



Programming in Java

Part IV



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Exceptions



Exceptions

```
public class TestExceptions1 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        String s = "Hello";  
        System.out.print(s.charAt(10));  
    }  
}
```

The usual behavior on runtime errors is to
abort the execution

```
$ java TestExceptions1  
Exception in thread "main"  
java.lang.StringIndexOutOfBoundsException:  
String index out of range: 10  
at java.lang.String.charAt(String.java:499)  
at TestExceptions1.main(TestExceptions1.java:11)
```

For example, here there is
an error in the charAt()
call



Exceptions

```
public class TestExceptions2 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        String s = "Hello";  
        try {  
            System.out.print(s.charAt(10));  
        } catch (Exception e) {  
            System.out.println("No such position");  
        }  
    }  
}
```

The exception can be **trapped** by using a try-catch block

```
$ java TestExceptions2  
No such position
```



Handling exceptions

It is possible to specify **interest** on a particular exception

```
public class TestExceptions4 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        String s = "Hello";  
        try {  
            System.out.print(s.charAt(10));  
        } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException e) {  
            System.out.println("No such position");  
            System.out.println(e.toString());  
        }  
    }  
}
```

And also **send** messages to an exception object

```
$ java TestExceptions4  
No such position  
java.lang.StringIndexOutOfBoundsException:  
String index out of range: 10
```



Handling multiple exceptions

```
public static void printInfo(String sentence) {  
    try {  
        // get first and last char before the dot  
        char first = sentence.charAt(0);  
        char last = sentence.charAt(sentence.indexOf(".") - 1);  
        String out = String.format("First: %c Last: %c",first, last);  
        System.out.println(out);  
  
    } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException e1) {  
        System.out.println("Wrong sentence, no dot?");  
  
    } catch (NullPointerException e2) {  
        System.out.println("Non valid string");  
  
    } finally {  
        System.out.println("done!");  
    }  
}
```

It is possible to add
multiple catch blocks and
optionally a single finally
clause



Handling multiple exceptions

```
public static void printInfo(String sentence) throws {
    try {
        // get first and last char before the dot
        char first = sentence.charAt(0);
        char last = sentence.charAt(sentence.indexOf(".") - 1);
        String out = String.format("First: %c Last: %c",first, last);
        System.out.println(out);

    } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException| NullPointerException e) {
        System.out.println("Non valid string");

    } finally {
        System.out.println("done!");
    }
}
```

Or **join** catch
blocks if the action
is the same



Throwing Exceptions

```
import java.io.*;

class WriteFile {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        FileWriter f;
        BufferedWriter bf;
        try {
            f = new FileWriter("file1.text");
            bf = new BufferedWriter(f);
            String s = "Hello World!";
            bf.write(s,0,s.length());
            bf.newLine();
            bf.write("Java is nice!!!",8,5);
            bf.newLine();
            bf.close();
        } catch (IOException e) {
            System.out.println("Error with files:"+e.toString());
        }
    }
}
```

Exception can be
handled in the
method where it
arises ...



Throwing Exceptions

```
public class WriteFile {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        WriteFile wf = new WriteFile();  
        try {  
            wf.write();  
        } catch (IOException e) {  
            System.out.println("Error with files:" + e.toString());  
        }  
    }  
    public void write() throws IOException {  
        FileWriter f;  
        BufferedWriter bf;  
        f = new FileWriter("file1.text");  
        bf = new BufferedWriter(f);  
        String s = "Hello World!";  
        bf.write(s, 0, s.length()); bf.newLine();  
        bf.write("Java is nice!!!", 8, 5); bf.newLine();  
        bf.close();  
    }  
}
```

... or can be
thrown to the
upper level



Creating new Exceptions

```
public class ExceptionTest {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ExceptionTest t = new ExceptionTest();  
        try {  
            t.test(3);  
        } catch (MyException e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
  
    public int test(int x) throws MyException {  
        if (x < 0)  
            throw new MyException();  
        return x - 1;  
    }  
}
```

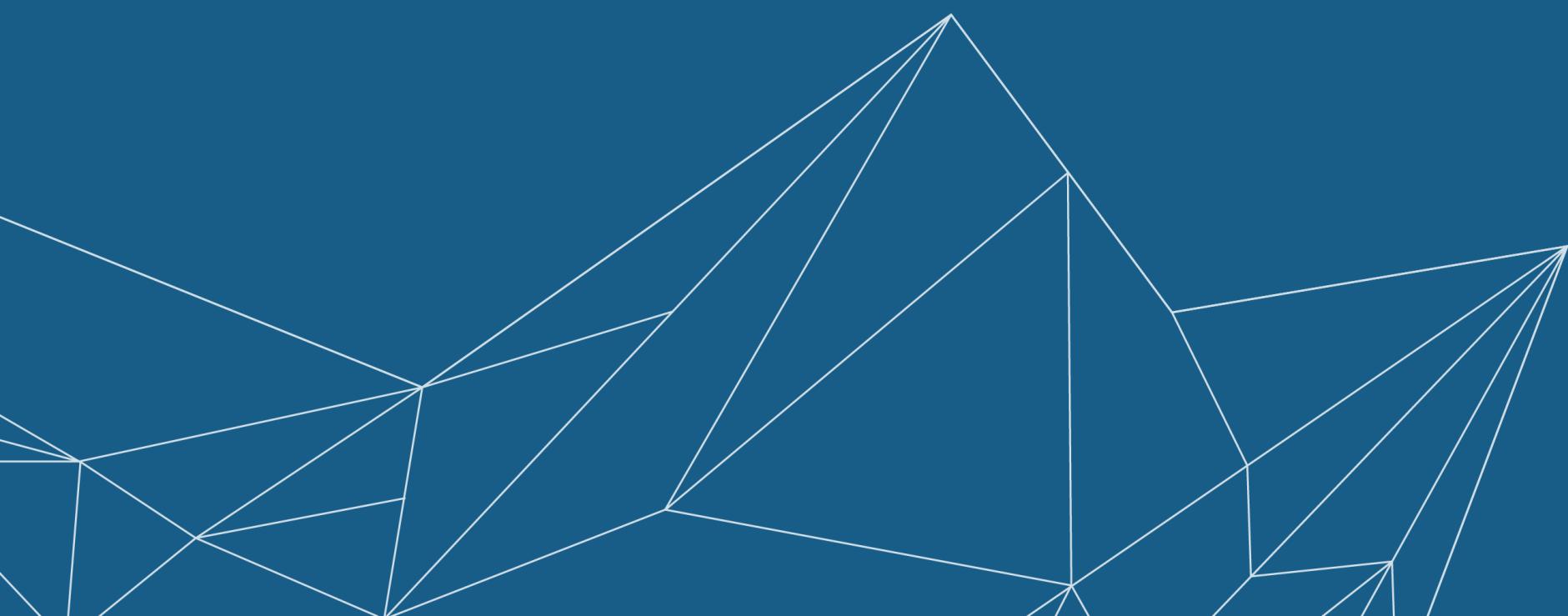
New exceptions can be created and integrated into the hierarchy of exceptions

```
public class MyException extends Exception {  
}
```





Concurrency



Threads

- ✓ It is possible to run **concurrently** different tasks called threads.
- ✓ The threads can **communicate** between themselves
- ✓ Their access to shared data can be **synchronized**
- ✓ Two implementation possibilities: extend thread or implement runnable interface



Sub-classing the Thread class

```
class CharThread extends Thread {  
    char c;  
    CharThread(char aChar) {  
        c = aChar;  
    }  
    public void run() {  
        while (true) {  
            System.out.println(c);  
            try {  
                sleep(100);  
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {  
                System.exit(0);  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
class TestThreads {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        CharThread t1 = new CharThread('a');  
        CharThread t2 = new CharThread('b');  
  
        t1.start();  
        t2.start();  
    }  
}
```

```
$ java TestThreads  
a  
b  
a  
b  
...
```



Runnable interface

```
class CharThread implements Runnable {  
    char c;  
    CharThread(char aChar) {  
        c = aChar;  
    }  
    public void run() {  
        while (true) {  
            System.out.println(c);  
            try {  
                Thread.sleep(100);  
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {  
                System.out.println("Interrupted");  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Now the class can extend
other classes

Note that sleep is not
inherited any more!

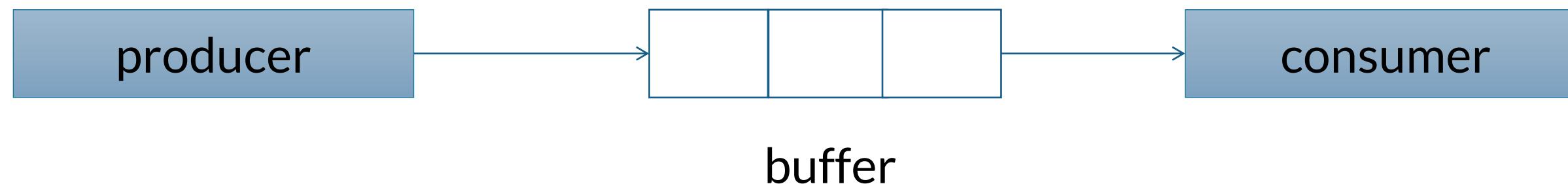


An example

```
class ProducerConsumer {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Buffer buffer = new Buffer(10);  
        Producer prod = new Producer(buffer);  
        Consumer cons = new Consumer(buffer);  
  
        prod.start();  
        cons.start();  
    }  
}
```

The producer and the consumer are implemented with **threads**

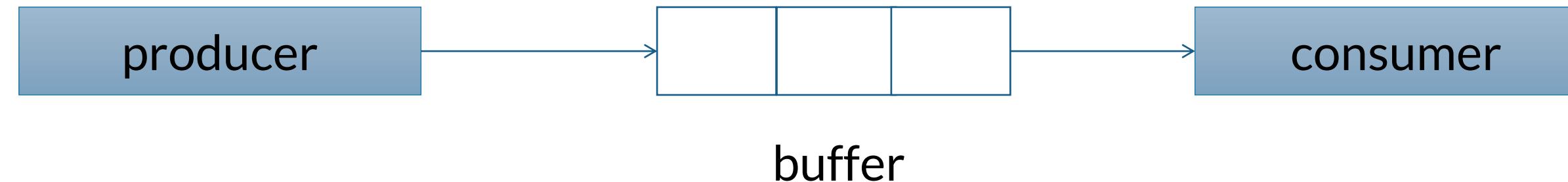
The buffer is **shared** between the two threads



An example: the producer and consumer

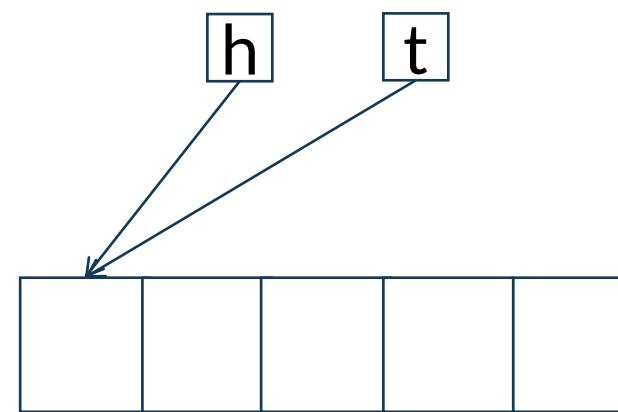
```
class Producer extends Thread {  
    Buffer buffer;  
  
    public Producer(Buffer b) {  
        buffer = b;  
    }  
  
    public void run() {  
        double value = 0.0;  
        while (true) {  
            buffer.insert(value);  
            value += 0.1;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
class Consumer extends Thread {  
    Buffer buffer;  
  
    public Consumer(Buffer b) {  
        buffer = b;  
    }  
  
    public void run() {  
        while(true){  
            double element = buffer.delete()  
            System.out.println(element);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

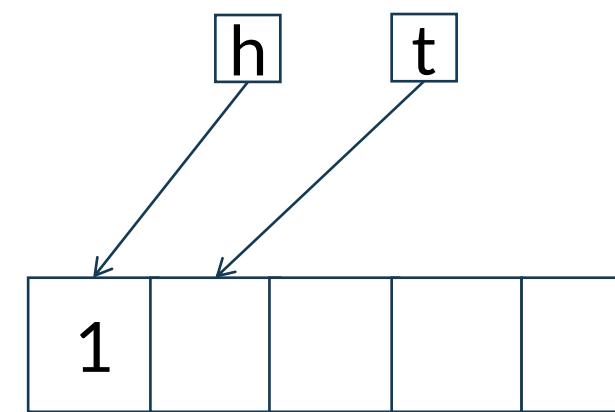


An example: the circular buffer

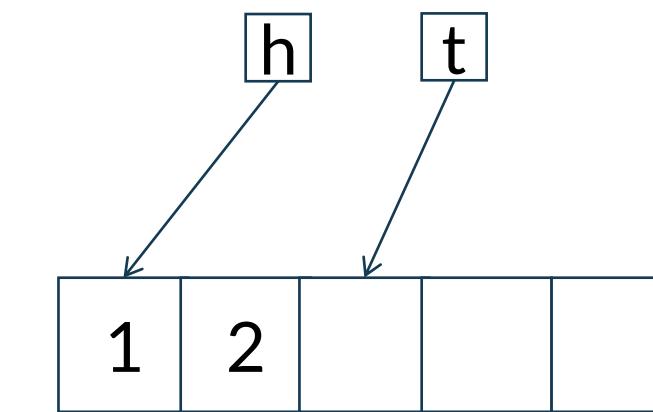
Insertion of elements in the buffer:



Initial situation

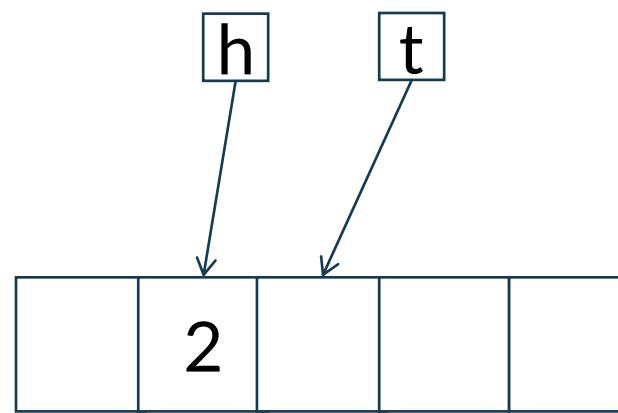


insert(1)



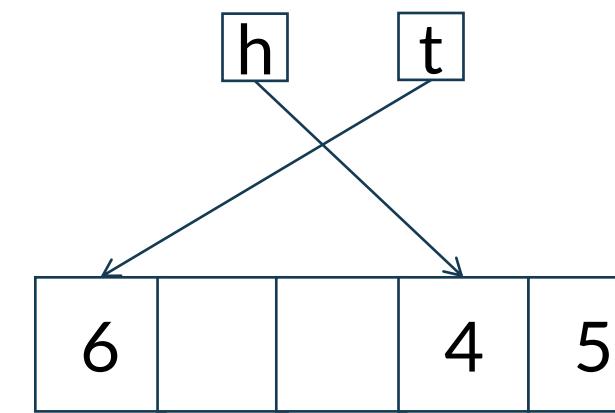
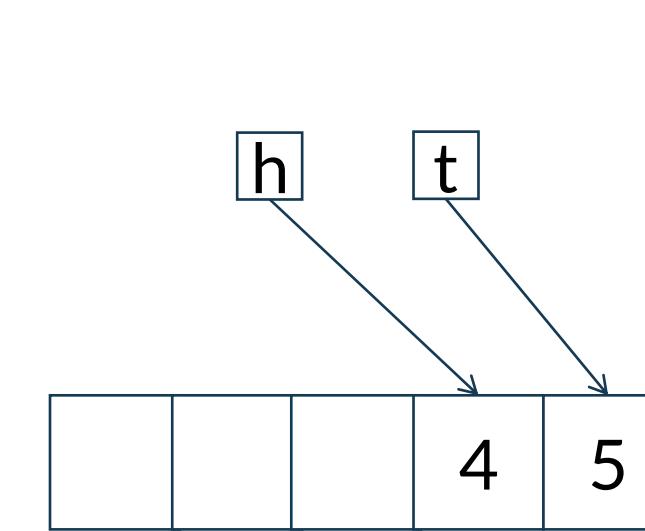
insert(2)

Remove one element:



remove()

Going beyond the limit of the buffer:



insert(6)

An example: the buffer

```
class Buffer {  
    private double []buffer;  
    private int head = 0,tail = 0,size = 0,numElements = 0;  
  
    public Buffer(int s) {  
        buffer = new double[s];  
        size = s;  
    }  
    public void insert(double element) {  
        buffer[tail] = element; tail = (tail + 1) % size;  
        numElements++;  
    }  
    public double delete() {  
        double value = buffer[head]; head = (head + 1) % size;  
        numElements--;  
        return value;  
    }  
}
```



An example: problems

However, the implementation does not work!.

- The methods insert() and delete() operate concurrently over the same structure.
- The method insert() does not check if there is at least one slot free in the buffer
- the method delete() does not check if there is at least one piece of data available in the buffer.

There is a need for synchronization



Synchronization

- ✓ Synchronized access to a critical resource can be achieved with synchronized methods
- ✓ Each instance has a lock, used to synchronize the access.
- ✓ Synchronized methods are not allowed to be executed concurrently on the same instance.



An example: synchronized methods

```
public synchronized void insert(double element) {  
    while (numElements == size) {  
        try {  
            wait();  
        } catch(InterruptedException e) {  
            System.out.println("Interrupted");  
        }  
    }  
  
    buffer[tail] = element;  
    tail = (tail + 1) % size;  
    numElements++;  
    notify();  
}
```

The methods goes to **sleep** (and release the lock) if buffer is full

At the end, it **awakes** producer(s) which can be sleeping waiting for the lock

Synchronized access to the critical resource is achieved by defining the methods as **synchronized**

Please note that a **while** is used and not an **if**. Why?



An example: synchronized methods

```
public synchronized double delete() {  
    while (numElements == 0) {  
        try {  
            wait();  
        } catch(InterruptedException e) {  
            System.out.println("Interrupted");  
        }  
    }  
  
    double value = buffer[head];  
    head = (head + 1) % size;  
    numElements--;  
    notify();  
    return value;  
}
```

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Concurrency

A more powerful and modern approach to concurrency based on streams will be discussed later on.





Modularity



Packages

A **package** is a structure in which classes can be organized.

It can contain **any number of classes**, usually related by purpose or by inheritance.

The **standard classes** in the system are organized in packages

```
import java.util.*; // or import java.util.Date

public class TestDate {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(new Date());
    }
}
```



Packages

Package name is defined by using the keyword **package** as the first instruction

```
package myBook;

public class ExampleBooks {
    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Book b = new Book();
        b.title = "Java 8 Lambdas";
        b.author = "Richard Warburton";
        b.numberOfPages = 168;
        System.out.println(b.title + ":" + b.author + ":" + b.numberOfPages);
    }
}
```

```
package myBook;

public class Book {
    String title;
    String author;
    int numberOfPages;
}
```



Packages

```
package com.esteco;

public class Book {
    String title;
    String author;
    int numberOfPages;
}
```

```
package com.esteco;

public class ExampleBooks {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Book b = new Book();
    }
}
```



There is a **correspondence** between the package name and the directory structure where the classes are located



Modules

- ✓ Modules describe code **dependencies** and **relations** in an application
- ✓ Convenient for **large** applications
- ✓ The **Java run-time library** is structured in modules as seen in the Java API web definition. For example: `java.base`, `java.desktop`, `java.xml`, etc.



A simple example with modules

In each module, the file module-info.java describes the relationships and dependencies

```
package com.esteco;

public class Book {
    String title;
    String author;
    int numberOfPages;
}
```

```
module modulebooks {
    exports com.esteco;
}
```

module-info.java 

```
package it.units;

import com.esteco.Book;

public class Film {
    String title;
    String director;
    Book basedOn;
}
```

```
module modulefilms {
    requires modulebooks;
}
```

module-info.java 





Collections

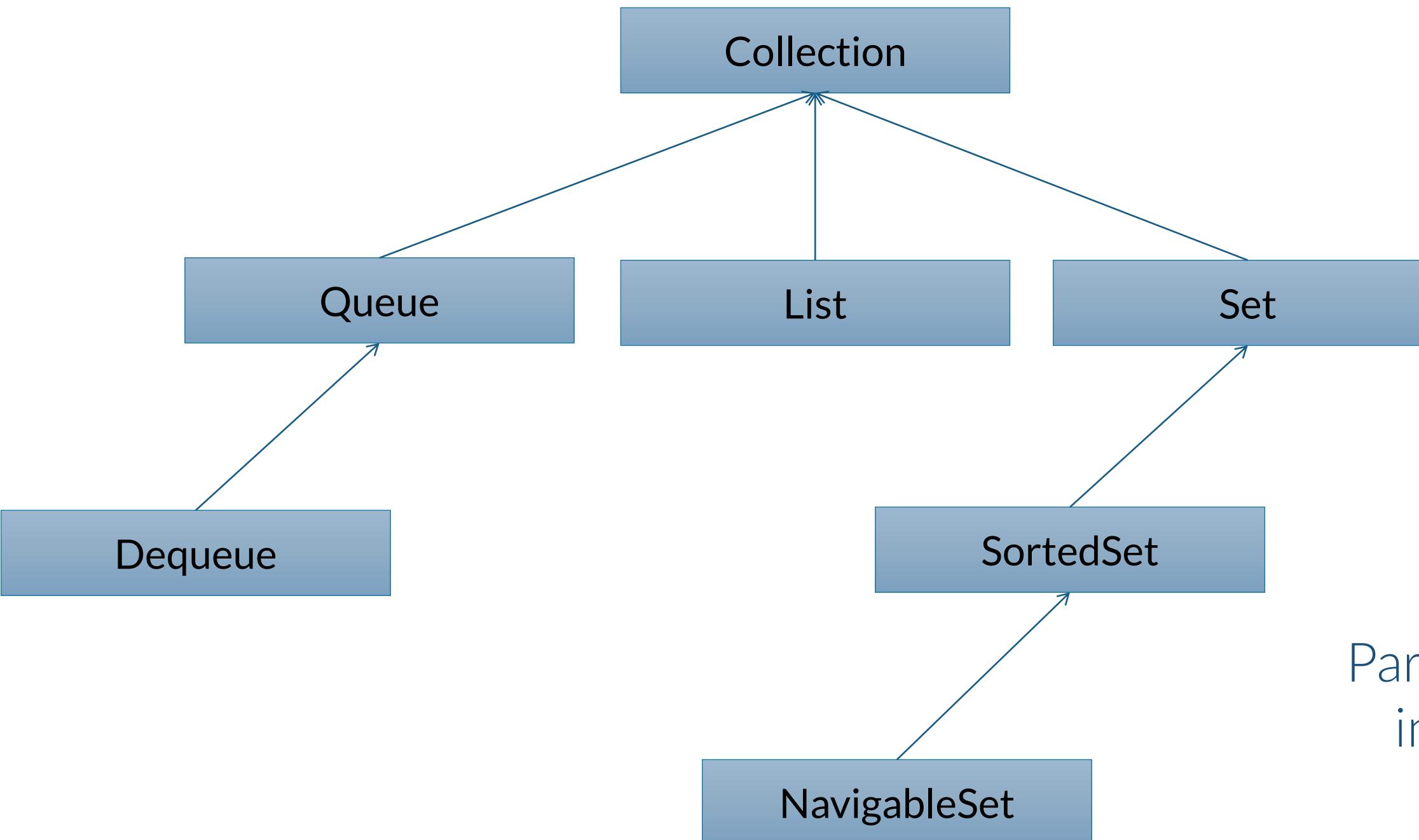


Collections Framework

- ✓ The framework provides state-of-the-art technology for managing groups of objects
- ✓ A highly sophisticated hierarchy of interfaces and classes
- ✓ Java programmers must know and use it



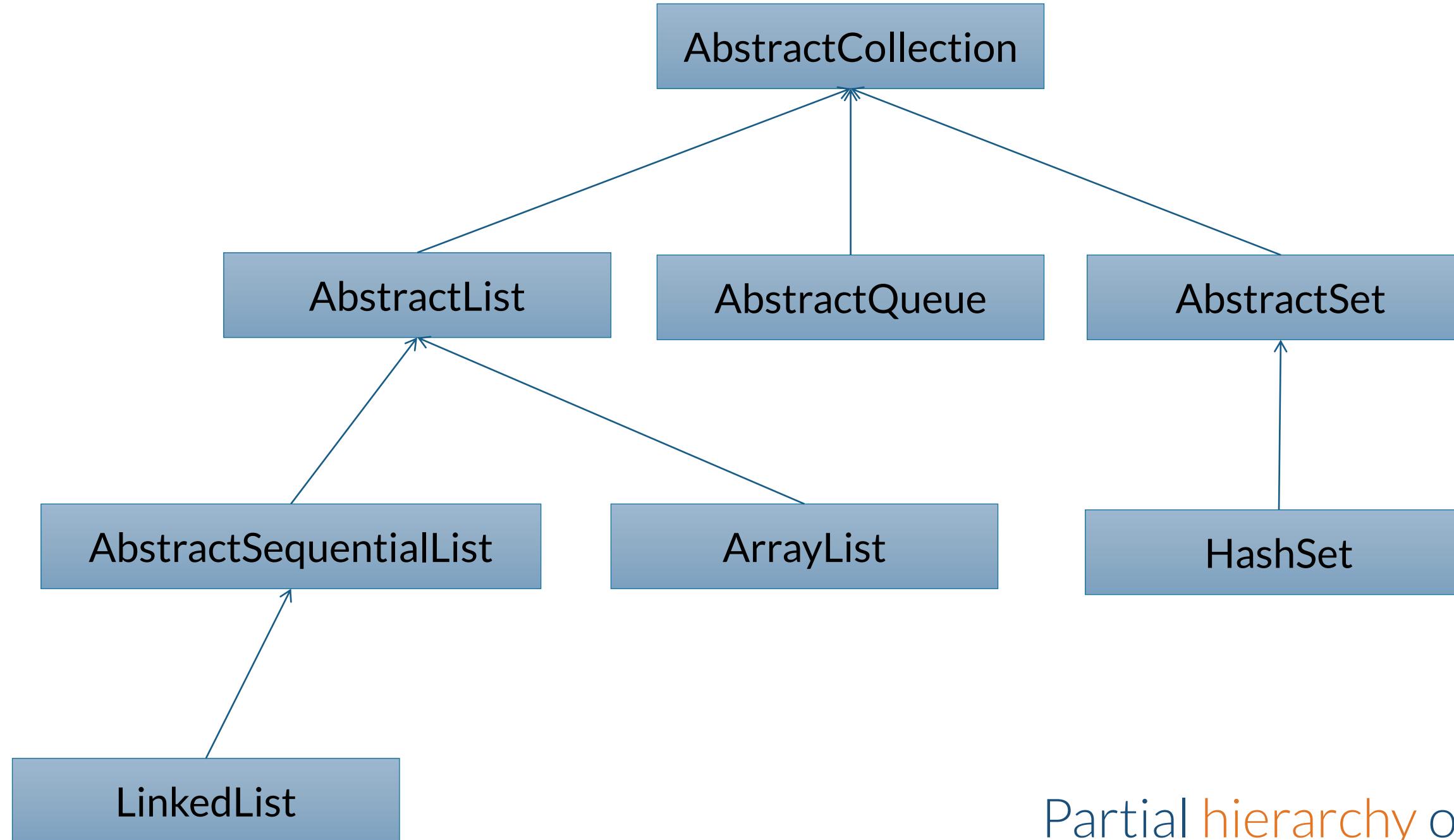
Interfaces



Partial **hierarchy** of
interfaces, which
define **behavior**



Classes



Partial **hierarchy** of classes, which define implementation

An example with ArrayList

Creation and
insertion

```
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();  
  
list.add("red");  
list.add("blue");  
list.add("white");
```

```
for(String x : list) {  
    System.out.println(x);  
}
```

Traversing the
structure

Removing elements

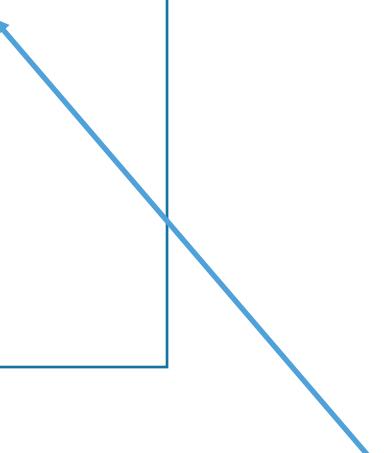
```
list.remove(2);  
list.remove("white");
```



An example with LinkedList

Creation and insertion

```
LinkedList<String> list = new LinkedList<>();  
  
list.add("red");  
list.addFirst("blue");  
list.add(1,"white");
```



Please note the use of the diamond <> notation

```
for(String x : list) {  
    System.out.println(x);  
}
```

Traversing the structure

Removing elements

```
list.last();  
list.remove("white");
```



An example with HashMap

Creation and
insertion

```
HashMap<String, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();  
  
map.put("temperature", 22);  
map.put("humidity", 65);
```

```
int temp = map.get("temperature");
```

Accessing a value

Getting keys

```
for(String x : map.keySet()) {  
    System.out.println(map.get(x));  
}
```



Collections

A more powerful and modern approach to deal with data stored in Collections based on the streams will be discussed later on.





Generics



Generics

- ✓ Generics allows to build parameterized types
 - ✓ create classes, interfaces, and methods in which the type of data upon which they operate is specified as a parameter.
- ✓ Improve type safety when compared with the use of Objects



An example

```
public class Stack<E> {  
    private LinkedList<E> data;  
  
    Stack() {  
        data = new LinkedList<E>();  
    }  
  
    public void push(E x) {  
        data.addFirst(x);  
    }  
  
    public E pop() {  
        return data.removeFirst();  
    }  
  
    public int size() {  
        return data.size();  
    }  
}
```

A generic stack

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<>();  
    stack.push(22);  
    stack.push(66);  
    System.out.println(stack.pop());  
}  
}
```

Be careful with this small example, no checking is done when removing elements!



Bounded classes

The generic class can be restricted

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {  
    ...  
}
```

This specifies that BaseType can **only** be replaced by Number, or subclasses of Number.



Wildcard arguments

Let's define a new method to compare the size of two stacks:

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {  
...  
    public boolean equalSize(Stack<BaseType> other) {  
        return size() == other.size();  
    }  
}
```

It seems simple...

```
Stack<Integer> stack1 = new Stack<>();  
stack1.push(22);  
stack1.push(66);
```

```
Stack<Float> stack2 = new Stack<>();  
stack2.push(3.1F);
```

```
boolean equalSize = stack1.equalSize(stack2);
```

...however, it does not work if types
are different!



Wildcard arguments

A new method with wildcards to compare the size of two stacks:

```
public class Stack<BaseType extends Number> {  
    ...  
    public boolean equalSize(Stack<?> other) {  
        return size() == other.size();  
    }  
}
```

```
Stack<Integer> stack1 = new Stack<>();  
stack1.push(22);  
stack1.push(66);
```

```
Stack<Float> stack2 = new Stack<>();  
stack2.push(3.1);
```

```
boolean equalSize = stack1.equalSize(stack2);
```

It works now!!!!



Comparator interface for Collections

Classes that implements the **comparable interface** can be
“compared” by Collection methods

```
public interface Comparable<T extends Object> {  
    public int compareTo(T t);  
}
```

Note the **bounded generic**
declaration!



Comparator interface for Collections

```
class Book implements Comparable<Book> {  
...  
public int compareTo(Book aBook) {  
    return numberOfPages - aBook.numberOfPages;  
}
```

With the comparator,
Books can be compared
now!

```
Book b1 = new Book ("Java 8 Lambdas","Richard Warburton",168);  
Book b2 = new Book("Java in a nutshell", "David Flanagan",353);  
  
ArrayList<Book> list = new ArrayList<>();  
  
list.add(b1); list.add(b2);  
  
Collections.sort(list);  
  
for (Book x : list) {  
    System.out.println(x.title);  
}
```





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Thank you!

