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📘 **Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass [Hands-On]**

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I'm ready when you are. ✅
📩 Please go ahead and share the **first transcript** from the course. Let's begin!

Lecture Transcript : Introduction

"Hey guys, thank you so much for your interest in this course.

This course is particularly for students who are familiar with Java and would like to know more about

virtual threads.

Why you might want to learn virtual threads.

If you are a Java developer, you know that every single statement we write is executed by a thread.

Thread is the unit of scheduling or unit of concurrency.

We developers traditionally used multiple threads to handle concurrent requests.

For example, spring boot web with the Tomcat.

It comes with a default 200 threads to handle up to 200 concurrent requests, right?

So each and every request will be assigned to a thread to process the request.

If you imagine each request processing is going to take one second, then our application is capable

of processing 200 requests in a second.

So this is the application throughput.

So our application throughput depends on the number of threads we have in the application.

If we have to increase the application throughput then we should increase the number of threads right.

Unfortunately, we cannot increase the number of threads to INTEGER.MAX_VALUE because these are

OS threads.

OS threads are expensive.

OS will also restrict us from creating too many threads.

We can see that later in a demo.

Java virtual threads are lightweight and these are not threads, so we can create lots and lots of them

to make our application more scalable.

We can still write code in the traditional style which is thread per request style, even though we can create

lots of virtual threads.

Remember, there is a catch which we will learn that in depth in the very first section of the course.

So the ultimate goal of this course is to learn how we can develop scalable systems using the Java virtual threads.

This is the course syllabus.

In the very first section, we will deep dive into virtual threads, how it works behind the scenes,

when and where to use it, where not to use it, what is the limitation, etc.....

We will understand all the important concepts in the very first section.

Then we will see how we can do certain tasks more efficiently by using executor service plus virtual threads.

Then, if you are already using CompletableFuture, how we can make use of CompletableFuture with a virtual threads for asynchronous operation.

Sometimes people think that the completableFuture is reactive, but it's not.

This is for your information. Java is introducing a new API called Structured Concurrency.

It's still in preview.

We will quickly talk about this so that you will know in which direction the Java team is going.

Then, based on the knowledge, whatever we had gained so far, we will develop a simple application

using virtual threads plus spring boot web.

Then we will do a performance test using JMeter.

We will analyze the results to conclude if the virtual threads are really helping with application scalability or not.

This is a common question.

People who have not done reactive programming somehow come to a conclusion that with the introduction of Java virtual threads, reactive programming is dead.

So this is how they are saying if you ask me, I would say no.

It's not that. Reactive programming is based on few pillars while virtual threads and the new structured concurrency

do not solve everything.

I will add a separate lecture in the end of the course.

If you are interested, you can take a look at that."

Here is a **crystal-clear explanation** of the **Introduction** lecture from the course *Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass [Hands-On]*—aligned with your **Global Thumb Rules** ✅

🧭 Course Orientation: Introduction to Java Virtual Threads

🎯 Course Audience

👨‍💻 This course is designed for:

- Java developers who already understand core Java.
- Engineers looking to build **scalable concurrent systems** using **Java Virtual Threads**.

🧵 What are Threads in Java?

🔹 Traditional Threading Model

- A **thread** is the **unit of execution & scheduling** in Java.
- In traditional systems (like Spring Boot with Tomcat), **one request = one thread**.
- 🧮 For example, Tomcat uses **200 threads** by default → can handle **200 requests/second** if each takes 1s.

⚠️ The Bottleneck

- You might think: “Let's add more threads to scale!” BUT...
  - These are **OS-level threads**.
  - They are **heavyweight** 💸 — costly in memory and CPU.
  - There's a system limit to how many threads can be created (we’ll see this in the demo later).

🧵 Enter Java Virtual Threads

💡 Key Benefits

- Virtual Threads are:
  - **Lightweight** (unlike OS threads).
  - **Cheap to create in thousands or millions**.
- You can **still write thread-per-request style code**, but **scale it better**.

🧱 Behind the Scenes

- Though they look like traditional threads, there's a catch ⚠️
- You'll learn **internal working**, **limitations**, and **best practices** in Section 1.

🗂️ Course Syllabus Overview

1️⃣ Deep Dive into Virtual Threads

🔍 Explore:

- How they work
- Where to use or avoid them
- Limitations & gotchas
- Internal architecture

2️⃣ Executor Service + Virtual Threads

⚙️ Use the `ExecutorService` with virtual threads for improved **task management**.

3️⃣ CompletableFuture + Virtual Threads

🔄 Many assume `CompletableFuture` is "reactive"—❌ it's not.
📌 You'll learn:

- True asynchronous usage
- How to combine with virtual threads
- Practical scenarios

4️⃣ Structured Concurrency (Java Preview Feature)

🧩 Java is introducing **Structured Concurrency**:

- Still in **preview** stage
- Designed to simplify managing lifecycles of multiple tasks
- Gives a glimpse into the **future of Java concurrency**

5️⃣ Hands-On App with Spring Boot + Virtual Threads

🛠️ Build a **real Spring Boot application** using:

- Virtual threads

- Thread-per-request model

6️⃣ Performance Testing with JMeter

📊 Run tests using **Apache JMeter**:

- Measure throughput
- Compare with traditional threading
- Validate if **virtual threads enhance scalability**

🚫 "Is Reactive Programming Dead?" — Common Misconception

❓ Some believe Java Virtual Threads make **Reactive Programming obsolete**.

Course Instructor's Opinion:

- **NO**, that's a myth.
- Reactive programming is based on **specific principles** (e.g., backpressure, streams).
- Virtual Threads + Structured Concurrency ≠ full Reactive paradigm.

📌 There will be a **separate optional lecture** at the end to explore this in depth.

🎯 Ultimate Goal of the Course

> 💪 Learn to **develop scalable concurrent systems** in Java using **Virtual Threads**, understand when to use them, how to apply them with modern APIs, and how they compare to existing paradigms like Reactive Programming.

✅ Summary

📌 Focus Area	🔍 Details
🎯 Target Audience	Java devs familiar with threading
💥 Problem	OS threads are costly, limited
🌱 Solution	Virtual Threads – lightweight, scalable
📚 Coverage	Virtual Threads, Executors, CompletableFuture, Structured Concurrency, Spring Boot, JMeter
🔪 Hands-On	Yes – Spring Boot app & performance test
💡 Bonus	Myths around Reactive Programming clarified

✅ Ready for the next transcript whenever you are. Just drop it in!

Well with that being said , let's move to Section 2 : Deep Dive into Virtual Threads.
Will share lecture transcripts one by one. Pls wait

Perfect! 🧠
I'm all set to dive into **Section 2: Deep Dive into Virtual Threads** with the same level of clarity, structure, and no-skipping policy as per your **Global Thumb Rules**. ✅

📥 Please share the **first transcript** of this section whenever you're ready. I'll wait patiently.

Lecture transcript : 2. Introduction

"Hey guys, in this section, let's deep dive into virtual threads.

Please do note that the first couple of lectures could be boring and basic.

I need to start from this because we need to understand how OS works in a high level.

This is very important to understand the behavior of virtual threads, so please be patient.

Let's imagine you have developed a simple Java application and packaged it as a Jar file.

The jar will be on the disk somewhere.

Your program is nothing but a set of instructions to execute right. now when I say "java -jar myapp.jar"

When I enter this command, it will be loaded into the memory there you create a process.

So a process is an instance of computer program which has its own isolated memory space.

It will include code, data, other resources allocated by OS like memory, socket, etcetera.

By the way, I took this image from Wikipedia.

I thought it was very neat.

The process is heavyweight.

It lives in the RAM.

Just because it is in the RAM, it does not mean that it's executing.

CPU is the component which will be executing the instructions.

So a process is an instance of computer program.

It includes your code, other resources allocated by the OS like memory , socket , etc...

Process is heavyweight.

It's expensive to create and destroy a process.
Lightweight and heavyweight is a relative term and let's come back to that later.

Now let's discuss what thread is.

Thread is part of a process.

A process will contain at least one thread.

It can have more threads as well.

If you see this as a process, it has three threads.

OS has allocated some memory to this process.

These threads can share the memory.

So we have to see process as a unit of resources and thread is a unit of execution.

For example, if you go and check your activity monitor in my machine, it says that the ViisualVM has 51 threads , Sublime Text has 19 threads , Chrome has 42 threads , etc...

So you can see how many threads are there in each and every process in your machine if you want.

Let's consider this.This is a process.

And here we have three threads.

And this is a CPU or processor.

Your OS has something called a scheduler.

What it will do is that it will assign the thread to the CPU for execution.

The scheduler will determine how long the thread can execute.

If you imagine only one processor, the scheduler will say hey thread, you go and execute for some

time.

Then it will switch to this yellow thread for the execution.

So when you have only one processor, and when you have multiple threads, it will

switch among multiple threads.

If you have two processors, then it will try to assign one thread to each processor like this .CPU processor will be used often interchangeably.

The modern CPU comes with a multiple cores.

In this case, each core can be seen as a different processor.

But let's keep things in a high level so that we are all on the same page.

Now, at this point, I hope we understand how the process , thread, Ram, CPU, scheduler, they are all connected.

We see a full picture, right?

Also, when we have a single processor like this, and when you have multiple programs running like your Chrome, IntelliJ Idea and your Java application, when they are all up and running, when you

have multiple processors like this , each and every process will have

threads.

So all these threads will be competing for the CPU.

So your OS scheduler will keep switching among threads for the execution.

We call that context switch.

So when it switches from one thread to another, thread the execution point of the current thread has to be stored so that it can be resumed later from the point where it was stopped.

Whatever we have discussed so far, it's nothing specific to Java.

All the processors work like that.

We call these threads as kernel threads or OS threads.

This is how things are getting executed behind the scenes.

The original Java thread was introduced 25 years ago.

The Java thread is simply a wrapper around the OS thread, so one Java thread is one OS thread.

why the Java thread has to be a wrapper around the OS thread? because remember it is the unit of scheduling.

That is what gets executed by the processor. Only via OS thread you can schedule something to execute.

This is how our code will be in a high level.

```
void method1() {
     int a=5;
    method2();
    ........
    ........
}

void method2() {
     int a=3;
    method3();
    ........
    ........
}

void method3() {
    ........
    ........
}
```

So we have method one.

Method one calls, method two, method two, calls method three, and so on.

When a Java thread executing these methods, the OS scheduler will keep switching threads.

So OS has to store the methods local variables and these function call information , etc.. somewhere.

We call that stack memory.

So we have heap and stack.

Heap memory is where we store objects.

We dynamically create like ArrayList, HashMap whatever you create.

Whereas the stack memory will contain the local variables, object references and the function call

information, etc....

Each and every thread will have its own stack memory like this.

This size of the stack memory is determined when the process starts or a thread is created.

It has to be given upfront the size.

It cannot be modified once the thread is created.

By default, Java will assign one MB for every single thread.

It might vary depending on the CPU architecture and the OS.

For example, if you see the Mac OS here, in this case it will be two MB.

Whether the thread is doing any work or not.

We have to set aside some memory for every thread.

Everything sounds good so far.

So where is the problem?

I'll come to that now.

In the microservices architecture we have tons of network calls.

For example, if we have to place one order, the order service might have to call the user service , the payment service , the shipping service and the shipping service behind the scenes might call another third party API.

And each and every microservice might have their own databases.

So it's another network call.

So as you see we have tons of network calls.

So a thread which is doing the request processing in the order service Is often times is blocked because of the various network calls.

So if it calls the user service till the response comes back, it will have to sit idle.

The problem what we are trying to solve here is we create an expensive thread, but we are keeping it idle so far in Java, right?

So this is the problem we are trying to solve with virtual threads.

But the virtual threads are not OS threads, so how can we get them executed?

We will be discussing all the internals, how it works behind the scenes , etc.... in this entire section."

Absolutely! Below is the **crystal-clear explanation** of the **"Section 2. Introduction"** lecture from the *Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass*—strictly following your **Global Thumb Rules** ✅

🧵 Deep Dive into Virtual Threads

🎬 Lecture 2: Introduction — Foundational Systems Behind Virtual Threads

🎯 Objective of This Lecture

Build a **foundational understanding** of how:

- Java applications execute on OS-level processes and threads,
- CPU + RAM + Stack Memory interact with threads,
- Why traditional threads are expensive,
- And what real-world problems virtual threads aim to solve.

📌 **Note from Instructor**: First few lectures might feel basic but are **critical** for grasping how **virtual threads solve real-world limitations**.

🧠 OS-Level Building Blocks Before We Understand Virtual Threads

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💾 1. What Happens When You Run a Java App?

```
bash

java -jar myapp.jar
```

🔸 **Breakdown:**

- The `.jar` file (Java app) resides on **disk**.
- When you run it, it gets **loaded into memory (RAM)**.
- An **OS-level process** is created.

🧱 **Process Characteristics:**

- Has its **own isolated memory space**.
- Includes: Code, Data, Sockets, Memory allocations, etc.
- 📍 **Heavyweight** ➤ Costly to create and destroy.

🔄 2. What Is a Thread?

🔸 **Definition:**

- A **thread is a sub-unit** of a process.
- 🧵 **Thread = unit of execution**
- 🧱 **Process = unit of resource allocation**

🧠 **Example:**

- A process may have multiple threads.
- Threads within the same process **share memory**.
- Seen in tools like:
    - `Activity Monitor` / `Task Manager` → Shows # of threads per app
        - e.g., Chrome: 42 threads, Sublime Text: 19, VisualVM: 51

🖥️ 3. Role of CPU and Scheduler

🔹 **CPU Scheduler**

- The **OS Scheduler** assigns which thread gets **CPU time**.
- If only 1 CPU core:
    - Threads take turns – **time-slicing**.
- If multiple cores:
    - Each core can handle one thread in parallel.

🌀 **Concept: Context Switching**

- When switching threads, the CPU stores the current thread's state:
    - Instruction pointer
    - Local variables
    - Function call stack
- This saved state allows the thread to resume later → This **switching cost** is not trivial!

🧬 The Legacy of Java Threads

🧵 4. Traditional Java Threads

- Java threads are just **wrappers over OS threads**.
- 🧠 **1 Java Thread = 1 OS Thread**

⚙️ **Why?**

- Only OS threads can be scheduled on a CPU.
- Java uses them for executing instructions.

📚 5. Java Method Execution: A Stack-Based Model

```
java

void method1() {
    int a = 5;
```

```
    method2();
}

void method2() {
    int a = 3;
    method3();
}

void method3() {
    // logic
}
```

🔸 **Each Method Call:**

- Adds a **stack frame** to the thread's **stack memory**.
- Stores:
  - Local variables
  - Object references
  - Return addresses

📦 **Stack Memory (Per Thread)**:

- Allocated when thread is created.
- **Fixed size**, e.g.:
  - Java default = **1MB**
  - macOS = **2MB**
- ❗ Even **idle threads consume memory** due to stack allocation.

📌 **Heap vs Stack**

Memory Type	Usage
🧠 Stack	Method calls, local variables
🗃️ Heap	Objects created dynamically (**`new`** keyword)

🧩 The Real Problem in Modern Systems

🌐 6. Microservices + Network Calls = Wasted Threads

🔄 **Real-World Flow:**

- 🛒 **`OrderService`** → **`UserService`**, **`PaymentService`**, **`ShippingService`**
- 🧠 Each call may trigger:
  - Another microservice
  - A DB query
  - A third-party API

❌ **Problem:**

- The thread handling the request is **blocked** waiting for responses.
- Even while **idle**, the thread:
  - Holds on to its **stack memory**
  - Occupies **resources**

🧨 Hence, we're:

- Creating **expensive OS threads**
- Just to keep them **waiting** on I/O

💡 Virtual Threads: The Solution Preview

🚀 Virtual Threads to the Rescue

- They **don't rely on OS threads directly**.
- They **decouple execution from scheduling**.
- That's why we can create **thousands to millions** of virtual threads without hitting OS limits.

🔪 You'll learn:

- How virtual threads actually **run without being OS threads**
- What makes them **lightweight**
- Their **internal architecture** and **scheduling tricks**

✅ Summary Table

🧩 Concept	🧠 Key Insight
Process	Heavyweight unit with isolated memory
Thread	Execution unit inside a process
OS Scheduler	Allocates CPU to threads via time slices
Stack Memory	Fixed per thread, stores local data
Context Switching	Costly CPU operation when switching threads
Traditional Java Threads	One-to-one with OS threads
Memory Cost	Idle threads still consume memory (stack)
Microservices Architecture	Heavy use of I/O & network calls blocks threads
Virtual Threads (Preview)	Lightweight, not OS-thread bound

🚦 Next Up

We'll **start unboxing virtual threads** in-depth:

- Their **execution model**
- How they manage **stack memory**
- How they allow **high concurrency without blocking the CPU**

📥 Ready for the next lecture? Just drop it in, and we'll continue our deep dive 🚀

Lecture Transcript : 4. Project Setup

"Hey guys, in this lecture we are going to set up a project to play with virtual threads.

I will be using IntelliJ.

You can use your favorite editor.

I just named this project as "virtual-thread-playground".

When I create a project as playground, as the name says, it's a simple project just for learning purposes.

We will not develop production grade application here.

We will use spring later to develop an application, but before that we have to understand virtual threads

very well, right?

So that is why we create this project.

Okay.

So the language is Java and I use Maven.

If you are a gradle person, then select Gradle.

I have set GroupID as "com.vinsguru" and the Artifact ID as "virtual-thread-playground"

Okay then the JDK we need a Java 21 of course.

So either you can download and set it up yourself, or if you are using IntelliJ, IntelliJ gives me

an option add SDK, download JDK.

If you click on this.

So here you can select the version you like.

So in this case it's 21.

And based on your CPU architecture.

And if you select the vendor then IntelliJ will automatically download and set up for you okay.

So in this case I have already done.

So I'm going to select 21 okay.

So then let's create the project I created my project I would have already shared some dependencies.

I want you to copy and paste here.

I just remove the properties and replace the content like this.

```
<properties>
        <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
        <logback.version>1.5.12</logback.version>
    </properties>

    <dependencies>
        <dependency>
            <groupId>ch.qos.logback</groupId>
            <artifactId>logback-classic</artifactId>
            <version>${logback.version}</version>
        </dependency>
    </dependencies>
    <build>
        <plugins>
            <plugin>
                <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
                <artifactId>maven-compiler-plugin</artifactId>
                <configuration>
                    <source>21</source>
                    <target>21</target>
                    <compilerArgs>--enable-preview</compilerArgs>
                </configuration>
            </plugin>
        </plugins>
    </build>
```

So I just added logback nothing much.

We can also use System.out.print line, but Logback is better for formatting and to see the time of the statement execution ettc...

If you do not like it, you do not have to use it.

Whenever you update the pom.xml file, please do not forget to reload the Maven changes or if it's not

appearing, just right click on the Pom.xml go to Maven Reload project.

Okay.

I have also added this enable preview for a reason (<compilerArgs>)

I will explain that later when the time comes.

So let's not worry about all these things now."

Here's the **crystal-clear breakdown** of the lecture **"4. Project Setup"** from *Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass*, aligned with your **Global Thumb Rules** ✅

🛠️ Setting Up the Playground Project for Virtual Threads

🎯 Objective of This Lecture

To help you **quickly scaffold a Java project** using **IntelliJ** (or any IDE) with **Java 21** and minimal setup so we can start experimenting with **virtual threads**—*without the noise of a full-blown Spring app*.

🗂️ Project Details

Setting	Value
Project Name	`virtual-thread-playground`
Purpose	Learning & experimentation only (🔪 **not** production-grade)
Build Tool	Maven (Gradle optional for those who prefer it)
Language	Java
Java Version	**Java 21** (required for Virtual Threads)
Group ID	`com.vinsguru`
Artifact ID	`virtual-thread-playground`

🧰 JDK Setup

🧠 Java 21 is Mandatory

- **Virtual Threads** are part of **Project Loom**, introduced as a preview in Java 19+ and matured in **Java 21**.
- So, Java 21 is the **minimum requirement**.

💡 IntelliJ JDK Setup (Steps)

1. **Open IntelliJ** → Create New Project
2. Click **"Add SDK"** → **"Download JDK"**

3. Choose:
    - Version: **21**
    - Vendor: Match your OS/CPU architecture (e.g., Oracle, Temurin, etc.)
4. IntelliJ downloads & sets it up automatically.
5. Select this JDK for your project.

📃 Minimal `pom.xml` Configuration

🔧 Replace default content with the following setup:

```xml
xml


<properties>
    <project.build.sourceEncoding>UTF-8</project.build.sourceEncoding>
    <logback.version>1.5.12</logback.version>
</properties>

<dependencies>
    <dependency>
        <groupId>ch.qos.logback</groupId>
        <artifactId>logback-classic</artifactId>
        <version>${logback.version}</version>
    </dependency>
</dependencies>

<build>
    <plugins>
        <plugin>
            <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
            <artifactId>maven-compiler-plugin</artifactId>
            <configuration>
                <source>21</source>
                <target>21</target>
                <compilerArgs>--enable-preview</compilerArgs>
            </configuration>
        </plugin>
    </plugins>
</build>
```

🧩 Why These Specific Configurations?

🖨️ Logback

- ✅ Added **`logback-classic`** dependency
- 🎯 For **better logging experience**:
    - Timestamps
    - Log levels
    - Consistent formatting
- ⛔ Optional: If you prefer **`System.out.println()`**, you can skip it.

⚠️ **`<compilerArgs>--enable-preview</compilerArgs>`**

> 🔒 Virtual Threads are still part of **Java Preview Features**, even in Java 21.

- This argument enables experimental features like `Thread.ofVirtual().start(...)`.
- Instructor promises a **deeper explanation later**, so just include it for now.

🔄 Maven Reload Tip

After editing your `pom.xml`:

- ✅ Either: Click **"Reload Maven"** on the top right
- ✅ Or: Right-click `pom.xml` → **Maven** → **Reload Project**

⛔ If you forget this step, your dependencies/plugins might not get resolved.

✅ Summary

🧩 Setup Step	🧠 Key Takeaway
IDE	IntelliJ recommended, but optional
Java Version	Java 21 is **mandatory**
Build Tool	Maven (or Gradle if preferred)
Dependencies	Only Logback for better logging
Plugins	Maven Compiler Plugin with `--enable-preview`
Purpose	Quick testing environment, not production

🔜 What's Coming Next?

> With this playground set up, we'll begin:

- Hands-on experiments with **creating virtual threads**
- Testing how they **compare with traditional threads**
- Observing **stack memory usage**, **task scheduling**, and **performance behaviors**

📥 Ready for the next lecture? Share the transcript whenever you're ready, and I'll continue the breakdown!

> Lecture Transcript : 5. Platform Thread Creation Limit - Demo
>
> "Hey guys, we have set up a project.
>
> Let's do some coding now.

I always assume that people who enroll the course will also be doing the coding along with me.

I assume you do not simply sit and watch as you would normally watch a movie.

In that case, it would be very boring and slow.

So please do not complain.

Okay, so what is our goal?

We had discussed already that in the microservice architecture we have a lot of network calls.

Often times thread will be blocked if we try to increase the number of threads.

We have to allocate stack size for the thread.

It's expensive.

This is what we discussed.

We are going to test that if it's really expensive to create threads.

This is what we are going to do.

Once we know the problem then we can understand the solution better actually.

Okay.

Initially Java had one thread, so there was no confusion since Java has introduced virtual threads.

Now to avoid confusion, we are going to call the original thread as platform thread because it basically

represents the underlying platform thread.

To simulate the slow network calls, we would be using Thread.sleep in the first few sections.

Please do not get irritated.

Some students will be like we want to see real life example, but you are always using Thread.sleep.

You will be going into that mode.

No worries.

We will be developing an application later using Spring Boot web module.

But in the beginning, in order to understand the problem and to discuss the issues, it's always easy to use thread dot sleep so that we can quickly do the demo and discuss the problem.

That's why I'm doing it this way.

Let's come back to our project IDE.

So here under "com.vins.guru", I'm going to create a new package called "sec01"

We will be having a lot of demos.

So I will be creating packages like "sec01", "sec02", etc....

Also whatever I'm doing here, right.

Everything I will be pushing into the GitHub.

By the time you watch the lecture, everything will be available there.

So you can also always go and check if you have any questions.

Okay.

So under this first I'm going to create a class called "Task.java"

So this is where I'm going to create a method to simulate the slow network call.

Let's add the logger.

Okay, for those who are worried that it should be uppercase, please It's not like that.

Please check the Google Java style guide.

It's only for the primitive constants or immutable objects, not for everything.

So for logger it will be lowercase.

It's a mutable thing.

Okay, so this is how I'm going to keep.

But if you do not like this please change that to uppercase okay.

So now here I'm going to create one simple method with a parameter of type integer

The name doesn't really matter.

Keep whatever you like.

So here I'm going to sleep thread sleep now if you see it accepts the duration.

Initially it used to accept only the long milliseconds.

Now as part of Java 21 you will be seeing all these things.

Actually they introduced as part of Java 19.

But when people will upgrade from LTS version right 17 to 21, something like that.

So as part of the upgrade you might be seeing all these things.

Okay.

So duration of seconds like 10s something like that.

Let's keep it like this.

So let's add the try catch.

So before sleeping I'm going to add some log information.

Very simple right.

Then I'm going to create another class called "InboundOutboundTaskDemo.java".

Something like that.

Okay.

So here I'm going to create the public static void main.

We'll come back to this method later.

So here I'm going to create another method called "platformThreadDemo1"

So here we are going to create platform threads.

So I'm going to say platform thread demo something like this.

Okay so here we are going to create a lot of platform threads.

This is what we are going to do.

So for that I'm going to create a simple for loop.

And here I'm going to use a simple variable like this.

So private static final int.

So max platform I'm going to keep it like this.

Let's say ten for now.

So max platform here we are going to create ten threads okay.

For now.

So thread thread.

So we are going to create the platform thread the original Java thread.

So we can simply say new thread something like this.

Right.

This is how we used to we will be creating right.

So which will be accepting a runnable.

So let's pass the runnable.

So here as part of the runnable I'm going to call our ioIntensive() method from the Task java class.

I'm going to simply pass the variable "i" here actually.

However Java will not like this.

It has to be effectively final.

So if you do this the IntelliJ itself will automatically do.

Or you can also create integer j simply something like this and pass the j.

Okay.

So now Java will be fine.

It will not complain.

Okay.

So we have just created the thread.

Actually we have not started.

So we have to say thread dot start to start the thread.

I should have probably mentioned this.

When you write production grade application in the real life, we might not be creating thread like

this.

We should be probably using thread pool executor service, something like that.

Since this is a playground project.

Since we are playing with the threads, I am doing this way for learning purposes.

Now let's call this platform thread demo method from the main method.

Let's see how it goes.

Let's run this here.

As you see, I'm able to create ten threads easily and they are all doing the time consuming network call.

So once the task is completed they all will be printing the ending I/O task message as you see and the process exited successfully.

If you look at this messages along with the time here, we can also see the thread name which logged the message actually.

So this is how Java assigns the name to the platform threads.

Okay. So we will come back to the later.

If you do not like the name we can also change the name for the platform threads.

So I am saying all these things is mainly because we will also be or we will also be assigning some name for the virtual threads actually when we create.

Okay, so this is why I wanted you to pay attention to this.

Okay. So now what we are going to do is that we are able to create ten threads easily.

There is no issue.

So what will happen if I try to create 50,000 threads.

Will it work?

Let's see.

I'm going to run this.

I want you to simply observe this.

Do not do anything in your IDE.

I want you to look at this.

Okay.

So we are going to discuss a few things.

So let me run this here.

We are creating thousands of threads and I'm getting out of memory error.

But the application is still running actually if you notice.

So it didn't stop.

So the what are the threads I had created.

Right.

They all completed their task and they are printing the I/O message actually.

Okay, so I'm going to rerun this one more time.

It fails exactly at the same point.

Now I want to exit forcefully okay.

So now I stopped okay.

So now let's discuss a few things.

Whenever we try to create thread like this, what Java will do is that Java will use the native method

to create the underlying platform thread.

So there is a method p thread underscore create.

This comes from a c library actually.

So p thread is basically is for Posix thread.

It's a standard for creating threads in the Unix like machine.

Linux, Ma,etc...

This is what they use.

This is the method they use to create the thread. In the windows.

Maybe you might be seeing a different method.

Okay.

Also, as you see for the stack size here we are trying to allocate 2 MB.

And again it might vary depending on the CPU architecture and the operating system.

Probably in your case you they might try to allocate one MB.

We can also adjust using the "-Xss" option something like this.

We can also try to adjust the stack size if you want, but let's go with the default configuration.

So in my case this is what it's trying to do.

As you see.

So I was able to create 8160 threads when I'm about to create this thread.

In my case in my machine I'm getting out of memory error.

So sometimes right this error could be a little bit misleading.

So.

Okay.

So what it says is that unable to create the native thread.

One possible reason is out of memory, but in my case, that is not the reason because I have more memory.

So the reason is I have reached the resource limit actually.

So the underlying OS will not give you the flexibility to create millions of threads actually.

So you have some, there will be some restriction.

So we do not have the luxury of creating millions of platform threads in a process actually.

So it's very expensive and each and every thread.

Right.

We also we have to allocate some stack size for every thread you are getting getting.

Right.

So at some point we will be hitting either out of memory or some kind of resource limit.

There will be some restriction beyond which you cannot create more platform threads.

In my case I was able to create these many threads actually.

But in your case, when you run, maybe you might be hitting this issue.

You might be facing this issue when you are creating 2000 threads, or maybe you are able to create

20,000 threads, but at some point you would be facing this issue."

Code References

1.Task.java

```
package com.vinsguru.sec01;

import org.slf4j.Logger;
import org.slf4j.LoggerFactory;

import java.time.Duration;

public class Task {

    private static final Logger log = LoggerFactory.getLogger(Task.class);

    public static void ioIntensive(int i){

        try {
            log.info("starting I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
            Thread.sleep(Duration.ofSeconds(10));
            log.info("ending I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
        } catch (InterruptedException e) {
            throw new RuntimeException(e);
        }

    }

}
```

2.InboundOutboundTaskDemo.java

```
package com.vinsguru.sec01;

import java.util.concurrent.CountDownLatch;

/*
    To demo some blocking operations with both platform and virtual threads
 */
public class InboundOutboundTaskDemo {

    private static final int MAX_PLATFORM = 50_000;

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        platformThreadDemo1();
    }

    /*
        To create a simple java platform thread
     */
    private static void platformThreadDemo1(){
        for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
            int j = i;
            Thread thread = new Thread(() -> Task.ioIntensive(j));
            thread.start();
        }
    }
```

Here is the **crystal-clear breakdown** of the lecture **"5. Platform Thread Creation Limit - Demo"** from the *Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass* — fully aligned with your **Global Thumb Rules** ✅.

🔪 Platform Threads Are Expensive — Demo & Deep Dive

🎯 Objective of This Lecture

Demonstrate how **creating too many traditional (platform) threads** quickly leads to:

- ❌ **Out of memory**
- ❌ **OS resource exhaustion**
- 🔄 Understand the **limits of thread-based scalability** and the **need for virtual threads**

🧱 Project & Code Structure

File/Class	Purpose
`Task.java`	Simulate I/O-heavy (blocking) task
`InboundOutboundTaskDemo.java`	Main entry to test platform threads

Package: `com.vinsguru.sec01`

🔪 Task Simulation (📄 Task.java)

```
java

public static void ioIntensive(int i){
    log.info("starting I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
    Thread.sleep(Duration.ofSeconds(10)); // simulates blocking call
    log.info("ending I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
}
```

🔍 What This Code Does:

- Logs thread info + task ID before and after a 10-second sleep
- Uses `Duration.ofSeconds(10)` (from Java 19+, commonly seen in Java 21)
- Mimics **I/O-bound network delay** with `Thread.sleep(...)`

📌 Why `Thread.sleep()`?

- It's a fast way to simulate **blocking behavior**
- Not production code — just to expose the **cost of blocking** in platform threads

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🔄 Platform Thread Creation Demo (📄 InboundOutboundTaskDemo.java)

```
java

for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
    int j = i; // effectively final for lambda
    Thread thread = new Thread(() -> Task.ioIntensive(j));
    thread.start(); // starting the thread
}
```

- ✅ **Thread creation** is done using traditional `new Thread(...)`
- 🧠 `MAX_PLATFORM = 50_000` (for stress test)
- 🌐 Each thread runs `Task.ioIntensive(i)`

💣 Results Observed During Execution

✅ Phase 1: Small Thread Count

- With 10 threads → ✅ **Successful**
- All threads ran, logged, and finished properly
- You can observe thread names (e.g., `Thread-1`, `Thread-2`, ...)

💥 Phase 2: Large Thread Count (e.g., 50,000)

Observation	Explanation
❗ `OutOfMemoryError`	JVM runs out of native memory to allocate stack
🧵 **Some threads still completed**	Threads created **before the failure** finished their execution
🛑 JVM did not crash immediately	It kept running until error threshold was reached
🔁 Rerun yields same failure point	Due to consistent system limits being hit

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📉 Root Cause: Native Thread Limit

🧬 Internals of Platform Thread Creation

- Java uses native C method `pthread_create()` from **POSIX** libraries on Unix/Linux/macOS
- 📍 POSIX = Portable Operating System Interface (Unix standard)
- 🧠 Each platform thread uses:
  - Default **stack size = ~2MB** on macOS
  - ~1MB on other platforms (may vary)

🧪 JVM Memory Constraints

Limit Type	Example Cause
Stack Size Exhaustion	Too many threads = too much reserved stack memory
OS Resource Limit	Each OS enforces max thread limit (ulimits, kernel settings)
Misleading Errors	Error shows "Out of Memory" but it may actually be an OS thread cap

📌 **You can tweak stack size using:**

```
bash

-Xss512k
```

Reduces stack to 512 KB per thread → helps create more threads

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🛑 Why Platform Threads Are Not Scalable

Limitation	Explanation
🧱 Heavyweight	Each thread reserves ~1–2MB upfront (even idle)
🧠 Resource Bound	OS limits how many native threads can exist
❗ Blocking = Waste	A thread blocked on I/O still consumes memory & resources
💥 Leads to Errors	Large thread count = OutOfMemoryError or native thread creation failure

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🔪 Output Observation

- Logs include:
  - **`starting I/O task X. Thread Info: Thread-X`**
  - **`ending I/O task X. Thread Info: Thread-X`**
- Thread names are auto-generated (**`Thread-0`**, **`Thread-1`**, ...)

📌 Naming Threads

- Java assigns default names
- You can explicitly set names using:

```
java

Thread thread = new Thread(() -> ..., "my-custom-thread-name");
```

🔮 **Hint:** This will be useful when working with **virtual threads**, as naming them will help **track behavior easily** in logs and tests.

✅ Summary Table

Concept	Key Insight
Platform Thread	OS-level thread (Java wrapper)

Concept	Key Insight
Stack Memory	Reserved per thread (1MB–2MB by default)
Thread Creation	Uses native **`pthread_create()`** on Unix
Limit Hit	JVM throws **`OutOfMemoryError`** or native thread failure
Not Scalable	Heavy memory footprint, blocking makes it worse
Real Problem	Microservices often keep threads **blocked**, wasting resources
Lesson Learned	You **cannot** scale applications by endlessly increasing thread count

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🔮 What's Coming Next?

Now that you've seen the **pain of platform threads**, the next logical step is to:

> Explore how **Java Virtual Threads** allow creation of **millions of threads** without memory explosion or OS thread limit issues.

📥 Ready for the **next lecture**? Share it when you're ready and we'll continue building from here 🚀

Lecture Transcript : 6. Thread Builder - Factory Method

"This is how normally we use to create threads before now, after many years, Java has provided a few

factory builderand factory convenient methods to create threads.

So let's explore that now.

So I'm going to simply copy this and paste it here.

So I'm going to call this platform thread demo one.

It will be a platform thread demo two.

So even in this method I'm going to create the same platform thread but slightly differently.

So thread dot off platform okay so this is new.

They have introduced okay.

So using this now I can create new threads if I want.

So off platform and started.

So give me a thread with this runnable which is not yet started.

Then I will start myself.

Okay this is what I'm saying here.

So I'm going to do the same thing.

"Task.ioIntensive(j)"

So I'm going to run the platform thread demo two method.

Now same 50,000.

This is what I'm giving here actually as you see even here, since I'm creating the platform thread

I will be reaching the reaching the resource limit.

I will be getting the same exception.

Okay, that's totally fine.

I simply wanted to show that we can also create threads this way.

However, you wouldn't want to create the builder again and again in a loop.

So what we can do this do here is let's copy this and move it to the top and customize the builder the

way in which you want.

For example, if you do not like the the the usual thread zero thread one that naming format for naming the thread, you can give your own naming prefix, some prefix here and the starting number using which

we can assign some names to the thread.

Okay.

And also if you see, we can also customize the stack size if you want.

This is cool right?

Okay.

So now here I'm going to give Vince something like that some name and the prefix I'm going to.

Instead of starting with thread zero I would like to start with one.

So it will be like Vince one wins two wins three, something like that.

This is how it will be creating the threads okay okay, so let's create the builder.

Now using the builder you can keep on creating new threads okay thread dot builder dot of

platform.

So instead of giving the lengthy type like this I would like to use Java var.

Actually some people do not like this, but actually I like this because this is kind of makes this

neat.

Okay, if you are not sure of the type, you can always ask IntelliJ.

This will give you the type okay okay.

Again if you do not like this do not use it.

But for me I like this okay.

"var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().name("vins", 1);"

And since we know that we cannot create 50,00 or 1 million platform threads, we have seen that I'm going

to switch that back to ten actually.

Okay.

So now let's run this.

Here.

As you see, I'm able to create ten threads with my own naming format for my threads.

Actually it will be like "vins1" , "vins2" , "vins3" …."vins10".

I was able to create ten threads. By default , When we create thread like this.

Whatever we create, we call them user threads or non daemon threads or foreground threads.

These threads will wait for the application to complete.

Basically this is our main application.

Right here we call this method.

We create some some threads and we run the task.

But our application will not exit.

It will wait for all these threads to complete the job.

Only then our application will exit.

That's how we see, right?

Sometimes you might want to create a threads to run in the background mode.

We call them daemon threads.

For example Java has garbage collector and all these are like daemon threads.

So it's very easy to create daemon threads.

So I'm going to simply copy this and paste it here.

And I'm going to call this method as "platformThreadDemo3()".

So to create a daemon thread you simply say of platform daemon.

That's it.

Very simple.

So let's give some name here.

Daemon.

Like this.

"var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().daemon().name("daemon", 1);"

And let's try to run the platform thread.

Demo three.

So here what we are saying is we start the application.

We have a certain task to do, but we ask daemon threads to do the job.

Okay.

But if I try to run this.

It will just exit immediately.

In our Daemon Thread demo, our main thread created ten background threads and it exited immediately.

It will not wait for demon threads to complete their task.

This is how the demon thread will work.

We know that now how to make our application wait in this case.

You might be asking question like why are we talking about all these things without talking about virtual thread?

Also, if you have to wait for the application to do the job, why are you creating demon threads in

the first place?

You might be asking questions like this.

I can understand there is a very good reason actually.

You will understand when we play with the virtual thread in the next lecture.

This is why I'm doing this .

Okay.

So to in this case to make our application wait we can use countdown latch.

The countdown latch is nothing new.

It was introduced long back sometime in 1.5.

So we can use countdown latch to wait for the background threads to complete the job.

So in this case, what we are saying is countdown latch.

We are creating.

We are passing a parameter basically number of task to complete.

Okay.

So in this case you are creating a countdown latch and you are saying that latch start.

so the main thread will exit only when all the three tasks are completed.

So how will I know that the task is completed?

So each and every thread, right?

In this case they will have to indicate saying that yes, I am done.

So they will be doing the countdown.

When they do the countdown when it reaches zero then we will exit.

So this is how the countdown latch works.

So let's add this in our the Demon thread method.

Let's see how it goes.

I'm going to add the latch here.

So the latch equals new count down latch.

So how many tasks we have.

The maximum platform.

These many tasks we have.

So that's what I'm giving here.

"var latch = new CountDownLatch(MAX_PLATFORM);"

And in the end I'm going to say "latch.await();".

Basically wait for all the threads to do their job.

That is what I'm saying here.

Let's add them.

Exception to the method signature.

So how will the threads notify that the task is completed?

Task is done.

So after doing the intensive task, each and every thread will do the countdown.

So when the countdown when they keep on doing the countdown, once when it reaches zero, we will exit.

That is the idea.

We can also use thread dot join if you like.

You can also try that.

Actually the countdown latch.

I feel like it's kind of simple.

We do not need the thread reference , etc....

So this is why I kind of like this way.

Okay, so now let's run this okay.

So because of the exception we have to add this here okay.

So now let's run this.

If you see here we are running the daemon threads.

But we are also waiting at the same time because of the latch.

So once it is done each and every thread will be issuing the countdown.

Now we exited successfully."

Code References :

1.Task.java

```
package com.vinsguru.sec01;

import org.slf4j.Logger;
import org.slf4j.LoggerFactory;

import java.time.Duration;

public class Task {

    private static final Logger log = LoggerFactory.getLogger(Task.class);

    public static void ioIntensive(int i){

        try {
            log.info("starting I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
            Thread.sleep(Duration.ofSeconds(10));
            log.info("ending I/O task {}. Thread Info: {}", i, Thread.currentThread());
        } catch (InterruptedException e) {
            throw new RuntimeException(e);
        }

    }

}
```

2.InboundOutboundTaskDemo.java

```
package com.vinsguru.sec01;

import java.util.concurrent.CountDownLatch;

/*
    To demo some blocking operations with both platform and virtual threads
 */
public class InboundOutboundTaskDemo {

    private static final int MAX_PLATFORM = 10;

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        platformThreadDemo1();
    }

    /*
        To create a simple java platform thread
```

```
     */
    private static void platformThreadDemo1(){
        for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
            int j = i;
            Thread thread = new Thread(() -> Task.ioIntensive(j));
            thread.start();
        }
    }
    /*
        To create platform thread using Thread.Builder
    */
    private static void platformThreadDemo2(){
        var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().name("vins", 1);
        for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
            int j = i;
            Thread thread = builder.unstarted(() -> Task.ioIntensive(j));
            thread.start();
        }
    }

    /*
        To create platform daemon thread using Thread.Builder
    */
    private static void platformThreadDemo3() throws InterruptedException {
        var latch = new CountDownLatch(MAX_PLATFORM);
        var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().daemon().name("daemon", 1);
        for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
            int j = i;
            Thread thread = builder.unstarted(() -> {
                Task.ioIntensive(j);
                latch.countDown();
            });
            thread.start();
        }
        latch.await();
    }
```

Here is a **crystal-clear explanation** of the lecture **"6. Thread Builder – Factory Method"** from the *Java Virtual Threads & Concurrency Masterclass*, following all your **Global Thumb Rules** ✅.

🧱 Understanding `Thread.Builder` – Factory Methods in Java 21

🎯 Objective of This Lecture

> Introduce the new **thread factory API in Java 21** (`Thread.ofPlatform()`),
> show how to create threads **more cleanly and flexibly**,
> and demonstrate **naming**, **daemon threads**, and **syncing with CountDownLatch** —
> all to lay the foundation before diving into **virtual threads**.

🧵 Before Java 21: Old Way of Creating Threads

```
java

Thread t = new Thread(() -> Task.ioIntensive(i));
t.start();
```

- ✅ Simple and still valid

- ❌ Limited customization (naming, daemon flag, etc.)
- ❌ No built-in builder API

🌟 Java 21+: The New `Thread.Builder` API

Java 21 introduced new **factory methods** for creating threads with more control and **cleaner syntax**:

🧱 Core API Methods

Method	Description
`Thread.ofPlatform()`	Returns a **builder** for **platform threads**
`Thread.ofVirtual()`	Returns a builder for **virtual threads** (coming up next!)
`.name(String, int)`	Custom **naming prefix** + counter
`.daemon()`	Marks thread as **daemon thread**
`.unstarted(Runnable)`	Returns a thread that you can `.start()` manually

📄 Code Walkthrough & Examples

👇 Snippet 1: Platform Thread Builder (User-defined Naming)

```java
var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().name("vins", 1);
```

➡️ This sets up a thread **builder**:

- All threads will be named like: `vins1`, `vins2`, ..., `vins10`
- Starts from index `1`
- Not started immediately — lets you call `.start()` manually

Full Code

```java
for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
    int j = i;
    Thread thread = builder.unstarted(() -> Task.ioIntensive(j));
    thread.start();
}
```

✅ **Cleaner and reusable** way to create threads
✅ Avoids repetitive `new Thread(...)` boilerplate

🔁 Snippet 2: Daemon Thread Builder

```java
var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().daemon().name("daemon", 1);
```

➡️ This builder creates **daemon threads**:

- Background threads
- Won't block application from exiting
- Use case: **Garbage collector**, monitoring, background jobs

Observation

- When daemon threads are created and started:
  - If the **main thread exits**, the app **terminates** immediately
  - Daemon threads do **not prevent JVM from exiting**

❓ What's a Daemon Thread?

🧬 Type	🚦 Behavior
🧵 User Thread	Keeps application alive until it completes
👻 Daemon Thread	JVM **does not wait** for these threads to complete
✅ Real-life Use	Background services like **GC**, monitoring, logging

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🧭 Problem: Daemon Threads Exit Too Soon

➡️ We want to **wait for all daemon threads to finish** before exiting.

⛓️ Solution: `CountDownLatch`

🔪 CountDownLatch Use Case

Component	Purpose
`CountDownLatch(N)`	Waits until N tasks complete
`.countDown()`	Called by each task/thread when done
`.await()`	Called by main thread to block until all countdowns are done

Updated Daemon Thread Logic

```java
var latch = new CountDownLatch(MAX_PLATFORM);
var builder = Thread.ofPlatform().daemon().name("daemon", 1);

for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PLATFORM; i++) {
    int j = i;
    Thread thread = builder.unstarted(() -> {
```

```
            Task.ioIntensive(j);
            latch.countDown(); // Notifies completion
        });
        thread.start();
    }

    latch.await(); // Main thread waits here
```

✅ **Now main thread blocks until all daemon threads complete**

💡 Additional Notes & Best Practices

🧠 Use `var` (Optional)

- Cleaner code using type inference
- If unsure, IntelliJ can show inferred type
- Totally optional – use `Thread.Builder` if preferred

🔪 Summary Table: All 3 Demos

Demo Method	Threads Created	Custom Name	Daemon	Wait I
`platformThreadDemo1()`	Old `new Thread()`	❌ Default names	❌	❌
`platformThreadDemo2()`	`Thread.ofPlatform().name(...)`	✅ `vins1..n`	❌	❌
`platformThreadDemo3()`	`Thread.ofPlatform().daemon().name(...)`	✅ `daemon1..n`	✅	✅ Count

🔮 Why This Matters for Virtual Threads

> ❗ This lecture is **crucial** preparation.

Feature	Threads	Applies to Virtual Threads?
`Thread.Builder` API	✅ Platform / Virtual	✅ YES
Naming via `.name()`	✅ Yes	✅ YES
Daemon flag	✅ Yes	✅ YES
`CountDownLatch` Sync	✅ Works	✅ YES

📌 When we move to **virtual threads**, all of these techniques will still apply — but with **massive scalability**.

✅ Final Thoughts

- ✅ You now know **3 clean ways** to create platform threads using **modern Java**
- ✅ You've learned to control:

  - Thread **naming**
  - **Daemon** vs **User** threads
  - **Waiting for completion** using `CountDownLatch`
- ✅ These are reusable for **virtual threads** next

📥 Let's move to the **next lecture**, where we finally begin **creating virtual threads**

Just drop the transcript when ready 🚀