generic class such as GenericStack and ArrayList used without a type parameter is called a raw type.  
Use of raw type is allowed for backward compatibility with the earlier

versions of Java.

Raw type is unsafe. For

example, you might invoke the max method using

Max.max("Welcome", 23); // 23 is autoboxed into new Integer(23)

This would cause a runtime error, because you cannot compare a string with an integer

object. The Java compiler displays a warning on line 3 when compiled with the option

–Xlint:unchecked, as shown in Figure 21.5.