

Java Virtual Machine 2

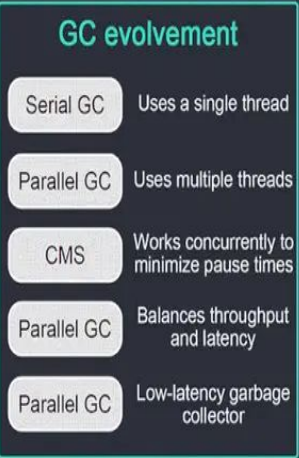
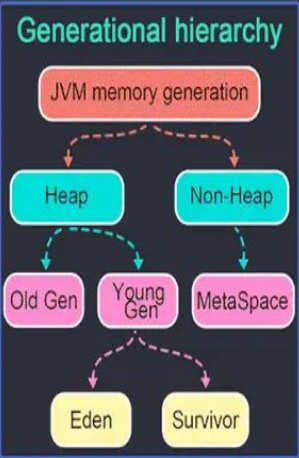
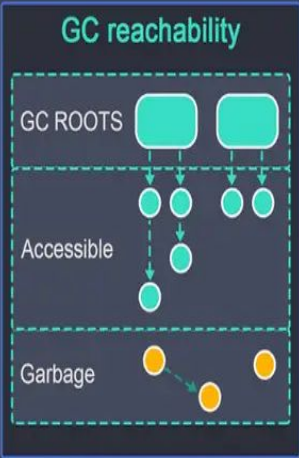
Garbage Collection 101



Garbage collection is an **automatic memory management** feature used in programming languages to reclaim memory that is no longer in use by the program. Garbage collectors identify objects that are **on longer reachable** or needed by the program and free up the memory they occupy.

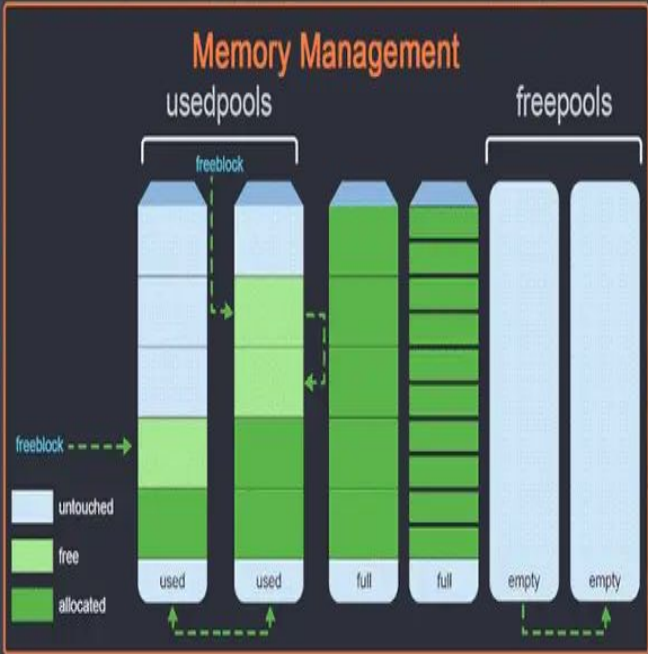
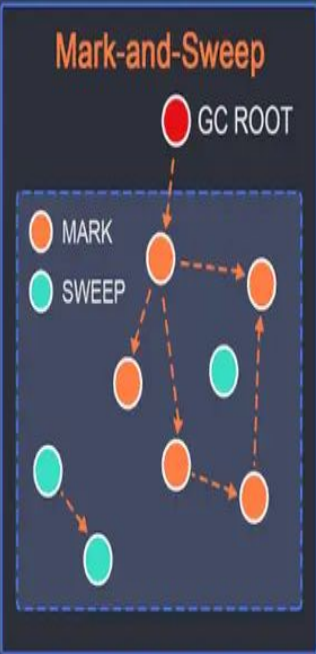
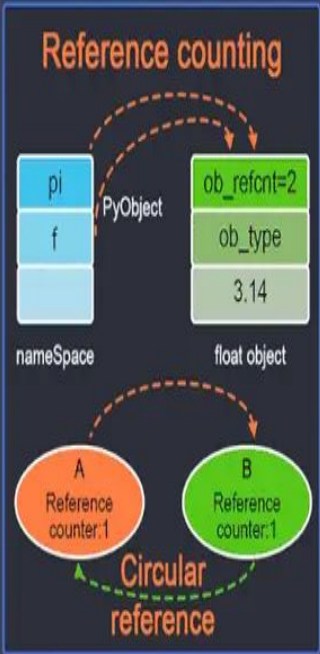


- Multiple GC algorithms
- Generational GC





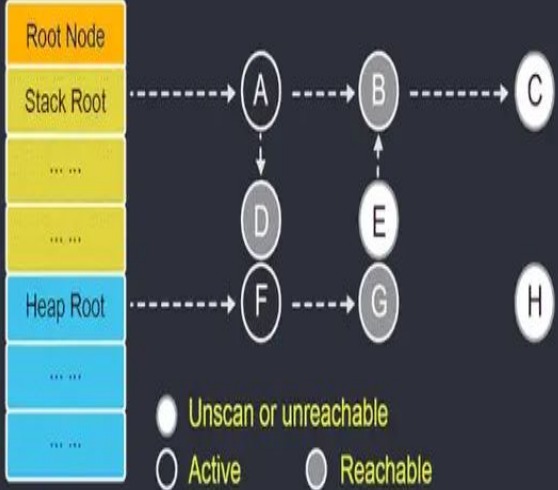
- Reference counting
- Cyclic GC
- No generational GC



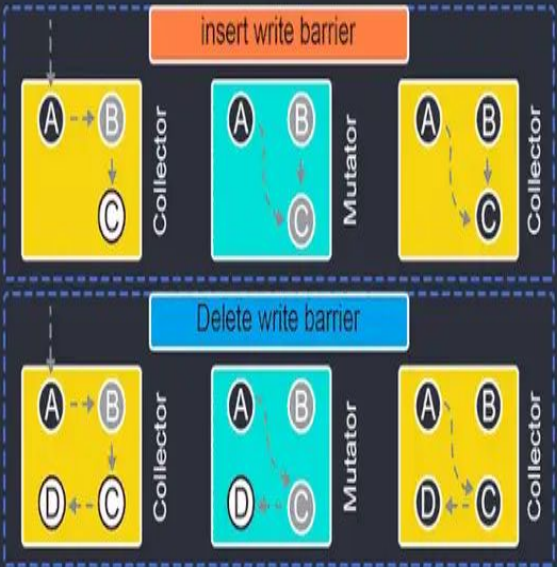


- Concurrent
- Mark-and-Sweep
- No generational GC
- Automatic tuning

Tricolor mark-and-sweep-algorithm

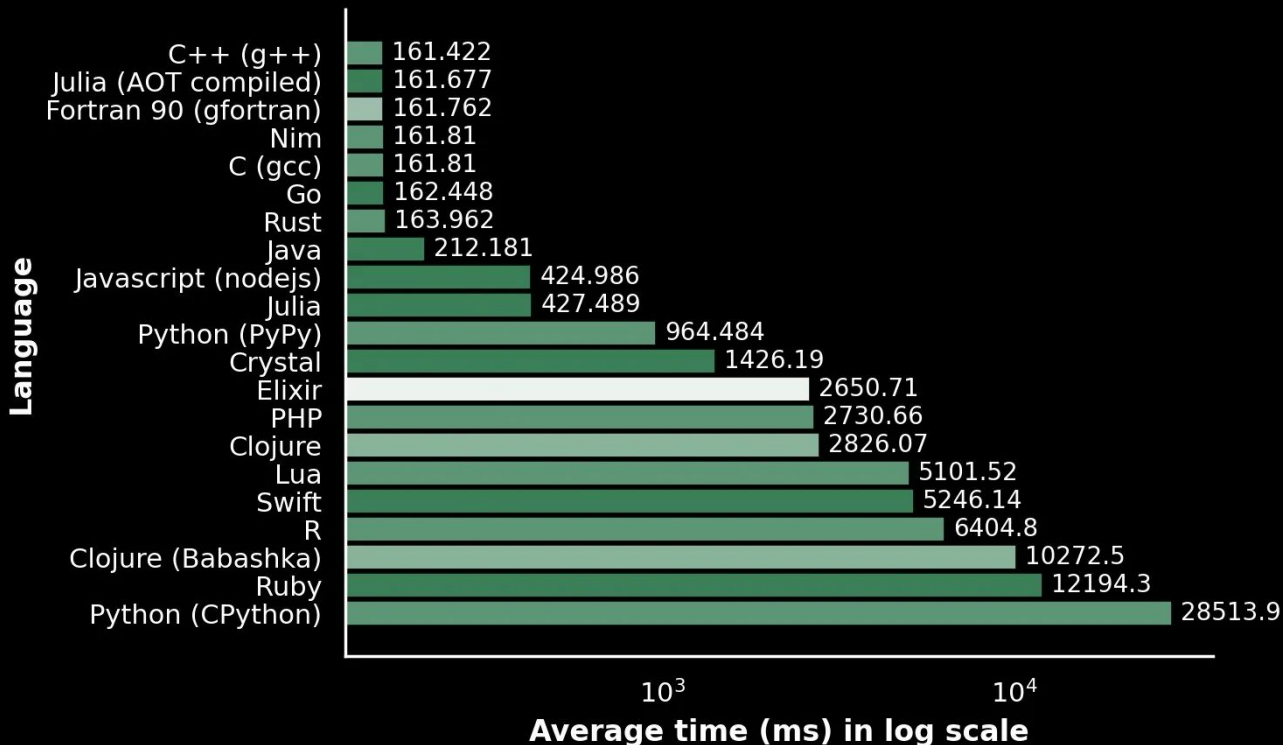


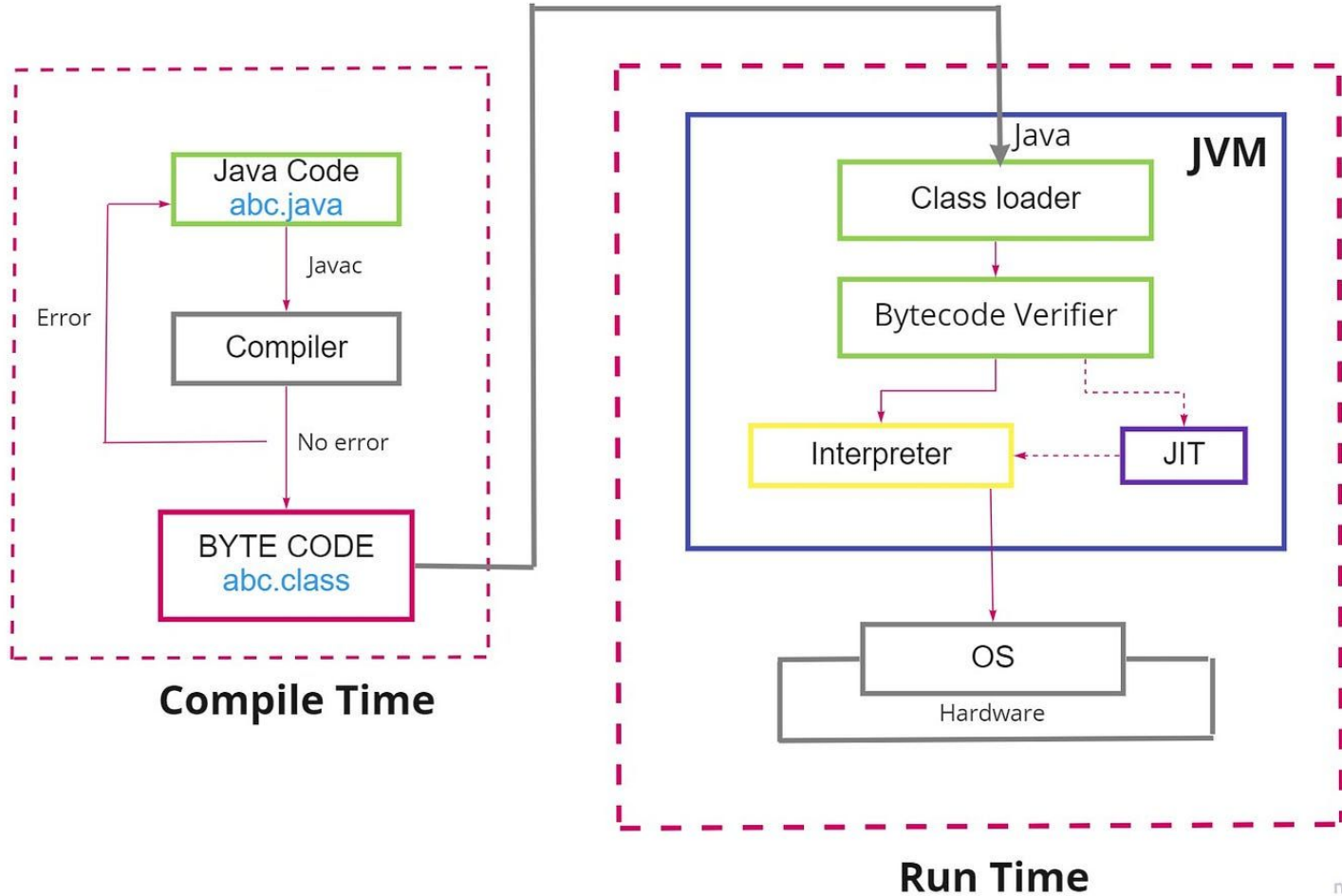
Hybrid write barrier




Speed comparison of various programming languages

Method: calculating π through the Leibniz formula 100000000 times





The Mandelbrot set is computationally intensive because **it requires iterating a complex mathematical function for each pixel in an image**, and due to its fractal nature, the number of iterations needed to determine if a point belongs to the set can vary drastically depending on its location, often requiring a large number of calculations to accurately render intricate details, especially near the boundary of the set. 

Key points about the computational intensity of the Mandelbrot set:

Fractal complexity:

The Mandelbrot set exhibits self-similarity, meaning that zooming into any part reveals similar patterns repeating at smaller scales, leading to an infinite level of detail that needs to be calculated for accurate rendering.


Iterative process:

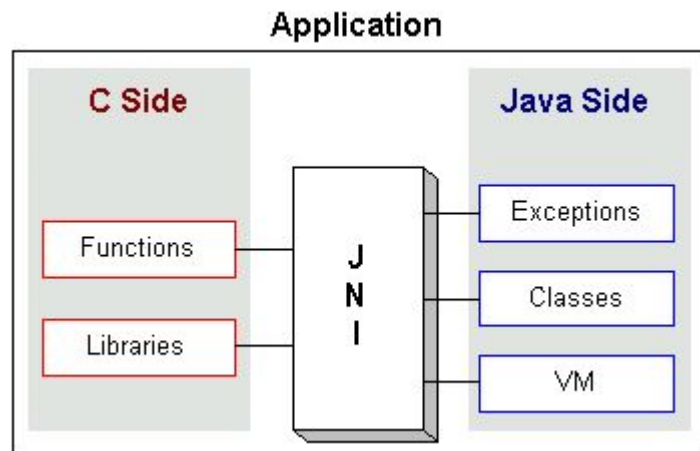
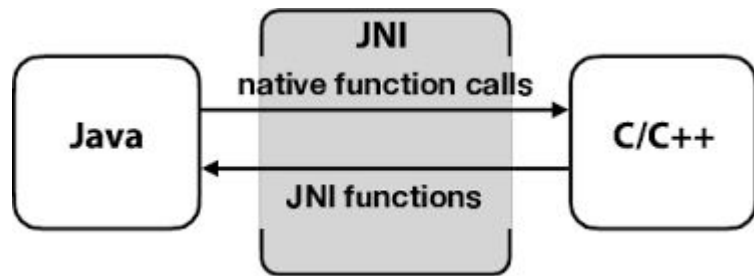
To determine if a point belongs to the Mandelbrot set, a complex number is repeatedly squared and added to itself (iteration) until either it diverges to infinity (not in the set) or remains bounded (in the set).

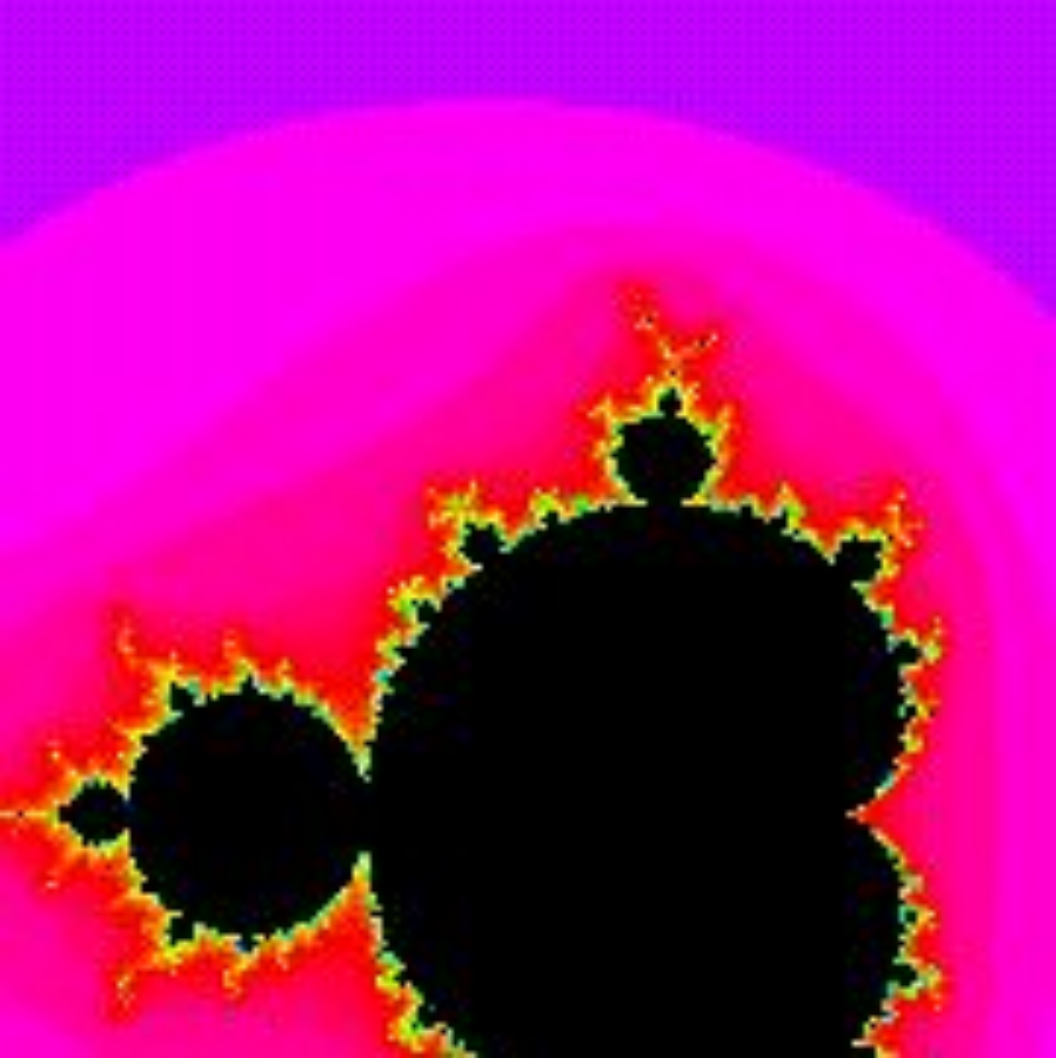
Large number of iterations:

Depending on the location of a point, it can take a large number of iterations to determine if it belongs to the set, especially near the boundary where complex patterns emerge.

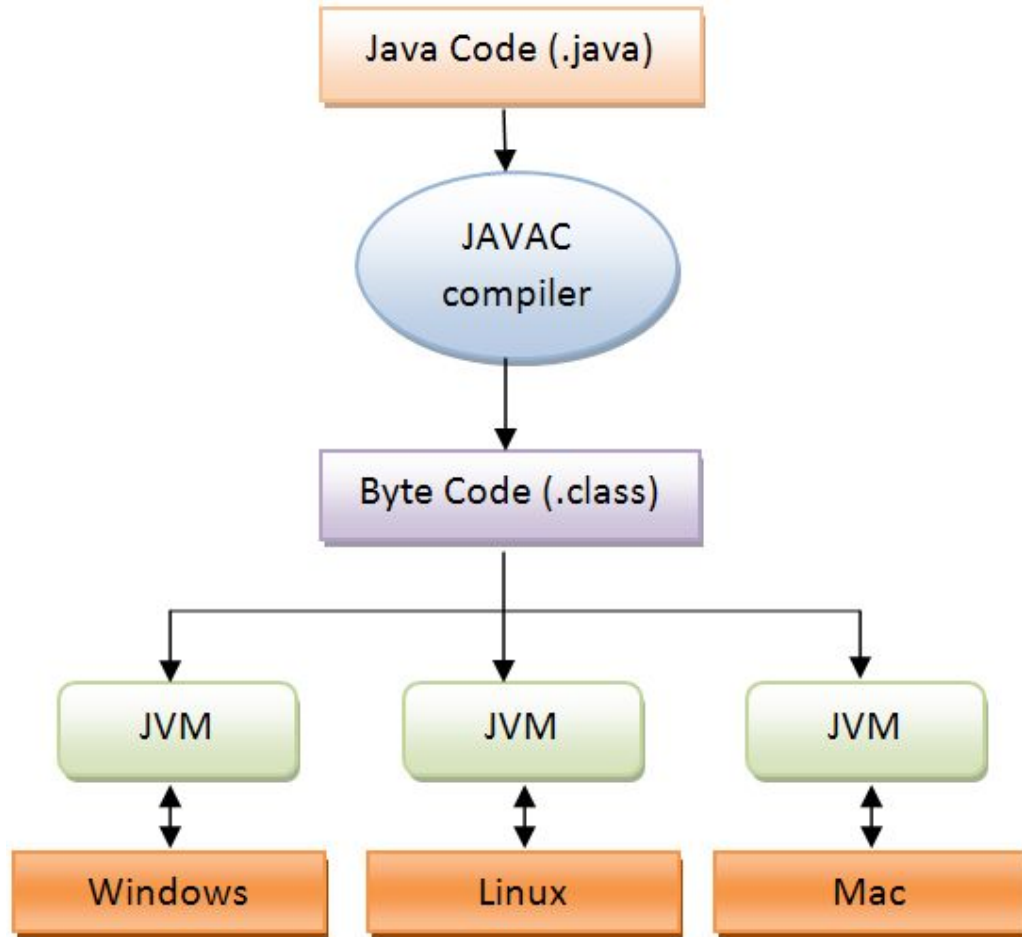
Pixel-by-pixel calculation:

To generate a visual representation of the Mandelbrot set, each pixel in the image needs to be individually calculated based on its corresponding complex number. 





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b005iHf8Z3g>



Java Class Viewer

File Help

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Class File

- magic
- minor_version: 0
- major_version: 49
- constant_pool_count: 525
- constant_pool
 - access_flags: public super
 - this_class: 223 - [Class: java.io.File]
 - super_class: 240 - [Class: java.lang.Object]
 - interfaces_count: 2
- interfaces
- fields_count: 12
- fields
- methods_count: 64
- methods
 - method 1: int getPrefixLength ()
 - method 2: private void <init> (java.lang.String, int)
 - method 3: private void <init> (java.lang.String, java.lang.String)
 - method 4: public void <init> (java.lang.String)
 - method 5: public void <init> (java.lang.String, java.lang.String)
 - method 6: public void <init> (java.io.File, java.lang.String)
 - method 7: public void <init> (java.net.URI)
 - method 8: public java.lang.String getName ()
 - access_flags: 1, public
 - name_index: 119
 - descriptor_index: 24
 - attributes_count: 1
 - 1. Code
 - attribute_name_index: 47, name=Code
 - attribute_length: 54
 - max_stack: 3
 - max_locals: 2
 - code_length: 42
 - code
 - exception_table_length: 0
 - attributes_count: 0
 - method 9: public java.lang.String getParent ()
 - method 10: public java.io.File getParentFile ()
 - method 11: public java.lang.String getAbsolutePath ()

Class File Opcode

```
2A B4 01 A0 B2 01 9A B6 01 EC 3C 1B 2A B4 01 9C
A2 00 0F 2A B4 01 A0 2A B4 01 9C B6 01 EF B0 2A
B4 01 A0 1B 04 60 B6 01 EF B0

opcode [2A] - 0000: aload_0
opcode [B4] - 0001: getfield 416 [Fieldref: java.io.File.path, type = java.lang.String]
opcode [B2] - 0004: getstatic 410 [Fieldref: java.io.File.separatorChar, type = char]
opcode [B6] - 0007: invokevirtual 492 [Methodref: java.lang.String.lastIndexOf, type = int]
opcode [3C] - 0010: istore_1
opcode [1B] - 0011: iload_1
opcode [2A] - 0012: aload_0
opcode [B4] - 0013: getfield 412 [Fieldref: java.io.File.prefixLength, type = int]
opcode [A2] - 0016: if_icmpge 15
opcode [2A] - 0019: aload_0
opcode [B4] - 0020: getfield 416 [Fieldref: java.io.File.path, type = java.lang.String]
opcode [2A] - 0023: aload_0
opcode [B4] - 0024: getfield 412 [Fieldref: java.io.File.prefixLength, type = int]
opcode [B6] - 0027: invokevirtual 495 [Methodref: java.lang.String.substring, type = java.lang.String]
opcode [B0] - 0030: areturn
opcode [2A] - 0031: aload_0
opcode [B4] - 0032: getfield 416 [Fieldref: java.io.File.path, type = java.lang.String]
opcode [1B] - 0035: iload_1
opcode [04] - 0036: iconst_1
opcode [60] - 0037: iadd
opcode [B6] - 0038: invokevirtual 495 [Methodref: java.lang.String.substring, type = java.lang.String]
opcode [B0] - 0041: areturn
```

Example: Evaluating a Simple Math Expression Using a Stack

Let's evaluate the expression:



$$(2 + 3) \times 4$$

using **push** and **pop** operations on a **stack-based** virtual machine (like the JVM stack).

Step 1: Convert to Postfix Notation (Reverse Polish Notation - RPN)

The JVM **stack-based** execution doesn't use infix notation like `2 + 3 * 4`. Instead, it converts the expression to **postfix** notation:

```
2 3 + 4 *
```

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Step 3: Equivalent JVM Bytecode

Here's how the JVM bytecode would execute this:

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```
ICONST_2    // Push 2 onto the stack
ICONST_3    // Push 3 onto the stack
IADD        // Pop 3, Pop 2 → Push (2 + 3) = 5
ICONST_4    // Push 4 onto the stack
IMUL        // Pop 4, Pop 5 → Push (5 * 4) = 20
```

```

Constant pool:
#1 = Methodref      #10.#22      // java/lang/Object."<init>":()V
#2 = Fieldref       #23.#24      // java/lang/System.out:Ljava/io/PrintStream;
#3 = String         #25          // Usage: java HelloName <name> <number>
#4 = Methodref      #26.#27      // java/io/PrintStream.println:(Ljava/lang/String;)V
#5 = Methodref      #28.#29      // java/lang/Integer.parseInt:(Ljava/lang/String;)I
#6 = Class          #30          // java/lang/NumberFormatException
#7 = String         #31          // Error: The second argument must be a valid integer.
#8 = InvokeDynamic   #0:#35      // @0:makeConcatWithConstants:(Ljava/lang/String;)Ljava/lang/String;
#9 = Class          #36          // HelloName
#10 = Class         #37          // java/lang/Object
#11 = Utf8          <init>
#12 = Utf8          ()V
#13 = Utf8          Code
#14 = Utf8          LineNumberTable
#15 = Utf8          main
#16 = Utf8          ([Ljava/lang/String;)V
#17 = Utf8          StackMapTable
#18 = Class         #38          // "[Ljava/lang/String;"
#19 = Class         #39          // java/lang/String
#20 = Utf8          SourceFile
#21 = Utf8          HelloName.java
#22 = NameAndType   #11:#12      // "<init>":()V
#23 = Class         #40          // java/lang/System
#24 = NameAndType   #41:#42      // out:Ljava/io/PrintStream;
#25 = Utf8          Usage: java HelloName <name> <number>
#26 = Class         #43          // java/io/PrintStream
#27 = NameAndType   #44:#45      // println:(Ljava/lang/String;)V
#28 = Class         #46          // java/lang/Integer
#29 = NameAndType   #47:#48      // parseInt:(Ljava/lang/String;)I
#30 = Utf8          java/lang/NumberFormatException
#31 = Utf8          Error: The second argument must be a valid integer.
#32 = Utf8          BootstrapMethods
#33 = MethodHandle   6:#49      // REF_invokeStatic java/lang/invoke/StringConcatFactory.makeConcatWithCo
/lang/invoke/MethodType;Ljava/lang/String;(Ljava/lang/Object;)Ljava/lang/invoke/CallSite;
#34 = String         #50          // Hello \u0001
#35 = NameAndType   #51:#52      // makeConcatWithConstants:(Ljava/lang/String;)Ljava/lang/String;
#36 = Utf8          HelloName
#37 = Utf8          java/lang/Object
#38 = Utf8          [Ljava/lang/String;
#39 = Utf8          java/lang/String
#40 = Utf8          java/lang/System
#41 = Utf8          out
#42 = Utf8          Ljava/io/PrintStream;
#43 = Utf8          java/io/PrintStream
#44 = Utf8          println
#45 = Utf8          (Ljava/lang/String;)V
#46 = Utf8          java/lang/Integer
#47 = Utf8          parseInt
#48 = Utf8          (Ljava/lang/String;)I
#49 = Methodref      #53.#54      // java/lang/invoke/StringConcatFactory.makeConcatWithConstants:(Ljava/l
odType;Ljava/lang/String;(Ljava/lang/Object;)Ljava/lang/invoke/CallSite;
#50 = Utf8          Hello \u0001
#51 = Utf8          makeConcatWithConstants
#52 = Utf8          (Ljava/lang/String;)Ljava/lang/String;

```

```

0: aload_0
1: arraylength
2: iconst_2
3: if_icmpeq        15
6: getstatic        #2          // Field java/lang/Syst
9: ldc              #3          // String Usage: java H
11: invokevirtual    #4          // Method java/io/Print
14: return
15: aload_0
16: iconst_0
17: aaload
18: astore_1
19: aload_0
20: iconst_1
21: aaload
22: invokestatic     #5          // Method java/lang/Int
25: istore_2
26: goto             39
29: astore_3
30: getstatic        #2          // Field java/lang/Syst
33: ldc              #7          // String Error: The se
35: invokevirtual    #4          // Method java/io/Print
38: return
39: iconst_0
40: istore_3
41: iload_3
42: iload_2
43: if_icmpge        64
46: getstatic        #2          // Field java/lang/Syst
49: aload_1
50: invokedynamic     #8, 0      // InvokeDynamic @0:mak
55: invokevirtual    #4          // Method java/io/Print
58: iinc              3, 1
61: goto             41
64: return

Exception table:
   from    to  target type
   19      26    29     Class java/lang/NumberFormatException

LineNumberTable:
 line 3: 0
 line 4: 6
 line 5: 14
 line 8: 15
 line 12: 19
 line 16: 26
 line 13: 29
 line 14: 30
 line 15: 38
 line 18: 39
 line 19: 46
 line 18: 58
 line 21: 64

```

Corresponding Bytecode Analysis

Here's the relevant portion of the **disassembled bytecode** that implements the loop:

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```
39: iconst_0      // Push integer 0 (loop counter initialization: int i = 0)
40: istore_3       // Store it in local variable 3 (i)
41: iload_3        // Load loop counter (i)
42: iload_2        // Load max count (count)
43: if_icmpge 64   // If i >= count, jump to instruction 64 (exit loop)
46: getstatic #2   // Get System.out (for printing)
49: aload_1        // Load name
50: invokedynamic #8 // Concatenate "Hello " + name
55: invokevirtual #4 // Call println()
58: iinc 3, 1      // Increment loop counter i++
61: goto 41        // Jump back to start of loop condition check
64: return        // Exit method
```


Step-by-Step Execution

1. `iconst_0` → Pushes `0` onto the stack (initial loop counter `i = 0`).
2. `istore_3` → Stores it in local variable 3 (`i`).
3. `iload_3` → Loads `i` from local variable 3.
4. `iload_2` → Loads `count` (number of repetitions).
5. `if_icmpge 64` → If `i >= count`, jump to instruction 64 (exit loop).
6. `getstatic #2` → Gets `System.out` (for printing).
7. `aload_1` → Loads `name` from local variable 1.
8. `invokedynamic #8` → Uses `invokedynamic` to concatenate `"Hello " + name` at runtime.
9. `invokevirtual #4` → Calls `println()` to print the result.
10. `iinc 3, 1` → Increments `i` (`i++`).
11. `goto 41` → Jumps back to instruction 41 (loop condition check).
12. If `i < count`, repeat steps 3-11.
13. If `i >= count`, jump to 64 and exit the loop.