

# Threading

## \* Exercise #1:

Rewrite the following program to use an appropriate thread pool:

```
public class Threads {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
            new Task("Task " + i).start();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

And here is the code of the `Task` class:

```
class Task extends Thread {  
    Task(String name) {  
        super(name);  
    }  
    public void run() {  
        System.out.println(getName() + " is running");  
    }  
}
```

## \* Exercise #2:

The `Thread` class has a static method that can be used to retrieve all live threads in the Java Virtual Machine:

```
static Map<Thread, StackTraceElement[]> getAllStackTraces()
```

Write a program that lists all live threads in the JVM with their name, state, priority and daemon status. Here's a sample output:

```
Finalizer - WAITING - 8 - Daemon  
Attach Listener - RUNNABLE - 5 - Daemon  
Signal Dispatcher - RUNNABLE - 9 - Daemon  
Reference Handler - WAITING - 10 - Daemon
```

main - RUNNABLE - 5 - Normal

### \* Exercise #3:

Given the following three Thread classes.

Thread #1:

```
public class ProcessorMonitor extends Thread {  
    public void run() {  
        while (true) {  
            System.out.println("Monitoring CPU...");  
            try {  
                Thread.sleep(500);  
            } catch (InterruptedException ex) {  
                ex.printStackTrace();  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Thread #2:

```
public class FanMonitor extends Thread {  
    public void run() {  
        while (true) {  
            System.out.println("Monitoring cooling fan...");  
            try {  
                Thread.sleep(1000);  
            } catch (InterruptedException ex) {  
                ex.printStackTrace();  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Thread #3:

```

public class DiskMonitor extends Thread {
    public void run() {
        while (true) {
            System.out.println("Monitoring hard disk drive...");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(600);
            } catch (InterruptedException ex) {
                ex.printStackTrace();
            }
        }
    }
}

```

You are required to update these classes so they can be grouped into a `ThreadGroup` and you can stop all the threads by simply calling:

```
group.interrupt();
```

Also write a test program to execute 3 threads in a group and stop them after 10 seconds.

### \* Exercise #4:

Given the following class:

```

public class SharedNumber {
    private int number;
    public SharedNumber(int initialValue) {
        this.number = initialValue;
    }
    public int increment() {
        return ++number;
    }
    public int decrement() {
        return --number;
    }
    public int add(int delta) {

```

```

        return (number + delta);
    }

    public void set(int newValue) {
        this.number = newValue;
    }

    public int getValue() {
        return number;
    }
}

```

Update this class using an atomic variable so its instance can be used safely by multiple threads.

Also write a test program that simulates 20 threads concurrently update (increment) a shared instance of this class. Each thread updates 20 times. Compare the final value of the SharedNumber object between 2 cases: with atomic variable and without atomic variable.

### \* Exercise #5:

Given the following Dictionary class:

```

import java.util.*;

public class Dictionary {

    private Map<String, String> map = new HashMap<>();

    public Dictionary() {
    }

    public void put(String word, String meaning) {
        map.put(word, meaning);
    }

    public String lookFor(String word) {
        return map.get(word);
    }
}

```

This class will be used as a data structure for a multi-threaded dictionary application. You are required to update this class in order to make its instance can be safely used by multiple threads: many users can

use the dictionary to lookup the meanings of words, and only one user can update (add words) to the dictionary.

Next, write a test program that initially loads the dictionary with the following data (word: meaning):

```
agree: have the same opinion about something
business: a person's regular occupation, profession, or trade
change: make or become different
doctor: a qualified practitioner of medicine; a physician
energy: the strength and vitality required for sustained physical or
mental activity
freedom: the state of not being imprisoned or enslaved
grateful: feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
healthy: in good health
interest: the state of wanting to know or learn about something or
someone
justice: just behavior or treatment
```

In this program, create 10 threads that repeatedly look up for the meanings of the words in the above list. Each thread looks up the word randomly and sleeps about 1 second before looking up next word.

And there's only one writer thread that updates the dictionary by adding the following words:

```
kind: a group of people or things having similar characteristics
lucky: having, bringing, or resulting from good luck
memory: something remembered from the past; a recollection
news: information not previously known to someone
opportunity: a set of circumstances that makes it possible to do
something
program: a planned series of future events, items, or performances
quiet: making little or no noise
realtime: the actual time during which a process or event occurs
student: a person who is studying at a school or college
unique: being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
```

The writer thread updates the dictionary every 3 seconds, until reaching the end of the above list.

### \* Exercise #6:

Given the following class provides a method that checks if an integer number is a prime number or not:

```
public class Prime {  
    public static boolean isPrime(int number) {  
        int maxLookup = (int) Math.sqrt(number) + 1;  
        for (int i = 2; i < maxLookup; i++) {  
            if (number % i == 0) {  
                return false;  
            }  
        }  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```

and here is a code snippet that prints all the prime numbers in the range 2...100:

```
for (int i = 2; i < 100; i++) {  
    if (Prime.isPrime(i)) {  
        System.out.println(i);  
    }  
}
```

Using Fork/Join framework, develop a program that finds all prime numbers in the range 2...20\_000\_000 (two to twenty millions). The program should divide the task into sub tasks which are executed concurrently.

### \* Exercise #7:

Develop a kind of producer-consumer program using ArrayBlockingQueue to simulate a web server:

- **Producer:** when a client makes a request to the server, the request is placed on a queue. The queue is limited for only 1024 requests. There's only one producer thread in the server.
- **Consumers:** takes requests from the queue, processes them and sends responses to the client. There are 20 consumer threads in the server.

**NOTE:** this program is just a simulation to help you understand the concept and technique. You don't have to implement a real web server.

### \* Exercise #8:

Write a program that simulates how a web crawler works using `LinkedBlockingQueue`.

- **Producer:** finds hyperlinks from a webpage and place the links on a queue. The queue is unbounded.
- **Consumers:** takes links from the queue and download web pages from the links.

There's only one producer thread and 10 consumer threads.

**NOTE:** this program is just a simulation to help you understand the concept and technique. You don't have to implement a real web crawler.