

CompletionService Interface

This lesson talks about how to batch multiple tasks together

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In the previous lesson we discussed how tasks can be submitted to executors but imagine a scenario where you want to submit hundreds or thousands of tasks. You'll retrieve the future objects returned from the submit calls and then poll all of them in a loop to check which one is done and then take appropriate action. Java offers a better way to address this use case through the **CompletionService** interface. You can use the **ExecutorCompletionService** as a concrete implementation of the interface.

The completion service is a combination of a blocking queue and an executor. Tasks are submitted to the queue and then the queue can be polled for completed tasks. The service exposes two methods, one **poll** which returns null if no task is completed or none were submitted and two **take** which blocks till a completed task is available.

Below is an example program that demonstrates the use of completion service.

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1 import java.util.Random;
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8 class Demonstration {
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10     static Random random = new Ra
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12     public static void main( Str
13         completionServiceExamp
14     }
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17 static void completionService
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19 class TrivialTask imple
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21 int n;
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23 public TrivialTask
24     this.n = n;
25 }
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27 public void run() {
28     try {
29         // sleep for
30         Thread.sleep(
31         System.out
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