Java Concurrency

If it's worth If it's doing, worth doing, it's worth it's worth doing doing right. right.

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Primitives

- Thread
- synchronized
- wait/notify
- Collections

Synchronized

- statement: lock on object given in statement
- method: lock on object instance
- static method: lock on class

Primitives

- low-level
- prone to correctness and performance issues
- encourage violation of DRY
- encourage violation of SRP

Collections

- Synchronized Collections
 - thread-safe operations
 - iteration requires explicit/external synchronization
 - ConcurrentModificationException
 - poor performance across multiple threads
- Unmodifiable Collections

Newer concurrency tools

- Executors
- Synchronizers
- Concurrent Collections
- Locks
- Atomic Variables

Executors (Java 5)

- Variations
 - single-thread
 - fixed-size threadpool
 - scheduled
- Execution
 - always returns a Future
 - **Future** may contain a result

Synchronizers (Java 5)

- Semaphore
- CyclicBarrier
- CountDownLatch
- Exchanger

Collections (Java 5)

- BlockingQueue
- ConcurrentMap
- CopyOnWriteArrayList
- PriorityBlockingQueue
- BlockingDeque (Java 6)

Locks (Java 5)

- ReentrantLock
- ReentrantReadWriteLock

Atomic Variables (Java 5)

- AtomicBoolean
- AtomicInteger
- AtomicReference
- AtomicStampedReference

Newest concurrency tools

- Executors: Fork/Join (Java 7)
- Collections: TransferQueue (Java 7)
- Message Passing: Actors (e.g., Akka; or Scala)
- **▼ Transactional**: STM (e.g., *Multiverse*; or *Clojure*)
- **► Functional Reactive**: e.g., RxJava

Future concurrency tools (Java 8)

- Lambda Expressions (closures)
- Parallel Collections
- LongAdder/DoubleAdder