

SINGLETON DESIGN PATTERN

Wednesday, August 23, 2023 4:10 PM

Approach 1

```
public class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance;  
    // other useful instance variables here  
    private Singleton() {}  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
            uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
        }  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
    // other useful methods here  
}
```

Drawbacks

→ Thread safety vulnerability.

→ So question arise how to make it thread safe?

→ For thread safety we come up with Approach 2.

Approach 1 working

- we have created an instance of class but haven't initialized object to it.
- our objective is to only allow creation of one object of class.
- for that we would be making our constructor private so that no object creation be done through default constructor.
- we would only allow object creation through getInstance() method.

→ In it we would check if class instance has not been initialised yet. then only we would allow object creation of it. else we would return old object itself.

Approach 2

using synchronised keyword

Approach 2

Using Synchronised keyword

```
c
public class Singleton {
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance;

    // other useful instance variables here
    private Singleton() {
    }

    public static synchronized Singleton getInstance() {
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {
            uniqueInstance = new Singleton();
        }
        return uniqueInstance;
    }
    // other useful methods here
}
```

Drawbacks

→ It would decrease throughput of our func/API/Service bcz only one thread would be able to access method at given point of time rest would be in waiting state hence decreasing throughput.

working of it

Synchronised

→ Allows only one thread to access that object at once keeping other thread in waiting state.

Since only one thread can access at given time so no case will arise where multiple thread have multiple instance at given time. This feature is of critical use in Banking Systems & payment gateway.

Question arise: How to increase its throughput then?

←
Eager instantiation
[Resource intensive]

↘
Double locking

Approach 3 (Eager Instantiation)

```
public class Singleton {  
    private static Singleton uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
  
    private Singleton() {  
    }  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```

Drawbacks

→ Resource intensive! But obj
get created even if its
use case never arise
in complete code execution.

Working

→ we have created object while we are declaring
it and we return same object whenever
call `getInstance()` by any number of threads.

Approach 4 (Double Locking)

```
public class Singleton {  
    private volatile static Singleton uniqueInstance;  
  
    private Singleton() {  
    }  
  
    public static Singleton getInstance() {  
        if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
            synchronized (Singleton.class) {  
                if (uniqueInstance == null) {  
                    uniqueInstance = new Singleton();  
                }  
            }  
        }  
        return uniqueInstance;  
    }  
}
```

The **volatile** keyword ensures that multiple threads handle the
`uniqueInstance` variable correctly when it is being initialized to
the Singleton instance.

Working

→ To check for if object is already
being initialized or not.
If not then only enters this block.
"comes to `getInstance()`"

```

}
return uniqueInstance;
}

```

new J...
 If not then only 2nd
 ex: 10 threads comes to getInstance

At Time T₁
 ↳ 2 threads comes.
 checks if object is null,
 yes it is.
 then one thread enters
 Synchronised block
 gets instantiated after
 second lock check.

Now second thread
 will come to Synchronised
 Block.

Here 2nd lock will itself
 block it from object instantiation.
 Hence doing work of singleton class.

↳ But we now have 8 threads coming
 to hit getInstance() at different Time.
 Here comes role of lock 1st (external lock).

Now external lock gets uniqueInstance
 variable as not null. Hence block
 all 8 threads at once and hence
 not keeping 8 threads in waiting

Stage as in approach 2.

But these 8 threads will not
 get chance to reach till Synchronised
 Block.

... missing our throughput
 ... not being

Hence increasing our throughput
to large extend without being
CPU / Resource intensive as in
approach 3.

P.S : Sorry for Handwriting :-)

If you like my work plz make sure to

Subscribe YT: Shubham Harikesh

there I will bring video explanation of It.