





### 1. What is Multithreading?

Multithreading is the ability of a CPU (or a single core in a multi-core processor) to execute multiple threads concurrently.

A thread is the smallest unit of a process. Java uses threads to perform multiple tasks in parallel to improve performance and responsiveness.

#### What is a CPU?

CPU stands for Central Processing Unit — it's the "brain" of the computer.

#### What Does a CPU Do?

#### The CPU:

- · Fetches instructions from memory
- Decodes them (figures out what to do)
- Executes them (does calculations, moves data, etc.)





# 2. Life Cycle of a Thread

- New Thread object is created.
- 2. Runnable start() is called, thread is ready to run.
- Running Thread is executing code.
- 4. Blocked/Waiting Thread is waiting for a resource or signal.
- 5. Terminated Thread has completed execution or was stopped.





#### A. By extending Thread class

```
java

Class MyThread extends Thread {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Thread is running...");
    }
}
new MyThread().start(); // DO NOT call run()
```

### B. By implementing Runnable interface

```
java

class MyRunnable implements Runnable {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Runnable thread is running...");
    }
}
Thread thread = new Thread(new MyRunnable());
thread.start();
```





### Example: Thread.sleep() - Pause a thread for a while

```
java
public class SleepExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
       System.out.println("Start");
        try {
           // Pause for 3 seconds (3000 milliseconds)
           Thread.sleep(3000);
        } catch (InterruptedException e) {
           System.out.println("Thread was interrupted");
        System.out.println("End after 3 seconds pause");
```



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- Example: join() with Classes
- Worker.java A class that does work in a thread

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java
public class Worker extends Thread {
    private String workerName;
    public Worker(String name) {
        this.workerName = name;
    @Override
    public void run() {
        System.out.println(workerName + " started working...");
        try {
            Thread.sleep(2000); // Simulate 2 seconds of work
        } catch (InterruptedException e) {
            System.out.println(workerName + " was interrupted.");
        System.out.println(workerName + " finished working.");
```





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Main.java – Main thread that uses join()
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 public class Main {
     public static void main(String[] args) {
         System.out.println("Main thread started.");
        // Create multiple worker threads
        Worker w1 = new Worker("Worker-1");
        Worker w2 = new Worker("Worker-2");
        // Start the workers
        w1.start();
        w2.start();
         try {
            // Wait for both workers to finish
            w1.join();
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## What is Synchronization in Java?

Synchronization means making sure that only one thread can access a block of code or data at a time.

In multithreading, when multiple threads access and modify shared data, it can lead to inconsistent or wrong results. Synchronization prevents this.

## Why Do We Need Synchronization?

Without synchronization, two threads might:

- Read the same value at the same time
- · Both modify it
- Overwrite each other's changes





### **Benefits of Synchronization**

Benefit	Explanation
Prevents data inconsistency	Ensures shared resources aren't corrupted
Avoids race conditions	Only one thread enters a critical section
Makes code thread-safe	Allows safe use in multi-threaded environments

#### S Before Synchronization – Problem Example

#### Shared counter without synchronization

```
java

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class Counter {
    int count = 0;
    public void increment() {
        count++; // not thread-safe
    }
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        Counter counter = new Counter();
        Thread t1 = new Thread(() -> {
            for (int i = 0; i < 1000; i++) counter.increment();</pre>
        });
        Thread t2 = new Thread(() -> {
            for (int i = 0; i < 1000; i++) counter.increment();</pre>
        });
        t1.start();
        t2.start();
        t1.join();
        t2.join();
        System.out.println("Count: " + counter.count); // May not be 2000!
    }
```

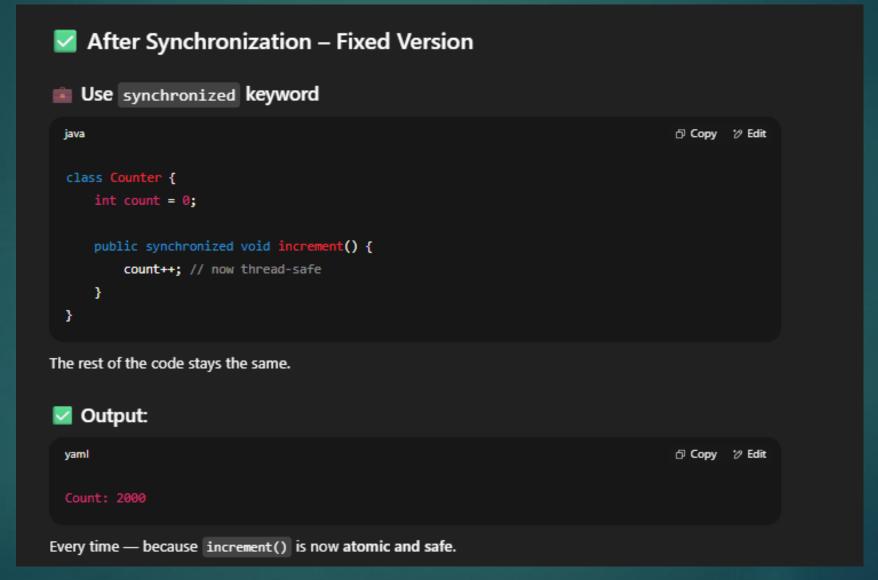


#### Problem:

- Expected output: Count: 2000
- Actual output: Sometimes less (e.g., 1687, 1999...) due to race condition











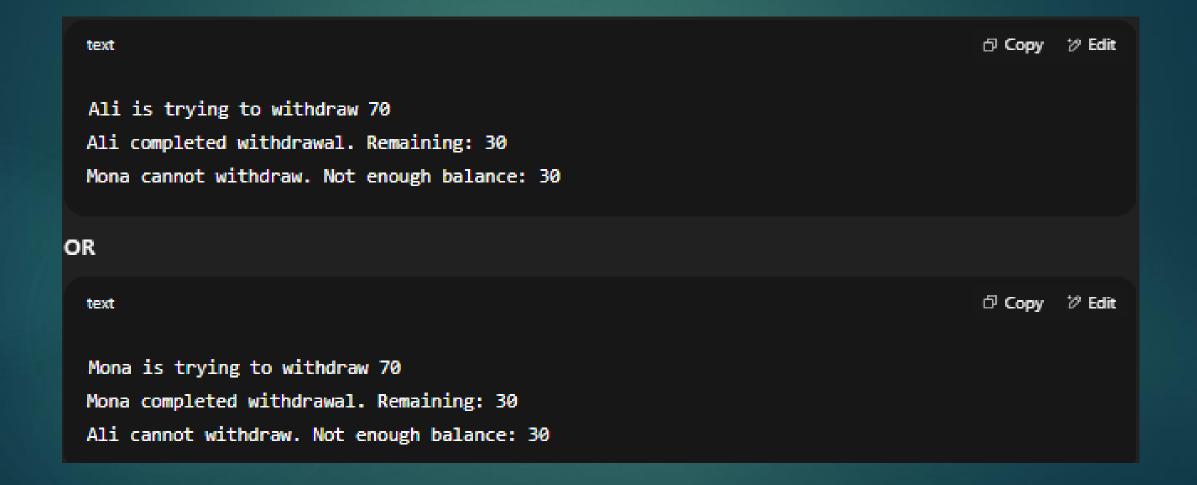
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♦ You Can Synchronize:
• A method: public synchronized void method() { }
• A block: synchronized(obj) { // code }
Example:
 java

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 synchronized(this) {
     count++;
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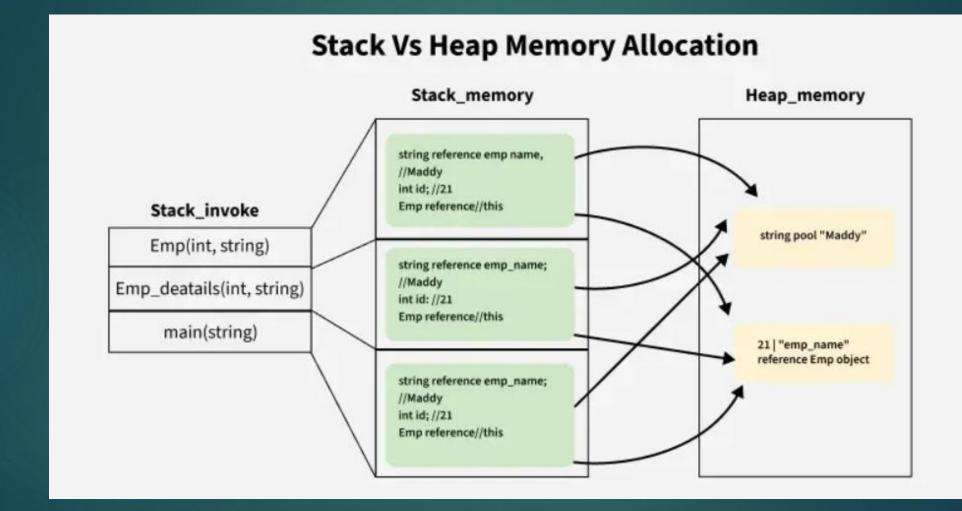


# String, StringBuilder, and StringBuffer

In Java, String, StringBuilder, and StringBuffer are three classes used for handling strings, but they have different characteristics and use cases.











- **Stack**
- Stores: Method calls + local variables
- Fast and organized (LIFO: Last In, First Out)
- Memory is automatically freed when the method ends.
- Example:

```
java

void method() {
  int x = 5; // stored in stack
}
```





🖶 Heap Stores: Objects (created with new) Slower, but can hold more Java's Garbage Collector cleans unused objects Example: ☐ Copy ② Edit java Student s = new Student(); // s → stack, new Student() → heap





### ✓ What Is Garbage Collector (GC) in Java?

- Java has a built-in cleaner called Garbage Collector.
- It automatically frees memory by removing objects that are no longer used.

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In Java:
 java
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  class Student {
     String name;
 // Inside some method:
 Student s1 = new Student(); // Object created in heap
 s1 = null;
                           // Now no variable is pointing to the object
Now that s1 = null, the object in heap is useless — no one can reach it.
The Garbage Collector will remove it automatically to free memory.
You Don't Need to Delete Manually
Unlike C/C++ (where you use free() or delete), in Java:
   The Garbage Collector runs in background and cleans up unused objects automatically.
```





### 1. Stack is small and organized (LIFO)

- The stack works like a vertical pile: Last In, First Out.
- Java just needs to add or remove from the top super fast.
- No searching, no moving just push/pop.
- Time to manage memory = very short.

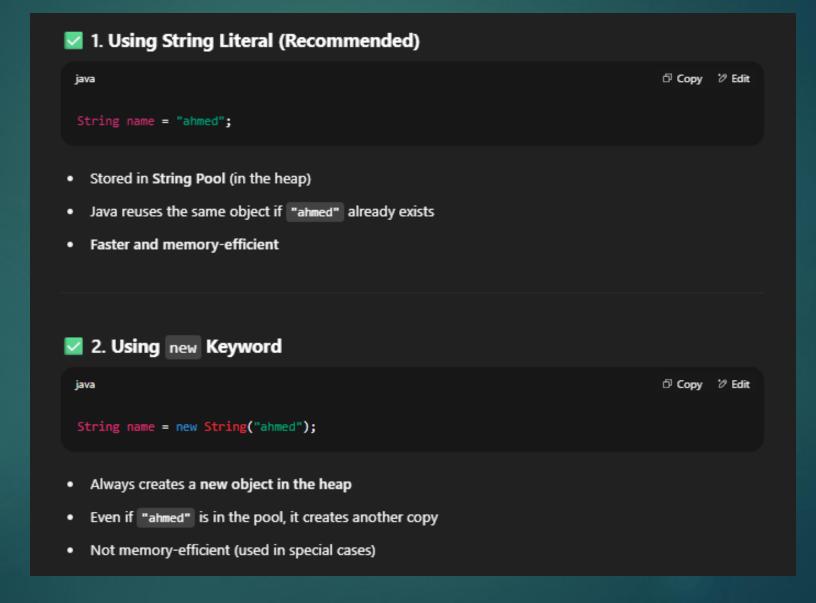
### 2. Heap is bigger and more flexible — but slower

- The heap is like a big memory pool.
- When you create an object ( new Student() ), Java must:
  - Search for space
  - Allocate it
  - Keep track of it
  - Later, the Garbage Collector must clean it





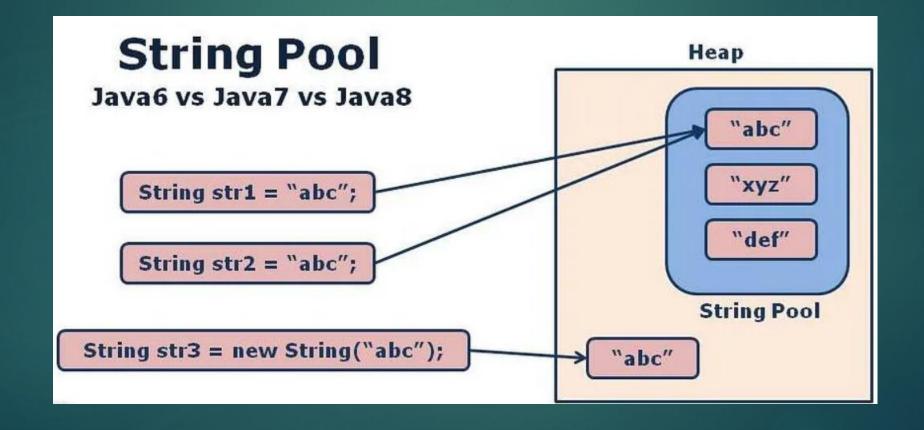








In Java, the term "pool" often refers to a specific area of memory where certain types of objects are stored to optimize resource management and improve performance. Here are some common types







### 1. String

- Immutability: String objects are immutable. Once a String is created, it cannot be changed.
   Any modification (like concatenation) creates a new String object.
- Usage: Ideal for situations where the string content does not change, such as constants or fixed values.
- Performance: Since every modification creates a new object, frequent modifications can lead to performance overhead.

```
java

String str1 = "Hello";
str1 += " World"; // Creates a new String object
```





### 2. StringBuilder

- Mutability: StringBuilder is mutable. It allows modifications without creating new objects.
- Thread Safety: Not synchronized, which makes it faster than StringBuffer but not thread-safe.
   Use it in single-threaded scenarios.
- Usage: Best for situations where you need to modify the string frequently, such as in loops or when constructing large strings.

```
java

StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder("Hello");
sb.append(" World"); // Modifies the same object
```





### 3. StringBuffer

- Mutability: Like StringBuilder, StringBuffer is also mutable and allows modifications.
- Thread Safety: It is synchronized, making it thread-safe but slower due to the overhead of synchronization. Use it in multi-threaded scenarios.
- Usage: Best when working with strings in a multi-threaded environment where you need to
  ensure that multiple threads do not modify the same string concurrently.

```
java

StringBuffer sbf = new StringBuffer("Hello");
sbf.append(" World"); // Modifies the same object in a thread-safe manner
```