

# Threading the needle

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- First time presenter

# GOAL



# CONCURRENCY



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*"Increase performance by better utilizing the underlying computational power."*

# CONCURRENCY ASYNCHRONOUS



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*"A process that runs independently from the main process."*



Java 1 (1995)

Thread and Runnable



Java 5 (2004)  
**Callable and ExecutorService**



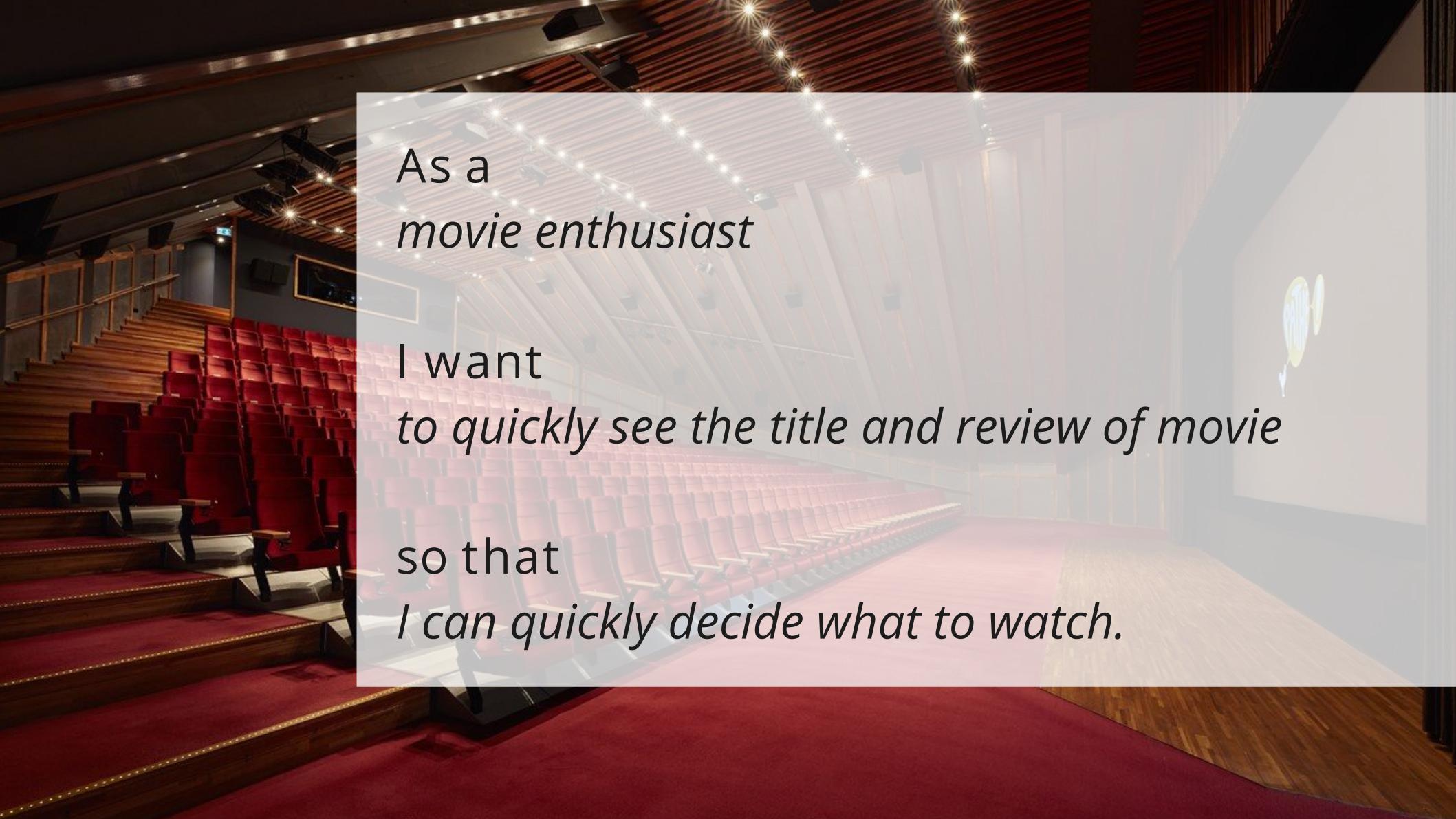
Java 7 (2011)  
**ForkJoinPool**



Java 8 (2014)  
**ParallelStream** and  
**CompletableFuture**



Java 9 (2017)  
Flow API



As a  
*movie enthusiast*

I want  
*to quickly see the title and review of movie*

so that  
*I can quickly decide what to watch.*

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    getMovieIds()  
        .thenApply(movieIds ->  
            movieIds.parallelStream()  
                .map(movieId -> getTitle(movieId)  
                    .thenCombineAsync(getReviews(movieId), Movie::new)  
                    .thenAccept(System.out::println)  
                )  
                .toList()  
        .handleAsync(result, ex -> Object.requireNonNull(ex).print(result))  
        .join();  
}
```

# CompletableFuture

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**Pervasive “leaky abstraction”**

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public static void main(String[] args) {  
    getMovieIds()  
        .flatMap(id -> Mono.zip(getTitle(id), getReviews(id)))  
        .map(tuple -> new Movie(tuple.getT1(), tuple.getT2()))  
        .collect(Collectors.toList())  
        .doOnError(CustomException::new)  
        .subscribe(System.out::println);  
}  
  
private static Flux<Long> getMovieIds() {...}  
  
private static Mono<Title> getTitle(Long movieId) {...}  
  
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```

# Project Reactor

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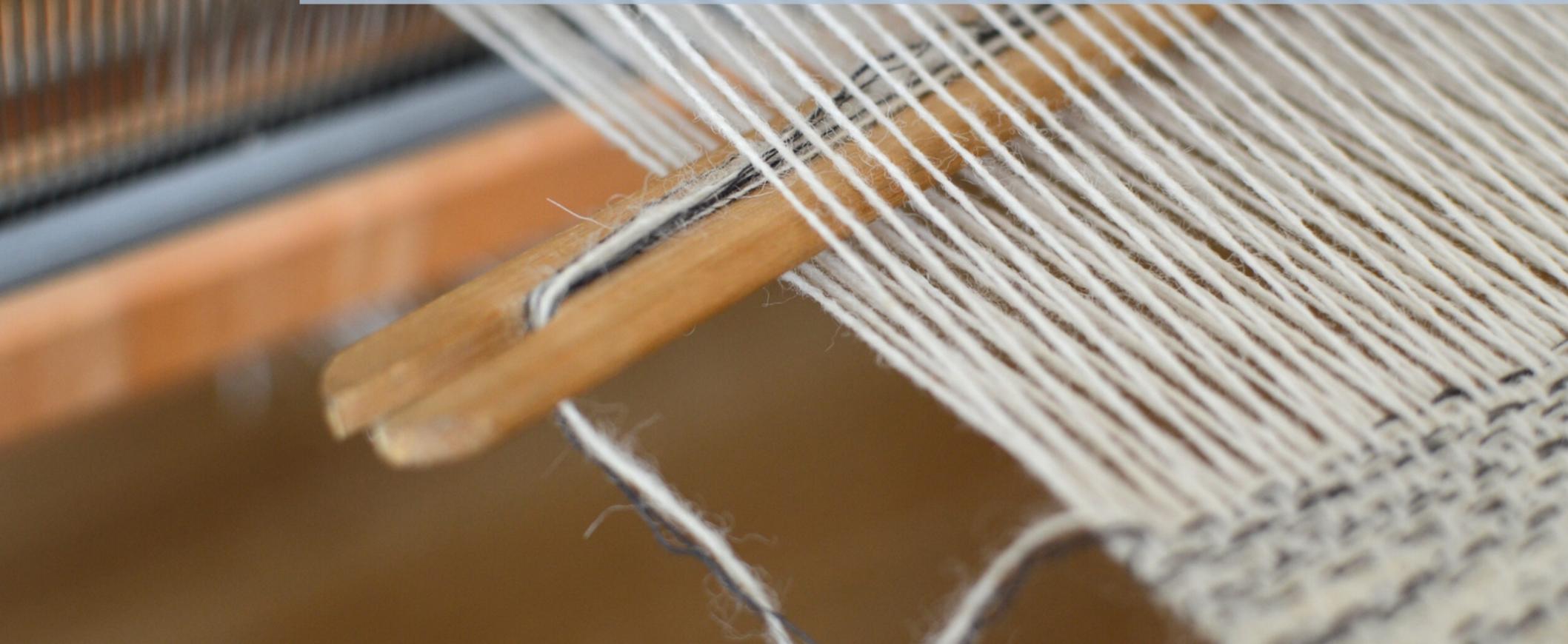
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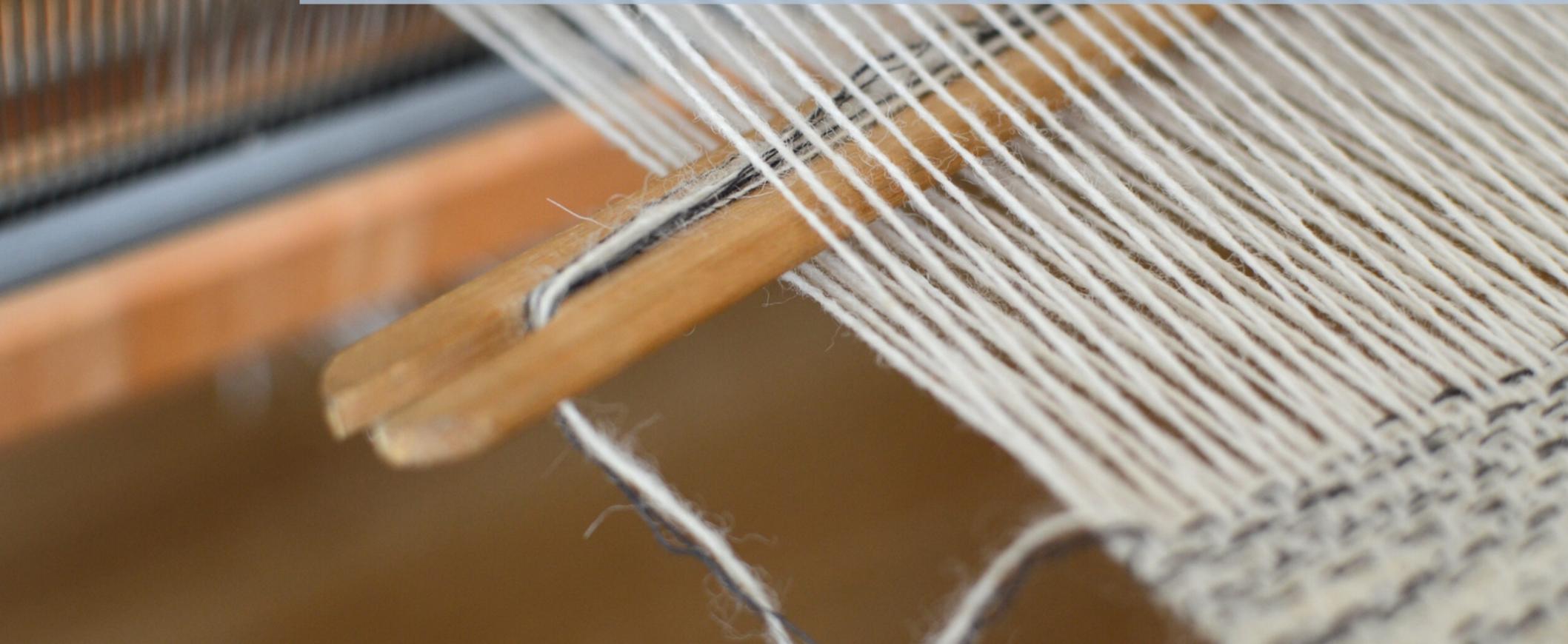
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*Creating highly scalable  
applications without adding  
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var platformThreads = IntStream.range(0, 100_000)
    .mapToObj(index ->
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            .start(() -> {
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                } catch (InterruptedException e) {...}
            })
    )
    .toList();
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}
```

30 seconds

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var virtualThreads = IntStream.range(0, 1_000_000)
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        Thread.ofVirtual()
            .start() -> {
                try {
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                } catch (InterruptedException e) {...}
            })
    .toList();

```

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for (Thread thread : virtualThreads) {
    thread.join();
}
```

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    )
    .toList();
```

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for (Thread thread : virtualThreads) {
    thread.join();
}
```

6 seconds

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    try (var executor = Executors.newVirtualThreadPerTaskExecutor()) {
        getMovieIds()
            .parallelStream()
            .map(movieId -> {
                var titleFuture = executor.submit(() -> getTitle(movieId));
                var reviewFuture = executor.submit(() -> getReviews(movieId));
                try {
                    return new Movie(titleFuture.get(), reviewFuture.get());
                } catch (InterruptedException | ExecutionException ex) {...}
            })
            .forEach(System.out::println);
    }
}
```

```
private static List<Long> getMovieIds() {...}
```

```
private static Title getTitle(Long movieId) {...}
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# ExecutorService

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**get() is non-blocking thanks to  
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```

**code is not blocking yet clean**

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    getMovieIds().parallelStream()
        .forEach(movieId -> {
            try (var scope = new StructuredTaskScope.ShutdownOnFailure()) {
                var title = scope.fork(() -> getTitle(movieId));
                var reviews = scope.fork(() -> getReviews(movieId));

                scope.join().throwIfFailed(CustomException::new);
                System.out.println(new Movie(title.resultNow(), reviews.resultNow()));
            } catch (InterruptedException ex) {
                ...
            });
        });
}
```

# Structured Concurrency

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**if one fork fails, the other is cancelled**

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**join() is once again non-blocking and asynchronous**

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Reduce complexity, improve performance.

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