

1 Nested Classes

Definition 1.1 A class defined within another containing class.

- Nested classes **can** access private fields of the container class.
- Can either be static or non-static.
- Static nested classes are associated with the **containing class** and can only access static variables and methods.
- **Qualified State:** A this reference with a prefix of the enclosing class. (e.g A.this.x).

1.1 Local Class

Definition 1.2 Class defined locally within a function.

```
void sortNames(List<String> names) {
    class NameComparator implements
        Comparator<String> {
        public int compare(String s1, String s2) {
            return s1.length() - s2.length();
        }
    }
    names.sort(new NameComparator());
}
```

1.2 Variable Capture

Definition 1.3 Local classes makes a copy of local variables and captures the local variable. Local classes can only access final variables.

1.3 Anonymous Class

Definition 1.4 A class that is declared and instantiated in a single statement.

```
names.sort(new Comparator<String>() {
    public int compare(String s1, String s2) {
        return s1.length() - s2.length();
    }
});
```

2 Functions

We can refer to functions in classes with the :: operator (e.g List::sort).

2.1 Pure Functions

- A pure function does not cause any side effects. It must **only** return a value given an input, and do nothing else.
- A pure function must be deterministic. A function must **always** produce the same output given the same input.

2.2 Lambda Functions

If we use the {} brackets after the -> arrow, we need to specify which line to return. There is no need to specify the type when we specify a function interface, such as Function<S, T> or BiFunction<S,T,R>.

3 Streams

- Predicate<T>::test
- Supplier<T>::get
- Function<T,R>::apply
- UnaryOp<T>::apply
- BiFunction<S,T,R>::apply

Stream Operations:

forEach	Applies a lambda to each element. Terminal.
flatMap	Applies a function and transforms into another stream but flattens it.
limit	Returns a truncated stream with the first n elements.
takeWhile	Returns a truncated stream up till the first fails the input predicate.
peek	Takes in a consumer and returns a new stream with that operation.

4 Monad

Laws:

- Identity Law
- Associative Law

4.1 Identity Law

Left Identity Law: Monad.of(x).flatMap(x -> f(x)) = f(x).
Right Identity Law: monad.flatMap(x -> Monad.of(x)) = monad.

4.2 Associative Law

monad.flatMap(x -> f(x)).flatMap(x -> g(x))) = monad.flatMap(x -> f(x).flatMap(y -> g(y))).

4.3 Functors

Definition 4.1 A functor is a simpler construction than a monad in that it only ensures lambdas can be applied sequentially to the value, without worrying about side information.

Laws:

- functor.map(x -> x) == functor.
- functor.map(x -> f(x)).map(x -> g(x)) == functor.map(x -> g(f(x))).

5 Parallel Streams

All parallel programs are concurrent, but not all concurrent programs are parallel. parallel() can be called on streams to parallelise it. The opposite call is sequential(). The latest call overrides all the previous calls.

5.1 Parallelis-ability

5.1.1 Interference

Definition 5.1 Interference means that one of the stream operations modifies the source of the stream during the execution of the terminal operation.

```
List<String> list = new
    ArrayList<>(List.of("Luke", "Leia", "Han"));
list.stream()
    .peek(name -> {
        if (name.equals("Han")) {
            list.add("Chewie"); // they belong
                                together
        }
    })
    .forEach(i -> {});
```

5.1.2 Stateful vs Stateless

Definition 5.2 A stateful lambda is one where the result depends on any state that might change during the execution of the stream.

```
Stream.generate(scanner::nextInt)
    .map(i -> i + scanner.nextInt())
    .forEach(System.out::println)
```

5.1.3 Side Effects

In the code below, forEach modifies the arrayList and an incorrect sequence may arise.

```
List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>()
    Arrays.asList(1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19));
List<Integer> result = new ArrayList<>();
list.parallelStream()
    .filter(x -> isPrime(x))
    .forEach(x -> result.add(x));
```

Solution: Use thread-safe methods or data structures like collect or CopyOnWriteArrayList<>.

5.1.4 Associativity

reduce is parallelisable, but the function must be associative. Consider:

```
Stream.of(1,2,3,4).reduce(1, (x, y) -> 1 * x + y)
```

Rules:

- combiner.apply(identity, i) == i
- combiner and accumulator must be associative.
- combiner and accumulator must be compatible - combiner.apply(u, accumulator.apply(identity, t)) == accumulator.apply(u, t).

5.2 Order

- findFirst, limit and skip is expensive on an ordered stream as coordination is required to maintain order.
- unordered() can be called on streams where order is not important to speed up the parallelisation.

6 Threads

Java has a class java.lang.Thread that can be used to encapsulate a function to run in a separate thread.

```
new Thread(() -> {
    for (int i = 1; i < 100; i += 1) {
        System.out.print("_");
    }
}).start();

new Thread(() -> {
    for (int i = 2; i < 100; i += 1) {
        System.out.print("*");
    }
}).start();
```

The .parallel() call splits a stream operation into multiple threads. Thread.sleep() can be called on a thread to add a delay to a thread before it is ready to run again.

7 Async

Thread is a low-level abstraction that is not very easy to use, a higher level abstraction would be `CompletableFuture<T>`.

<code>completedFuture</code>	Creates a task that is completed, returns <code>T</code> .
<code>runAsync</code>	Takes in <code>Runnable</code> and returns <code>CompletableFuture<Void></code> .
<code>supplyAsync</code>	Takes in <code>Supplier<T></code> and returns <code>CompletableFuture<T></code> .
<code>thenApply</code>	Map function that runs when the <code>CompletableFuture</code> instance is completed.
<code>thenCompose</code>	<code>flatMap</code> function that runs when the <code>CompletableFuture</code> instance is completed.
<code>thenCombine</code>	<code>combine</code> function that runs when the <code>CompletableFuture</code> instance is completed.
<code>get</code>	Blocks all operations until the given <code>CompletableFuture</code> is completed and returns the value.
<code>join</code>	Same as <code>get</code> but no checked exception is thrown.
<code>exceptionally</code>	Takes in a function that takes a <code>Throwable</code> and returns a new type <code>S</code> . Returns <code>CompletableFuture<S></code> .

8 Fork and Join

Java has an implementation `ForkJoinPool` that is fine-tuned for the fork-join model. It is a parallel divide-and-conquer mode of computation. There is a `compute` method to implement. The class `RecursiveTask<T>` supports the methods `fork`, `join` and `compute`.

```
class Summer extends RecursiveTask<Integer> {
    private static final int FORK_THRESHOLD = 2;
    private int low;
    private int high;
    private int[] array;

    public Summer(int low, int high, int[] array)
    {
        this.low = low;
        this.high = high;
        this.array = array;
    }

    @Override
    protected Integer compute() {
        // stop splitting into subtask if array is already small.
        if (high - low < FORK_THRESHOLD) {
            int sum = 0;
            for (int i = low; i < high; i++) {
```

```
                sum += array[i];
            }
            return sum;
        }

        int middle = (low + high) / 2;
        Summer left = new Summer(low, middle, array);
        Summer right = new Summer(middle, high, array);
        left.fork();
        return right.compute() + left.join();
    }
}
```

- Each thread has a queue of tasks.
- If a thread is idle, it checks the queue and picks a task at the head and executes it. If the queue is empty, it finds another queue that is non-empty to dequeue from.
- When `fork` is called, the caller adds itself to the head of the queue
- When `join` is called:
 - If the subtask to join has not been executed, then `compute` is called on the subtask.
 - If the subtask is completed, then the result is read and `join` returns.

8.1 Order of `fork()` and `join()`

We should `join()` the most recently `fork()`-ed task first since `ForkJoinPool` adds and removes tasks from the queue in the order in which we call `fork` and `join`.

Fast Example:

```
left.fork();
right.fork();
return right.join() + left.join();
```

Slow Example:

```
left.fork();
right.fork();
return left.join() + right.join();
```