


Coroutine

Mobile App Programming

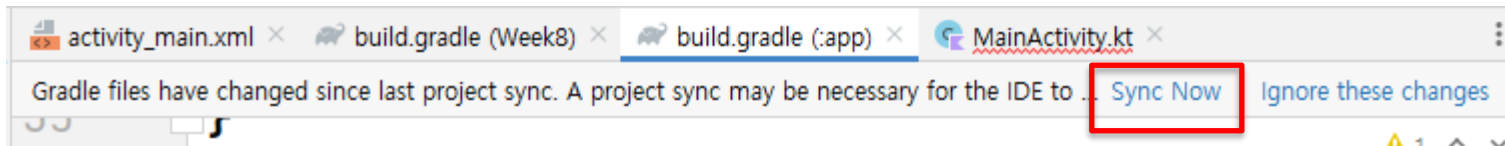


Today's Contents

- Review
 - Gradle
- Multi-Threading
- Coroutine
- Lab practice

Gradle

- You can add dependency, or add some build configs
 - Mostly on build.gradle(Module: app)
- You need to “Sync Now” after changing gradle file



- To be handled & used later..

Concurrent and Parallelism

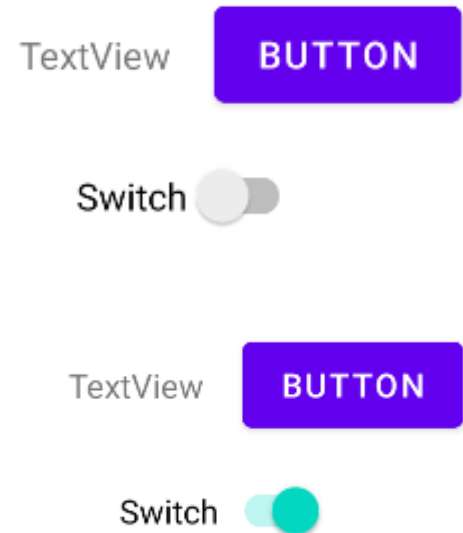
- **Concurrency** (동시성)
 - Concurrency relates to an application that is processing **more than one task at the same time**. Concurrency is an approach that is used for decreasing the response time of the system by using the **single processing unit**.
- **Parallelism** (병렬성)
 - Parallelism is related to an application where tasks are **divided into smaller sub-tasks that are processed seemingly simultaneously or parallel**. It is used to increase the throughput and computational speed of the system by using **multiple processors**.

Concurrent Programming

- Nowadays, most application(not only mobile) are running many components at the same time.
 - But in this case, you need to take a deep consider into the critical section.
 - Details like **deadlock** and so on is not for our lecture
 - **In Android**, only **ONE** thread named **UI(or main) thread** can modify the user interface.
- UI thread matters!
 - If you do long task in UI thread, UI will not work for that time.
 - If you do another task in other thread, it cannot modify UI.

Exercise 1: Pause UI Thread

- UI thread matters!
 - If you do long task in UI thread, **UI will not work** for that time.
 - If you do another task in other thread, it cannot modify UI.
- Take a look at the given template UI.
 - Press a button
 - Execute a long task `Thread.sleep(5000)`
 - Try to modify left textview
 - Switch
 - Click while doing the long task
 - If UI stopped, it does not work



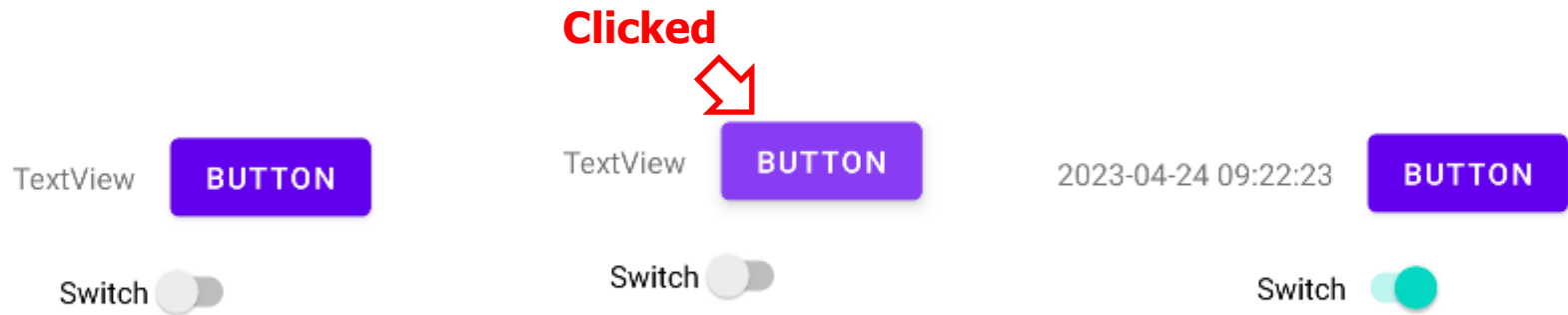
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- **Thread.sleep(5000)** will stop thread for 5000 millisecond.
- Function `getCurrentTimeString()` will return time in String.

```
val button = findViewById<Button>(R.id.button)
val textView = findViewById<TextView>(R.id.textView)
button.setOnClickListener { it: View!
    textView.text = getCurrentTimeString() // button pressed
    Thread.sleep( millis: 5000)
    textView.text = getCurrentTimeString() // after 5000 ms
}
```

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- UI thread will do other task for 5 seconds (stopped).
 - While doing other task, UI thread cannot handle switch onClick function.
 - It will not reply for 5 seconds.
- **ANR(Application Not Responding)** could be happened.
 - You know, Not Responding(응답 없음) in other OS.

Exercise 2: Modify on non-UI Thread

- UI thread matters!
 - If you do long task in UI thread, UI will not work for that time.
 - **If you do another task in other thread, it cannot modify UI.**
- Then, make Runnable to do on another thread.

```
button.setOnClickListener { it: View!  
    textView.text = getCurrentTimeString() // button pressed  
    val runnable = Runnable{  
        Thread.sleep( millis: 5000)  
        textView.text = getCurrentTimeString() // after 5000 ms  
    }  
    Thread(runnable).start() // start new thread  
}
```

Makes a new runnable and executes it!

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Only the original thread that created a view hierarchy can touch its views.
(UI Thread)



```
FATAL EXCEPTION: Thread-2
Process: edu.skku.cs.week9, PID: 1185
android.view.ViewRootImpl$CalledFromWrongThreadException: Only the original thread that created a view hierarchy can touch its views.
    at android.view.ViewRootImpl.checkThread(ViewRootImpl.java:8798)
    at android.view.ViewRootImpl.requestLayout(ViewRootImpl.java:1606)
    at android.view.View.requestLayout(View.java:25390)
    at android.view.View.requestLayout(View.java:25390)
    at android.view.View.requestLayout(View.java:25390)
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    at straintlayout.widget.ConstraintLayout.requestLayout(ConstraintLayout.java:3605)
    at .View.requestLayout(View.java:25390)
    at et.TextView.checkForRelayout(TextView.java:9719)
    at et.TextView.setText(TextView.java:6311)
    at et.TextView.setText(TextView.java:6139)
    at et.TextView.setText(TextView.java:6091)
    at week9.MainActivity.onCreate($lambda$1$lambda$0(MainActivity.kt:31)
    at week9.MainActivity.$r8$lambda$TUPXktNTW0rwoxbsm7Z9YBDiWg8(Unknown Source:0)
    at week9.MainActivity$$ExternalSyntheticLambda1.run(Unknown Source:4) <1 internal line>
```

Exercise 2: Modify on non-UI Thread

- UI thread matters!
 - If you do long task in UI thread, UI will not work for that time.
 - If you do another task in other thread, it cannot modify UI.
- **While doing the 5-second-task, switch is working**
 - Since it is on the other thread, UI Thread is free enough to handle switch onClick function.
 - But “**the other thread**” is not UI Thread.
- Only UI Thread can modify the view
 - `android.view.ViewRootImpl$CalledFromWrongThreadException:`
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Coroutine

- Co(with/together) + Routine
 - Multiple subroutine(≡ function) at the same time
 - Just the term for programming
(Neither Kotlin nor Android specific)
 - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coroutine>
- **Kotlin Coroutine**
 - Kotlin support coroutine by native
 - Lightweight thread, asynchronous programming
 - <https://kotlinlang.org/docs/coroutines-overview.html>

Coroutine

- Kotlin **Coroutine + Android**
 - Android have additional supports too!
 - This lecture will **only deal with this one.**
 - <https://developer.android.com/kotlin/coroutines>
- **Coroutine**
 - Previous solution for contradiction related to UI thread was **AsyncTask**
 - But it was android specific and not efficient
 - > ***AsyncTask is deprecated...***

Coroutine

- Dispatcher
 - There can be multiple **coroutine** at once
 - **Dispatcher** is responsible for properly assign a **Thread** to **coroutine**.
 - There could exist **multiple threads in one dispatcher** so that multiple **coroutines** in other **threads** could be run at the same time.
 - but also one **thread** can execute multiple **coroutines** takes turn.

Coroutine

- Dispatcher
 - There are pre-built dispatchers in Android.
 - `Dispatchers.Main`
 - Main(=UI) thread is in this dispatcher
 - Only interact with UI
 - `Dispatchers.IO`
 - Optimized to do disk or network I/O
 - `Dispatchers.Default`
 - Optimized to CPU-intensive tasks
 - We do not need to think about actual **Thread Creation!**

Coroutine

- Builder
 - launch
 - Use when result is not needed.
 - async
 - **await()** to wait for the result
 - Can get result via **Deferred<I>**
 - I: return type

Coroutine

- There are lot more details in the Coroutine
 - But let's just simply use it.
 - Official documents
 - <https://kotlinlang.org/docs/coroutine-context-and-dispatchers.html>
 - <https://developer.android.com/kotlin/coroutines>
 - Korean appendix
 - <https://whyprogrammer.tistory.com/596>
 - <https://velog.io/@soyoung-dev/AndroidKotlin-%EC%BD%94%EB%A3%A8%ED%8B%B4-Coroutine>
 - English appendix
 - <https://kt.academy/article/cc-dispatchers>
 - <https://www.kodeco.com/34262147-kotlin-coroutines-tutorial-for-android-advanced>

Coroutine

- Simple summary
 - `Dispatcher` automatically manage `Coroutines` to its `Threads`
 - We only need to care `Dispatcher`, not `Thread`
 - To be on `UI Thread`, use `Dispatchers.Main`
 - Not to be on `UI Thread`, use `Disptachers.IO` or `Dispatchers.Default`
 - Use `launch{}` block when return is not needed
 - Use `async{}` block and `await()` when return is needed

Exercise 3: Coroutine

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {  
    fun getCurrentTimeString(): String{  
        val time = Calendar.getInstance().time  
        val formatter = SimpleDateFormat( pattern: "yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss")  
        return formatter.format(time)  
    }  
  
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main)  
  
        val button = findViewById<Button>(R.id.button)  
        val textView = findViewById<TextView>(R.id.textView)  
        button.setOnClickListener { it: View!   
            CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.Main).launch(){ this: CoroutineScope  
                textView.text = getCurrentTimeString() // button pressed  
                textView.text = longTask().await() // wait 5000 ms then change  
            }  
        }  
    }  
  
    fun longTask() = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO).async{ this: CoroutineScope  
        Thread.sleep( millis: 5000)  
        getCurrentTimeString() ^async // Just value to return result of async. Not return ***.  
    }  
}
```

Exercise 3: Coroutine

- When we need to get result of time-consuming job.
 - Use `Dispatchers.Default` for that moment
 - In **exercise 3**, `Thread.sleep(5000)`
 - Use `async` to return the result
 - Take result with `await()` `getCurrentTimeString()`
- When we need to modify UI on `UI Thread`,
 - Use `Dispatchers.Main` at that moment
 - In **exercise 3**, we need to modify `textView.text`

Exercise 3: Coroutine

- We need to get result of a time-consuming job
 - Use **Dispatchers.IO** in this exercise.
 - **Dispatchers.IO** for network/file I/O
 - **Dispatchers.Default** for CPU intensive work
 - Use **async** to return the result
- You can make block main with **async** then specify return with the final value (**without** **return** expression)

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Exercise 3: Coroutine

- We need to modify UI on **UI Thread**
 - Use **Dispatchers.Main** at that moment
- We need to get result of time-consuming job
 - Take result with **await()**

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    }  
}
```

Can modify TextView Here!

Exercise 3: Coroutine

TextView

BUTTON

Switch



2023-04-24 10:16:00

BUTTON

Switch



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BUTTON

Switch



Exercise 3: Coroutine

- `Dispatchers.Main`
 - It will set text when button is pressed,
 - Then `await ()` for `Dispatchers.IO` returning the value
 - and set the text with that returned value.
- **Q. Why doesn't it make ANR?**
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This task is detached from UI thread when **await ()** is called.

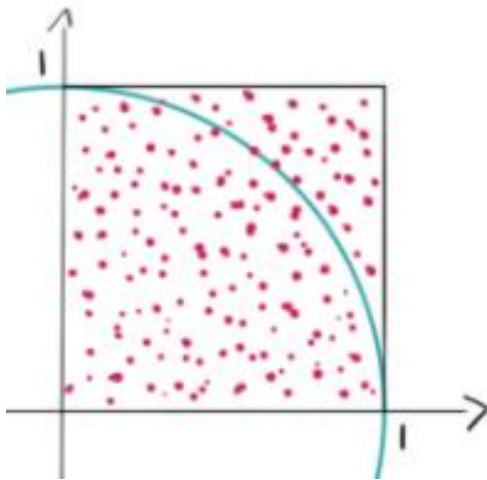
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fun longTask() = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO).async{  
    Thread.sleep(5000)  
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}
```

Instead, **a thread of IO Dispatchers** executes **longTask()**

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/53752991/is-await-blocking-the-ui-thread-on-android>

[Lab-Practice #9] Monte Carlo

- Estimate Pi using Monte Carlo Simulation
 - Monte Carlo simulations are used to model the probability of different outcomes in a process that cannot easily be predicted due to the intervention of random variables.
- How to estimate pi?



- 1) Get two random float values range 0~1 (x, y)
- 2) If (x,y) is inside of circle, $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq 1$
- 3) If (x,y) is outside of circle, $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} > 1$
- 4) Run (1)-(3) many times
- 5) Calculate (number of dots inside) / (total dots)
- 6) The above will be quarter of pi
(because it is area of quarter circle of radius 1)

[Lab-Practice #9] Monte Carlo

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Execution Examples -

Done 11%...
current estimation: 3.140896

BUTTON

Switch



Done 62%...
current estimation: 3.141379

BUTTON

Switch



Done!
Estimation: 3.141497

BUTTON

Switch



[Lab-Practice #9] Monte Carlo

- Use the same layout as exercises
 - After clicking the button, simulate Monte-Carlo **100,000,000 times**,
 - For each **1,000,000 times**, change the TextView text to
“**Done $\{x\}$ %... □n**
current estimation: $\{pi\}$ value until 6 decimal places”
 - After it finishes, change the TextView text to
“**Done! □n**
Estimation: $\{pi\}$ value until 6 decimal places”
 - You must **randomly generate** x and y value

[Lab-Practice #9] Monte Carlo

- Tips
 - `intValue.toDouble()` to cast Integer value to Double
 - `Math.random()` to generate random value
 - It will return double value between 0.0f and 1.0f
 - `String.format("%.*f", doubleValue)` for precision
 - `String.format("%.6f", value)` will return String until 6 places
 - You can do your own way to pass intermediate value
 - You can `CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.Main).launch` in `non-UI coroutine` to change UI. **[RECOMMENDED]**
 - You can use Channel: <https://medium.com/swlh/kotlin-coroutines-in-android-channel-fb9b3b65e0b>
 - Other methodologies are OK.

[Lab-Practice #9] Monte Carlo

- Criteria
 - Show your code: it must use Coroutine!
 - Execution
 - **Run your application -> press button**
 - **It must show both intermediate status and final estimation**
 - **While estimating, switch must be switchable!**
 - **PI value can differ because this is estimation**
 - Hint? (Spoiler)
 - <https://gist.github.com/devquint/442d414d206030043b6c51e4dab82ad5>