



Module 9

Collections and Generics Framework



Objectives

- Describe the core interfaces in the **Collectionsframework**
- *Set, List* interface
- *Map* interface
- Generic collections, Use type parameters in generic classes
- *System Properties*
- Create natural and custom ordering by implementing the *Comparable* and *Comparator* interfaces
- Refactor existing non-generic code
- Iterate over a collection



The Collections Framework



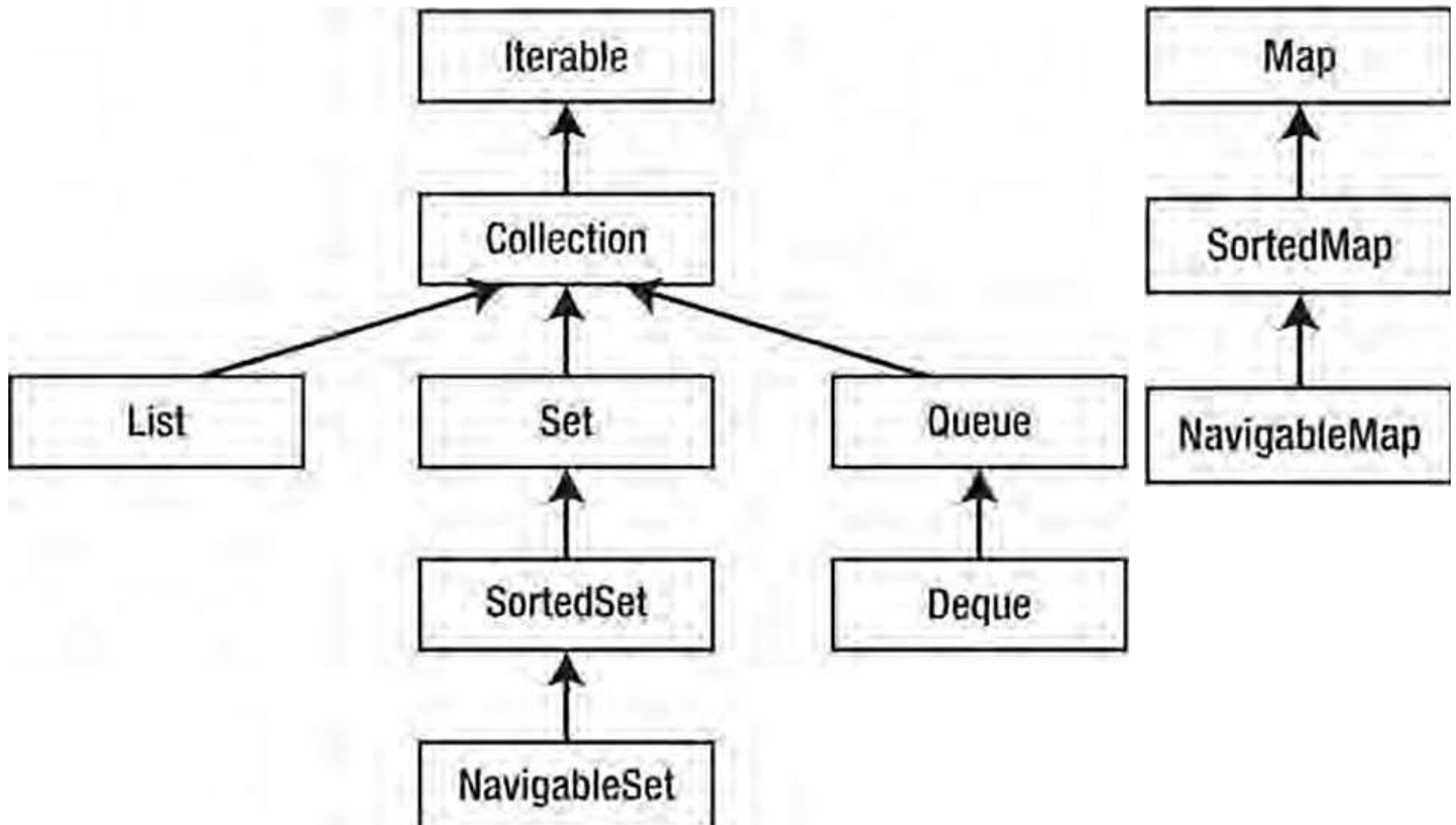
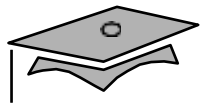
Collection Framework's architecture

- Collections Framework is a standard architecture for representing and manipulating collections
- The Collection Framework's architecture is divided into three sections:
 - *Core interfaces*: for manipulating collections.
 - *Implementation classes*: provide different core interface implementations
 - *Utility classes*: utility classes methods let you sort arrays, obtain synchronized collections, and perform other operations



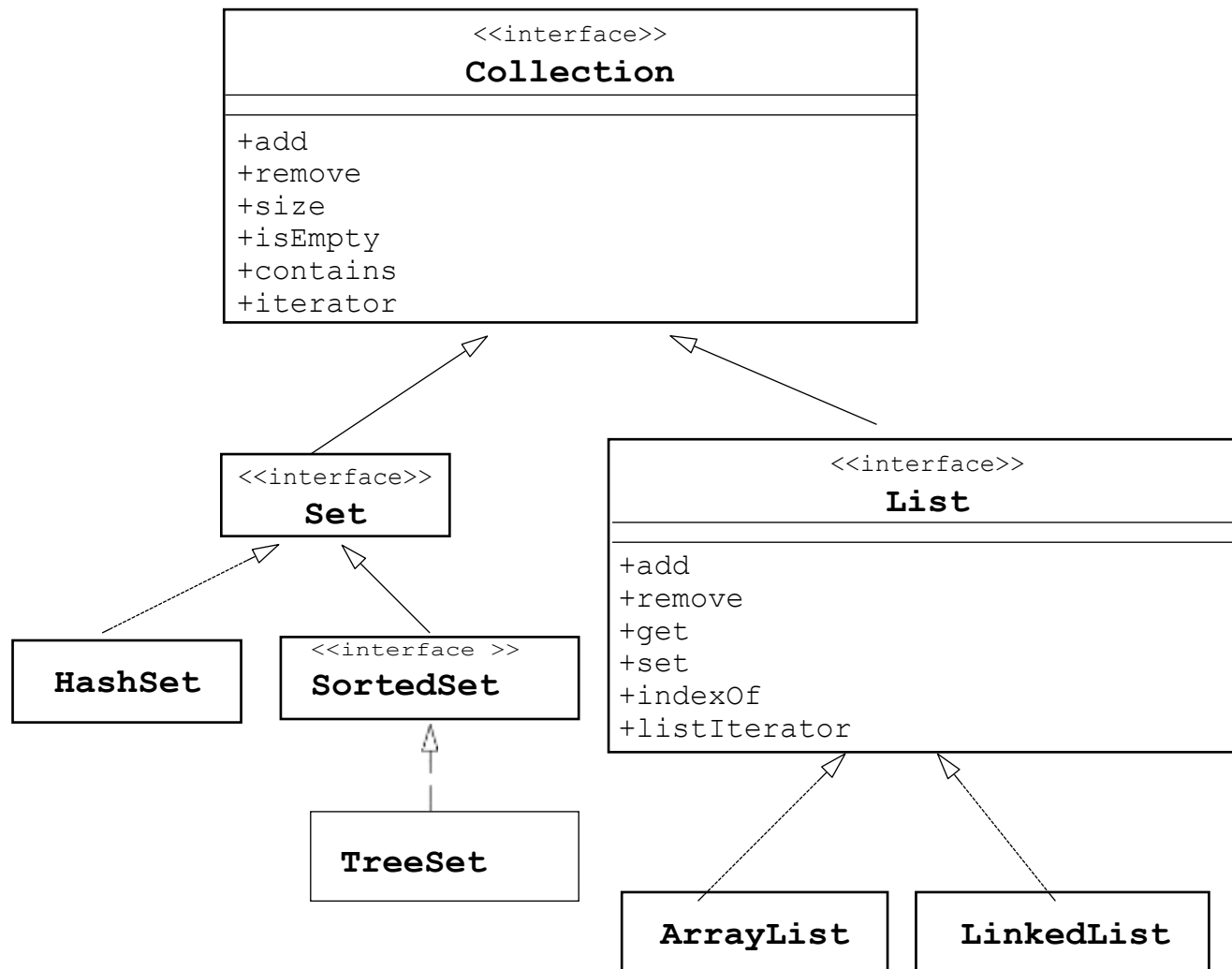
The Collections Framework

- A *collection* is a single object managing a group of objects known as its elements.
- The Collections API contains interfaces that group objects as one of the following:
 - `Collection` – A group of objects called elements; implementations determine whether there is specific ordering and whether duplicates are permitted.
 - `Set` – An unordered collection; no duplicates are permitted.
 - `List` – An ordered collection; duplicates are permitted.





The Collections API





Collection Implementations

There are several general purpose implementations of the core interfaces (Set, List, Deque and Map)

	Hash Table	Resizable Array	Balanced Tree	Linked List	Hash Table + Linked List
Set	HashSet		TreeSet		LinkedHashSet
List		ArrayList		LinkedList	
Deque		ArrayDeque		LinkedList	
Map	HashMap		TreeMap		LinkedHashMap



A Set Example

```
1  import java.util.*;
2  public class SetExample {
3      public static void main(String[] args)
4          { Set set = new HashSet();
5            set.add("one");
6            set.add("second");
7            set.add("3rd");
8            set.add(new Integer(4));
9            set.add(new Float(5.0F));
10           set.add("second");           // duplicate, not added
11           set.add(new Integer(4));     // duplicate, not added
12           System.out.println(set);
13       }
14   }
```

The output generated from this program is:

[one, second, 5.0, 3rd, 4]



A List Example

```
1  import java.util.*
2  public class ListExample {
3      public static void main(String[] args)
4          { List list = new ArrayList();
5            list.add("one");
6            list.add("second");
7            list.add("3rd");
8            list.add(new Integer(4));
9            list.add(new Float(5.0F));
10           list.add("second");           // duplicate, is added
11           list.add(new Integer(4));     // duplicate, is added
12           System.out.println(list);
13       }
14   }
```

The output generated from this program is:

[one, second, 3rd, 4, 5.0, second, 4]

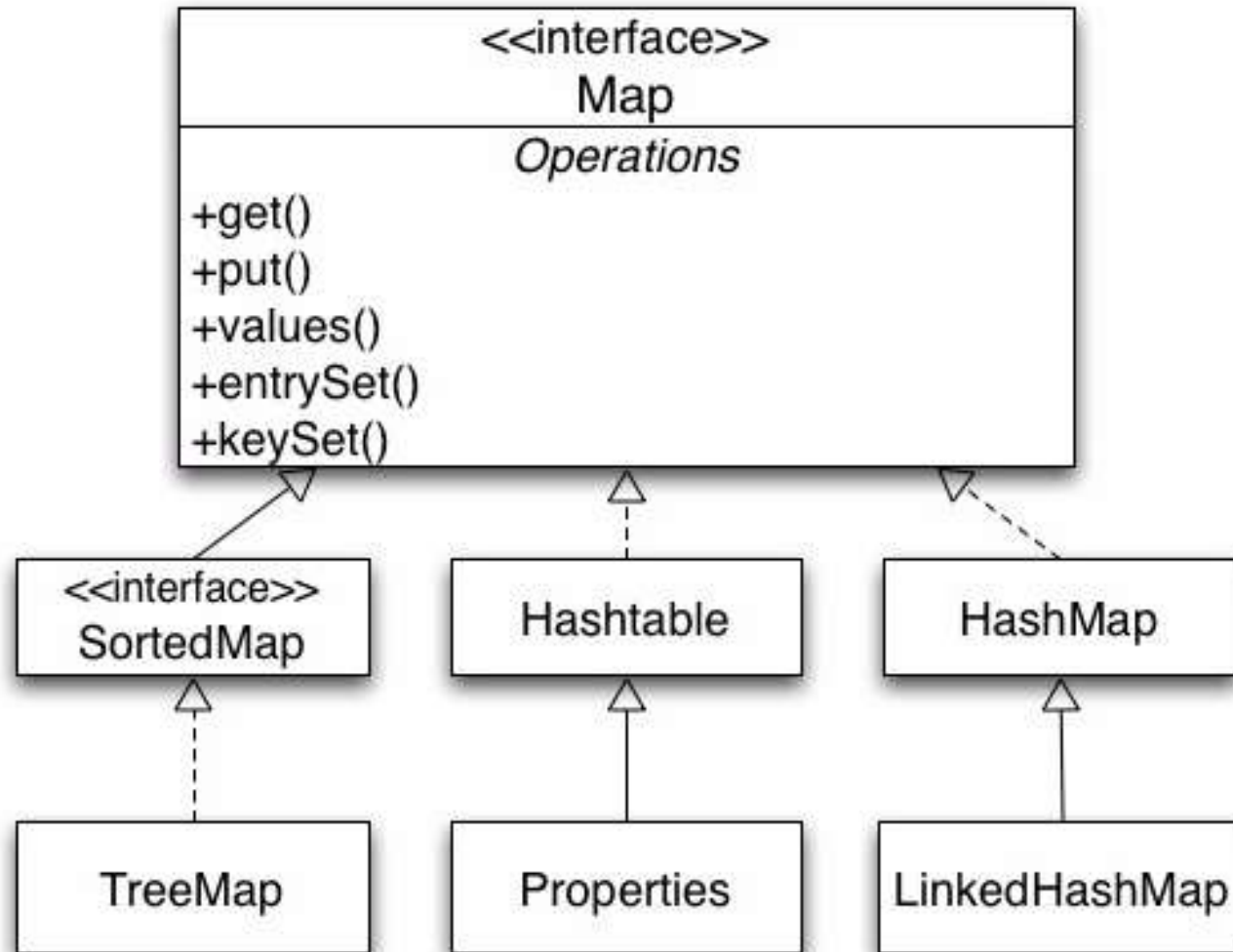


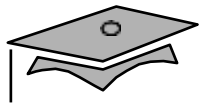
The Map Interface

- Maps are sometimes called associative arrays
- A Map object describes mappings from keys to values:
 - Duplicate keys are not allowed
 - One-to-many mappings from keys to values is not permitted
- The contents of the Map interface can be viewed and manipulated as collections
 - `entrySet` – Returns a Set of all the key-value pairs.
 - `keySet` – Returns a Set of all the keys in the map.
 - `values` – Returns a Collection of all values in the map.



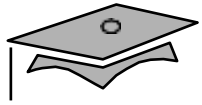
The Map Interface API





A Map Example

```
1  import java.util.*;
2  public class MapExample {
3      public static void main(String args[])
4          { Map map = new HashMap();
5            map.put("one", "1st");
6            map.put("second", new Integer(2));
7            map.put("third", "3rd");
8            // Overwrites the previous assignment
9            map.put("third", "III");
10           // Returns set view of keys
11           Set set1 = map.keySet();
12           // Returns Collection view of values
13           Collection collection = map.values();
14           // Returns set view of key value mappings
15           Set set2 = map.entrySet();
16           System.out.println(set1 + "\n" + collection + "\n" + set2);
17       }
18   }
```



A MapExample

Output generated from the MapExample program:

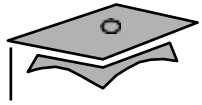
```
[second, one, third]  
[2, 1st, III]  
[second=2, one=1st, third=III]
```



Legacy Collection Classes

Collections in the JDK include:

- The `Vector` class, which implements the `List` interface.
- The `Stack` class, which is a subclass of the `Vector` class and supports the `push`, `pop`, and `peek` methods.
- The `Hashtable` class, which implements the `Map` interface.
- The `Properties` class is an extension of `Hashtable` that only uses `Strings` for keys and values.
- Each of these collections has an `elements` method that returns an `Enumeration` object. The `Enumeration` interface is incompatible with, the `Iterator` interface.



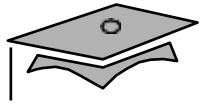
Generics



Generics

Generics are described as follows:

- Provide compile-time type safety
- Eliminate the need for casts
- Provide the ability to create compiler-checked homogeneous collections



Generics

Using non-generic collections:

```
ArrayList list = new ArrayList();  
list.add(0, new Integer(42));  
int total = ((Integer)list.get(0)).intValue();
```

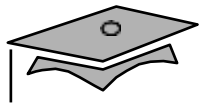
Using generic collections:

```
ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
list.add(0, new Integer(42));  
int total = list.get(0).intValue();
```



Generic Set Example

```
1  import java.util.*;
2  public class GenSetExample {
3      public static void main(String[] args)
4          { Set<String> set = new HashSet<String>();
5            set.add("one");
6            set.add("second");
7            set.add("3rd");
8            // This line generates compile error
9            set.add(new Integer(4));
10           set.add("second");
11           // Duplicate, not added
12           System.out.println(set);
13       }
14   }
```



Generic Map Example

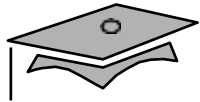
```
1  import java.util.*;
2
3  public class MapPlayerRepository
4      { HashMap<String, String>
5
6      public MapPlayerRepository() {
7          players = new HashMap<String, String> ();
8      }
9
10     public String get(String position)
11         { String player =
12           players.get(position); return player;
13     }
14
15     public void put(String position, String name) {
16         players.put(position, name);
17     }
```



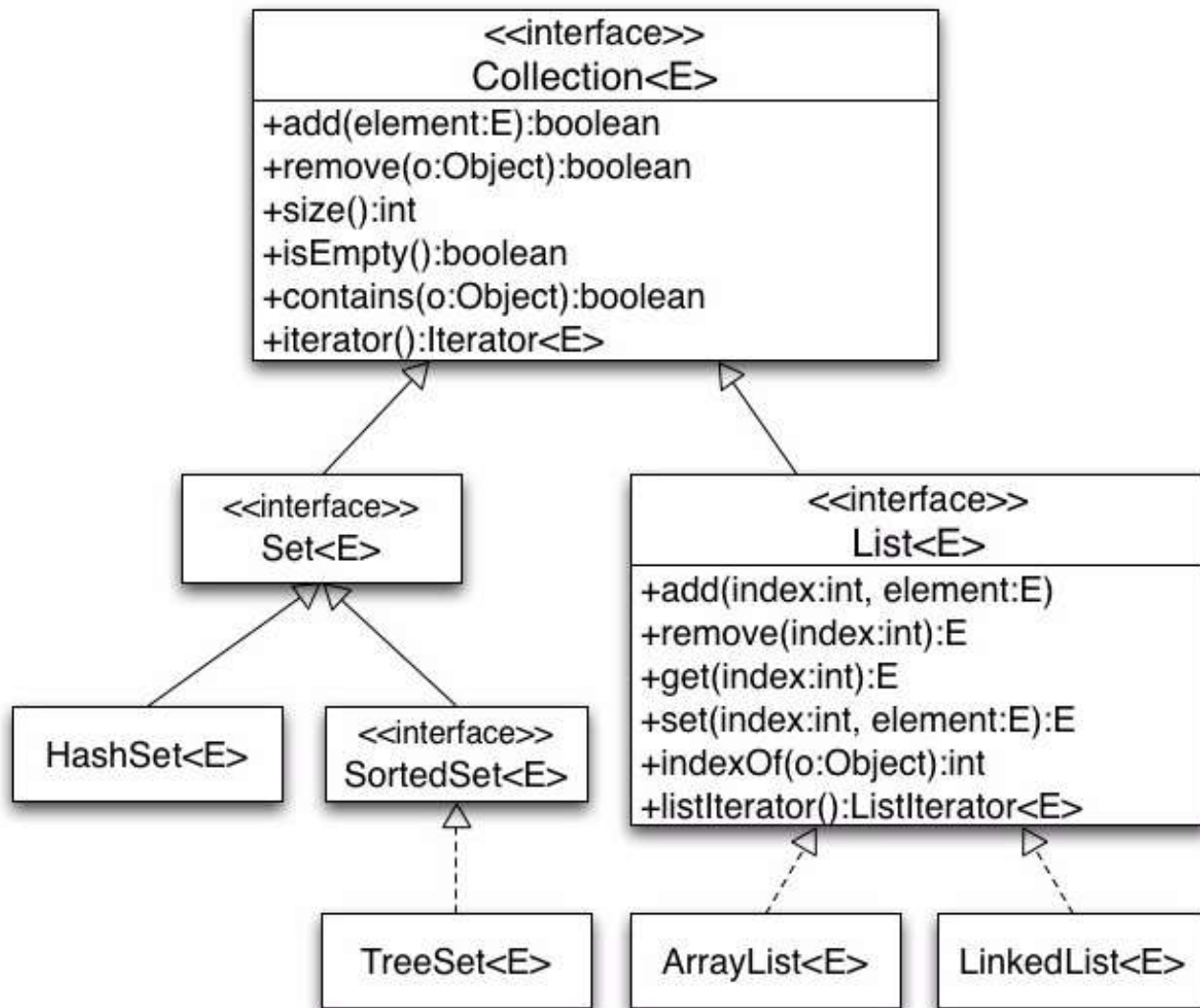
Generics: Examining TypeParameters

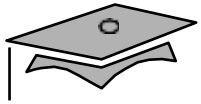
Shows how to use type parameters

Category	Non Generic Class	Generic Class
Class declaration	<code>public class ArrayList extends AbstractList implements List</code>	<code>public class ArrayList<E> extends AbstractList<E> implements List <E></code>
Constructor declaration	<code>public ArrayList (int capacity);</code>	<code>public ArrayList<E> (int capacity);</code>
Method declaration	<code>public void add((Object o) public Object get(int index)</code>	<code>public void add(E o) public E get(int index)</code>
Variable declaration examples	<code>ArrayList list1; ArrayList list2;</code>	<code>ArrayList <String> list1; ArrayList <Date> list2;</code>
Instance declaration examples	<code>list1 = new ArrayList(10); list2 = new ArrayList(10);</code>	<code>list1= new ArrayList<String> (10); list2= new ArrayList<Date> (10);</code>



Generic Collections API





Define My Generic Class

```
class Box<T>
```

```
{ private T
```

```
data;
```

```
public Box(T data)
{ this.data =
  data;
}
```

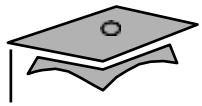
```
public T getData()
{ return data;
}
```

```
public class MyGenericTest {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args)
```

```
    { Box<String> name =
      new Box<String>("corn");
      System.out.println("name:" +
        name.getData());
    }
```

```
}
```



Refactoring Existing Non-Generic Code

```
1  import java.util.*;
2  public class GenericsWarning {
3      public static void main(String[] args)
4          List list = { new ArrayList();
5          list.add(0, new Integer(42));
6          int total = ((Integer)list.get(0)).intValue();
7      }
8  }
```

javac GenericsWarning.java

Note: GenericsWarning.java uses unchecked or unsafe operations.

Note: Recompile with `-Xlint:unchecked` for details.

javac -Xlint:unchecked GenericsWarning.java

GenericsWarning.java:7: warning: [unchecked] unchecked call to add(int,E)
as a member of the raw type java.util.ArrayList

```
    list.add(0, new Integer(42));
           ^
```

1 warning



Collection Iteration : *Iterator* or Enhanced *for* Statement



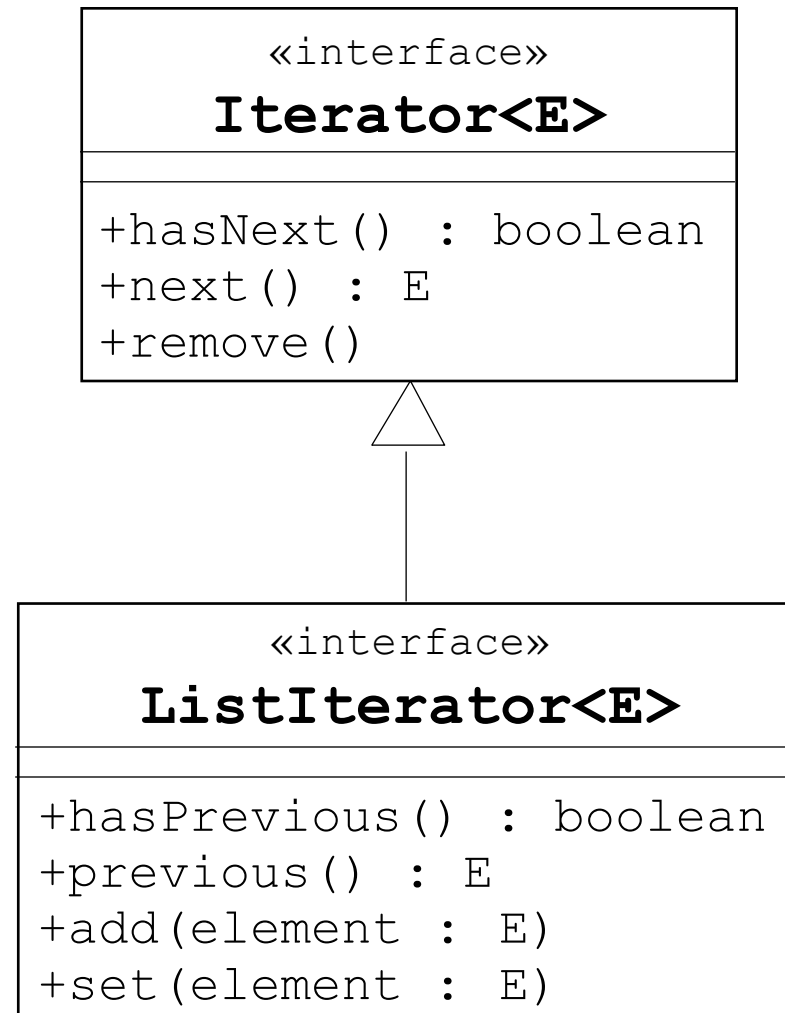
Iterators

- Iteration is the process of retrieving every element in a collection.
- The basic `Iterator` interface allows you to scan forward through any collection.
- A `List` object supports the `ListIterator`, which allows you to scan the list backwards and insert or modify elements.

```
1  List<Student> list = new ArrayList<Student>();
2  // add some elements
3  Iterator<Student> elements = list.iterator();
4  while (elements.hasNext()) {
5      System.out.println(elements.next());
6  }
```



Generic Iterator Interfaces





The Enhanced `for` Loop

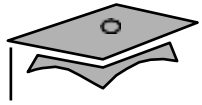
An enhanced `for` loop can look like the following:

- Using the iterator with a traditional `for` loop:

```
public void deleteAll(Collection<NameList> c){  
    for ( Iterator<NameList> i = c.iterator() ; i.hasNext() ; ){  
        NameList nl = i.next();  
        nl.deleteItem();  
    }  
}
```

- Iterating using an enhanced `for` loop in collections:

```
public void deleteAll(Collection<NameList>  
    c){ for ( NameList nl : c ){  
        nl.deleteItem();  
    }  
}
```



The Enhanced `for` Loop

- Nested enhanced `for` loops:

```
1  List<Subject> subjects=...;
2  List<Teacher> teachers=...;
3  List<Course> courseList = ArrayList<Course> ();
4  for (Subject subj: subjects) {
5      for (Teacher tchr: teachers) {
6          courseList.add(new Course(subj, tchr));
7      }
8  }
```



The Enhanced `for` Loop

The enhanced `for` loop has the following characteristics:

- Simplified iteration over collections
- Much shorter, clearer, and safer
- Effective for arrays
- Simpler when using nested loops
- Iterator disadvantages removed

Iterators are error prone:

- Iterator variables occur three times per loop.
- This provides the opportunity for code to go wrong.

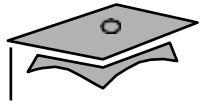


System Properties



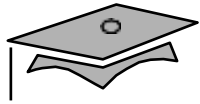
System Properties

- System properties are a feature that replaces the concept of *environment variables* (which are plat-form-specific).
- The `System.getProperties()` method returns a `Properties` object.
- The `getProperty()` method returns a `String` representing the value of the named property.
- Use the `-D` option on the command line to include a new property.



The Properties Class

- The `Properties` class implements a mapping of names to values (a `String-to-String` map).
- The `propertyNames` method returns an `Enumeration` of all property names.
- The `getProperty` method returns a `String` representing the value of the named property.
- You can also read and write a properties collection into a file using `load` and `store`.

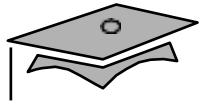


The Properties Class

- Using method of Properties:
 - ShowProperties.java
- The following is an example test run of this program:
java -DmyProp=myValue ShowProperties
- Setup new properties from file myProperties.txt:
 - PropertiesTest.java



The *Comparable* and *Comparator* interfaces



Ordering Collections

The `Comparable` and `Comparator` interfaces are useful for ordering collections:

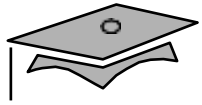
- The `Comparable` interface imparts natural ordering to classes that implement it.
- The `Comparator` interface specifies order relation. It can also be used to override natural ordering.
- Both interfaces are useful for sorting collections.



The Comparable Interface

Imparts natural ordering to classes that implement it:

- Used for sorting
- The `compareTo` method should be implemented to make any class comparable:
 - `int compareTo(Object o)` method
 - `int compareTo(T o)` of `Comparable<T>`
- The `String`, `Date`, and `Integer` classes implement the `Comparable` interface
- You can sort the `List` elements containing objects that implement the `Comparable` interface



The Comparable Interface

- While sorting, the `List` elements follow the natural ordering of the element types
 - `String` elements – Alphabetical order
 - `Date` elements – Chronological order
 - `Integer` elements – Numerical order
- E.g. `Comparable/`
 - `ComparableTest.java`
 - `Student.java`

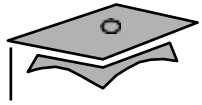


The Comparator Interface

- Represents an order relation
- Used for sorting
- Enables sorting in an order different from the natural order
- Used for objects that do not implement the Comparable interface
- Can be passed to a sort method

You need the `compare` method to implement the Comparator interface:

- `int compare(Object o1, Object o2)` method
- `int compare(T o1, T o2)` method of *Comparator<T>*

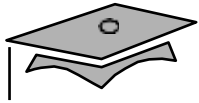


Example of the `Comparator` Interface

- `Comparator/*.java`
 - `Student.java`
 - `GradeComp.java`
 - `NameComp.java`
 - `TestComparator.java`

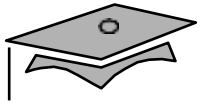


Polymorphic Algorithms



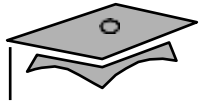
Polymorphic Algorithms

- come from the [Collections](#) class, and all take the form of static methods whose first argument is **the collection on which the operation is to be performed**
 - [Sorting](#)
 - [Searching](#)
 - [Shuffling](#)
 - public static void **shuffle**([List](#)<?> list)
 - [Routine Data Manipulation](#)
 - reverse, fill , copy , swap , addAll , etc.



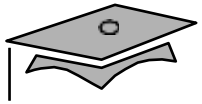
Collections.sort()

```
import java.util.*;  
public class Sort {  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
    { List<String> list =  
      Arrays.asList(args);  
      Collections.sort(list);  
      System.out.println(list);  
    }
```



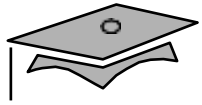
Collections.sort()

- public static *<T extends Comparable<? super T>>*
void **sort**(List<T> **list**)
- public static *<T>* void sort(List<T> **list**,
Comparator<? super T> **c**)
- **TestCollectionsSort.java**



Collections.binarySearch()

- `public static <T> int binarySearch (List<? extends Comparable<? super T>> list, T key)`
- `public static <T> int binarySearch(List<? extends T> list, T key, Comparator<? super T> c)`
- **TestCollectionsSearch.java**



jar And *javadoc* Tools



Documentation Tags

- Comments starting with `/**` are parsed by the `javadoc` tool
- These comments should immediately precede the declaration they reflect
- `DocExample.java`

Tag	Purpose	Class/ Interface	Constructor	Method	Attribute
@see	To create a link to another declaration (or any other HTML page)	✓	✓	✓	✓
@deprecated	Documents that the declaration has been deprecated in this release	✓	✓	✓	✓
@author	The author of the class or interface	✓			
@param	Documents a parameter		✓	✓	
@throws @exception	Documents why an exception might be thrown		✓	✓	
@return	Document the return Value/ Type			✓	



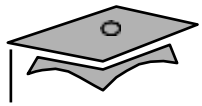
Using the javadoc Tool

- This Java 2 SDK tool generates HTML documentation pages
- Usage: `javadoc [options] [packages|files]`

This example generates the API documentation for the complete Banking project:

```
javadoc -d ../doc/api banking banking.domain /  
banking.reports
```

Option	Value	Description
-d	output path	The directory in which the generated HTML files should be placed.
-sourcepath	directory path	The root directory where the source file package tree.
-public		Specifies that only public declarations be included (<i>default</i>).
-private		Specifies that all declarations be included.



Public Documentation

> `javadoc -d doc/api/public DocExample.java`

The screenshot shows the javadoc public documentation for the `DocExample` class. The interface includes a navigation bar with tabs for '程序包' (Package), '类' (Class), '树' (Tree), '已过时' (Deprecated), '索引' (Index), and '帮助' (Help). The '类' tab is selected. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar and a list of navigation links: '概要' (Overview), '嵌套' (Nested), '字段' (Fields), '构造器' (Constructors), and '方法' (Methods). The main content area displays the class name '类 DocExample' and its inheritance path: 'java.lang.Object' and 'mypack.DocExample'. The class is defined as 'public class DocExample extends java.lang.Object'. A documentation comment states: '文档注释 This class contains a bunch of documentation tags.' Below this, there are two sections: '字段概要' (Field Summary) and '构造器概要' (Constructor Summary). The '字段概要' section shows a table with columns '修饰符和类型' (Modifiers and Type), '字段' (Field), and '说明' (Description). The table contains one entry: 'java.lang.String' for the field 'test', with the description 'A public attribute tag.' The '构造器概要' section shows a table with columns '构造器' (Constructor) and '说明' (Description). The table contains two entries: 'DocExample()' with the description 'This is the default constructor' and 'DocExample(int x_value)' with the description 'This constructor initializes the x attribute.' A '截图(Alt + A)' (Screenshot) button is visible in the top right corner of the '构造器概要' section.

程序包 **类** 树 已过时 索引 帮助

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程序包 mypack

类 DocExample

java.lang.Object
mypack.DocExample

public class **DocExample**
extends java.lang.Object

文档注释 This class contains a bunch of documentation tags.

字段概要

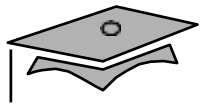
字段

修饰符和类型	字段	说明
java.lang.String	test	A public attribute tag.

构造器概要 截图(Alt + A)

构造器

构造器	说明
DocExample()	This is the default constructor
DocExample(int x_value)	This constructor initializes the x attribute.



Private Documentation

> **javadoc -private -d doc/api/private DocExample.java**

程序包 类 树 已过时 索引 帮助

概要: 嵌套 | 字段 | 构造器 | 方法 详细资料: 字段 | 构造器 | 方法 SEARCH:

java.lang.Object
 mypack.DocExample
 mypack.ChenTest

class **ChenTest**
extends DocExample

This class is a test for another class definition.

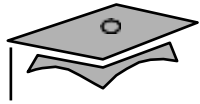
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字段概要

字段

修饰符和类型	字段	说明
private java.lang.String	firstName	
private java.lang.String	lastName	
private java.lang.String	name	**** @deprecated : replaced by firstName and lastName



Using the jar Tool

- This JDK 1 generates a compressed archive of class and class files
Use `jar [options] [archivefile] [files]`
- This generates an archive for the Banking project:

```
jar cferkingjarferkingdomain*.classferkingenums*.class
```

This extracts an archive for the Banking project:

```
jar xferkingjar
```

Option	Value	Description
c		This option creates a new archive.
f	filepath	specifies the filepath of the Java archive (JAR) file.
x		This option extracts an archive to the current directory.
v		This option specifies verbose output from the jar tool.



Summary

- The **Collections** Framework
- Collections API Interfaces - **collection**, **set**, and **map**
- Generics set, and Generics map
- Retrieving a Collection - Iterator, Enhanced for
- System **Properties**
- The **Comparable** and **Comparator** Interfaces
- Polymorphic Algorithms
- *jarAndjavadocTools*