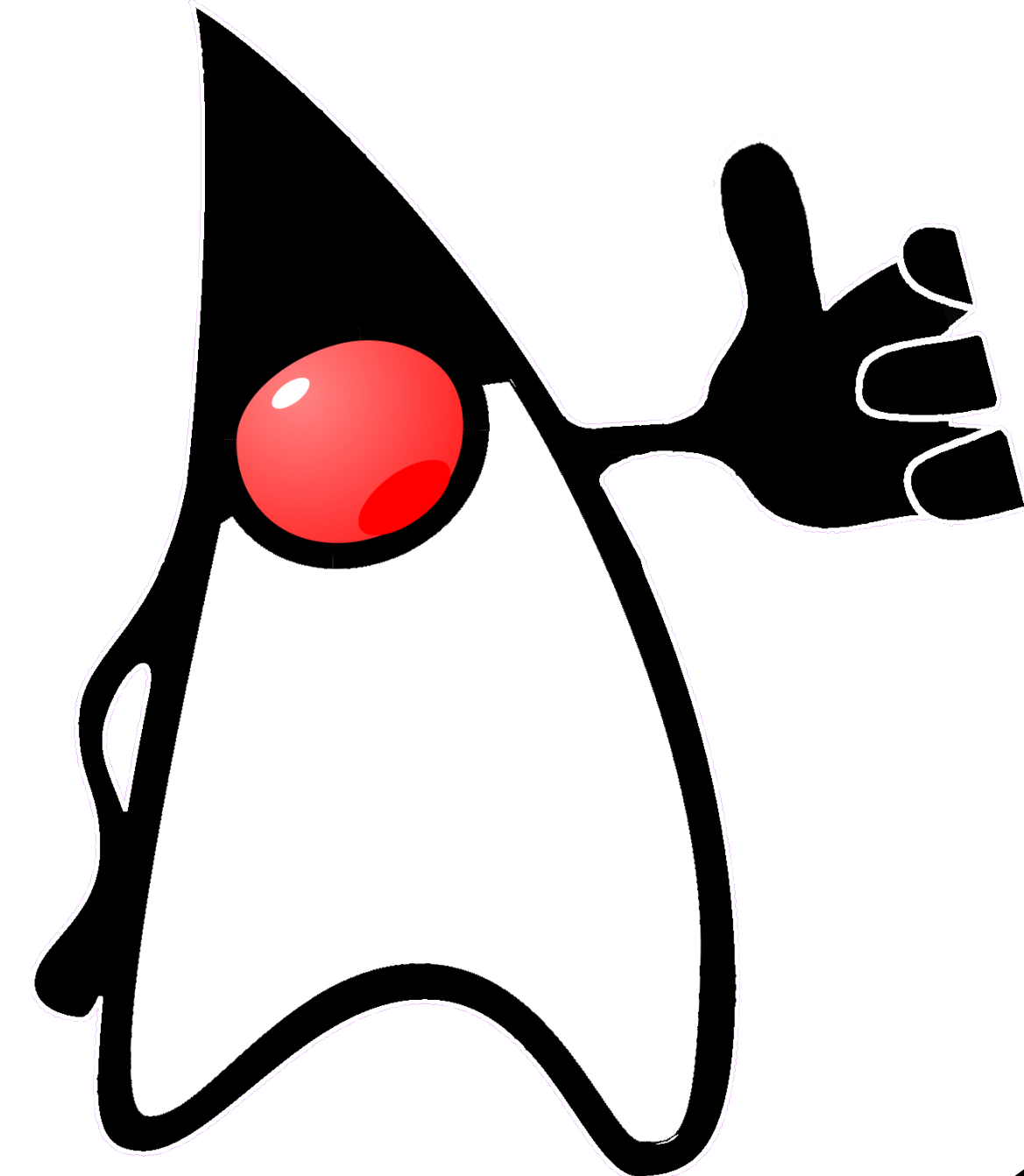


# Java 9 – 15

## Key Features and Enhancements

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# Java 9

**#WorksFineWithJavaNine**



# Java 9

- Released: Sep. 2017
- => Java 8 was Mar. 2014
- 150 new features and enhancements
- One of the largest upgrades to Java
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk9/>
- <https://speakerdeck.com/cguntur/java-9-new-features>

# Private Methods in Interfaces (1)

- To share common code between methods
- Methods with bodies: `static` and `default`
- `private default` & `private abstract` not valid combinations
- Originally in Java 8 experimental, dropped
- <https://bugs.openjdk.java.net/browse/JDK-8071453>

Writeup: <https://cguntur.me/2017/09/02/java-9-features-private-interface-methods/>

# Private Methods in Interfaces (2)

## Java support in interfaces

	Java 7	Java 8	Java 9
constants			
abstract methods			
default methods			
public static methods			
private methods			
private static methods			

# Collections - Factory Methods

- Allow ease of declaration/instantiation
- Examples:
  - `List.of("one", "two");`
  - `Map.of("key1", "val1", "key2", "val2");`
- **JEP 269** - Convenience Collection Factory Methods:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/269>
- <https://blogs.oracle.com/java/collections-refueled>

# G1GC – Default Garbage Collector

- Introduced in Java 7, targeted for Java 8
- JVM now uses a **Metaspace** instead of **PermGen**
- GC focusses on garbage-heavy regions
- **JEP 248** – Make G1 the default collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/248>
- <https://speakerdeck.com/cguntur/java-garbage-collection-basics>

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/9/gctuning/garbage-first-garbage-collector.htm>

## Version String Scheme

- Scheme in Java 9 is **\$MAJOR.\$MINOR.\$SECURITY\_PATCH**
- Replaces confusing mix of version and build numbers
- Deemed temporary, changes in future versions
- **JEP 223** - Version-String Scheme:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/223>
- <https://mreinhold.org/blog/forward-faster>



# JShell - Java REPL

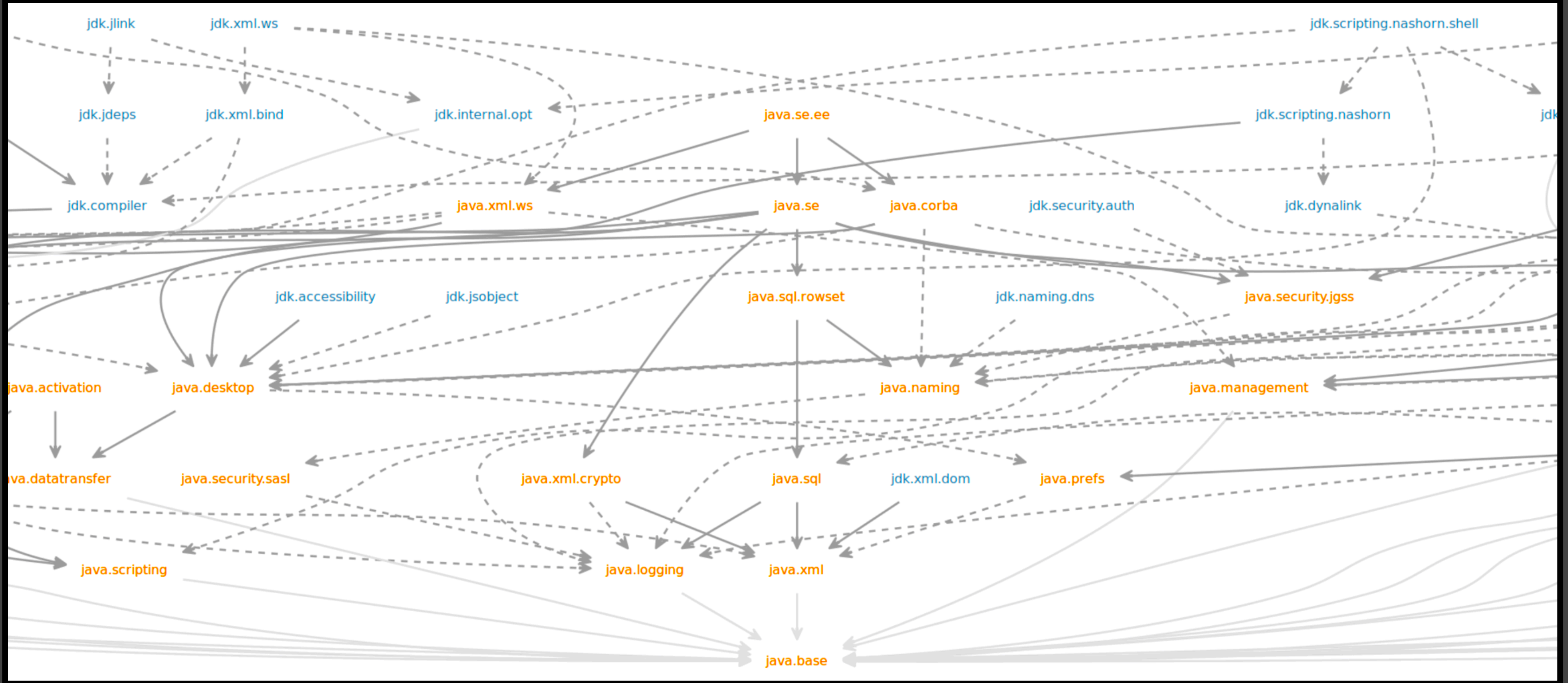
- Read-Eval-Print-Loop for a transcript evaluation
- Great teaching tool
- Originally targeted for Java 7
- Built on JShell API
- **JEP 222** - jshell - The Java Shell:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/222>

<http://cr.openjdk.java.net/~rfield/tutorial/JShellTutorial.html>

# Java Platform Modularity System (1)

- Reduce the large and growing java package size
- Also aims to remove/deprecate vestigial packages
- Allows splitting the JDK in smaller units (modules)
- Root module called `java.base`
- Dependencies packaged as `.jmod` files
- Module path to replace classpath

# Java 9



## Java Platform Modularity System (2)

- Java 9 itself is a modular system
- Restructures JDK and JRE runtime images - as modules
- No more `rt.jar` and `tools.jar` in `libs`
- Enables Compact Profiles:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/161>
- `jlink` responsible for assembly and optimizing modules
- `jlink` produces custom runtime images

## Java Platform Modularity System (3)

JPMS (JSR 376):

<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/jigsaw/spec/>

JEP 261 - Module System:

<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/261>

JEP 200 - The Modular JDK:

<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/200>

JEP 220 - Modular Run-Time Images:

<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/220>

JEP 260 - Encapsulate Internal APIs:

<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/260>

## Other Important enhancements

- `java.util.Optional` – new methods added
- `java.util.stream.Stream` – new methods added
- `java.util.concurrent.*` – reactive and futures
- Compact Strings – major fixes to compressed strings
- Deprecation – added `forRemoval` & `since` attributes
- Compiler – new flags to compile (`--release`)

# Java 10

**#WorksWhenOnJavaTen**





# Java 10

- Released: Mar. 2018
- First release in the 6-month release model
- Fewer features and enhancements
- Marked as a feature-release, not LTS
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/10/>



# Local Variable Type Inference (1)

- Introduction of `var` as a variable type
- Examples:
  - ✦ `var list = new ArrayList<String>(); // infers ArrayList<String>`
  - ✦ `var stream = list.stream(); // infers Stream<String>`
- Requires initialization of the variable
- **JEP 286** - Local-variable Type Inference:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/286>

# Local Variable Type Inference (2)

## ● Incorrect Examples:

✦ `var x; // cannot infer type for local`

✦ `var f = () -> { }; // cannot infer type for local`

✦ `var g = null; // cannot infer type for local`

✦ `var k = { 1 , 2 }; // cannot infer type for local`

✦ `(var x, var y) -> x.process(y) // not supported`

<https://openjdk.java.net/projects/amber/LVTIstyle.html>

# Application Class-Data Sharing

- Improves startup and memory footprint
- Extends existing CDS (JDK 5) to application classes
- Allows loading to custom class loaders as well
- Use `-XX:+UseAppCDS` to enable Application CDS
- **JEP 310** - Application Class-Data Sharing:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/310>

# Experimental Java-Based JIT Compiler

- Enables Graal Ahead-of-time JIT Compiler
- First step for Project Metropolis
- Extends the compiler via a JVM Compiler Interface
- Use with `-XX:+UseJVMCICompiler` to enable
- **JEP 317** - Experimental Java-Based JIT Compiler:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/317>

Metropolis: <http://mail.openjdk.java.net/pipermail/announce/2017-September/000233.html>

# Time-Based Release Versioning

- New scheme: `$FEATURE.$INTERIM.$UPDATE.$PATCH`
- Also added a `java.version.date` System property
- Make it easy for a developer to figure out how old a release is
- **JEP 322** - Time-Based Release Versioning:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/322>

# Other Features

- **JEP-296**: Consolidate the JDK Forest into a Single Repository
- **JEP-304**: Garbage-Collector Interface
- **JEP-307**: Parallel Full GC for G1
- **JEP-312**: Thread-Local Handshakes
- **JEP-313**: Remove the Native-Header Generation Tool (javah)
- **JEP-314**: Additional Unicode Language-Tag Extensions
- **JEP-316**: Heap Allocation on Alternative Memory Devices
- **JEP-319**: Root Certificates

# Java 11

**#WorksLikeHeavenWithJavaEleven**



# Java 11

- Released: Sep. 2018
- Marked as Long Term Support release, not FR
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/11/>



## Local-Variable Syntax for Lambda Parameters

- Fixes issues with `var` usage in lambda parameters
- Great addition for annotating params in lambdas
- Examples:

✦ `(var x, var y) -> x.process(y)` // Works in Java 11

✦ `(@NonNull var x, @Nullable var y) -> x.process(y)`

- **JEP 323** - Local-Variable Syntax for Lambda Parameters:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/323>

# Launch Single-File Source-Code Programs

- Enables launching a single file Java program
- Automatically compiles and runs Java file
- Example: `java HelloWorld.java` (no need for `javac`)
- Great tool for students and new beginners
- **JEP 330** - Launch Single-File Source-Code Programs:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/330>

# Remove the Java EE and CORBA Modules

- Removes Java EE & CORBA modules deprecated in Java 9
- Source code deleted from OpenJDK repository
- Binaries do not include these deleted modules
- Related to the separation of Java SE and Jakarta EE
- **JEP 320** - Remove the Java EE and CORBA Modules:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/320>

# Epsilon Garbage Collector

- **Experimental** No-Op memory allocator without any GC
- Very useful for:
  - ✦ Performance testing
  - ✦ Memory pressure testing
  - ✦ Extremely short-lived jobs
  - ✦ Other deeper JVM development
- **JEP 318** - Epsilon: A No-Op Garbage Collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/318>

# Z Garbage Collector

- **Experimental** Low latency scalable garbage collector
- Main features:
  - ✦ Guaranteed pause times (10ms)
  - ✦ Handles range of small (few MB) to very large memory (TBs)
  - ✦ Foundation for future GC features and optimizations
  - ✦ Concurrent, single-generation, region-based, NUMA-aware, compacting collector
- **JEP 333** - ZGC: A Scalable Low-Latency Garbage Collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/333>

# Other Features (1)

- **JEP-181**: Nest-Based Access Control
- **JEP-309**: Dynamic Class-File Constants
- **JEP-315**: Improve Aarch64 Intrinsics
- **JEP-321**: HTTP Client (Standard)
- **JEP-324**: Key Agreement with Curve25519 and Curve448
- **JEP-327**: Unicode 10

# Other Features - continued

- **JEP-328**: Flight Recorder
- **JEP-329**: ChaCha20 and Poly1305 Cryptographic Algorithms
- **JEP-331**: Low-Overhead Heap Profiling
- **JEP-332**: Transport Layer Security (TLS) 1.3
- **JEP-335**: Deprecate the Nashorn JavaScript Engine
- **JEP-336**: Deprecate the Pack200 Tools and API

# Java 12

**#TheBestDelvesJavaTwelve**





# Java 12

- Released: Mar. 2019
- Marked as a feature-release, not LTS
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/12/>

# Switch Expressions (Preview)

- Preview for switch used as statement or expression

```
public class Quarter {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Month month = Month.SEPTEMBER;  
  
        int quarter = switch (month) {  
            case JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH    -> 1;  
            case APRIL, MAY, JUNE             -> 2;  
            case JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER      -> 3;  
            case OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER -> 4;  
        };  
  
        System.out.println("--> Q" + quarter);  
    }  
}
```

-> Q3

- JEP 325 - Switch Expressions (Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/325>

# Compact Number Formatting

```
public class TwitterStats {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        final Locale locale = new Locale("en", "US");  
  
        NumberFormat impressions = NumberFormat  
            .getCompactNumberInstance(locale, formatStyle: SHORT);  
        impressions.setMaximumFractionDigits(1);  
  
        NumberFormat followers = NumberFormat  
            .getCompactNumberInstance(locale, formatStyle: LONG);  
        followers.setMaximumFractionDigits(2);  
  
        System.out.println("~ "  
            + impressions.format(number: 76092) + " impressions & "  
            + followers.format(number: 2011) + " followers");  
    }  
}
```

~ 76.1K impressions & 2.01 thousand followers

- **JDK-8188147** - Compact Number Formatting support:  
[https://bugs.java.com/bugdatabase/view\\_bug.do?bug\\_id=8188147](https://bugs.java.com/bugdatabase/view_bug.do?bug_id=8188147)

# Shenandoah Garbage Collector

- **Experimental** Tiny & consistent pause-time garbage collector
- Main features:
  - ✦ Adds an indirection pointer to every Java object
  - ✦ Concurrent marking and compacting
  - ✦ Optimized to never interrupt the running program
  - ✦ Pause Java threads only to scan thread stacks to find & update object graph
- **JEP 189** – Shenandoah: A Low-Pause-Time Garbage Collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/189>

# Microbenchmark Suite

- Based on the Java Microbenchmark Harness (JMH)
- Eases the addition, build and running of new benchmarks
- Targeted for continuous performance testing
- JEP 230 – Microbenchmark Suite:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/230>

# Other Features

- **JEP-334**: JVM Constants API
- **JEP-340**: One AArch64 Port, Not Two
- **JEP-344**: Abortable Mixed Collections for G1
- **JEP-346**: Promptly Return Unused Committed Memory from G1

# Java 13

**#AllGreenWithJavaThirteen**



# Java 13

- Released: Sep. 2019
- Marked as a feature-release, not LTS
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/13/>



# Dynamic CDS Archives

- Extends AppCDS to archive at application exit
- Further speeds up startup times
- CDS and AppCDS were static, Dynamic CDS is an addition
- Use `-XX:ArchiveClassesAtExit=my.jsa` - to enable  
Use `-XX:SharedArchiveFile=my.jsa` - to load
- **JEP 350** - Dynamic CDS Archives:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/350>

# Switch Expressions (Preview)

- 2nd Preview for switch used as statement or expression

```
public class Quarter {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Month month = Month.SEPTEMBER;  
  
        int quarter = switch (month) {  
            case JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH:    yield 1;  
            case APRIL, MAY, JUNE:            yield 2;  
            case JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER:     yield 3;  
            case OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER: yield 4;  
        };  
  
        System.out.println("--> Q" + quarter);  
    }  
}
```

→ Q3

- JEP 354 - Switch Expressions (Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/354>

# Text Blocks (Preview)

- Preview for multi-line text blocks

```
@Test
void noTalksYet() {
    String expected = ""
        <conference name="OracleCodeOne">
        </conference>
        "";

    String actual = XmlHelper.generateXml();

    assertEquals(expected: expected, actual: actual);
}
```

- JEP 355 - Text Blocks (Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/355>

# Other Features

- **JEP-351**: ZGC: Uncommit Unused Memory
- **JEP-353**: Reimplement the Legacy Socket API

# Java 14

**#AllTestsGreenWithJavaFourteen**



# Java 14

- Released: Mar. 2020
- Marked as a feature-release, not LTS
- Many new and exciting features !!!
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/14/>

# Pattern Matching for instanceof (Preview)

- Replaces the need to cast once instance is confirmed

- Example:

```
if (obj instanceof String s) {  
    // can use s here  
} else {  
    // can't use s here  
}
```

- JEP 305 - Pattern matching for instanceof (Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/305>



# Helpful NullPointerExceptions

- Offer helpful information about the premature termination of a program

- Example:

```
a.b.c.i = 99;
```

- Results in:

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NullPointerException:  
Cannot read field "c" because "a.b" is null at Prog.main(Prog.java:5)
```

- **JEP 358** - Helpful NullPointerExceptions:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/358>



# Algebraic Data Types - Records

- Introduction of algebraic data types into Java, with records
- Immutable data objects with built in constructors and accessors

```
record Range(int lo, int hi) {  
    public Range {  
        if (lo > hi) /* referring here to the implicit constructor parameters */  
            throw new IllegalArgumentException(String.format("(%d,%d)", lo, hi));  
    }  
}
```

- **JEP 359** - Records (Preview):  
<https://openjdk.java.net/jeps/359>



# Other Features

- **JEP-361**: Switch Expressions (Standard)
- **JEP-345**: NUMA-Aware Memory Allocation for G1
- **JEP-349**: JFR Event Streaming
- **JEP-352**: Non-Volatile Mapped Byte Buffers
- **JEP-362**: Deprecate the Solaris and SPARC Ports
- **JEP-363**: Remove the Concurrent Mark Sweep (CMS) Garbage Collector

# Other Features - continued

- **JEP-364**: ZGC on macOS
- **JEP-365**: ZGC on Windows
- **JEP-366**: Deprecate the ParallelScavenge + SerialOld GC Combination
- **JEP-367**: Remove the Pack200 Tools and API
- **JEP-370**: Foreign-Memory Access API (Incubator)
- **JEP-343**: Packaging Tool (Incubator)

# Java 15

**#BuildsGreenWithJavaFifteen**



# Java 15

- **To be released:** Sep. 2020
- Marked as a feature-release, not LTS
- Once again, many new and exciting features !!!
- <https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/15/>

# Algebraic Data Types - Sealed Classes (Preview)

- Provides limited extendability to types
- Adds new modifiers of `sealed` and `non-sealed`
- The `final` modifier indicates a strong sealed type
- Requires a new `permits` clause to allow limited hierarchy
- **JEP 360** - Sealed classes (Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/360>



# Algebraic Data Types - Records (Second Preview)

- Extends on the first preview of records
- Adds ability to create in-method **local** records
- Clarifies the usage of annotations on records
- **JEP 384** - Records (Second Preview):  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/384>



# Hidden Classes

- Non-discoverable classes best for hiding implementation details.
- Supports aggressive unloading of such classes in JVM
- Great for **dynamic proxies** and runtime **generated classes**
- Not to be confused with **anonymous classes**
- **JEP 371** - Hidden classes:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/371>





## ZGC: No longer experimental

- Changes ZGC from experimental to product feature
- G1 GC still remains default GC
- Great for larger heap sizes, may not be great for smaller ones
- No longer needs `-XX:+UnlockExperimentalVMOptions` for `-XX:+UseZGC`
- **JEP 377** - ZGC: A Scalable Low-Latency Garbage Collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/377>



## Shenandoah GC: No longer experimental

- Changes Shenandoah from experimental to product feature
- G1 GC still remains default GC
- Great for continuous pause-less GC across most heap sizes
- No longer needs `-XX:+UnlockExperimentalVMOptions` for `-XX:+UseShenandoahGC`
- **JEP 379** - Shenandoah: A Low-Pause-Time Garbage Collector:  
<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/379>



# Other Features

- **JEP-375**: Pattern Matching for instanceof (Second Preview)
- **JEP-378**: Text Blocks
- **JEP-339**: Edwards-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (EdDSA)
- **JEP-372**: Remove the Nashorn JavaScript Engine
- **JEP-385**: Deprecate RMI Activation for Removal

# Other Features - continued

- **JEP-373**: Reimplement the Legacy DatagramSocket API
- **JEP-374**: Disable and Deprecate Biased Locking
- **JEP-381**: Remove the Solaris and SPARC Ports
- **JEP-383**: Foreign-Memory Access API (Second Incubator)

THANK YOU!

