

Stream API in Java :

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Introduced in Java 8.

It is Used for fast processing of data over Collection & Array.

Stream is not a data structure.

It represents a sequence of elements from a source.

It supports aggregate operations.

What is Stream interface :

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Stream is a predefined interface available in java.util.stream sub package.

It provides various methods for data processing.

It was introduced in Java 8 to represents sequence of elements.

public interface Stream<T> extends BaseStream<T, Stream<T>> {}

Stream interface contains forEach(Consumer<T> method) method which is a terminal operation.

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Interfaces which contains forEach() method :

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The forEach() method is available in the following interfaces :

1) java.lang.Iterable [forEach(Consumer<T> cons)]

2) java.util.Map [forEach(BiConsumer<K,V> cons)]

3) java.util.stream.Stream [forEach(Consumer<T> cons)]

Creation of Stream for Processing of Data :

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1) Collection interface has provided the following two default methods to convert the Collection Object into Stream Object for fast Data processing

a) default java.util.stream.Stream stream() : It will convert the Collection object into Stream object for data processing in a single thread application.

b) default java.util.stream.Stream parallelStream() : It will convert the Collection object into Stream object for data processing in a multithread application.

//Program on stream() method :

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package com.ravi.basic;

import java.util.ArrayList;

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        ArrayList<String> listoFCity = new ArrayList<>();

        listoFCity.add("Hyderabad");

        listoFCity.add("Indore");

        listoFCity.add("Pune");

        listoFCity.add("Kolkata");

        listoFCity.add("Haryana");

        //Converting the Collection into Stream

        Stream<String> cities = listoFCity.stream();

        cities.forEach(System.out::println);

}

}

//Program on parallelStream() :

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package com.ravi.basic;

import java.util.ArrayList;

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        ArrayList<String> listoFCity = new ArrayList<>();

        listoFCity.add("Hyderabad");

        listoFCity.add("Indore");

        listoFCity.add("Pune");

        listoFCity.add("Kolkata");

        listoFCity.add("Haryana");

        //Converting the Collection into Stream

        Stream<String> parallelStream = listoFCity.parallelStream();

        parallelStream.forEach(System.out::println);

}

}

Note : Output is not predictable because multiple threads are working on the Stream object

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2) Arrays class has provided the following methods to convert the array into Stream for fast data processing.

a) public static IntStream stream(int []arr);

b) public static LongStream stream(long []arr);

c) public static DoubleStream stream(double []arr);

d) public static <T> Stream stream(T[] x)

package com.ravi.basic;

import java.util.Arrays;

import java.util.stream.DoubleStream;

import java.util.stream.IntStream;

import java.util.stream.LongStream;

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        int x[] = {10,20,30,40};

        IntStream stream = Arrays.stream(x);

        stream.forEach(System.out::println);

        System.out.println(".....");

        long []y = {1L, 2L, 6L, 9L};

        LongStream stream2 = Arrays.stream(y);

        stream2.forEach(System.out::println);

        System.out.println(".....");

        String []cities = {"Hyd", "Indore", "Pune"};

        Stream<String> stream4 = Arrays.stream(cities);

        stream4.forEach(System.out::println);

}

}

3) public static <T> Stream of(T ...values)

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It is a static method of Stream interface through which we can create Stream of arrays and Stream of Collection. The return type of this method is Stream interface.

package com.ravi.basic;

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        Stream<Integer> stream = Stream.of(1,2,3,4,5,6);

        stream.forEach(System.out::println);

}

}

4) How to generate an Infinite Stream :

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Stream interface has provided the following two static methods to generate infinite Stream.

a) public static <T> Stream<T> generate(Supplier<? extends T> s) :

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\* Will generate Infinite Stream.

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        Stream<Double> stream = Stream.generate(()-> Math.random()); // [0.0 to 0.9]

        stream.forEach(System.out::println);

}

}

b) public static Stream iterate(final T seed, final UnaryOperator<T> x) :

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\* It will generate Inifinite Stream. Here T seed represents the starting point and UnaryOperator will produce the output same as input type.

package com.ravi.basic;

import java.util.stream.Stream;

public class StreamCreation

{

    public static void main(String[] args)

    {

        Stream<Double> iterate = Stream.iterate(51.0, n -> n + 1);

        iterate.limit(10).forEach(System.out::println);

}

}