Java 8 Stream API Guide

1. Overview

Java provides a new additional package in Java 8 called <code>java.util.stream</code>. This package consists of classes, interfaces, and an enum to allows functional-style operations on the elements. You can use stream by importing <code>java.util.stream</code> package in your programs.

1.1 The Stream provides the following features:

- •*Stream* does not store elements. It simply conveys elements from a source such as a data structure, an array, or an I/O channel, through a pipeline of computational operations.
- •Stream is functional in nature. Operations performed on a stream does not modify its source. For example, filtering a Stream obtained from a collection produces a new Stream without the filtered elements, rather than removing elements from the source collection.
- •Stream is lazy and evaluates code only when required.
- •The elements of a stream are only visited once during the life of a stream. Like an Iterator, a new stream must be generated to revisit the same elements of the source.

You can use Stream to *filter*, *collect*, *print*, and convert from one data structure to other etc.



2. Stream API's with Examples

Let's explore Stream API's with examples

2.1 Java Example: Filtering Collection without using Stream

In the following example, we are filtering data without using a stream. This approach we are used before the stream package was released. First create a *Product* class, which is used in below examples:

```
public class Product {
    private int id;
    private String name;
    private float price;
    public Product(int id, String name, float price) {
        this.id = id;
        this.name = name;
        this.price = price;
    }
    public int getId() {
        return id;
    }
    public void setId(int id) {
        this.id = id;
    }
}
```

```
public String getName() {
    return name;
}

public void setName(String name) {
    this.name = name;
}

public float getPrice() {
    return price;
}

public void setPrice(float price) {
    this.price = price;
}
```

Let's first discuss without using *Stream API's* examples then we will create the same examples using *Stream API's*.

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;
import java.util.stream.Collectors;
public class JavaWithoutStreamExample {
    private static List < Product > productsList = new ArrayList < Product > ();
    public static void main(String[] args) {
         // Adding Products
         productsList.add(new Product(1, "HP Laptop", 25000 f));
         productsList.add(new Product(2, "Dell Laptop", 30000 f));
         productsList.add(new Product(3, "Lenevo Laptop", 28000 f));
         productsList.add(new Product(4, "Sony Laptop", 28000 f));
         productsList.add(new Product(5, "Apple Laptop", 90000 f));
         // Without Java 8 Stream API'S
         withoutStreamAPI();
    }
    private static void withoutStreamAPI() {
         // without Stream API's
         List < Float > productPriceList = new ArrayList < Float > ();
         // filtering data of list
         for (Product product: productsList) {
             if (product.getPrice() > 25000) {
                  // adding price to a productPriceList
                  productPriceList.add(product.getPrice());
             }
         }
         // displaying data
         for (Float price: productPriceList) {
             System.out.println(price);
         }
    }
}
```

2.2 Java Stream Example: filtering Collection by using Stream

Here, we are filtering data by using stream. You can see that code is optimized and maintained. The stream provides fast execution.

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;
```

```
import java.util.stream.Collectors;
public class JavaStreamExample {
 private static List<Product> productsList = new ArrayList<Product>();
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  // Adding Products
  productsList.add(new Product(1, "HP Laptop", 25000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(2, "Dell Laptop", 30000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(3, "Lenevo Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(4, "Sony Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(5, "Apple Laptop", 90000f));
  // With Java 8 Stream API'S
  withStreamAPI();
 }
 private static void withStreamAPI() {
 // filtering data of list
 List<Float> productPriceList = productsList.stream()
   .filter((product) -> product.getPrice() > 25000)
   .map((product) -> product.getPrice()).collect(Collectors.toList());
  // displaying data
  productPriceList.forEach((price) -> System.out.println(price));
}
}
```

2.3 Java Stream Example: Filtering and Iterating Collection

2.4 Java Stream Example: Sum by using Collectors Methods

We can also use collectors to compute a sum of numeric values. In the following example, we are using *Collectors* class and it?s specified methods to compute a sum of all the product prices.

```
public class SumByUsingCollectorsMethods {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    List<Product> productsList = new ArrayList<Product>();
    //Adding Products
    productsList.add(new Product(1,"HP Laptop",25000f));
    productsList.add(new Product(2,"Dell Laptop",30000f));
    productsList.add(new Product(3,"Lenevo Laptop",28000f));
    productsList.add(new Product(4,"Sony Laptop",28000f));
    productsList.add(new Product(5,"Apple Laptop",90000f));
```

2.5 Java Stream Example: Find Max and Min Product Price

Following example finds min and max product price by using stream. It provides a convenient way to find values without using the imperative approach.

```
public class FindMaxAndMinMethods {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  List<Product> productsList = new ArrayList<Product>();
  // Adding Products
  productsList.add(new Product(1, "HP Laptop", 25000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(2, "Dell Laptop", 30000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(3, "Lenevo Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(4, "Sony Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(5, "Apple Laptop", 90000f));
  // max() method to get max Product price
  Product productA = productsList
   .stream().max((product1,
   product2) -> product1.getPrice() > product2.getPrice() ? 1 : -1)
   .get();
  System.out.println(productA.getPrice());
// min() method to get min Product price
  Product productB = productsList
   .stream().max((product1,
   product2) -> product1.getPrice() < product2.getPrice() ? 1 : -1)</pre>
   .get();
  System.out.println(productB.getPrice());
 }
}
```

2.6 Java Stream Example: Convert List into Set

```
public class ConvertListToSet {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  List<Product> productsList = new ArrayList<Product>();
  // Adding Products
  productsList.add(new Product(1, "HP Laptop", 25000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(2, "Dell Laptop", 30000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(3, "Lenevo Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(4, "Sony Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(5, "Apple Laptop", 90000f));
// Converting product List into Set
  Set<Float> productPriceList = productsList.stream()
    .filter(product -> product.getPrice() < 30000)</pre>
    .map(product -> product.getPrice())
                                    .collect(Collectors.toSet());
  System.out.println(productPriceList);
 }
```

}

2.7 Java Stream Example: Convert List into Map

2.8 Using Method References in *Stream* Examples

```
public class MethodReferenceInStream {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
  List<Product> productsList = new ArrayList<Product>();
  // Adding Products
  productsList.add(new Product(1, "HP Laptop", 25000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(2, "Dell Laptop", 30000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(3, "Lenevo Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(4, "Sony Laptop", 28000f));
  productsList.add(new Product(5, "Apple Laptop", 90000f));
  List<Float> productPriceList = productsList.stream()
  .filter(p -> p.getPrice() > 30000)// filtering data
  .map(Product::getPrice) // fetching price by referring getPrice method
  .collect(Collectors.toList()); // collecting as list
  System.out.println(productPriceList);
 }
}
```

3. Reference

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5. Java 8 Tutorial

• <u>Top Java 8 Tutorial</u>