

Enhancement in Collection 1.6

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NavigableSet interface: It is a child interface of Sorted Set and it defines several methods for navigation purpose.

NavigableSet defines the following methods:

`floor(<E>)` ==> It returns highest element which is $\leq E$.
`lower(<E>)` ==> It returns highest element which is $< E$.
`ceiling(<E>)` ==> It returns lowest element which is $\geq E$.
`higher(<E>)` ==> It returns lowest element which is $> E$.

`pollFirst()` ==> Remove and return first element.

`pollLast()` ==> Remove and return last element.

`descendingSet()` ==> It returns navigable set in reverse order.

Methods from SortedSet: `first()`, `last()`, `headSet()`, `tailSet()`, `subSet()`,...

`TreeSet <E> t = new TreeSet<E>();`

```
package EnhancementInJavaCollection;
import java.util.TreeSet;
public class NavigableSetDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        TreeSet<Integer> t = new TreeSet<Integer>();
        t.add(5000);
        t.add(4000);
        t.add(1000);
        t.add(6000);
        t.add(2000);
        t.add(3000);
        System.out.println(t); //[1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000]
        System.out.println(t.ceiling(2000)); // 2000
        System.out.println(t.higher(2000)); // 3000
        System.out.println(t.floor(3000)); // 3000
        System.out.println(t.lower(3000)); // 2000
        System.out.println(t.pollFirst()); //1000
    }
}
```

```

        System.out.println(t.pollFirst()); //1000
        System.out.println(t); //[2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000]
        System.out.println(t.pollLast()); //6000
        System.out.println(t); //[2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]
        System.out.println(t.descendingSet()); //[5000, 4000, 3000, 2000]
        System.out.println("Original object: " + t); //[2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]
    }
}

```

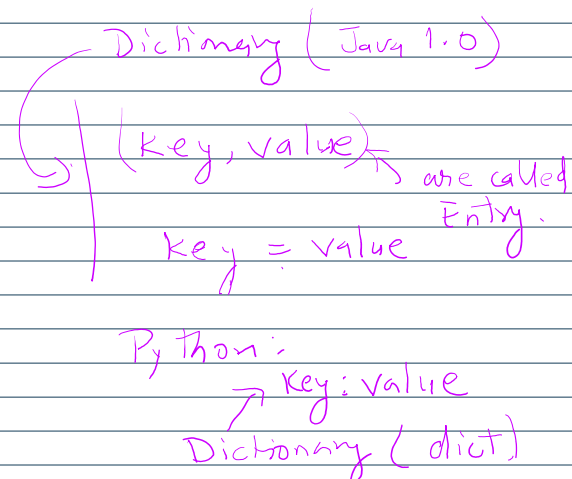
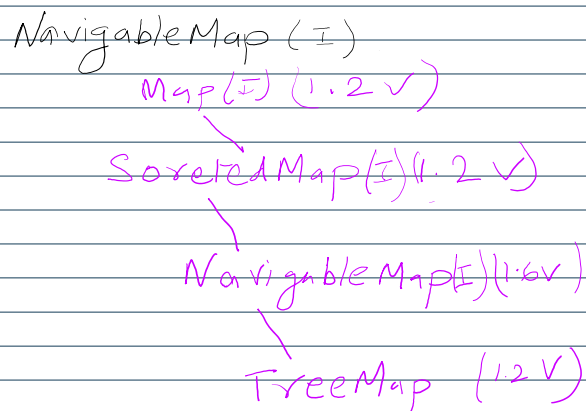
Output:

```

[1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000]
2000
3000
3000
2000
1000
[2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 6000]
6000
[2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]
[5000, 4000, 3000, 2000]
Original object: [2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]

```

NavigableMap (I)



It is a child interface of SortedMap (I)

NavigableMap (I) defines the following methods.

~~floorKey (e)~~

lowerKey (e)

ceilingKey (e)

higherKey (e)

pollFirstEntry ()

pollLastEntry ()

descendingMap () → returns NavigableMap object.

package EnhancementInJavaCollection;

```

import java.util.TreeMap;
public class NavigableMapDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        TreeMap<String, String> t = new TreeMap<String, String>();
        t.put("C", "Cat");
        t.put("D", "Dog");
        t.put("B", "Boy");
        t.put("A", "Apple");
        t.put("G", "Gun");
        t.put("F", "Fish");
        t.put("E", "Elephant");
        System.out.println(t);
        System.out.println(t.ceilingKey("C")); //C
        System.out.println(t.higherKey("C")); //D
        System.out.println(t.floorKey("E")); //E
        System.out.println(t.lowerKey("E")); //D
        System.out.println(t.pollFirstEntry()); //A=Apple
        System.out.println(t.pollLastEntry()); //G=Gun
        System.out.println(t.descendingMap()); //{F=Fish, E=Elephant, D=Dog, C=Cat, B=Boy}
        System.out.println(t); //{B=Boy, C=Cat, D=Dog, E=Elephant, F=Fish}
    }
}

```

Output:

```

{A=Apple, B=Boy, C=Cat, D=Dog, E=Elephant, F=Fish, G=Gun}
C
D
E
D
A=Apple
G=Gun
{F=Fish, E=Elephant, D=Dog, C=Cat, B=Boy}
{B=Boy, C=Cat, D=Dog, E=Elephant, F=Fish}

```

Official Documentation:

```

public interface NavigableMap<K,V>
    extends SortedMap<K,V>

```

A `SortedMap` extended with navigation methods returning the closest matches for given search targets. Methods `lowerEntry(K)`, `floorEntry(K)`, `ceilingEntry(K)`, and `higherEntry(K)` return `Map.Entry` objects associated with keys respectively less than, less than or equal, greater than or equal, and greater than a given key, returning null if there is no such key. Similarly, methods `lowerKey(K)`, `floorKey(K)`, `ceilingKey(K)`, and `higherKey(K)` return only the associated keys. All of these methods are designed for locating, not traversing entries.

A `NavigableMap` may be accessed and traversed in either ascending or descending key order. The `descendingMap()` method returns a view of the map with the senses of all relational and directional methods inverted. The performance of ascending operations and views is likely to be faster than that of descending ones. Methods `subMap(K, boolean, K, boolean)`, `headMap(K, boolean)`, and `tailMap(K, boolean)` differ from the like-named `SortedMap` methods in accepting additional arguments describing whether lower and upper bounds are inclusive versus exclusive. Submaps of any `NavigableMap` must implement the `NavigableMap` interface.

This interface additionally defines methods `firstEntry()`, `pollFirstEntry()`, `lastEntry()`, and `pollLastEntry()` that return and/or remove the least and greatest mappings, if any exist, else returning null.

The methods `ceilingEntry(K)`, `firstEntry()`, `floorEntry(K)`, `higherEntry(K)`, `lastEntry()`, `lowerEntry(K)`, `pollFirstEntry()`, and `pollLastEntry()` return `Map.Entry` instances that represent snapshots of mappings as of the time of the call. They do not support mutation of the underlying map via the optional `setValue` method.

Methods `subMap(K, K)`, `headMap(K)`, and `tailMap(K)` are specified to return `SortedMap` to allow existing implementations of `SortedMap` to be compatibly retrofitted to implement `NavigableMap`, but extensions and implementations of this interface are encouraged to override these methods to return `NavigableMap`. Similarly, `SortedMap.keySet()` can be overridden to return `NavigableSet`.

This interface is a member of the Java Collections Framework.

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<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/24/docs/api/java.base/java/util/NavigableMap.html>

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Official Documentation of NavigableSet

```
public interface NavigableSet<E>  
extends SortedSet<E>
```

A `SortedSet` extended with navigation methods reporting closest matches for given search targets. Methods `lower(E)`, `floor(E)`, `ceiling(E)`, and `higher(E)` return elements respectively less than, less than or equal, greater than or equal, and greater than a given element, returning null if there is no such element.

A `NavigableSet` may be accessed and traversed in either ascending or descending order. The `descendingSet()` method returns a view of the set with the senses of all relational and directional methods inverted. The performance of ascending operations and views is likely to be faster than that of descending ones. This interface additionally defines methods `pollFirst()` and `pollLast()` that return and remove the lowest and highest element, if one exists, else returning null. Methods `subSet(E, boolean, E, boolean)`, `headSet(E, boolean)`, and `tailSet(E, boolean)` differ from the like-named `SortedSet` methods in accepting additional arguments describing whether lower and upper bounds are inclusive versus exclusive. Subsets of any `NavigableSet` must implement the `NavigableSet` interface.

The return values of navigation methods may be ambiguous in implementations that permit null elements. However, even in this case the result can be disambiguated by checking `contains(null)`. To avoid such issues, implementations of this interface are encouraged to not permit insertion of null elements. (Note that sorted sets of `Comparable` elements intrinsically do not permit null.)

Methods `subSet(E, E)`, `headSet(E)`, and `tailSet(E)` are specified to return `SortedSet` to allow existing implementations of `SortedSet` to be compatibly retrofitted to implement `NavigableSet`, but extensions and implementations of this interface are encouraged to override these methods to return `NavigableSet`.

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