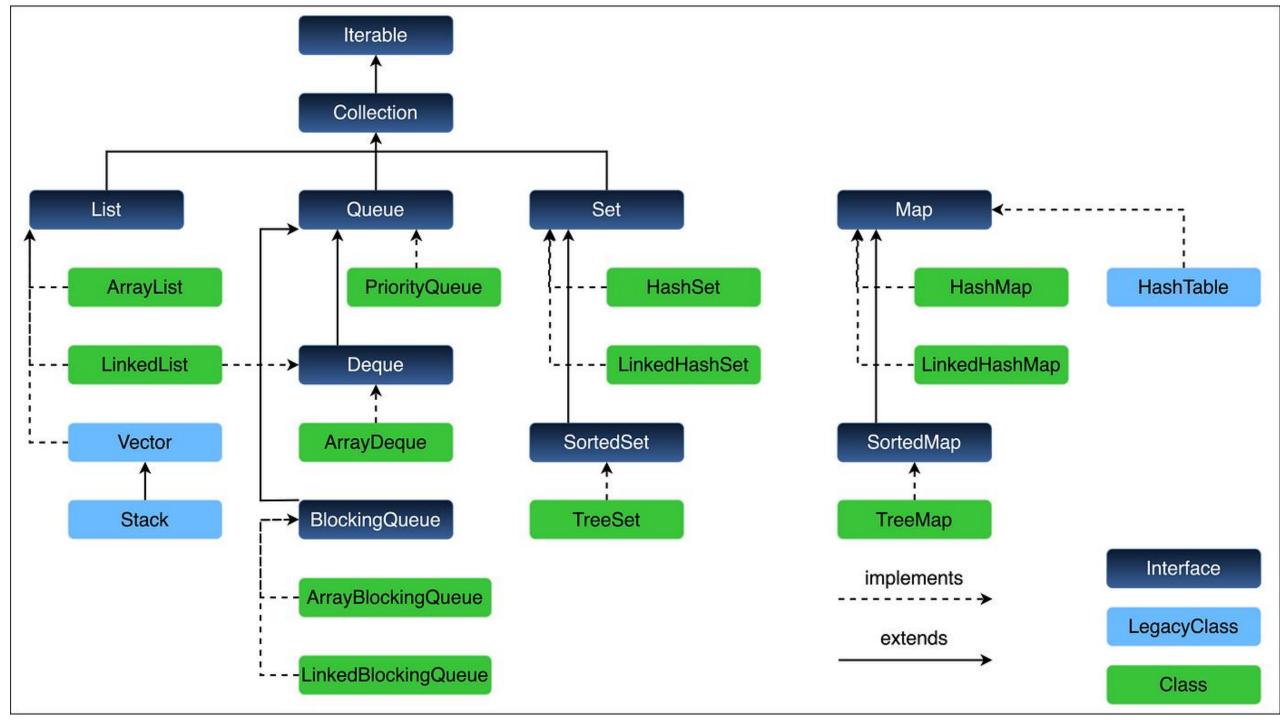
Legacy Classes (Old before Java Collections)

- Vector , Stack , Hashtable these are older and synchronized (thread-safe).
- We now prefer ArrayList, Deque, HashMap unless thread-safety is needed.



What is Java CollectionsFramework?

➤ Definition:

Java Collection Framework is a **set of classes and interfaces** that helps you store, retrieve, and manage **groups of objects (data)** efficiently.

Why do we need it?

Java Collections vs Data Structures

Java Collections vs Data Structures

| Feature | Data Structures (Manual) | Java Collection Framework |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Write from scratch? | Yes | No – prebuilt classes |
| Dynamic size? | No (Arrays fixed) | Yes |
| Easy to use? | Complex | <pre>Very easy (.add() , .remove())</pre> |
| Sorting/searching | Manual | <pre>Built-in (collections.sort)</pre> |
| Performance optimized | You write logic | Already optimized |

1. Dynamic Size

Collections grow or shrink automatically (unlike arrays).

2. Predefined Data Structures

Ready-to-use structures like List, Set, Map, Queue.

3. Easy Data Handling

Built-in methods to add, remove, search, sort data.

4. Code Reusability & Maintenance

Write less code with reusable collection classes.

5. Interface-Based Design

Easily switch between implementations (like ArrayList to LinkedList).

6. Supports Generics

Type-safe data handling → avoids ClassCastException.

✓ VectorExample.java

```
java
import java.util.Vector;
import java.util.Collections;
public class VectorExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 🗹 1. Create a Vector
        Vector<String> cities = new Vector<>();
        // 🖊 2. Add elements
        cities.add("Delhi");
        cities.add("Mumbai");
        cities.add("Chennai");
        // 🗹 3. Add at a specific index
        cities.add(1, "Bangalore");
        // 🗹 4. Traverse using for-each
        System.out.println("Cities list:");
        for (String city : cities) {
            System.out.println(city);
```

```
// 🗹 5. Get element by index

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System.out.println("\nElement at index 2: " + cities.get(2));
// 🖊 6. Update element
cities.set(2, "Hyderabad");
// 🖊 7. Remove by index
cities.remove(∅); // removes "Delhi"
// 🖊 8. Remove by value
cities.remove("Chennai");
// 🛮 9. Check contains
System.out.println("\nContains Bangalore? " + cities.contains("Bangalore"));
// 🖊 10. Size
System.out.println("Size: " + cities.size());
// M 11. Sort
Collections.sort(cities);
System.out.println("\nSorted cities:");
System.out.println(cities);
```

```
java
import java.util.Stack;
public class StackExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 🖊 1. Create a Stack
       Stack<String> books = new Stack<>();
        // 🛮 2. Push elements (adds to top)
        books.push("Java");
        books.push("Python");
        books.push("C++");
       // 🛮 3. Peek top element (but don't remove)
        System.out.println("Top element: " + books.peek());
        // 🖊 4. Pop (removes top)
        String popped = books.pop();
        System.out.println("Popped element: " + popped);
```

```
//  5. Check if stack is empty
System.out.println("Is stack empty? " + books.empty());

//  6. Search (returns position from top, 1-based)
int pos = books.search("Java");
System.out.println("Position of Java: " + pos);

//  7. Final stack content
System.out.println("\nRemaining stack: " + books);
}
```

PriorityQueue Hierarchy (from image)

```
kotlin
Collection
Queue (interface)
PriorityQueue (class)
```

Syntax

```
java
Queue<Integer> pq = new PriorityQueue<>();
```

```
import java.util.PriorityQueue;
public class PriorityQueueExample {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       // 🖊 1. Create PriorityQueue of Integers
       PriorityQueue<Integer> pq = new PriorityQueue<>();
       // 🗹 2. Add elements (not sorted)
       pq.add(40);
       pq.add(10);
       pq.add(30);
       pq.add(20);
       // 🗹 3. Print elements in priority order (automatically sorted)
       System.out.println("Elements in priority (smallest first):");
       while (!pq.isEmpty()) {
            System.out.println(pq.poll()); // removes smallest element
```

Custom Priority: Descending Order

```
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java
import java.util.PriorityQueue;
import java.util.Collections;
public class CustomPQ {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // 🖊 Reverse order (highest to lowest)
        PriorityQueue<Integer> maxPQ = new PriorityQueue<>(Collections.reverseOrder());
        maxPQ.add(10);
        maxPQ.add(50);
        maxPQ.add(20);
        while (!maxPQ.isEmpty()) {
            System.out.println(maxPQ.poll());
```

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Basic Usage (Like Stack and Queue)

```
java
import java.util.ArrayDeque;
public class ArrayDequeExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ArrayDeque<String> deque = new ArrayDeque<>();
        // 🖊 Add from end
        deque.add("A");
        deque.add("B");
        deque.add("C");
        // 🖊 Add from front
        deque.addFirst("Start");
        // 🖊 Add from end
        deque.addLast("End");
        System.out.println("Deque elements: " + deque);
        // 🖊 Remove from front and back
        deque.removeFirst(); // removes "Start"
        deque.removeLast(); // removes "End"
        System.out.println("After removing first and last: " + deque);
```



ArrayBlockingQueue (Fixed Size Box)

```
java
import java.util.concurrent.*;
public class ArrayQueueSimple {
   public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
       BlockingQueue<String> queue = new ArrayBlockingQueue<>(2); // Only 2 slots
       queue.put(" Burger");
       queue.put("@ Fries");
       // queue.put(" 🛉 Coke"); // This will wait until something is taken out
       System.out.println(queue.take()); // 🚔 taken
       queue.put(" f Coke"); // Now this goes in
       System.out.println(queue);
```

◆ LinkedBlockingQueue (Infinite Belt)

```
import java.util.concurrent.*;
public class LinkedQueueSimple {
   public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
      BlockingQueue<String> queue = new LinkedBlockingQueue<>();
      queue.put(" message 1");
      queue.put(" * Message 2");
      queue.put(" message 3");
      // You can keep adding... no size limit (unless you give one)
      System.out.println(queue);
```



1. HashSet Example — 🌑 Fast, No Order

```
java
import java.util.HashSet;
import java.util.Set;
public class HashSetDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Set<String> set = new HashSet<>();
        set.add("Banana");
        set.add("Apple");
        set.add("Mango");
        System.out.println("HashSet: " + set);
        // Output: Random order like [Mango, Banana, Apple]
```

Use when you only care about no duplicates, and don't care about order.

◆ 2. LinkedHashSet Example — ■ Keeps Insertion Order

```
java
import java.util.LinkedHashSet;
import java.util.Set;
public class LinkedHashSetDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Set<String> set = new LinkedHashSet<>();
        set.add("Banana");
        set.add("Apple");
        set.add("Mango");
       System.out.println("LinkedHashSet: " + set);
       // Output: [Banana, Apple, Mango] - same order as added
```

Use when you want order + uniqueness.



3. TreeSet Example — Karted Automatically

```
java
import java.util.Set;
import java.util.TreeSet;
public class TreeSetDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Set<String> set = new TreeSet<>();
        set.add("Banana");
        set.add("Apple");
        set.add("Mango");
        System.out.println("TreeSet: " + set);
        // Output: [Apple, Banana, Mango] — sorted alphabetically
```

Use when you want sorted + unique values.

Hashtable

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Entry<K,V>

100, "Spongebob"

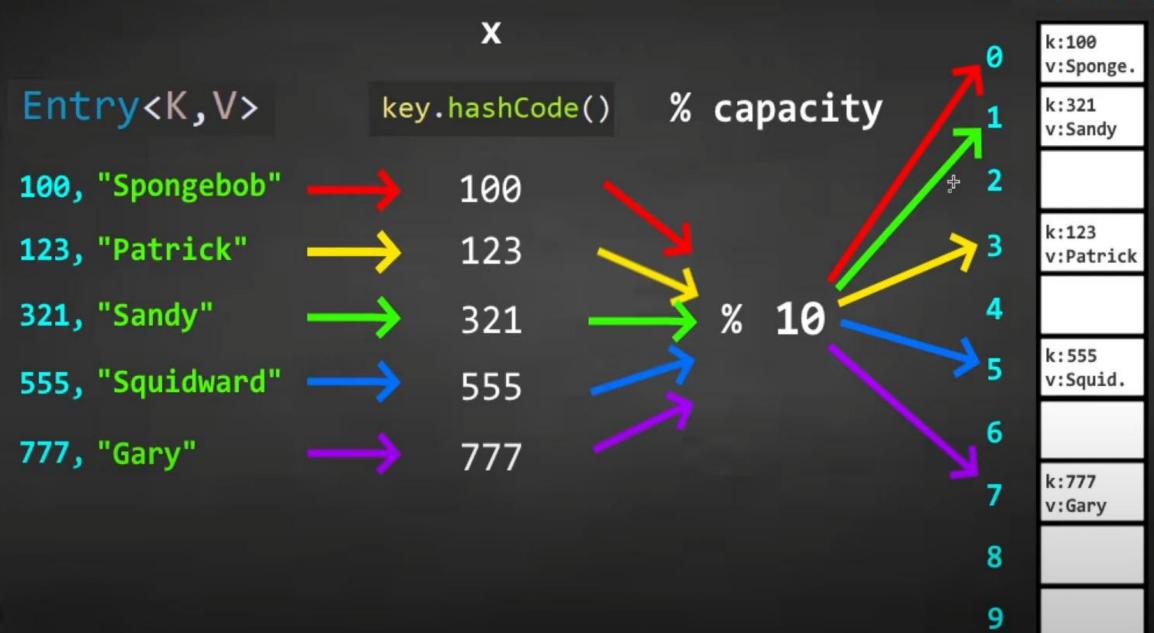
123, "Patrick"

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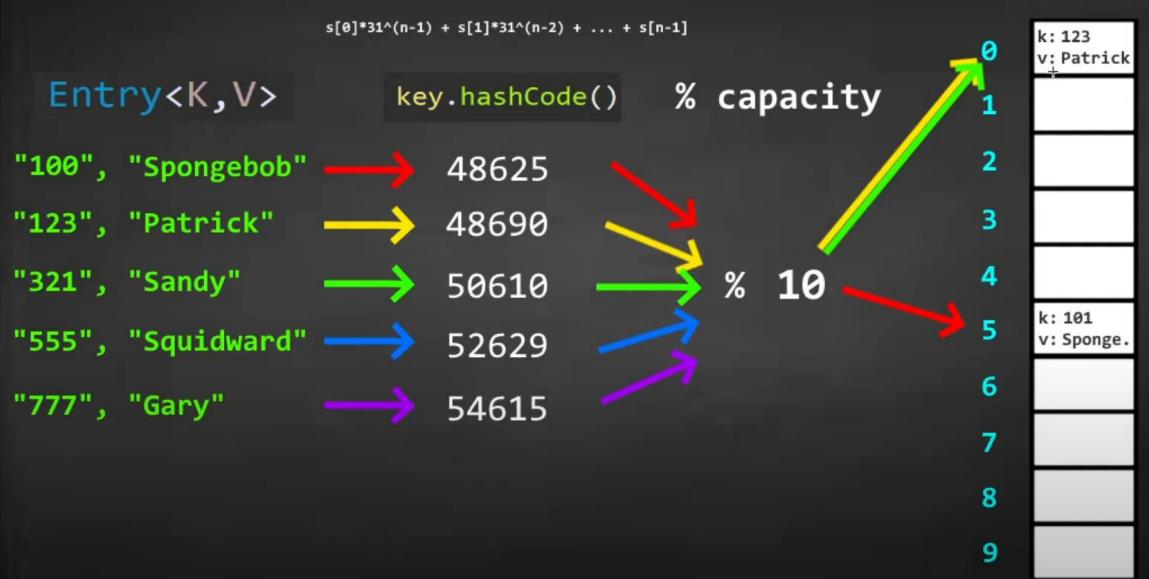
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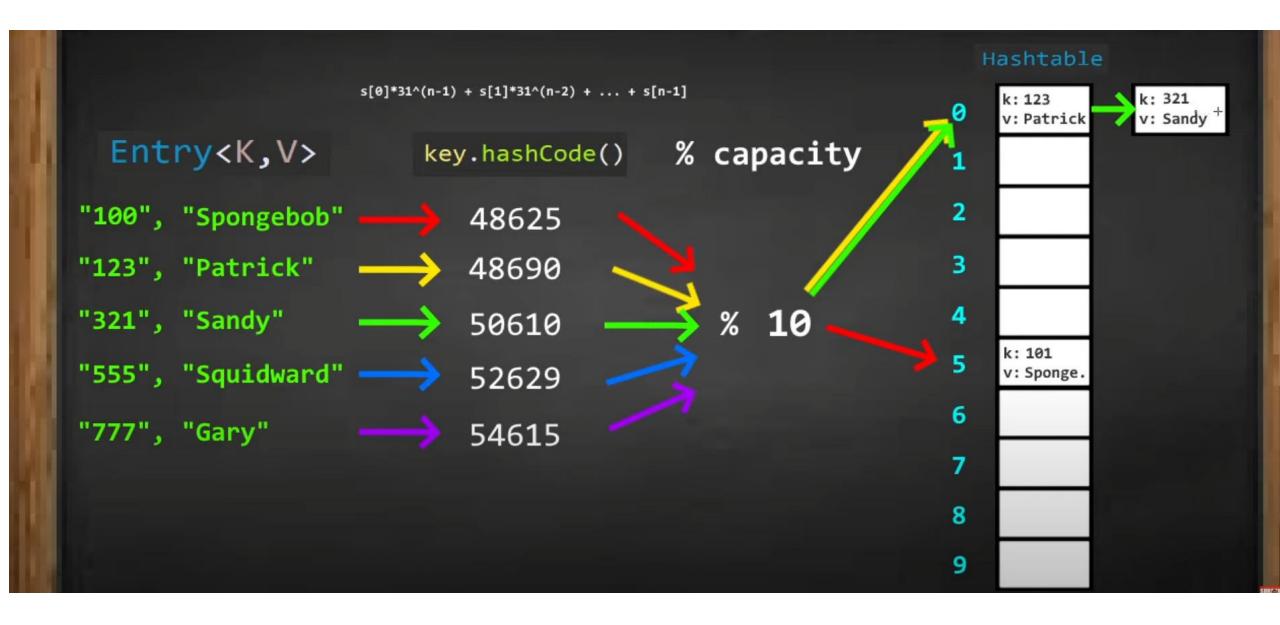
777, "Gary"

Hashtable



Hashtable





Java Hashtable Example:

```
java
import java.util.Hashtable;
public class HashTableDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Hashtable<Integer, String> table = new Hashtable<>();
        table.put(1, "Apple");
        table.put(2, "Banana");
        table.put(3, "Mango");
        System.out.println("Hashtable: " + table);
        System.out.println("Value for key 2: " + table.get(2));
```

Output:

```
yaml

Hashtable: {3=Mango, 2=Banana, 1=Apple}

Value for key 2: Banana
```

```
java
import java.util.HashMap;
public class HashMapDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
       HashMap<Integer, String> map = new HashMap<>();
       map.put(1, "Apple");
       map.put(2, "Banana");
       map.put(3, "Mango");
       map.put(null, "NoKey"); // 🛮 Allowed: null key
       map.put(4, null); // 🗹 Allowed: null value
       System.out.println("HashMap: " + map);
       System.out.println("Value for key 2: " + map.get(2));
```

```
import java.util.LinkedHashMap;
public class LinkedHashMapDemo {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
        LinkedHashMap<Integer, String> map = new LinkedHashMap<>();
       map.put(3, "Mango");
       map.put(1, "Apple");
       map.put(2, "Banana");
        System.out.println("LinkedHashMap: " + map);
```

```
import java.util.TreeMap;
public class TreeMapDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
       TreeMap<Integer, String> map = new TreeMap<>();
       map.put(3, "Mango");
       map.put(1, "Apple");
       map.put(2, "Banana");
        System.out.println("TreeMap: " + map);
```

What is Iterator in Java?

You use it when you wanna **loop through elements safely**, especially when you might also want to **remove** something while looping.

Why not just use a for loop?

You can use a for loop or enhanced for-each, BUT:

- You can't remove elements directly from a for-each loop it throws
 ConcurrentModificationException.
- Iterator is safer when modifying a list while looping.

```
java
import java.util.*;
public class MiniIteratorExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        List<String> fruits = new ArrayList<>();
        fruits.add("Apple");
        fruits.add("Banana");
        fruits.add("Mango");
        // Get iterator
        Iterator<String> it = fruits.iterator();
        // Loop using Iterator
        while (it.hasNext()) {
            String fruit = it.next();
            System.out.println("Fruit: " + fruit);
```

```
List<String> fruits = new ArrayList<>();
fruits.add("Apple");
fruits.add("Banana");
fruits.add("Mango");
// Get iterator
Iterator<String> it = fruits.iterator();
// Loop using Iterator
while (it.hasNext()) {
    String fruit = it.next();
    if (fruit.equals("Banana")) {
        it.remove(); // 🖊 remove banana safely
    } else {
        System.out.println("Fruit: " + fruit);
// Final list after removal
System.out.println("Fruits after removal: " + fruits);
```

1. Generics and Type Safety

What is it?

- Generics = Write code that works with any type, but in a type-safe way.
- Helps you avoid ClassCastException.
- Compile-time check , no runtime surprises

When to use?

- When you use collections like List, Map, Set, etc.
- When you want reusable code (e.g., generic methods/classes).

Example (without generics – X bad):

Example (with generics – safe):

```
List<String> list = new ArrayList<>();
list.add("hello");
// list.add(123); // X compile-time error

String s = list.get(0); // I no cast needed
System.out.println(s);
```

2. Concurrent Collections

What is it?

- Java collections that are thread-safe.
- They are designed for multi-threaded environments.

When to use?

- When multiple threads access/modify the same collection at the same time.
- Used in multi-threaded apps, like servers, schedulers, etc.

Problem with normal collections:

```
java
List<String> list = new ArrayList<>>();
// 2 threads adding at the same time = ** crash or weird behavior
```

Use Concurrent Collection instead:

```
java
import java.util.concurrent.CopyOnWriteArrayList;
public class ConcurrentEx {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        CopyOnWriteArrayList<String> list = new CopyOnWriteArrayList<>();
        list.add("Java");
        list.add("Spring");
        System.out.println(list); // ✓ thread-safe
```



Ommon Concurrent Collections:

| Collection Type | Thread-Safe Version |
|-----------------|---|
| List | CopyOnWriteArrayList |
| Мар | ConcurrentHashMap |
| Queue | ConcurrentLinkedQueue , LinkedBlockingQueue |
| Set | ConcurrentSkipListSet |

```
[4-Rohit, 1-Aman, 5-Sneha, 2-Zoya, 3-Varun]
```

Compare: Rohit(4) vs Aman(1)

```
java
4 - 1 = 3 → positive → swap
```

🔁 Aman comes before Rohit 🔽

List:

```
csharp
[1-Aman, 4-Rohit, 5-Sneha, 2-Zoya, 3-Varun]
```

Compare: Rohit(4) vs Sneha(5)

```
java 4 - 5 = -1 \rightarrow \text{negative} \rightarrow \text{no swap}
```

Rohit stays before Sneha.

Compare: Sneha(5) vs Zoya(2)

Zoya comes before Sneha

```
[1-Aman, 4-Rohit, 2-Zoya, 5-Sneha, 3-Varun]
```

Compare: Sneha(5) vs Varun(3)

```
java

5 - 3 = 2 → positive → swap
```

[1-Aman, 4-Rohit, 2-Zoya, 3-Varun, 5-Sneha]

What is Enumeration?

- It's a legacy iterator used before Iterator was introduced.
- Mostly used with old classes like Vector, Hashtable.
- Works kind of like Iterator, but with fewer features.

```
Vector<String> fruits = new Vector<>();
fruits.add("Apple");
fruits.add("Banana");
fruits.add("Mango");
Enumeration<String> en = fruits.elements(); // @ get enumerator
while (en.hasMoreElements()) {
    String fruit = en.nextElement();
    System.out.println("Fruit: " + fruit);
```