Java Deque Interface

Java Deque Interface is a linear collection that supports element insertion and removal at both ends. Deque is an acronym for **"double ended queue".**

Deque Interface declaration

1. **public** **interface** Deque<E> **extends** Queue<E>

Methods of Java Deque Interface

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| **Method** | **Description** |
| boolean add(object) | It is used to insert the specified element into this deque  and return true upon success. |
| boolean offer(object) | It is used to insert the specified element into this deque. |
| Object remove() | It is used to retrieves and removes the head of this deque. |
| Object poll() | It is used to retrieves and removes the head of this deque,  or returns null if this deque is empty. |
| Object element() | It is used to retrieves, but does not remove, the head  of this deque. |
| Object peek() | It is used to retrieves, but does not remove, the head  of this  deque, or returns null if this deque is empty. |

ArrayDeque class

The ArrayDeque class provides the facility of using deque and resizable-array. It inherits AbstractCollection class and implements the Deque interface.

The important points about ArrayDeque class are:

* Unlike Queue, we can add or remove elements from both sides.
* Null elements are not allowed in the ArrayDeque.
* ArrayDeque is not thread safe, in the absence of external synchronization.
* ArrayDeque has no capacity restrictions.
* ArrayDeque is faster than LinkedList and Stack.

ArrayDeque Hierarchy

The hierarchy of ArrayDeque class is given in the figure displayed at the right side of the page.

ArrayDeque class declaration

Let's see the declaration for java.util.ArrayDeque class.

1. **public** **class** ArrayDeque<E> **extends** AbstractCollection<E> **implements** Deque<E>, Cloneable, Serializable

Java ArrayDeque Example

1. **import** java.util.\*;
2. **public** **class** ArrayDequeExample {
3. **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {
4. //Creating Deque and adding elements
5. Deque<String> deque = **new** ArrayDeque<String>();
6. deque.add("Ravi");
7. deque.add("Vijay");
8. deque.add("Ajay");
9. //Traversing elements
10. **for** (String str : deque) {
11. System.out.println(str);
12. }
13. }
14. }

Output:

Ravi

Vijay

Ajay

Java ArrayDeque Example: offerFirst() and pollLast()

1. **import** java.util.\*;
2. **public** **class** DequeExample {
3. **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {
4. Deque<String> deque=**new** ArrayDeque<String>();
5. deque.offer("arvind");
6. deque.offer("vimal");
7. deque.add("mukul");
8. deque.offerFirst("jai");
9. System.out.println("After offerFirst Traversal...");
10. **for**(String s:deque){
11. System.out.println(s);
12. }
13. //deque.poll();
14. //deque.pollFirst();//it is same as poll()
15. deque.pollLast();
16. System.out.println("After pollLast() Traversal...");
17. **for**(String s:deque){
18. System.out.println(s);
19. }
20. }
21. }

Output:

After offerFirst Traversal...

jai

arvind

vimal

mukul

After pollLast() Traversal...

jai

arvind

vimal

Java ArrayDeque Example: Book

1. **import** java.util.\*;
2. **class** Book {
3. **int** id;
4. String name,author,publisher;
5. **int** quantity;
6. **public** Book(**int** id, String name, String author, String publisher, **int** quantity) {
7. **this**.id = id;
8. **this**.name = name;
9. **this**.author = author;
10. **this**.publisher = publisher;
11. **this**.quantity = quantity;
12. }
13. }
14. **public** **class** ArrayDequeExample {
15. **public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {
16. Deque<Book> set=**new** ArrayDeque<Book>();
17. //Creating Books
18. Book b1=**new** Book(101,"Let us C","Yashwant Kanetkar","BPB",8);
19. Book b2=**new** Book(102,"Data Communications & Networking","Forouzan","Mc Graw Hill",4);
20. Book b3=**new** Book(103,"Operating System","Galvin","Wiley",6);
21. //Adding Books to Deque
22. set.add(b1);
23. set.add(b2);
24. set.add(b3);
25. //Traversing ArrayDeque
26. **for**(Book b:set){
27. System.out.println(b.id+" "+b.name+" "+b.author+" "+b.publisher+" "+b.quantity);
28. }
29. }
30. }

Output:

101 Let us C Yashwant Kanetkar BPB 8

102 Data Communications & Networking Forouzan Mc Graw Hill 4

103 Operating System Galvin Wiley 6