Java **Collections**

Collections

- The *java.util* package contains one of the Java's most powerful subsystems : *The Collections Framework*.
- It contains
 - Some Interfaces (Collection, List, Set, Queue, Deque etc)
 - Some Classes (ArrayList, LinkedList, Vector, Stack etc)
- Very useful while working with a huge number of objects

Collection Interface

- It is the foundation upon which the Collection Framework is built. interface Collection<E>
- It must be implemented by any class that defines a collection.
- Some functions

boolean add(E obj) boolean addAll(Collection c)

void clear() boolean contains(Object obj)

boolean isEmpty() int size()

boolean remove(Object obj) boolean removeAll(Collection c)

List Interface

- interface List<E>
- Some functions
 - void add(int index, E obj)
 - boolean addAll(int index, Collection c)
 - E get(int index)
 - int indexOf(Object obj)
 - int lastIndexOf(Object obj)
 - E remove(int index)

Deque Interface

- interface Deque<E>
- Some functions

void addFirst(E obj) v

E getFirst()

E peekFirst()

E pollFirst()

E pop()

E removeFirst()

void addLast(E obj)

E getLast()

E peekLast()

E pollLast()

void push(E obj)

E removeLast()

ArrayList

- It extends the *AbstractList* class and implements the *List* Interface.
- It is a variable length array of object references and can dynamically increase or decrease in size.
- Constructors
 - ArrayList()
 - ArrayList(Collection c)
 - ArrayList(int capacity)
- Example: ArrayListDemo(1-5).java

LinkedList

- It extends the AbstractSequentialList class and implements the List, Deque and Queue Interface.
- It provides a linked-list data structure.
- Constructors
 - LinkedList()
 - LinkedList(Collection c)
- Example: LinkedListDemo.java

Arrays

- The Arrays class provides various methods that are useful when working with arrays.
- Some methods such as binarySearch, copyOf, copyOfRange, fill, sort are there.
- Example: ArraysDemo.java

Vector

- It extends the *AbstractList* class and implements the *List* Interface.
- It implements a dynamic array.
- Constructors
 - Vector()
 - Vector(int size)
 - Vector(int size, int incr)
 - Vector(Collection c)
- Example: VectorDemo.java

HashTable

- It stores key-value pairs.
- Neither keys nor values can be null.
- When using HashTable, you specify an object that is used as a key and the value you want linked to that key.
- The key is then hashed and the resulting hash code is used as the index at which the value is stored within the table.
- Example: HashTableDemo(1-2).java

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