

SWE-4501: Design Pattern



Singleton Design Pattern

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Creation of a single instance

```
new myObject();
```

Can we instantiate it one or more times?

Yes, if it is a public class. If not, classes in the same package can instantiate it one or more times.



Implementation of a class

```
public MyClass {  
    private MyClass() {}  
}
```

Can we instantiate it one or more times?

The code **in the MyClass** can instantiate it.

```
public MyClass {  
    public static MyClass getInstance() {  
    }  
}
```

Call static method: **MyClass.getInstance()**

```
public MyClass {  
    private MyClass() {}  
    public static MyClass getInstance() {  
        return new MyClass();  
    }  
}
```

Call CLASS method to instantiate an object: **MyClass.getInstance()**



Implementation of Singleton class

```
public class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance;  
  
    private Singleton() {}  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
            uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
        }  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```

The Singleton Pattern ensures a class has only one instance, and provides a global point of access to it.



MultiThreading of Singleton class

Thread ONE

```
public static Singleton
getInstance() {
```

```
if(uniqueInstance==null) {
```

```
uniqueInstance = new
Singleton()
```

```
return uniqueInstance
```

Thread TWO

```
public static Singleton
getInstance() {
```

```
if(uniqueInstance==null) {
```

```
uniqueInstance = new
Singleton()
```

```
return uniqueInstance
```

Value of uniqueInstance

null

null

null

null

<object1>

<object1>

<object2>

<object2>



Dealing with Multithreading of Singleton class

```
public class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance;  
  
    private Singleton() {}  
  
    public static synchronized Singleton getInstance() {  
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
            uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
        }  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```

We use **synchronized** keyword.

After the first time through, synchronization is totally unneeded overhead!



Improvement of multithreading

i. Do nothing if the performance of `getInstance()` is not critical to your application.

ii. Move to an eagerly created instance rather than a lazily created one

iii. Use “double-checked locking” to reduce the use of synchronization in `getInstance()`

```
public class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
  
    private Singleton() {}  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Singleton {  
    private volatile static Singleton uniqueInstance;  
  
    private Singleton() {}  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
            synchronized (Singleton.class) {  
                if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
                    uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
                }  
            }  
        }  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```



**ANY QUESTION ?
THANK YOU !**



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