

## (Part 12)

Externalization,  
Serialisation

When should one go for externalization and when should it be used?

Serialisation, → taken care completely by JVM,

↳ In Serialization it is not possible to partially serialize the object, whole object has to be done. Even if we use ~~object~~ "transient" keyword we have read default value of those.

Externalisation → Complete Control is with the programmer.

↳ In Externalisation part of the object can be ~~serialize~~ converted to transport supported format. This is not the case with serialisation. Here we can choose which attributes we want to transfer.

Now Imagine a class with ~~lots~~ Lots of Attribute and we only need to convert (2-3) attributes into transport format.

If we do serialisation, unnecessarily we will slow down performance. So we should go for externalisation.

Class Account implements Serializable → Class gets Serializable Ability

Class Account implements Externalizable → Class gets Externalizable Ability

Serializable → It is a marker Interface, has no methods where total ability will be provided by JVM.

Externalizable → Two methods are there and programmer is responsible for providing functionality

method 1 → write External()

method 2 → read External()

Serializable(I)

Externalizable(I)

{ this is child interface of Serializable }

Since it requires programmer and hence because of laziness of programmer it is not so popular.

1. write External() {

① Serialization() → Logic to be written

② to save required properties to the file

}

2. read External() {

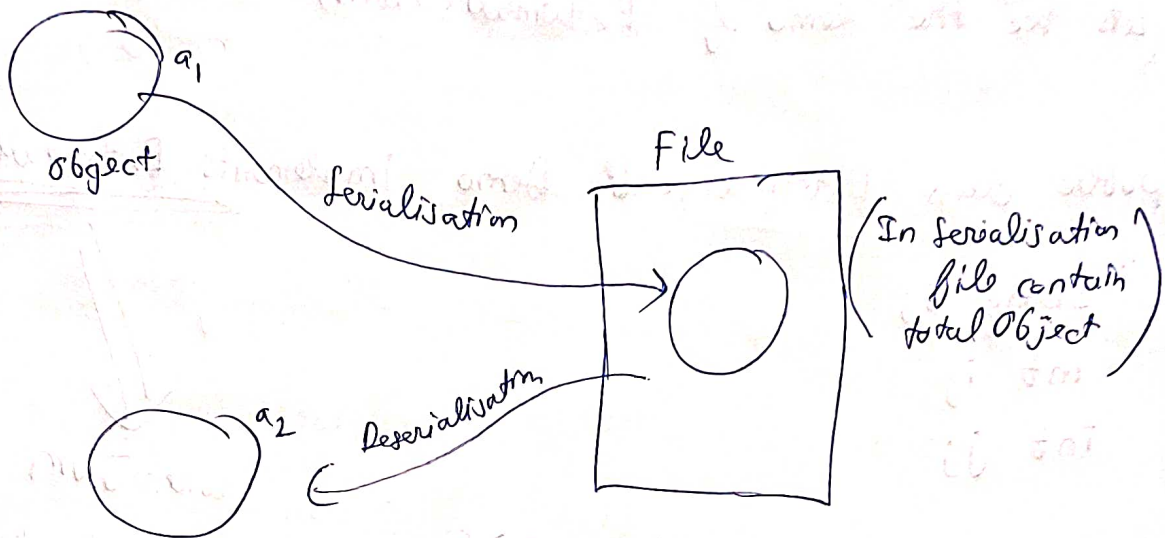
① Deserialisation() → Logic to deserialize

② To read the required variables from the file

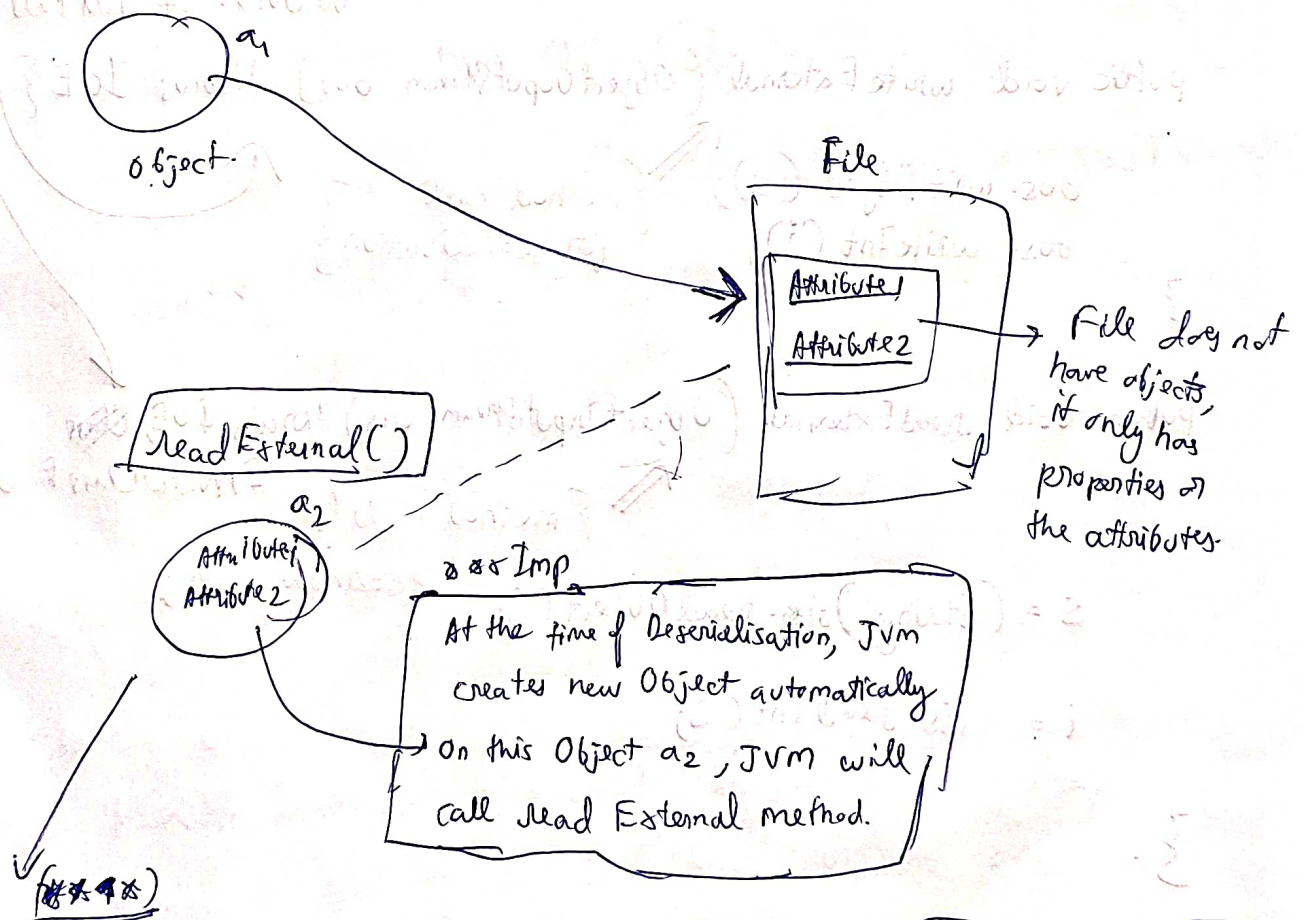
}



# In Serialisation



(In Externalization.)



To ~~create~~ create this Object JVM will call the public no args Constructor.   
 → If not present Runtime Exception: Invalid Class Exception

## (Part 13)

(lets see the demo of Externalisation)

```
public class ExternalizableDemo implements Externalizable {
```

```
    String s;
```

```
    int i;
```

```
    int j;
```

```
    public ExternalizableDemo () {
```

```
        s = "public no-arg constructor";
```

```
    }
```

```
    public void writeExternal (ObjectOutputStream oos) throws IOException {
```

```
        oos.writeObject(s);
```

```
        oos.writeInt(i);
```

```
    }
```

```
    public void readExternal (ObjectInputStream ois) throws IOException, InvalidClass
```

```
        ClassNotFoundException {
```

```
        s = (String) ois.readObject();
```

```
        i = ois.readInt();
```

```
    }
```

When JVM sees that

the class implements

~~Serializable~~, Externalizable

Whenever serialisation will be done. It will call

2 methods

{ method call for serialisation }

{ method call for externalisation }



psvm() {

ExternalizeDemo t1 = new ExternalizeDemo();

t1.s = "test";

t1.i = 10;

t1.j = 20;

FOS fos = new FOS("abc.ser");

OOS oos = new OOS(fos);

oos.writeObject(t1);

FIS fis = new FIS("abc.ser");

OIS ois = new OIS(fis);

ExternalizableDemo t2 = (ExternalizableDemo) ois.readExternal();

System.out.println(t2.s + " " + t2.i + " " + t2.j);

↓  
test

↓  
10

↓  
0

Since it's  
not part of

Externalizable

During Deserialisation, JVM will call  
public no-args constructor of the object being created.

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Imp ~~Use of~~ Transient key-word has no use in  
Externalisation. If we declare an attribute transient  
and make it participate in externalization, it will  
work and data will get transferred.