

## Experiment No.12

<b>Title:</b> Implementing the concept of Multithreading using Runnable interface
<b>Aim:</b> To study what is multithreading and how to handle multiple tasks simultaneously.

### Theory:

#### Implementing java.lang.Runnable :

Implementing the Runnable interface gives you a way to extend from any class you like, but still define behavior that will be run by a separate thread. It looks like this:

class MyRunnable implements Runnable

```
{
    public void run()
    {
        System.out.println("Important job running in MyRunnable");
    }
}
```

Regardless of which mechanism you choose, you've now got yourself some code that can be run by a thread of execution. So now let's take a look at *instantiating* your thread-capable class, and then we'll figure out how to actually get the thing *running*.

However if you need to inherit from another class as well, you can **implement** a Runnable interface instead and write the required **run()** method.

Thread object methods are used on instantiated thread objects to control the thread appropriately. These methods include **currentThread()**, **getName()**, **getPriority()**, **sAlive()**, **join()**, **run()**, **setName(string)**, **setPriority(int)**, **sleep(longInt)** and **start()**.

### Synchronization

Thread synchronization is required when two or more threads need to share a resource. A **monitor** (aka semaphore) is an object that provides a mutually exclusive lock (mutex). Java provides the **synchronized** keyword as the key that locks/unlocks an object. It can be used as a class or method modifier or as a statement (very localized). Any long running method should not be synchronized as it would become a traffic bottleneck. To guarantee that a variable is threadsafe (ie. not shared between threads) it can be marked as **volatile**.

**Statement:** Create Stop Watch with Swing GUI and Multithreading.

**Program:**

```
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import java.text.DecimalFormat;
import java.text.NumberFormat;

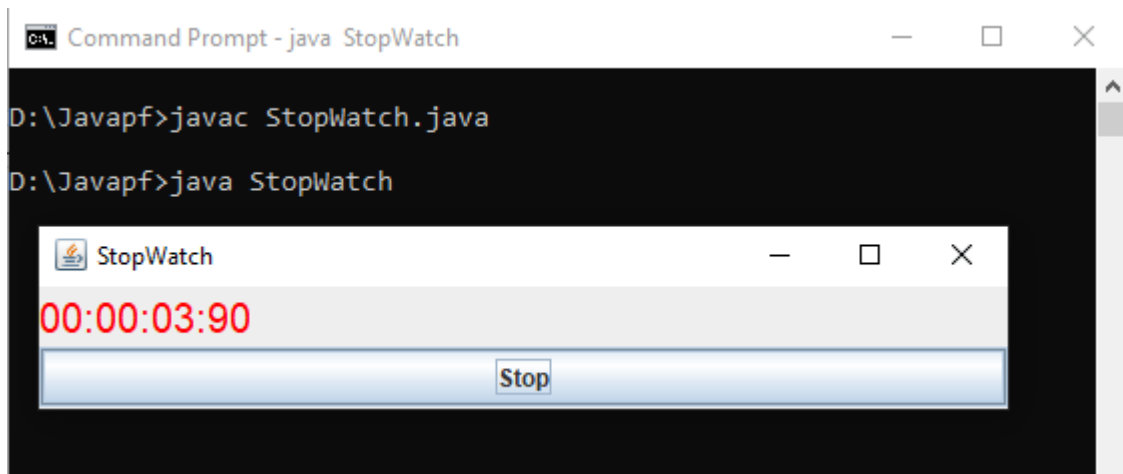
public class Stopwatch extends JFrame implements ActionListener,Runnable
{
    JLabel disp; JButton btn; boolean stop=false; int i,j,k,l;
    public Stopwatch()
    {
        disp=new JLabel();
        btn=new JButton("Start");
        disp.setFont(new Font("Helvetica",Font.PLAIN,20));
        disp.setBackground(Color.cyan);
        disp.setForeground(Color.red);
        Container c=getContentPane();
        c.setLayout(new GridLayout(2,1));
        c.add(disp);
        c.add(btn);
        btn.addActionListener(this);
    }
    public void run()
    {
        for(i=0;;i++)
        {
            for(j=0;j< 60;j++)
            {
                for(k=0;k< 60;k++)
                {
                    for(l=0;l< 100;l++)
                    {
                        if(stop)
                        {
                            break;
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
NumberFormat nf = new DecimalFormat("00");
disp.setText(nf.format(i)+":"+nf.format(j)+":"+nf.format(k)+":"+nf.format(l));
try
{
Thread.sleep(10);
}
catch(Exception e){ }
}
}
}
}
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent ae)
{
Thread t=new Thread(this);
if(ae.getActionCommand().equals("Start"))
{
t.start(); btn.setText("Stop");

}
else
{
stop=true;
}
}

public static void main(String[] args)
{
StopWatch s=new StopWatch();
s.setSize(500,100);
s.setVisible(true);
s.setTitle("StopWatch");
s.setDefaultCloseOperation(EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
}
}
```

## Output:-



The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Command Prompt - java Stopwatch" with the following commands and output:

```
D:\Javapf>javac Stopwatch.java
D:\Javapf>java Stopwatch
```

Below the command prompt, a separate window titled "StopWatch" is displayed. It features a red digital timer showing "00:00:03:90" and a blue "Stop" button.

**Conclusion:** Thus we implementing the concept of Multithreading using Runnable interface.