

Object Oriented Programming

Java

Part 9: Utility classes

Introduction (1)

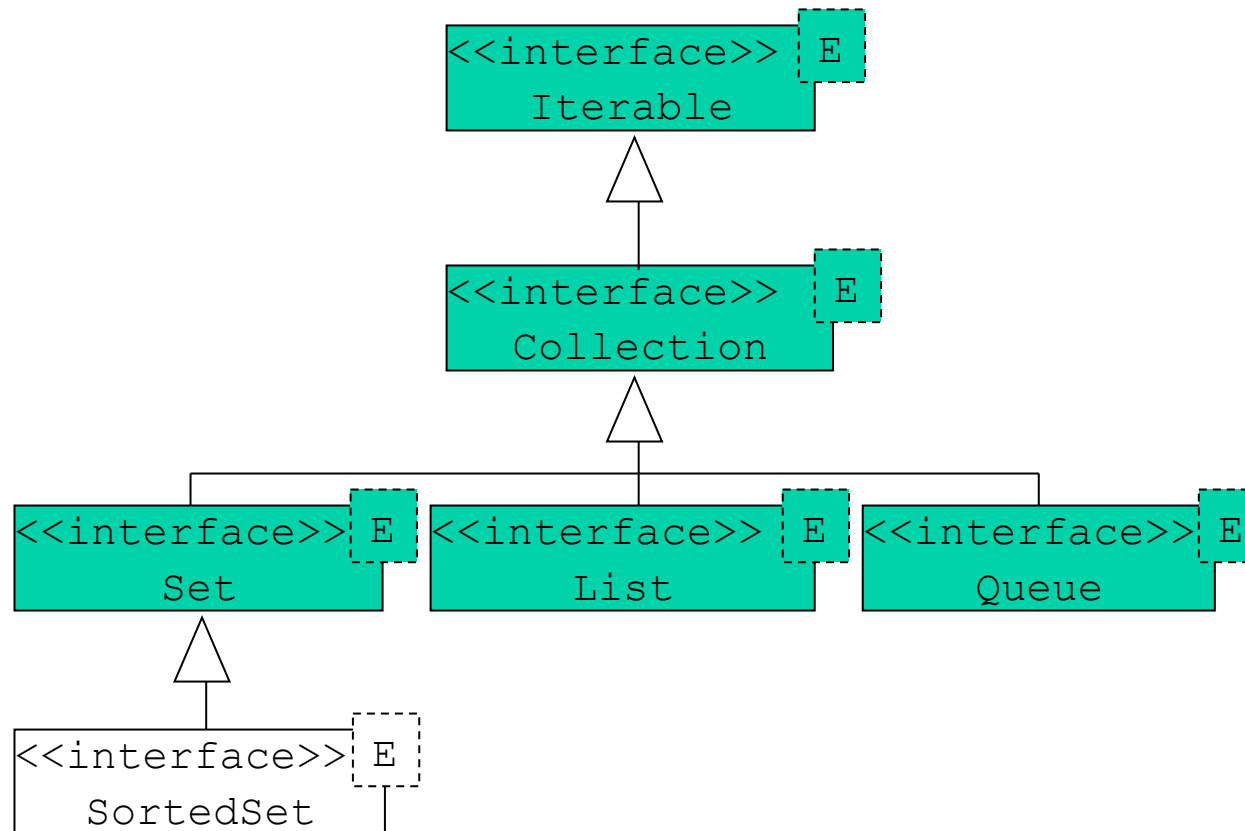
- Java provides a set of utility classes:
 - with important functionality to the programmer.
 - distributed in the development environment in different packages (inside **src.zip** file)
 - `src/java/lang` # classes of the language (`Integer,...`)
 » Automatically imported
 - `src/java/util` # diverse utilities (`Vector,...`)
 - `src/java/math` # `Math` class
 - `src/java/io` # I/O classes

Introduction (2)

- The J2SE provides several groups of interfaces. In these slides we focus 4 of them:
 1. **Comparator** and **Comparable** – describe comparison between objects (for instance, for sorting).
 2. **Collection** – describe collections of objects.
 3. **Map** – describe functions between objects.
 4. **Iterator** – describe iterations over collections of objects, without knowing the way objects are organized inside the collection.
- The code of the classes is available in:
<http://www.docjar.com>

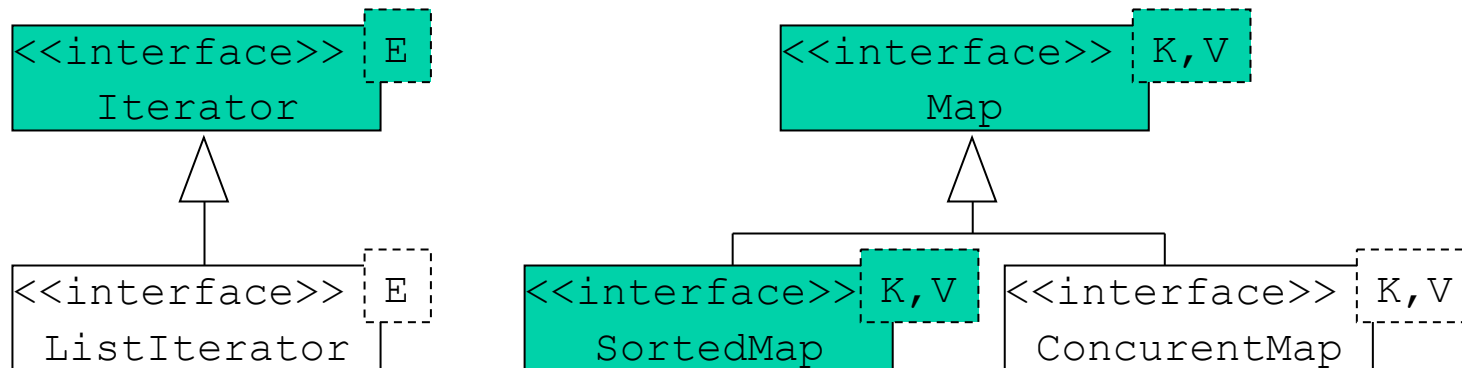
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General hierarchy of interfaces for ADTs in J2SE 5



Introduction (4)

General hierarchy of interfaces for ADTs in J2SE 5



Sorting (1)

- Classes that require sorting implement one of two interfaces:
 - Comparable
 - Comparator

Comparable interface (1)

- Used when there is a **natural order** (e.g.: `Character`, `Integer`, `Date`).
- Implemented inside the by the method **compareTo**, which implies **total order** inside the class.
- **Simpler to implement, but less flexible** than the `Comparator` interface.

Comparable interface (2)

```
public interface Comparable<T> {  
    public int compareTo(T other);  
}
```

- The value returned by the **compareTo** should be:
 - < 0 if this object is less than the object passed by parameter
 - = 0 if this object is equal (with **equals**) to the object received as parameter
 - > 0 otherwise

Comparable interface (3)

```
public class Account implements Comparable<Account> {  
    private static long nbNextAccount = 0;  
    protected long nbAccount; // account number  
    protected float balance; // current balance  
    //...  
    public boolean equals(Object obj) {  
        return nbAccount == ((Conta) obj).nbAccount;  
    }  
    public int compareTo(Account other) {  
        if (nbAccount > other.nbAccount) return 1;  
        else if (nbAccount == other.nbAccount) return 0;  
        else return -1;  
    }  
    //...  
}
```

Comparable interface (4)

```
Account mc = new Account("Manuel Silva",1000);  
Account outra = new Account("Luís Silva",200);  
System.out.println(mc.compareTo(mc));  
System.out.println(mc.compareTo(outra));  
System.out.println(outra.compareTo(mc));
```

In the terminal is printed

0
1
-1

Comparable interface (5)

- Interfaces define types, so we can have:

```
Comparable<Account> cc;
```

- It is possible to define, for instance, a method to sort an array of Comparable objects (without knowing to which class these objects belong):

```
class Sort {  
    static Comparable<?>[] sort(Comparable<?>[] objs) {  
        // sort details ...  
        return objs;  
    }  
}
```

Comparable interface (6)

- The class `java.util.Arrays` provides a method that allows to sort objects in an `Object` array according to the natural ordering of its elements:

```
public static void sort(Object[] a,  
                        int fromIndex, int toIndex)
```

- Sort the objects in array `a` from index `fromIndex` (inclusive) to index `toIndex` (exclusive).
- All elements in `[fromIndex, toIndex]` must implement the `Comparable` interface.
- All elements in that range must be mutually comparable (that is, `obj1.compareTo(obj2)` must not throw an exception `ClassCastException`).

Comparable interface (7)

```
public class Sort {  
    static Comparable<?>[] sort(Comparable<?>[] objs) {  
        Comparable<?>[] res = new Comparable<?>[objs.length];  
        System.arraycopy(objs, 0, res, 0, objs.length);  
        java.util.Arrays.sort(res, 0, res.length);  
        return res;  
    }  
}
```

```
Account mc = new Account("Manuel Silva",1000);  
Account outra = new Account("Luís Silva",200);  
Comparable<?>[] accounts = new Comparable<?>[2];  
accounts[0]=outra;  
accounts[1]=mc;  
Accounts = Sort.sort(accounts);
```

Comparator interface (1)

- Used when there is an **application-dependent order** (e.g.: sorting a list of students of a certain course may be performed according to their number, name, or mark).
- Implemented outside the class (but it can use the `compareTo` over the class fields), realizing the `Comparator` interface.
- **More complex implementation but more powerful** than the one offered by the `Comparable` interface.

Comparator interface (2)

```
public interface Comparator<T> {  
    public int compare(T o1, T o2);  
}
```

- Value returned by **compare** must be:
 - < 0 if the object o1 is less than the object o2
 - = 0 if the object o1 is equal to the object o2
 - > 0 otherwise

Comparator interface (3)

- Despite not making sense to define a natural ordering of accounts by balance, you may need to sort accounts by balance somewhere in an application...

```
import java.util.Comparator;
public class ComparatorByBalance implements Comparator<Account> {
    public int compare(Account o1, Account o2) {
        if (o1.balance > o2.balance) return 1;
        else if (o1.balance == o2.balance) return 0;
        else return -1;
    }
}
```


Comparator interface (4)

- The class `java.util.Arrays` provides a generic method that allows to order the objects in an array according to an order induced by a `Comparator`:

```
public static <T> void sort(  
    T[] a, int fromIndex, int toIndex,  
    Comparator<? super T> c)
```

- Sorts the objects in array `a` from index `fromIndex` (inclusive) to index `toIndex` (exclusive).
- All elements in this range must be mutually comparable with the specified `Comparator` (that is, `obj1.compare(obj2)` must not throw an exception `ClassCastException`).

Comparator interface (5)

- An array of accounts could be ordered by balance in this way:

```
Account[] accounts = new Account[2];  
accounts[0] = new Account("Manuel Silva",1000);  
accounts[1] = new Account("Luís Silva",200);  
java.util.Arrays.sort(  
    accounts, 0, accounts.length,  
    new ComparatorByBalance());
```

Comparator interface (6)

- Given a list of students, the natural criterion would be to sort students by number. To impose an ordering by name:

```
import java.util.Comparator;
public class StudentComparatorByName
    implements Comparator<Student> {
    public int compare(Student o1, Student o2) {
        String name1 = o1.firstName();
        String name2 = o2.lastName();
        if (name1.equals(name2)) {
            name1 = o1.lastName();
            name2 = o2.lastName();
            return name1.compareTo(name2);
        } else return name1.compareTo(name2);
    }
}
```

Comparator interface (7)

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Student[] students = new Student[args.length];  
    for(int i=args.length-1; i>=0; i--)  
        students[i] = new Student(args[i]);  
    System.out.println(students);  
    System.out.println("*** Ordered by name ***");  
    java.util.Arrays.sort(students,  
        new StudentComparatorByname());  
    System.out.println(students);  
}
```

Comparator interface (8)

- If one wants to sort the student's array according to other criteria, for instance, according to their marks, one should simply develop another implementation of `Comparator` and invoke the method `sort` from `java.util.Arrays`.

```
System.out.println("*** Ordered by mark ***");  
java.util.Arrays.sort(students,  
    new StudentsComparatorByMark());  
System.out.println(students);
```

Iterator interface

```
public interface Iterator<E> {  
    boolean hasNext();  
    E next();  
    void remove();  
}
```

- The **Iterator** interface must be implemented by those classes that want to iterate over its elements, one by one.

Iterable interface

```
public interface Iterable<E> {  
    Iterator<E> iterator();  
}
```

- A class that implements the `Iterable` interface offers an `Iterator` which can then be used in for-each loops.

Collection interface (1)

- A **collection**, or **container**, is an object that contains diverse objects (eventually repeated) in a single unit.
- Prototypes of methods are grouped in:
 - Basic operations.
 - Bulk operations which perform an operation on the entire collection.
 - Operations that convert the collection into an array.

Collection interface (2)

```
public interface Collection<E> extends Iterable<E> {  
    // Basic operations  
    int          size();  
    boolean      isEmpty();  
    boolean      contains(Object elem);  
    boolean      add(E elem);  
    boolean      remove(Object elem);  
    Iterator<E>  iterator();  
    // Bulk operations  
    boolean      containsAll(Collection<?> coll);  
    boolean      addAll(Collection<? extends E> coll);  
    boolean      removeAll(Collection<?> coll);  
    boolean      retainAll(Collection<?> coll);  
    void         clear();  
    // Array operations  
    Object[]     toArray();  
    <T> T[]      toArray(T dest[]);  
}
```

Collection interface (3)

- **All methods that need the notion of equivalence between objects use the `equals` method** (`contains`, `add`, `remove`, `containsAll`, `addAll`, `removeAll` **e** `retainAll`).
- The `Collection` interface does not make any restriction about adding `null` elements to the collection.

Collection interface (4)

- It is possible to use a for loop and the `Iterator` methods to step through the contents of a collection:
 - It is possible to `add/remove` objects to/from the collection during the iteration.
 - It possible to update the objects during the iteration.
 - It is possible to iterate over multiple collections.

```
public class RemoveShortStrings {  
    public static void remove(Collection<String> c){  
        // remove strings with length 0 or 1  
        for (Iterator<String> i=c.iterator(); i.hasNext(); )  
            if (i.next().length()<2)  
                i.remove();  
    }  
}
```

Collection interface (5)

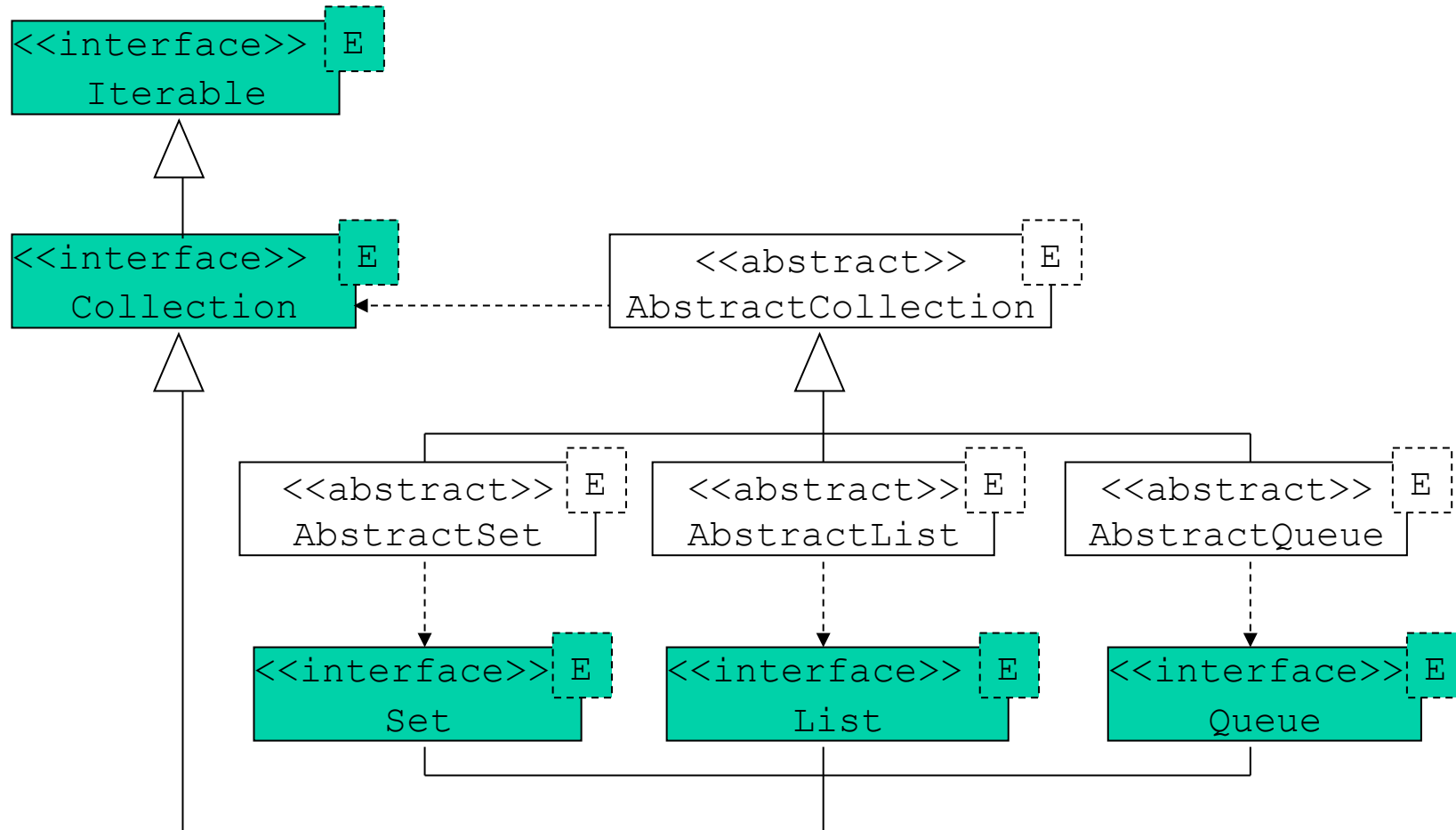
- Stepping through the elements of a collection can also be performed with a for-each loop:
 - The advantage of the for-each loop is purely syntactic.
 - It is not possible to `add/remove` objects to/from the collection during the iteration.
 - It possible to update the objects during the iteration.
 - It is not possible to iterate over multiple collections.

```
public class PrintShortStrings {  
    public static void print(Collection<String> c) {  
        for (String s:c)  
            if (s.length()<2)  
                System.out.println(s);  
    }  
}
```

Collection interface (6)

- From the **Collection** interface several interfaces are derived:
 - **Set**: collection without duplicate elements
 - **List**: list of elements
 - **Queue**: queue of elements

Collection interface (7)



Interfaces' implementation (1)

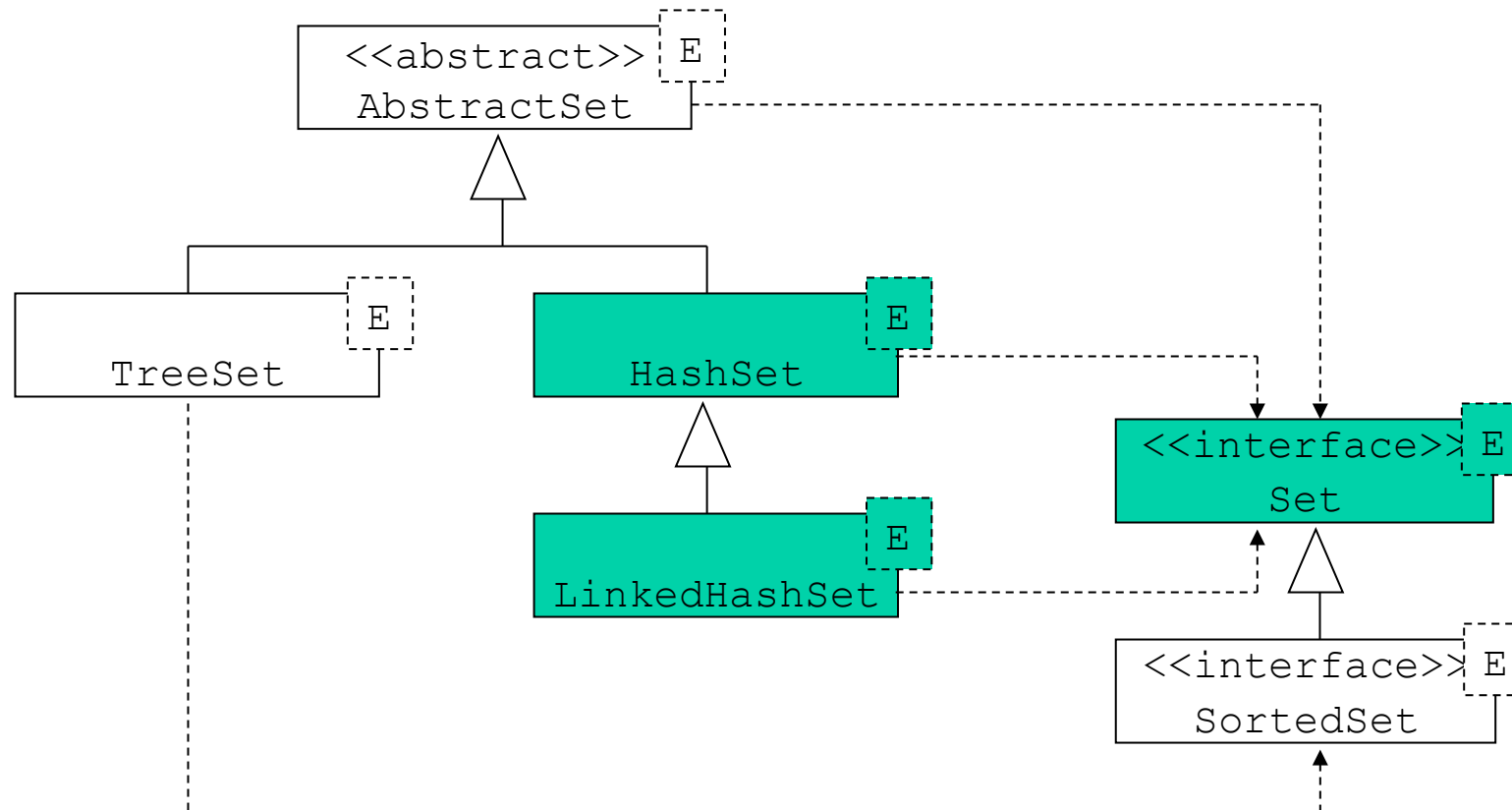
- There are diverse structures underlying data to implement interfaces:
 1. **Linear**: the objects are ordered in positions, each object has only a predecessor (except the first) and a successor (except the last).
 2. **Hierarchical**: each object has only a predecessor (except the root) and it might have a fixed number of successors.
 3. **Unsorted**: there are no relation between two objects.

Interfaces' implementation (2)

- The J2SE 5 implements the `Set/List/Map` interfaces through four data structures:
 - **Hash tables.**
 - **Variable length arrays.**
 - **Balanced tress.**
 - **Linked lists.**

Interfaces	Underlying data structure				
	Hash tab.	Var. len. arrays	Bal. trees	Linked lists	Hash + linked list
Set	HashSet	---	TreeSet	---	LinkedHashSet
List	---	ArrayList	---	LinkedList	---
Map	HashMap	---	TreeMap	---	LinkedHashMap

Set interface (1)



Set interface (2)

- The `Set` interface adds no new method of its own:
 - It only provides the methods from `Collection`.
 - Extra restrictions are imposed to the `add` method in order to avoid duplicate elements in this collection.

Set interface (3)

- Some implementations of the `Set` interface:
 - **HashSet**: the best for most of the uses.
 - **LinkedHashSet**: imposed order in the `Iterator` (insertion order).
 - **TreeSet**: imposed order in the `Iterator` (natural order or an order defined by a `Comparator`).
- Exposure of the implementation should be avoided:

```
Set<Integer> s = new HashSet<Integer>(); // preferable
```

```
HashSet<Integer> s = new HashSet<Integer>(); // to avoid!
```

Set interface (4)

- Typical operations over sets:

- Union:

```
s1.addAll(s2)
```

- Intersection:

```
s1.retainAll(s2);
```

- Relative complement:

```
s1.removeAll(s2);
```

- Is subset:

```
s1.containsAll(s2);
```

Set interface (5)

- In order to delete duplicate elements from a collection:

```
Collection<Integer> withDuplicates;  
//...
```

```
Collection<Integer> withoutDuplicates = new HashSet<Integer>();  
withoutDuplicates.addAll(withDuplicates);
```

```
Collection<Integer> withoutDuplicates  
    = new HashSet<Integer>(withDuplicates);
```

Set interface (6)

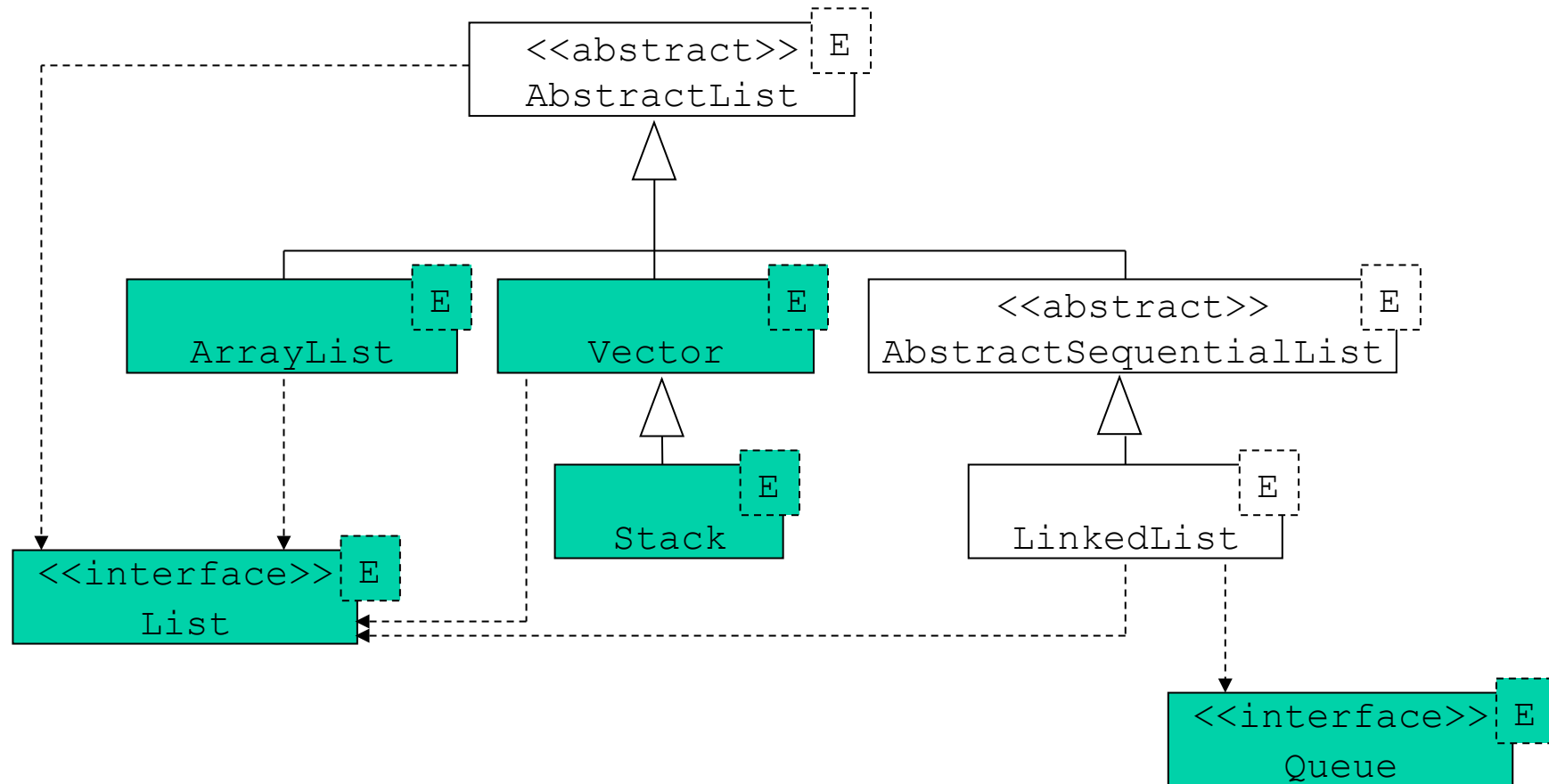
```
Set<String> s1 = new HashSet<String>();  
s1.add("Ana"); s1.add("Joao");  
System.out.print("s1 = ",s1);  
  
Set<String> s2 = new HashSet<String>();  
s2.add("Joao"); s2.add("Luis");  
System.out.print("s2 = ",s2);  
  
Set<String> s3;  
s3 = new HashSet<String>(s1); s3.addAll(s2);  
System.out.print("Union(s1,s2) = ",s3);  
s3 = new HashSet<String>(s1); s3.retainAll(s2);  
System.out.print("Intersection(s1,s2) = ",s3);  
s3 = new HashSet<String>(s1); s3.removeAll(s2);  
System.out.print("RelComplement(s1,s2) = ",s3);
```

Set interface (7)

Relatively to the previous example:

- In the terminal is printed:
s1 = [Joao, Ana]
s2 = [Joao, Luis]
Union(s1,s2) = [Joao, Luis, Ana]
Intersection(s1,s2) = [Joao]
RelComplement(s1,s2) = [Ana]

List interface (1)



List interface (2)

```
public interface List<E> extends Collection<E> {  
    E get(int index);  
    E set(int index, E elem);  
    void add(int index, E elem);  
    E remove(int index);  
    int indexOf(Object elem);  
    int lastIndexOf(Object elem);  
    List<E> subList(int min, int max);  
    ListIterator<E> listIterator(int index);  
    ListIterator<E> listIterator();  
}
```

ArrayList class (1)

- It is an implementation of `List` that store its elements in an array:
 - The array has an initial capacity.
 - When the initial capacity is exceeded it is built a new array and its content is copied.
 - A correct value for the initial capacity of the `ArrayList` improves its performance.
- **Complexity:**
 - Adding (in position i) and removing (in position i): $O(n-i)$ where n is the length of the list and $i < n$.
 - Add (in the end) and remove (from the end): $O(1)$
 - Accessing an element (in any position): $O(1)$

ArrayList class (2)

```
public class ArrayList<E>
    extends AbstractList<E>
    implements List<E>, ...
{
    ArrayList() {...}
    ArrayList(int initialCapacity) {...}
    ArrayList(Collection<? extends E> coll) {...}
    void trimToSize() {...}
    void ensureCapacity(int minCapacity) {...}
}
```

- By default, the initial capacity of an `ArrayList` is 10.

LinkedList class (1)

- It is an implementation of `List` with a doubly linked list.
- The `LinkedList` class also implements the interface `Queue`.
- **Complexity:**
 - Add (in position i) and remove (from position i): $O(\min\{i, n-i\})$, where n is the length of the list.
 - Add (in the beginning or in the end) and remove (from the beginning or the end): $O(1)$.
 - Accessing an element in position i : $O(\min\{i, n-i\})$, where n is the length of the list.

LinkedList class (2)

- **From the complexity analysis one can conclude:**
 - **A LinkedList should be used wherever:**
 - The length of the list varies.
 - It is important to add or remove elements in arbitrary positions of the list.
 - **It is preferable to use an ArrayList whenever:**
 - New elements are added/removed to/from the end of the list.
 - It is important to access its elements very efficiently.

LinkedList class (3)

```
public class LinkedList<E>
    extends AbstractSequentialList<E>
    implements List<E>, Queue<E>, ...
{
    LinkedList() {...}
    LinkedList(Collection<? extends E> coll) {...}
    E getFirst() {...}
    E getLast() {...}
    E removeFirst() {...}
    E removeLast() {...}
    void addFirst(E elem) {...}
    void addLast(E elem) {...}
}
```

Legacy collections types

- The interfaces/classes presented so far are new in the `java.util` package (version 5 or later).
- The `java.util` package has always contained some other collections, which are not deprecated because they are in widespread use in existing code (previous to version 5). The most prominent are:
 - `Vector`
 - `Stack`
- Although `Vector` and `Stack` are legacy types, they implement the `List` interface, so they work just like any other collection.

Vector class (1)

```
public class Vector<E>
    extends AbstractList<E>
    implements List<E>, ...
{
    //New methods, as in ArrayList
    Vector() {...} //ArrayList()
    Vector(int initialCapacity) {...} //ArrayList(initialCapacity)
    Vector(Collection<? Extends E> coll) {...} //ArrayList(coll)
    void trimToSize() {...}
    void ensureCapacity(int minCapacity) {...}
    //... Difference to ArrayList (next slide)
```

- By default, the initial capacity of a `Vector` is 10.

Vector class (2)

```
//Difference to ArrayList
Vector(int initialCapacity, int capacityIncrement) {...}
void copyInto(Object[] anArray) {...}
int indexOf(Object elem, int index) {...}
int lastIndexOf(Object elem, int index) {...}
void setSize(int newSize) {...}
int capacity() {...}
//Legacy methods with equivalence in ArrayList
void addElement(E elem) {...} //add(elem)
void insertElement(E elem, int index) {...} //add(index,elem)
void setElement(E elem, int index) {...} //set(index,elem)
void removeElement(int index) {...} //remove(index)
boolean removeElement(Object elem) {...} //remove(elem)
void removeAllElements() {...} //clear()
E elementAt(int index) {...} //get(index)
E firstElement() {...} //get(0)
E lastElement() {...} //get(size()-1)
}
```

Vector class (3)

- Using Vector as legacy code:

```
Vector vector = new Vector(20); // to avoid
```

- Using Vector as a generic collection:

```
Vector<?> vector = new Vector<String>(20);
```

```
Vector<String> vector = new Vector<String>(20);
```

Vector class (4)

```
import java.util.Vector;
public class Main {
    private final int SIZE = 10;
    private Vector<Integer> vector = new Vector<Integer>(SIZE);
    //...
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer iobj;
        for(int index=0;index<SIZE;index++)
            vector.addElement(new Integer(index));
        for(int index=2;index<SIZE;index+=2){
            iobj=(Integer)vector.elementAt(index-1);
            vector.setElementAt(new Integer(2*iobj.intValue()),index);
        }
        for(int index=0;index<SIZE;index++)
            System.out.println(
                "Índice = "+index+" "+vec.elementAt(index));
    }
}
```

Vector class (5)

```
import java.util.Vector;
public class Main {
    private final int SIZE = 10;
    private Vector<Integer> vector = new Vector<Integer>(SIZE);
    //...
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer iobj;
        for(int index=0;index<SIZE;index++)
            vector.add(new Integer(index));
        for(int index=2;index<SIZE;index+=2){
            iobj=(Integer)vector.get(index-1);
            vector.set(new Integer(2*iobj.intValue()),index);
        }
        for(int index=0;index<SIZE;index++)
            System.out.println(
                "Índice = "+index+" "+vec.get(index));
    }
}
```

Vector class (6)

- The `Vector` class (as any generic type), jointly with the appropriate hierarchy, allows to invoke a method in all its elements without knowing the actual type of the object.
- Example:
 - Consider `CurrentAccount` and `SavingsAccount` both deriving from the abstract class `Account`.
 - In the `Account` is defined an abstract method `interest()`, which is then implemented in the concrete classes.

Vector class (7)

```
Vector<Account> v = new Vector<Account>();  
//...  
v.add(new CurrentAccount());  
v.add(new SavingsAccount());  
//...  
for(i=0;i<v.size();i++)  
    (v.get(i)).interest();
```

- The `interest()` method runs the implementation of the respective actual type (dynamic binding).
- Further extending the `Account` hierarchy does not require changes in the existing code for computing the interest, easing the development of applications.

Stack class

- The `Stack` class extends `Vector` and adds new methods to obtain a data structure with a LIFO structure.

```
public class Stack<E> extends Vector<E> {  
    Stack();  
    E push(E item);  
    E pop();  
    E peek();  
    boolean empty();  
    int search(Object o);  
}
```

List implementations

Advantages

- Solve the drawback of the arrays' constant length.

Disadvantages

- It can only store objects (data of primitive type must be stored within wrapper classes).
- Access to arrays is more efficient.

Arrays class (1)

- The **static Arrays class** is provided by the J2SE with methods to manipulate arrays.
- The great majority of the methods has several overloads:
 - One for arrays for each primitive type.
 - One for `Object` arrays.
- There are also two variants of some methods:
 - One acting in the entire array.
 - One acting on a subarray specified by two supplied indexes.

Arrays class (2)

- The methods of the `Arrays` utility class are :
 - **`static void sort`**: sorts in ascending order, with parameters:
 1. Array to sort (mandatory)
 2. Two indexes that define the subarray (by default, coincides with the entire array)
 3. A `Comparator` object that induces an order in the array elements (by default, natural order defined by the `Comparable`)
 - **`static int binarySearch`**: binary search (the array must be sorted in ascending order), with parameters:
 1. Array where to search (mandatory)
 2. Value to search for (mandatory)
 3. A `Comparator` object that induces an order in the array elements (by default, natural order defined by the `Comparable`)

Arrays class (3)

```
Integer[] ints = new Integer[2];  
ints[0]=1;  
ints[1]=2;  
System.out.println(Arrays.binarySearch(ints,1));  
ints[0]=2;  
ints[1]=1;  
System.out.println(Arrays.binarySearch(ints,1));
```

In the terminal is printed

0
-1

Arrays class (4)

- **static void fill**: Fill the array entries, with parameters:
 1. Array to fill (mandatory)
 2. Two indexes that define the subarray (by default, coincides with the entire array)
 3. Value to insert (mandatory)
- **static boolean equals**: Test for equivalence between arrays (use `equals` on each non-`null` element of the array), with parameters:
 1. Two arrays of the same type (mandatory)
- **static boolean deepEquals**: Test for equivalence between multidimensional arrays (based on contents), with parameters:
 1. Two arrays of type `Object` (mandatory)

Arrays class (5)

- **static int hashCode**: returns the array hash code (use the `hashCode` of each non-`null` element).
- **static int deepHashCode**: returns the hash code of the `Object[]` array (based on contents, taking into account nested arrays).
- **static String toString**: returns a string that represents the textual content of the array received as parameters.
- **static String deepToString**: returns a string that represents the textual content, taking into account nested arrays, of the `Object[]` array received as parameter.
- **static <T> List<T> asList(T[] t)**: returns a `List` with the elements of the array received as parameter.
 - This method acts as bridge between arrays and collections (complements the `toArray` method in collections).

Arrays class (6)

```
Integer[][] ints = new Integer[2][5];
Arrays.fill(ints[0],0); Arrays.fill(ints[1],1);
System.out.println("ints="+Arrays.deepToString(ints));
Integer other[][] = new Integer[2][5];
Arrays.fill(other[0],0); Arrays.fill(other[1],1);
System.out.println("other="+Arrays.deepToString(other));
System.out.println(ints.hashCode()+"\t"+
    Arrays.hashCode(ints)+"\t"+
    Arrays.hashCode(ints[0])+"\t"+Arrays.hashCode(ints[1])+"\t"+
    Arrays.deepHashCode(ints));
System.out.println(other.hashCode()+"\t"+
    Arrays.hashCode(other)+"\t"+
    Arrays.hashCode(other[0])+"\t"+Arrays.hashCode(other[1])+"\t"+
    Arrays.deepHashCode(other));
```

In the terminal is printed

```
ints=[[0, 0, 0, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]
other=[[0, 0, 0, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1, 1]]
16795905 922240875    28629151 29583456 917088098
12115735 676418749   28629151 29583456 917088098
```

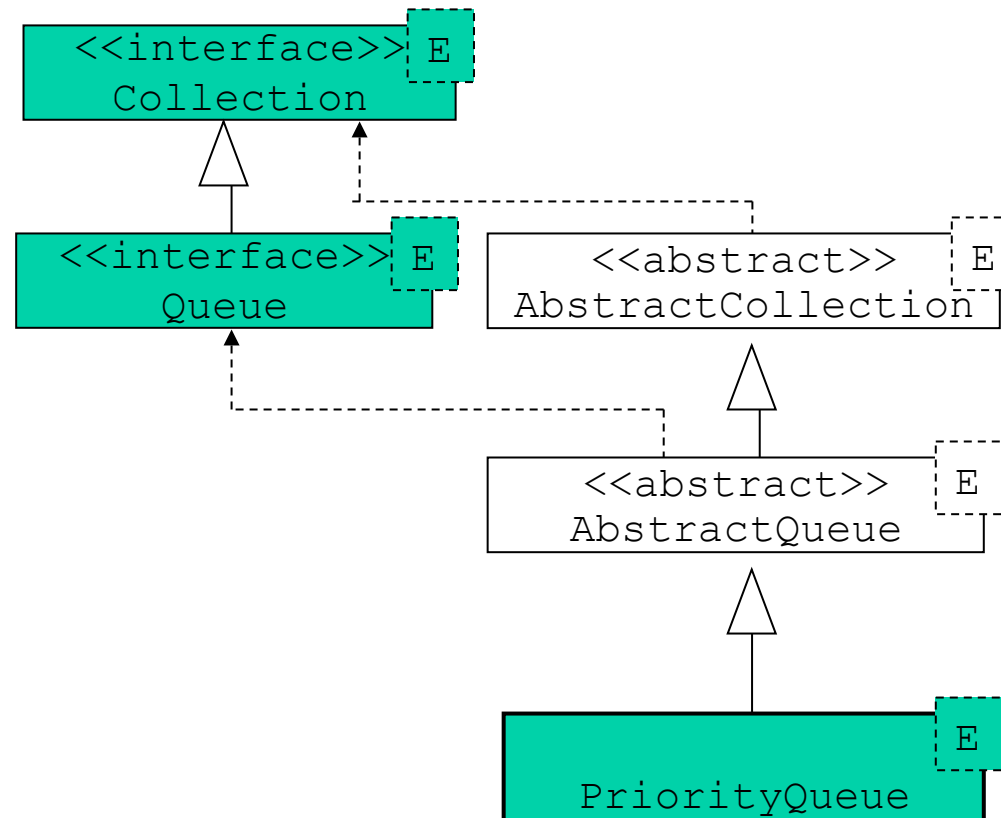
Arrays class (7)

```
List<?> list = new ArrayList<Object>();  
list.add(1);  
list.add("Hello");  
Object[] objects = new Object[2];  
objects = list.toArray();  
System.out.println(list.equals(Arrays.asList(objects)));  
System.out.println(objects.equals(list.toArray()));  
System.out.println(Arrays.equals(objects, list.toArray()));
```

In the terminal is printed

true
false
true

Queue interface (1)



Queue interface (2)

```
public interface Queue<E> extends Collection<E> {  
    E element();  
    E peek();  
    E remove();  
    E poll();  
    boolean offer(E elem);  
}
```

Queue interface (3)

- Although collections allow for `null` elements, a `Queue` must not contain `null` elements, as `null` is used in the return of the `peek` and `poll` methods to indicate that the `Queue` is empty.
- The `LinkedList` class is the simpler implementation of the `Queue` interface.
 - For historic reasons `null` elements are allowed in a `LinkedList`.
 - Inserting `null` elements in a `LinkedList` must be avoided whenever it is being used as a `Queue`.

PriorityQueue class (1)

- The `PriorityQueue` is other implementation of `Queue`.
- It is based on a priority heap.
- The head of the priority queue is the smallest element in it.
 - The smallest element is determined either by the elements' natural order or by a supplied comparator.
 - Whether the smallest element represents the element with the highest or lowest priority depends on how the natural order or the comparator is defined.

PriorityQueue class (2)

- The `PriorityQueue` iterator is not guaranteed to traverse the elements in priority order.
- But it guarantees that removing elements from the queue occurs in a given order.

PriorityQueue class (3)

- PriorityQueue constructors:

```
public PriorityQueue()  
public PriorityQueue(int initialCapacity)  
public PriorityQueue(int initialCapacity,  
                    Comparator<? super E> comp)  
public PriorityQueue(Collection<? extends E> coll)  
public PriorityQueue(SortedSet<? extends E> coll)  
public PriorityQueue(PriorityQueue<? extends E> coll)
```

- The capacity is unlimited, but the adjustment is computationally expensive.

PriorityQueue class (4)

```
public class Task {  
    String name; // identifier  
    int level;    // priority  
  
    public int level() {  
        return level;  
    }  
    public void newLevel(int value) {  
        level = value;  
    }  
    public Task(String name, int l) {  
        this.name=name;  
        level = l;  
    }  
}
```

PriorityQueue class (5)

```
private static class TaskComparator implements Comparator<Task> {  
    public int compare(Task l, Task r) {  
        return l.level() - r.level();  
    }  
}
```

PriorityQueue class (6)

```
PriorityQueue<Task> pq =  
    new PriorityQueue<Task>(10,new TaskComparator());  
Task t;  
for (char letter='A';letter<='G';letter++)  
    pq.add(new Task("Task "+letter,((letter-'A')%4));  
while (!pq.isEmpty()){  
    t=pq.poll();  
    System.out.println(t.toString()+ " priority="+t.level());  
}
```

In the terminal is printed:

```
Task A priority=0  
Task E priority=0  
Task B priority=1  
Task F priority=1  
Task C priority=2  
Task G priority=2  
Task D priority=3
```


Map interface (1)

- The `Map<K, V>` interface does not extend the `Collection` interface.
- Main characteristics of a `Map<K, V>`:
 - One does not add an element to a map, one adds a key/value pair.
 - A map allows to look up the value stored under a key.
 - A given key maps to one value or no values.
 - A value can be mapped to by many keys.
- A **map** establishes a partial function from keys to values.

Map interface (2)

- Basic methods of the `Map<K, V>` interface:

```
int size();  
boolean isEmpty();  
boolean containsKey(Object key);  
boolean containsValue(Object value);  
V get(Object key);  
V put(K key, V value);  
V remove(Object key);  
void putAll(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> otherMap);  
void clear();
```

Map interface (3)

- Some methods to see a `Map<K, V>` as a `Collection`:

```
Set<K> keySet();  
Collection<V> values();
```

- From the `Map` interface are derived other interfaces:
 - **SortedMap**: keys are ordered
 - **ConcurrentMap**

HashMap class (1)

- The `HashMap` class is an implementation of the `Map` interface by an hash table.
- It is very efficient.
 - With a well-written `hashCode` method, adding, removing or finding a key/value pair is $O(1)$.
- Constructors of the `HashMap` class:

```
public HashMap(int initialCapacity, float loadFactor)
public HashMap(int initialCapacity)
public HashMap()
public HashMap(Map<? extends K, ? extends V> map)
```

HashMap class (2)

```
import java.util.*;

String str;
Long l;
Map store = new HashMap(); // name is used as key

str = "Miguel"; l = new Long(1327);
store.put(str,l);
l = (Long) store.get(str);
if (l!=null)
    System.out.println("Codigo de "+str+"="+l.longValue());
str = "Luisa"; l = new Long(9261);
store.put(str,l);
l = (Long) store.get(str);
if (l!=null)
    System.out.println("Codigo de "+str+"="+l.longValue());
```

SortedMap interface

```
interface SortedMap<K,V> extends Map<K,V> {  
    Comparator<? super K> comparator();  
    K firstKey();  
    K lastKey();  
    SortedMap<K,V> subMap(K minKey, K maxKey);  
    SortedMap<K,V> headMap(K maxKey);  
    SortedMap<K,V> tailMap(K minKey);  
}
```

TreeMap class

- The `TreeMap` class is an implementation of the `SortedMap` interface by a binary balanced tree.
 - The access is not so efficient as with `HashMap`.
 - Adding, removing or finding a key/value pair is $O(\log n)$.
 - But the elements are always ordered.
- In the `HashMap` example just replace the declaration:
`Map store = new TreeMap();`