

# Performance and Security Improvements

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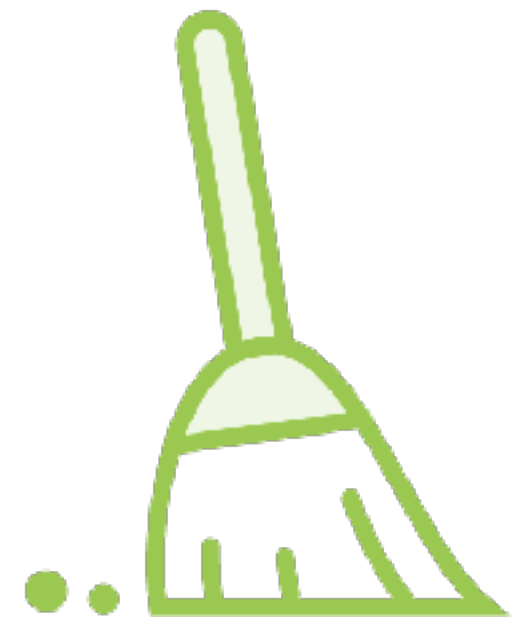
# Garbage Collector Deprecations

**Removed:** GC combinations deprecated in Java 8

**Deprecated:** Concurrent Mark Sweep (CMS) collector

`-XX:+UseConcMarkSweepGC`

warning: Option UseConcMarkSweepGC  
was deprecated in version 9.0 and will  
likely be removed in a future release.



# G1 Garbage Collector

**G1: Garbage first**

**Introduced in JDK 6, now default in JDK 9**

**Replaces Concurrent Mark Sweep GC (CMS)**



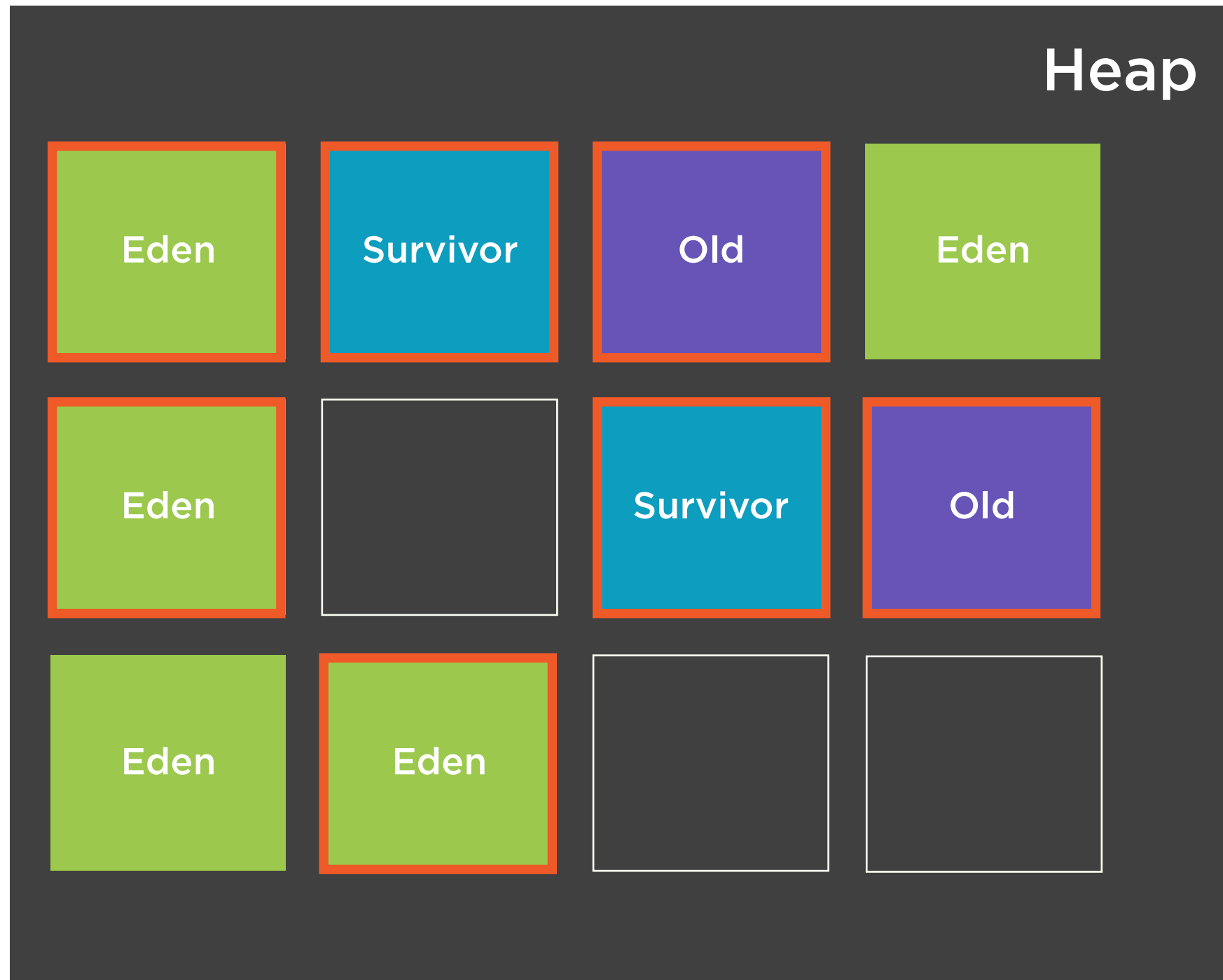
# Generational Garbage Collection



Long 'stop-the-world' GC pauses

Difficult to tune

# G1 Garbage Collector



**Incremental GC**

**Parallel marking**

**Designed for large heaps**

**Low pause, tuneable pause goal**

**Slightly more CPU intensive**

**Automatic tuning:**

**Heap region size**

**Parallel threads**

**Pause time interval**

# G1 Garbage Collector

## **Faster memory management with fewer code tricks**

–XX:MaxGCPauseMillis=200

## **Trade some throughput for lower latency**

–XX:+G1EnableStringDeduplication



# String Performance

## **Compact Strings**

Lower memory usage

Effective immediately without code changes

## **String concatenation changes**

Change concatenation translation strategy

Groundwork for future improvements

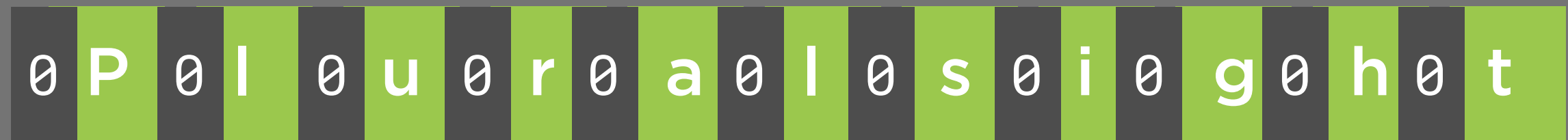
# Compact Strings

char[]  
UTF-16



Pre-Java 9

byte[]



byte

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(UTF-8, ISO-8859-1, Latin1)

Java 9



# String Concatenation

```
String s = "a" + "b" + "c";
```



```
StringBuilder s =  
    new StringBuilder();  
s.append("a");  
s.append("b");  
s.append("c");
```

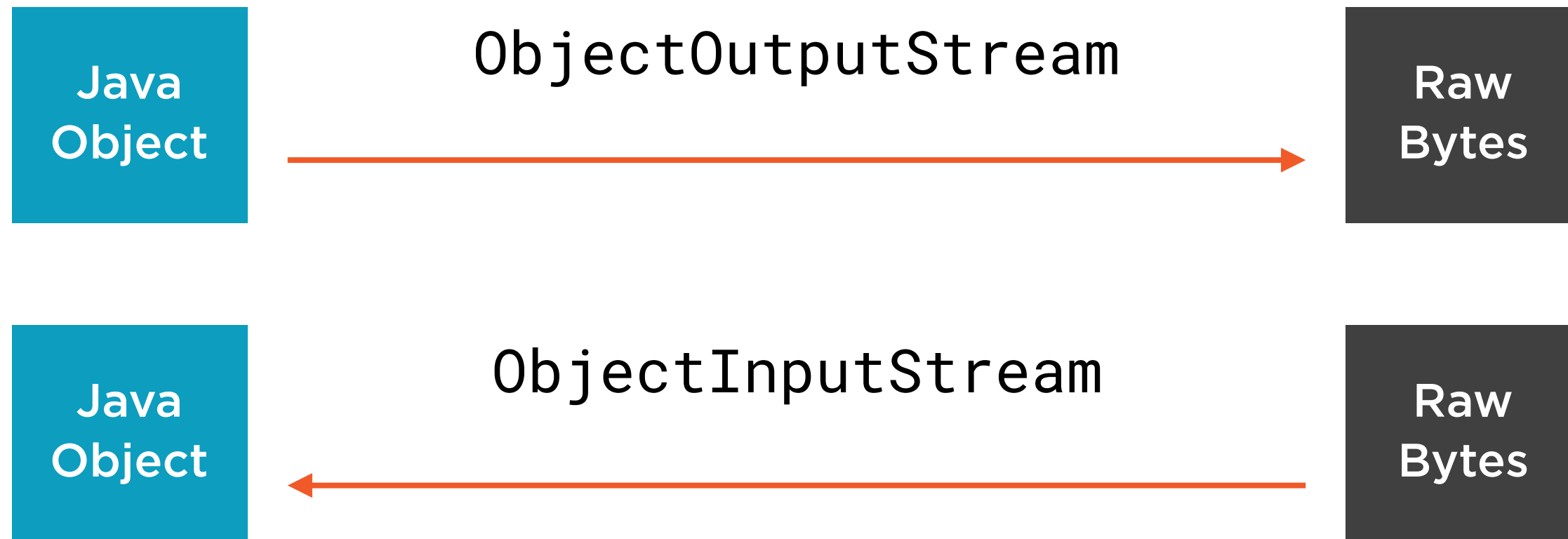
With Java 9:

**Invokedynamic bytecode**

**Late binding to actual implementation**

**Stable bytecode, future improvements possible**

# Serialization



# Dangers of Serialization

Vulnerability search "Java serialization"



**Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures**

*The Standard for Information Security Vulnerability Names*

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Contact a CVE Numbering Authority (CNA)

Contact Primary CNA (MITRE) – CVE Request web form

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## Search Results

There are **15** CVE entries that match your search.

### Name

- |                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <a href="#">CVE-2017-9363</a>  | Untrusted Java serialization in Soffid IAM console before 1.7.5 allows remote attackers   |
| <a href="#">CVE-2017-10109</a> | Vulnerability in the Java SE, Java SE Embedded, JRockit component of Oracle Java SE (Java SE Embedded: 8u131; JRockit: R28.3.14. Easily exploitable vulnerability allows untrusted user to execute arbitrary code on Java SE Embedded, JRockit. Successful attacks of this vulnerability can result in unauthorized access to confidential data and information or the ability to compromise the availability and integrity of the affected system. This vulnerability applies to Java deployments, typically in clients running sandboxed Java Web Start applications, that rely on the Java sandbox for security. This vulnerability does not affect Java SE deployments that have been signed and validated by an administrator). CVSS 3.0 Base Score 5.3 (Availability impacts). CVSS Vector: CVSS:3.0/AU:5.3 |
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# Filter Incoming Serialization Data

New interface, to filter data before deserializing

```
interface ObjectInputFilter {  
    Status checkInput(FilterInput filterInfo);  
  
    enum Status {  
        UNDECIDED,  
        ALLOWED,  
        REJECTED;  
    }  
}
```

`ObjectInputStream::setObjectInputFilter`

per stream

`ObjectInputFilter.Config.setSerialFilter`

for all streams

# Filter Incoming Serialization Data

Filter without adding or changing code

`jdk.serialFilter` system property:

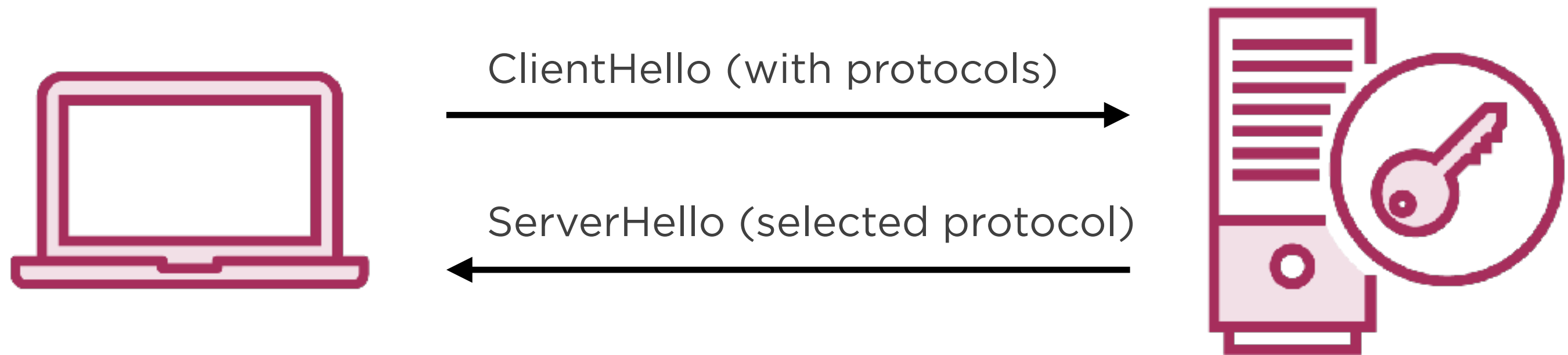
```
maxbytes=n;  
maxarray=n;  
maxdepth=n;  
com.pluralsight.Remote*;  
com.pluralsight.dto.**;  
!com.pluralsight.internal.*;
```

**Backported to Java 6/7/8!**

# TLS Improvements: ALPN

## Application Layer Protocol Negotiation

Select application layer protocol during TLS handshake



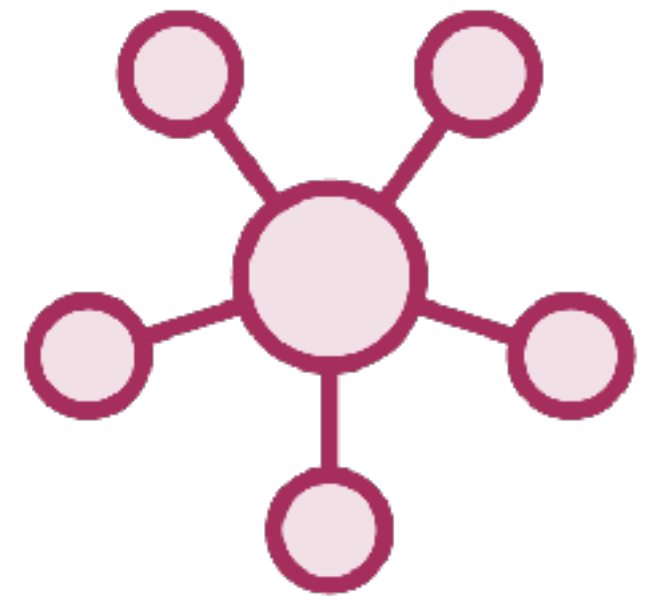
Required for **HTTP/2** support

# TLS Improvements: DTLS 1.0/1.2

## Datagram Transport Layer Security

Applicable for networking without reliable TCP connection

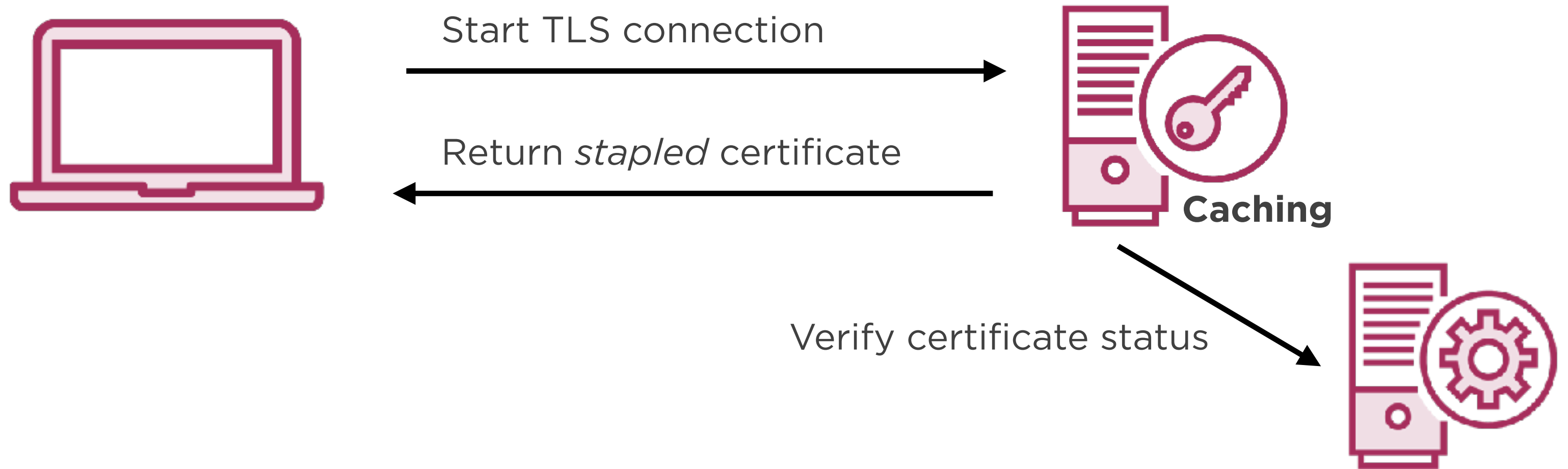
Java 9 supports DTLS 1.0 and 1.2, aligned with TLS 1.1 and 1.2 through `SSLEngine` and `DatagramSocket`



# TLS Improvements: OCSP Stapling

## Online Certificate Status Protocol

Check for X.509 certificate revocation when establishing TLS connections





# SHA-1 Certificates Disabled

SHA-1 'broken' by collision attacks



Certificates using SHA-1  
hash rejected by default  
Local/enterprise certs  
not affected

SHA-3 support added

# Summary

## What's New in Java 9



# Course Wrap-up

## Modules

The JDK is modularized,  
and you can create your  
own modules as well

## JShell

Quick experimentation  
using snippets of code

## Library & Language Improvements

Streams and Optionals  
got better and more  
interoperable

# Course Wrap-up

## New APIs

The ProcessHandle and HttpClient APIs are added

## Desktop Java Enhancements

Enhanced rendering performance and a module-ready JavaFX

## Performance & Security

Many TLS related improvements, also to support HTTP/2

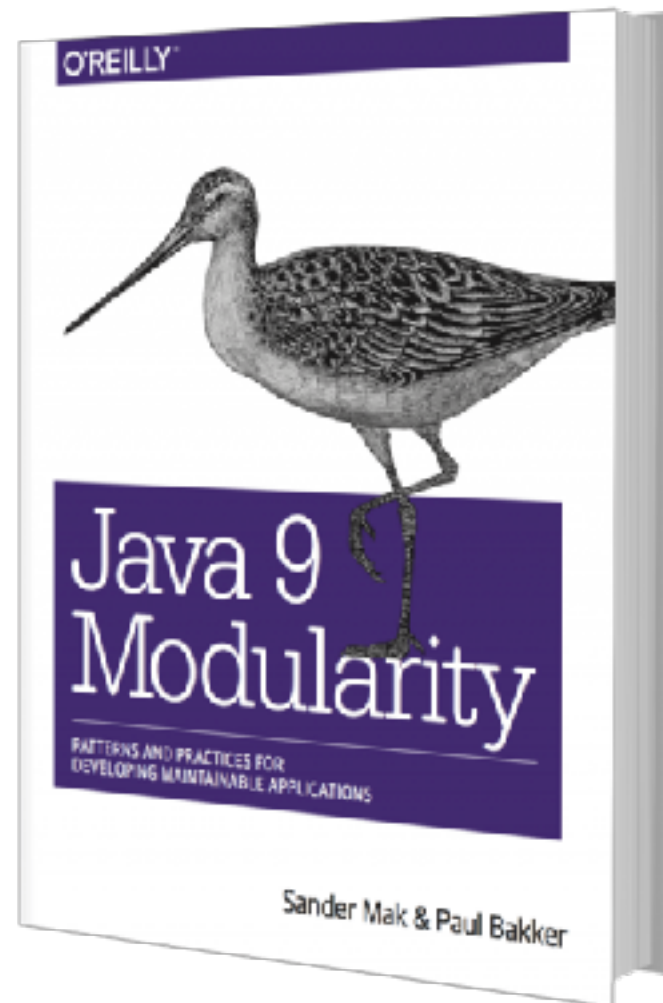
# Additional Resources

## Java Enhancement Proposals (JEPs)

90+ JEPs in JDK 9

JEP	Name	JEP	Name	JEP	Name	JEP	Name	JEP	Name	JEP	Name	JEP	Name
102	Process API Updates	215	Tiered Attribution for javac	229	Create PKCS12 Keystores by Default	245	Validate JVM Command-Line Flag Arguments	257	Update JavaFX/Media to Newer Version of GStreamer	272	Platform-Specific Desktop Features	284	New HotSpot Build System
110	HTTP 2 Client	216	Process Import Statements Correctly	231	Remove Launch-Time JRE Version Selection	246	Leverage CPU Instructions for GHASH and RSA	258	HarfBuzz Font-Layout Engine	273	DRBG-Based SecureRandom Implementations	285	Spin-Wait Hints
143	Improve Contended Locking	217	Annotations Pipeline 2.0	232	Improve Secure Application Performance	247	Compile for Older Platform Versions	259	Stack Walking API	274	Enhanced Method Handles	287	SHA-3 Hash Algorithms
158	Unified JVM Logging	219	Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS)	233	Generate Run-Time Compiler Tests Automatically	248	Make G1 the Default Garbage Collector	260	Encapsulate Most Internal APIs	275	Modular Java Application Packaging	288	Disable SHA-1 Certificates
165	Compiler Control	220	Modular Run-Time Images	235	Test Class-File Attributes Generated by javac	249	OCSP Stapling for TLS	261	Module System	276	Dynamic Linking of Language-Defined Object Models	289	Deprecate the Applet API
193	Variable Handles	221	Simplified Doclet API	236	Parser API for Nashorn	250	Use Signed Strings in CDS Archives	262	TIFF Image I/O	277	Enhanced Deprecation	290	Filter Incoming Serialization Data
197	Segmented Code Cache	222	jshell: The Java Shell (Read-Eval-Print Loop)	237	Linux/AArch64 Port	251	Multi-Resolution Image	263	HIDPI Graphics on Windows and Linux	278	Additional Tests for Humongous Objects in G1	291	Deprecate the Concurrent Mark Sweep (CMS) Garbage Collector
199	Smart Java Compilation, Phase Two	223	New Version-String Scheme	238	Multi-Release JAR Files	252	Use ELDR Local Data by Default	264	Platform Logging API and Service	279	Improve Test-Failure Troubleshooting	292	Implement Selected ECMAScript 6 Features in Nashorn
200	The Modular JDK	224	HTML5 Javadoc	240	Remove the JVM TI hprof Agent	253	Prepare JavaFX UI Controls & CSS API for Modularization	265	Marlin Graphics Renderer	280	Indify String Concatenation	294	Linux/s390x Port
201	Modular Source Code	225	Javadoc Search	241	Remove the jhat Tool	254	Compact String	266	More Concurrency Updates	281	HotSpot C++ Unit-Test Framework	295	Ahead-of-Time Compilation
211	Elide Deprecation Warnings on Import Statements	226	UTF-8 Property Files	243	Java-Level JVM Compiler Interface	255	Merge Selected Xerces 11.0 Features into JAXP	267	Unicode 8.0	282	jlink: The Java Linker	297	Unified arm32/arm64 Port
212	Resolve Lint and DocLint Warnings	227	Unicode 7.0	244	TLS Application-Layer Protocol Negotiation Extension	256	BeanInfo Annotations	268	XML Catalogs	283	Enable GTK 3 on Linux	298	Remove Demos and Samples
213	Milling Project Coin	228	Add More Diagnostic Commands					269	Convenience Factory Methods for Collections			299	Reorganize Documentation
214	Remove GC Combinations Deprecated in JDK 8							270	Reserved Stack Areas for Critical Sections				
								271	Unified GC Logging				

# Additional Resources



[javamodularity.com](http://javamodularity.com)

## Java 9 Modularity: First Look

[bit.ly/java9course](http://bit.ly/java9course)

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