

6. How does Java handle XML data using DOM SAX parsers? Compare both approaches with respect to memory usage, processing speed, and use cases. Provide a scenario when SAX would be preferred for DOM.

Answer:

Java Handles XML data using DOM and SAX parsers.

Java provide two main APIs to process XML data: DOM (Document object model) and SAX (Simple API for XML)

1. DOM parser

How it works:

- i) The DOM parser reads the entire XML document and loads it in memory.
- ii) It represent XML as tree structure
- iii) The program can access, modify or traverse any node at any time.

key characteristics:

- i) Entire XML is stored in memory
- ii) Support random access
- iii) Allow modification of XML

Best suited for:

- i) small to medium-sized XML files
- ii) Application that need to update or traverse XML multiple times.

2. SAX parser

How it work

i) The SAX parser read the XML document sequentially.

ii) It is event-driven, triggering events like startElement, character, and endElement.

iii) It does not store the XML in memory.

key characteristics:

- i) Reads XML as a stream
- ii) Low memory usage.
- iii) Read-only processing

Best suited for:

- i) Very large XML file
- ii) Fast processing when only specific data is needed

3. Comparison: DOM vs SAX

| Feature | DOM parser | SAX parser |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| memory usage | High | Low |
| processing Speed | Slower | Faster |
| Access Type | Random access | Sequential Access |
| XML modification | Possible | not possible |
| Ease of use | Easier | more complex |
| suitable XML size | small/medium | Large |

4. Scenario where SAX is preferred over DOM

In banking or transaction processing system, a very large XML file containing daily transaction record must be processed, but only specific tag like <account Number> and <amount> are required.

7. How does the virtual DOM in React improve performance? Compare it with the traditional DOM and explain the different algorithm with a simple component update example.

Answer:

The virtual DOM is a lightweight JavaScript copy of real DOM. When state or props change, React updates the virtual DOM first, compares it with the previous version, and applies only the minimal required changes to the real DOM. This reduces expensive direct DOM manipulations.

Virtual DOM vs Traditional DOM:

| Aspect | Traditional DOM | Virtual DOM |
|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| updates | Direct, immediate | Batched, optimized |
| performance | Slower for frequent update | Faster |
| Re-rendering | Entire DOM may update | only change parts update. |

Diffing Algorithm:

React compares the old virtual DOM with the new one to find what changed. It then updates only those nodes in real DOM.

Example:

`<h1>{count}</h1>`

If count changes from 1 to 2, React detects that only the text value change and updates just that text node, not the whole page.

8. What is event delegation in JavaScript and how does it optimize performance? Explain with an example of a click event on dynamically added element:

Answer:

Event delegation is a technique where you attach one event listener to a parent element instead of adding separate listeners to each child element.

It works because of event bubbling, where events propagate from the target element up to its ancestors.

Improve performance.

- i) Fewer event listeners - less memory usage
- ii) Better performance for large or dynamic lists
- iii) Automatic work for dynamically added elements

html

```

<ul id="list">
  <li>Item 1</li>
</ul>

```

JavaScript

```
const list = document.getElementById("list");
```

```
list.addEventListener("click", function(e) {
```

```
  if (e.target.tagName === "LI") {
```

```
    console.log("Clicked", e.target.textContent);
```

```
  }
}
```

```
// Dynamically adding element
```

```
const newItem = document.createElement("li");
```

```
newItem.textContent = "Item 2";
```

```
list.appendChild(newItem);
```


9. Explain how Java Regular Expression can be used for input validation. write a regex pattern to validate an email address and describe how it work using pattern and matcher classes.

Answer:

Java Regular Expressions define a pattern that input data must follow. During input validation, the user input is matched against this pattern. If the input matches, it is considered valid, otherwise it is rejected. This is commonly used for validation email, phone number, passwords etc.

Email validation Regex Pattern

$^1[A-Za-z0-9+-.]+\@[A-Za-z0-9.]+\$$

Using pattern and Matcher classes.

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class EmailValidation {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        String email = "user@example.com";
```

```
        String regex = "^[A-Za-z0-9+-.]*@([A-Za-z0-9.-]+)$";
```

```
        Pattern pattern = Pattern.compile(regex);
```

```
        Matcher matcher = pattern.matcher(email);
```

```
        if (matcher.matches()) {
```

```
            System.out.println("valid email address");
```

```
        } else {
```

```
            System.out.println("Invalid email address");
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

How it work

- i) `pattern.compile()` converts the regex into a measurable pattern object.
- ii) `matcher()` applies the pattern to the input string
- iii) `matches()` checks whether the entire input matches the regex

Regex Explanation

- i) `^` → start of string
- ii) `[A-Za-z0-9+-.]` → valid username character
- iii) `@` → must contain @
- iv) `[A-Za-z0-9.-]` → domain name
- v) `$` → end of string

10. What are custom annotations in Java, and how can they be used to influence program behaviour at runtime using reflection? Design a simple custom annotation and show how it can be processed with annotation elements.

Answer:

Custom annotation in java:

i) User-defined metadata to add extra info to classes, methods, or fields.

ii) Can influence runtime behaviour using Reflection API

Code:

```
import java.lang.annotation.*;

@Retention(RetentionPolicy.RUNTIME)
@Target(ElementType.METHOD)
@interface MyAnnotation {
    String value();
}
```

```

class Demo {
    @MyAnnotation("Test")
    void show() { System.out.println("Hello"); }
}

public class Test {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws
    Exception {
        Method m = Demo.class.getMethod("show");
        if (m.isAnnotationPresent(MyAnnotation.class)) {
            System.out.println(m.getAnnotation(MyAnnotation.class).value());
        }
    }
}

```

1. @Retention(RUNTIME) → annotation available at runtime.
2. Reflection checks annotated methods read values.
3. Program behaviour can change based on annotation.

11. Discuss the Singleton design pattern in Java. What problem does it solve, and how does it ensure only one instance of a class is created. Extend your answer to explain how thread safety can be achieved in a Singleton implementation.

Answer:

Singleton Design Pattern

Ensure only one instance of a class exists and provides a global access point.

problem solved: prevents multiple instances for resource like DB connections, logging, config, manager.

How it work

- 1) private constructor - prevent external instantiation
- 2) static method (getInstance) - create instance once and return it

```

class Singleton {
    private static Singleton instance;
    private Singleton() {}
    public static Singleton getInstance() {
        if (instance == null) instance = new Singleton();
        return instance;
    }
}

```

Thread safety

1. Synchronized method: ensures only one thread creates instance
2. Double-checked locking: reduces synchronization overhead.
3. Static inner class: JVM ensures thread-safe lazy initialization

```

class Singleton {
    private Singleton() {}
    private static class Holder { static final
        Singleton Instance = new Singleton(); }

```

```

    public static Singleton getInstance() {
        return Holder.Instance;
    }

```

```

}

```

```

if (instance == null) {
    instance = new Singleton();
}

```

```

return instance;
}

```

12. Describe how JDBC manages communication between a Java application and a relational database. Outline the steps involved in executing a SELECT query and fetching results. Include error handling with try-catch and finally blocks.

Answer:

JDBC (java database connectivity) is a standard Java API that enables a Java Application to communicate with relational databases such as MySQL, Oracle, PostgreSQL etc. JDBC acts as a bridge between the java program and the database by using database-specific drivers.

JDBC follows a layered architecture:

1. Java Application
sends SQL commands using JDBC API
2. JDBC API
provides interfaces like Connection, Statement, ResultSet
3. JDBC driver
converts Java JDBC calls into database-specific protocol
4. Relational Database
Executes SQL queries and return results

Steps to Execute a SELECT Query Using JDBC

Step 1: Load and Register the JDBC Driver.

- 1) Loads the database driver into memory
- 2) Enables Java to communicate with database

Step 2: Establish a Database Connection

- 1) Uses DriverManager to connect to the database.

Step 3: Create a Statement Object

- 1) Used to send SQL queries to the database

Step 4: Execute the SELECT Query

- 1) Execute the query and returns a ResultSet object.

Step 5: Fetch Data from ResultSet

- 1) Reads record row by row

Step 6: Close Resources

- 1) Prevents memory leaks and resource exhaustion.

JDBC SELECT Query Example with Error Handling

```
import java.sql.*;
```

```
public class JDBCSelectExample {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        Connection con = null;
```

```
        Statement stmt = null;
```

```
        ResultSet rs = null;
```

```
    try {
```

```
        // Step 1: Load JDBC driver
```

```
        Class.forName("com.mysql.cj.jdbc.Driver");
```

```
        // Step 2: Establish connection
```

```
        con = DriverManager.getConnection(
```

```
            "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/studentdb",
```

```
            "root"
```

```
            "mimi@170@M"
```

```
        );
```

```
        // Step 3: create statement
```

```
        stmt = con.createStatement();
```

// step 4: Execute SELECT query

String query = "SELECT id, name, cgpa FROM students";

rs = stmt.executeQuery(query);

// step 5: Fetch results

while (rs.next()) {

int id = rs.getInt("id");

String name = rs.getString("Name");

double cgpa = rs.getDouble("cgpa");

System.out.println(id + " " + name + " " + cgpa);

} catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {

System.out.println("JDBC Driver not found.");

e.printStackTrace();

} finally {

// step 6: close resource

try {

if (rs != null) rs.close();

if (stmt != null) stmt.close();

if (con != null) con.close();

} catch (SQLException e) {

e.printStackTrace();

}

}

}

}

Role of try-catch-finally in JDBC

try block

- i) contains JDBC operations that may cause exceptions
- ii) Ensure controlled execution

catch block

Handle:

- i) class NotFoundException
- ii) SQLException

finally block

- i) Execute regardless of success or failure
- ii) Ensure all database resources are properly closed

Advantage of Using JDBC

1. Platform independent
2. Support multiple database
3. Secure and reliable data access
4. Standard API for database operations