Module 4

Packages and Interfaces:

Packages, Access Protection, Importing Packages. Interfaces.

Multi Threaded Programming:

What are threads? How to make the classes threadable; Extending threads; Implementing runnable; Synchronization; Changing state of the thread; Bounded buffer problems, producer consumer problems.

Interface's are another form of creating abstract classes in java.

Abstract classes cannot be used to achieve multiple inheritance, but interfaces can be used to achieve multiple inheritance in java.

Interface is a mechanism to achieve abstraction (specifying the task's to be done by derived classes, but interface is not going to implement one)

Interface implements abstraction in its basic form, by not defining any method within it.

Abstract classes will not implement abstraction to its fullest, because some methods can be defined within it.

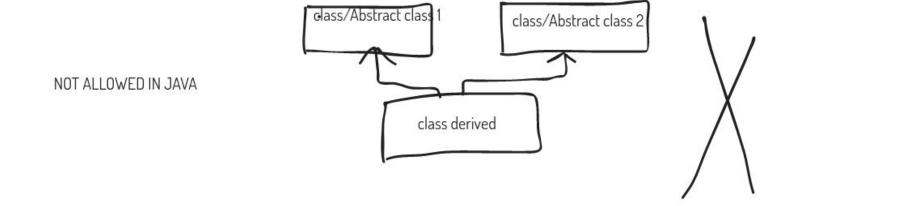
There can be only abstract methods in the interface.

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Instance cannot be created for an interface, but a reference can be created.

Java Abstract class & Interface represents "IS-A" relationship.

A single class can inherit multiple interfaces. A single class can inherit from only one Abstract class/Non-abstract class.

```
G.F: of implementing interface
class <calss-name> [extends classname] [implements interface [,interface...]]
{
....//class body
}
[] indicates optional
```

If a class **implements** an interface, then all the methods in that must be compulsorily defined by the inherited class.

All methods and variables are implicitly public in an interface.

NOTE: An interface can extend (inherit) another interface.

Interface Ex: interface disp { public void display(); int *i*=90; // by default i is public final static class cmp implements disp { public void cmp method() System.*out*.println("method of cmp"); } @Override public void display() System.*out*.println("in cmp display"); }

```
class student implements disp {
 public void student method() { System.out.println("method of student"); }
  @Override
  public void display() { System.out.println("in student display"); }
class test {
public static void main(String[] args) {
    disp d = new student(); d.display();
    //d.student method(); // CTE
    d = new cmp(); d.display();
    //d.cmp method(); // CTE
```

```
Interface : Another example
         import java.lang.*;
         interface stack
           void push(Object obj);
           Object pop();
          int size=3;
         class intstack implements stack
               private int top,a[];
               public intstack()
                { top=-1; a = new int[size]; }
```

```
Interface: Another example
          public void push(Object obj){
                 System.out.println(obj.getClass());
                 if (top==size-1)
                  {System.out.println("Integer stack full"); return;}
                 top=top+1;
                 a[top] = ((Integer) obj).intValue();
          public Object pop() {
                 if (top==-1)
                  {System.out.println("Integer stack empty"); return null; }
                 Object obj = new Integer(a[top]);
                  top--;
                 return obj;
```

Interface : Another example class fstack implements stack { int top; float a[]; public fstack() top=-1; a = new float[size]; } public void push(Object obj) if (top==size-1) {System.out.println("Integer stack full"); return;} top=top+1; a[top] = ((Float)obj).floatValue();

```
Interface : Another example
          public Object pop() {
            if (top==-1)
             { System.out.println("Integer stack empty"); return null; }
            Object obj = new Float(a[top]);
            top--;
            return obj;
         class test
           public static void main(String args[])
            intstack i = new intstack();
            i.push(10);
            System.out.println( i.pop());
```

Interface : Another example fstack j = new fstack(); j.push(10f); System.out.println(j.pop()); System.out.println("One interface Multiple method invocation"); **stack** s = i; // base class reference pointing to its derived class s.push(20); System.out.println(s.pop()); s = j; s.push(30f); System.out.println(s.pop());

Interface: Another example

```
i.push(90); i.push(10);
          int k = i.pop() + i.pop(); //CTE
          k = ((Integer)i.pop()).intValue() + ((Integer)i.pop()).intValue();
          System.out.println(k);
i.pop() calls toString() of Integer wrapper class to obtain stringed integer value.
((Integer)i.pop()).intValue() retrieves value of type int.
```

IMPLEMENTING MULTIPLE INTERFACE

```
interface accept value
{ void accept(); }
interface display value
{ void display(); }
class test implements accept value, display value {
  public void accept() { System.out.println("In accept"); }
  public void display() { System.out.println("In display"); }
  public static void main (String[] args) {
    test a = new test();
    a.accept();
    a.display();
```

INTERFACE EXTENDING ANOTHER INTERFACE

```
interface accept value
{ void accept(); }
interface display value extends accept value
{ void display(); }
class test implements display value {
  public void accept() { System.out.println("In accept"); }
  public void display() { System.out.println("In display"); }
  public static void main (String[] args) {
    test a = new test(); a.accept();
    a.display();
```

PACKAGE

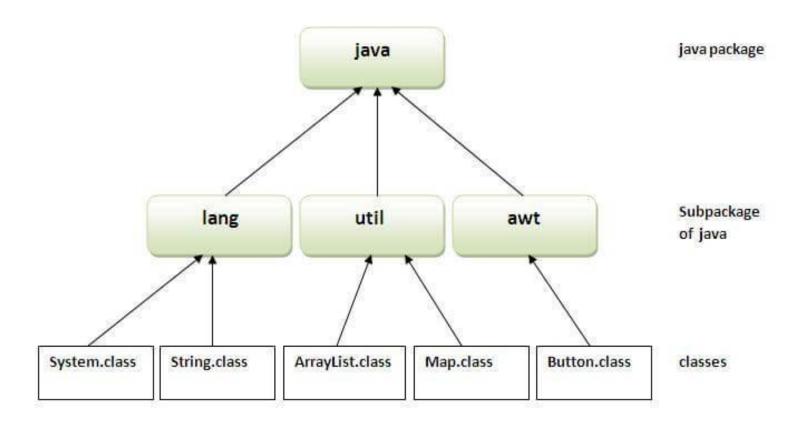
Package in Java is a mechanism to encapsulate a group of classes, sub packages and interfaces. Packages are used for:

- Preventing naming conflicts.
 - Ex: there can be two classes with similar names in two packages.
- Providing controlled access:
 - protected and default have package level access control.
 - A protected member is accessible by classes in the same package and its subclasses (outside the package).
 - A default member (without any access specifier) is accessible by classes in the same package only.
- Packages can be considered as data encapsulation or data-hiding.
- Usage of classes, interfaces will be easier by using package names.

Package in java can be categorized in two forms, built-in package and user-defined package.

There are many built-in packages such as java, lang, awt, javax, swing, net, io, util, sql etc.

PACKAGE



PACKAGE

Creating a package actually creates a directory with the same name as the package name. (in Eclipse a default package is created for each project, if a suitable name is provided for the package, then a directory of the same name will be created to hold on to the classes, which are inside the package)

In console based implementation of packages, directory name which matches package name has to be created manually and respective classes must be kept in that directory.

Ex: package college.engineering.cse

college is the directory and main package name engineering is the sub directory of college and intermediate package name cse is the subdirectory of engineering and last package name

college ---> engineering ----> cse (Hierarchy of packages)

Any class to be added to this package must be stored in the "cse" directory.

PACKAGE : Creating Packages package college.engineering; public class cse //public specifier for class, to access CSE class outside the package //class.engineering.cse { public static void print() {System.out.println("In college.engineering package class CSE"); } }

ONLY ONE PUBLIC CLASS IS ALLOWED IN ONE PACKAGE ANY OTHER CLASS IN THE SAME PACKAGE MUST NOT BE PUBLIC.

```
class ise
{
  public static void print()
  { System.out.println("In rns.engineering package class ISE"); }
}
```

PACKAGE: Creating Packages package college.pucollege;

```
public class PUC {
 public static void print()
 { System.out.println("In rns.pucollege package class PUC"); }
//Test.java
import college.engineering.CSE;
import college.pucollege.*;
class Test {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
   CSE.print();
   PUC.print();
```

	Private	No Modifier	Protected	Public
Same class	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Same package subclass	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Same package non-subclass	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Different package subclass	No	No	Yes	Yes
Different package non-subclass	No	No	No	Yes

Any member declared as public can be accessed from anywhere.

Any member declared as private cannot be accessed outside its class.

Any member declared as protected can be accessed outside the current package, but only inside the subclasses. Non-subclasses cannot access protected members.

When a member has a default access specifier, it is visible to subclasses as well as to other classes in the same package.

A class in a package can have only **public**, **final or default access specifiers**.

When a class is **declared as public**, it is accessible anywhere in the project. (Project is a combination of several packages).

When a class is public, it must be the **only public class** declared in the file, and the **file must** have the same name as the class.

If a class has **default access**, then it can only be accessed by other classes within the same package.

Ex:

```
File path: rns\engineering\CSE.java
package rns.engineering;
public class CSE {
    private int ipri;
    protected int ipro;
    public int ipub;
    int inomod;
}
```

```
File path: rns\engineering\NonSubClassSamePackage.java
package rns.engineering;
public class NonSubClassSamePackage {
    public void access()
         System.out.println("In Same Package Non-Subclass");
         CSE obj = new CSE();
         //obj.ipri = 90; // CTE
         obj.ipro = 900;
         obj.ipub = 9000;
         obj.inomod = 89;
```

```
File path: rns\engineering\SubClassSamePackage.java
package rns.engineering;
public class SubClassSamePackage extends CSE
    public void access()
         System.out.println("In Same Package Sub class");
         //<u>ipri</u> =90; // CTE
         ipro = 900; ipub = 9000;
         inomod = 89;
```

```
File path: rns\pucollege\NonSubClassDifferentPackage.java
package rns.pucollege;
import rns.engineering.CSE;
public class NonSubClassDifferentPackage {
    public void access()
         System.out.println("In Different Package non-sub-class");
         CSE cse = new CSE();
         //cse.ipri=90; //CTE
         //cse.ipro = 90; //CTE
         //cse.inomod = 90; // CTE
         cse.ipub = 90;
```

```
File path: rns\pucollege\SubClassDifferentPackage..java
package rns.pucollege;
import rns.engineering.CSE;
public class SubClassDifferentPackage extends CSE
     public void acess()
          System.out.println("In Different Package Sub class");
          //ipri=90; // CTE : not visible
          ipro = 900;
          ipub = 9000;
          //inomod = 89; // CTE : not visible
```

```
PACKAGE: Access Protection
         File path: src\Test..java
         package Test;
         import rns.engineering.*;
         import rns.pucollege.*;
         class Test {
             public static void main(String[] args) {
                  // TODO Auto-generated method stub
                  SubClassSamePackage p = new SubClassSamePackage();
                  NonSubClassSamePackage q = new NonSubClassSamePackage();
                  SubClassDifferentPackage r = new SubClassDifferentPackage();
                  NonSubClassDifferentPackage s = new NonSubClassDifferentPackage();
                  p.access();
                                         q.access();
                  r.acess();
                                         s.access();
```

PACKAGE: Importing Packages

Packages are a way to categorize different classes from each other.

All built in java classes are stored in packages, there is not a single built in java class that is present in the unnamed-default package.

All standard classes are stored in some named package.

It is a tedious task to type long dot-separated package path names for each and every class present in the package to use it.

```
Ex: class test {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        java.util.Scanner ip = new java.util.Scanner(java.lang.System.in);
        java.lang.System.out.println("Afd");
    }
}
```

Java includes import statements to bring certain classes, or entire packages, into visibility.

PACKAGE: Importing Packages

Once imported, a class can be referred to directly, using only its name. The import statement will save a lot of typing.

In a Java source file, import statements occur immediately following the package statement (if it exists) and before any class definitions.

G.F: import pkg1[.pkg2].(classname|*);

Here, pkg1 is the name of a top-level package, and pkg2 is the name of a subordinate package inside the outer package separated by a dot (.).

There is no practical limit on the depth of a package hierarchy, except that imposed by the file system. Finally, either an explicit class name or a star (*) must be specified, which indicates that the Java compiler must import the entire package or all the classes in the package.

Ex: import java.util.Date; import java.io.*;

Multithreaded Programming

All modern operating systems support multitasking. There are two different types of multitasking.

1. Process-based 2. Thread-based.

Process-based multitasking

A process is a program under execution.

If a system allows more than one process to execute simultaneously, it is termed as *process-based multitasking*.

Ex: A process-based multitasking facilitates to run the Java compiler at the same time that you are using a text editor.

Processes are heavyweight tasks that require their own separate address spaces.

Interprocess communication is expensive and limited.

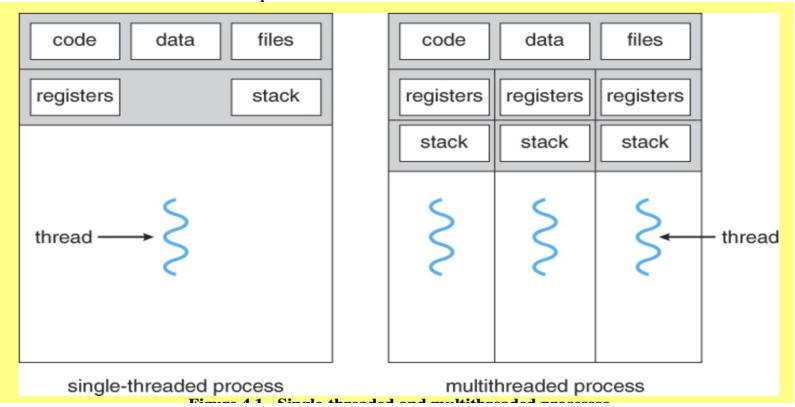
Context switching from one process to another is also costly. (Costly in terms of CPU time wastage)

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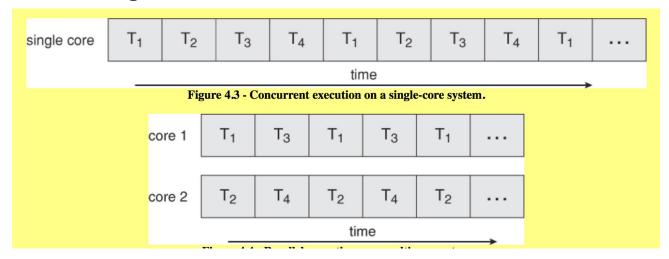
Multithreaded Programming

Thread-based multitasking

Thread is the smallest unit of dispatchable/executable code.



Multithreaded Programming Thread-based multitasking



A single program can perform two or more tasks simultaneously.

Ex: A text editor can format text at the same time that it is printing. Printing and formatting will be done by two separate threads which belong to a single process.

"Multitasking threads" require less overhead than "multitasking processes".

Multithreaded Programming Thread-based multitasking Threads are a lightweight process.

They share the same address space of a heavyweight process.

Inter Thread communication is inexpensive.

Context switching from one thread to the next is low cost.

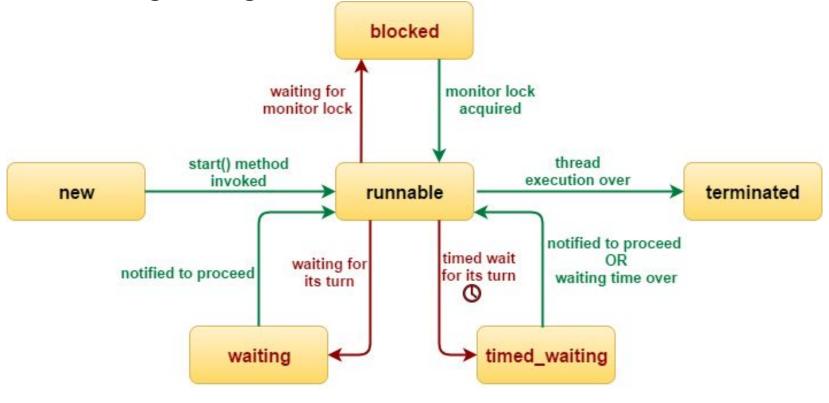
Java provides built-in support for *multithreaded programming*.

A multithreaded program contains two or more parts of the program that can run **concurrently**. Each part of such a program is called a *thread*, and each thread defines a separate path of execution.

Multithreading is a specialized form of multitasking.

While Java programs make use of process-based multitasking environments, process-based multitasking is not under the control of Java. However, multithreaded multitasking is.

Multithreaded Programming: Thread states



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Multithreaded Programming: Thread class

Multithreading in java is built on the **Thread** class methods, and its associated **Runnable** interface.

To create a new thread, the program will either **extend Thread** or **implement** the **Runnable** interface.

The Thread class defines several methods that help manage threads.

getName Obtain a thread's name.
getPriority Obtain a thread's priority.

isAlive Determine if a thread is still running.

join Wait for a thread to terminate.

run Entry point for the thread.

sleep Suspend a thread for a period of time.

start Start a thread by calling its run method.

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/lang/Thread.html

All java programs by default have a **single thread termed as main**.

Multithreaded Programming: Thread class

When a Java program begins execution, one thread begins running immediately i.e main function.

- It is the thread from which other "child" threads will be created.
- Often, it must be the last thread to finish execution because it performs various shutdown actions.

```
class Thread //built-in class
{
  public static Thread currentThread();
  public final void setName(String threadName);
  public final String getName();
public static void sleep(long milliseconds) throws InterruptedException
}
```

Multithreaded Programming: Thread class currentThread() returns a reference to the thread in which it is called.

setName() is used to change the internal name of the thread, **threadName** specifies the name of the thread.

```
Ex: main() thread can be controlled through a Thread object.
    A reference for main() has to be obtained using currentThread().
class CurrentThreadDemo {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
    Thread t = Thread.currentThread();
    System.out.println("Current thread: " + t);
    t.setName("My Thread"); // changing the name of the thread
    System.out.println("After name change: " + t);
```

Multithreaded Programming: Thread class

```
// becz, Thread.sleep() throws InterruptedException
  trv {
    for(int n = 5; n > 0; n--) {
          System.out.println(n);
          Thread.sleep(1000);
catch (InterruptedException e)
{ System.out.println("Main thread interrupted"); }
```

Output:

Current thread: Thread[main,5,main]
After name change: Thread[My Thread,5,main]
5 4 3 2 1

Multithreaded Programming: Thread class

Numerical values are displayed from 5 to 0 with a sleep interval of 1 second by calling sleep() method.

Exceptions will be generated automatically by Thread.sleep(), if another thread tries to interrupt a sleeping thread.

Thread information is displayed in the following manner.

the name of the thread, (which is main)

its priority, (default priority is 5)

and the name of its group. (main is the name of the group)

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface

Java has two ways of creating a thread:

- implement the Runnable interface.
- extend the Thread class.

Implementing Runnable

Generating a thread in java, using Runnable interface is a two step process.

1) To generate a thread, is to create a class that implements the Runnable interface.

```
interface Runnable
{
  void run();
}
```

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface run() is the entry point for a thread in the program.

Statements that are supposed to be executed in thread must be coded in run() method. Even function calls can also be made within the run() method.

2) An object of type Thread must be instantiated from within the class which implements Runnable interface.

threadOb: is an instance of a class that implements the Runnable interface. **threadName:** name of new thread.

After a new thread object is created, it will not start executing until the **start()** method is called, which is declared within the Thread class.

```
class stack implements Runnable {
     @Override
    public run() { ......}
    Thread t;
    public stack () {
         t = new Thread(this, "FT");
         t.start();
class test {
         Public static void main(String [] argos) {
                   stack s = new stack();
```

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface

Thread process must start its execution only once and not many times.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface NewThread() // Thread object is created, which is used to call start() method. new Thread(this, "Demo Thread"); t =/* "this" is a reference of type NewThread which implements Runnable interface. Hence, it is passed as the first parameter. */ System.out.println("Child thread: " + t); // Create a new, second thread. Becz main is considered as the 1st thread t.start(); // Begins thread execution

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface

```
// This is the entry point for thread.
 @Override
 public void run()
    for(int i = 5; i > 0; i--)
        System.out.println("Child Thread: " + i);
       try {
            Thread.sleep(500);
       catch (InterruptedException e)
      { System.out.println("Child interrupted."); }
      System.out.println("Exiting child thread.");
}//End of class NewThread
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface
class ThreadDemo {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
   new NewThread(); // create a new thread
   //main thread resumes its execution
   try {
    for(int i = 5; i > 0; i--) {
         System.out.println("Main Thread: " + i);
         Thread.sleep(1000);
   catch (InterruptedException e)
   {System.out.println("Main thread interrupted.");}
  System.out.println("Main thread exiting.");
}//End of class ThreadDemo
```

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface a new Thread object is created by the following statement inside constructor

t = new Thread(this, "Demo Thread");

Passing "this" as the first argument indicates that the new thread has to be called on the object referenced by this.

Next, start() is called, which starts the thread execution beginning from the run() method.

After calling start(), NewThread's constructor returns to main(), then main thread resumes its execution, and begins executing for loop.

Both threads (main & Demo Thread) continue executing, sharing the CPU, until their statements get executed.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface

Output may vary based on processor speed and task load

Child thread: Thread[Demo Thread,5,main]

Main Thread: 5

Child Thread: 5

Child Thread: 4

Main Thread: 4

Child Thread: 3

Child Thread: 2

Main Thread: 3

Child Thread: 1

Exiting child thread.

Main Thread: 2

Main Thread: 1

Main thread exiting.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Runnable interface
In a multithreaded program, often the main thread must be the last thread to finish running.

(automatically the main thread will not conclude the execution at last, but forcibly it will be made to conclude the execution after all the child threads completes its execution.

In case if any resources that are acquired by the main thread and in turn they are used by the child threads, then the main thread has to wait until the child thread concludes its execution.

Ex: Scanner instance can be instantiated in main thread and in turn it can be used by child thread. Only after the usage of child thread is over, the scanner instance can be closed in the main thread. Closing of scanner instance in child thread, will avoid further usage of the same in main thread.

Habit, of acquiring resources will be done in main because it stays for a longer period of time, since the execution starting point is main and the usual exit of control is from main.)

The preceding program ensures that the main thread finishes last, because the main thread sleeps for 1,000 milliseconds between iterations, but the child thread sleeps for only 500 milliseconds. This causes the child thread to terminate earlier than the main thread.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Extending Thread

Another way to create a thread is to create an user defined class that extends the "Thread" class, and then to create an instance of it.

Extending class must override the run() method, which is the entry point for the new thread.

It must also call start() to begin execution of the new thread.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Extending Thread

```
// This is the entry point for the second thread. Overriding run method
 @Override
 public void run() {
       try {
             for(int i = 5; i > 0; i--) {
                   System.out.println("Child Thread: " + i);
                   Thread.sleep(500);
       catch (InterruptedException e)
       { System. out. println("Child interrupted."); }
       System.out.println("Exiting child thread.");
}//End of class NewThread
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Extending Thread
class ExtendThread
 public static void main(String args[]) {
       new NewThread(); // create a new thread, unreferenced instance
       try {
             for(int i = 5; i > 0; i--) {
               System.out.println("Main Thread: " + i);
               Thread.sleep(1000);
       catch (InterruptedException e)
       {System.out.println("Main thread interrupted.");}
       System.out.println("Main thread exiting.");
    \}//End of class ExtendThread
```

Output will be the same as before.

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Thread using Extending Thread

Whether to use implements (Runnable) or extends (Thread) to create a thread

Thread class defines several methods that can be overridden by a derived class. Of these methods, the only one that must be overridden is run() to create a thread. This is, of course, the same method required by Runnable.

Thread class must be extended only when they are being enhanced or modified in some way.

If none of the other thread methods are overridden, other than run() method, then it is best implement Runnable.

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/lang/Thread.html

Consider

PrimeRun p = new PrimeRun(143);

new Thread(p).start();

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Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Multiple Threads //Create multiple threads. class NewThread implements Runnable String name; // name of thread Thread t; NewThread(String threadname) { name = threadname; t = **new** Thread(**this**, name); System.*out*.println("New thread: " + t); t.start(); // Start the thread

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Multiple Threads

```
@Override
public void run()
      try {
             for(int i = 2; i > 0; i--) {
              System.out.println(t.getName() + ": " + i);
              Thread.sleep(1000);
      catch (InterruptedException e)
       {System.out.println(name + "Interrupted");}
      System.out.println(name + " exiting.");
```

Multithreaded Programming : Creating a Multiple Threads class Test {

```
public static void main(String args[]) {
    new NewThread("One");
    new NewThread("Two");
    new NewThread("Three");
  try {
    // wait for other threads to end
       Thread.sleep(10000);
    //main sleeps for 10 seconds, to ensure that the main thread finishes last.
  catch (InterruptedException e) { System.out.println("Main thread Interrupted"); }
  System.out.println("Main thread exiting.");
```

Multithreaded Programming: Creating a Multiple Threads Output:

New thread: Thread[One,5,main]

New thread: Thread[Two,5,main]

One: 2

Two: 2

New thread: Thread[Three,5,main]

Three: 2

Two: 1

Three: 1

One: 1

Two exiting.

One exiting.

Three exiting.

Main thread exiting.

Multithreaded Programming: isAlive() and join()

Making the main() thread to sleep for a longer duration of time, and allowing child processes to complete its execution is not a competent solution. (Asynchronous waiting)

Two ways exist to determine if a thread is alive or not.

```
1. isAlive() 2. join() (Synchronous waiting)
```

```
class Thread {
    final boolean isAlive()
    final void join() throws InterruptedException
}
```

isAlive() method returns true if the thread upon which it is called is still running, otherwise false.

join() method, puts the thread from which it is called, on wait, until the thread on which it has called finishes its execution.

Multithreaded Programming: isAlive() and join()

If thread (which has invoked join()) is interrupted then it will throw InterruptedException.

Ex: using join() method

```
class NewThread extends Thread
{
    NewThread(String n)
    {
        this.setName(n);
        System.out.println("Child thread: " + this);
        start();
    }
}
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: isAlive() and join()
         @Override
         public void run() {
          try
               for(int i = 3; i > 0; i--) {
                     System.out.println( getName() +" Thread: " + i);
                     Thread.sleep(500); }
          catch (InterruptedException e) { System. out. println("Child interrupted."); }
     System.out.println("Exiting "+getName()+" child thread.");
     }//End of class NewThread
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: isAlive() and join()
 class Test {
      public static void main(String args[]) {
       NewThread nt = new NewThread("First");
       NewThread nt1 = new NewThread("Second");
       try {
            nt.join();
            nt1.join();
/* Since nt.join() is called from main thread, main thread suspends execution until thread
named "First" completes its execution. Once nt thread completes its execution, main() thread
resumes execution */
        catch (InterruptedException e) {System.out.println("Main thread interrupted.");}
        System.out.println("Main thread exiting.");
```

Multithreaded Programming: isAlive() and join() Output:

Child thread: Thread[First,5,main]

Child thread: Thread[Second,5,main]

First Thread: 3

Second Thread: 3

First Thread: 2

Second Thread: 2

First Thread: 1

Second Thread: 1

Exiting First child thread.

Exiting Second child thread.

Main thread exiting.

Multithreaded Programming: Thread Priorities

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Priorities Determine which thread gets CPU allocated and gets executed first.

Thread priority values in java range from 1 to 10, 1 being the least priority and 10 being the highest.

Higher the thread priority, larger is the chance for a process of getting executed first.

Ex:

Two threads are ready to run.

First thread priority is 5 and begins execution.

Second thread priority, consider to be 10 is ready for execution,

Then, First thread may suspend its execution relieving the control to Second thread.

A thread's priority is also used to decide when to switch from one running thread to the next termed as "context switch".

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setPriority() method, is used to set priority for a thread
class Thread {
    final void setPriority(int level) level specifies the priority
}
```

level value must be in the range MIN_PRIORITY and MAX_PRIORITY, these values are 1 and 10, respectively.

Default priority of a thread is NORM_PRIORITY, which is equal to 5.

MIN_PRIORITY, MAX_PRIORITY & NORM_PRIORITY's are defined as **static final variables** within Thread.

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Current priority of a thread can be obtained by calling getPriority() method of Thread, class Thread {
            final int getPriority() }
```

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Theoretically higher-priority threads get more CPU time than lower-priority threads.

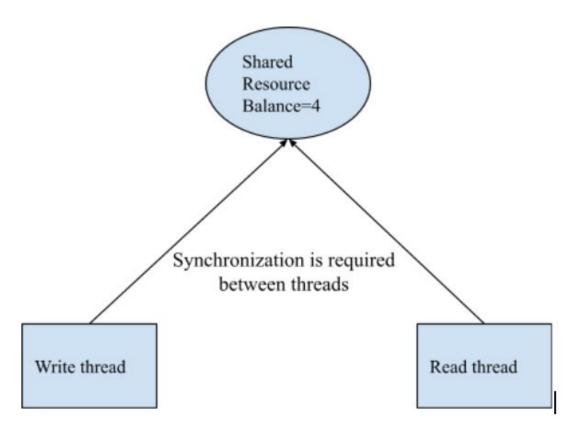
Ex://Demonstrate thread priorities. **class** clicker **implements** Runnable { long click = 0;Thread t; **private volatile boolean running = true**; public clicker(int p) { t = new Thread(this); t.setPriority(p); public void run() { while (running) click++;

Multithreaded Programming: Thread Priorities

```
public void stop() { running = false; }
public void start() { t.start(); }
class test
public static void main(String args[])
     clicker hi = new clicker(Thread.NORM PRIORITY + 4);
     clicker lo = new clicker(Thread.NORM PRIORITY - 2);
     hi.start();
     lo.start();
```

Multithreaded Programming: Thread Priorities try { Thread.sleep(1); } **catch** (InterruptedException e) { System. out. println("Main thread interrupted."); } lo.stop(); hi.stop(); try { hi.t.join(); lo.t.join(); **catch** (InterruptedException e) { System.out.println("InterruptedException caught"); } System.out.println("Low-priority thread: " + lo.click); System. out. println("High-priority thread: " + hi.click); }

Two threads can access a shared resource, if two threads access a resource **simultaneously** error may ensue.



Synchronization is a mechanism to achieve exclusive access to shared resources by more than one thread. Key to synchronization is the concept of monitor.

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Monitors

Abstract Data Type for handling/defining shared resources Comprises:

Shared Private Data

The resource Cannot be accessed from outside

Procedures that operate on the data

Gateway to the resource

Can only act on data local to the monitor

Synchronization primitives

Among threads that access the procedures

Monitors guarantee mutual exclusion

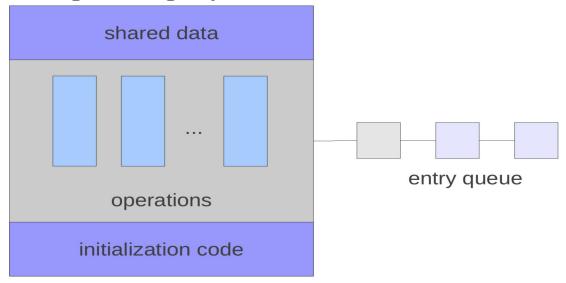
Only one thread can execute a monitor procedure at any time. "in the monitor"

If second thread invokes a monitor procedure at that time
It will be blocked and put into wait for entry to the monitor
In Need of a wait queue

```
Monitor monitor name
     // shared variable declarations
     procedure P1(. . . .) {
        . . . .
     procedure P2(. . . .) {
         . . . .
     procedure PN(. . . .) {
        . . . .
     initialization_code(. . . .) {
         . . . .
```

For example:

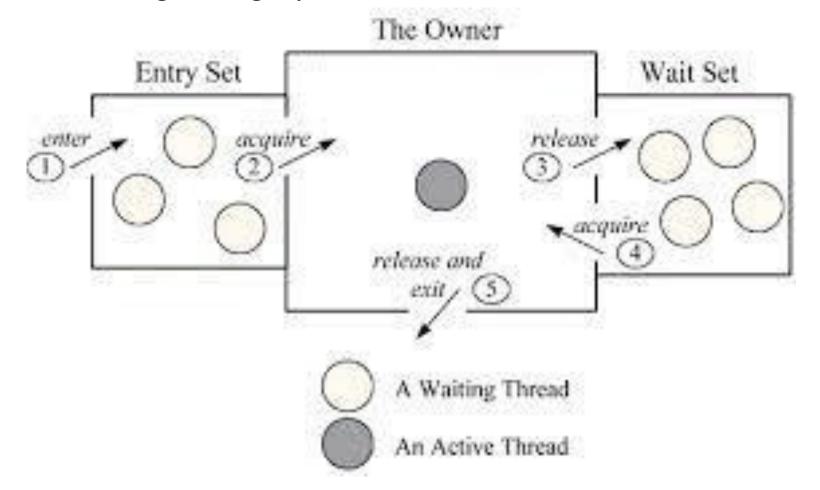
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Monitor stack
     int top;
     void push(any t *) {
        . . . .
     any t * pop() {
        . . . .
     initialization code() {
          . . . .
```



A monitor is an object that is used as a mutually exclusive lock, or mutex.

Only one thread can own a monitor at a given time. When a thread acquires a lock, it is said to have entered the monitor.

All other threads attempting to enter the locked monitor will be suspended until the first thread exits the monitor. */



```
Multithreaded Programming: Synchronization
Ex: Expected output of the below program is
     [Hello]
     [Synchronized]
     [World]
Using 3 different threads, without any synchronization between them.
Pgm Name: NotSynch.java
class Callme {
    void call(String msg) {
             System.out.print("[" + msg);
              try { Thread.sleep(1000); }
             catch(InterruptedException e)
             {System.out.println("Interrupted");}
             System.out.println("]");
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: Synchronization
class Caller implements Runnable {
      String msg; // required to hold on to messages
      Callme target: /* target is the common object for three threads
         Method in this will display the expected output.
         Statements in this method must be executed in a synchronized manner,
         or non-overlapping manner. */
      Thread t;
                     // object of Thread class required to call start() and run() method.
      public Caller(Callme targ, String s) {
             target = targ;
             msg = s;
             t = new Thread(this);
             t.start();
```

```
Multithreaded Programming: Synchronization
  public void run() {
        target.call(msg);
class NotSynch {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
   Callme target = new Callme(); // ***** COMMON DATA SOURCE
   Caller ob1 = new Caller(target, "Hello");
   Caller ob2 = new Caller(target, "Synchronized");
   Caller ob3 = new Caller(target, "World");
/* all threads are simultaneously trying to print the message onto screen which creates race
condition*/
```

```
// making the main thread wait for other threads to end its processes.
try
  ob1.t.join();
                     ob2.t.join();
                                           ob3.t.join();
catch(InterruptedException e)
{System.out.println("Interrupted");}
```

Output: need not be the same output, one of the ways how output will be obtained.

```
[Hello[Synchronized[World]
```

by calling sleep(), the call() method allows execution to switch to another thread, which results in the mixed-up output of the three message strings.

In this program, all three threads are calling **the same method, on the same object**, at the same time, termed as **race condition**, because the three threads are competing with each other to complete the process.

Using Synchronized Methods

Instances in Java have their own implicit monitor associated with them, making it easy to achieve synchronization.

(Instances are the data source, which hold on to information. Synchronization or mutual exclusive access, is required on data sources from methods.)

"synchronized" is the keyword used in java to achieve synchronization between several processes accessing the same data source.

When *synchronized* block is used, internally Java uses a monitor also known as intrinsic lock, to provide synchronization.

These monitors are bound to an object, thus all synchronized blocks of an object can have only one thread executing/accessing them at any point of time.

While a thread is inside a synchronized block, making an attempt from other threads to access **the same instance** will be put into the wait state.

To exit the monitor and to give up control of the object to the next waiting thread, control returns from the synchronized method.

In the program "NotSynch.java", access to call() method must be **serialized or synchronized**, by restricting only one thread at a time. To do this, precede call()'s definition with the keyword **synchronized**

```
Multithreaded Programming: Synchronization
class Callme
{
    synchronized void call(String msg) // synchronized methods
    {
        ...
    }
}
```

Only one thread will be allowed to execute/access the synchronized method.

If a thread is executing a synchronized method, then no other thread can enter it until it stops executing that method.

(Even if the 1st thread that has begun execution and has entered into sleep mode, pre-emption of it is not possible, until the thread itself will relinquish the access)

Synchronized blocks/methods will not work in all scenarios.

Considering the method belongs to some other class, which is not editable or there is no access to source code, then attaching **synchronized** keyword for the method is not possible.

Solution to this is a synchronized block.

```
G.F of synchronized statement:
    synchronized(object) {
      // statements to be synchronized
    }
```

Here, object is a reference to the object being synchronized.

A synchronized block ensures that a call to a method (which is a member of) object occurs only after the current thread has successfully entered the object's monitor.

```
Ex: Using Synchronized statement
class Callme
  void call(String msg)
        System.out.print("[" + msg);
        try
         { Thread.sleep(1000); }
        catch (InterruptedException e)
         {System.out.println("Interrupted");}
        System.out.println("]");
```

```
class Caller implements Runnable
  String msg;
  Callme target;
  Thread t;
  public Caller(Callme targ, String s)
       target = targ;
       msg = s;
       t = new Thread(this);
       t.start();
```

```
public void run()
     synchronized(target) // synchronized block
      target.call(msg);
```

```
class Test
 public static void main(String args[]) {
       Callme target = new Callme();
       Caller ob1 = new Caller(target, "Hello");
       Caller ob2 = new Caller(target, "Synchronized");
       Caller ob3 = new Caller(target, "World");
       try {
             ob1.t.join();
             ob2.t.join();
             ob3.t.join();
       catch(InterruptedException e)
       {System.out.println("Interrupted");}
```

Another way to achieve synchronization in java is by using interprocess communication.

Ex: Consider queuing problem, where one thread is producing some data and another is consuming it.

Word document can be considered as a producer and printer can be considered as consumer, where in the document will be printed.

Further, assume that the document is ranging in terms of MB size and many pages have to be printed, but the buffer associated with the printer is capable of holding on to only a small amount of information (KB).

The producer has to wait until the consumer is finished consuming before it generates(copies) more data(Considering the buffer which is used between them is full).

In a polling system, the consumer would waste many CPU cycles while it was waiting for the producer to produce. Once the producer has finished, it would start polling, just to check whether the consumer has consumed the data, wasting more CPU cycles, and so on. Clearly, this situation is time consuming.

To avoid polling, Java has an interprocess communication mechanism via the wait(), notify(), and notifyAll() methods. These methods are implemented as final methods in Object.

All three methods can be called only from within a synchronized context.

wait()

Causes the current thread to wait until either another thread invokes the notify() method or the notifyAll() method for this object. Current thread must own this object's monitor.

notify()

Wakes up a single thread that is waiting on this object's monitor. If any threads are waiting on this object, one of them is chosen to be awakened. The choice is arbitrary and occurs at the discretion of the implementation.

notifyAll() wakes up all the threads that called wait() on the same object.

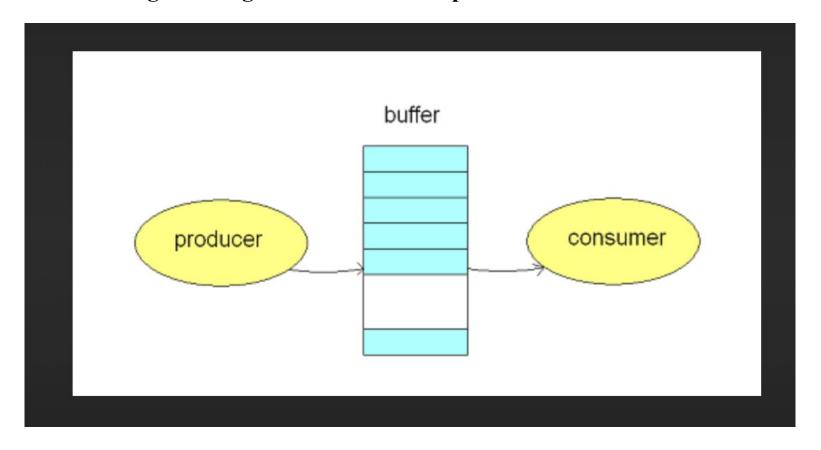
Alone wait() and notify() will not achieve exact synchronization in IPC.

Before calling wait() or notify() a condition has to be checked in a loop to achieve exact synchronization in IPC. The condition will be based on the logical necessity of the application to be solved.

Ex: Simulating a producer and a consumer thread. Assumed that there is only one buffer between these two to hold on to only 1 information.

It is assumed that based on the capacity of the buffer, the producer can produce only 1 information and it has to wait until the consumer consumes this information before producing the next information.

Similarly, consumer can consume only one information, even if it has the capacity of consuming or using more than 1 information, because buffer size is limited to 1.



Ex: Following program consists of four classes: **Q**, the queue that is being synchronized;

Producer, the threaded object that is producing queue entries;

Consumer, the threaded object that is consuming queue entries; and

PC, class that creates the single Q, Producer, and Consumer.

```
// An incorrect implementation of a producer and consumer without proper IPC.

class Q {
    int n;

/* "n" is a common variable between producer and consumer thread.
    "n" must be perceived as a buffer.

Producer thread will fill a value to n.

Consumer process will pick a value from n.
```

get() method will be called by consumer thread to get the value stored in n. put() method will be called by producer thread to put a value into n. */

```
synchronized void get() // used by the consumer process
System.out.println("Got: " + n);
synchronized void put(int n) //used by the producer process
 this.n = n;
 System. out. println("Put: " + n);
```

```
//Producer thread
class Producer implements Runnable {
 Q q;
 Producer(Q q) {
  this.q = q;
  new Thread(this, "Producer").start();
 public void run() {
  int i = 0;
  while(true)
     q.put(i++);
```

```
//Consumer thread
class Consumer implements Runnable {
 Q q;
 Consumer(Q q) {
   this.q = q;
   new Thread(this, "Consumer").start();
 public void run() {
  while(true)
   q.get();
```

```
class Test {
 public static void main(String args[]) {
  Q q = new Q();
   new Consumer(q);
   new Producer(q);
   System.out.println("Press Control-C to stop.");
Output:
 Put:1
 Got:1
 Got:1
 Got:1
 Got:1
```

Just achieving synchronization between threads is not sufficient for producer-consumer problem, in addition to this, two conditions have to be checked for p-c problem to work in a competent manner.

- 1. First condition is w.r.t to consumer, whether buffer is filled before consumer consumes from it and
- 2. Second condition with respect to the producer will be that before the producer fills the buffer with information it is necessary that the buffer is empty.

// A correct implementation of a producer and consumer.

```
class Q
{
    int n;
    volatile boolean valueSet = false;

/*"valueSet" is a common variable used between producer and consumer process to know whether the buffer is full or not.
*/
```

```
synchronized void get()
      while(!valueSet)
        try
            wait();
        catch(InterruptedException e)
        { System.out.println("InterruptedException caught"); }
      System.out.println("Got: " + n);
      valueSet = false;
      notify();
```

```
synchronized void put(int n)
        while(valueSet)
         try {
          wait();
         catch(InterruptedException e)
         { System.out.println("InterruptedException caught"); }
         this.n = n;
         valueSet = true;
         System. out. println("Put: " + n);
         notify();
}//end of class Q
```

```
class producer implements Runnable {
```

Bounded buffer problem is nothing but producer-consumer problem