

Java Iterator Interface

The Iterator interface of the Java collections framework allows us to access elements of a collection. It has a subinterface ListIterator.

All the Java collections include an iterator() method. This method returns an instance of iterator used to iterate over elements of collections.

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Methods of Iterator

The Iterator interface provides 4 methods that can be used to perform various operations on elements of collections.

`hasNext()` - returns true if there exists an element in the collection

`next()` - returns the next element of the collection

`remove()` - removes the last element returned by the `next()`

`forEachRemaining()` - performs the specified action for each remaining element of the collection

Example: Implementation of Iterator

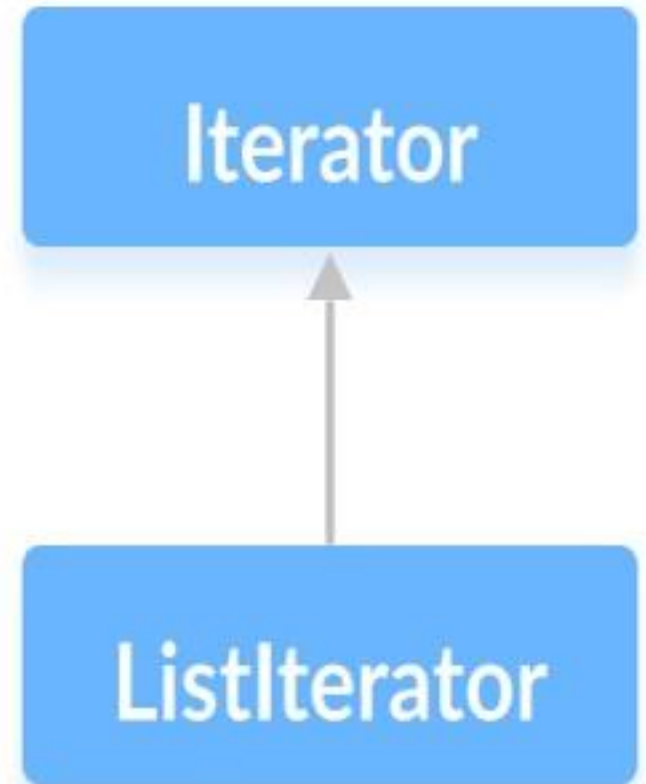
```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Iterator;
class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Creating an ArrayList
        ArrayList<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
        numbers.add(1);
        numbers.add(3);
        numbers.add(2);
        System.out.println("ArrayList: " + numbers);
        // Creating an instance of Iterator
        Iterator<Integer> iterate = numbers.iterator();
        // Using the next() method
        int number = iterate.next();
        System.out.println("Accessed Element: " + number);
        // Using the remove() method
        iterate.remove();
        System.out.println("Removed Element: " + number);
        System.out.print("Updated ArrayList: ");
        // Using the hasNext() method
        while(iterate.hasNext()) {
            // Using the forEachRemaining() method
            iterate.forEachRemaining((value) -> System.out.print(value + ", "));
        }
    }
}
```


Java ListIterator Interface

The ListIterator interface of the Java collections framework provides the functionality to access elements of a list.

It is bidirectional. This means it allows us to iterate elements of a list in both the direction.

It extends the Iterator interface.



Methods of ListIterator

The ListIterator interface provides methods that can be used to perform various operations on the elements of a list.

`hasNext()` - returns true if there exists an element in the list

`next()` - returns the next element of the list

`nextIndex()` returns the index of the element that the `next()` method will return

`previous()` - returns the previous element of the list

`previousIndex()` - returns the index of the element that the `previous()` method will return

`remove()` - removes the element returned by either `next()` or `previous()`

`set()` - replaces the element returned by either `next()` or `previous()` with the specified element

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.ListIterator;

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Creating an ArrayList
        ArrayList<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
        numbers.add(1);
        numbers.add(3);
        numbers.add(2);
        System.out.println("ArrayList: " + numbers);
        // Creating an instance of ListIterator
        ListIterator<Integer> iterate = numbers.listIterator();
        // Using the next() method
        int number1 = iterate.next();
        System.out.println("Next Element: " + number1);
        // Using the nextIndex()
        int index1 = iterate.nextIndex();
        System.out.println("Position of Next Element: " + index1);

        // Using the hasNext() method
        System.out.println("Is there any next element? " + iterate.hasNext());
    }
}
```


Java I/O Streams

In Java, streams are the sequence of data that are read from the source and written to the destination.

An input stream is used to read data from the source. And, an output stream is used to write data to the destination.

```
class HelloWorld {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println("Hello, World!");  
    }  
}
```

For example, in our first Hello World example, we have used System.out to print a string. Here, the System.out is a type of output stream.

Types of Streams

Depending upon the data a stream holds, it can be classified into:

- Byte Stream
- Character Stream

Byte Stream

Byte stream is used to read and write a single byte (8 bits) of data.

All byte stream classes are derived from base abstract classes called `InputStream` and `OutputStream`.

Character Stream

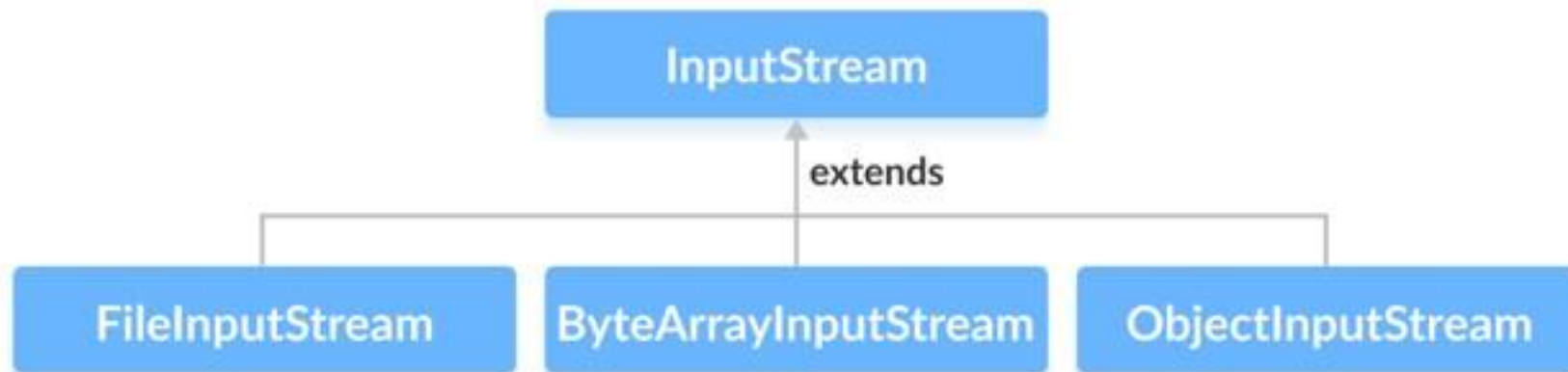
Character stream is used to read and write a single character of data.

All the character stream classes are derived from base abstract classes Reader and Writer.

Java InputStream Class

The InputStream class of the java.io package is an abstract superclass that represents an input stream of bytes.

Since InputStream is an abstract class, it is not useful by itself. However, its subclasses can be used to read data.



Create an InputStream

In order to create an InputStream, we must import the java.io.InputStream package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create the input stream.

```
// Creates an InputStream  
InputStream object1 = new FileInputStream();
```

Here, we have created an input stream using FileInputStream. It is because InputStream is an abstract class. Hence we cannot create an object of InputStream.

Note: We can also create an input stream from other subclasses of InputStream.

Methods of InputStream

The InputStream class provides different methods that are implemented by its subclasses. Here are some of the commonly used methods:

`read()` - reads one byte of data from the input stream

`read(byte[] array)` - reads bytes from the stream and stores in the specified array

`available()` - returns the number of bytes available in the input stream

`mark()` - marks the position in the input stream up to which data has been read

`reset()` - returns the control to the point in the stream where the mark was set

`markSupported()` - checks if the `mark()` and `reset()` method is supported in the stream

`skip()` - skips and discards the specified number of bytes from the input stream

`close()` - closes the input stream

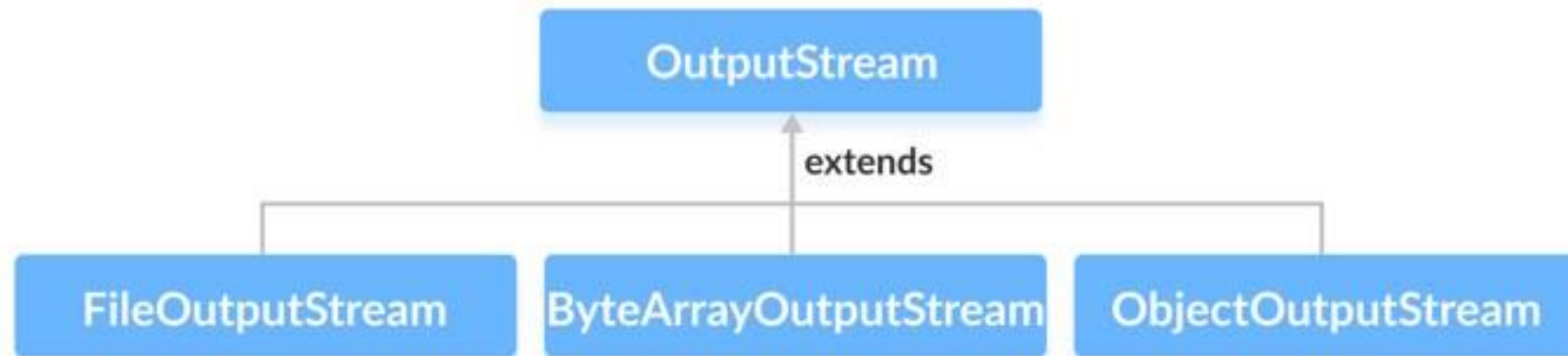

```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.InputStream;

public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        byte[] array = new byte[100];
        try {
            InputStream input = new FileInputStream("FILE path");
            System.out.println("Available bytes in the file: " + input.available());
            // Read byte from the input stream
            input.read(array);
            System.out.println("Data read from the file: ");
            // Convert byte array into string
            String data = new String(array);
            System.out.println(data);
            // Close the input stream
            input.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java OutputStream Class

The OutputStream class of the java.io package is an abstract superclass that represents an output stream of bytes.

Since OutputStream is an abstract class, it is not useful by itself. However, its subclasses can be used to write data.



Create an OutputStream

In order to create an OutputStream, we must import the java.io.OutputStream package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create the output stream.

```
// Creates an OutputStream  
OutputStream object = new FileOutputStream();
```

Here, we have created an object of output stream using FileOutputStream. It is because OutputStream is an abstract class, so we cannot create an object of OutputStream.

Note: We can also create the output stream from other subclasses of the OutputStream class.

Methods of OutputStream

The OutputStream class provides different methods that are implemented by its subclasses. Here are some of the methods:

`write()` - writes the specified byte to the output stream

`write(byte[] array)` - writes the bytes from the specified array to the output stream

`flush()` - forces to write all data present in output stream to the destination

`close()` - closes the output stream


```
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.OutputStream;
public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        String data = "This is a line of text inside the file.";
        try {
            OutputStream out = new FileOutputStream("output.txt");
            // Converts the string into bytes
            byte[] dataBytes = data.getBytes();
            // Writes data to the output stream
            out.write(dataBytes);
            System.out.println("Data is written to the file.");
            // Closes the output stream
            out.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Java FileInputStream Class

The `FileInputStream` class of the `java.io` package can be used to read data (in bytes) from files.

Create a `FileInputStream`

In order to create a file input stream, we must import the `java.io.FileInputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create a file input stream in Java.

1. Using the path to file

```
FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream(stringPath);
```

Here, we have created an input stream that will be linked to the file specified by the path.

2. Using an object of the file

```
FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream(File fileObject);
```

Here, we have created an input stream that will be linked to the file specified by `fileObject`.

read() Method

`read()` - reads a single byte from the file

`read(byte[] array)` - reads the bytes from the file and stores in the specified array

`read(byte[] array, int start, int length)` - reads the number of bytes equal to length from the file and stores in the specified array starting from the position start

available() Method

To get the number of available bytes, we can use the `available()` method. For example,

```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        try {  
            // Suppose, the input.txt file contains the following text  
            // This is a line of text inside the file.  
            FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream("input.txt");  
            // Returns the number of available bytes  
            System.out.println("Available bytes at the beginning: " + input.available());  
            // Reads 3 bytes from the file  
            input.read();  
            input.read();  
            input.read();  
            // Returns the number of available bytes  
            System.out.println("Available bytes at the end: " + input.available());  
            input.close();  
        }  
        catch (Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

skip() Method

To discard and skip the specified number of bytes, we can use the skip() method. For example,

```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        try {
            // Suppose, the input.txt file contains the following text
            // This is a line of text inside the file.
            FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream("input.txt");
            // Skips the 5 bytes
            input.skip(5);
            System.out.println("Input stream after skipping 5 bytes:");
            // Reads the first byte
            int i = input.read();
            while (i != -1) {
                System.out.print((char) i);
                // Reads next byte from the file
                i = input.read();
            }
            // close() method
            input.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java FileOutputStream Class

The `FileOutputStream` class of the `java.io` package can be used to write data (in bytes) to the files.

Create a `FileOutputStream`

In order to create a file output stream, we must import the `java.io.FileOutputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create a file output stream in Java.

1. Using the path to file

// Including the boolean parameter

```
FileOutputStream output = new FileOutputStream(String path, boolean value);
```

// Not including the boolean parameter

```
FileOutputStream output = new FileOutputStream(String path);
```

Here, we have created an output stream that will be linked to the file specified by the path.

Also, value is an optional boolean parameter. If it is set to true, the new data will be appended to the end of the existing data in the file. Otherwise, the new data overwrites the existing data in the file.

2. Using an object of the file

```
FileOutputStream output = new FileOutputStream(File fileObject);
```

Here, we have created an output stream that will be linked to the file specified by fileObject

write() Method

`write()` - writes the single byte to the file output stream

`write(byte[] array)` - writes the bytes from the specified array to the output stream

`write(byte[] array, int start, int length)` - writes the number of bytes equal to length to the output stream from an array starting from the position start

```
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String data = "This is a line of text inside the file.";  
        try {  
            FileOutputStream output = new FileOutputStream("output.txt");  
            byte[] array = data.getBytes();  
            // Writes byte to the file  
            output.write(array);  
            output.close();  
        }  
        catch(Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Note: The `getBytes()` method used in the program converts a string into an array of bytes.

flush() Method

To clear the output stream, we can use the flush() method. This method forces the output stream to write all data to the destination. For example,

```
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.IOException;
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
        FileOutputStream out = null;
        String data = "This is demo of flush method";
        try {
            out = new FileOutputStream(" flush.txt");
            // Using write() method
            out.write(data.getBytes());
            // Using the flush() method
            out.flush();
            out.close();
        }
        catch(Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java ByteArrayInputStream Class

The ByteArrayInputStream class of the java.io package can be used to read an array of input data (in bytes).

Note: In ByteArrayInputStream, the input stream is created using the array of bytes. It includes an internal array to store data of that particular byte array.

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Create a ByteArrayInputStream

In order to create a byte array input stream, we must import the `java.io.ByteArrayInputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create an input stream.

```
// Creates a ByteArrayInputStream that reads entire array
```

```
ByteArrayInputStream input = new ByteArrayInputStream(byte[] arr);
```

Here, we have created an input stream that reads entire data from the `arr` array.

However, we can also create the input stream that reads only some data from the array.

```
// Creates a ByteArrayInputStream that reads a portion of array
```

```
ByteArrayInputStream input = new ByteArrayInputStream(byte[] arr, int start, int length);
```

Here the input stream reads the number of bytes equal to `length` from the array starting from the `start` position.

```
import java.io.ByteArrayInputStream;
public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Creates an array of byte
        byte[] array = {1, 2, 3, 4};
        try {
            ByteArrayInputStream input = new ByteArrayInputStream(array);
            System.out.print("The bytes read from the input stream: ");
            for(int i= 0; i < array.length; i++) {
                // Reads the bytes
                int data = input.read();
                System.out.print(data + ", ");
            }
            input.close();
        }
        catch(Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java ByteArrayOutputStream Class

The ByteArrayOutputStream class of the java.io package can be used to write an array of output data (in bytes).

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Create a ByteArrayOutputStream

In order to create a byte array output stream, we must import the `java.io.ByteArrayOutputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create an output stream.

```
// Creates a ByteArrayOutputStream with default size
```

```
ByteArrayOutputStream out = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
```

Here, we have created an output stream that will write data to an array of bytes with default size 32 bytes. However, we can change the default size of the array.

```
// Creating a ByteArrayOutputStream with specified size
```

```
ByteArrayOutputStream out = new ByteArrayOutputStream(int size);
```

Here, the size specifies the length of the array.

```
import java.io.ByteArrayOutputStream;
```

```
class Main {
```

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

```
        String data = "This is a line of text inside the string.";
```

```
        try {
```

```
            // Creates an output stream
```

```
            ByteArrayOutputStream out = new ByteArrayOutputStream();
```

```
            byte[] array = data.getBytes();
```

```
            // Writes data to the output stream
```

```
            out.write(array);
```

```
            // Retrieves data from the output stream in string format
```

```
            String streamData = out.toString();
```

```
            System.out.println("Output stream: " + streamData);
```

```
            out.close();
```

```
        }
```

```
        catch(Exception e) {
```

```
            e.printStackTrace();
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```


Java ObjectInputStream Class

The ObjectInputStream class of the java.io package can be used to read objects that were previously written by ObjectOutputStream.

Working of ObjectInputStream

The ObjectInputStream is mainly used to read data written by the ObjectOutputStream.

Basically, the ObjectOutputStream converts Java objects into corresponding streams. This is known as **serialization**. Those converted streams can be stored in files or transferred through networks.

Now, if we need to read those objects, we will use the ObjectInputStream that will convert the streams back to corresponding objects. This is known as **deserialization**.

Create an ObjectInputStream

In order to create an object input stream, we must import the `java.io.ObjectInputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create an input stream.

```
// Creates a file input stream linked with the specified file  
FileInputStream fileStream = new FileInputStream(String file);
```

```
// Creates an object input stream using the file input stream  
ObjectInputStream objStream = new ObjectInputStream(fileStream);
```

In the above example, we have created an object input stream named `objStream` that is linked with the file input stream named `fileStream`.

Now, the `objStream` can be used to read objects from the file.

Methods of ObjectInputStream

read() Method

read() - reads a byte of data from the input stream

readBoolean() - reads data in boolean form

readChar() - reads data in character form

readInt() - reads data in integer form

readObject() - reads the object from the input stream


```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.ObjectInputStream;
import java.io.ObjectOutputStream;
class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int data1 = 5;
        String data2 = "Talent Battle";
        try {
            FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream("file.txt");
            ObjectOutputStream output = new ObjectOutputStream(file);
            // Writing to the file using ObjectOutputStream
            output.writeInt(data1);
            output.writeObject(data2);
            FileInputStream fileStream = new FileInputStream("file.txt");
            // Creating an object input stream
            ObjectInputStream objStream = new ObjectInputStream(fileStream);
            //Using the readInt() method
            System.out.println("Integer data : " + objStream.readInt());
            // Using the readObject() method
            System.out.println("String data: " + objStream.readObject());
            output.close();
            objStream.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Java ObjectOutputStream Class

The ObjectOutputStream class of the java.io package can be used to write objects that can be read by ObjectInputStream.

Working of ObjectOutputStream

Basically, the ObjectOutputStream encodes Java objects using the class name and object values. And, hence generates corresponding streams. This process is known as serialization.

Those converted streams can be stored in files and can be transferred among networks.

Note: The ObjectOutputStream class only writes those objects that implement the Serializable interface. This is because objects need to be serialized while writing to the stream

Create an ObjectOutputStream

In order to create an object output stream, we must import the `java.io.ObjectOutputStream` package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create an output stream.

```
// Creates a FileOutputStream where objects from ObjectOutputStream are written  
FileOutputStream fileStream = new FileOutputStream(String file);
```

```
// Creates the ObjectOutputStream  
ObjectOutputStream objStream = new ObjectOutputStream(fileStream);
```

In the above example, we have created an object output stream named `objStream` that is linked with the file output stream named `fileStream`.

write() Method

`write()` - writes a byte of data to the output stream

`writeBoolean()` - writes data in boolean form

`writeChar()` - writes data in character form

`writeInt()` - writes data in integer form

`writeObject()` - writes object to the output stream

```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.ObjectInputStream;
import java.io.ObjectOutputStream;

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int data1 = 5;
        String data2 = "Talent Battle";
        try {
            FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream("file.txt");
            // Creates an ObjectOutputStream
            ObjectOutputStream output = new ObjectOutputStream(file);
            // writes objects to output stream
            output.writeInt(data1);
            output.writeObject(data2);
            // Reads data using the ObjectInputStream
            FileInputStream fileStream = new FileInputStream("file.txt");
            ObjectInputStream objStream = new ObjectInputStream(fileStream);
            System.out.println("Integer data :" + objStream.readInt());
            System.out.println("String data: " + objStream.readObject());
            output.close();
            objStream.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Java BufferedInputStream Class

The BufferedInputStream class of the java.io package is used with other input streams to read the data (in bytes) more efficiently.

Working of BufferedInputStream

The BufferedInputStream maintains an internal buffer of 8192 bytes.

During the read operation in BufferedInputStream, a chunk of bytes is read from the disk and stored in the internal buffer. And from the internal buffer bytes are read individually.

Hence, the number of communication to the disk is reduced. This is why reading bytes is faster using the BufferedInputStream.

Create a BufferedInputStream

In order to create a BufferedInputStream, we must import the java.io.BufferedInputStream package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the input stream.

```
// Creates a FileInputStream
```

```
FileInputStream file = new FileInputStream(String path);
```

```
// Creates a BufferedInputStream
```

```
BufferedInputStream buffer = new BufferedInputStream(file);
```

In the above example, we have created a BufferedInputStream named buffer with the FileInputStream named file.

Here, the internal buffer has the default size of 8192 bytes. However, we can specify the size of the internal buffer as well.

```
// Creates a BufferedInputStream with specified size internal buffer
```

```
BufferedInputStream buffer = new BufferedInputStream(file, int size);
```

The buffer will help to read bytes from the files more quickly.

```
import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.FileInputStream;
```

```
class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try {
            // Creates a FileInputStream
            FileInputStream file = new FileInputStream("input.txt");
            // Creates a BufferedReader
            BufferedReader input = new BufferedReader(file);
            // Reads first byte from file
            int i = input.read();
            while (i != -1) {
                System.out.print((char) i);
                // Reads next byte from the file
                i = input.read();
            }
            input.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Java BufferedOutputStream Class

Working of BufferedOutputStream

The BufferedOutputStream maintains an internal buffer of 8192 bytes.

During the write operation, the bytes are written to the internal buffer instead of the disk. Once the buffer is filled or the stream is closed, the whole buffer is written to the disk.

Hence, the number of communication to the disk is reduced. This is why writing bytes is faster using BufferedOutputStream.

Create a BufferedOutputStream

In order to create a BufferedOutputStream, we must import the java.io.BufferedOutputStream package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the output stream.

```
// Creates a FileOutputStream
```

```
FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream(String path);
```

```
// Creates a BufferedOutputStream
```

```
BufferedOutputStream buffer = new BufferedOutputStream(file);
```

In the above example, we have created a BufferedOutputStream named buffer with the FileOutputStream named file.

Here, the internal buffer has the default size of 8192 bytes. However, we can specify the size of the internal buffer as well.

```
// Creates a BufferedOutputStream with specified size internal buffer
```

```
BufferedOutputStream buffer = new BufferedOutputStream(file, int size);
```

The buffer will help to write bytes to files more quickly.

```
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.BufferedOutputStream;

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {

        String data = "This is a line of text inside the file";
        try {
            // Creates a FileOutputStream
            FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream("output.txt");
            // Creates a BufferedOutputStream
            BufferedOutputStream output = new BufferedOutputStream(file);

            byte[] array = data.getBytes();

            // Writes data to the output stream
            output.write(array);
            output.close();
        }

        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Java PrintStream Class

The PrintStream class of the java.io package can be used to write output data in commonly readable form (text) instead of bytes.

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Working of PrintStream

Unlike other output streams, the PrintStream converts the primitive data (integer, character) into the text format instead of bytes. It then writes that formatted data to the output stream.

And also, the PrintStream class does not throw any input/output exception. Instead, we need to use the `checkError()` method to find any error in it.

- **Note:** The PrintStream class also has a feature of auto flushing. This means it forces the output stream to write all the data to the destination under one of the following conditions:
- if newline character `\n` is written in the print stream
- if the `println()` method is invoked
- if an array of bytes is written in the print stream

Create a PrintStream

In order to create a PrintStream, we must import the java.io.PrintStream package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the print stream.

1. Using other output streams

```
// Creates a FileOutputStream
```

```
FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream(String file);
```

```
// Creates a PrintStream
```

```
PrintStream output = new PrintStream(file, autoFlush);
```

Here,

we have created a print stream that will write formatted data to the file represented by FileOutputStream

the autoFlush is an optional boolean parameter that specifies whether to perform auto flushing or not

2. Using filename

```
// Creates a PrintStream
```

```
PrintStream output = new PrintStream(String file, boolean autoFlush);
```

Here,

we have created a print stream that will write formatted data to the specified file
autoFlush is an optional boolean parameter that specifies whether to perform autoflush or not

Methods of PrintStream

The PrintStream class provides various methods that allow us to print data to the output.

print() Method

print() - prints the specified data to the output stream

println() - prints the data to the output stream along with a new line character at the end

Example: print() method with PrintStream class

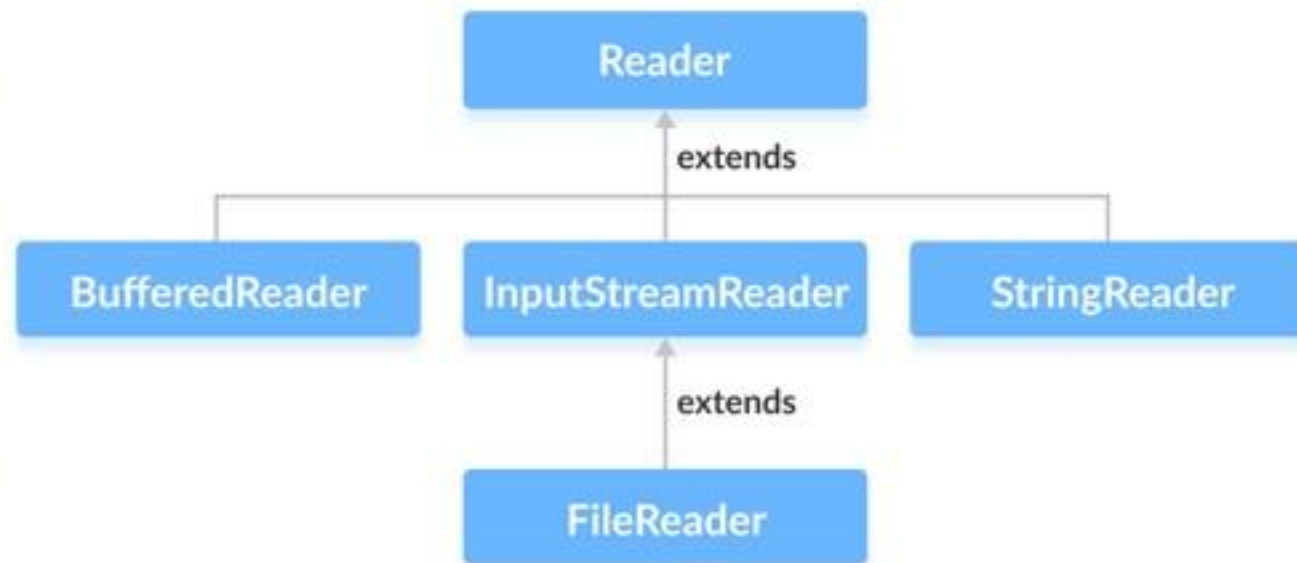
```
import java.io.PrintStream;
```

```
class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String data = "This is a text inside the file.";  
        try {  
            PrintStream output = new PrintStream("output.txt");  
            output.print(data);  
            output.close();  
        }  
        catch(Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Java Reader Class

The Reader class of the java.io package is an abstract superclass that represents a stream of characters.

Since Reader is an abstract class, it is not useful by itself. However, its subclasses can be used to read data.



Create a Reader

\In order to create a Reader, we must import the java.io.Reader package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create the reader.

```
// Creates a Reader  
Reader input = new FileReader();
```

Here, we have created a reader using the FileReader class. It is because Reader is an abstract class. Hence we cannot create an object of Reader.

Note: We can also create readers from other subclasses of Reader.

Methods of Reader

The Reader class provides different methods that are implemented by its subclasses. Here are some of the commonly used methods:

- `ready()` - checks if the reader is ready to be read
- `read(char[] array)` - reads the characters from the stream and stores in the specified array
- `read(char[] array, int start, int length)` - reads the number of characters equal to length from the stream and stores in the specified array starting from the start
- `mark()` - marks the position in the stream up to which data has been read
- `reset()` - returns the control to the point in the stream where the mark is set
- `skip()` - discards the specified number of characters from the stream

```
import java.io.Reader;
import java.io.FileReader;

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Creates an array of character
        char[] array = new char[100];
        try {
            // Creates a reader using the FileReader
            Reader input = new FileReader("input.txt");
            // Checks if reader is ready
            System.out.println("Is there data in the stream? " + input.ready());
            // Reads characters
            input.read(array);
            System.out.println("Data in the stream:");
            System.out.println(array);
            // Closes the reader
            input.close();
        }
        catch(Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java Writer Class

Create a Writer

In order to create a Writer, we must import the java.io.Writer package first. Once we import the package, here is how we can create the writer.

```
// Creates a Writer  
Writer output = new FileWriter();
```

Here, we have created a writer named output using the FileWriter class. It is because the Writer is an abstract class. Hence we cannot create an object of Writer.

Note: We can also create writers from other subclasses of the Writer class.

Methods of Writer

The Writer class provides different methods that are implemented by its subclasses. Here are some of the methods:

- `write(char[] array)` - writes the characters from the specified array to the output stream
- `write(String data)` - writes the specified string to the writer
- `append(char c)` - inserts the specified character to the current writer
- `flush()` - forces to write all the data present in the writer to the corresponding destination
- `close()` - closes the writer

```
import java.io.FileWriter;
import java.io.Writer;

public class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        String data = "This is the data in the output file";
        try {
            // Creates a Writer using FileWriter
            Writer output = new FileWriter("output.txt");
            // Writes string to the file
            output.write(data);
            // Closes the writer
            output.close();
        }
        catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```


Java InputStreamReader Class

The InputStreamReader class of the java.io package can be used to convert data in bytes into data in characters.

Create an InputStreamReader

In order to create an InputStreamReader, we must import the java.io.InputStreamReader package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the input stream reader.

```
// Creates an InputStream
```

```
FileInputStream file = new FileInputStream(String path);
```

```
// Creates an InputStreamReader
```

```
InputStreamReader input = new InputStreamReader(file);
```

In the above example, we have created an InputStreamReader named input along with the FileInputStream named file.

```
import java.io.InputStreamReader;
```

```
import java.io.FileInputStream;
```

```
class Main {
```

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

```
        // Creates an array of character
```

```
        char[] array = new char[100];
```

```
        try {
```

```
            // Creates a FileInputStream
```

```
            FileInputStream file = new FileInputStream("input.txt");
```

```
            // Creates an InputStreamReader
```

```
            InputStreamReader input = new InputStreamReader(file);
```

```
            // Reads characters from the file
```

```
            input.read(array);
```

```
            System.out.println("Data in the stream:");
```

```
            System.out.println(array);
```

```
            // Closes the reader
```

```
            input.close();
```

```
        }
```

```
        catch(Exception e) {
```

```
            e.printStackTrace();
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```


Java OutputStreamWriter Class

Create an OutputStreamWriter

In order to create an OutputStreamWriter, we must import the java.io.OutputStreamWriter package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the output stream writer.

```
// Creates an OutputStream  
FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream(String path);
```

```
// Creates an OutputStreamWriter  
OutputStreamWriter output = new OutputStreamWriter(file);
```

In the above example, we have created an OutputStreamWriter named output along with the FileOutputStream named file.


```
import java.io.FileOutputStream;  
import java.io.OutputStreamWriter;
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        String data = "This is a line of text inside the file.";  
        try {  
            // Creates a FileOutputStream  
            FileOutputStream file = new FileOutputStream("output.txt");  
            // Creates an OutputStreamWriter  
            OutputStreamWriter output = new OutputStreamWriter(file);  
            // Writes string to the file  
            output.write(data);  
            // Closes the writer  
            output.close();  
        }  
        catch (Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Java StringReader Class

The StringReader class of the java.io package can be used to read data (in characters) from strings.

Note: In StringReader, the specified string acts as a source from where characters are read individually.

Create a StringReader

In order to create a StringReader, we must import the java.io.StringReader package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the string reader.

```
// Creates a StringReader
```

```
StringReader input = new StringReader(String data);
```

Here, we have created a StringReader that reads characters from the specified string named data.

```
import java.io.StringReader;
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String data = "This is the text read from StringReader.";  
        // Create a character array  
        char[] array = new char[100];  
        try {  
            // Create a StringReader  
            StringReader input = new StringReader(data);  
            //Use the read method  
            input.read(array);  
            System.out.println("Data read from the string:");  
            System.out.println(array);  
            input.close();  
        }  
        catch(Exception e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```


Java StringWriter Class

Note: In Java, string buffer is considered as a mutable string. That is, we can modify the string buffer. To convert from string buffer to string, we can use the toString() method.

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Create a StringWriter

In order to create a StringWriter, we must import the java.io.StringWriter package first. Once we import the package here is how we can create the string writer.

```
// Creates a StringWriter
```

```
StringWriter output = new StringWriter();
```

Here, we have created the string writer with default string buffer capacity. However, we can specify the string buffer capacity as well.

```
// Creates a StringWriter with specified string buffer capacity
```

```
StringWriter output = new StringWriter(int size);
```

Here, the size specifies the capacity of the string buffer.

```
import java.io.StringWriter;

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String data = "This is the text in the string.";
        try {
            // Create a StringWriter with default string buffer capacity
            StringWriter output = new StringWriter();
            // Writes data to the string buffer
            output.write(data);
            // Prints the string writer
            System.out.println("Data in the StringWriter: " + output);
            output.close();
        }
        catch(Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Note: We have used the toString() method to get the output data from string buffer in string form.


```
import java.io.StringWriter;

public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String data = "This is the original data";
        try {
            // Create a StringWriter with default string buffer capacity
            StringWriter output = new StringWriter();
            // Writes data to the string buffer
            output.write(data);
            // Returns the string buffer
            StringBuffer stringBuffer = output.getBuffer();
            System.out.println("StringBuffer: " + stringBuffer);
            // Returns the string buffer in string form
            String string = output.toString();
            System.out.println("String: " + string);
            output.close();
        }
        catch(Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```