

# Collections

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# Collection

- Collection (sometimes called a container) is an object that holds other objects that are accessed, placed, and maintained under some set of rules.
- Examples
  - Sets
  - List
  - Map

# Collection vs. Array

- Array

- fixed size.

- Type safe.

```
Integer[] data = new Integer[2];  
data[0] = 5;  
data[1] = "Hello"; // error
```

- Can store primitive type.

- Better performance but

- If we need to increase or decrease the size of an array – it becomes inefficient.

- Need to declare a new array

- Copy the elements from old array to the new one.

- It is not always feasible to know how big an array will be needed for an application.

# Collection vs. Array

- Collection

- dynamic array. No size limitation
- Need explicit casting while retrieving data.
- Not type safe.

```
Collection data = new ArrayList();  
data.add(5); // OK, will auto boxing  
data.add("Hello");// OK
```

- Have methods that perform useful computations, such as searching and sorting, on objects.

# Collection Framework

- A collections framework is a unified architecture for representing and manipulating **collections** in your programs.
  - The Java Collections Framework standardizes the way in which groups of objects are handled by your programs.
- Collections were not part of the original Java release, but were added by J2SE 1.2.
- Prior to the Collections Framework, Java provided ad hoc classes such as **Dictionary**, **Vector**, **Stack**, and **Properties** to store and manipulate groups of objects.

# Collection Framework-Components

- All collections frameworks contain the following:
  - **Interfaces**
    - These are abstract data types that represent collections. Interfaces allow collections to be manipulated independently of the details of their representation.
  - **Implementations, i.e., Classes**
    - These are the concrete implementations of the collection interfaces. In essence, they are reusable data structures.
  - **Algorithms**
    - These are the methods that perform useful computations, such as searching and sorting, on objects that implement collection interfaces.
    - The algorithms are said to be polymorphic:
      - that is, the same method can be used on many different implementations of the appropriate collection interface.

# Collection Framework – Goal/Benefits

- The Collections Framework was designed to meet several goals.
  - First, the framework had to be high-performance. The implementations for the fundamental collections (dynamic arrays, linked lists, trees, and hash tables) are highly efficient.
  - Second, the framework had to allow different types of collections to work in a similar manner and with a high degree of interoperability.
    - Reduces programming effort.
    - Reduces effort to learn and to use new API
  - Third, extending and/or adapting a collection had to be easy. Toward this end, the entire Collections Framework is built upon a set of standard interfaces.
    - Reduces effort to design new APIs
    - Several standard implementations (such as **LinkedList**, **HashSet**, and **TreeSet**) **of these interfaces** are provided that you may use as-is.

# Collection Framework – Goal/Benefits

- *Algorithms are another important part of the collection mechanism.*
  - *Algorithms operate on collections and are defined as static methods within the **Collections class**.*
    - **Thus, they are** available for all collections.
    - Each collection class need not implement its own versions.
    - The algorithms provide a standard means of manipulating collections.



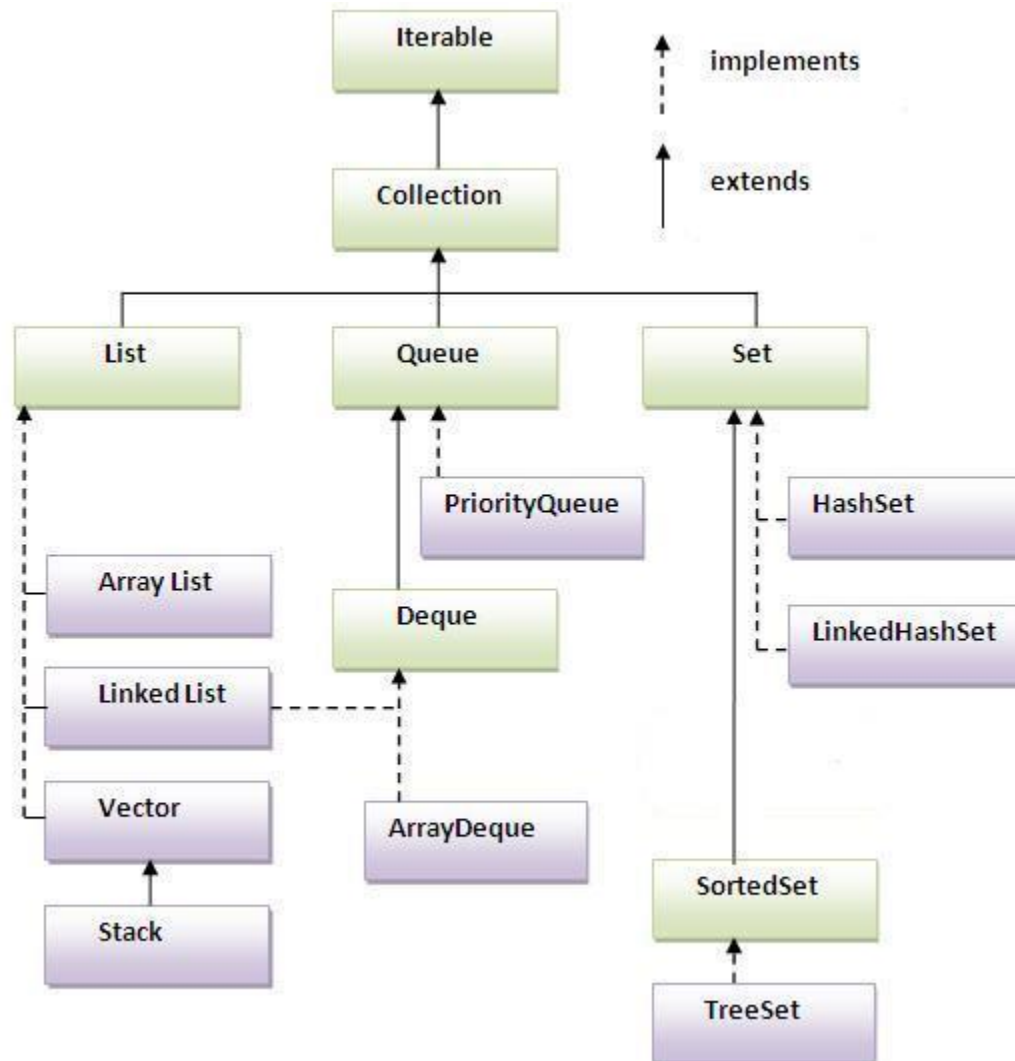
# Iterator

- Is an item closely associated with the Collections Framework
- Often, you will want to cycle through the elements in a collection. For example, you might want to display each element.
- The easiest way to do this is to employ an iterator
  - *It offers a general-purpose, standardized way of accessing the elements within a collection, one at a time.*
  - Iterator provides the facility of iterating the elements in forward direction only.
- There are only three methods in the Iterator interface. They are:
  - **public boolean hasNext()** it returns true if iterator has more elements.
  - **public Object next()** it returns the element and moves the cursor pointer to the next element.
  - **public void remove()** it removes the last elements returned by the iterator. It is rarely used.

# Collection Interfaces

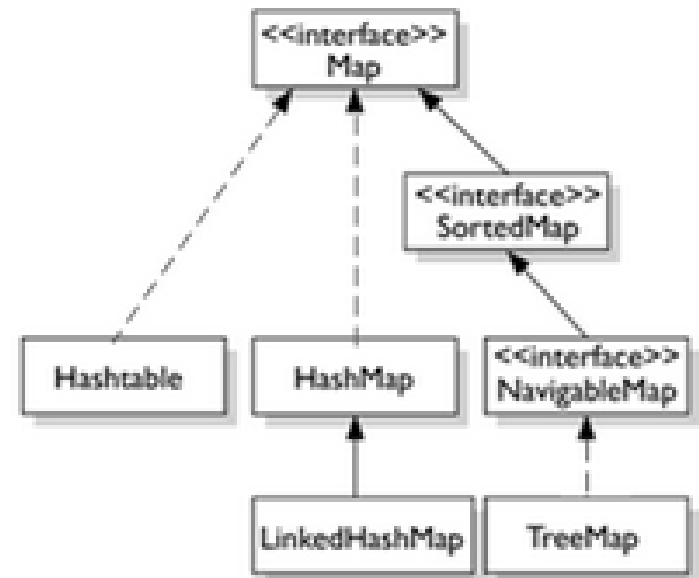
- The *collection interfaces* are divided into two groups. The most basic interface, [java.util.Collection](#).
- The other collection interfaces are based on [java.util.Map](#)
  - Map are not true collections.
  - However, these interfaces contain *collection-view* operations, which enable them to be manipulated as collections.

# Hierarchy of Collection Framework



# Map – not true collection

- A [Map](#)
  - is an object that maps keys to values
  - cannot contain duplicate keys:
  - Each key can map to at most one value.



# Methods of Collection interface

No.	Method	Description
1	<code>public boolean add(Object element)</code>	is used to insert an element in this collection.
2	<code>public boolean addAll(Collection c)</code>	is used to insert the specified collection elements in the invoking collection.
3	<code>public boolean remove(Object element)</code>	is used to delete an element from this collection.
4	<code>public boolean removeAll(Collection c)</code>	is used to delete all the elements of specified collection from the invoking collection.
5	<code>public boolean retainAll(Collection c)</code>	is used to delete all the elements of invoking collection except the specified collection.
6	<code>public int size()</code>	return the total number of elements in the collection.
7	<code>public void clear()</code>	removes the total no of element from the collection.
8	<code>public boolean contains(Object element)</code>	is used to search an element.
9	<code>public boolean containsAll(Collection c)</code>	is used to search the specified collection in this collection.
10	<code>public Iterator iterator()</code>	returns an iterator.
11	<code>public Object[] toArray()</code>	converts collection into array.
12	<code>public boolean isEmpty()</code>	checks if collection is empty.
13	<code>public boolean equals(Object element)</code>	matches two collection.
14	<code>public int hashCode()</code>	returns the hashcode number for collection.

# ArrayList

- Java ArrayList class uses a dynamic array for storing the elements. It extends AbstractList class and implements List interface.
- can contain duplicate elements.
- maintains insertion order.
- non synchronized.
- allows random access because array works at the index basis.
- manipulation is slow because a lot of shifting needs to be occurred if any element is removed from the array list.

# ArrayList

- Java collection framework was non-generic before JDK 1.5. Since 1.5, it is generic.

- **Non-Generic:**

- Can hold any type of object
- Example:
  - `ArrayList al=new ArrayList();` //creating non-generic arraylist

- **Generic:**

- allows you to have only one type of object in collection
- the type is specified in angular braces.
- is forced to have only specified type of objects in it.
- If you try to add another type of object, it gives *compile time error*.
- Example:
  - `ArrayList<String> al=new ArrayList<String>();` //creating generic arraylist

# ArrayList - Example

```
import java.util.*;
class TestCollection1{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        ArrayList<String> al=new ArrayList<String>();//creating arraylist
        al.add("Ravi");//adding object in arraylist
        al.add("Vijay");
        al.add("Ravi"); // duplicate object
        al.add("Ajay");

        //getting Iterator from arraylist to traverse elements .
        // Can also use for or enhanced for loop to access the item
        Iterator itr=al.iterator();
        while(itr.hasNext()){
            System.out.println(itr.next());
        }
    }
}
```

## •Output

```
Ravi
Vijay
Ravi
Ajay
```



# ArrayList – Some Methods

Method	Description
boolean <a href="#">add</a> ( <a href="#">E</a> e)	Appends the specified element to the end of this list.
void <a href="#">add</a> (int index, <a href="#">E</a> element)	Inserts the specified element at the specified position in this list.
boolean <a href="#">addAll</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? <a href="#">E</a> > c)	Appends all of the elements in the specified collection to the end of this list, in the order that they are returned by the specified collection's Iterator.
void <a href="#">clear</a> ()	Removes all of the elements from this list.
boolean <a href="#">contains</a> ( <a href="#">Object</a> o)	Returns <code>true</code> if this list contains the specified element.
<a href="#">E</a> <a href="#">get</a> (int index)	Returns the element at the specified position in this list.
int <a href="#">indexOf</a> ( <a href="#">Object</a> o)	Returns the index of the first occurrence of the specified element in this list, or -1 if this list does not contain the element.
boolean <a href="#">isEmpty</a> ()	Returns <code>true</code> if this list contains no elements.
<a href="#">Iterator</a> < <a href="#">E</a> > <a href="#">iterator</a> ()	Returns an iterator over the elements in this list in proper sequence.
<a href="#">E</a> <a href="#">remove</a> (int index)	Removes the element at the specified position in this list.
boolean <a href="#">remove</a> ( <a href="#">Object</a> o)	Removes the first occurrence of the specified element from this list, if it is present.
<a href="#">E</a> <a href="#">set</a> (int index, <a href="#">E</a> element)	Replaces the element at the specified position in this list with the specified element.
int <a href="#">size</a> ()	Returns the number of elements in this list.
<a href="#">Object</a> [] <a href="#">toArray</a> ()	Returns an array containing all of the elements in this list in proper sequence (from first to last element).

# HashSet

- It extends AbstractSet class and implements Set interface.
- contains unique elements only.
- non synchronized.
- HashSet allows null values however if you insert more than one nulls it would still return only one null value.
- HashSet doesn't maintain any order, the elements would be returned in any random order.
  - Hence can't access randomly.

# HashSet - Example

```
import java.util.*;
class TestCollection1{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        HashSet<String> al=new HashSet<String>(); //creating hashset
        al.add("Ravi"); //adding object in hashset
        al.add("Vijay");
        al.add("Ravi"); // duplicate object
        al.add("Ajay");

        //getting Iterator from hashset to traverse elements .
        // Can also use enhanced for loop to access the item but not normal for loop
        Iterator itr=al.iterator();
        while(itr.hasNext()){
            System.out.println(itr.next());
        }
    }
}
```

## •Output

Vijay  
Ajay  
Ravi

# HashSet– Some Methods

Method	Description
boolean <a href="#">add(E e)</a>	Adds the specified element to this set if it is not already present.
void <a href="#">clear()</a>	Removes all of the elements from this set.
boolean <a href="#">contains(Object o)</a>	Returns true if this set contains the specified element.
boolean <a href="#">isEmpty()</a>	Returns true if this set contains no elements.
<a href="#">Iterator&lt;E&gt; iterator()</a>	Returns an iterator over the elements in this set.
boolean <a href="#">remove(Object o)</a>	Removes the specified element from this set if it is present.
int <a href="#">size()</a>	Returns the number of elements in this set (its cardinality).

# Difference between List and Set

- HashSet doesn't maintain any order, the elements would be returned in any random order. List does.
- List can contain duplicate elements whereas Set contains unique elements only.

# Hashtable

- Hashtable was part of the original java.util and is a concrete implementation of a **Dictionary**.
- However, Java 2 re-engineered Hashtable so that it also implements the **Map** interface.
- Thus, Hashtable is now integrated into the **collections** framework.
- Hashtable implements the Map interface and extends Dictionary class.
- It contains only unique elements.
- It may have not have any null key or value.
- It is synchronized.

# Hashtable – some methods

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
boolean	<a href="#"><u>contains</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>Object</u></a> value) Tests if some key maps into the specified value in this hashtable.
boolean	<a href="#"><u>containsKey</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>Object</u></a> key) Tests if the specified object is a key in this hashtable.
boolean	<a href="#"><u>containsValue</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>Object</u></a> value) Returns true if this hashtable maps one or more keys to this value.
<a href="#"><u>Enumeration</u></a> < <a href="#"><u>V</u></a> >	<a href="#"><u>elements</u></a> () Returns an enumeration of the values in this hashtable.
<a href="#"><u>Set</u></a> < <a href="#"><u>Map.Entry</u></a> < <a href="#"><u>K</u></a> , <a href="#"><u>V</u></a> >>	<a href="#"><u>entrySet</u></a> () Returns a <a href="#"><u>Set</u></a> view of the mappings contained in this map.
boolean	<a href="#"><u>equals</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>Object</u></a> o) Compares the specified Object with this Map for equality, as per the definition in the Map interface.
void	<a href="#"><u>forEach</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>BiConsumer</u></a> <? super <a href="#"><u>K</u></a> ,? super <a href="#"><u>V</u></a> > action) Performs the given action for each entry in this map until all entries have been processed or the action throws an exception.
<a href="#"><u>V</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>get</u></a> ( <a href="#"><u>Object</u></a> key) Returns the value to which the specified key is mapped, or null if this map contains no mapping for the key.
int	<a href="#"><u>hashCode</u></a> () Returns the hash code value for this Map as per the definition in the Map interface.
boolean	<a href="#"><u>isEmpty</u></a> () Tests if this hashtable maps no keys to values.

# Hashtable – some methods

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
<a href="#">Enumeration</a> < <a href="#">K</a> >	<a href="#">keys()</a> Returns an enumeration of the keys in this hashtable.
<a href="#">Set</a> < <a href="#">K</a> >	<a href="#">keySet()</a> Returns a <a href="#">Set</a> view of the keys contained in this map.
<a href="#">V</a>	<a href="#">put</a> ( <a href="#">K</a> key, <a href="#">V</a> value) Maps the specified key to the specified value in this hashtable.
void	<a href="#">putAll</a> ( <a href="#">Map</a> <? extends <a href="#">K</a> ,? extends <a href="#">V</a> > t) Copies all of the mappings from the specified map to this hashtable.
<a href="#">V</a>	<a href="#">remove</a> ( <a href="#">Object</a> key) Removes the key (and its corresponding value) from this hashtable.
boolean	<a href="#">remove</a> ( <a href="#">Object</a> key, <a href="#">Object</a> value) Removes the entry for the specified key only if it is currently mapped to the specified value.
<a href="#">V</a>	<a href="#">replace</a> ( <a href="#">K</a> key, <a href="#">V</a> value) Replaces the entry for the specified key only if it is currently mapped to some value.
boolean	<a href="#">replace</a> ( <a href="#">K</a> key, <a href="#">V</a> oldValue, <a href="#">V</a> newValue) Replaces the entry for the specified key only if currently mapped to the specified value.
int	<a href="#">size()</a> Returns the number of keys in this hashtable.
<a href="#">Collection</a> < <a href="#">V</a> >	<a href="#">values()</a> Returns a <a href="#">Collection</a> view of the values contained in this map.



# Hashtable - Example

```
import java.util.Enumeration;
import java.util.Hashtable;

public class TestHashTable {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Hashtable<String, String> ht = new Hashtable<>();
        ht.put("011001", "Arifa");
        ht.put("011002", "Reza");
        ht.put("011003", "Basir");
        ht.put("011004", "Salma");

        // Retrieve the keys
        Enumeration<String> keys=ht.keys();
        while(keys.hasMoreElements()){
            String key = keys.nextElement();
            String val = ht.get(key); // Get the value
            System.out.printf("%s : %s", key, val);
        }

        // Retrieve the elements/values
        Enumeration<String> elements=ht.elements();
        while(elements.hasMoreElements()){
            System.out.println(elements.nextElement());
        }
    }
}
```

Output:

```
<terminated> TestHashTable
011004 : Salma
011003 : Basir
011002 : Reza
011001 : Arifa
Salma
Basir
Reza
Arifa
```

# Collections Class

# Collections Class

- This class consists exclusively of static methods that operate on or return collections.
- It contains polymorphic algorithms that operate on collections.

# Some methods of Collections class

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
static <T> Boolean <a href="#">addAll</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? super T> c, T... elements)	Adds all of the specified elements to the specified collection.
static <T> int <a href="#">binarySearch</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <? extends <a href="#">Comparable</a> <? super T>> list, T key)	Searches the specified list for the specified object using the binary search algorithm.
static <T> int <a href="#">binarySearch</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <? extends T> list, T key, <a href="#">Comparator</a> <? super T> c)	Searches the specified list for the specified object using the binary search algorithm.
static <T> void <a href="#">copy</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <? super T> dest, <a href="#">List</a> <? extends T> src)	Copies all of the elements from one list into another.
static boolean <a href="#">disjoint</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <?> c1, <a href="#">Collection</a> <?> c2)	Returns <code>true</code> if the two specified collections have no elements in common.
static <T> void <a href="#">fill</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <? super T> list, T obj)	Replaces all of the elements of the specified list with the specified element.
static <T extends <a href="#">Object</a> & <a href="#">Comparable</a> <? super T>> T <a href="#">max</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? extends T> coll)	Returns the maximum element of the given collection, according to the <i>natural ordering</i> of its elements.
static <T> T <a href="#">max</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? extends T> coll, <a href="#">Comparator</a> <? super T> comp)	Returns the maximum element of the given collection, according to the order induced by the specified comparator.

# Some methods of Collections class

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
static <T extends <a href="#">Object</a> & <a href="#">Comparable</a> <? super T>> T <a href="#">min</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? extends T> coll)	Returns the minimum element of the given collection, according to the <i>natural ordering</i> of its elements.
static <T> T <a href="#">min</a> ( <a href="#">Collection</a> <? extends T> coll, <a href="#">Comparator</a> <? super T> comp)	Returns the minimum element of the given collection, according to the order induced by the specified comparator.
static <T> boolean <a href="#">replaceAll</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <T> list, T oldVal, T newVal)	Replaces all occurrences of one specified value in a list with another.
static void <a href="#">reverse</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <?> list)	Reverses the order of the elements in the specified list.
static <T extends <a href="#">Comparable</a> <? super T>> void <a href="#">sort</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <T> list)	Sorts the specified list into ascending order, according to the <a href="#">natural ordering</a> of its elements.
static <T> void <a href="#">sort</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <T> list, <a href="#">Comparator</a> <? super T> c)	Sorts the specified list according to the order induced by the specified comparator.
static void <a href="#">swap</a> ( <a href="#">List</a> <?> list, int i, int j)	Swaps the elements at the specified positions in the specified list.

- Notice all the methods that involve comparison of 2 objects, either require the Comparable interface or Comparator interface.

# Comparable interface(java.lang)

- Class whose objects to be sorted, compared implement this interface(Comparable or Comparable<T>).
  - have to implement compareTo(Object) or compareTo(<T>)method.
  - The comparison logic has to be implemented inside the compareTo() method.
  - collection of that object can be sorted automatically using Collection.sort() or Arrays.sort().
  - Object will be sort on the basis of compareTo method in that class.

# Comparator interface (java.util)

- Class whose objects to be sorted do not need to implement this interface.
- Some third class can implement this interface to sort
- Need to implement the sorting logic inside `compare(<T> o1, <T> o2)` method.

# Example - Comparable interface

```
import java.util.*;

public class Employee {
    private int id;
    private String name;
    private Integer salary;

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

    public Integer getSalary(){
        return salary;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return id+"\t"+name+"\t"+salary;
    }
}
```



# Example - Comparable interface

```
import java.util.*;

public class TestEmployee {
    public static void main(String a[]){
        List<Employee> emps = new ArrayList<Employee>();
        emps.add(new Employee(10, "Shakil", 25000));
        emps.add(new Employee(120, "Mamun", 45000));
        emps.add(new Employee(210, "Zaman", 14000));
        emps.add(new Employee(150, "Hasan", 24000));
        Collections.sort(emps); // The method sort(List<T>) in the type Collections is not applicable
                                // for the arguments (List<Empl>)
        System.out.println("Sorted List");
        for(Employee e: emps)
            System.out.println(e.toString());

        Employee maxSal = Collections.max(emps); // The method max(Collection<? extends T>)
                                                // in the type Collections is not applicable for the arguments (List<Empl>)
        System.out.println("\nEmployee with max salary: "+maxSal);
    }
}
```

# Example - Comparable interface

```
import java.util.*;
public class Employee implements Comparable<Employee>{
    private int id;
    private String name;
    private Integer salary;

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

    public Integer getSalary(){
        return salary;
    }

    public int compareTo(Employee emp) {
        return this.salary.compareTo(emp.salary);
    }

    public String toString(){
        return id+"\t"+name+"\t"+salary;
    }
}
```

# Example - Comparable interface

```
import java.util.*;

public class TestEmployee {
    public static void main(String a[]){
        List<Employee> emps = new ArrayList<Employee>();
        emps.add(new Employee(10, "Shakil", 25000));
        emps.add(new Employee(120, "Mamun", 45000));
        emps.add(new Employee(210, "Zaman", 14000));
        emps.add(new Employee(150, "Hasan", 24000));
        Collections.sort(emps); // No error
        System.out.println("Sorted List");
        for(Employee e: emps)
            System.out.println(e.toString());

        Employee maxSal = Collections.max(emps); // No error
        System.out.println("\nEmployee with max salary: "+maxSal);
    }
}
```

# Example - Comparable interface

- Output

Sorted List

210	Zaman	14000
150	Hasan	24000
10	Shakil	25000
120	Mamun	45000

Employee with max salary: 120

Mamun 45000

# Example - Comparator interface

```
import java.util.*;

public class Employee{
    private int id;
    private String name;
    private Integer salary;
    public Employee(int id, String name, Integer sal){
        this.id = id;
        this.name = name;
        this.salary = sal; }

    public Integer getSalary(){
        return salary;    }

    public String toString(){
        return id+"\t"+name+"\t"+salary; }
}

class CompareEmployee implements Comparator<Employee> {
    @Override
    public int compare(Employee o1, Employee o2) {
        return o1.getSalary().compareTo(o2.getSalary());
    }
}
```

# Example - Comparator interface

```
import java.util.*;

public class TestEmployee {
    public static void main(String a[]){
        List<Employee> emps = new ArrayList<Employee>();
        emps.add(new Employee(10, "Shakil", 25000));
        emps.add(new Employee(120, "Mamun", 45000));
        emps.add(new Employee(210, "Zaman", 14000));
        emps.add(new Employee(150, "Hasan", 24000));
        Collections.sort(emps, new CompareEmployee ()); // No error
        System.out.println("Sorted List");
        for(Employee e: emps)
            System.out.println(e.toString());

        Employee maxSal = Collections.max(emps, new CompareEmployee()); // No error
        System.out.println("\nEmployee with max salary: "+maxSal);
    }
}
```

**Note:** If want to apply different comparison logic for sort and max can use Anonymous class.

# Example - Comparator interface

```
public class TestEmployee {  
    public static void main(String a[]){  
        List<Employee> emps = new ArrayList<Employee>();  
        emps.add(new Employee(10, "Shakil", 25000));  
        emps.add(new Employee(120, "Mamun", 45000));  
        emps.add(new Employee(210, "Zaman", 14000));  
        emps.add(new Employee(150, "Hasan", 24000));  
        // Sort by name  
        Collections.sort(emps, new Comparator<Employee>(){  
            public int compare(Employee o1, Employee o2) {  
                return o1.getName().compareTo(o2.getName());  
            }  
        });  
        System.out.println("Sorted List");  
        for(Employee e: emps)  
            System.out.println(e.toString());  
  
        // compare using salary  
        Employee maxSal = Collections.max(emps, new Comparator<Employee>(){  
            public int compare(Employee o1, Employee o2) {  
                return o1.getSalary().compareTo(o2.getSalary());  
            }  
        });  
        System.out.println("\nEmployee with max salary: "+maxSal);  
    }  
}
```

Output:

Sorted List		
150	Hasan	24000
120	Mamun	45000
10	Shakil	25000
210	Zaman	14000

Employee with max salary: 120 Mamun 45000

# Collection Features – Java version

Java Version	Collection Features	Example
1.2	Introduced Collection of Object	<code>ArrayList al=<b>new</b> ArrayList();</code>
1.5	Introduced Generics	<code>ArrayList&lt;String&gt; al=<b>new</b> ArrayList&lt;String&gt;();</code>
1.7	No need to specify the Type during Object creation	<code>ArrayList&lt;String&gt; al=<b>new</b> ArrayList&lt;&gt;();</code>



# Java Generics

# Let's start with an example

- We want to build a program that will work with List. The feature we need are
  - Display the items of the List
  - Find the sum and average of those numbers

**Display the Items**

# Display the items

- Code to show the numbers

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
```

```
public class TestGenerics {
```

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

```
        Integer[] iList = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
```

```
        Double[] dList = {1.0,2.0,3.0,4.0,5.0,6.0};
```

```
        Float[] fList = {1.0f,2.0f,3.0f,4.0f,5.0f,6.0f};
```

```
        showNumbers(iList);
```

```
        showNumbers(dList);
```

```
        showNumbers(fList);
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

# Display the items

```
public static void showNumbers(Integer[] list){  
    System.out.println("Integer list contains the following numbers.");  
    for (int i: list)  
        System.out.print(i + " ");  
  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

```
public static void showNumbers(Double [] list){  
    System.out.println("Double list contains the following numbers.");  
    for (double i: list)  
        System.out.print(i + " ");  
  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

```
public static void showNumbers(Float [] list){  
    System.out.println("Float list contains the following numbers.");  
    for (float i: list)  
        System.out.print(i + " ");  
  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

# Java Generics

- **Java Genrics** is one of the most important feature introduced in Java 5.
- *Generics means **parameterized types**.*
- *Parameterized types* enable you to create **classes**, **interfaces**, and **methods** in which the type of data upon which they operate is specified as a parameter.
- Using generics, it is possible to **create a single class**, for example, that automatically **works with different types** of data.

# Display the items – With Generics

```
import java.util.ArrayList;

public class TestWithGenerics {
    public static <T> void showNumbers(T[] list){
        System.out.println("List contains the following numbers.");
        for (T i: list)
            System.out.print(i + " ");
        System.out.println();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer[] iList = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
        Double[] dList = {1.0,2.0,3.0,4.0,5.0,6.0};
        Float[] fList = {1.0f,2.0f,3.0f,4.0f,5.0f,6.0f};

        showNumbers(iList);
        showNumbers(dList);
        showNumbers(fList);
    }
}
```

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import java.util.ArrayList;

public class TestWithGenerics {
    public static <T> void showNumbers(T[] list){
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        for (T i: list)
            System.out.print(i + " ");
        System.out.println();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer[] iList = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
        Double[] dList = {1.0,2.0,3.0,4.0,5.0,6.0};
        Float[] fList = {1.0f,2.0f,3.0f,4.0f,5.0f,6.0f};
        Character[] cList = {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'};

        showNumbers(iList);
        showNumbers(dList);
        showNumbers(fList);
        showNumbers(cList);
    }
}
```



# Generic Class and Interface

# Generalized Class—without generics

- Java **always had** the ability to create generalized classes, interfaces, and methods by operating through references of type **Object**.
  - **Because Object is the superclass of all other classes, an Object reference can refer** to any type object.
  - Thus, in pre-generics code, generalized classes, interfaces, and methods used **Object references to operate on various types of objects**.
- **The problem was that they**
  - could not do so with type safety.
  - Do explicit casting

# Generic Class – with Object

```
public class GenericsTypeOld {  
    private Object t;  
    public Object get() {  
        return t;  
    }  
  
    public void set(Object t) {  
        this.t = t;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        GenericsTypeOld type = new GenericsTypeOld();  
        type.set("Pankaj");  
        String str = (String) type.get(); //type casting, error prone & can cause  
        ClassCastException  
        type.set(new Student("abc", 123));  
        str = (String) type.get(); // will throw ClassCastException  
    }  
}
```

# Generic Class

```
public class GenericsType<T> {  
    private T t;  
    public T get(){  
        return this.t;  
    }  
  
    public void set(T t1){  
        this.t=t1;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        GenericsType<String> type = new GenericsType<>();  
        type.set("Pankaj"); //valid  
        type.set(new Student("abc", 123)); //invalid, will get compiler error  
  
        GenericsType type1 = new GenericsType(); //raw type  
        type1.set("Pankaj"); //valid  
        type1.set(new Student("abc", 123)); //valid  
        type1.set(10); //valid and autoboxing support  
    }  
}
```

# Generic Class - Stack

```
import java.util.*;
public class GenericStack <T> {
    private ArrayList<T> stack = new ArrayList<T> ();
    private int top = 0;
    public int size () {
        return top;
    }
    public void push (T item) {
        stack.add (top++, item);
    }
    public T pop () {
        return stack.remove (--top);
    }
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        GenericStack<Integer> s = new GenericStack<Integer> (); // this stack will hold only Integer. But
        you can use this class to create a stack to hold any type of object that you want.
        s.push (17);
        int i = s.pop ();
        System.out.format ("%4d%n", i);
    }
}
```

# Generic Interface

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

# Type Parameter Naming Conventions

- By convention, type parameter names are single, uppercase letters.
  - This stands in sharp contrast to the variable [naming](#) conventions that you already know about
  - Without this convention, it would be difficult to tell the difference between a type variable and an ordinary class or interface name.
- The most commonly used type parameter names are:
  - E - Element (used extensively by the Java Collections Framework)
  - K - Key
  - N - Number
  - T - Type
  - V - Value
  - S, U, V etc. - 2nd, 3rd, 4th types

# Generic Method – Another example

- Sometimes we don't want whole class to be parameterized, in that case we can create java generics method.
- Since constructor is a special kind of method, we can use generics type in constructors too.

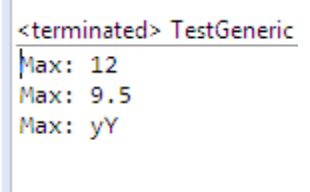
```
public class GenericsMethods {  
    //Java Generic Method  
    public static <T> boolean isEqual(GenericsType<T> g1, GenericsType<T> g2){  
        return g1.get().equals(g2.get());  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        GenericsType<String> g1 = new GenericsType<>();  
        g1.set("Pankaj");  
  
        GenericsType<String> g2 = new GenericsType<>();  
        g2.set("Pankaj");  
  
        boolean isEqual = GenericsMethods.<String>isEqual(g1, g2);  
        //above statement can be written simply as  
        isEqual = GenericsMethods.isEqual(g1, g2);  
    }  
}
```



# Generic Method – Find Max

- Create a static generic method which will take a generic array as parameter and find the maximum element for the array and return.

```
public class TestGeneric {  
  
    public static <T extends Comparable<T>> T maximum(T[] a){  
        T max = a[0];  
        for(int i =1; i< a.length; i++)  
            if(max.compareTo(a[i]) < 0)  
                max = a[i];  
        return max;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new Integer[]{1,2,5,3,9,12,8}));  
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new Double[]{1.9,2.0,5.9,3.2,9.5}));  
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new String[]{"abc", "xyz", "Xyz", "yY"}));  
    }  
}
```



# Generic Method – Find Max

```
public class TestGeneric {
    public static <T extends Comparable<T>> T maximum(T[] a){
        T max = a[0];
        for(int i =1; i< a.length; i++)
            if(max.compareTo(a[i]) < 0)
                max = a[i];
        return max;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new Integer[]{1,2,5,3,9,12,8}));
        BankAccount b1 = new BankAccount("abc", "123", 2000.0);
        BankAccount b2 = new BankAccount("ab", "23", 5000.0);
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new BankAccount[]{b1,b2})); //The method maximum(T[])
        in the type TestGeneric is not applicable for the arguments (BankAccount[])
    }
}

class BankAccount {
    String name, id;
    Double balance;
    public BankAccount(String name, String id, Double balance) {
        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
        this.balance = balance;
    }
}
```

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public class TestGeneric {
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        for(int i =1; i< a.length; i++)
            if(max.compareTo(a[i]) < 0)
                max = a[i];
        return max;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
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        BankAccount b1 = new BankAccount("abc", "123", 2000.0);
        BankAccount b2 = new BankAccount("ab", "23", 5000.0);
        System.out.println("Max: " + TestGeneric.maximum(new BankAccount[]{b1,b2}));
    }
}

class BankAccount implements Comparable<BankAccount>{
    String name, id;
    Double balance;
    public BankAccount(String name, String id, Double balance) {
        this.name = name;
        this.id = id;
        this.balance = balance;
    }
    public int compareTo(BankAccount o) {
        return balance.compareTo(o.balance); //can also use Double.compare(balance, o.balance) for primitive
    }
}
```

# Class & Method- Different Generics

- In the following example, the inspect method may take different type of parameter than the class itself.

```
public class Box<T> {  
    private T t;  
    public void set(T t) {  
        this.t = t;  
    }  
    public T get() {  
        return t;  
    }  
    public <U> void inspect(U u){  
        System.out.println("T: " + t.getClass().getName());  
        System.out.println("U: " + u.getClass().getName());  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Box<Integer> integerBox = new Box<Integer>();  
        integerBox.set(new Integer(10));  
        integerBox.inspect("some text");    }  
}
```

**Erasure**

# Erasure

- When your Java code is compiled, all generic type information is removed (erased)
- And replace the type parameters with their real type,
  - If no type is specified it will be replaced with **Object**.
- **then applying the** appropriate casts (as determined by the type arguments) to maintain type compatibility with the types specified by the type arguments.

# Erasure – Compiled code with type

Original Class	Compiled class when specify String type e.g. GenericType<String>
<pre>public class GenericType&lt;T&gt; {     private T t;     public T get(){         return this.t;     }      public void set(T t1){         this.t=t1;     } }</pre>	<pre>public class GenericType {     private String t;     public String get(){         return this.t;     }      public void set(String t1){         this.t=t1;     } }</pre>

# Erasure – Compiled code without type

Original Class	Compiled class when specify String type e.g. <code>GenericType a = new GenericType();</code>
<pre>public class GenericType&lt;T&gt; {     private T t;     public T get(){         return this.t;     }      public void set(T t1){         this.t=t1;     } }</pre>	<pre>public class GenericType {     private Object t;     public Object get(){         return this.t;     }      public void set(Object t1){         this.t=t1;     } }</pre>



**Calculate the Average**

# Calculate the Average

```
public class TestWithBound {  
    public static <T> double getAverage(T[] list){  
        double sum = 0;  
  
        for(T item: list){  
            sum = sum + item; // The operator + is undefined for the argument  
                             // type(s) double, T  
            sum += item.doubleValue(); // The method doubleValue() is undefined  
                                       // for the type T  
        }  
  
        return sum/list.length;  
    }  
}
```

# Bounded Type Parameters

- There may be times when you want to **restrict the types that can be used as type arguments** in a **parameterized type**.
- For example, a method that operates on numbers might only want to accept instances of `Number` or its subclasses.
  - `UpperBound`

# Upper Bound

- When we want to restrict the type parameter to allow a specified class and its descendant, we use upper bound.
- In another word; when specifying a type parameter, you can create an upper bound from which all type arguments must be derived.
- How to declare
  - “U extends T”
    - means **any class which extends T**.
    - Thus, we are referring to the *children of T*.
    - Hence, **T is the upper bound**.
    - **The upper-most class in the inheritance hierarchy**
  - Example – T extends Number
    - means any class extend the Number class e.g. Integer, Double, Float etc.

# Upper Bound

- Note that, in this context, extends is used in a general sense to mean either
  - "extends" (as in classes) or
  - "implements" (as in interfaces).
- A bound can include both a class type and one or more interfaces.
  - In this case, **the class type must be specified first.**
- When a bound includes an interface type,
  - **only type arguments that implement that interface are legal.**

# Upper Bound

- When specifying a bound that has **a class** and **an** interface, or **multiple** interfaces, use the **&** operator to connect them.

- For example,

*class Gen<T extends MyClass & MyInterface> {}*

- Any type argument passed to T must be a subclass of *MyClass* and implement *MyInterface*.

# Calculate the Average-UpperBound

```
public class TestWithBound {  
    public static <T extends Number> double getAverage(T[] list){  
        double sum = 0;  
  
        for(T item: list){  
            sum += item.doubleValue(); // valid  
        }  
  
        return sum/list.length;  
    }  
}
```

# Calculate the Average-UpperBound

```
public class TestWithBound {
    public static < T extends Number > double getAverage(T[] list){
        double sum = 0;

        for(T item: list){
            sum += item.doubleValue(); // valid
        }
        return sum/list.length;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Integer[] iList = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
        Double[] dList = {1.0,2.0,3.0,4.0,5.0,6.0};
        Float[] fList = {1.0f,2.0f,3.0f,4.0f,5.0f,6.0f};
        Character[] cList = {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'};

        System.out.println("Average:" + getAverage(iList));
        System.out.println("Average:" + getAverage(dList));
        System.out.println("Average:" + getAverage(fList));
        System.out.println("Average:" + getAverage(cList)); // The method getAverage(T[]) in the
        // type TestWithBound is not applicable for the arguments (Character[])
    }
}
```



# Another Example

- In the following example, the inspect method will take object of Number Class and its descendant.

```
public class Box<T> {  
    private T t;  
    public void set(T t) {  
        this.t = t;  
    }  
    public T get() {  
        return t;  
    }  
    public <U extends Number> void inspect(U u){  
        System.out.println("T: " + t.getClass().getName());  
        System.out.println("U: " + u.getClass().getName());  
    }  
}
```

# Another Example

- So, if you call inspect with other types, you will get error as shown below

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Box<Integer> integerBox = new Box<Integer>();  
    integerBox.set(new Integer(10));  
    integerBox.inspect("some text"); // error: this is still String!  
}
```

- Compiler will give you the following error

```
Box.java:21: <U>inspect(U) in Box<java.lang.Integer> cannot  
    be applied to (java.lang.String)  
                integerBox.inspect("10");  
                        ^  
1 error
```