

Collection Interface Vs Collections Class

1. Collection Interface:

- Root interface in java.util package which represents group of objects as a single unit
- It is an interface
- Implemented by various collection classes like ArrayList, HashSet, TreeSet, etc
- It provides methods for adding, removing, and iterating over elements in a collection.

2. Collections Class:

- Is a utility class in java.util package that provides static methods for performing various operations on collections.
- It is a class
- It is final class, so it cannot be inherited.
- Methods like sort(), reverse(), shuffle(), etc.

- Collections.shuffle(List<?> list)

This randomly shuffles the elements in a list.

```
import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

public class CollectionsShuffleExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Creating a list of playing cards
        List<String> cards = Arrays.asList("Ace", "King",
"Queen", "Jack");

        //Displaying cards before shuffling
        System.out.println("Before Shuffling: " + cards);

        //To shuffle elements randomly
        Collections.shuffle(cards);

        //Displaying list after shuffle
        System.out.println("After Shuffling: " + cards);
    }
}
```

o/p:

Before Shuffling: [Ace, King, Queen, Jack]

After Shuffling: [Queen, Jack, Ace, King]

- Min() and Max()

```
import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

public class CollectionsMinMaxEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        //Creating a list of numbers
        List<Integer> numbers =
Arrays.asList(10,2,20,40,56,59);

        //Finding the minimum and maximum value in tthe
list
        int min = Collections.min(numbers);
        int max = Collections.max(numbers);

        //Displaying values
        System.out.println("Minimum : "+ min);
        System.out.println("Maximum : "+ max);
    }
}
```

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Minimum : 2

Maximum : 59

- Collections.copy()

This method copies elements from one list to another

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

public class CollectionsCopyExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        //creating a source list
        List<String> source = Arrays.asList("A","B","C");
```

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        //creating a destination list with the same size as of
source
        List<String> destination = new
ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList("", "", ""));
//        List<String> destination = new ArrayList<>(source);

        //Copying elements from source to destination
Collections.copy(destination, source);

        //Displaying the list
System.out.println("Source: " + source);

        System.out.println("Destination: " + destination);

    }
}

```

o/p:

Source: [A, B, C]

Destination: [A, B, C]

- **replaceAll():**

```

• import java.util.Arrays;
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

public class ReplaceAllEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        List<String> names = Arrays.asList("Krishna",
"Gopal" , "Govind");
        System.out.println("Real: " + names);
        Collections.replaceAll(names, "Krishna",
"Krish");
        System.out.println("After Replacement: " + names);
    }
}

```

- **Collections.synchronizedList(List<T> list)**
It will return the thread safe version of the given list
- **Collections.synchronizedMap()**
- **Collections.synchronizedSet()**
- **Sort()** – sorts elements in ascending order
- **Reverse()** – reverses the order of elements

- Object Class:

- Root of the class hierarchy in java
- Every java class inherits from object class either directly or indirectly.
- It is a part of java.lang package.
- It provides commonly used methods such as toString(), equals(), hashCode(), wait(), notify()

1. toString() Method:

- it returns string representation of an object
- by default, it prints classname and object's hashCode
- It can be overridden to provide meaningful representation.

Task: create employee class with id and name, override the toString create an object in main class and display the object.

2. equals(Object obj) Method

- compares two objects
- default implementation checks if the references are the same.
- We can override it to compare object values.

```
- package exampleEquals;

public class Employee {
    int id;
    String name;

    public Employee(int id, String name) {
        this.id = id;
        this.name = name;
    }

    //overriding the equals() to compare employee
    objects
    @Override
    public boolean equals(Object obj){
        if (this == obj) return true; // if both
        references point to the same object
    }
}
```

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        if(obj == null || getClass() != obj.getClass()
) return false;

        Employee employee = (Employee)obj; // Typecast
to Employee
        return id == employee.id &&
name.equals(employee.name);    //Compare values
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Employee emp1 = new Employee(101,"Krishna");
        Employee emp2 = new Employee(101, "Krishna");

        //Comparing two employee objects
        System.out.println("Are they equal? "+
emp1.equals(emp2));

    }

}

```

o/p:

Are they equal? true

getClass() : returns the runtime class of object.

Will discuss in threads:

wait()

notify()

notifyAll()

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