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## Java I/O

- Two typical I/O models

- Stream-oriented I/O

- Movement of single bytes, one at a time
    - Byte streams and character streams
    - Simple

- Block-oriented I/O

- Dealing with data in blocks, especially for bulk data transfers
      - A low-level data transfer mechanism
    - Channels and buffers
    - Faster

- Java I/O

- Original I/O package: java.io.\*

- New I/O package: NIO (JDK 1.4+)

- **Channels** and **Buffers**

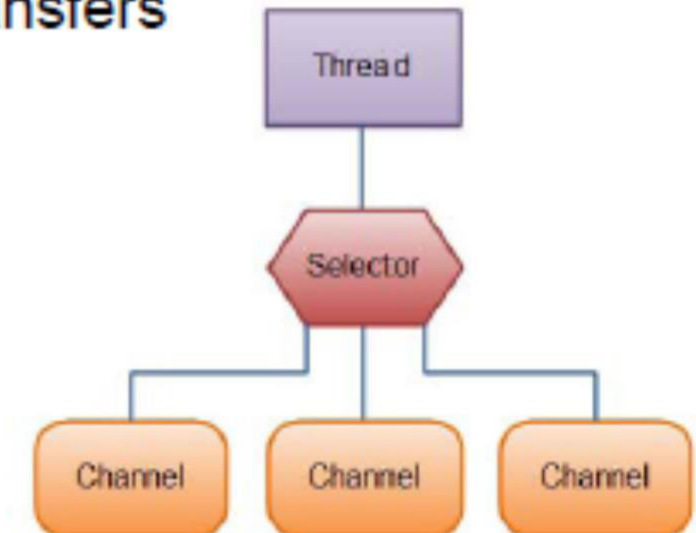
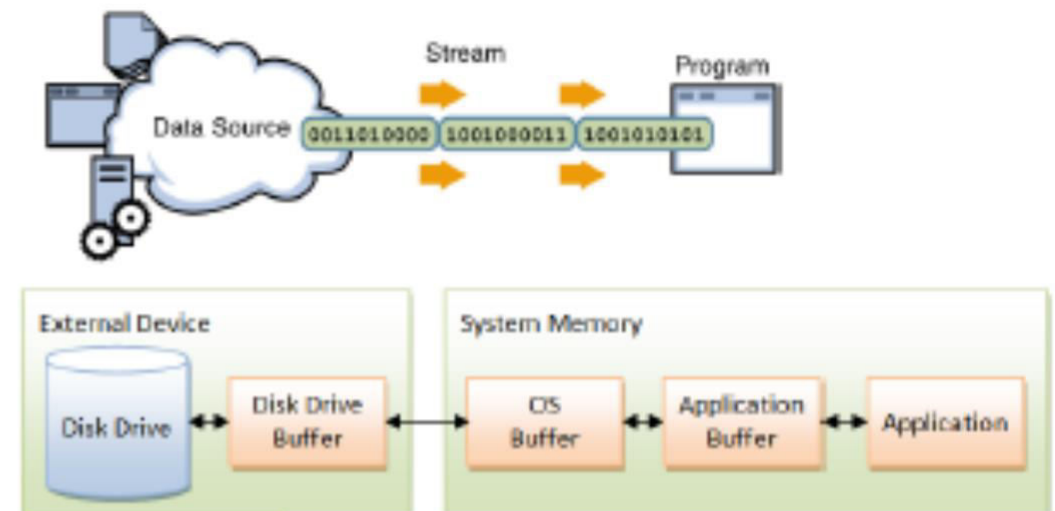
- Data is always read from a channel into a buffer, or written from a buffer to a channel

- **Non-blocking I/O**

- After asking a channel to read data into a buffer, a thread can do something else while the channel reads data into the buffer

- **Selector**: an object that can monitor multiple channels for events

- A thread can monitor multiple channels for data



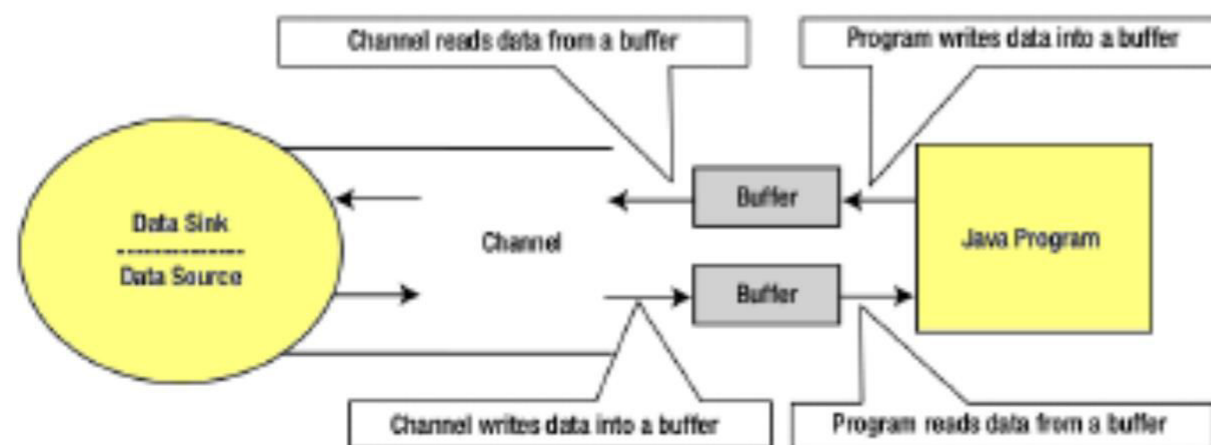


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## java.nio Package

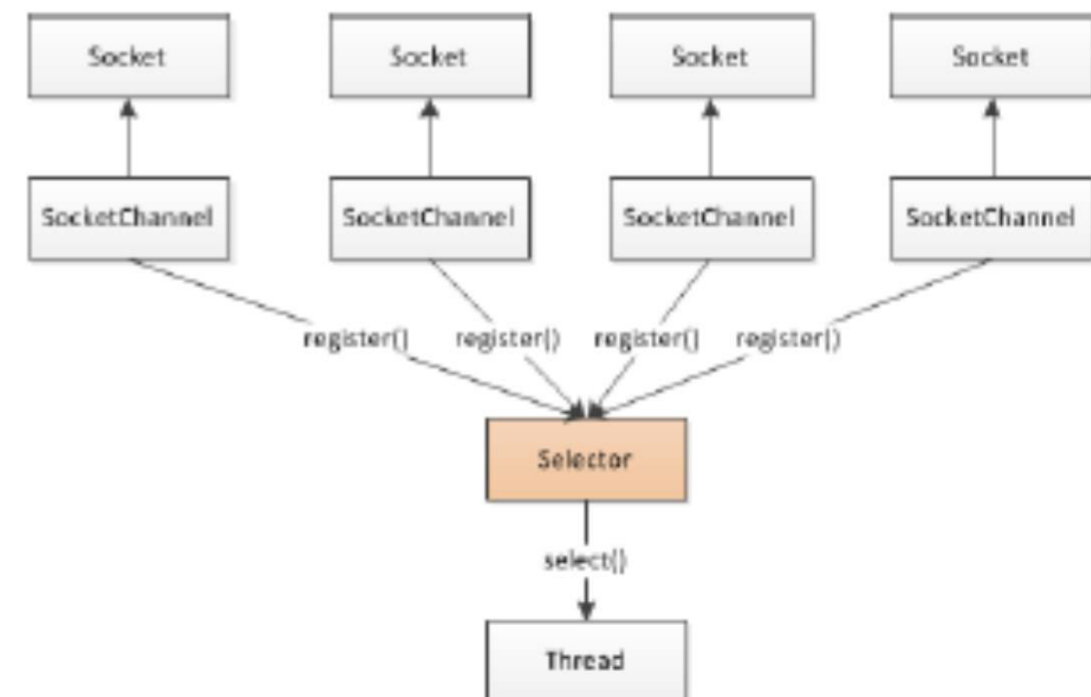
<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/nio/package-summary.html>

- Central abstractions of the NIO APIs
  - **Buffers**: containers for a fixed amount of data of a specific primitive type
    - ByteBuffer (MappedByteBuffer), CharBuffer
    - ShortBuffer, IntBuffer, LongBuffer
    - FloatBuffer, DoubleBuffer
  - **Channels**: represent connections to entities capable of performing I/O operations
    - FileChannel, DatagramChannel, SocketChannel, ServerSocketChannel
  - **Selectors** and selection keys, which together with selectable channels: define a multiplexed, non-blocking I/O facility
  - **Charsets** and their associated decoders and encoders: translate between bytes and Unicode characters



java.nio.channels

*Interaction between a channel, buffers, a Java program, a data source, and a data sink*



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## NIO

In this Section, we are going to take'a look at...

- Java NIO structure
- JNIO Buffers
- JNIO scatter and gather
- JNIO transfer
- JNIO select
- JNIO Socket

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## NIO

### Java NIO Building Blocks

- Channels and Buffers
- Data always travels from a channel to a Buffer or from a Buffer to a channel



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## NIO

### Transfer is Asynchronous

- Prepare data in Buffer
- Setup a channel
- Ask NIO to transfer the data
- Go on computing and check later that the data was transferred

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## NIO

### Transfer is Asynchronous

- Prepare empty Buffer
- Setup a channel
- Ask NIO to transfer the data from the channel to the Buffer
- Go on computing and check later that the data was transferred and use the data happily



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### Monitor Multiple Channels Using Selectors

- Using selectors a single thread may control several channels
- Whenever one is finished with the transfer the thread can attend to the result
- When there are more the thread can attend one after the other
- When there is none the thread can go on computing



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# Channel

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### Java NIO Channel

- Read and write
- Channels always read from Buffer or write to a Buffer

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## NIO

### Type of Channels

- Java NIO defines the following channels
- FileChannel
- DatagramChannel
- SocketChannel
- ServerSocketChannel

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### How to Use Channels

- Create a channel
- Read from the channel to the buffer

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {  
    RandomAccessFile sampleFile = new RandomAccessFile( name: "sample.txt", mode: "rw");  
    FileChannel channel = sampleFile.getChannel();  
    ByteBuffer buf = ByteBuffer.allocate(10);  
    int nrBytes = channel.read(buf);  
    while (nrBytes != -1) {  
        System.out.println("Read " + nrBytes);  
        buf.flip();  
        while (buf.hasRemaining()) {  
            System.out.print((char) buf.get());  
        }  
        buf.clear();  
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    }  
    sampleFile.close();  
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## NIO

### Java NIO Buffer

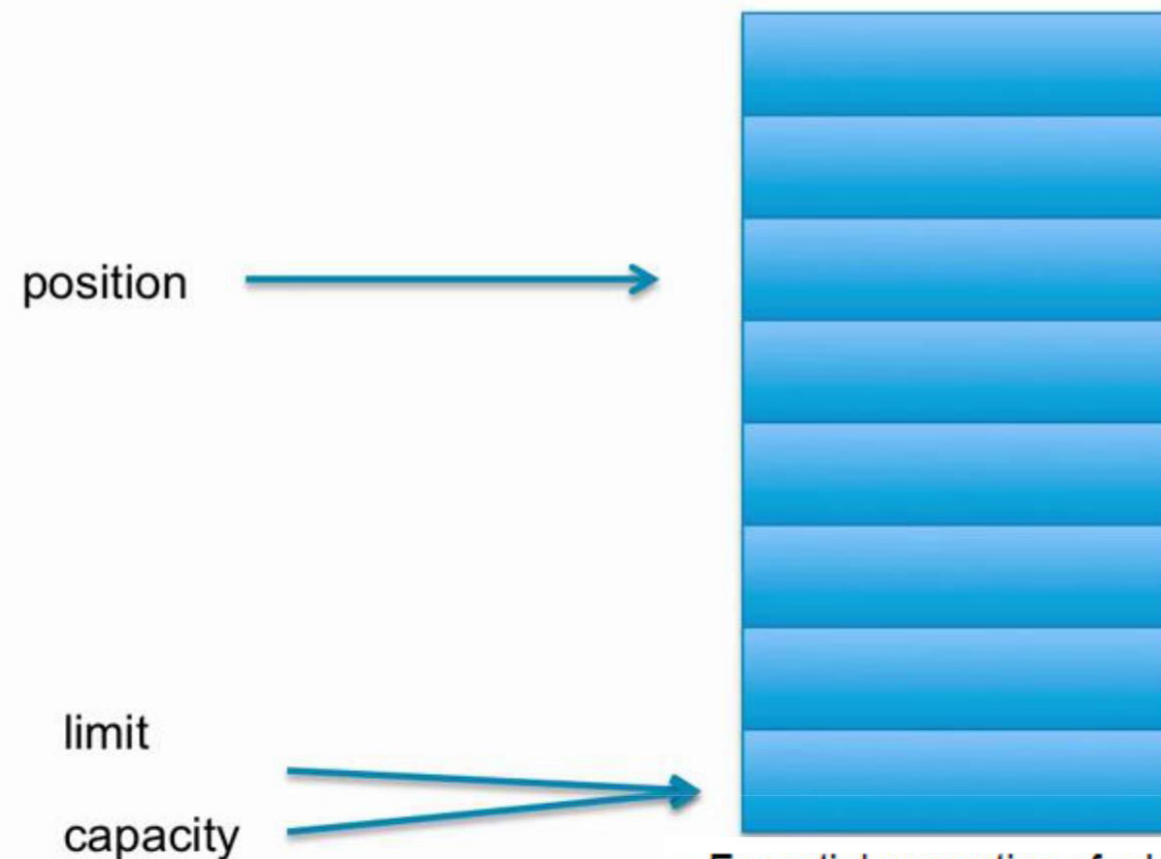
- Buffers store the data to be read by a channel or to store the data that comes from a channel
- Buffer has position, limit and capacity
- **Essential properties of a buffer**
  - **Capacity**: the number of elements it contains
    - Specified when the Buffer is constructed and cannot be changed (similar to an array)
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  - **Limit**: specifies the current occupancy (valid data in the range of 0 to limit-1)
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## NIO

### Position, Limit, and Capacity

- Write mode



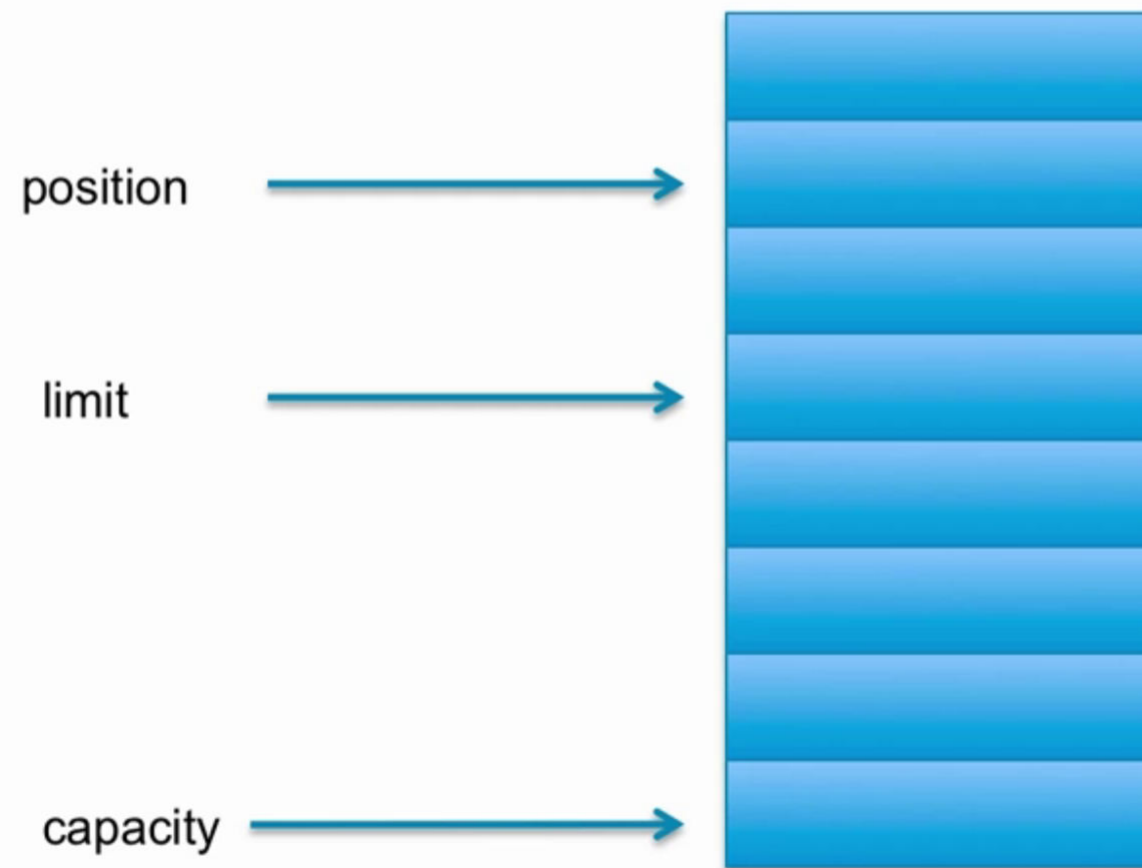
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### Position, Limit, and Capacity

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### Type of Buffers That Can Be Used

- ByteBuffer
- CharBuffer
- DoubleBuffer
- FloatBuffer
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- LongBuffer
- ShortBuffer

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### How to Use Buffers

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- Allocate Buffer
- Write data to the Buffer from a channel
- Flip the Buffer
- Read the data from the Buffer

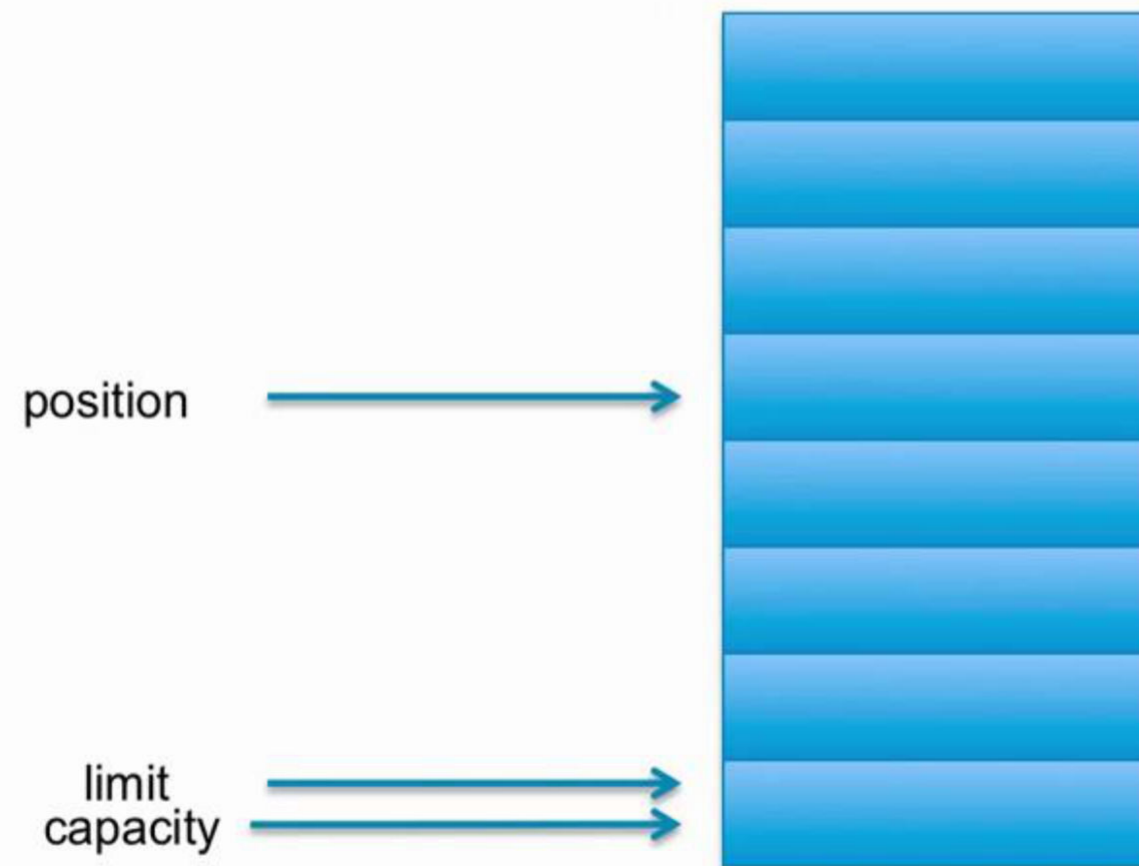
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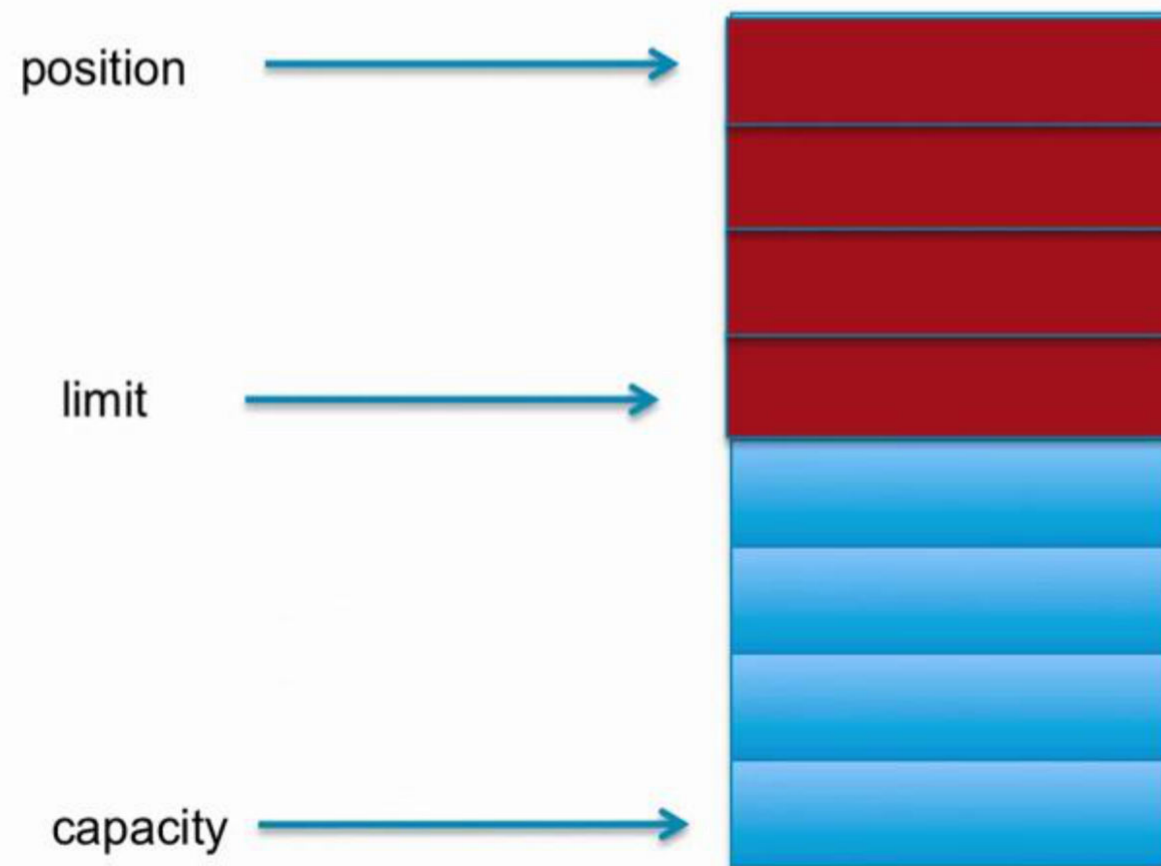


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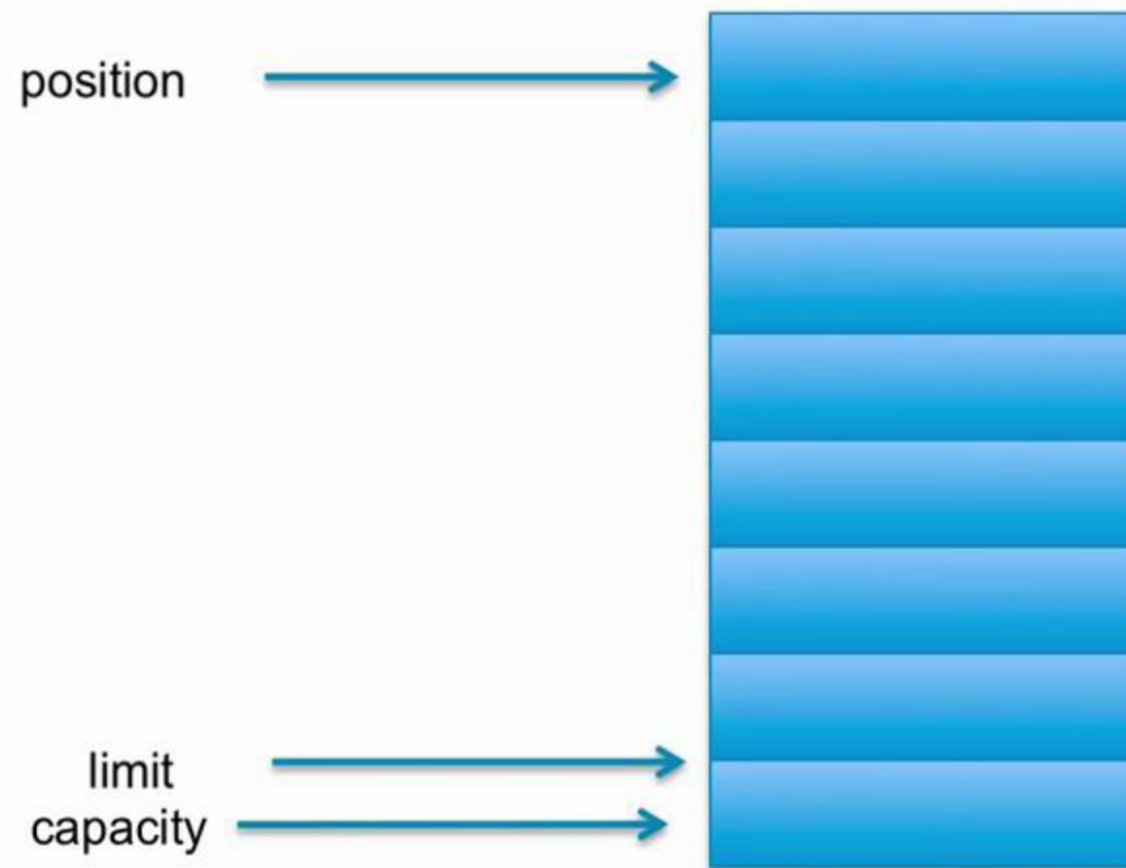
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### Compacting the Buffer

- Reset the buffer to be filled again

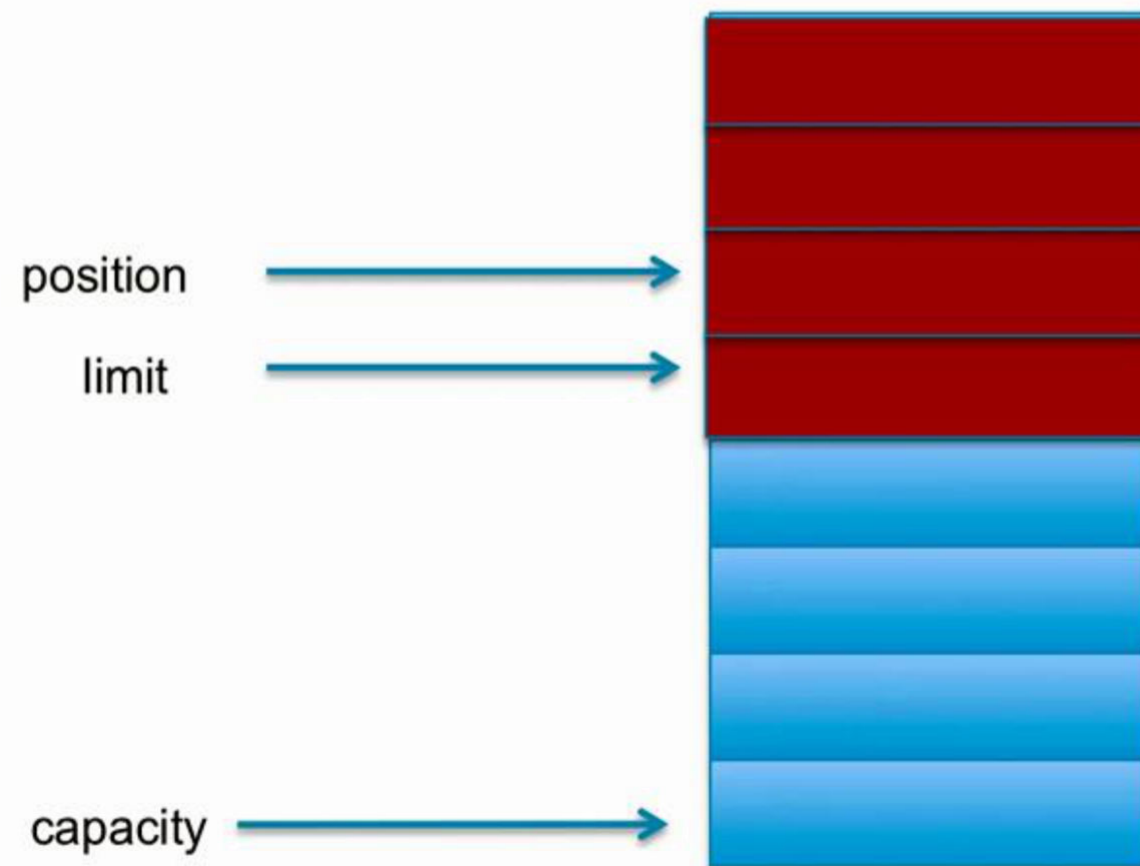


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### Compacting the Buffer

- Clear but saves unread data



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## Scatter Gather



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## NIO

### Scattering and Gathering

- Write data from a channel to a Buffer array
- Write data from Buffer array to channel

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# Transfer

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## NIO

### Transfer from Channel to Channel

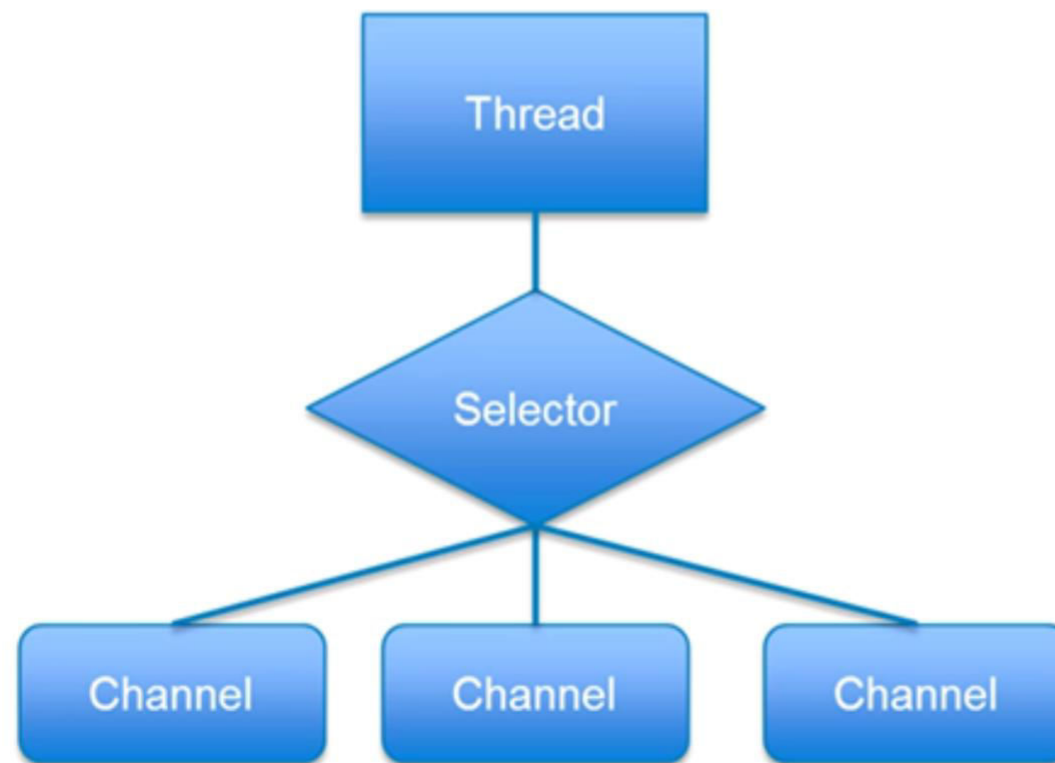
- Transfer data directly between channels
- There is no need to code Buffer handling if we just read from one and write to the other

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## NIO

### Selectors

- Selectors are effective when the application has to handle many low volume connections



- Register a channel to a selector
- Call `select()` to wait for an event on any of the channels registered

## Unit-9 List all supported socket options for different types of network channels

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
import java.nio.channels.*;

public class OptionSupport {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
        printOptions(SocketChannel.open());
        printOptions(ServerSocketChannel.open());
        printOptions(AsynchronousSocketChannel.open());
        printOptions(AsynchronousServerSocketChannel.open());
        printOptions(DatagramChannel.open());
    }

    private static void printOptions(NetworkChannel channel) throws
    IOException {
        System.out.println(channel.getClass().getSimpleName() + " supports:");
        for (SocketOption<?> option : channel.supportedOptions()) {
            System.out.println(option.name() + ": " +
channel.getOption(option));
        }
        System.out.println();
        channel.close();
    }
}
```

## Unit-9      Write a program to implement the concept on Data Conversion

```
import java.nio.BufferUnderflowException;
import java.nio.ByteBuffer;
public class DataConversionTest {
    public static void main ( String[] args ) {
        int capacity= 8;
        try {
            ByteBuffer bb = ByteBuffer.allocate(capacity);
            bb.asIntBuffer().put(10).put(20);
            bb.rewind();
            // print the ByteBuffer
            System.out.println("Original ByteBuffer: ");
            for (int i = 1; i <= capacity / 4; i++) {
                System.out.println(bb.getInt() + " ");
            }
            bb.rewind();
            int value = bb.getInt();
            System.out.println("\n\n Byte Value: " + value);
            int value1 = bb.getInt();
            System.out.println("Next Byte Value: " + value1);
            int value2 = bb.getInt();
            // continue..
        } catch (BufferUnderflowException ex){
            System.out.println("\n There r fewer than" + "four bytes remaining in this
buffer"); System.out.println("Exception Thrown: " + ex);
        }
    }
}
```



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## Summary

Java New I/O (NIO): buffers, channels, selectors and non-blocking I/O

### 11.1 An Example Client

- ChargenClient (Example 11-1)

### 11.2 An Example Server

- ChargenServer (Example 11-2)

### 11.3 Buffers

- ByteBuffer, Direct ByteBuffer, View
- IntgenServer (Example 11-3), IntgenClient (Example 11-4)
- *EchoServer* (Example 11-5), NonblockingSingleFileHTTPServer (Example 11-6)

### 11.4 Channels

- SocketChannel, ServerSocketChannel, and DatagramChannel
- OptionSupport (Example 11-7)

### 11.5 Readiness Selection

- Selector, SelectionKey