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# <u>Day- 8</u>

# **THREAD**

- What is Thread?
- Thread Model
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- How to Create Thread in Java?
- ☐ Thread Priority
- Multithreading



#### What is Thread?

A **Thread** is a very light-weighted process, or we can say the smallest part of the process that allows a program to operate more efficiently by running multiple tasks simultaneously.

In order to perform complicated tasks in the background, we used the **Thread concept in Java**.

All the tasks are executed without affecting the main program.

In a program or process, all the threads have their own separate path for execution, so each thread of a process is independent.

#### **Thread Benefits**

- All the threads share a common memory and have their own stack, local variables and program counter.
- When multiple threads are executed in parallel at the same time, this process is known as **Multithreading**.
- It allows to perform more than one task at a time.
- Resource sharing between threads is easy.
- It maximizes CPU utilization
- It reduces the complexity of large rams

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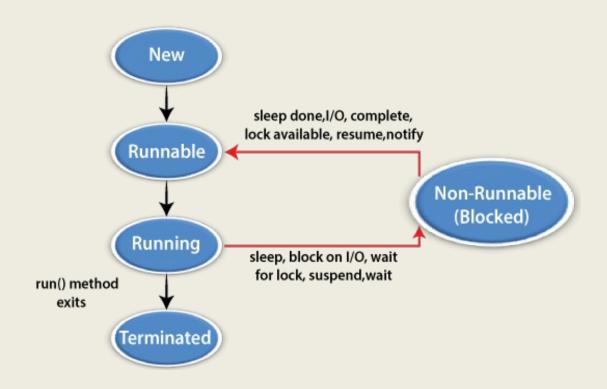
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#### **Thread Model**

Just like a process, a thread exists in several states. These states are as follows:







#### **Thread Model**

#### 1) New (Ready to run)

A thread is in **New** when it gets CPU time.

#### 2) Running

A thread is in **a Running** state when it is under execution.

#### 3) Suspended

A thread is in the **Suspended** state when it is temporarily inactive or under execution.

#### 4) Blocked

A thread is in the **Blocked** state when it is waiting for resources.

#### 5) Terminated

A thread comes in this state when at any given time, it halts its execution immediately.



## **Creating Thread**

There are two methods to create threads. They are

- i) Creating threads by extending Thread class.
- ii) Creating threads by implementing Runnable interface



The important thread class methods are a) **run()** 

This method should be overridden in our thread extended the superclass thread. This method contains the statements for the particular thread.

```
public void run() {
   statements
}
```

#### b) start()

This method is used to start the run() method. If the method is already started it throws illegal Thread state exception. The general form is

```
void start()
```



#### c) sleep()

This method is used to block the currently executing thread. The general form is.

```
static void sleep(longint a)
```

Where, a- integer value. This gives the

#### d) interrupt()

This method is used to interrupt the currently running thread. The general form is time for sleeping in milli seconds

```
void interrupt()
```



#### e) interrupted()

The general form is

```
static boolean interrupted()
```

This method returns true, if the current thread is interrupted else false.

#### f) isAlive()

This method is used to check whether the thread is running or not. The general form is

```
Boolean isActive()
```

This method returns true, if the thread is running else false.

#### g) stop()

This method is used to stop the running thread. The void stop()



#### h) yield()

This method is used to bring the stopped thread to run mode. The general form is

void yield()

#### i) wait()

This method is used to stop the currently running thread. The general form is

void wait()



# Creating threads by extending Thread class

The steps given below are used to create a thread by extending thread class.

- Define a thread subclass by extending from the super class thread.
- Override the thread class method run()
  in the extended class with the statements to
  be executed by the thread.
- Write the main class and define thread objects.
- Using the created thread objects start the thread using start() method.



## Sample code to create Threads by Extending Thread Class:

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
public class ABC extends Thread
   // initiated run method for Thread
  public void run()
     System.out.println("Thread Started Running...");
  public static void main(String[] args)
    ABC g1 = new ABC();
      // invoking Thread
                                          Output
     g1.run();
                                          Thread Started
                                          Running...
```



# Creating threads by implementing runnable interface

The steps given below are used to create a thread by implementing runnable interface

- Define a thread subclass by implementing from the interface Runnable
- Declare the thread class method run() in the implemented class with the statements to be executed by the thread.
- Write the main class and define thread objects.
- Use the created thread object as the argument to the constructor Thread and start the thread.



```
Sample code to create Thread by using Runnable Interface:
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
public class ABC implements Runnable
   // method to start Thread
  public void run()
    System.out.println(
       "Thread is Running Successfully");
  public static void main(String[] args)
    ABC g1 = new ABC ();
                                    Output:
    // initializing Thread Object
    Thread t1 = new Thread(g1);
                                   Thread is Running
    t1.run();
                                    Successfully
```



#### **Interrupting Methods**

- An interrupt is an indication to a thread that it should stop what it is doing and do something else.
- How does a thread support its own interruption?
- This depends on what it's currently doing.
- If the thread is frequently invoking methods that throw Interrupted Exception, it simply returns from the run method after it catches that exception.



#### **Interrupting Methods**

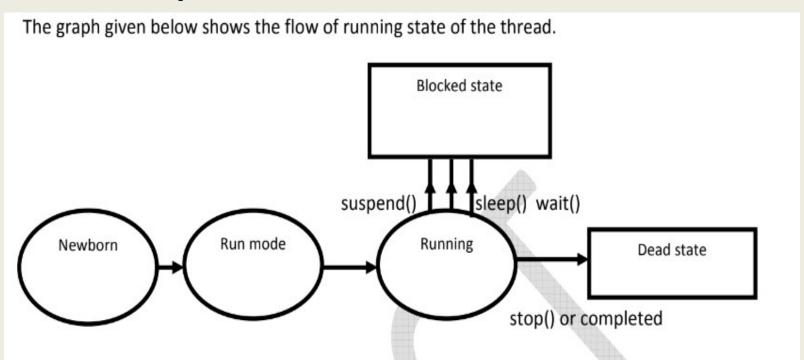
```
public class Threads
public static void main(String[] args)
Thread th = new Thread();
System.out.println("Numbers are printing line by line after 5
seconds: ");
try
                                              Numbers are printing line by line after 5 seconds :
  for(int i = 1; i <= 10; i++)
  System.out.println(i);
  th.sleep(5000);
catch(InterruptedException e)
  System.out.println("Thread interrupted!");
  e.printStackTrace();
```



### **Running state:**

If a thread is in execution then this state is called running state. This state continues until any one of the following happens after the completion of the execution

- a) when yield() is called
- b) when sleep() is called
- c) when wait() is called
- d) when suspend() is called



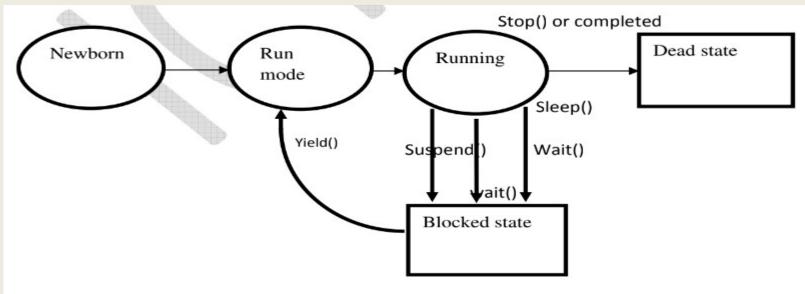


#### **Blocked state:**

A thread becomes blocked state if any one of the following method is called while thread is running.

- a) sleep()
- b) wait()
- c) suspend()

From blocked state it comes to run mode state if the yield () method is called. The graph given below shows the flow of the blocked state of the thread.





```
/* Use of yield(), stop() and sleep() methods */
class ClassA extends Thread {
   public void run() {
       System.out.println("Start Thread A ....");
       for(int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {
          if (i==1) yield();
          System.out.println("From Thread A: i = "+ i);
       System.out.println("... Exit Thread A");
class ClassB extends Thread{
   public void run() {
       System.out.println("Start Thread B ....");
       for(int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {
          System.out.println("From Thread B: j = "+ j);
           if (j==2) stop();
       System.out.println("... Exit Thread B");
   }
```



```
/* Use of yield(), stop() and sleep() methods */
class ClassC extends Thread {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Start Thread C ....");
        for(int k = 1; k <= 5; k++) {
            System.out.println("From Thread B: j = "+ k);
            if (k==3){
                try{
                     sleep(1000);
                 }catch(Exception e){}
                                                                      Start Thread A ....
                                                                      ... End of executuion
                                                                      Start Thread C ....
                                                                      Start Thread B ....
        System.out.println("... Exit Thread C");
                                                                      From Thread A: i = 1
                                                                      From Thread A: i = 2
                                                                      From Thread A: i = 3
                                                                      From Thread A: i = 4
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 1
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 2
public class Thread State{
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 1
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 2
    public static void main (String args[]) {
                                                                      From Thread A: i = 5
                                                                      ... Exit Thread A
       ClassA t1 = new ClassA();
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 3
        ClassB t2 = new ClassB();
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 4
                                                                      From Thread B: j = 5
        ClassC t3 = new ClassC();
                                                                      ... Exit Thread C
        t1.start(); t2.start(); t3.start();
        System.out.println("... End of executuion ");
```



## Priority of a Thread (Thread Priority)

- Each thread has a priority.
- Priorities are represented by a number between 1 and 10.
- In most cases, the thread scheduler schedules the threads according to their priority (known as preemptive scheduling).
- But it is not guaranteed because it depends on JVM specification that which scheduling it chooses.
- Note that not only JVM a Java programmer can also assign the priorities of a thread explicitly in a Java program.



## Setter & Getter Method of Thread Priority

- public final int getPriority():
- The java.lang.Thread.getPriority() method returns the priority of the given thread.
- public final void setPriority(int newPriority):
- The java.lang.Thread.setPriority() method updates or assign the priority of the thread to newPriority.
- The method throws IllegalArgumentException if the value new Priority goes out of the range, which is 1 (minimum) to 10 (maximum).



#### 3 constants defined in Thread class:

- public static int MIN\_PRIORITY
- public static int NORM\_PRIORITY
- public static int MAX\_PRIORITY

Default priority of a thread is 5 (NORM\_PRIORITY).

The value of MIN\_PRIORITY is 1 and the value of MAX\_PRIORITY is 10.



```
class ThreadA extends Thread {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Start Thread A ....");
        for(int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {
            System.out.println("From Thread A: i = "+ i);
        System.out.println("... Exit Thread A");
}
class ThreadB extends Thread {
public void run() {
    System.out.println("Start Thread B ....");
    for(int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {
        System.out.println("From Thread B: j = "+ j);
    System.out.println("... Exit Thread B");
```



```
class ThreadC extends Thread {
    public void run() {
    System.out.println("Start Thread C ....");
    for(int k = 1; k <= 5; k++) {
        System.out.println("From Thread B: j = "+ k);
    System.out.println("... Exit Thread C");
class Priority{
    public static void main (String args[]) {
        ThreadA t1 = new ThreadA();
        ThreadB t2 = new ThreadB();
        ThreadC t3 = new ThreadC();
        t3.setPriority(Thread.MAX PRIORITY);
        t2.setPriority(t2.getPriority() + 1);
        t1.setPriority(Thread.MIN PRIORITY);
        t1.start(); t2.start(); t3.start();
        System.out.println("... End of executuion ");
```



```
Start Thread A ....
... End of executuion
Start Thread B ....
Start Thread C ....
From Thread B: j = 1
From Thread A: i = 1
From Thread B: j = 1
From Thread A: i = 2
From Thread A: i = 3
From Thread A: i = 4
From Thread A: i = 5
... Exit Thread A
From Thread B: j = 2
From Thread B: j = 3
From Thread B: j = 4
From Thread B: j = 5
... Exit Thread B
From Thread B: j = 2
From Thread B: j = 3
From Thread B: j = 4
From Thread B: j = 5
... Exit Thread C
```



#### Multithreading in Java

**Multithreading in Java** is a process of executing multiple threads simultaneously.

```
class ThreadA extends Thread{
   public void run( ) {
     for(int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {
       System.out.println("From Thread A with i =
"+ -1*i):
     System.out.println("Exiting from Thread A ...");
class ThreadB extends Thread {
  public void run() {
    for(int j = 1; j <= 5; j++) {
     System.out.println("From Thread B with j=
"+2*i):
    System.out.println("Exiting from Thread B ...");
```



```
class ThreadC extends Thread {
   public void run() {
     for(int k = 1; k <= 5; k++) {
        System.out.println("From Thread C with k = "+ (2*k-1));
     System.out.println("Exiting from Thread C ...");
public class Multithread {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
     ThreadA a = new ThreadA();
     ThreadB b = new ThreadB();
     ThreadC c = new ThreadC();
     a.start();
     b.start();
     c.start();
     System.out.println("... Multithreading is over ");
```



#### Multithreading in Java

**Multithreading in Java** is a process of executing multiple threads simultaneously.

```
Multithreading is over
From Thread C with k = 1
From Thread C with k = 3
From Thread C with k = 5
From Thread C with k = 7
From Thread C with k = 9
Exiting from Thread C ...
From Thread A with i = -1
From Thread A with i = -2
From Thread A with i = -3
From Thread A with i = -4
From Thread A with i = -5
Exiting from Thread A ...
From Thread B with j=2
From Thread B with j=4
From Thread B with j=6
From Thread B with j=8
From Thread B with j= 10
Exiting from Thread B ...
```







# Thank You