Programming Languages and Techniques (CIS120)

Lecture 30

April 9, 2014

Histogram Demo

Announcements

- HW09: Spellchecking is available now
 - Due Tuesday, April 15th at 11:59:59pm
 - Practice with Collections and IO libraries
- Today and Friday's lecture: learn about IO & collections libraries through example via in-class design exercise
 - Read Chapter 29
 - Ask questions!
 - No clickers on Friday
- Will return to exceptions and talk more about IO after we finish the design exercise
- Exam solutions posted, view exams in Levine 308

Poll

How many of these these classes have you used before CIS 120 (all part of the Java standard library)?

- Scanner
- Reader
- InputStream (e.g. System.in)
- FileReader
- BufferedReader
- Something else from java.io?

Design Example: Histogram.java

A design exercise using java.io and the generic collection libraries

Problem Statement

Write a command-line program that, given a filename for a text file as input, calculates the frequencies (i.e. number of occurrences) of each distinct word of the file. The program should then print the frequency distribution to the console as a sequence of "word: freq" pairs (one per line).

Histogram result:

The: 1
Write: 1
a: 4
as: 2
calculates: 1
command: 1
console: 1

distribution : 1 e : 1

distinct: 1

each: 1
file: 2
filename: 1
for: 1
freq: 1
frequencies: 1

frequency: 1 given: 1 i: 1

input:1

line: 2
number: 1
occurrences: 1
of: 4
one: 1
pairs: 1

per:1 print:1 program

program: 2 sequence: 1

should: 1

text:1 that:1 the:4 then:1

to:1

word: 2

PRINTED HISTOGRAM

Decompose the problem

- Sub-problems:
 - 1. How do we iterate through the text file, identifying all of the words?
 - 2. Once we can produce a stream of words, how do we calculate their frequency?
 - 3. Once we have calculated the frequencies, how do we print out the result?
- What is the interface between these components?
- Can we test them individually?

Interactive Demo

Histogram.java and WordScanner.java