

Java: VirtualThreads and ThreadLocal

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ThreadLocal

- ThreadLocal class provide access to Thread-Local variables.
- This 'Thread-Local' variable hold the value for particular thread.
- Means each Thread has its own copy of Thread-Local variable.
- We need only 1 object of ThreadLocal class and each thread can use it to set and get its own Thread-variable variable.

```
public static void main(String args[]) {
    ThreadLocal<String> threadLocalObj = new ThreadLocal<>();

    //main thread
    threadLocalObj.set(Thread.currentThread().getName());
```

```
    Thread thread1 = new Thread( () -> {
        threadLocalObj.set(Thread.currentThread().getName());
        System.out.println("Task1");
    });

    thread1.start();

    try{
        Thread.sleep( millis: 2000);
    }catch (Exception e){

    }

    //here we have main thread
    System.out.println("Main thread: " + threadLocalObj.get());
}
```

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Remember to clean up, if reusing the thread

Output:

```
public static void main(String args[]) {
    ThreadLocal<String> threadLocalObj = new ThreadLocal<>();

    ExecutorService poolObj = Executors.newFixedThreadPool( nThreads: 5);

    poolObj.submit(() -> {
        threadLocalObj.set(Thread.currentThread().getName());
    });

    for(int i=1; i<15; i++){
        poolObj.submit(() -> {
            System.out.println(threadLocalObj.get());
        });
    }
}
```

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pool-1-thread-1
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    ThreadLocal<String> threadLocalObj = new ThreadLocal<>();

    ExecutorService poolObj = Executors.newFixedThreadPool( nThreads: 5);

    poolObj.submit(() -> {
        threadLocalObj.set(Thread.currentThread().getName());
        //my work completed, now clean up
        threadLocalObj.remove();
    });

    for(int i=1; i<15; i++){
        poolObj.submit(() -> {
            System.out.println(threadLocalObj.get());
        });
    }
}
```

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null
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