

MultiThreading and ConCurrency

+++++

Usage of MultiThreading

- a. We don't focus on the output because each threads are executed independently we focus of utilisation of CPU time.

How do we create a Thread in java?

Ans. Using

1. Thread(C)
2. Runnable(I)

Which approach is best and why?

Ans. Using Runnable(I), because we can get the facility of inheritance.

When we have multiple threads who would decide which thread would execute?

Ans. ThreadScheduler (It is a program which is a part of JVM)

Which method is responsible for the following things

- a. Register thread to ThreadScheduler
- b. Performing low level activities
- c. invoke run()

Ans. start() , since it does many things we say it as "Heart of MultiThreading".

How to create a Thread in java using both the approaches?

```
Ans. MyRunnable r = new MyRunnable();  
    Thread t = new Thread(r);  
    t.start();
```

```
    MyThread t = new MyThread();  
    t.start();
```

How to prevent the thread execution in java?

Ans. yield() :: pause the execution, give chance for other thread of the same priority.

join() :: wait till the execution of the other thread.

sleep() :: thread won't do any operation for a particular period of time.

What is the usage of interrupt() and will the call be wasted in any case?

Ans. To interrupt a particular thread which is in waiting state or sleeping state. Upon interruption the thread would generate an Exception called

"InterruptedException".

interrupt() would wait for the other thread to enter into sleeping state or waiting state, if the thread

doesn't enter into waiting state or sleeping state then the interrupt() call will be wasted.

How will you achieve interthread communication in java?

Ans. Threads can interact with each other using the methods like wait(), notify() and notifyAll().

What is synchronization in java and synchronization access modifiers can be applied on what java blocks?

Ans. Synchronization refers to the process of applying lock on an object by a thread such that only one thread can operate

on an object to avoid "DataInconsistency".

eg: StringBuffer object.

synchronization can be applied on methods and blocks.

How many types of locks exists in java and using what locks what methods can be executed?

Ans. Object level lock => using this lock we can call synchronized instance methods.

Class level lock => using this lock we can call static synchronized methods.

Among synchronized methods and synchronized block, which one would be more efficient?

Ans. synchronized blocks.

Question based on lock

=====

1. If a thread calls wait() immediately it will enter into waiting state without releasing any lock.

Answer : false(it should be released immediately)

2. If a thread calls wait() it releases the lock of that object but may not immediately

Answer: false(it should be released immediately)

3. If a thread calls wait() on any object, it releases all locks acquired by that thread and enters into waiting state

Answer: false(it would release the lock of that particular object)

4. If a thread calls wait() on any object, it immediately releases the lock of that particular object and entered into waiting state

Answer: true

5. If a thread calls notify() on any object, it immediately releases the lock of that particular object

Answer: false(it may or may not release the lock).

6. If a thread calls notify() on any object, it releases the lock of that object but may not immediately.

Answer: true

```
class A
{
    public synchronized void foo(B b)
    {
        System.out.println("Thread1 starts execution of foo() method");
        try
        {
            Thread.sleep(2000);
        }
        catch (InterruptedException ie)
        {
        }
        System.out.println("Thread1 trying to call b.last()");
        b.last();
    }

    public synchronized void last()
    {
        System.out.println("Inside A, this is the last method");
    }
}
```

```

    }
}
class B
{
    public synchronized void bar(A a)
    {
        System.out.println("Thread2 starts execution of bar() method");
        try
        {
            Thread.sleep(2000);
        }
        catch (InterruptedException ie)
        {
        }
        System.out.println("Thread2 trying to call a.last()");
        a.last();
    }

    public synchronized void last()
    {
        System.out.println("Inside B, this is the last method");
    }
}

public class Test extends Thread{

    //instance area
    A a=new A();
    B b=new B();

    //instance method
    public void m1(){
        this.start();

        a.foo(b);//executed by main thread
    }

    @Override
    public void run(){
        b.bar(a);//executed by child thread
    }

    //JVM -> main thread
    public static void main(String[] args){
        Test t=new Test();
        t.m1();
    }
}

```

Output

```

Thread1 starts execution of foo() method
Thread2 starts execution of bar() method
Thread2 trying to call a.last()
Thread1 trying to call b.last()

```

Explanation

+++++

t1(mainthread)

=> starts foo(), since foo() is synchronized and a part of 'A' class so t1

applies lockof(A) and

starts the execution, while executing it encounters Thread.sleep().so T.S gives chance for t2 thread.

After getting a chance again by TS, it tries to execute b.last.

but lock of b is with t2 thread, so t1 enters into waiting state.

t2=> starts bar(),since bar() is synchronized and a part of 'B' class so t2 applies lockof(B) and

starts the execution, while executing it encounter Thread.sleep(),so TS gives chance again for t1 thread.

After getting a chance again by TS, it tries to execute a.last()

but lock of a is with t1 thread, so t2 enters into waiting state.

Since both the threads are in waiting state and it would be waiting for ever,so we say the above pgm would result in "DeadLock".

Daemon Threads

=====

The thread which is executing in the background is called "DaemonThread".

eg: AttachListener,SignalDispatcher,GarbageCollector,....

remember the example of movie

1. producer
2. director
3. music director
4.
5.
6.

MainObjective of DaemonThread

The main objective of DaemonThread, to provide support for Non-Daemon threads(main thread).

eg:: if main threads runs with low memory then jvm will call GarbageCollector thread, to destroy

the useless objects,so that no of bytes of free memeory will be improved with this free

memory main thread can continue its execution.

Usually Daemon threads having low priority,but based on our requirement daemon threads can run

with high priority also.

JVM => creates 2 threads

a. Daemon Thread(priority=1,priority=10)

b. main (priority=5)

while executing the main code, if there is a shortage of memory then immediately

jvm will change the priority of Daemon thread to 10, so Garbage collector

activates Daemon thread and it frees the memory after doing it immediately

it changes the priority to 1, so main thread it will continue.

How to check whether the Thread is Daemon or not?

public boolean isDaemon() => To check wheter the thread is "Daemon"

public void setDaemon(boolean b) throws IllegalThreadStateException

b=> true,means the thread will become Daemaon,before starting the Thread we need

to make the thread as "Daemon" otherwise it would result in

"IllegalThreadStateException".

What is the default nature of the Thread?

Ans. By default the main thread is "NonDaemon".
for all remaining thread Daemon nature is inherited from Parent to child,
that is
if the parent thread is "Daemon" then child thread will become "Daemon" and
if the parent
thread is "NonDaemon" then automatically child thread is also "NonDaemon".

Is it possible to change the NonDaemon nature of Main Thread?

Ans. Not possible, because the main thread starting is not in our hands, it will be started by "JVM".

eg::

```
class MyThread extends Thread{}
public class Test {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        System.out.println(Thread.currentThread().isDaemon());//false
        Thread.currentThread().setDaemon(true);//RE:IllegalThreadStartException

        MyThread t=new MyThread();
        System.out.println(t.isDaemon());//false
        t.setDaemon(true);
        t.start();
        System.out.println(t.isDaemon());//true
    }
}
```

Note::

Whenever last NonDaemon threads terminates, automatically all Daemon Threads will be terminated
irrespective of their position.

eg:: makeup man in shooting is a DaemonThread
hero is main thread
if hero role is over, then automatically the makeup role is also over
automatically.

eg::

```
class MyThread extends Thread{
    public void run(){
        for (int i=1;i<=10 ;i++ ){
            System.out.println("child thread");
            try{
                Thread.sleep(2000);//2sec
            }
            catch (InterruptedException e){
                System.out.println(e);
            }
        }
    }
}
public class Test {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        MyThread t=new MyThread();
        t.setDaemon(true);//stmt-1
        t.start();
        System.out.println("end of main thread");
    }
}
```

```
}
```

Output:

if we comment stmt-1, then both the threads are NonDaemon threads it would continue with its execution.

end of main thread

child thread

child thread

...

...

...

Output

If we remove comment on stmt-1, then main thread is NonDaemon thread where as userdefined thread is DaemonThread, if the main thread finishes the execution then automatically the DaemonThread also will finish the execution.

ThreadGroup

=====

Based on functionality, we can group the threads into single unit is called "ThreadGroup".

ThreadGroup contains a group of threads, in addition to threads the thread group can also

contain subthread groups

ThreadGroup

t1, t2, t3, t4, tn

tx, ty, tz (subthread group)

ta, tb, tc (subthread group)

Advantage

We can perform common operations easily (remember the example of whatsapp group)

Every Thread in java belongs to some ThreadGroup

eg::

```
public class Test {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args){
```

```
        System.out.println(Thread.currentThread().getThreadGroup().getName()); //main
```

```
        System.out.println(Thread.currentThread().getThreadGroup().getParent().getName()); //System
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

main() is called main thread, main thread belongs to a group called "main".

for every thread group there would be parent group called "System".

As how for every class there is a parent class called "Object", similarly every thread in java

belongs to some Thread group, every Threadgroup in java is the child group of System group directly or indirectly.

System group contains several SystemLevelThreads

a. Finalizer (GarbageCollector)

b. ReferenceHandler

c. SignalDispatcher

d. AttachListener

....

```

      ....
z. mainthreadgroup
  a. Thread-0
  b. Thread-1
      ....
      ....
z. subthreadgroup
  Thread-0
  Thread-1
      .....

```

To create ThreadGroup in java, we need use ThreadGroup class constructor

a. ThreadGroup is class present in "java.lang" package and it is the direct child class of "Object".

Constructors

```

ThreadGroup t=new ThreadGroup(String name);
eg:: ThreadGroup g1=new ThreadGroup("firstGroup");

```