

CHAPTER 12 Thread, Network and Collections

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Thread





- ☐ In Java, programs can have multiple threads
 - ➤ A *thread* is a separate computation process
- ☐ Threads are often thought of as computations that run in parallel
 - ➤ Although they usually do not really execute in parallel
 - ➤ Instead, the computer switches resources between threads so that each one does a little bit of computing in turn
- ☐ Modern operating systems allow more than one program to run at the same time
 - ➤ An operating system uses threads to do this



- Thread.sleep is a static method in the class Thread that pauses the thread that includes the invocation
 - > It pauses for the number of milliseconds given as an argument
 - ➤ Note that it may be invoked in an ordinary program to insert a pause in the single thread of that program
- ☐ It may throw a checked exception,

 InterruptedException, which must be caught or

 declared
 - ➤ Both the **Thread** and **InterruptedException** classes are in the package **java.lang**



```
public class SleepTest {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println("Sleep for 3 seconds...");
    try {
      Thread.sleep(3000);
    } catch (InterruptedException e) {
      e.printStackTrace();
    System.out.println("Waked up");
```



The Class Thread

- ☐ In Java, a thread is an object of the class **Thread**
- ☐ Usually, a derived class of **Thread** is used to program a thread
 - Thread
 - The derived class overrides the method **run** to program the thread
 - The method **start** initiates the thread processing and invokes the **run** method



```
public class MyThread extends Thread{
         private String name;
         public MyThread(String name){
                  this.name = name;
         public void run(){
             while(true){
                  System.out.println("Hello! I am " + name);
                  try {
                            this.sleep((long)(Math.random()*2000));
                  } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                            e.printStackTrace();
```

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

        MyThread thread1 = new MyThread("Jimmy");
        thread1.start();
        MyThread thread2 = new MyThread("Lorenz");
        thread2.start();
        MyThread thread3 = new MyThread("Satriani");
        thread3.start();
    }
}
```



The Runnable Interface

- ☐ Another way to create a thread is to have a class implement the **Runnable** interface
 - The Runnable interface has one method heading:

 public void run();
- ☐ A class that implements **Runnable** must still be run from an instance of **Thread**
 - This is usually done by passing the **Runnable** object as an argument to the thread constructor



The Runnable Interface: Suggested Implementation Outline

```
public class ClassToRun extends SomeClass
  implements Runnable
  public void run()
    // Fill this as if ClassToRun
    // were derived from Thread
  public void startThread()
    Thread the Thread = new Thread (this);
    theThread.run();
```



```
public class Task implements Runnable{
  public void run(){
   while(true){
      System.out.println("This is a task");
      try {
        Thread.sleep(1000);
      } catch (InterruptedException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
```

```
public class TaskMain {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Thread thread = new Thread(new Task());
    thread.start();
  }
}
```



Race Conditions

- ☐ When multiple threads change a shared variable it is sometimes possible that the variable will end up with the wrong (and often unpredictable) value.
- ☐ This is called a race condition because the final value depends on the sequence in which the threads access the shared value.
- ☐ We will use the Counter class to demonstrate a race condition.



Counter Class

Display 19.4 The Counter Class

```
1 public class Counter
 3
     private int counter;
     public Counter()
 5
             counter = 0;
     public int value()
 9
10
             return counter;
11
12
     public void increment()
13
14
             int local;
15
             local = counter;
16
             local++;
17
            counter = local;
18
19
```



Race Condition Example

- 1. Create a single instance of the Counter class.
- 2. Create an array of many threads (30,000 in the example) where each thread references the single instance of the Counter class.
- 3. Each thread runs and invokes the *increment()* method.
- 4. Wait for each thread to finish and then output the value of the counter. If there were no race conditions then its value should be 30,000. If there were race conditions then the value will be less than 30,000.



Race Condition Test Class (1 of 3)

Display 19.5 The RaceConditionTest Class

```
public class RaceConditionTest extends Thread

private Counter countObject;

public RaceConditionTest(Counter ctr)

countObject = ctr;

countObject = ctr;

}
Stores a reference to a single Counter object.
```



Race Condition Test Class (2 of 3)

```
8
        public void run()
                                                         Invokes the code in Display 19.4
                                                         where the race condition occurs.
          countObject.increment();
10
11
12
        public static void main(String[] args)
                                                        The single instance of the Counter object.
13
                                                                Array of 30,000 threads.
          int i:
14
          Counter masterCounter = new Counter();
15
          RaceConditionTest[] threads = new RaceConditionTest[30000];
16
          System.out.println("The counter is " + masterCounter.value());
17
          for (i = 0; i < threads.length; i++)
18
19
20
                 threads[i] = new RaceConditionTest(masterCounter);
                 threads[i].start();
21
22
                                                         Give each thread a reference to
                                                         the single Counter object and
                                                         start each thread.
```



Race Condition Test Class (3 of 3)

```
// Wait for the threads to finish
23
24
          for (i = 0; i < threads.length; i++)</pre>
25
26
                try
27
                                                     Waits for the thread to complete.
                  threads[i].join();
28
29
                catch (InterruptedException e)
30
31
32
                  System.out.println(e.getMessage());
33
34
35
          System.out.println("The counter is " + masterCounter.value());
37
38
Sample Dialogue (output will vary)
  The counter is 0
  The counter is 29998
```

Lab

```
public class RaceConditionTest {
      private static long count;
      public static void increase(){
            long local = count;
            local++;
            count=local;
      }
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            //starts all threads
            Racer[] racer = new Racer[30000];
            for(int i=0;i<30000;i++){</pre>
                  racer[i] = new Racer();
                  racer[i].start();
            }
            //waits for all theads to complete
            for(int i=0;i<30000;i++){</pre>
                  try {
                         racer[i].join();
                  } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                         e.printStackTrace();
            }
            System.out.println("count="+count);
      }
```

```
public class Racer extends Thread{
    public void run(){
        RaceConditionTest.increase();
    }
}
```



Thread Synchronization

- ☐ The solution is to make each thread wait so only one thread can run the code in increment() at a time.
- ☐ This section of code is called a **critical region**. Java allows you to add the keyword **synchronized** around a critical region to enforce that only one thread can run this code at a time.

☐ Two solutions:

```
public synchronized void increment()
{
  int local;
  local = counter;
  local++;
  counter = local;
}
```

```
public void increment()
{
  int local;
  synchronized (this)
  {
   local = counter;
   local++;
   counter = local;
  }
}
```

Lab

```
public class RaceConditionTest {
      private static long count;
      public synchronized static void increase(){
            long local = count;
            local++;
            count=local;
      }
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            //starts all threads
            Racer[] racer = new Racer[30000];
            for(int i=0;i<30000;i++){</pre>
                  racer[i] = new Racer();
                  racer[i].start();
            }
            //waits for all theads to complete
            for(int i=0;i<30000;i++){
                  try {
                        racer[i].join();
                  } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                        e.printStackTrace();
            }
            System.out.println("count="+count);
      }
```



Network



Networking with Stream Sockets

- ☐ Transmission Control Protocol **TCP**
 - ➤ Most common network protocol on the Internet
 - ➤ Called a reliable protocol because it guarantees that data sent from the sender is received in the same order it is sent

□ Server

> Program waiting to receive input

□ Client

> Program that initiates a connection to the server



- ☐ A socket describes one end of the connection between two programs over the network. It consists of:
 - An address that identifies the remote computer, e.g. IP Address
 - ➤ A port for the local and remote computer
 - Number between 0 and 65535
 - Identifies the program that should handle data received by the network
 - Only one program may bind to a port
 - Ports 0 to 1024 are reserved for the operating system



Sockets Programming

- ☐ Very similar to File I/O using a *FileOutputStream* but instead we substitute a *DataOutputStream*
- ☐ We can use *localhost* as the name of the local machine
- ☐ Socket and stream objects throw checked exceptions
 - ➤ We must catch them



Client/Server Socket Example

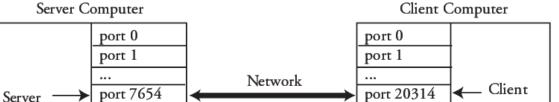
Display 19.4 Client/Server Network Communication through Sockets

1. The server listens and waits for a connection on port 7654.

Server Computer

	port 0
	port 1
Server ->	port 7654
program	
	port 65535

2. The client connects to the server on port 7654. It uses a local port that is assigned automatically, in this case, port 20314.



port 65535

program

The server program can now communicate over a socket bound locally to port 7654 and remotely to the client's address at port 20314

The client program can now communicate over a socket bound locally to port 20314 and remotely to the server's address at port 7654

port 65535

program



Lab (Server Side)

```
package chapter12;
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class SocketServer{
      public static void main(String[] args){
            try{
                  //Waiting for a connection on port 8000.
                  ServerSocket serverSock = new ServerSocket(8000);
                  Socket connectionSock = serverSock.accept();
                  BufferedReader clientInput = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(connectionSock.getInputStream()));
                  DataOutputStream clientOutput = new DataOutputStream(connectionSock.getOutputStream());
                   //Connection made, waiting for client to send their name.
                  String clientText = clientInput.readLine();
                   System.out.println("From Client: "+clientText);
                  //reply message
                  String replyText = "Hello! I am the server...\n" ;
                  clientOutput.writeBytes(replyText);
                   clientOutput.close();
                   clientInput.close();
                  connectionSock.close();
                  serverSock.close();
            catch (IOException e)
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
```



Lab (Client Side)

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class SocketClient{
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            try{
                  //Connecting to server on port 8000
                  Socket cSock = new Socket("127.0.0.1", 8000);
                  BufferedReader serverInput = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(cSock.getInputStream()));
                  DataOutputStream serverOutput = new DataOutputStream(cSock.getOutputStream());
                  //Connection made, sending name.;
                  serverOutput.writeBytes("Hello! I am a client...\n");
                  //Waiting for reply.
                  String serverData = serverInput.readLine();
                  System.out.println("From Server: " + serverData);
                  serverOutput.close();
                  serverInput.close();
                  cSock.close();
            catch (IOException e)
                        System.out.println(e.getMessage());
```



Sockets and Threading

- ☐ The server waits, or blocks, at the serverSock.accept() call until a client connects.
- ☐ The client and server block at the *readLine()* calls if data is not available.
- ☐ This can cause an unresponsive network program and difficult to handle connections from multiple clients on the server end
- ☐ The typical solution is to employ threading



Threaded Server

☐ For the server, the *accept()* call is typically placed in a loop and a new thread created to handle each client connection:

```
while (true)
{
          Socket connectionSock = serverSock.accept( );
          ClientHandler handler = new ClientHandler(connectionSock);
          Thread theThread = new Thread(handler);
          theThread.start( );
}
```



Lab (Server Side)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
public class ChatRoom {
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            try {
                  ServerSocket serverSock = new ServerSocket(8000);
                  System.out.print("Server started...");
                  while (true) {
                        Socket cSock = serverSock.accept();
                        Chat chat = new Chat(cSock);
                        Thread chatthread = new Thread(chat);
                        chatthread.start();
            } catch (IOException e) { System.out.println("disconnected..."); }
class Chat implements Runnable {
      private Socket socket;
      public Chat(Socket socket) {  this.socket = socket; }
      public void run() {
            try {
                  BufferedReader clientInput = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(socket.getInputStream()));
                  while(true){
                        String clientText = clientInput.readLine();
                        System.out.println("From Client: " + clientText);
                        if(clientText.equals("bye")) break;
                  clientInput.close();
                  socket.close();
            } catch (Exception e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
```



Lab (Client Side)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.Socket;
import java.util.Scanner;
public class ChatClient {
     public static void main(String[] args) {
          try {
                // Connecting to server on port 8000
                Socket connectionSock = new Socket("127.0.0.1", 8000);
                DataOutputStream serverOutput = new DataOutputStream(connectionSock.getOutputStream());
                // Connection made, sending name.;
                while (true) {
                      Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
                      System.out.println("Type your message:");
                      String msg = scanner.nextLine();
                      if(!msg.equals("")) serverOutput.writeBytes(msg + "\n");
                      if (msg.equals("bye"))break;
                serverOutput.close();
                connectionSock.close();
           } catch (IOException e) {
                      e.printStackTrace());
```



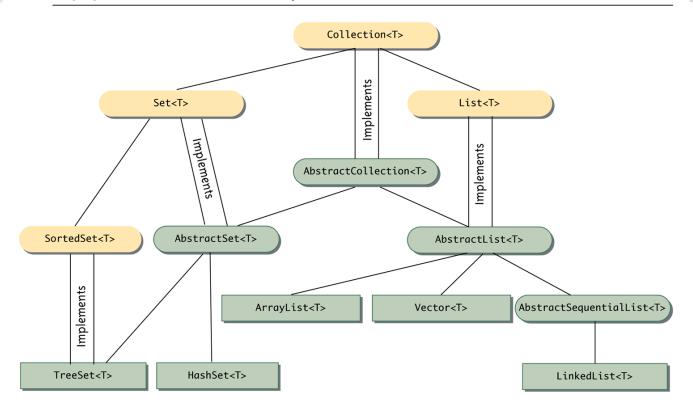
Collections and Maps





The Collection Landscape

Display 16.1 The Collection Landscape



Interface

A single line between two boxes means the lower class or interface is derived from (extends) the higher one.

Abstract Class

T is a type parameter for the type of the elements stored in the collection.

Concrete Class



The Collection Framework

- ☐ The Collection<T> interface describes the basic operations that all collection classes should implement
 - The method headings for these operations are shown on the next several slides
- ☐ Since an interface is a type, any method can be defined with a parameter of type

Collection<T>

That parameter can be filled with an argument that is an object of any class in the collection framework

Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 1 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

The Collection<T> interface is in the java.util package.

All the exception classes mentioned are unchecked exceptions, which means they are not required to be caught in a catch block or declared in a throws clause.

All the exception classes mentioned are in the package java. lang and so do not require any import statement.

CONSTRUCTORS

Although not officially required by the interface, any class that implements the Collection<T> interface should have at least two constructors: a no-argument constructor that creates an empty Collection<T> object, and a constructor with one parameter of type Collection<? extends T> that creates a Collection<T> object with the same elements as the constructor argument. The interface does not specify whether the copy produced by the one-argument constructor is a shallow copy or a deep copy of its argument.

boolean isEmpty()

Returns true if the calling object is empty; otherwise returns false.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 2 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public boolean contains(Object target)

Returns true if the calling object contains at least one instance of target. Uses target.equals to determine if target is in the calling object.

Throws a ClassCastException if the type of target is incompatible with the calling object (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if target is null and the calling object does not support null elements (optional).



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 3 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public boolean containsAll(Collection<?> collectionOfTargets)

Returns true if the calling object contains all of the elements in collectionOfTargets. For an element in collectionOfTargets, this method uses element.equals to determine if element is in the calling object.

Throws a ClassCastException if the types of one or more elements in collectionOfTargets are incompatible with the calling object (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if collectionOfTargets contains one or more null elements and the calling object does not support null elements (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if collectionOfTargets is null.

public boolean equals(Object other)

This is the equals of the collection, not the equals of the elements in the collection. Overrides the inherited method equals. Although there are no official constraints on equals for a collection, it should be defined as we have described in Chapter 7 and also to satisfy the intuitive notion of collections being equal.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 4 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public int size()

Returns the number of elements in the calling object. If the calling object contains more than Integer.MAX_VALUE elements, returns Integer.MAX_VALUE.

Iterator<T> iterator()

Returns an iterator for the calling object. (Iterators are discussed in Section 16.2.)

public Object[] toArray()

Returns an array containing all of the elements in the calling object. If the calling object makes any guarantees as to what order its elements are returned by its iterator, this method must return the elements in the same order.

The array returned should be a new array so that the calling object has no references to the returned array. (You might also want the elements in the array to be clones of the elements in the collection. However, this is apparently not required by the interface, since library classes, such as Vector<T>, return arrays that contain references to the elements in the collection.)



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 5 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public <E> E[] toArray(E[] a)

Note that the type parameter E is not the same as T. So, E can be any reference type; it need not be the type T in Collection<T>. For example, E might be an ancestor type of T.

Returns an array containing all of the elements in the calling object. The argument a is used primarily to specify the type of the array returned. The exact details are as follows:

The type of the returned array is that of a. If the elements in the calling object fit in the array a, then a is used to hold the elements of the returned array; otherwise a new array is created with the same type as a. If a has more elements than the calling object, the element in a immediately following the end of the copied elements is set to null.

If the calling object makes any guarantees as to what order its elements are returned by its iterator, this method must return the elements in the same order. (Iterators are discussed in Section 16.2.)

Throws an ArrayStoreException if the type of a is not an ancestor type of the type of every element in the calling object.

Throws a NullPointerException if a is null.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 6 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public int hashCode()

Returns the hash code value for the calling object. Neither hash codes nor this method are discussed in this book. This entry is only here to make the definition of the Collection<T> interface complete. You can safely ignore this entry until you go on to study hash codes in a more advanced book. In the meantime, if you need to implement this method, have the method throw an UnsupportedOperationException.

OPTIONAL METHODS

The following methods are optional, which means they still must be implemented, but the implementation can simply throw an UnsupportedOperationException if, for some reason, you do not want to give them a "real" implementation. An UnsupportedOperationException is a RunTimeException and so is not required to be caught or declared in a throws clause.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 7 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public boolean add(T element) (Optional)

Ensures that the calling object contains the specified element. Returns true if the calling object changed as a result of the call. Returns false if the calling object does not permit duplicates and already contains element; also returns false if the calling object does not change for any other reason. Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

Throws a ClassCastException if the class of element prevents it from being added to the calling object. Throws a NullPointerException if element is null and the calling object does not support null elements.

Throws an IllegalArgumentException if some other aspect of element prevents it from being added to the calling object.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 8 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public boolean addAll(Collection<? extends T> collectionToAdd) (Optional)

Ensures that the calling object contains all the elements in collectionToAdd. Returns true if the calling object changed as a result of the call; returns false otherwise. If the calling object changes during this operation, its behavior is unspecified; in particular, its behavior is unspecified if collectionToAdd is the calling object.

Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

Throws a ClassCastException if the class of an element of collectionToAdd prevents it from being added to the calling object.

Throws a NullPointerException if collectionToAdd contains one or more null elements and the calling object does not support null elements, or if collectionToAdd is null.

Throws an IllegalArgumentException if some aspect of an element of collectionToAdd prevents it from being added to the calling object.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 9 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public boolean remove(Object element) (Optional)

Removes a single instance of the element from the calling object, if it is present. Returns true if the calling object contained the element; returns false otherwise.

Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

Throws a ClassCastException if the type of element is incompatible with the calling object (optional). Throws a NullPointerException if element is null and the calling object does not support null elements (optional).

public boolean removeAll(Collection<?> collectionToRemove) (Optional)

Removes all the calling object's elements that are also contained in collectionToRemove. Returns true if the calling object was changed; otherwise returns false.

Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

Throws a ClassCastException if the types of one or more elements in collectionToRemove are incompatible with the calling collection (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if collectionToRemove contains one or more null elements and the calling object does not support null elements (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if collectionToRemove is null.



Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface (Part 10 of 10)

Display 16.2 Method Headings in the Collection<T> Interface

public void clear() (Optional)

Removes all the elements from the calling object.

Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

public boolean retainAll(Collection<?> saveElements) (Optional)

Retains only the elements in the calling object that are also contained in the collection saveElements. In other words, removes from the calling object all of its elements that are not contained in the collection saveElements. Returns true if the calling object was changed; otherwise returns false.

Throws an UnsupportedOperationException if this method is not supported by the class that implements this interface.

Throws a ClassCastException if the types of one or more elements in saveElements are incompatible with the calling object (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if saveElements contains one or more null elements and the calling object does not support null elements (optional).

Throws a NullPointerException if saveElements is null.



Concrete Collections Classes

- ☐ The concrete class HashSet<T> implements the Set<T> interface
 - ➤ The **HashSet<T>** class is implemented using a *hash table*
- The interface **SortedSet<T>** and the concrete class **TreeSet<T>** are designed for implementations of the **Set<T>** interface that provide for rapid retrieval of elements
 - ➤ The implementation of the class is similar to a binary tree, but with ways to do inserting that keep the tree balanced
- ☐ HashSet is much faster than TreeSet (constant-time versus log-time for most operations like add, remove and contains) but offers no ordering guarantees like TreeSet.

Lab

```
import java.util.*;
public class SetTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
         TreeSet treeset = new TreeSet();
         treeset.add("c");
         treeset.add("b");
         treeset.add("a");
         Iterator itr1 = treeset.iterator();
         while(itr1.hasNext()){
                  System.out.println(itr1.next());
         HashSet hashset = new HashSet();
         hashset.add("c");
         hashset.add("b");
         hashset.add("a");
         Iterator itr2 = hashset.iterator();
         while(itr2.hasNext()){
                  System.out.println(itr2.next());
```



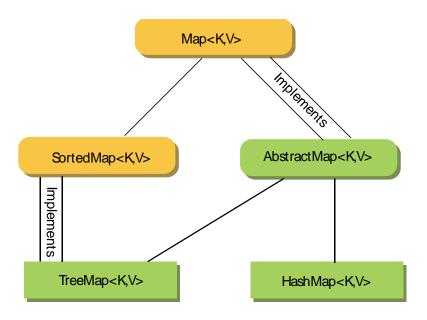
Concrete Collections Classes

- ☐ The ArrayList<T> and Vector<T> classes implement the List<T> interface
 - ArrayList is non-synchronized which means multiple threads can work on ArrayList at the same time.
 - ArrayList gives better performance as it is non-synchronized.
- ☐ The concrete class LinkedList<T> is a concrete derived class of the abstract class
 AbstractSequentialList<T>
 - ➤ get(int index) in ArrayList gives the performance of O(1) while LinkedList performance is O(n)
 - ➤ LinkedList remove operation gives O(1) performance while ArrayList gives variable performance: O(n) in worst case (while removing first element) and O(1) in best case (While removing last element).

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
public class ListTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ArrayList alist = new ArrayList();
        alist.add("c");
        alist.add("b");
        alist.add("a");
        for(int i=0;i<alist.size();i++){</pre>
                 System.out.println(alist.get(i));
```



The Map Landscape



Interface

Abstract Class

Concrete Class

A single line between two boxes means the lower class or interface is derived from (extends) the higher one.

Kand Vare type parameters for the type of the keys and elements stored in the map.



The Map<K,V> Interface (1 of 3)

Display 16.9 Method Headings in the Map<K, V> Interface

The Map<K,V> interface is in the java.util package.

CONSTRUCTORS

Although not officially required by the interface, any class that implements the Map<K, V> interface should have at least two constructors: a no-argument constructor that creates an empty Map<K, V> object, and a constructor with one Map<K, V> parameter that creates a Map<K, V> object with the same elements as the constructor argument. The interface does not specify whether the copy produced by the one-argument constructor is a shallow copy or a deep copy of its argument.

METHODS

```
boolean isEmpty()
```

Returns true if the calling object is empty; otherwise returns false.

```
public boolean containsValue(Object value)
```

Returns true if the calling object contains at least one or more keys that map to an instance of value.

```
public boolean containsKey(Object key)
```

Returns true if the calling object contains key as one of its keys.



The Map<K,V> Interface (2 of 3)

public boolean equals(Object other)

This is the equals of the map, not the equals of the elements in the map. Overrides the inherited method equals.

```
public int size()
```

Returns the number of (key, value) mappings in the calling object.

```
public int hashCode( )
```

Returns the hash code value for the calling object.

```
public Set<Map.Entry<K,V>> entrySet( )
```

Returns a set *view* consisting of (key, value) mappings for all entries in the map. Changes to the map are reflected in the set and vice-versa.

```
public Collection<V> values( )
```

Returns a collection *view* consisting of all values in the map. Changes to the map are reflected in the collection and vice-versa.

```
public V get(Object key)
```

Returns the value to which the calling object maps key. If key is not in the map, then null is returned. Note that this does not always mean that the key is not in the map since it is possible to map a key to null. The containsKey method can be used to distinguish the two cases.



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OPTIONAL METHODS

The following methods are optional, which means they still must be implemented, but the implementation can simply throw an <code>UnsupportedOperationException</code> if, for some reason, you do not want to give the methods a "real" implementation. An <code>UnsupportedOperationException</code> is a <code>RunTimeException</code> and so is not required to be caught or declared in a <code>throws</code> clause.

```
public V put(K key, V value) (Optional)
```

Associates **key** to **value** in the map. If **key** was associated with an existing value then the old value is overwritten and returned. Otherwise **null** is returned.

```
public void putAll(Map<? extends K,? extends V> mapToAdd) (Optional)
```

Adds all mappings of mapToAdd into the calling object's map.

```
public V remove(Object key) (Optional)
```

Removes the mapping for the specified key. If the key is not found in the map then null is returned; otherwise the previous value for the key is returned.



Concrete Map Classes

- ☐ HashMap<K, V> Class
 - ➤ No guarantee as to the order of elements placed in the map.
- ☐ TreeMap<K, V> class
 - > If you require order then you should use the TreeMap

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         hashmap.put("Blue", "166");
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         while(itr1.hasNext()){
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              String value = (String)hashmap.get(key);
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treemap.put("Blue", "166");
            Iterator itr2 = treemap.keySet().iterator();
            while(itr2.hasNext()){
                  String key = (String)itr2.next();
                  String value = (String)hashmap.get(key);
                   System.out.println(key +":" + value);
```