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Programare Paralela si Distribuita

Thread Safety
Forme de sincronizare - Java

Thread Safety si Shared Resources

- Codul care poate fi apelat simultat de mai multe threaduri si produce intotdeauna rezultatul dorit/asteptat se numeste *thread safe*.
- Daca o bucata de cod este *thread safe* atunci nu contine *critical race* conditions.
- In multithreading *Race condition* apare atunci cand mai multe threaduri actualizeaza resurse partajate.
 - care pot fi acestea acestea…?

Thread Control Escape Rule

• Daca o resursa este creata, folosita si eliminata in interiorul controlului aceluiasi thread atunci folosirea acelei resurse este *thread safe*.

Variabile Locale

- Sunt stocate pe stiva de executie a fiecarui thread.
- Prin urmare nu sunt niciodata partajate.
 - => thread safe.

```
public void someMethod(){
  long threadSafeInt = 0;
  threadSafeInt++;
}
```

Referinte Locale

- Referintele nu sunt partajate (orice obiect este accesibil printr-o referinta).
- Obiectul referit este partajat (*shared heap*).
- Daca un obiect creat local nu se foloseste decat local in metoda care il creeaza atunci este *thread safe*.
- Daca un obiect creat local este transferat altor metode dar nu este transferat altor threaduri atunci este *thread safe*.

Cum se asigura ca nu va fi transferat altor threaduri???

```
Ex:
public void someMethod(){
  LocalObject localObject = new LocalObject();
  localObject.callMethod();
  method2(localObject);
}
public void method2(LocalObject localObject){
  localObject.setValue("value");
}
```

Thread-safe class

• Thread-safe class

- daca comportamentul instantelor sale este corect chiar daca sunt accesate din threaduri multiple - indiferent de executia intretesuta a lor(interleaving)
 - fara sa fie nevoie de sincronizari aditionale sau alte conditii impuse codului apelant.
- sincronizarile sunt incapsulate in interior si astfel clientii clasei nu trebuie sa foloseasca altele speciale.
- Similar *Thread-safe code*

Exemplu: not thread safe

```
public class NotThreadSafe{
  StringBuilder builder =
      new StringBuilder();
  public void add(String text){
    this.builder.append(text);
public static void main(String[]a){
NotThreadSafe sharedInstance =
    new NotThreadSafe();
new Thread(new
    MyRunnable(sharedInstance)).start();
new Thread(new
    MyRunnable(sharedInstance)).start();
```

```
public class MyRunnable implements
    Runnable {
 NotThreadSafe instance = null;
 public MyRunnable(NotThreadSafe
    instance){
  this.instance = instance;
 public void run(){
  this.instance.add("text LUNG");
```

Thread-Safe shared variables

• Daca mai multe thread-uri folosesc o variabila mutabila (modificabila) fara sa foloseasca sincronizari codul *nu este safe*.

• Solutii:

- eliminarea partajarii valorii variabilei intre threaduri
- transformarea variabile in variabila_imutabila (var imutabile sunt thread-safe)
- sincronizarea accesului la starea variabilei

Forme de sincronizare Java

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Excludere mutuala

• Fiecare obiect din Java are un *lock/mutex* care poate fi blocat sau deblocat in blocurile sincronizate:

```
Bloc sincronizat
Object critical object = new Object();
synchronized (critical object) {
     // critical section
:> sau metoda (obiectul blocat este "this")
synchronized type metoda(args) {
     // body
• echivalent
type metoda(args) {
     synchronized (this) {
          // body
```

Monitor in Java

Prin metodele synchronized monitoarele pot fi emulate

- nu e monitor original
- variabilele conditionale nu sunt explicit disponibile, dar metodele
 - wait()
 - notify() // signal
 - notifyAll() // signal_all

pot fi apelate din orice cod synchronized

≈ variabila conditionala implicita

- Disciplina = 'Signal and Continue'
- nu este starvation-free notify() deblocheaza un proces arbitrar.

Synchronized Static Methods

```
Class Counter{
static int count;
public static synchronized void add(int value){
   count += value;
}
public static synchronized void decrease(int value){
   count -= value;
}
}
```

- -> blocare pe *class object of the class* => Counter.class
- Ce se intampla daca sunt mai multe metode statice sincronizate?

fine-grained synchronization

```
public class Counter {
  private long c1 = 0;
  private long c2 = 0;
  private Object lock1 = new Object();
  private Object lock2 = new Object();
  public void inc1() {
    synchronized(lock1) {
       c1++;
  public void inc2() {
    synchronized(lock2) {
       c2++:
```

•Ce se intampla daca lock1 sau lock2 se modifica?

 Ce se intampla daca sunt metode de tip instanta sincronizate dar si metode statice sincronizate?

Exemplu

```
public class SynchronizedCounter {
  private int c = 0;
  public synchronized void increment() {
    c++;
  public synchronized void decrement() {
                                                        este necesar?
    C--;
  public synchronized int value() {
    return c;
```

Transformare => fine-grained synchronization

```
public class Counter {
  private long c = 0;
  private Object lock1 = new Object();
  private Object lock2 = new Object();
  public void inc() {
    synchronized(lock1) {
       C++;
  public void dec() {
    synchronized(lock2) {
       C--:
```

•Este corect?

• Ce probleme exista?

Nonblocking Counter

```
public class NonblockingCounter {
  private AtomicInteger value;
  public int getValue() {
     return value.get();
  public int increment() {
     int v;
     do {
       v = value.get();
     } while (!value.compareAndSet(v, v + 1));
    return v + 1;
```

Operatii atomice

- Operații cu întregi:
 - o incrementare, decrementare, adunare, scădere
 - o compare-and-swap (CAS) operatii

CAS – instructiune *atomica* care compara continutul memoriei cu o valoare data si doar daca aceastea sunt egala modifica continutul locatiei de memorie cu noua valoare data.

The value of CAS is that it is implemented in hardware and is extremely lightweight (on most processors).

Compare and swap (CAS)

http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/library/j-jtp11234/

- Intel...The first processors that supported concurrency provided atomic testand-set operations, which generally operated on a single bit.
- The most common approach taken by current processors, including Intel and Sparc processors, is to implement a primitive called *compare-and-swap*, or CAS.
- On Intel processors, compare-and-swap is implemented by the cmpxchg family of instructions.
- PowerPC processors have a pair of instructions called "load and reserve" and "store conditional" that accomplish the same goal; similar for MIPS, except the first is called "load linked."

CAS operation

- A CAS operation includes three operands
 - a memory location (V),
 - the expected old value (A), and
 - a new value (B).
- The processor will atomically update the location to the new value(V==B) if the value that is there matches the expected old value (V==A), otherwise it will do nothing.
- In either case, it returns the value that was at that location prior to the CAS instruction.

CAS synchronization

- The natural way to use CAS for synchronization is to read a value A from an address V, perform a multistep computation to derive a new value B, and then use CAS to change the value of V from A to B.
 - The CAS succeeds if the value at V has not been changed in the meantime.
- Instructions like CAS allow an algorithm to execute a read-modify-write sequence without fear of another thread modifying the variable in the meantime, because if another thread did modify the variable, the CAS would detect it (and fail) and the algorithm could retry the operation.

java.util.concurrent.atomic

Class Summary		
Class	Description	
AtomicBoolean	A boolean value that may be updated atomically.	
AtomicInteger	An int value that may be updated atomically.	
AtomicIntegerArray	An int array in which elements may be updated atomically.	
AtomicIntegerFieldUpdater <t></t>	A reflection-based utility that enables atomic updates to designated volatile int fields of designated classes.	
AtomicLong	A long value that may be updated atomically.	
AtomicLongArray	A long array in which elements may be updated atomically.	
AtomicLongFieldUpdater <t></t>	A reflection-based utility that enables atomic updates to designated volatile long fields of designated classes.	
AtomicMarkableReference <v></v>	An AtomicMarkableReference maintains an object reference along with a mark bit, that can be updated atomically.	
AtomicReference <v></v>	An object reference that may be updated atomically.	
AtomicReferenceArray <e></e>	An array of object references in which elements may be updated atomically.	
AtomicReferenceFieldUpdater <t,v></t,v>	A reflection-based utility that enables atomic updates to designated volatile reference fields of designated classes.	
AtomicStampedReference <v></v>	An AtomicStampedReference maintains an object reference along with an integer "stamp", that can be updated atomically.	

A small toolkit of classes that support lock-free thread-safe programming on single variables.

AtomicInteger

java.lang.Object java.lang.Number java.util.concurrent.atomic.AtomicInteger

```
int
         addAndGet(int delta)
         compareAndSet(int expect, int update)
boolean
int
         decrementAndGet()
double
         doubleValue()
float
         floatValue()
         get()
int
int
         getAndAdd(int delta)
int
         getAndDecrement()
int
         getAndIncrement()
int
         getAndSet(int newValue)
int
         incrementAndGet()
int
         intValue()
void
         lazySet(int newValue)
long
         longValue()
void
         set(int newValue)
String
         toString()
         weakCompareAndSet(int expect, int update)
boolean
```

Exemplu

```
class Sequencer {
   private final AtomicLong sequenceNumber = new AtomicLong(0);
   public long next() {
      return sequenceNumber.getAndIncrement();
   }
}
```

Thread Signaling

• Permite transmiterea de semnale/mesaje de la unul thread la altul.

• Un thread poate astepta un semnal de la altul.

Signaling via Shared Objects

• Setarea unei variabile partajate- comunicare prin variabile partajate.

```
public class MySignal{
 protected boolean hasDataToProcess = false;
 public synchronized boolean hasDataToProcess(){
  return this.hasDataToProcess;
 public synchronized
    void setHasDataToProcess(boolean hasData){
  this.hasDataToProcess = hasData;
```

Busy Wait

- •Thread B asteapta ca data sa devina disponibila pentru a o procesa.
 - => asteapta un semnal de la threadul A
- => hasDataToProcess() to return true.
- Busy waiting NU implica o utilizare eficienta a CPU (cu exceptia situatiei in cate timpul mediu de asteptare este foarte mic).
- •este de dorit ca asteptarea sa fie inactiva (fara folosire procesor) –
- ceva similar ~~ sleep.
- poate sa produca blocaj!

```
protected MySignal sharedSignal = ...
...
while(!sharedSignal.hasDataToProcess()){
  //do nothing... busy waiting
}
```

Exemplificari

- wait()
- notify() // signal
- notifyAll() // signal_all

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Exemplul 1 -> Producator- Consumator / Buffer de dimensiune = 1

```
public class Producer extends Thread {
                                                   public class Consumer extends Thread {
                                                   ... ITER
... ITER
  private Location loc;
                                                     private Location loc;
  private int number; //id
                                                     private int number; //id
  public Producer(Location c, int number) {
                                                     public Consumer(Location c, int number) {
     loc = c:
                                                       loc = c;
    this.number = number;
                                                        this.number = number;
  public void run() {
                                                     public void run() {
    for (int i = 0; i < ITER; i++) {
                                                        int value = 0;
           loc.put(i);
                                                        for (int i = 0; i < ITER; i++) {
                                                          value = loc.get();
```

```
public class Location {
  private int contents;
                                 // shared data : didactic
  private boolean available = false:
/* Method used by the consumer to access the shared data */
  public synchronized int get() {
     while (available == false) {
       try {
                      // Consumer enters a wait state until notified by the Producer
         wait():
       } catch (InterruptedException e) { }
     available = false:
                      // Consumer notifies Producers that it can store new contents
     notifyAll();
     return contents:
/* Method used by the consumer to store the shared data */
  public synchronized void put (int value) {
     while (available == true) {
       try {
                      // Producer who wants to store contents enters
         wait():
                // a wait state until notified by the Consumer
       } catch (InterruptedException e) { }
     contents = value:
     available = true;
                      // Producer notifies Consumer to come out
     notifyAll();
                // of the wait state and consume the contents
```

Exemplul 2: BlockingQueue : buffer size >1

```
class BlockingQueue {
 int n = 0;
 Queue data = ...;
                                                       producer
 public synchronized Object remove() {
   // wait until there is something to read
   while (n==0)
           this.wait();
                                                                       Buffer of n slots
                                                                                              consumer
   n--;
   // return data element from queue
  public synchronized void write(Object o) {
   n++;
   // add data to queue (considere that there is unlimited space)
    notifyAll();
```

Missed Signals- Starvation

- Apelurile metodelor notify() si notifyAll() nu se salveaza in cazul in care
 nici un thread nu asteapta atunci cand sunt apelate.
- Astfel semnalul notify se poate pierde.
- Acest lucru poate conduce la situatii in care un thread asteapta nedefinit, pentru ca mesajul corespunzator de notificare s-a pierdut anterior.

• Propunere:

- Evitarea problemei

 prin salvarea
 semnalelor in
 interiorul clasei
 care le trimite.
- =>analiza!

```
public class MyWaitNotify2{
 MonitorObject myMonitorObject = new MonitorObject();
 boolean wasSignalled = false;
 public void doWait(){
  synchronized(myMonitorObject){
   if(!wasSignalled){
    try{
     myMonitorObject.wait();
    } catch(InterruptedException e){...}
   //clear signal and continue running.
   wasSignalled = false;
 public void doNotify(){
  synchronized(myMonitorObject){
   wasSignalled = true;
   myMonitorObject.notify();
```

Lock

Oracle docs:

public interface Lock

- Lock implementations provide more extensive locking operations than can be obtained using synchronized methods and statements.
- They allow more flexible structuring, may have quite different properties, and may support multiple associated Condition objects.

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
void	lock()Acquires the lock.
void	lockInterruptibly()Acquires the lock unless the current thread is interrupted.
Condition	newCondition()Returns a new Condition instance that is bound to this Lock instance.
boolean	tryLock()Acquires the lock only if it is free at the time of invocation.
boolean	<u>tryLock</u> (long time, <u>TimeUnit</u> unit)Acquires the lock if it is free within the given waiting time and the current thread has not been <u>interrupted</u> .
void	unlock()Releases the lock.

Lock (java.util.concurrent.locks.Lock)

```
public class Counter{
 private int count = 0;
 public int inc(){
  synchronized(this){
    return ++count;
```

```
public class Counter{
 private
Lock lock = new ReentrantLock();
 private int count = 0;
 public int inc(){
  lock.lock();
    try{
         int newCount = ++count; }
     finally{
  lock.unlock(); }
  return newCount;
```

Metode ale interfetei Lock

```
lock()
lockInterruptibly()
tryLock()
tryLock(long timeout, TimeUnit timeUnit)
unlock()
```

The lockInterruptibly() method locks the Lock unless the thread calling the method has been interrupted. Additionally, if a thread is blocked waiting to lock the Lock via this method, and it is interrupted, it exits this method calls.

Diferente Lock vs synchronized

- Nu se poate trimite un parametru la intrarea intr-un bloc synchronized => nu se poate preciza o valoare timp corespunzatoare unui interval maxim de asteptare-> timeout.
- Un bloc synchronized trebuie sa fie complet continut in interiorul unei metode
 - lock() si unlock() pot fi apelate in metode separate.

Lock Reentrance

- Blocurile sincronizate in Java au proprietatea de a permite 'reintrarea' (reentrant Lock).
- Daca un thread intra intr-un bloc sincronizat si blocheaza astfel monitorul obiectului corespunzator, atunci threadul poate intra in alt cod sincronizat prin monitorul aceluiasi obiect.

```
public class Reentrant{
  public synchronized outer(){
    inner();
  }
  public synchronized inner(){
    //do something
  }
}
```

Conditions in Java

- java.util.concurrent.locks
- Interface Condition
- Avantaj fata de "wait-notify" din monitorul definit pentru Object
- Imparte metodele (wait, notify, notifyAll) in obiecte distincte pentru diferite conditii
 - permite mai multe wait-sets per object.

Exemplu – Prod-Cons FIFO Buffer

```
class BoundedBuffer {
  static final MAX = 100:
 final Lock lock = new ReentrantLock();
 final Condition notFull = lock.newCondition();
 final Condition notEmpty = lock.newCondition();
 final Object[] items = new Object[MAX];
 int putptr, takeptr, count;
 public void put(Object x) throws InterruptedException
   lock.lock();
   try {
    while (count == items.length)
                   notFull.await();
    items[putptr] = x;
    if (++putptr == items.length) putptr = 0;
    ++count;
    notEmpty.signal();
   } finally {
    lock.unlock();
```

```
public Object take() throws InterruptedException {
    lock.lock();
    try {
        while (count == 0)
            notEmpty.await();
        Object x = items[takeptr];
        if (++takeptr == items.length) takeptr = 0;
        --count;
        notFull.signal();
        return x;
    } finally {
        lock.unlock();
    }
}
```

Semaphore

(java.util.concurrent.Semaphore)

Semafor binar (=> excludere mutuala)

```
Semaphore semaphore = new Semaphore(1);
//critical section
semaphore.acquire();
...
semaphore.release();
```

• Fair/Strong Semaphore

Semaphore semaphore = new Semaphore(1, true);

ReadWriteLock

- Read Access -> daca nici un thread nu scrie si nici nu cere acces pt scriere.
- Write Access -> daca nici un thread nici nu scrie nici nu citeste.

public interface ReadWriteLock

- A ReadWriteLock maintains a pair of associated locks, one for read-only operations and one for writing.
- The read lock may be held simultaneously by multiple reader threads, so long as there are no writers.
- The write lock is exclusive.