



Introduction to Java Performance Optimization

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Oracle Course: Java Performance Tuning and Optimization

[https://education.oracle.com/
java-performance-tuning-and-
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■ Introduction to Java Performance Tuning

- Course Introduction
- Course Agenda

■ JVM and Performance Overview

- JVM Overview
- Performance Principles
- Common Performance Problems
- Development and Performance
- Performance Methodology

■ Monitoring Operating System Performance

- Monitor Disk I/O
- Monitor CPU Usage
- Monitor and Identify Lock Contention
- Monitor Network I/O
- Monitor Virtual Memory Usage

■ Monitoring the JVM

- Monitor the Garbage Collector with Command Line Tools
- Monitor the Garbage Collector with VisualVM
- HotSpot Generational Garbage Collector
- Monitor the JIT Compiler
- Throughput and Responsiveness

■ Performance Profiling

- Identify Lock Contention
- Find Memory Leaks
- Profile CPU Usage
- NetBeans Profiler, Oracle Solaris Studio, and jmap/jhat
- Heap Profiling Anti-patterns
- Profile JVM Heap
- Method Profiling Anti-patterns

■ Garbage Collection Schemes

- JVM Ergonomics
- GC Performance Metrics
- Types of Garbage Collectors
- Garbage Collection
- Generational Garbage Collection
- Garbage Collection Algorithms

■ Garbage Collection Tuning

- Select the Garbage Collector
- Tune the Garbage Collection
- Interpret GC Output

■ Language Level Concerns and Garbage Collection

- The best practices for Object Allocation
- Reference Types in Java
- The use of Finalizers
- Invoking the Garbage Collector

■ Performance Tuning at the Language Level

- String-efficient Java Applications
- Collection Classes
- Using I/O Efficiently
- Using Threads

Agenda

- Optimization that matters
- JVM, Heap, Garbage Collector
- Responsiveness & Throughput
- Java Visual VM
- Get Heap Dump
- Get Thread Dump
- IBM Thread and Monitor Analyzer for Java
- Eclipse Memory Analyzer (MAT)
- Sampling, Profiling

The background of the slide features several thin, curved lines in a light gray color, some solid and some dashed, creating a sense of motion or flow. On the left side, there is a blue rectangular graphic element that resembles a speech bubble or a callout box, with a small triangular tail pointing downwards. Inside this blue box, the text "Optimization that matters" is written in white, sans-serif font. To the right of the blue box, there is a list of three questions in black, sans-serif font.

Optimization that matters

1. When should I optimize?
2. What should I optimize?
3. When should I stop optimizing?

Premature Optimization

- We should forget about small efficiencies, say about 97% of the time; premature optimization is the root of all evil.

Donald Knuth

- Don't let out-of-context dogma from pioneering heroes prevent you from thinking about the code you are writing.

Java Performance: The Definitive Guide

Scott Oaks





Optimization that matters

Java 1.1.8 performance was eight times faster than Java 1.0 performance.

Optimize for the common case

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**Write Better
Algorithms
(Consider Big O)**

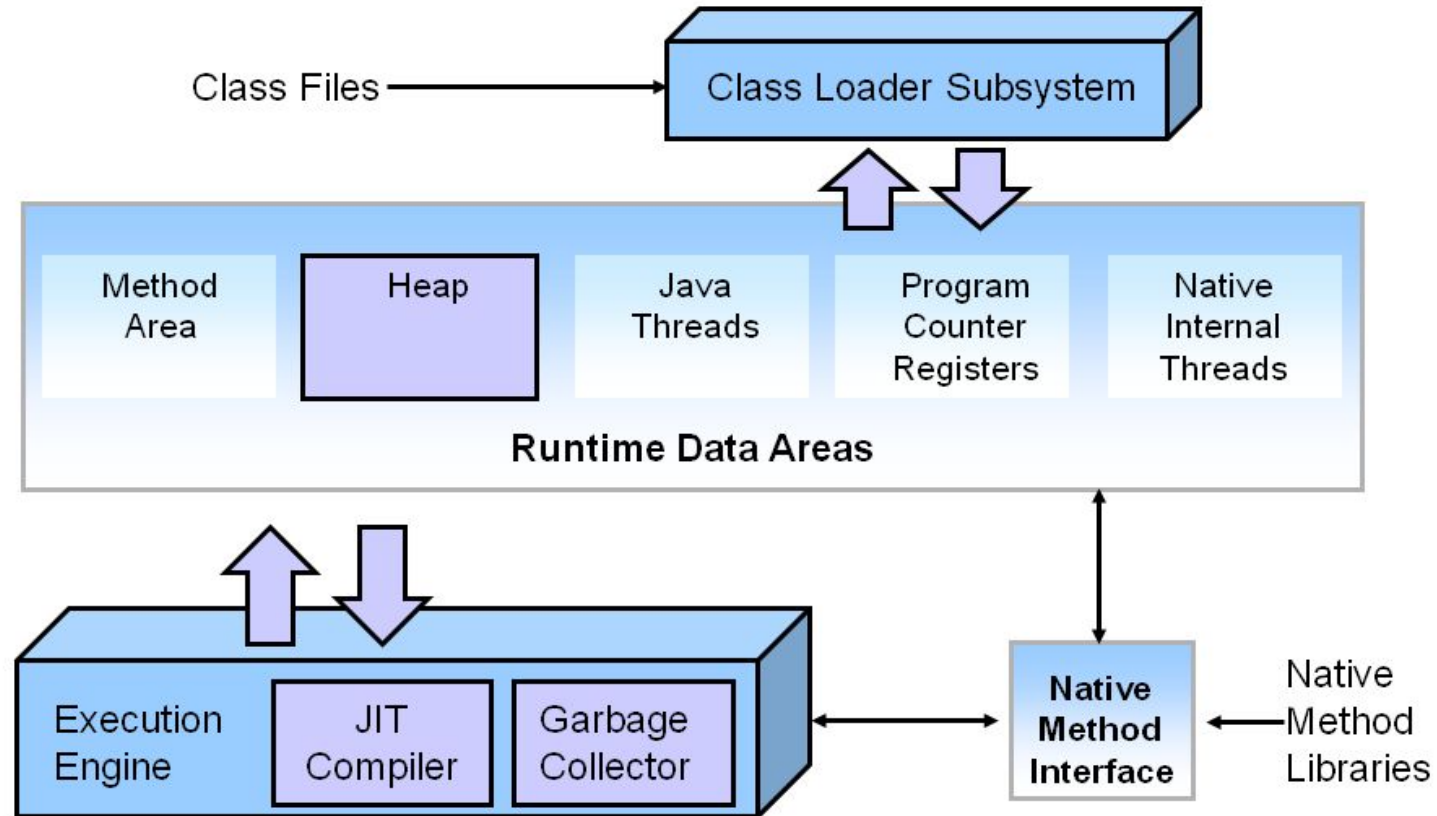
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Write Less Code

03

**Look elsewhere:
Database, File IO,
Network IO, etc.**

Key HotSpot JVM Components



<https://www.oracle.com/webfolder/technetwork/tutorials/obe/java/gc01/index.html>

Heap

- Memory for all class instances and arrays is allocated.
- May be of a fixed size or may be expanded as required.
- Heap storage for objects is reclaimed by an automatic storage management system (known as a *garbage collector*); objects are never explicitly deallocated.

Manual Memory Management

```
int send_request() {  
    size_t n = read_size();  
    int *elements = malloc(n * sizeof(int));  
  
    if(read_elements(n, elements) < n) {  
        // elements not freed!  
        return -1;  
    }  
  
    // ...  
  
    free(elements)  
    return 0;  
}
```

<https://plumbr.io/handbook/what-is-garbage-collection>

Automatic Garbage Collection

Automatic garbage collection is the process of looking at heap memory, identifying which objects are in use and which are not, and deleting the unused objects.

Unused objects = no reference (Soft references doesn't count)

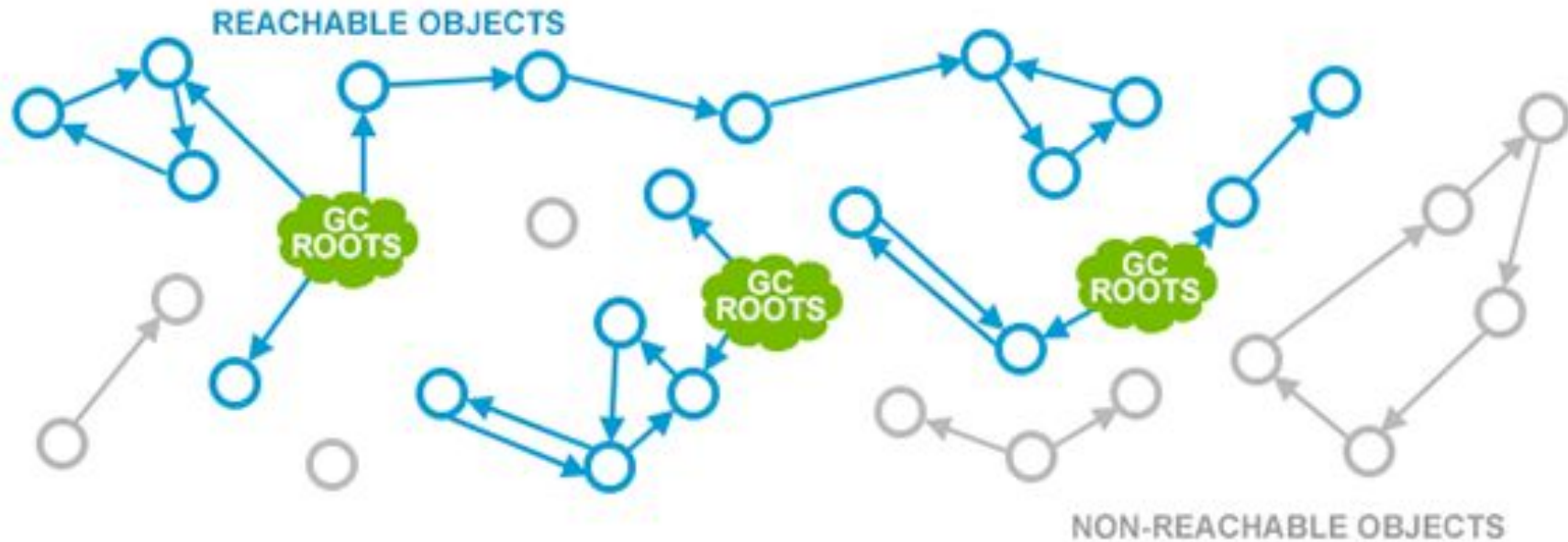
Stops the world in application (Pause Time)

Types: Minor GC, Major GC

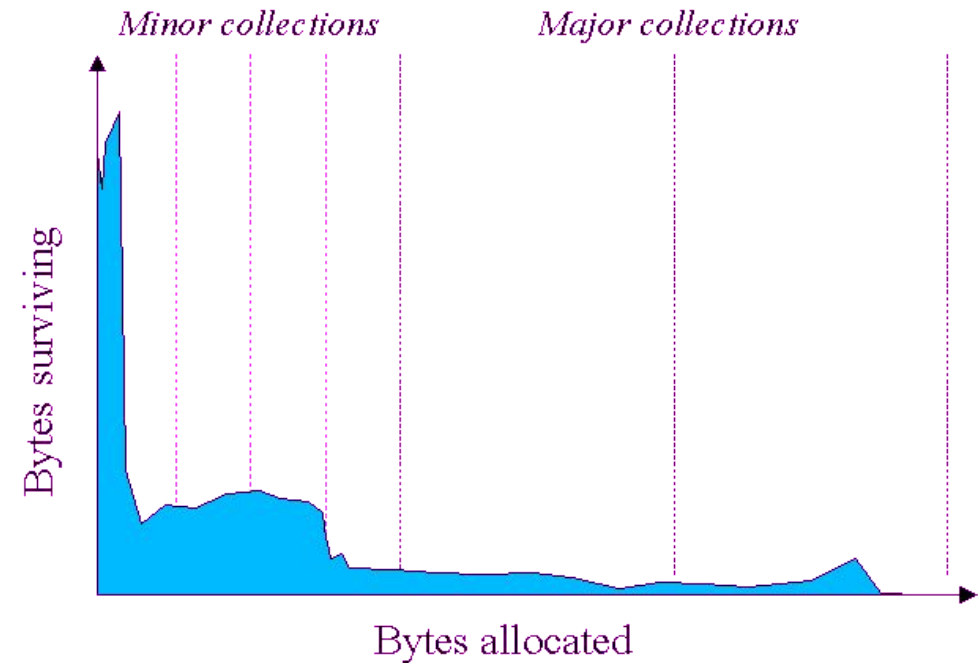
Many Implementations:



Mark, Sweep



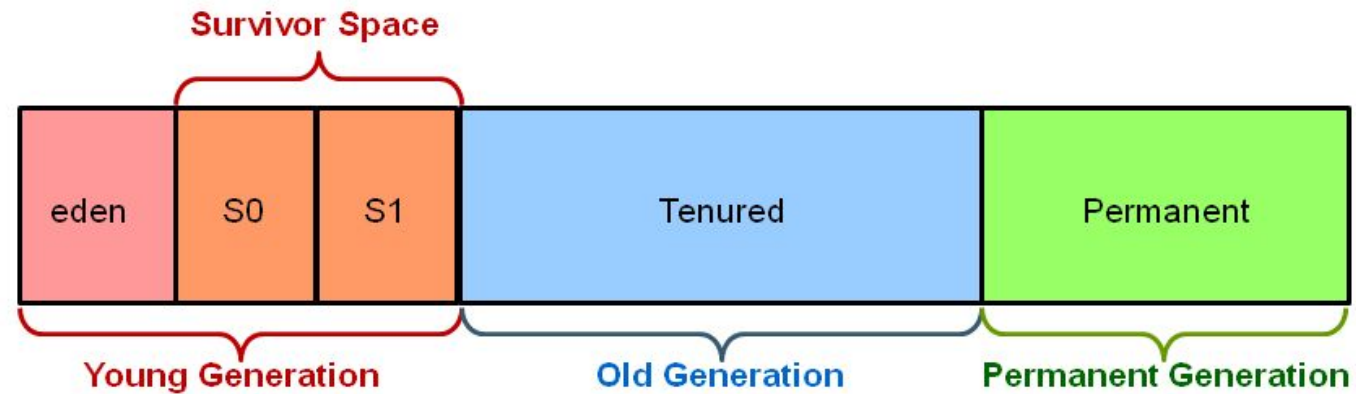
Why Generational Garbage Collection?



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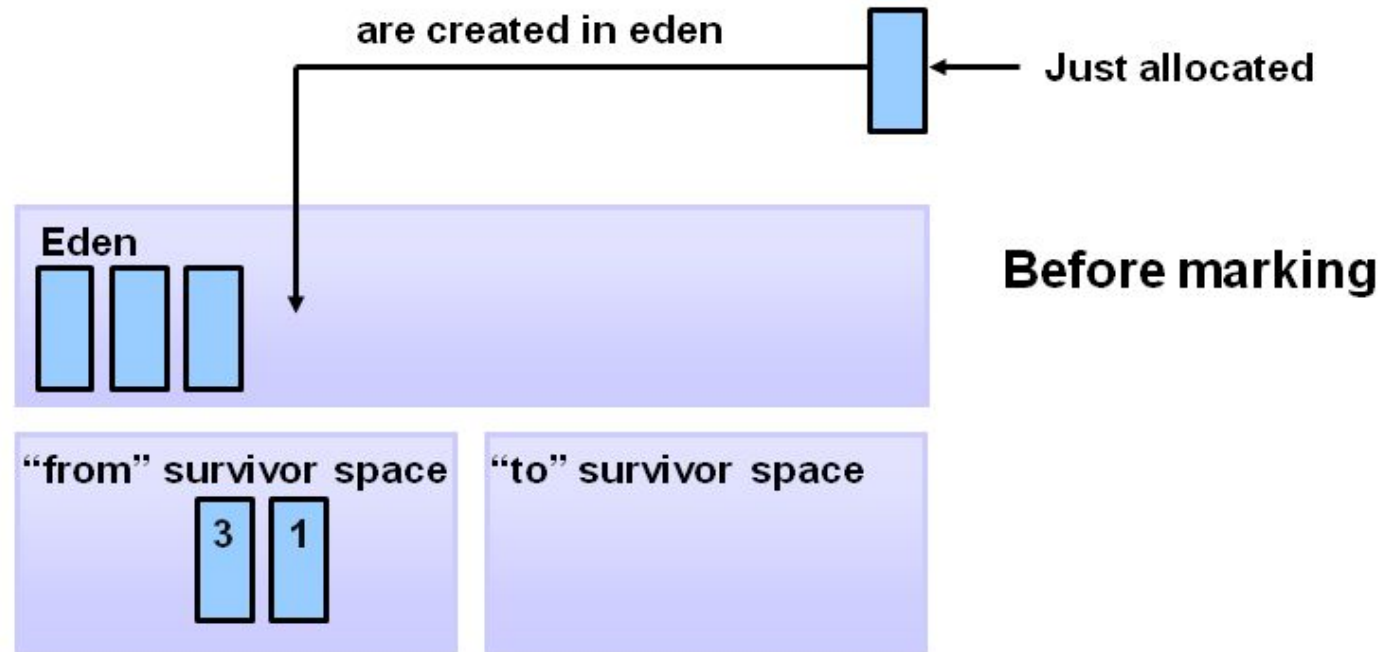
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Hotspot Heap Structure

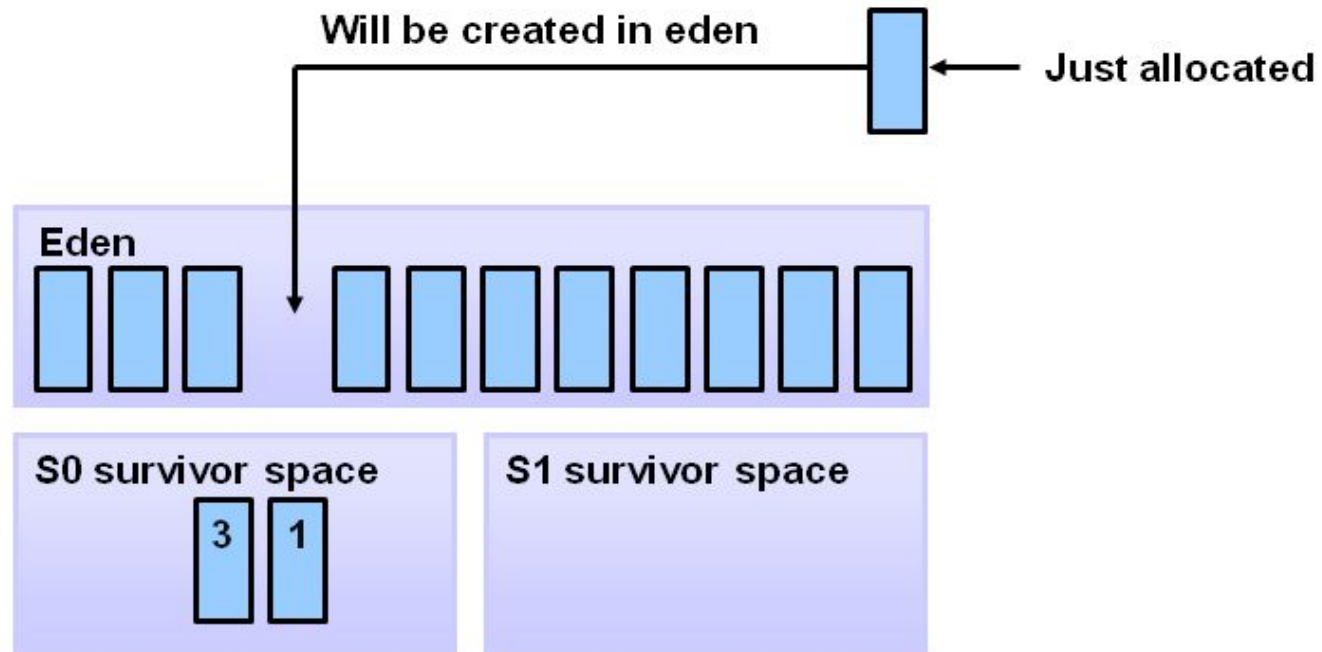


Prior to Java 8

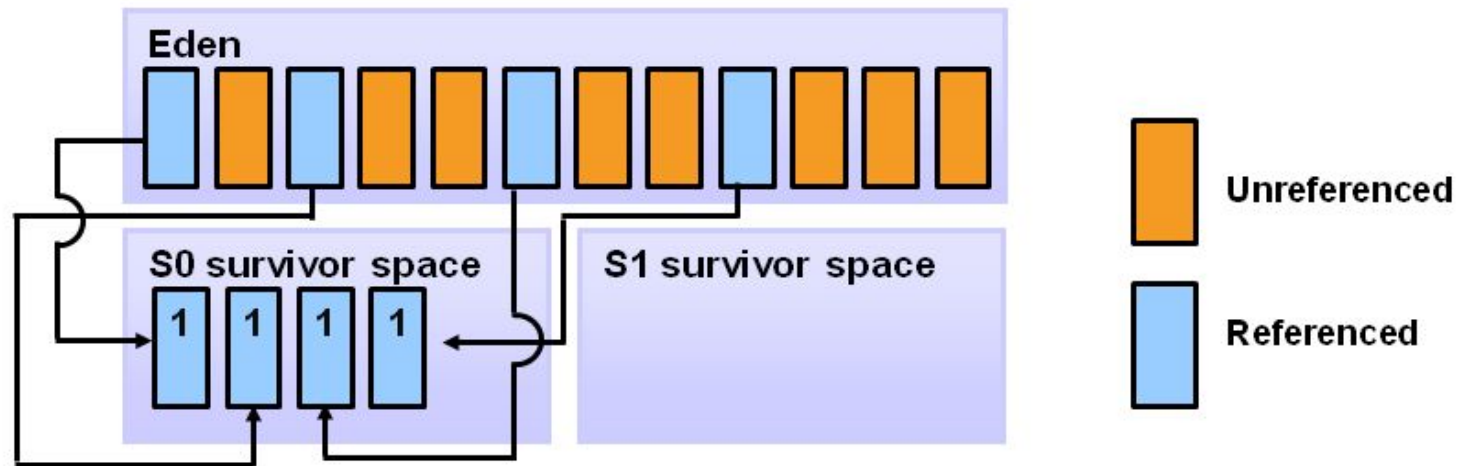
Object Allocation



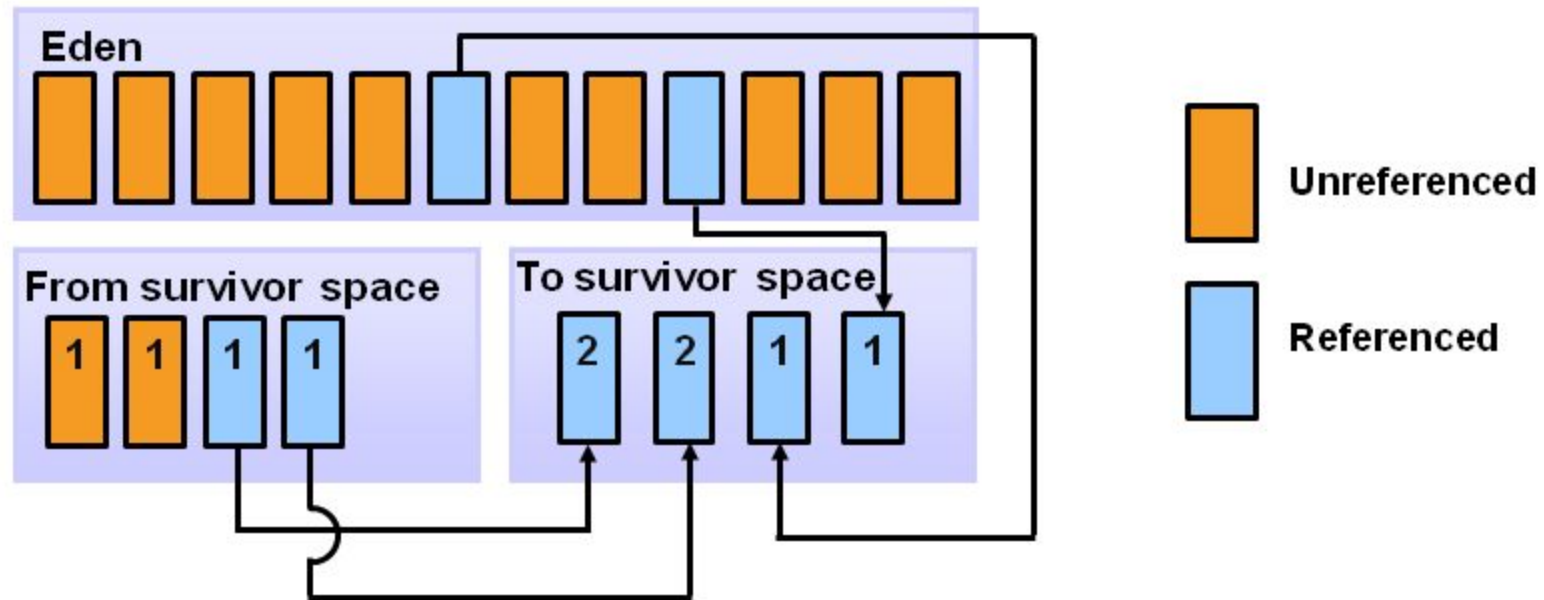
Filling the Eden Space



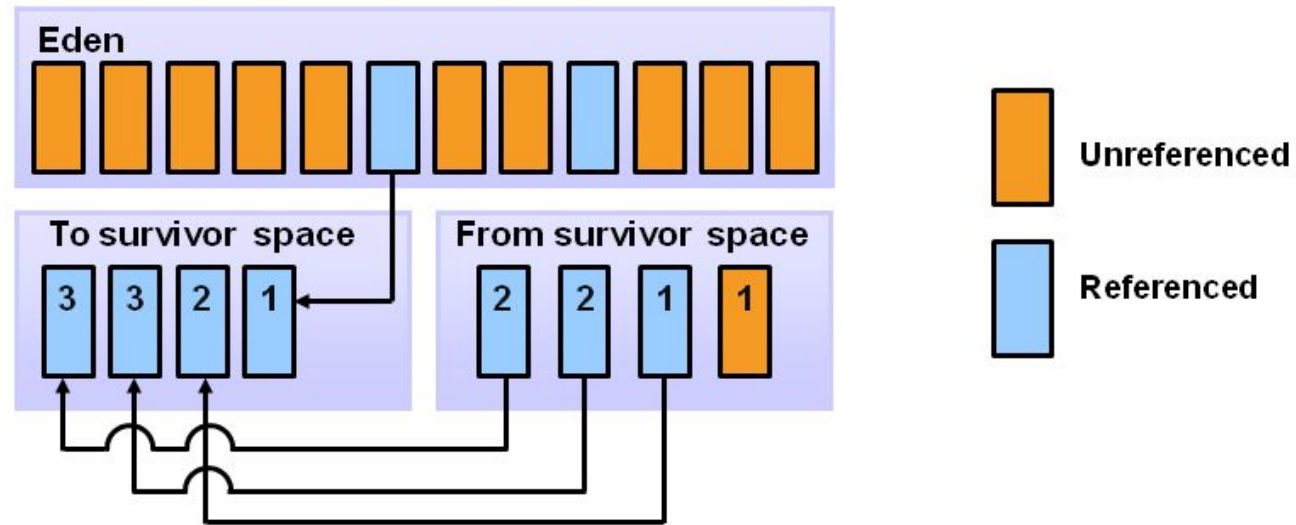
Copying Referenced Objects



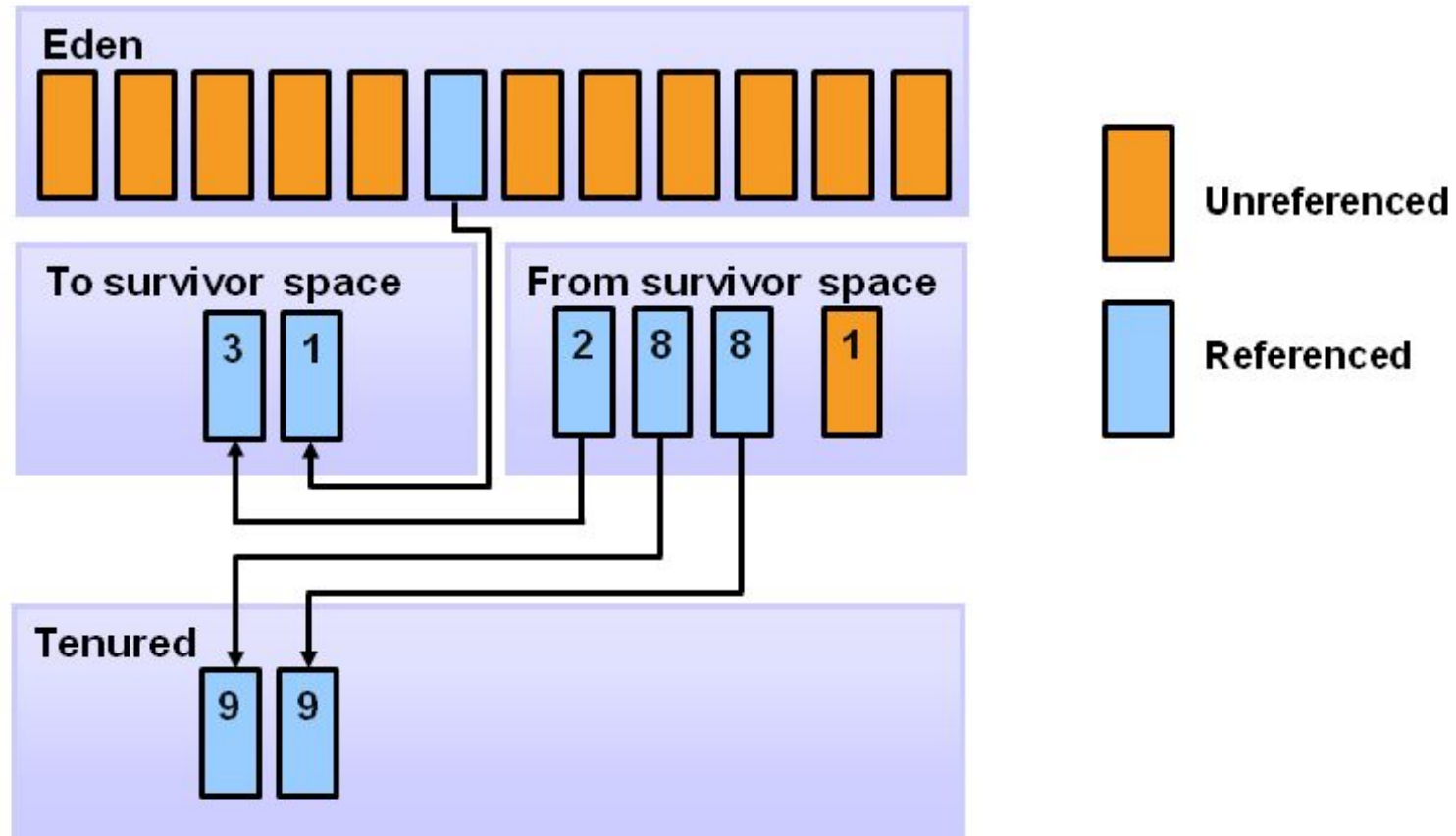
Object Aging



Additional Aging

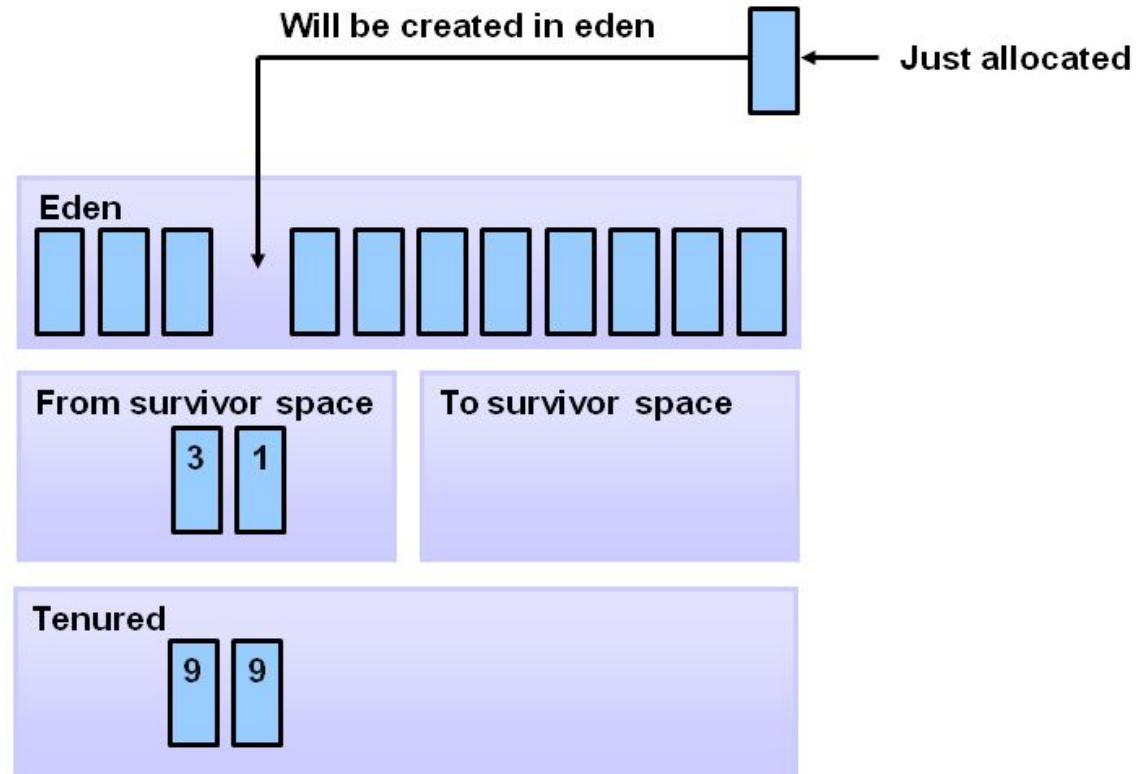


Promotion

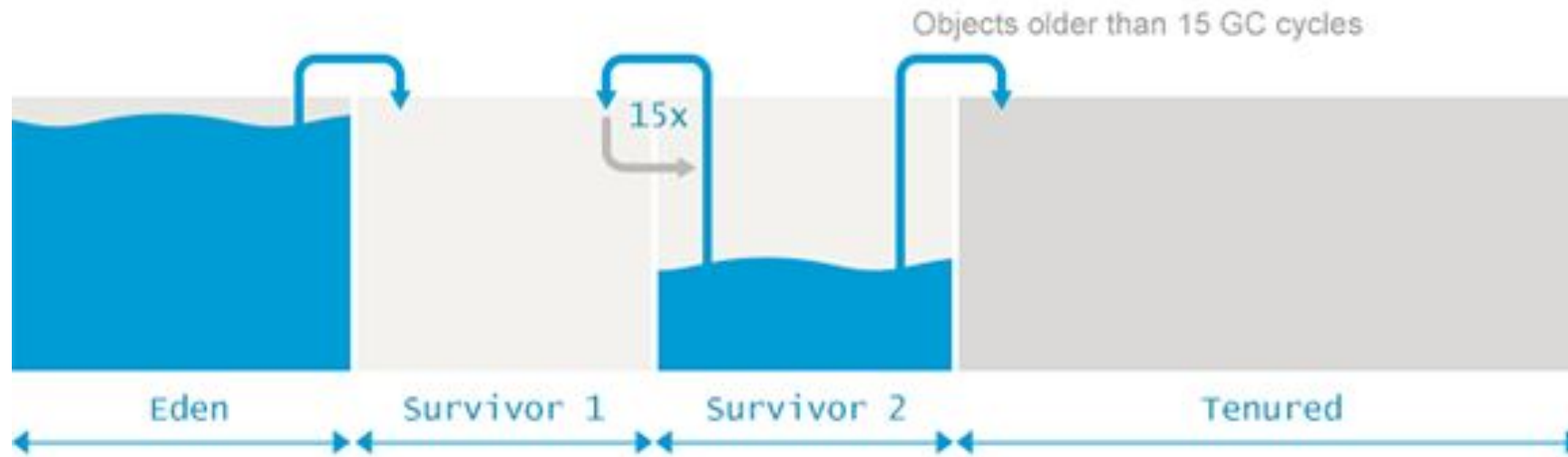


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GC Process Summary



Object Aging



Thread Local Allocation Buffer (TLAB)

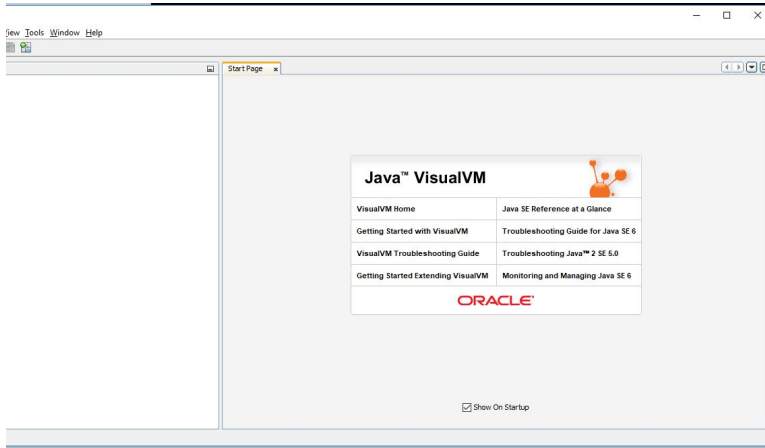


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Responsiveness & Throughput

Considering pause time

Java VisualVM



- Looking inside your application
- Useful plugins
- Local & Remote Connection

Opening JMX Port for Remote

```
• java -Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.port=1617  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.authenticate=false  
-Dcom.sun.management.jmxremote.ssl=false -cp  
target\classes  
com.murat.memoryproblem.ApplicationProblem
```

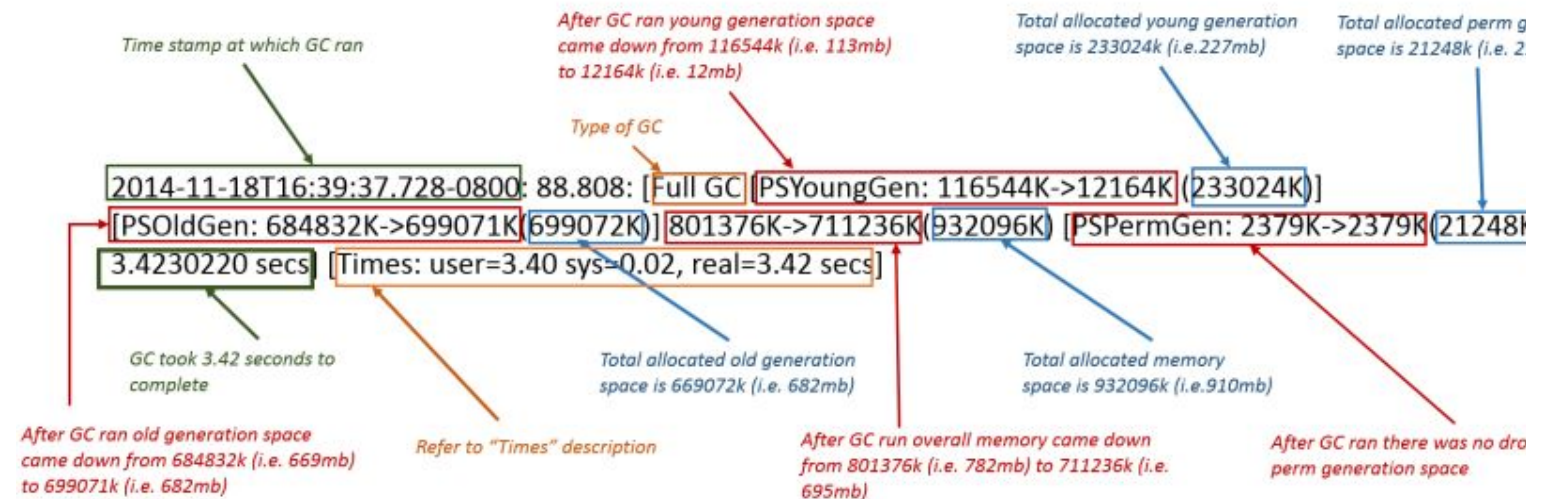
Seeing garbage collector activity in a java app

```
java -XX:+PrintGCDetails -XX:+PrintGCDateStamps -XX:+PrintGCTimeStamps  
-Xloggc:<filename> -cp target\classes com.murat.memoryproblem.ApplicationProblem
```

```
java -verbose:gc -cp .\classes com.murat.memoryproblem.ApplicationProblem
```

Get Statistics:

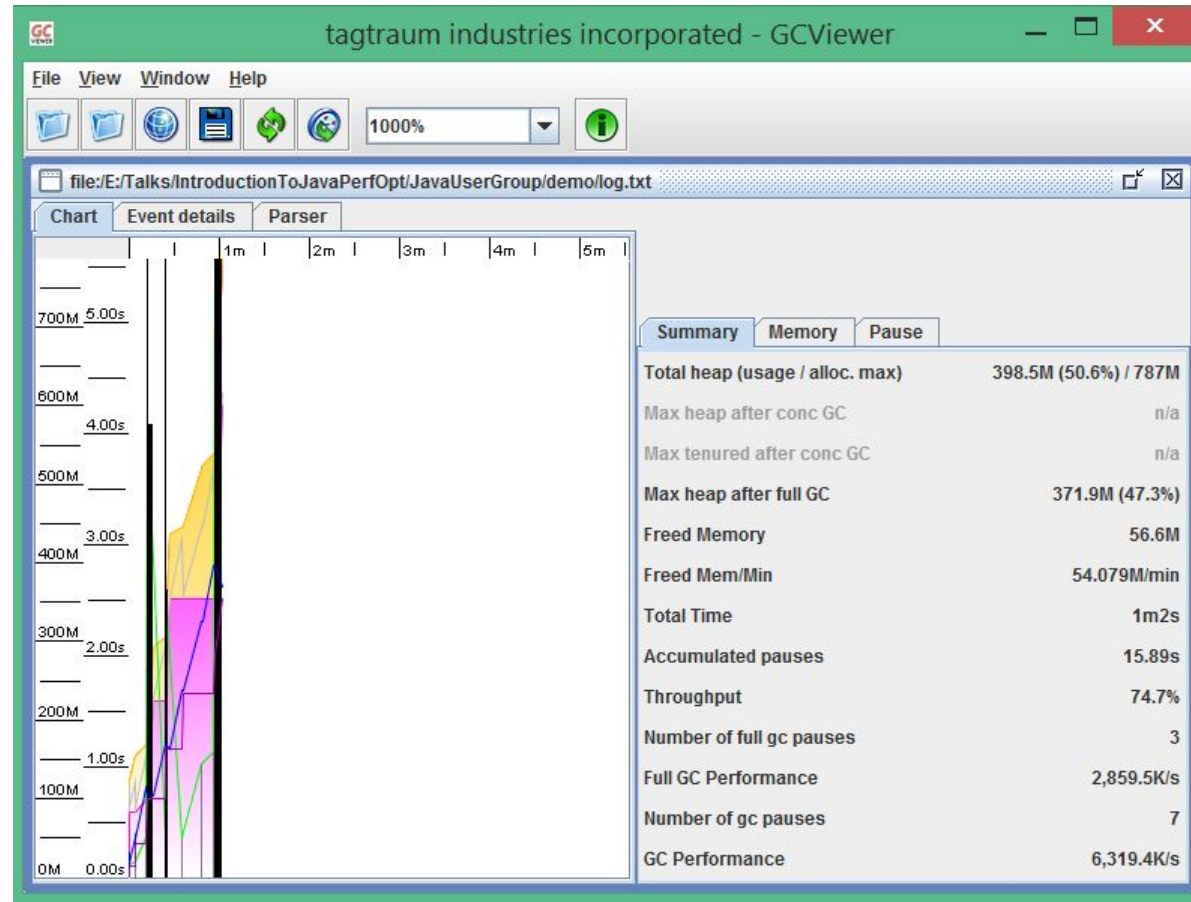
- jstat -gc -t PID 1s



<https://blog.gceasy.io/2016/02/22/understand-garbage-collection-log/>

GCViewer

Visualising
garbage
collector



<https://github.com/chewiebug/GCViewer>

Heap Dump

- Get Java Process Id
 - jps
- Get Heap Dump
 - jmap -dump:format=b,file=<file_path> pid
 - or
 - jcmd pid GC.heap_dump <file_path>
- Get Heap Dump on out of memory
 - -XX:+HeapDumpOnOutOfMemoryError
 - -XX:HeapDumpPath=path

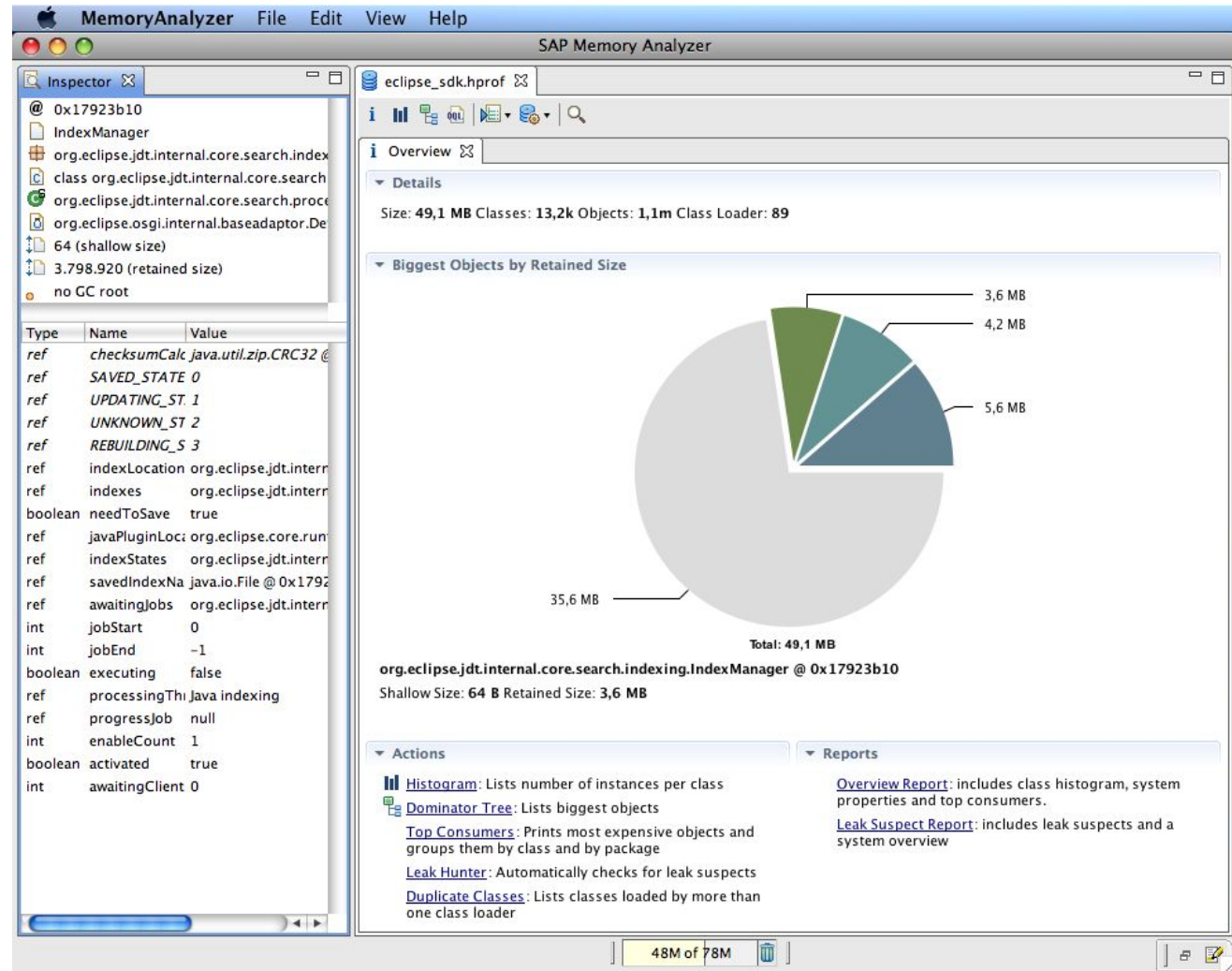


jcmd



- Get Java Process Id
 - jps
- Get Heap Dump
 - jcmd pid GC.heap_dump <file_path>
- Run GC
 - jcmd pid GC.run <file_path>
- Many Useful commands
 - jcmd pid help

Eclipse Memory Analyzer (MAT)



Thread Dump

- Get Java Process Id
 - jps
- Get Thread Dump
 - jstack pid > <file_path>
 - or
 - jcmd pid Thread.print <file_path> > <file_path>

IBM Thread and Monitor Dump Analyzer for Java

The screenshot displays the IBM Thread and Monitor Dump Analyzer for Java application window. The title bar reads "IBM Thread and Monitor Dump Analyzer for Java". The menu bar includes "File", "Analysis", "View", and "Help". The toolbar contains various icons for file operations and analysis. A "Floatable" checkbox is checked.

The main content area is titled "Thread Dump List" and contains a table with the following data:

Name	Timestamp	Runnable/Total T...	Free/Allocated H...	AF(SC)/GC Count...	Monitor
javacore.201205...	May 21 08:26:45 ...	22/157	26,028,320/671,0...	No Info	7

Below the table, there are three bullet points:

- Free Java heap size: 26,028,320 bytes
- Allocated Java heap size: 671,088,640 bytes
- Memory Segment Analysis

The "Memory Segment Analysis" section contains a table with the following data:

Memory Type	# of Segments	Used Memory(bytes)	Used Memory(%)	Free Memory(bytes)	Free Memory(%)
Internal	278	0	0	18,305,988	
Object(reserved)	1	671,088,640	100	0	
Class	2,139	95,326,020	90.27	10,278,704	
JIT Code Cache	3	25,165,824	100	0	
JIT Data Cache	2	9,933,408	59.21	6,843,808	
Overall	2,423	801,513,892	95.77	35,428,500	

Below the table, the text "Memory Segment Analysis" is displayed.

At the bottom, there is a bullet point:

- Current Thread : "WorkManager.PublisherWorkMgr : 1345"

The bottom status bar contains the text "Option Change options".

Sampling vs Profiling

- Sampling: periodically statistical data, low overhead
- Profiling: Instrumentation (Probes), overhead and exact numbers.

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In Turkish:

- <http://www.javaturk.org/?s=performans>
- <http://www.kurumsaljava.com/yazilim-metotlari/performans/>



Thank you