void add (SetCard sc)
Adds sc to this tableau. Throws a RuntimeException if sc is already in the tableau.
public boolean contains (SetCard sc);
Returns true if sc is in this tableau and false otherwise.

public boolean contains (SetHand sh);
Returns true if all the cards in sh are in this tableau and false otherwise.

public void remove (SetHand sh);
If sh is a set, removes the three cards in sh from this tableau. Throws a RuntimeException if sh is not a set or the hand is not contained in this tableau.

public String toString ();
Returns a string representation of the cards in this tableau. This should be a comma-separated sequence of card strings (in sorted order from least to greatest) delimited by squiggly brackets. For example, here is the string representation of a 12-card tableau we’ll call sample:

{f1ebc,1erc,1fbc,1fbt,1hbc,1hbs,1hrs,2erc,2fgc,3erc,3fgt,3frs}

public String tableString ();
Returns a string representing the cards of this tableau as newline-separated rows of tab-separated columns of card strings. If n is the number of cards in this tableau, then the number of columns c should be \(\lceil \sqrt{n} \rceil\) and the number of rows r should be \(\lceil n/c \rceil\) (where n/c is mathematical division on real numbers, not Java’s / operator).\(^3\) The cards should be shown in card order from least to greatest. For example, Fig. 4 shows the result of displaying tableaux with 9 through 13 cards.

public SetHand [] sets ();
Returns an array of all sets in this tableau. The sets in the returned array should be ordered from least to greatest according to the SetHand ordering. For example, for the 12-card sample tableau introduced in the toString specification, sets() should return an array of 6 hands:

{[1ebc,1fbc,1hbc],[1ebc,1fbt,1hbs],[1erc,2erc,3erc],
[1fbt,2fgc,3frs],[1hbc,2fgc,3erc],[1hbs,2erc,3fgt]}

public SetHand leastSet ();
Returns the least set (by the SetHand ordering) in this tableau if there is one. Otherwise returns null. For example, for the 12-card sample tableau introduced in the toString specification, leastSet() should return the hand [1ebc,1fbc,1hbc].

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\(^3\)The notation \(\lceil x \rceil\), pronounced “ceiling of \(x\)”, denotes the smallest integer \(\geq x\). The notation \(\lfloor x \rfloor\), pronounced “floor of \(x\)”, denotes the largest integer \(\leq x\). For example, \([6.001] = [6.821] = 7\), while \([6.001] = [6.821] = 6\).
Figure 4: Results of calling the `tableString` method with tableaux ranging in size from 9 to 13.
Appendix B: SetDeck Contract

Public Constructor Methods:

**public** SetDeck ();
Creates a new deck with all 81 cards from the Game of Set.

**public** SetDeck (String [] cardStrings);
Assumes that cardStrings is an array of string representations of cards that has all 81 cards from the Game of Set exactly once. Returns a deck that will deal the cards in the order specified by the cardStrings array. I.e., the first call to deal() returns the card specified by cardStrings[0], the second call to deal() returns the card specified by cardStrings[1], etc. Throws a RuntimeException if cardStrings does not contain the string representations of all 81 cards exactly once.

This constructor is useful for testing purposes, since it allows complete control over the order in which cards are dealt from the deck. Otherwise, the cards are dealt in random order.

Public Instance Methods:

**public** SetCard deal ();
Returns a randomly chosen card from the deck after removing it from the deck.

**public** int size ();
Returns the number of cards left to deal in this deck.

**public** boolean isEmpty ();
Returns true if there are no cards left to deal in this deck. Otherwise returns false.

**public** String toString ();
Returns a string representation of this deck in the form <SetDeck:size=n>, where n is the number of cards left in the deck.
Appendix C: SetGame Contract

A SetGame instance represents a game of CS230 Set. Conceptually, a the state of a game consists of a deck and a tableau with a specified number of cards. The game can be played for any size of tableau between 0 and 81.

public SetGame (int n);
Creates a new game with a tableau of n cards dealt from a new SetDeck.

public SetGame (int n, SetDeck d);
Creates a new game using a tableau of n cards dealt from the give deck d.

Public Instance Methods:

public SetHand [] interactive ()
Plays an interactive version of CS230 Set with the user via a crude text-based interface. Returns the array of sets won during the game (in the order they were won, not in hand order).

public SetHand [] automatic (boolean verbose);
Plays an automatic version of CS230 Set with a computer player that always chooses the least set from the available tableau (if there is one). Returns the array of sets won during the game (in the order they were won, not in hand order). The verbose flag controls the display of information during the game. If verbose is true, the tableaux and automatic player choices are displayed at each point of the game. If verbose is false, no text is displayed during the game.

Public Class Methods:

public static void main (String [] args);
The SetGame main method can be invoked as follows from a Linux shell:

- java SetGame interactive n invokes new SetGame(n).interactive().
- java SetGame interactive invokes new SetGame(12).interactive().
- java SetGame automatic n bool invokes new SetGame(n).automatic(bool).
- java SetGame automatic n invokes new SetGame(n).automatic(true).
- java SetGame automatic invokes new SetGame(12).automatic(true).
Appendix D: ArrayOps Contract

The ArrayOps class contains a few methods that are generally useful for manipulating arrays. The standard Java API java.util.Arrays class provides many other generally useful array manipulation methods.

```java
public static void isort (Comparable [] a);
```
Performs in-place insertion sort on an array `a` whose elements are Comparable elements. The element order is determined by the compareTo method of the element. For many purposes, Arrays.sort (which uses a quicksort algorithm) is a preferable to isort.

```java
public static String toString ();
```
Returns a string representation of the array. This is a squiggly-brace delimited, comma-separated sequence of the string representation of the array elements in slot order.

```java
public static String [] fromString (String s);
```
Returns an array of strings that is the result of parsing a string representation of an array. For example,

```java
ArrayOps.fromString("{foo,bar,baz}")
```
is equivalent to

```java
new String [] {"foo","bar","baz"}.
```
Leading and trailing whitespace on elements is ignored, but internal whitespace is not. For example,

```java
ArrayOps.fromString("{ foo,bar , baz quux}"
```
is equivalent to

```java
new String [] {"foo","bar","baz quux").
```

It is assumed that all occurrences of parentheses, square brackets and squiggly brackets in the elements are used in a properly matched and nested fashion. In this case, elements containing such delimiters are handled appropriately. For example,

```java
ArrayOps.fromString("\{ ([foo, bar], [baz, quux]) , [{a,b}, {c,d}]\}"
```
is equivalent to

```java
new String [] {"([foo, bar], [baz, quux])","[{a,b}, {c,d}]"}.
```
Single and double quotes are not treated specially (though they probably should be). For example,

```java
ArrayOps.fromString("{ "foo, bar", 'baz, quux' }")
```
is equivalent to the four-element array

```java
new String [] {"\"foo", "bar\"", "'baz", "quux\""}.
```
Appendix E: VectorOps Contract

public static void isort (Vector v):
Performs insertion sort on a vector v whose elements must satisfy the Comparable interface.
The element order is determined by the compareTo method of the element.

public static int linearSearchUnsorted (Comparable x, Vector v);
Assume that all elements of v satisfy the Comparable interface. If x is in v, returns the
smallest index at which v appears. If x is not in v, returns v.size().

public static int linearSearchUnsorted (Object x, Vector v, Comparator c);
If x is in v, returns the smallest index at which v appears. If x is not in v, returns v.size().
Uses c for all equality comparisons.

public static int linearSearchSorted (Comparable x, Vector v);
Assume that all elements of v satisfy the Comparable interface and that v is sorted from low
to high according to compareTo. If x is in v, returns the smallest index at which v appears. If
x is not in v, returns the smallest index at which x could be inserted in v to maintain sorted
order. The resulting index can be between 0 and v.size(), inclusive.

public static int linearSearchSorted (Object x, Vector v, Comparator c);
Assume that v is sorted from low to high according to c. If x is in v, returns the smallest
index at which v appears. If x is not in v, returns the smallest index at which x could be
inserted in v to maintain sorted order. The resulting index can be between 0 and v.size(),
inclusive. Uses c for all comparisons between elements.

public static int binarySearch (Comparable x, Vector v);
Assume that all elements of v satisfy the Comparable interface and that v is sorted from low
to high according to compareTo. If x is in v, returns an at which v appears (there may be
more than one; in this case any of the possible indices is a valid result). If x is not in v,
returns an index at which x could be inserted in v to maintain sorted order (again, there
may be more than one valid index). The resulting index can be between 0 and v.size(),
inclusive.

public static int binarySearch (Object x, Vector v, Comparator c);
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order (again, there may be more than one valid index). The resulting index can be between
0 and v.size(), inclusive. Uses c for all comparisons between elements.

public static Vector fromString (String s);
Returns an vector of strings that is the result of parsing a string representation of an array.
For example,

    VectorOps.fromString("{foo,bar,baz}")

is equivalent to

    new Vector().add("foo").add("bar").add("baz").

Leading and trailing whitespace on elements is ignored, but internal whitespace is not. For
example,
VectorOps.fromString("{ foo, bar , baz quux}"

is equivalent to

```java
new Vector().add("foo").add("bar").add("baz quux").
```

It is assumed that all occurrences of parentheses, square brackets and squiggly brackets in the elements are used in a properly matched and nested fashion. In this case, elements containing such delimiters are handled appropriately. For example,

VectorOps.fromString("{ ([foo, bar], [baz, quux]) , [{a,b}, {c,d}] }"

is equivalent to

```java
new Vector().add("([foo, bar], [baz, quux])").add("[{a,b}, {c,d}]"
```

Single and double quotes are not treated specially (though they probably should be). For example,

VectorOps.fromString("{ "foo, bar", 'baz, quux' }"

is equivalent to the four-element array

```java
new Vector().add("\"foo\"").add("bar\"").add("'baz").add("quux\"").
```
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By signing below, I/we attest that I/we have followed the collaboration policy
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