

Java

Collections

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Collections

Collections Framework

Java offers various data structures like **Lists**, **Sets** and **Maps**. Those structures are part of the collections framework.

There are interfaces to access the data structures in an easy way.

There are multiple implementations for various needs (e.g. **LinkedList**, **ArrayList**).

You can also make your own implementation!

List

A list is an ordered collection.

```
1 public static void main(String[] args) {  
2  
3     List<String> list = new LinkedList<String>();  
4  
5     list.add("foo");  
6     list.add("foo"); // insert "foo" at the end  
7     list.add("bar");  
8     list.add("foo");  
9     list.remove("foo"); // removes the first "foo"  
10    list.remove(1); // removes what?  
11  
12    System.out.println(list); // prints what?  
13 }  
14
```

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12    System.out.println(list); // prints ["foo", "foo"]  
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14
```

List Methods

some useful List methods:

<code>void</code>	<code>add(int index, E element)</code>	insert element at position index
<code>E</code>	<code>get(int index)</code>	get element at position index
<code>E</code>	<code>set(int index, E element)</code>	replace element at position index
<code>E</code>	<code>remove(int index)</code>	remove element at position index

some useful LinkedList methods:

<code>void</code>	<code>addFirst(E element)</code>	append element to the beginning
<code>E</code>	<code>getFirst()</code>	get first element
<code>void</code>	<code>addLast(E element)</code>	append element to the end
<code>E</code>	<code>getLast()</code>	get last element

For Loop

The for loop can iterate over every element of a collection:

for (E e : collection)

```
1      public static void main(String[] args) {
2
3          List<Integer> list =
4              new LinkedList<Integer>();
5
6          list.add(1);
7          list.add(3);
8          list.add(3);
9          list.add(7);
10
11         for (Integer i : list) {
12             System.out.print(i + " "); // prints: 1 3 3 7
13         }
14     }
15
```


Set

A set is a collection that holds one type of objects. A set can not contain one element twice. Like all collections the interface *Set* is part of the package `java.util`.

```
1  import java.util.*;
2
3  public class TestSet {
4
5      public static void main(String[] args) {
6          Set<String> set = new HashSet<String>();
7
8          set.add("foo");
9          set.add("bar");
10         set.remove("foo");
11         System.out.println(set); // prints: [bar]
12     }
13 }
14
```

In the following examples `import java.util.*;` will be omitted.

Map

The interface *Map* is not a subinterface of *Collection*.

A map contains pairs of key and value. Each key refers to a value. Two keys can refer to the same value. There are not two equal keys in one map. *Map* is part of the package `java.util`.

```
1  public static void main (String[] args) {
2
3      Map<Integer, String> map =
4          new HashMap<Integer, String>();
5
6      map.put(23, "foo");
7      map.put(28, "foo");
8      map.put(31, "bar");
9      map.put(23, "bar"); // "bar" replaces "foo" for key = 23
10
11     System.out.println(map);
12     // prints: {23=bar, 28=foo, 31=bar}
13 }
14
```

Key, Set and Values

You can get the set of keys from the map. Because one value can exist multiple times a collection is used for the values.

```
1 public static void main (String[] args) {  
2  
3     // [...] map like previous slide  
4  
5     Set<Integer> keys = map.keySet();  
6     Collection<String> values = map.values();  
7  
8     System.out.println(keys);  
9     // prints: [23, 28, 31]  
10  
11     System.out.println(values);  
12     // prints: [bar, foo, bar]  
13 }  
14
```

List	Keeps order of objects Easily traversible Search not effective
Set	No duplicates No order - still traversible Effective searching
Map	Key-Value storage Search super-effective Traversing difficult

Wrapper Class

Primitive data types can not be elements in collections. Use wrapper classes like *Integer* instead.

boolean	Boolean
byte	Byte
char	Character
int	Integer
float	Float
double	Double
long	Long
short	Short

Generics

```
1      Object myStringAsObject = "klaus";  
2      String myStringAsString = (String) myStringAsObject;  
3
```

```
1      Object myStringAsObject = Integer.valueOf("42");  
2      String myStringAsString = (String) myStringAsObject;  
3
```


Why it won't work:

Integer can't be casted to String.

The Code before will compile but still cause an Exception in the JVM.

```
1      public class Box {  
2          private Object object;  
3  
4          public void set(Object object) { this.object = object; }  
5          public Object get() { return object; }  
6      }  
7  
8
```

```
1      public class Box<T> {  
2          // T stands for "Type"  
3          private T t;  
4  
5          public void set(T t) { this.t = t; }  
6          public T get() { return t; }  
7      }  
8  
9      Box<Integer> integerBox; = new Box<Integer>();
```

Iterator

To iterate over a map use the iterator from the set of keys.

```
1  public static void main (String[] args) {
2
3      // [...] map, keys, values like previous slide
4      Iterator<Integer> iter = keys.iterator();
5
6      while(iter.hasNext()) {
7          System.out.print(map.get(iter.next()) + " ");
8      } // prints: bar foo bar
9
10     System.out.println(); // print a line break
11
12     for(Integer i: keys) {
13         System.out.print(map.get(i) + " ");
14     } // prints: bar foo bar
15 }
16
```

Nested Maps

Nested maps offer storage with key pairs.

```
1 public static void main (String[] args) {  
2  
3     Map<String, Map<Integer, String>> addresses =  
4         new HashMap<String, Map<Integer, String>>();  
5  
6     addresses.put("Noethnitzer Str.",  
7         new HashMap<Integer, String>());  
8  
9     addresses.get("Noethnitzer Str.").  
10         put(46, "Andreas-Pfitzmann-Bau");  
11     addresses.get("Noethnitzer Str.").  
12         put(44, "Fraunhofer IWU");  
13 }  
14
```

Maps and Lambda

```
1      map.forEach((k,v) -> {  
2          //Key and Value  
3          System.out.println("Key: " + k + ", value: " v);  
4      })  
5
```

Maps and For Each

You can iterate through the entry set of a map (available before Java 1.8)

```
1      Map<String, String> map = ...
2      for (Map.Entry<String, String> entry : map.entrySet()) {
3          System.out.println("Key: " + entry.getKey() +
4              ", value" + entry.getValue());
5      }
```