# Audit - Rules - Performance

#### Description

# 报告那些可能会导致性能问题的编码实践!

This group contains audit rules that <u>report coding practices</u> that can <u>sometimes cause performance problems</u>. These rules will not find every source of performance problems, nor will everything found by these rules be the cause of a performance problem. The use of these rules is in no way a substitute for the use of a good performance profiling tool, but they can be used to <u>promote programming practices</u> that <u>minimize performance problems</u>.

用于编程实践提示:使性能问题最小化!

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# Details

# Anonymous Class in Loop

## Summary

Placing an anonymous class inside a loop can decrease performance.

在循环中替换匿名类

# Description

Placing the creation of an instance of an anonymous class inside a loop will create a new instance each time the loop body is executed. Because the state of the object cannot depend on the state of any variables that change within the loop, a single object can usually be created outside the loop, increasing performance.

### Example

In the following code:

```
EventGenerator[] generators;

for (int i = 0; i < generators.length; i++) {
    generators[i].addListener(new Listener() {
        public void eventGenerated()
        {
            ...
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

The creation of the listener could, and should, be moved outside the loop because a single listener could easily be shared by all of the event generators.

# **Append String**

### Summary

Appending strings with single characters to buffers or streams is slower than appending just the single character.

#### Description

This audit rule finds single character string literals as a single argument to a method invocation where that argument can be replaced by a character literal to <u>improve</u> <u>performance</u>.

### Example

Given the following declaration:

```
StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer();
```

The statement

```
sb.append("a");
```

would be flagged as needing to be replaced by the statement

```
sb.append(<u>'a'</u>);
```

# **Avoid Instantiation in Loops**

## Summary

Avoid instantiating classes in loops.

# Description

Instantiation of a class requires memory allocation. If a class is instantiated within a loop, memory allocation will be performed over and over again. If the objects are kept, this will eat up memory; if they are abandoned, it will cause excessive garbage collection.

However, this rule allows instantiation in return statements and throw statements, since they will not be repeated. It also allows instantiation in catch blocks, since these should not be reached regularly.

### Example

The following would be flagged as a violation:

```
while (a < b) {
    String s = new String();
}</pre>
```

# **Avoid Instantiation to Get Class**

### Summary

Avoid instantiating an object just to call getClass().

### Description

It is unnecessary to create a new instance of a class just to call its getClass() method. The public member class can be accessed without instantiation.

### Example

The following would be flagged as a violation, since Object.class would be more efficient:

```
new Object().getClass();
```

Avoid the no-argument String constructor

#### Summary

Avoid using the no-argument String constructor.

#### Description

The no-argument String constructor new String(), creates a String that will not be functionally different from the empty String (""). Since Java guarantees that identical String constants will all be the same instance, you can improve performance by using the empty String instead.

#### Example

The following would be flagged as a violation:

```
String foo = new String();
```

This could be replaced with the following, which would conserve memory:

```
String foo = "";
```

### Avoid Using "instanceof"

#### Summary

Use polymorphism instead of instanceof (except when used with interfaces).

#### Description

This audit rule looks for uses of "instanceof". In general, one should use polymorphism instead of instanceof. Optionally, require that "instanceof" only be used on interfaces.

#### Example

The following uses of the instanceof operator would be flagged as violations:

```
if (employee instanceof AccountingEmployee) {
    return "Accounting";
} else if (employee instanceof DevelopmentEmployee) {
    return "Development";
```

✓ Allow "instanceof" to be used with interfaces
 ✓ Allow "instanceof" to be used in equals(Object)

# Beware of URL equals() and hashCode()

### Summary

Be careful when and how you use the equals() and hashCode() methods of the URL class.

## Description

Both the equals() and hashCode() methods of the URL class resolve the domain name using the Internet. This operation can cause unexpected performance problems. Also, the hashCode() method takes the resolved IP address into account when generating the hash code. This can cause serious problems since many web sites use dynamic DNS. It is possible to store a URL in a hashed collection, and later be unable to retrieve it if the URL resolves to a different IP address.

Because of these implementation problems, it is a good idea to convert URLs to <u>URIs</u> before storing them in collections, or using their equals() or hashCode() methods. This can be done easily using URL's toURI() method, and reversed using URI's toURL() method.

This rule finds places where equals() or hashCode() are explicitly invoked on URL objects and places where URL objects are used in hashed Collections classes.

## Example

The following would be flagged as a violation:

```
URL aUrl = new URL("http://address.com");
Set aSet = new HashSet();
aSet.add(aUrl);
```

## Class getName() Usage

# Summary

Don't use the Class getName() method.

### Description

Don't use the Class getName() method to compare classes.

### Example

The following invocation of getName() would be flagged as a violation:

```
if (object.getClass().getName().equals("java.util.ArrayList")) {
```

### Concatenation In Appending Method

#### Summary

The argument to methods that append to buffers and streams.

#### Description

This audit rule finds places where the argument to a method that appends to a buffer or stream is the result of a concatenation. In such cases, a separate StringBuffer is being allocated to implement the concatenation, resulting an unnecessary overhead. The items that are being concatenated should be appended separately.

#### Example

The following invocation of the append method would be flagged as a violation:

### **Debugging Code**

#### Summary

Debugging and profiling code should not be left in production code.

#### Description

This audit rule finds places in the code where text is being written to either System.out or System.err, or where the methods Throwable.printStackTrace(), Thread.dumpStack(), Runtime.freeMemory(), Runtime.traceInstructions() are being invoked.

#### Example

```
try {
    ...
} catch (Exception exception) {
    System.err.println("Unexpected exception:");
    exception.printStackTrace();
}
```

### **Define Initial Capacity**

# Summary

Define an initial capacity for ArrayList, HashMap, HashSet, Hashtable, StringBuffer, StringBuilder, WeakHashMap, or Vector instances.

### Description

This audit rule requires an initial capacity to be specified when creating instances of ArrayList, HashMap, HashSet, Hashtable, StringBuffer, StringBuilder, WeakHashMap, or Vector. Array capacity expansion involves allocating a larger array and copying the contents of the old array to a new one. The old array object eventually gets reclaimed by the garbage collector. Array expansion is an expensive operation which should be avoided where possible. If you are able to approximate the expected size, you should use this value instead of the default.

## Example

The following instance creation would be flagged as a violation because the expected size of the collection is not specified:

### **Define Load Factor**

# Summary

Define the load factor when creating instances of the classes 'HashMap', 'HashSet', 'Hashtable', and 'WeakHashMap'.

### Description

This audit rule requires a load factor to be specified when creating instances of the classes 'HashMap', 'HashSet', 'Hashtable', and 'WeakHashMap'. The load factor impacts both the size of the collection and how long it will take to perform a look-up.

### Example

The following instance creation would be flagged as a violation because the load factor is not specified:

```
new HashMap(42);
```

## **Detect Multiple Iterations**

### Summary

Detect multiple iterations over a single collection.

### Description

A single method that contains multiple loops that iterate over the contents of a single collection may be improved by rewriting it. If it is possible to use a single loop then the loop maintenance overhead can be eliminated.

#### Example

The second for loop would be flagged as a violation:

```
for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
    ...
}
...
for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
    ...
}</pre>
```

### Do Not Create Finalizable Objects

#### Summary

Finalizable objects should not be instantiated.

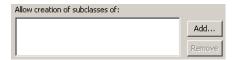
#### Description

This audit rule checks for instance creation expressions in which the object being created implements the finalize() method. Finalization is expensive and error prone, so finalizable objects should not be used.

### Example

If the class ResourceHandle defines the finalize method, then the following instance creation expression would be flagged as a violation:

ResourceHandle handle = new ResourceHandle(resourceId);



# Don't use concatenation to convert to String

### Summary

Don't use concatenation to convert to String.

### Description

Concatenation with the empty string should never be used to convert something to a string. It is more efficient to use String.valueOf() to convert primitives, or toString() to

\* 如<u>int</u> -> long

return String.valueOf(count);

return Integer.toString(count);

// 重载:即使参数类型有变化,也无需改动代码

\* 当参数类型有变化时,需改动代码实现;否则,可能导致Bug。

convert objects.

## Example

The following would be flagged as a violation:

```
count = 5; return count + "";
```

# **Efficient Expression**

### Summary

Some expressions are more efficient than others.

# Description

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This rule finds expressions that can be replaced with other equivalent and more efficient expressions.

## Example

The expression

```
(new Integer("1234")).intValue()
```

should be replaced by

```
Integer.parseInt("1234")
int i = Integer.parseInt(s, 10);
```

because the latter expression does not create an intermediate Integer object and thus is more efficient.

## **Empty String Detection**

## Summary

The method equals("") should not be used to determine if a String is empty.

#### Description

This audit rule detects instances where Strings are detected to be empty with the <String>.equals("") method. Instances of "".equals(<String>) are also flagged as violations.

#### Example

The following would be flagged:

### **Index Arrays with Ints**

## Summary

Arrays should be indexed with int values.

#### Description

Arrays should be indexed with int values in order to avoid the run-time overhead of converting a shorter type.

#### Example

The array index expression in the following code would be flagged as a violation because the loop variable "b" should be declared to be an int:

```
for (byte b = 0; b < 128; b++) {
    array[b] = null;
}</pre>
```

## Inefficient use of toArray()

#### Summary

Passing a zero-length array to toArray() is inefficient.

#### Description

When converting a Collection to an array using toArray(), it is most efficient to pass in an array whose length is equal to the Collection's size. This rule flags locations an array of some fixed length is passed in.

### Example

The use of toArray in the following code would be flagged:

```
ArrayList foo = new ArrayList();

foo.toArray(new String[0]);

return c.toArray(new String[c.size()]);
```

# Invoke Synchronized Method In Loop

# Summary

Don't invoke a synchronized method within a loop.

### Description

This audit rule looks for invocations of methods that have been marked as being "synchronized" that occur within a loop. Synchronization is relatively expensive, so such calls should be made outside the loop if possible.

## Example

Given a method defined as follows:

```
public synchronized void recomputeCaches()
{
    ...
}
```

The following invocation would be flagged as an error:

```
public void repeatedlyInvokeIt()
{
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
        recomputeCaches();
    }
}</pre>
```

#### Large Number of Switch Statement Cases

#### Summary

Switch statements should not have more than 256 case clauses.

#### Description

This audit rule looks for switch statements that have more than 256 case clauses. Some processors have special support for switch statements and some JITs will take advantage of such instructions when there are few enough cases.

#### Example

If a switch statement with more than 256 case clauses is found, it will be flagged as a violation.

### Method Invocation in Loop Condition

#### Summary

Methods should not be invoked in a loop condition.

#### Description

This audit rule looks for places where a method is invoked as part of a loop condition. Unless the method returns a different value each time it is called, placing the method invocation in the loop condition will force it to be executed at least as many times as the loop body. You can often improve the performance of your code by moving the invocation before the loop.

#### Example

The invocation of the method size() would be flagged as a violation in the following loop:

```
for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) {
    ...
}</pre>
```



# Multiplication Or Division By Powers of 2

### Summary

Do not multiply or divide by powers of 2.

### Description

This audit rule checks for multiplication or division by powers of 2. "\*" and "/" are an expensive operations. The shift operator is faster and more efficient.

### Example

The following expression would be flagged as a violation:

```
list.size() * 2;
```

# **Nested Synchronized Calls**

# Summary

Invoking one synchronized method of an object from another synchronized method of the same object affects the performance of an application.

### Description

This audit rule looks for invocations of a synchronized method from another synchronized method in the same class.

# Security Implications

Such calls both affect the performance of an application and indicate a poorly designed synchronization aspect of the code, which usually results in synchronization errors that could be exploited to create unexpected states of an application.

### Example

The following code would be flagged as a violation because it invokes one synchronized method of an object from another synchronized method of the same object:

```
public class SyncDataSource {
    public synchronized Object getData() {
        return internalGetData();
    }
    private synchronized Object internalGetData() {
        ...
}
```

}

### **Pre-compute Constant Calculations**

#### Summary

It is faster and more accurate to pre-compute the value of a Math operation involving only constants.

#### Description

This rule finds uses of static methods in the Math class which are passed constant values. It is faster, and often more accurate to pre-compute these values.

#### Example

```
double foo = Math.cos(0);
```

### Reflection Method Usage

### Summary

Don't use specific reflection methods.

#### Description

 $Don't\ use\ Class\ getMethod(),\ getField(),\ getDeclaredMethod()\ or\ getDeclaredField()\ methods\ in\ production\ code.$ 

# Replace Synchronized Classes

# Summary

Synchronized classes should only be used if the synchronization is necessary.

#### Description

This audit rule flags uses of synchronized classes which could be replaced with faster non-synchronized replacements.

### Example

The following would be flagged because <a href="HashMap">HashMap</a> could be used instead:

```
Hashtable foo = new Hashtable();
```

StringBuilder 代替 StringBuffer

# Reusable Immutables

### Summary

Objects that cannot be modified at run-time should be created as static constants.

# Description

This audit rule finds the creation of some kinds of immutable objects. An immutable object is an object whose state cannot be modified at run-time. Such objects should be created as constants (static final fields) in order to reduce the amount of garbage that must be collected.

### Example

```
new Integer(5);
new int[0];
```

# Runtime Method Usage

### Summary

Don't use specific Runtime methods.

### Description

 $Don't\ use\ Runtime\ gc(),\ runFinalization()\ or\ runFinalizersOnExit()\ methods\ in\ production\ code.$ 

### **Static Instantiation**

# Summary

Do not instantiate classes which contain only static methods.

### Description

Instead of instantiating a class in order to call a static method, you should simply call Class.method(). This saves memory by not creating useless instances of classes.

### Example

Given two classes,  ${\tt Foo}$  and  ${\tt Bar}$ , the following would be flagged as a violation:

```
public class Foo {
   public static doSomething() {
      ...
```

```
}

public class Bar {
   public doSomethingElse() {
        new Foo().doSomething();
   }
}
```

### String Concatenation in Loop

#### Summary

Strings should not be concatenated within a loop.

#### Description

The code to <u>concatenate two strings is not very efficient because it creates a StringBuffer for each concatenation</u>. When placed in a loop, this can <u>result in the creation and collection of large numbers of temporary objects</u>. You can create the StringBuffer before entering the loop, and append to it within the loop, thus reducing the overhead.

#### Example

```
String[] path;
String result = "";
for (int i = 0; i < path.length; i++) {
    result = result + "." + path[i];
}</pre>
StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
for (String p : path) {
    sb.append(p).append('.');
}
return sb.toString();
```

✓ Allow constant expressions

### String Created from Literal

#### Summary

Strings should not be created from a String literal.

因为字符串字面量本身就是一个字符串对象

#### Description

This audit rule finds places in the code where a String literal is used to initialize a newly created String. Doing so is almost never necessary and usually only serves to waste both time and space.

## Example

The following expression would be flagged as a violation:

```
new String("Pause");
```

## Synchronized In Loop

### Summary

Synchronized statement used in a loop.

### Description

This audit rule looks for uses of the synchronized statement that occur within a loop. Synchronization is relatively expensive, so the synchronized statement should be moved to enclose the loop.

### Example

The following use of the synchronized statement would be flagged as an error:

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    synchronized (monitor) {
        monitor.doSomeWork();
    }
}</pre>
```

# **Temporary Object Creation**

# Summary

Instances of numeric classes should not be created solely for the purpose of converting a numeric value to a string.

### Description

This audit rule checks for the creation of numeric classes where the only purpose for the object is to invoke the toString() method on it. All of the numeric classes implement a static toString() method that can do the same thing, but without the cost of creating and collecting an extra object.

#### Example

The following expression would be flagged as a violation:

```
(new Integer(age)).toString()
```

return Integer.toString(count);

### Unnecessary toString() Method Invocation

#### Summary

Remove unnecessary invocations of toString().

#### Description

This audit rule flags instances of toString() that are called on String objects. Removing such invocations does not affect the program logic and can reduce timing.

#### Example

The invocation of toString() below would be flagged as it can be removed.

```
String string = ...;
System.out.println(string.toString());
```

#### **Unnecessary Type Cast**

#### Summary

Unnecessary type casts should be removed.

#### Description

This audit rule checks for places where a value is being cast to another type and the type cast is not necessary. This includes the following cases:

- casting from one type to the same type,
- casting from one type to a supertype of that type,
- casting to a more specific type when the result will be assigned to a variable of the same type, or
- casting immediately prior to using the instanceof operator to test the type.

#### Example

The following cast would be flagged because the type of the literal is already int:

```
int i = (int) 0;
```

The following cast would be flagged because the variable list can be assigned to the variable collection without the cast:

```
List list = new ArrayList();
Collection collection = (ArrayList) list;
```

# Use arraycopy() Rather Than a Loop

# Summary

The method arraycopy() should be used to copy arrays.

### Description

This audit rule looks for places where a loop is being used to copy the elements of one array to another array. The method System.arraycopy() is much faster at copying array elements, so it should always be used when possible.

# Example

The following loop would be flagged because it is only copying the elements of one array to another without performing any computation based on those elements:

```
employees = new Employee[people.length];
for (int i = 0; i < people.length; i++) {
    employees[i] = (Employee) people[i];
}</pre>
```

# Use Available Constants

### Summary

Use available constants instead of creating new instances.

### Description

Some classes provide constants for commonly used values. When possible, use these constants rather than creating new instances.

### Example

The following test case would be flagged as a violation because <code>BigInteger.ZERO</code> could be used instead:

```
new BigInteger("0");
Integer.valueOf(i);
```

### **Use Buffered IO**

#### Summary

All input and output should be buffered.

#### Description

This rule finds places where non-buffered IO classes are created and are not subsequently wrapped inside a buffered form of the class.

#### Example

The following FileReader creation would be flagged because it is not wrapped inside an instance of BufferedReader:

```
public FileReader getReader(String fileName)
{
    return new FileReader(fileName);
}
```

It could be fixed by rewriting the code as follows:

```
public Reader getReader(String fileName)
{
    return new BufferedReader(new FileReader(fileName));
}
```

# Use char Rather Than String

#### Summary

Some String literals can be replaced by a character literal to improve performance when being used as parameter to some methods.

#### Description

This audit rule finds single character string literals as an argument to a method invocation where that argument can be replaced by a character literal to improve performance.

#### Example

Given the following declaration:

```
String s = "hello world";
The expression
s.indexOf("d")
```

would be flagged as needing to be replaced by the expression

```
s.indexOf(<u>'d'</u>);
```

### Use charAt() Rather Than startsWith()

# Summary

Use charAt() rather than startsWith() when the constant is a single character string.

### Description

Use charAt(0) rather than startsWith("string constant") when the constant is a single character string. Using startsWith() with a one character argument works, but it makes several computations while preparing to compare its prefix with another string, which is unnecessary when you just want to compare one character against another.

### Example

The following method invocation would be flagged as a violation:

```
string.startsWith("<")
```

because the condition could more efficiently be tested using:

```
string.length() > 0 && string.charAt(0) == '<'
```

# Use StringBuffer length()

## Summary

Test the length of a StringBuffer or StringBuilder using its length() method directly rather than converting it to a string first.

### Description

This audit rule looks for places where the length of a StringBuffer or StringBuilder is computed by first converting it to a String.

#### Example

The following would be flagged:

```
StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer("Foo");
if (sb<del>.toString()</del>.length() == 0) ...
```

# Use valueOf() to wrap primitives

#### Summary

When wrapping primitives, always use the valueOf() method to convert them instead of calling the constructor.

#### Description

The <u>valueOf() methods</u> in the wrapper classes <u>cache commonly used values</u>. It is therefore <u>more efficient to use them</u>, rather than to use the constructor which creates a new instance every single time.

### Example

The following would be marked as a violation:

```
new Integer(5);
Integer.valueOf(5);
```

Variable Declared Within a Loop