

Java Course

Lecture II - Lambdas and Stream API



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Summary

- What is Lambda
- What is functional interface
- Streaming API



Lambdas

- Lambdas bring anonymous function types in Java (JSR 335):

$$(\text{parameters}) \rightarrow \{\text{body}\}$$

- Example:

$$(x, y) \rightarrow x + y$$



- Lambdas can be used in place of functional interfaces (interfaces with just one method such as **Runnable**)

```
new Thread(new Runnable() {  
  
    @Override  
    public void run() {  
        System.out.println("It  
runs !");  
    }  
}).start();
```



```
new Thread() ->  
{ System.out.println("It runs !"); }  
).start();
```



Functional Interfaces

- Every interface with only one method is `@FunctionalInterface`
- Examples of such functional interfaces:

`java.lang Runnable` -> `run()`

`java.util.concurrent.Callable` -> `call()`

`java.security.PrivilegedAction` -> `run()`

`java.util.Comparator` -> `compare(T o1, T o2)`

`java.awt.event.ActionListener` ->

`actionPerformed (ActionEvent e)`



Extension(default) methods

- Default aka extension methods provide a mechanism for extending an existing interface without breaking backward compatibility

```
public interface Iterable<T> {  
  
    default void forEach(Consumer<? super T> action) {  
        Objects.requireNonNull(action);  
        for (T t : this) {  
            action.accept(t);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



Static methods in interfaces

- You can declare static methods on interfaces:

```
public interface ContentFormatter {  
    public void format();  
    static String convertRegex(String  
        regex) {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Note about static methods on interfaces



- None of the implementing classes will have this method available to them
- The idea : less utility classes

Some new functional interfaces



- Additional functional interfaces are provided by the **java.util.function** package for use by lambdas such as:
 - **Predicate<T>** - one method with param of type T and boolean return type
 - **Consumer<T>** - one method with param T and no return type
 - **Function<T, R>** - one method with param T and return type R
 - **Supplier<T>** - one method with no params and return type T



Simple functional interface

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Test {
    public void doSomething();
}
```

However this is NOT FunctionalInterface:

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Test2 {
    public default void doSomething()
    { //Something }
}
```

Other valid functional interfaces



```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Test3 {
    public void doSomething();
    public default void doSomethingDefault() {}
}
```

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Test4 {
    public void doSomething();
    public static void doSomethingDefault() {}
}
```

So .. Consuming functional interface



- Lets suppose you have a method like this

```
public static void something(Test t) {  
    System.out.println(t.doSomething());  
}
```

- You can invoke this method like this:

```
something(new Test<Integer>() {  
    @Override  
    public Integer doSomething() {  
        return 5;  
    }  
});
```

//or

```
something(() -> 5);
```



Stream API

- Databases and other programming languages allow us to specify aggregate operations explicitly
- The streams API provides this mechanism in the Java platform
- The notion of streams is derived from functional programming languages



Stream API (2)

- The stream API makes use of lambdas and extension methods
- Streams can be applied on collections, arrays, IO streams and generator functions
- Streams can be finite or infinite
- Streams can apply intermediate functions on the data that produce another stream (e.g. map, reduce)



Stream API usage

```
java.util.stream.Stream<T> collection.stream();
```

```
java.util.stream.Stream<T> collection.parallelStream();
```



Stream API useful methods

- `filter(Predicate)`, `map(Function)`,
`reduce(BinaryOperator)`, `collect(Collector)`
- `min(Comparator)`, `max(Comparator)`, `count()`
- `forEach(Consumer)`
- `findAny()`, `findFirst()`
- `average()`, `sum()`



- Prior to Java 8, printing the even numbers:

```
List<Integer> ints = Arrays.asList(1, 2, 3, 4,  
    5, 6);  
for (Integer anInt : ints) {  
    if (anInt % 2 == 0) {  
        System.out.println(anInt);  
    }  
}
```



- After java 8 you can write this:

```
List<Integer> ints = Arrays.asList(1, 2, 3,  
4, 5, 6);  
ints.stream()  
    .filter(i -> i % 2 == 0)  
    .forEach(i -> System.out.println(i));
```

Optional



The main point behind Optional is to wrap an Object and to provide convenience API to handle nullability in a fluent manner.

```
Optional<String> stringOrNot = Optional.of("123");
```

```
//This String reference will never be null s  
String alwaysAString = stringOrNot.orElse("");
```

But why do we need Optional?



- Let's see an example
- Task is : Double the first even number greater than 3
- Having as example

```
List<Integer> values = Arrays.asList(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10);
```



Old Pre java 8 way

```
int result = 0;
for(int e : values){
    if(e > 3 && e % 2 == 0) {
        result = e * 2;
        break;
    }
}
System.out.println(result);
```



The New way... Lambda way

```
System.out.println(  
    values.stream()  
        .filter(value -> value > 3)  
        .filter(value -> value % 2 == 0)  
        .map(value -> value * 2)  
        .findFirst());
```

Lets read it, it's not that that hard?

Also lets check it in eclipse.



So in summary Optional is heavily used in streaming API ...!

```
// This Integer reference will be wrapped again
Optional<Integer> integerOrNull =
    stringOrNull.map(Integer::parseInt) ;

// This int reference will never be null
int alwaysAnInt = stringOrNull
    .map(s -> Integer.parseInt(s))
    .orElse(0) ;
```

More at : <http://java.dzone.com/articles/optional-will-remain-option>



Stream internals

```
int sum = widgets.stream()  
    .filter(w -> w.getColor() == RED)  
    .mapToInt(w -> w.getWeight())  
    .sum();
```

- Stream operations are composed into a pipeline
- Streams are lazy: computation is performed when the terminal operation is invoked



Creating a Stream

- You can take a Stream from a collection or you can also create a stream

```
Stream<Integer> stream = Stream.of(new  
Integer[]{1,2,3,4});
```

- However keep in mind you cannot write :

```
Stream<Integer> stream1 = Stream.of(new int[]  
{1,2,3,4});
```

//Compile time error, Type mismatch: cannot
convert from Stream<int[]> to Stream<Integer>



Creating Streams(2)

- If you need to create a Stream of int or longs you should use IntStream or LongStream and so on
- **LongStream is = `Arrays.stream(new long[]{1,2,3,4});`**



Converting Stream to Collection

- There are several ways through which we can get a Collection or Array from a Stream.

```
Stream<Integer> intStream = Stream.of(1,2,3,4);  
List<Integer> intList =  
    intStream.collect(Collectors.toList());  
System.out.println(intList); //prints [1, 2, 3, 4]  
  
intStream = Stream.of(1,2,3,4); //stream is  
    closed, so we need to create it again  
Map<Integer,Integer> intMap =  
    intStream.collect(Collectors.toMap(i -> i, i ->  
i+10));  
System.out.println(intMap); //prints {1=11, 2=12,  
3=13, 4=14}
```



Converting Stream to Array

```
Stream<Integer> intStream =  
    Stream.of(1,2,3,4);
```

```
Integer[] intArray =  
    intStream.toArray(Integer[]::new);
```

```
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(i  
ntArray)); //prints [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

Note: ignore the “::” bit for a while will speak about it in few slides

Stream Intermediate Operations



- **Stream filter() example** (use filter() method to test stream elements for a condition and generate filtered list.)

```
List<Integer> myList = new ArrayList<>();

for(int i=0; i<100; i++) myList.add(i);

Stream<Integer> sequentialStream = myList.stream();
Stream<Integer> highNums = sequentialStream.filter(p -> p
> 90); //filter numbers greater than 90

System.out.print("High Nums greater than 90=");

highNums.forEach(p -> System.out.print(p+" "));
//prints "High Nums greater than 90=91 92 93 94 95 96 97
98 99 "
```

Stream Intermediate Operations



- **Stream map() example:** We can use map() to apply functions to a stream.

```
Stream<String> names = Stream.of("aBc", "d", "ef");
```

```
List<String> upperCaseNames = names.map(s ->  
s.toUpperCase()).collect(Collectors.toList());
```

```
System.out.println(upperCaseNames);  
//prints [ABC, D, EF]
```

Stream Intermediate Operations



- **Stream sorted() example:** We can use sorted() to sort the stream elements by passing Comparator

```
Stream<String> names2 = Stream.of("aBc", "d", "ef",  
"123456");  
List<String> reverseSorted =  
names2.sorted(Comparator.reverseOrder()).collect(Collectors.toList());  
System.out.println(reverseSorted);  
// [ef, d, aBc, 123456]  
Stream<String> names3 = Stream.of("aBc", "d", "ef",  
"123456");  
List<String> naturalSorted =  
names3.sorted().collect(Collectors.toList());  
System.out.println(naturalSorted);  
//[123456, aBc, d, ef]
```



Stream Terminal Operations

- **Stream reduce() example:** We can use reduce() to perform a reduction on the elements of the stream

```
Stream<Integer> numbers = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);
```

```
Optional<Integer> intOptional =  
    numbers.reduce((i,j) -> {return i*j;});  
if(intOptional.isPresent())  
    System.out.println("Multiplication =  
        "+intOptional.get()); //120
```




Stream Terminal Operations

- **Stream count() example:** We can use this terminal operation to count the number of items

```
Stream<Integer> numbers1 = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);
```

```
System.out.println("Number of elements in  
stream="+numbers1.count()); //5
```



Stream Terminal Operations

- **Stream forEach() example:** This can be used for iterating over the stream.

```
Stream<Integer> numbers2 = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);  
numbers2.forEach(i -> System.out.print(i  
+", ")); //1,2,3,4,5,
```



Stream Terminal Operations

■ Stream match() examples:

```
Stream<Integer> numbers3 = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);  
System.out.println("Stream contains 4?  
"+numbers3.anyMatch(i -> i==4));  
//Stream contains 4? true
```

```
Stream<Integer> numbers4 = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);  
System.out.println("Stream contains all elements less  
than 10? "+numbers4.allMatch(i -> i<10));  
//Stream contains all elements less than 10? true
```

```
Stream<Integer> numbers5 = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5);  
System.out.println("Stream doesn't contain 10?  
"+numbers5.noneMatch(i -> i==10));  
//Stream doesn't contain 10? true
```



Stream Terminal Operations

- **Stream findFirst() example:** This is a short circuiting terminal operation

```
Stream<String> names4 =  
    Stream.of("Pankaj", "Amit", "David", "Lisa");  
  
Optional<String> firstNameWithD = names4.filter(i  
-> i.startsWith("D")).findFirst();  
  
if(firstNameWithD.isPresent()){  
    System.out.println("First Name starting with  
    D="+firstNameWithD.get()); //David  
}
```



Method references

- Intended to be used in lambda expressions, preventing unnecessary boilerplate
- Example:

```
books.stream().map(b -> b.getTitle()) →
```

```
books.stream().map(Book::getTitle)
```

- Lambda parameter list and return type must match the signature of the method

Method references – static methods



```
public class Printers {  
    public static void print(String s) {...}  
}
```

```
Arrays.asList("a", "b", "c").forEach(Printers::print)
```

Method references – instance methods



```
public class Document {  
    public String getPageContent(int pageNumber) {  
        return this.pages.get(pageNumber).getContent();  
    }  
}  
  
public static void printPages(Document doc, int[]  
pageNumbers) {  
    Arrays.stream(pageNumbers)  
        .map(doc::getPageContent)  
        .forEach(Printers::print);  
}
```

Method references – constructors



```
public static Stream<Page> createPagesFrom(Stream<String> contents)
{
    return contents.map(Page::new).
}
```


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