

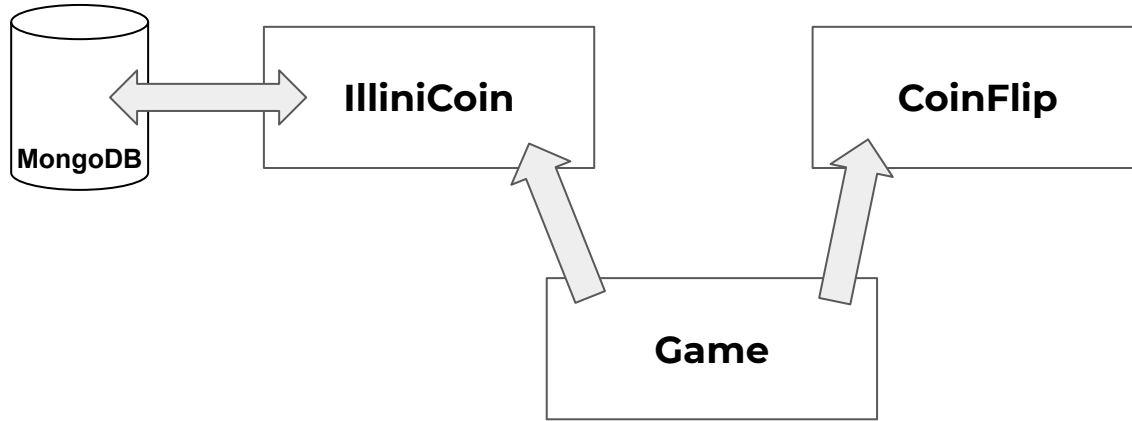
# Application Layers, APIs, and Clouds

The background of the slide features a photograph of the Alma Mater statue at the University of Illinois, which is a central figure in a long, flowing gown with her arms outstretched. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent orange color, creating a monochromatic effect.

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# Application Layers

A photograph of a crowd of people gathered around a statue of a woman in a long dress, set against a background of trees. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent orange filter. The text "Application Layers" is centered in white.

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**APIS**

docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/List.html

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## Interface List<E>

**Type Parameters:**  
E - the type of elements in this list

**All Superinterfaces:**  
Collection<E>, Iterable<E>

**All Known Implementing Classes:**  
AbstractList, AbstractSequentialList, ArrayList, AttributeList, CopyOnWriteArrayList, LinkedList, RoleList, RoleUnresolvedList, Stack, Vector

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```
public interface List<E>  
    extends Collection<E>
```

An ordered collection (also known as a *sequence*). The user of this interface has precise control over where in the list each element is inserted. The user can access elements by their integer index (position in the list), and search for elements in the list.

Unlike sets, lists typically allow duplicate elements. More formally, lists typically allow pairs of elements *e1* and *e2* such that *e1.equals(e2)*, and they typically allow multiple null elements if they allow null elements at all. It is not inconceivable that someone might wish to implement a list that prohibits duplicates, by throwing runtime exceptions when the user attempts to insert them, but we expect this usage to be rare.

The List interface places additional stipulations, beyond those specified in the Collection interface, on the contracts of the iterator, add, remove, equals, and hashCode methods. Declarations for other inherited methods are also included here for convenience.

The List interface provides four methods for positional (indexed) access to list elements. Lists (like Java arrays) are zero based. Note that these operations may execute in time proportional to the index value for some implementations (the LinkedList class, for example). Thus, iterating over the elements in a list is typically preferable to indexing through it if the caller does not know the implementation.

The List interface provides a special iterator, called a ListIterator, that allows element insertion and replacement, and bidirectional access in addition to the normal operations that the Iterator interface provides. A method is provided to obtain a list iterator that starts at a specified position in the list.

The List interface provides two methods to search for a specified object. From a performance standpoint, these methods should be used with caution. In many implementations they will perform costly linear searches.

The List interface provides two methods to efficiently insert and remove multiple elements at an arbitrary point in the list.

Note: While it is permissible for lists to contain themselves as elements, extreme caution is advised: the equals and hashCode methods are no longer well defined on such a list.

Some list implementations have restrictions on the elements that they may contain. For example, some implementations prohibit null elements, and some have restrictions on the types of their elements. Attempting to add an ineligible element throws an unchecked exception, typically NullPointerException or ClassCastException. Attempting to query the presence of an ineligible element may throw an exception, or it may simply return false; some implementations will exhibit the former behavior and some will exhibit the latter. More generally, attempting an operation on an ineligible element whose completion would not result in the insertion of an ineligible element into the list may throw an exception or it may succeed, at the option of the implementation. Such exceptions are marked as "optional" in the specification for this interface.

This interface is a member of the Java Collections Framework.

**Since:**  
1.2

**See Also:**  
Collection, Set, ArrayList, LinkedList, Vector, Arrays.asList(Object[]), Collections.nCopies(int, Object), Collections.EMPTY\_LIST, AbstractList, AbstractSequentialList

# read(2) — Linux manual page

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READ(2) Linux Programmer's Manual READ(2)

## NAME [top](#)

read - read from a file descriptor

## SYNOPSIS [top](#)

```
#include <unistd.h>

ssize_t read(int fd, void *buf, size_t count);
```

## DESCRIPTION [top](#)

`read()` attempts to read up to *count* bytes from file descriptor *fd* into the buffer starting at *buf*.

On files that support seeking, the read operation commences at the file offset, and the file offset is incremented by the number of bytes read. If the file offset is at or past the end of file, no bytes are read, and `read()` returns zero.

If *count* is zero, `read()` may detect the errors described below. In the absence of any errors, or if `read()` does not check for errors, a `read()` with a *count* of 0 returns zero and has no other effects.

According to POSIX.1, if *count* is greater than `SSIZE_MAX`, the result is implementation-defined; see NOTES for the upper limit on Linux.

## RETURN VALUE [top](#)



# Web APIs

*A “Web API” describes the functionality of software you access via a web interface.*

**There is NO standard way to write a Web API (yet).**

# Stripe API

<https://stripe.com/docs/api/>

# GitHub API

<https://docs.github.com/en/rest>

# National Weather Service API

<https://www.weather.gov/documentation/services-web-api>

# Best Web API Design Practices:

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# Clouds

The image features a crowd of people gathered around a large, classical-style statue. The scene is heavily filtered with a semi-transparent orange color. The statue, which appears to be the Alma Mater of a university, stands on a pedestal with the words "ALMA MATER" visible. The background is filled with the intricate, bare branches of trees, creating a complex, web-like pattern. The overall composition is centered, with the word "Clouds" in a clean, white, sans-serif font dominating the middle of the frame.

# Public Cloud

# Private Cloud



# Hybrid Cloud



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`linux.ews.illinois.edu`



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<https://vc.cs.illinois.edu/ui>

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