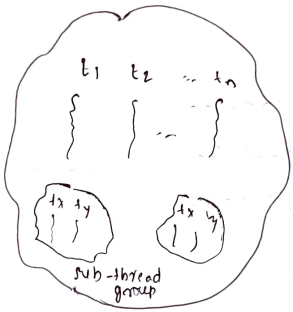
Thread group

Based on functionality we can group threads into a single unit, which is nothing but thread group

i.e thread group contains a group of threads. In addition to threads, thread group also contains sub-thread groups



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The main advantage of maintaining threads in the form of thread group is. we can perform common operations very easily

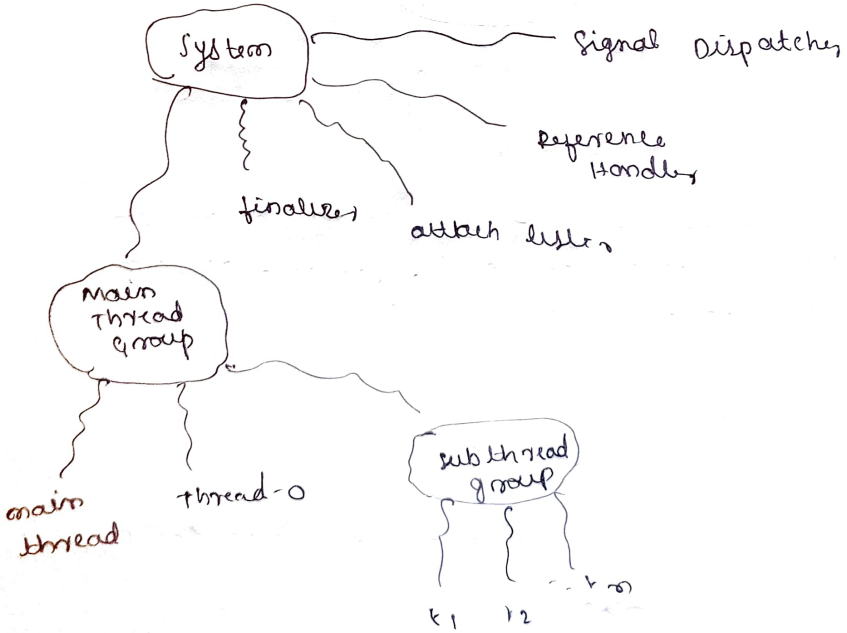
```
class Test{
    psvm(String[] args){
        Sop(Thread.currentThread().getThreadGroup().getName());
        //main - group
    }
}
```

```
Sop(Thread.currentThread().getThreadGroup().
    getParent().
    getName());
```

currentThread() → main Thread
getThreadGroup() → main Thread group
getParent() → System thread group
getName() → System

- Every thread in java belongs to some group
- main thread belongs to main group
- Every thread group in java is the child group of System group, either directly or indirectly
- Hence System group acts as root for all thread groups in java

- System group contains several sim level threads like.
  - finalizer
  - Reference Handler
  - Signal Dispatcher
  - Attach Listener



- thread group is a java class present in java.lang package and it is a direct child class of object

- Constructors

① ThreadGroup g = new ThreadGroup(String groupname);

- creates a new threadgroup with the specified groupname
- the parent of this new thread group is the threadgroup of currently executing thread

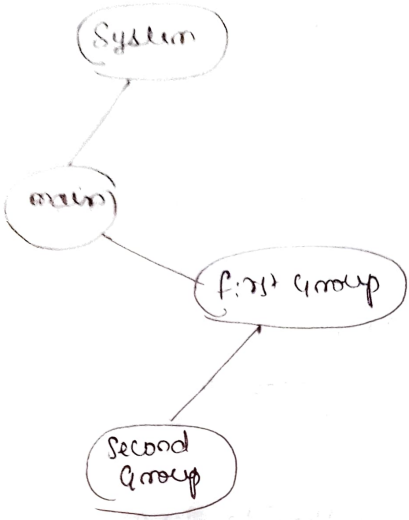
Ex: ThreadGroup g = new ThreadGroup("first Group");

② ThreadGroup g = new ThreadGroup(ThreadGroup pG, String Group");

- creates a new threadd group with a specified groupname
- the parent of this new thread group is specified parent group

ex. ThreadGroup g1 = new ThreadGroup(g, "second Group");

```
Class Test{
  psvm(String[] args){
    ThreadGroup g1 = new ThreadGroup("first Group");
    sop(g1.getParent().getName()); //main
    ThreadGroup g2 = new ThreadGroup(g1, "second Group");
    sop(g2.getParent().getName()); // first Group
  }
}
```



important methods of threadGroup class

1. String getName()

   returns name of the threadGroup

2. int getMaxPriority()

   returns max priority of threadGroup

3. void setMaxPriority(int p)

   to set maximum priority of threadGroup

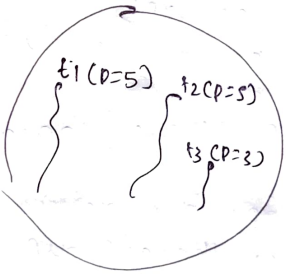
   • the default maxpriority is 10

Threads in the threadGroup that ~~have~~ already have higher priority won't be effected by newly added thread for their maxpriority is applicable

```
class ThreadGroupDemo2 {
  psvm(String[] args){

  ThreadGroup g1 = new ThreadGroup("tg");
  Thread t1 = new Thread(g1, "Thread1"); // 5
  Thread t2 = new Thread(g1, "Thread2"); // 5
  g1.setMaxPriority(3);
  Thread t3 = new Thread(g1, "Thread3"); // 3
  sop(t1.getPriority());
  sop(t2.getPriority());
  sop(t3.getPriority());
  }
}
```

o/p : 5
5
3



4. ThreadGroup getParent()

returns ParentGroup of current thread

5. void list()

it print information about threadgroup to the console

6. int activeCount()

returns number of active threads present in the threadGroup

7. int activeGroupCount()

it returns number of active groups present in the current threadGroup

8. int enumerate(Thread[] t)

to copy all active threads of this threadGroup into provided thread array

In this case sub thread group also thread will be considered

9. int enumerate(ThreadGroup[] g)

to copy all active sub thread groups into threadGroup array

10. boolean isDaemon()

to check wether the threadgroup is daemon or not

11. void setDaemon(boolean b)

12. void interrupt()

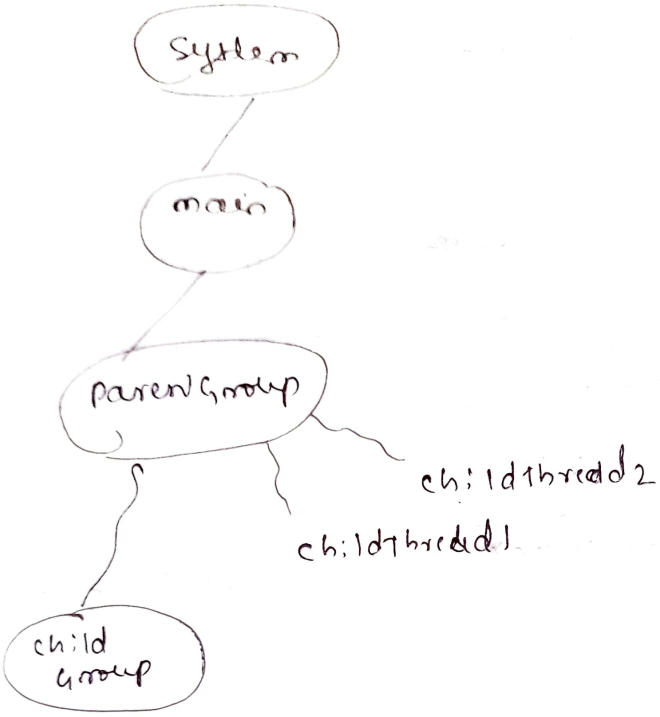
to interrupt all waiting or sleeping threads present in the threadgroup

13. void destroy()

to destroy threadgroup and it's sub threadGroups

```
class MyThread extends Thread {
    MyThread(ThreadGroup g, String name) {
        super(g, name);
    }
    public void run() {
        sop("child thread");
        try {
            Thread.sleep(5000);
        }
        catch (InterruptedException e) { }
    }
}

class ThreadGroupDemo3 {
    psvm(String[] args) throws Exception {
        ThreadGroup pg = new ThreadGroup("parentGroup");
        ThreadGroup cg = new ThreadGroup(pg, "childGroup");
        MyThread t1 = new MyThread(pg, "child thread1");
        MyThread t2 = new MyThread(pg, "child thread2");
        t1.start();
        t2.start();
        sop(pg.activeCount());        // 2
        sop(pg.activeGroupCount());   // 1
        pg.list();
        Thread.sleep(10000);
        sop(pg.activeCount());
        sop(pg.activeGroupCount());
        pg.list();
    }
}
```



- Write a program to display all active thread names belongs to System group and its childgroups.

```
class ThreadGroupDaemon4 {
    psvm (String[] args){
        ThreadGroup system = Thread.currentThread().
                             getThreadGroup().getParent();
        Thread[] t = new Thread[system.activeCount()];
        system.enumerate(t);
        for(Thread t1 : t) {
            sop(t1.getName()+"..."+t1.isDaemon());
        }
    }
}
```

O/p : Reference Handler ... true
finalizer ... true
Signal Dispatcher ... true
Attach Listener ... true
~~main ... false~~
Notification Thread ... true
main ... false
Common-Cleaner ... true