

List<E> interface :

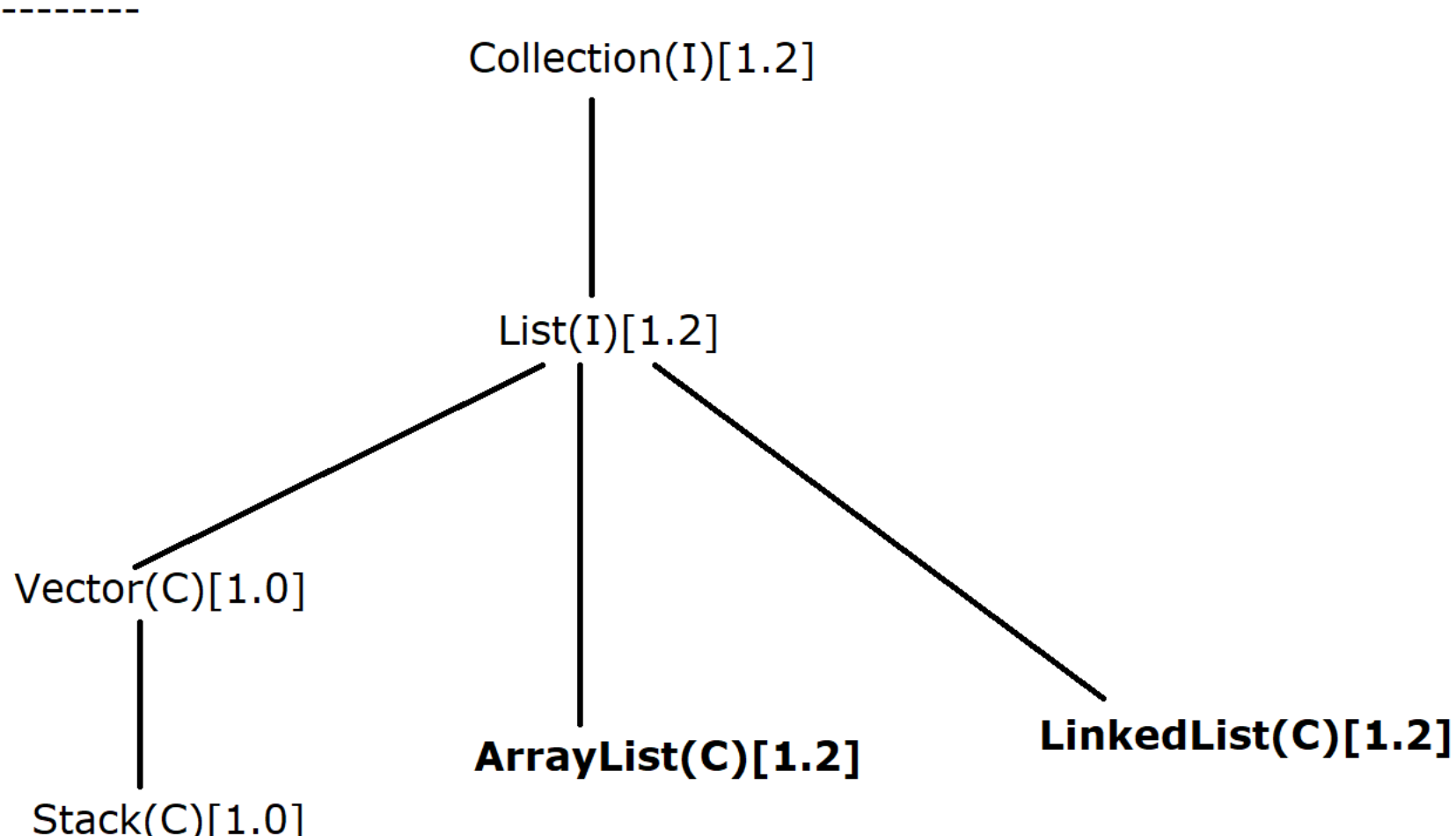
* It is the sub interface of Collection interface which is introduced from JDK 1.2V.

* It stores the element on the basis of **index**.

* It accepts duplicate and null values.

* Internally It uses indexing technique so we can sort List<E> interface implemented classes by using Collections.sort(List<E> list) method.

List interface Hierarchy :



List interface methods :

* As we know List interface stores the element on the basis of index so It also provides index related methods. The following are the methods of List<E> interface.

- 1) public boolean isEmpty() :- Verify whether List is empty or not
- 2) public void clear() :- Will clear all the elements, Basically List will become empty.
- 3) public int size() :- To get the size of the Collections(Total number of elements are available in the collection)
- 4) public void add(int index, E element) :- Insert the element based on the index position.
- 5) public boolean addAll(int index, Collection c) :- Insert the Collection based on the index position
- 6) public E get(int index) :- To retrieve the element based on the index position
- 7) public Object set(int index, Object o) :- To override or replace the existing element based on the index position.
- 8) public Object remove(int index) :- remove the element based on the index position
- 9) public boolean remove(Object element) :- remove the element based on the object element, It is the Collection interface method extended by List interface
- 10) public int indexOf() :- index position of the element
- 11) public int lastIndex() :- last index position of the element
- 12) public Iterator iterator() :- To fetch or iterate or retrieve the elements from Collection in forward direction only.
- 13) public ListIterator listIterator() :- To fetch or iterate or retrieve the elements from Collection in forward and backward direction.

Behavior of List<E> interface specific classes : [Vector<E>, Stack<E>, ArrayList<E> and LinkedList<E>]

* It stores the elements based on the index position.

* It can accept duplicate, null, homogeneous and heterogeneous types of object.

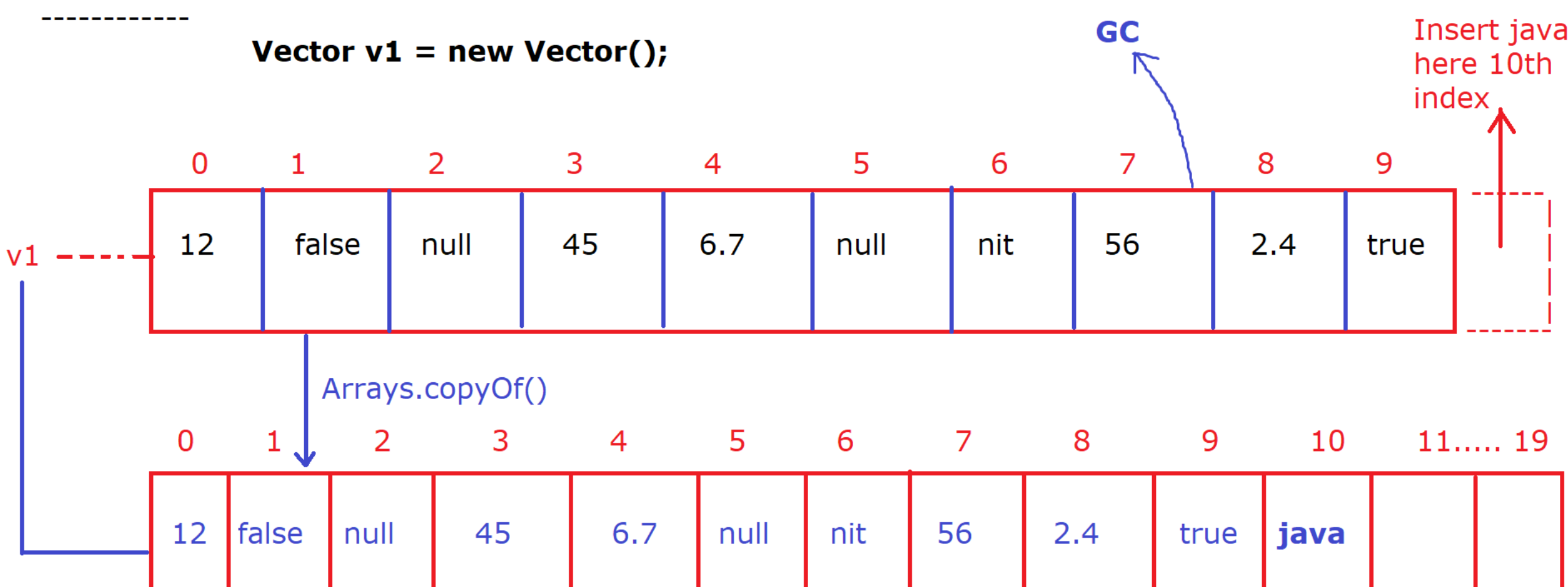
* It stores everything in the form of object.

* By using generic <> concept we can eliminate compilation warning as well as we can hold heterogeneous types of data by using Object class.

* Iterator(Forward) and ListIterator(Forward + Backwards and index wise) both the iterator will work with List interface.

* List interface few classes are DYNAMICALLY GROWABLE (Vector + ArrayList)

Example :



How many ways we can fetch the **Collection Object** from Collections ?

* We have total 11 ways to fetch the Collection object from Collections :

- 1) By using toString() of respective class [JDK 1.0V]
- 2) By using Ordinary for loop [JDK 1.0V]
- 3) By using for-each loop [JDK 1.5V]
- 4) By using Enumeration interface [JDK 1.0V]
- 5) By using Iterator interface [JDK 1.2V]
- 6) By using ListIterator interface [JDK 1.2V]
- 7) By using Spliterator interface [JDK 1.8V]
- 8) By using for-each Method [JDK 1.8V]
- 9) By using Method Reference (::) [JDK 1.8V]
- 10) By using stream() method of Collection interface [JDK 1.8V]
- 11) By using parallelStream() method of Collection interface [JDK 1.8V]

Among all these 11 ways, Enumeration, Iterator, ListIterator, Spliterator are the **cursors so It can move from one direction to another**

Theory of 11 ways + Program :