Advanced Java T.T.

JPMS & var



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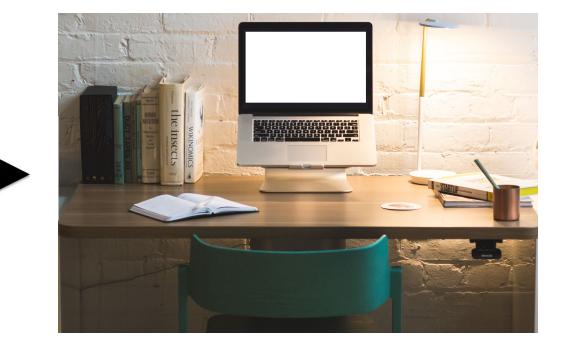


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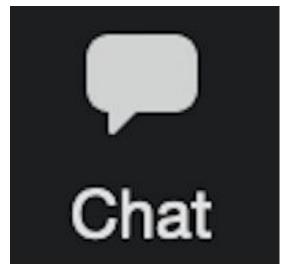




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Use chat or ask questions verbally



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- Make this as interesting and interactive as possible
- Ask questions in order to stimulate discussion
- Use whatever resources I have at hand to explain the material
- Try my best to manage verbal responses so that everyone who wants to speak can do so
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Prerequisites



- Good understanding of the Java programming language to Java 8
- Understanding of issues surrounding project dependencies and their management



Objectives



At the end of this course you will be able to:

- Create modular software using the Java Platform Module System
- Use the var pseudo-type



About you



In 90 seconds!

- What you hope to learn
- What your background level is

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THANK YOU





Problems JPMS Addresses



- Project organization / dependencies between components
- Access control for components larger than classes
- Control of reflection
- Provision of, and access to, services
- Migration of non-modular projects to the module system



Declaring a module



A module is created by the presence of module-info.java or module-info.class in the root directory of the package tree.

- This file indicates the name of the module
- along with access control directives

```
module <name> {
    // directives
}
```

Module names are generally dotted lower-case names, in a manner similar to packages, e.g. mycompany.accounting



Key directives: exports



A module that permits access to some features uses the exports directive to give access to a *package*:

```
module my.mod {
   exports <package-name> [to mod1, mod2...]
}
```

The exports targets (if present) may include unavailable / non-existent modules

To export multiple packages, use multiple exports directives



Key directives: requires



A module that wishes to use features from another module issues a requires directive naming the target module:

```
module my.mod {
   requires <module-name>
}
```

The requires target must exist and be available or compilation / execution will fail

All modules implicitly declare requires java.base;

To declare dependency on multiple modules, use multiple requires directives



Finding modules and classes



The JVM searches for modules on the module-path

- specify as a separated list using the command line parameter -p or --module-path
- separator is colon or semi-colon depending on the host platform OS

Classes are not simply loaded from any/all available modules, instead a module graph is built transitively from the requires directives found, starting at the root module(s)

- a key root module will be specified on the command line with the program entry point
- classes are only loaded from modules that are determined to be necessary
- this speeds up loading and can reduce distribution size of software



Reading vs requiring a module



If a module has the right to access exported features of a module, it is said to "read" the module

- The requires directive implies reading the specified module
- The requires directive additionally puts that module into the graph of modules to load classes from



Opening a package or module to reflection



In the module system a module is protected against reflection from outside that module by default

- enabling reflection is referred to as "opening"
- an entire module can be declared as open
- or individual packages can be declared as open

```
open module reflectable.mod {}
module partly.reflectable {
   opens some.package;
}
```



Declaring and implementing a service



Services are defined by types that describe their features (e.g. methods)

 this is nothing more than providing a type (class, abstract class, interface) in a public package and exporting that package

Service can have multiple implementations, perhaps in the declaring module, perhaps elsewhere.

These are announced using the provides directive
 module offer.a.service {
 provides serv.if.ServiceIF with my.serv.ServImpl

Implementations need not be directly visible to the service clients



Using a service



```
A module wishing to use a service declares its intention:
module uses.a.service {
  requires module.declaring.service.type;
  uses serv.if.ServiceIF;
The available service implementations are loaded by the ServiceLoader:
ServiceLoader<ServiceIF> loader =
           ServiceLoader.load(ServiceIF.class);
for (ServiceIF srv : loader) {
  // investigate / use the various implementations
```



Module system command line parameters



Several command line parameters support compiling & running with JPMS

- --module-path or -p -- where to find binary modules
- --module or -m
 - which module/class to launch a program from
 java [...] -m my.module/your.pak.MainClass
 - which modules to compile in a multi-module compilation
 javac [...] -m one.module, other.module
 - note: NO SPACES around the comma!



Module system command line parameters



- --module-source-path -- describes how to find the "roots" of source directory trees for compilation of modular projects
 - an asterisk in this specification will be substituted with the name of the module to be compiled
 - usually needs to be surrounded by quotes to avoid OS shell handling of *
 - can be a list of paths with OS specific separator (colon/semicolon)

```
E.g.
javac \
  -d modules \
  --module-path modules \
  --module-source-path "mod-srcs/*/src/main/java" \
  --module module.one, module.two
```



Using the pseudo type var



Java 10 and 11 added the pseudo-type var to the language

 This is not a keyword, but has special meaning only in the places a typename is expected

The var pseudo type can be used in place of an explicit type specification for:

- local variables that are declared and initialized with an unambiguous value
 - but cannot be used for field declarations
- unambiguously initialized formal-parameter-like variables
 - e.g. in for loops, try with resources
 - but not in regular method arguments nor catch parameters because these are not initialized
- formal parameters for lambdas, provided the type is inferrable
 - this serves as a placeholder for annotation