

Motivation

Multithreading can be used to reduce latency. Reading 8 files from ~8s to ~1s.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.motivation;

import java.util.concurrent.Semaphore;

public class ReduceLatency2 {

    private static final int NUM_THREADS = 8;
    private static final Semaphore semaphore = new Semaphore(NUM_THREADS);

    public static void readFile() throws InterruptedException {
        Thread.sleep(1000);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        long start = System.currentTimeMillis();
        for (int i = 0; i < NUM_THREADS; ++i) {
            Thread thread = new Thread((Runnable) () -> {
                try {
                    semaphore.acquire();
                    readFile();
                } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                    //
                } finally {
                    semaphore.release();
                }
            });
            thread.start();
        }

        while (!semaphore.tryAcquire(NUM_THREADS));
        long end = System.currentTimeMillis();
        System.out.println(end - start);
    }
}
```

```

package org.chris.multithreading.motivation;

public class ReduceLatency {

    public static void readFile() throws InterruptedException {
        Thread.sleep(1000);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        long start = System.currentTimeMillis();
        for (int i = 0; i < 8; ++i) {
            readFile();
        }
        long end = System.currentTimeMillis();
        System.out.println(end - start);
    }
}

```

Hello World

```

package org.chris.multithreading.helloworld;

public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        Thread thread = new Thread(new PrintHello());
        thread.start();
        thread.join();
        System.out.println("Success!");
    }

    private static class PrintHello implements Runnable {
        @Override
        public void run() { System.out.println("Hello, world!"); }
    }
}

```

```
package org.chris.multithreading.helloworld;

public class HelloWorld2 {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        Thread thread = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                System.out.println("Hello, world!");
            }
        });
        thread.start();
        thread.join();
    }
}
```

Synchronized

synchronized method is equivalent to synchronized(this).

```
package org.chris.multithreading.synchronizedexample;

public class SynchronizedExample {

    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 5000;

    public synchronized void foo() {
        System.out.println("Inside foo");
        try {
            Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
        } catch (InterruptedException e) {
            //
        }
    }

    public synchronized void bar() { System.out.println("Inside bar"); }

    public void foobar() { System.out.println("Inside foobar"); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final SynchronizedExample s = new SynchronizedExample();

        Thread T1 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                s.foo();
            }
        });

        Thread T2 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                s.bar();
            }
        });

        Thread T3 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                s.foobar();
            }
        });

        T1.start();
        T2.start();
        T3.start();

        T1.join();
        T2.join();
        T3.join();
    }
}
```

Synchronized is reentrant to the same thread. Here foo() calls bar() which is also protected by

synchronized(this). A thread T that enters foo can enter bar as well. Other threads will be blocked if foo() is executed by T.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.synchronizedexample;

public class SynchronizedExample3 {
    public void foo() throws InterruptedException {
        synchronized (this) {
            System.out.println("Inside foo");
            bar();
            Thread.sleep(2000);
        }
    }

    public void bar() {
        synchronized (this) {
            System.out.println("Inside bar");
        }
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final SynchronizedExample3 s = new SynchronizedExample3();

        Thread T1 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                try {
                    s.foo();
                } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                    //
                }
            }
        });

        Thread T2 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                s.bar();
            }
        });

        T1.start();
        T1.join();

        T2.start();
        T2.join();
    }
}
```

Synchronized on a method for all instances of a class.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.synchronizedexample;

public class SynchronizedExample4 {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 5000;

    public void foo() {
        synchronized (SynchronizedExample4.class) {
            System.out.println("Inside foo");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {}
            //
        }
    }

    public void bar() {
        synchronized (SynchronizedExample4.class) {
            System.out.println("Inside bar");
        }
    }

    public void foobar() { System.out.println("Inside foobar"); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final SynchronizedExample4 s = new SynchronizedExample4();
        final SynchronizedExample4 s2 = new SynchronizedExample4();
        Thread T1 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foo(); });

        Thread T2 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s2.bar(); });

        Thread T3 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foobar(); });

        T1.start();
        T2.start();
        T3.start();

        T1.join();
        T2.join();
        T3.join();
    }
}
```

```

package org.chris.multithreading.synchronizedexample;

public class SynchronizedExample5 {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 5000;
    private static final Object lock = new Object();

    public void foo() {
        synchronized (lock) {
            System.out.println("Inside foo");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                //
            }
        }
    }

    public void bar() {
        synchronized (lock) {
            System.out.println("Inside bar");
        }
    }

    public void foobar() { System.out.println("Inside foobar"); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final SynchronizedExample5 s = new SynchronizedExample5();
        final SynchronizedExample5 s2 = new SynchronizedExample5();
        Thread T1 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foo(); });

        Thread T2 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s2.bar(); });

        Thread T3 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                s.foobar();
            }
        });

        T1.start();
        T2.start();
        T3.start();

        T1.join();
        T2.join();
        T3.join();
    }
}

```

```

package org.chris.multithreading.synchronizedexample;

public class SynchronizedExample4 {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 5000;

    public void foo() {
        synchronized (SynchronizedExample4.class) {
            System.out.println("Inside foo");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {}
            //
        }
    }

    public void bar() {
        synchronized (SynchronizedExample4.class) {
            System.out.println("Inside bar");
        }
    }

    public void foobar() { System.out.println("Inside foobar"); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final SynchronizedExample4 s = new SynchronizedExample4();
        final SynchronizedExample4 s2 = new SynchronizedExample4();
        Thread T1 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foo(); });

        Thread T2 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s2.bar(); });

        Thread T3 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foobar(); });

        T1.start();
        T2.start();
        T3.start();

        T1.join();
        T2.join();
        T3.join();
    }
}

```

Reentrant Lock

Reentrant lock is similar to synchronized keyword. It is recommended that the lock is released in the finally block.


```

package org.chris.multithreading.lockexample;

import ...

public class LockExample {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 5000;
    private final Lock lock = new ReentrantLock();

    public void foo() {
        try {
            lock.lock();
            System.out.println("Inside foo");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                //
            }
        } finally {
            lock.unlock();
        }
    }

    public void bar() {
        try {
            lock.lock();
            System.out.println("Inside bar");
        } finally {
            lock.unlock();
        }
    }

    public void foobar() { System.out.println("Inside foobar"); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        final LockExample s = new LockExample();

        Thread T1 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foo(); });
        Thread T2 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.bar(); });
        Thread T3 = new Thread((Runnable) () -> { s.foobar(); });

        T1.start();
        T2.start();
        T3.start();

        T1.join();
        T2.join();
        T3.join();
    }
}

```

Condition Variable

This code uses condition variable to implement the join method.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.conditionvariable;

public class ConditionVariableExample {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 1000;
    private boolean running = true;
    private Thread thread;

    public void start() {
        thread = new Thread((Runnable) () → {
            print("Hello, world!");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                Thread.currentThread().interrupt();
            }
            synchronized (thread) {
                running = false;
                ConditionVariableExample.this.notify();
            }
        });
        thread.start();
    }

    public void join() throws InterruptedException {
        synchronized (thread) {
            while(running) {
                print("Waiting for the peer thread to finish.");
                wait();// waiting, not running
            }
            print("Peer thread finished.");
        }
    }

    private void print(String s) { System.out.println(s); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        ConditionVariableExample cve = new ConditionVariableExample();
        cve.start();
        cve.join();
    }
}
```

```

package org.chris.multithreading.conditionvariable;

import java.util.concurrent.locks.Condition;
import java.util.concurrent.locks.Lock;
import java.util.concurrent.locks.ReentrantLock;

public class ConditionVariableExample2 {
    private static final long SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS = 1000;
    private boolean running = true;
    private final Lock lock = new ReentrantLock();
    private final Condition condition = lock.newCondition();

    public void start() {
        Thread thread = new Thread((Runnable) () -> {
            print("Hello, world!");
            try {
                Thread.sleep(SLEEP_INTERVAL_MS);
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {
                Thread.currentThread().interrupt();
            }
            try {
                lock.lock();
                running = false;
                condition.signalAll();
            } finally {
                lock.unlock();
            }
        });
        thread.start();
    }

    public void join() throws InterruptedException {
        try {
            lock.lock();
            while(running) {
                print("Waiting for the peer thread to finish.");
                condition.await();
            }
            print("Peer thread finished.");
        } finally {
            lock.unlock();
        }
    }

    private void print(String s) { System.out.println(s); }

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        ConditionVariableExample2 cve = new ConditionVariableExample2();
        cve.start();
        cve.join();
    }
}

```

Volatile Variable

stopRequested needs to be volatile for its change to be seen by the other thread.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.volatileexample;
import java.util.concurrent.TimeUnit;

public class StopThread {
    private static volatile boolean stopRequested;

    public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
        Thread backgroundThread = new Thread(new Runnable() {
            public void run() {
                int i = 0;
                while (!stopRequested){
                    i++;
                }
            }
        });
        backgroundThread.start();
        TimeUnit.SECONDS.sleep(1);
        stopRequested = true;
    }
}
```

race needs to be an atomic variable. Volatile can only guarantee that when reading race, the value is up to date.

```
package org.chris.multithreading.volatileexample;

public class VolatileTest {
    public static volatile int race = 0;
    private static final int THREADS_COUNT = 20;

    public static void increase() {
        race++;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Thread[] threads = new Thread[THREADS_COUNT];

        for (int i = 0; i < THREADS_COUNT; ++i) {
            threads[i] = new Thread(new Runnable() {
                @Override
                public void run() {
                    for(int j = 0; j < 10000; ++j) {
                        increase();
                    }
                }
            });
            threads[i].start();
        }

        while (Thread.activeCount() > 1) {
            Thread.yield();
        }

        System.out.println(race);
    }
}
```

```
package org.chris.multithreading.atomicexample;

import java.util.concurrent.atomic.AtomicInteger;

public class AtomicTest {
    private static AtomicInteger race = new AtomicInteger(0);
    private static final int THREADS_COUNT = 20;

    private static void increase() { race.incrementAndGet(); }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Thread[] threads = new Thread[THREADS_COUNT];

        for (int i = 0; i < THREADS_COUNT; ++i) {
            threads[i] = new Thread(new Runnable() {
                @Override
                public void run() {
                    for (int j = 0; j < 10000; ++j) {
                        increase();
                    }
                }
            });
            threads[i].start();
        }

        while (Thread.activeCount() > 1) {
            Thread.yield();
        }

        System.out.println(race.get());
    }
}
```