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Generics, Collections



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Generics

- Elements with types *to-be-specified-later*
- Instantiated when needed for specific types provided as parameters
- Used with classes, interfaces and methods
- Example of generics class:

```
package java.lang;  
public interface Comparable<T> {  
    public int compareTo(T o);  
}
```



Generics

- **T** is a generic format type which can be replaced with an actual type (Object if not set)

- Another example:

```
ArrayList<String> myList = new ArrayList<String> ();
```

VS

```
ArrayList<Double> myList = new ArrayList<Double> ();
```

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/ArrayList.html>

```
public boolean add(E e)  
public boolean remove(Object o)
```



Generics

- A generic can have more than one generic parameters: two, three...

```
Class HashMap<K, V>
```

```
Interface Map<K, V>
```

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Map.html>



Generic Method

```
public class GenericsDemo {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Integer[] myIntegerList = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };  
        String[] myStringList = { "Hello", "World" };  
        GenericsDemo.<Integer>print(myIntegerList);  
        GenericsDemo.<String>print(myStringList);  
    }  
  
    public static<T> void print(T[] myList) {  
        for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {  
            System.out.println(myList[i] + " ");  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Wildcards

- Extends, super

`<? extends Number>` - Number sau un subtip al lui Number

`<? extends Object>` - Object sau un subtip al lui Object (orice obiect)

`<? super T>` - T sau un supertip al lui T



Wildcards Example

```
public class Test {  
    public static void listAutomobiles(List<? extends Automobile> myList) {  
        for (Automobile a : myList)  
            System.out.println(a.getType());  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        List<Automobile> myList = new ArrayList<Automobile>();  
        myList.add(new Dacia());  
        myList.add(new BMW());  
        myList.add(new Automobile());  
        listAutomobiles(myList);  
    }  
}
```



Wildcards Example

```
class Automobile {  
    protected String type = "Automobile";  
    public String getType() {  
        return type;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dacia extends Automobile {  
    public Dacia() {  
        type = "Dacia";  
    }  
}
```

```
class BMW extends Automobile {  
    public BMW() {  
        type = "BMW";  
    }  
}
```



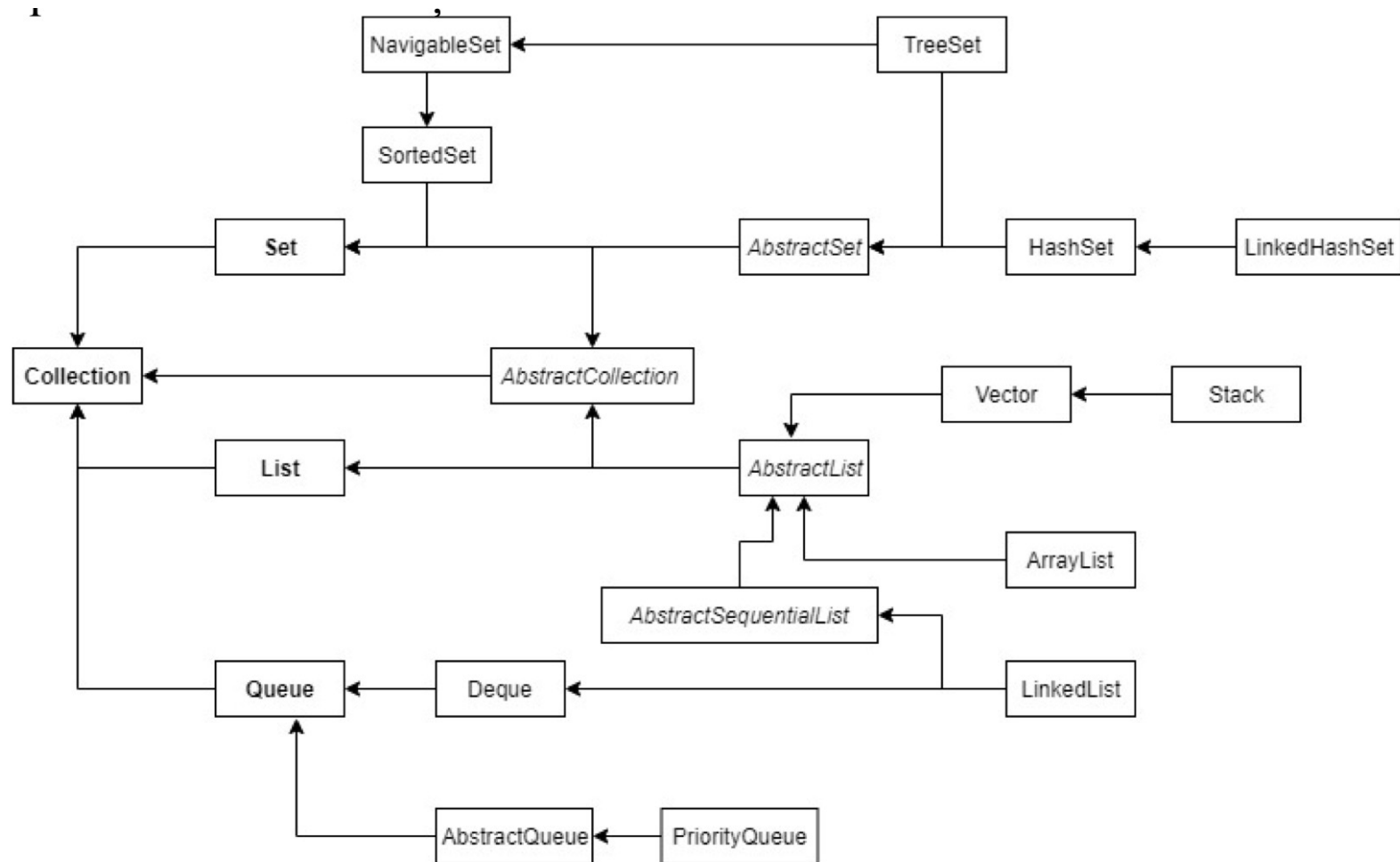
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Collections

- Java Collections Framework: collection, map
- 3 types of collections: Set, List, Queue
- Set – <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/Set.html>
- List – <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/List.html>
- Queue – <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/Queue.html>





Collection Interface

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/Collection.html>
- Examples of defined methods:

```
boolean add(E e)
```

```
boolean addAll(Collection<? extends E> c)
```

```
boolean contains(Object o)
```

```
boolean remove(Object o)
```



Set Interface

- Set extends Collection. Elements must be unique

```
public class TestHashSet {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Set<String> set = new HashSet<>();  
        set.add("Ana");  
        set.add("Maria");  
        set.add("Andrei");  
        set.add("Mihai");  
        set.add("Ana");  
  
        System.out.println(set);  
        Iterator<String> iterator = set.iterator();  
        while (iterator.hasNext()) {  
            System.out.print(iterator.next() + " ");  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Other Set Implementations

- *LinkedHashSet* – allows keeping the order used when inserting elements
- *TreeSet* – allows specifying an order to be used (ascending or descending)
- Uses the *Comparable* interface to compare elements with `compareTo`
- Implements a subinterface of *Set* called *SortedSet*



List Interface

- List extends Collection. Ordered collection that allows duplicates
- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/List.html>
- ArrayList stores elements in a dynamic array
- LinkedList stores elements in a linked list



/ Short Recap



Short Recap

- Primitive types, arrays
- Classes, objects + access modifiers
- Inheritance, overloading, casting
- Abstract classes, interfaces
- Internal classes
- Generics
- Collections



/ Practice in class



DogShelter

- Brigitte just received a donation of 2M USD to build a dog shelter in Romania.
- Follow these steps to write a program that creates and runs a dog shelter:
 1. Create a class Shelter with the following properties: name (String), account (Account), animals (List of Animal)
 2. Define the Account class with the following properties: id (int), iban (random String of 32 chars), currency (Enum), amount (double), created_date (date), interest (double)
 3. Define an interface IShelter and declare the following methods: getName (String), getLatitude (float), getLongitude (float), getOwner (String), receiveDonation (double), spend (double, String)



DogShelter

4. Create a class DogShelter which extends Shelter and implements IShelter
5. Create Animal class and make it generic. Add the following fields: name (String), age (double), foodHistory (double[]), isHungry (Boolean), isThirsty (Boolean)
6. Keep animals both in a linked list (to keep their added order) and in a TreeSet (to allow keeping them in a desired order (by age)).
7. Allow the shelter to accept elements of type Dog or more specific using generics



/ Practice, practice, practice



Students Map with TreeSets

Define a *Student* class containing a `name` and `grade` property. Requirements:

- Create a constructor that receives the name and the grade of a student
- Implement method `public double getGrade()`
- Define a Map that hold keys from 0 to 10, corresponding to a rounded grade
- Each value stored in a key of a map will hold a TreeSet of Students, allowing storing them in descending order by grade. E.g.: for key 8 in the Map, values of the corresponding TreeSet could be [Ionel: 8.49, Vasile: 7.50]
- Test the class in a main method



MyList of Generics

- Define a class named `MyList`, which holds a list of elements using an array of elements of type `T`
- Define the following methods:

```
public MyList(dimension)
public void add(T element)
public void print()
public boolean lookup(T element)
```
- Test the class in a main method



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