

Advanced Java Programming

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- Java 7
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- Java 8
 - Default methods of interfaces
 - Lambda-expressions
 - Functional interfaces
 - Streams
 - Others

String in switch

See more:

<http://www.theserverside.com/tutorial/The-Switch-to-Java-7-Whats-New-with-Conditional-Switches>

<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/nutsandbolts/switch.html>

```
public static String getDayType(String dayOfWeek) {
    String dayType;
    if (dayOfWeek == null)
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("No such day: " + dayOfWeek);
    switch (dayOfWeek) {
        case „monday“:
            dayType = "Start of the week";
            break;
        case „Tuesday“:
        case „Wednesday“:
        case „Thursday“:
            dayType = "Middle of the week";
            break;
        case „Friday“:
            dayType = "End of the week";
            break;
        case „Saturday“:
        case „Sunday“:
            dayType = "Weekend";
            break;
        default:
            throw new IllegalArgumentException ("No such day: " + dayOfWeek);
    }
    return dayType;
}
```

Strings in switch

- More easy to read than nested if-else statements
 - The generated byte code is also more efficient
- Strings are case-sensitive
- Strings are compared by the `equals` method
 - Avoid `NullPointerException`
- Case labels are constant expressions
- The static type of the selector has to be `String`
 - It is not enough if it is dynamically a `String`

try-with-resources

See more:

<http://tutorials.jenkov.com/java-exception-handling/try-with-resources.html>

<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/exceptions/tryResourceClose.html>

Resource handling before...

Where can an exception be thrown?

```
private static void printFile() throws IOException {
    InputStream input = null;

    try {
        input = new FileInputStream("file.txt");
        int data = input.read();
        while (data != -1) {
            System.out.print((char) data);
            data = input.read();
        }
    } finally {
        if (input != null)
            input.close();
    }
}
```

← This has to go to another try

...and now (since Java 7)

```
private static void printFileJava7() throws IOException {
```

```
    try (FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream("file.txt")) {  
        int data = input.read();  
        while (data != -1) {  
            System.out.print((char) data);  
            data = input.read();  
        }  
    }  
}
```


try-with-resources

- Makes sure that the used resources in the statement are closed automatically
- The resource has to implement the `java.lang.AutoCloseable` interface
- More resources can be used:

```
private static void printFileJava7() throws IOException {
    try (FileInputStream input = new FileInputStream("file.txt");
        BufferedInputStream bufferedInput = new BufferedInputStream(input)) {
        int data = bufferedInput.read();
        while (data != -1) {
            System.out.print((char) data);
            data = bufferedInput.read();
        }
    }
}
```

Default methods in interfaces

Problems with interfaces

- Evolution of already existing interfaces
 - What happens if we need to add a new method to an interface?
 - E.g.. Add `stream()`, `parallelStream()` and `forEach()` methods to the collection interfaces
 - We have to implement the new method in all the implementing classes
 - If we do not do the classes will not even compile
 - Especially problematic in case of 3rd party applications

Problems with interfaces

- Not enough flexible design
 - We can distribute functionalities between classes through abstract classes
 - Only one superclass is allowed this restricts the use
 - In many cases so called adapter classes are needed in order not to have to implement all the methods in all the classes e.g:
 - SAX-fprocessing: `ContentHandler` etc. interfaces vs. [DefaultHandler](#)
 - Swing: `MouseListener` etc. interfaces vs. [MouseAdapter](#) class
 - These classes are of good technical use but make the code much harder to read, and also hide which exact interfaces are implemented

Solution: default methods

- Alternative names: defender methods, virtual extension methods
- Default methods cannot have methods with signatures matching to non final methods of the Object class
 - Implies runtime exception
- Default methods are given in the interfaces, but can be overridden in the implementing classes
 - No problem in the implementing classes in case of evolution
 - No need to use adapter classes
- Compatible with classes depending on old interfaces
- Required tools:
 - **default** keyword
 - A block containing the default implementation
- Drawback: implementation appears in the interface

Example

```
public interface Addressable {  
    String getStreet();  
  
    String getCity();  
  
    default String getFullAddress() {  
        return getStreet() + ", " + getCity();  
    }  
}
```

123 AnyStreet, AnyCity

```
public class Letter implements Addressable {  
    private String street, city;  
  
    public Letter(String street, String city) {  
        this.street = street; this.city = city;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getCity() {  
        return city;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getStreet() {  
        return street;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public String getFullAddress() {  
        return city + ", " + street;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Letter l = new Letter("123 AnyStreet", "AnyCity");  
        System.out.println(l.getFullAddress());  
    }  
}
```

Possible options when inheriting default methods from interfaces

- Do not mention the method
 - The subinterface inherits the method as it is
- Redeclare the method
 - This makes it `abstract`
- Redefine the
 - We give a new body to it.

Lambda-expressions

See more:

<http://javarevisited.blogspot.hu/2014/02/10-example-of-lambda-expressions-in-java8.html>

<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/lambdaexpressions.html>

<http://www.slideshare.net/langer4711/lambda-funct-progdays2013>

<http://www.slideshare.net/martyhall/lambda-expressions-and-streams-in-java-8-presented-by-marty-hall-to-google-inc>

<http://www.drdoobbs.com/jvm/lambda-expressions-in-java-8/240166764>

Antecedents – Nested class

- Static nested class
- Inner class
 - Local class
 - Anonymous class

See more: <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/nested.html>
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/anonymousclasses.html>

Nested class

- A class declared inside another
 - All four visibilities are can be used(public, protected, package private, private)
 - Ordinary classes can only be public or private
 - a member of the enclosing class
- Static
 - Terminology: static nested class
 - Cannot reach the members of the enclosing class
- Non static
 - Terminology: inner class
 - Can reach the members of the enclosing class even if they are private

Advantage of nested classes

- We can group logically our classes that we use only in one place
 - If a class is useful for only one other class it is natural that it is better to store them together.
- Increases closure
 - If classes A and B are both top-level classes B cannot reach private members of A. However if we nest B to A, B can reach these members and moreover B gets also hidden.
- The code gets easier to be read and maintain

Functional interfaces

See more:

<http://winterbe.com/posts/2014/03/16/java-8-tutorial/>

Functional Interface

- In other name: SAM (Single Abstract Method) interface
- All lambda equals to a type given by an interface
- A functional interface declares explicitly one abstract method
- Any such interface can be used as a lambda expression
 - Mark these with the **@FunctionalInterface** annotation
 - As a result the compiler throws compile exception if the interface is not functional

Example

```
@FunctionalInterface  
public interface Converter<F, T> {  
    T convert(F from);  
}
```

```
Converter<String, Integer> converter = (from) -> Integer.valueOf(from);  
Integer converted = converter.convert("123");  
System.out.println(converted);    // 123
```

Lambda-expressions

- We can refer to an instance of a class implementing a functional interface.

```
new SomeInterface () {  
    @Override  
    public SomeType someMethod(parameters) {  
        body  
    }  
}
```

Instead we can use:

```
(parameters) -> {body}
```

Lambda-expressions

```
p -> {  
    return p.getGender() == Person.Sex.MALE  
        && p.getAge() >= 18  
        && p.getAge() <= 25;  
}
```

- Formal parameters between parentheses separated by commas
 - The type of the parameter is optional
 - If there is only one parameter the () are also optional
 - If there are no parameters however () is mandatory
- -> (arrow) token
- A body holding only one expression or block
 - If it is an expression it gets evaluated
 - **return** can also be used
 - Since this is not an expression we put it into a block
 - void methods do not have to be put to a block:
`email -> System.out.println(email)`

Lambda expressions with multiple formal parameters

```
public class Calculator {
    interface IntegerMath {
        int operation(int a, int b);
    }

    public int operateBinary(int a, int b, IntegerMath op) {
        return op.operation(a, b);
    }

    public static void main(String... args) {
        Calculator myApp = new Calculator();
        IntegerMath addition = (a, b) -> a + b;
        IntegerMath subtraction = (a, b) -> a - b;
        System.out.println("40 + 2 = " + myApp.operateBinary(40, 2, addition));
        System.out.println("20 - 10 = " + myApp.operateBinary(20, 10, subtraction));
    }
}
```

Visibility

- From the point of visibility lambda expressions do not introduce a new level („lexically scoped”)
 - No hole in the scope
- Declarations inside are handled as if they were in the enclosing environment
- They cannot change the value of a local variable
 - final or effective final

Method- and constructor references

- We can refer to a method without actually calling it
 - Instantiation and creating arrays work also like this
- ::
- Examples:

```
String::length           // instance method
System::currentTimeMillis // static method
List<String>::size       // explicit generic type parameter
List::size               // inferred type parameter
System.out::println
"abc"::length
super::toString
ArrayList::new
int[]::new
```

Example of method reference

```
public class Something {  
  
    public String startsWith(String s) {  
        return String.valueOf(s.charAt(0));  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Something something = new Something();  
        Converter<String, String> converter = something::startsWith;  
        String converted = converter.convert("Java");  
        System.out.println(converted); // "J"  
    }  
}
```

Example of constructor reference

- Given the below class with two constructors:

```
class Person {  
    String firstName, lastName;  
  
    Person() {}  
  
    Person(String firstName, String lastName) {  
        this.firstName = firstName;  
        this.lastName = lastName;  
    }  
}
```

- Create a Factory interface:

```
interface PersonFactory<P extends Person> {  
    P create(String firstName, String lastName);  
}
```

- The compiler automatically selects the right constructor based on the signature of create:

```
PersonFactory<Person> personFactory = Person::new;  
Person person = personFactory.create("Peter", "Parker");
```

Built-in functional interfaces

- Many old interfaces are now annotated with `@FunctionalInterface` annotation, e.g.: `Runnable`, `Comparator`
- New ones are introduced (`java.util.function` package):
 - `Predicate`
 - `Function`
 - `Supplier`
 - `Consumer`

Predicate

- Predicates are one-parameter logical functions
- Functional method: `test (...)` – evaluates the predicate with the given parameter
Default methods: `and (...)`, `or (...)`, `negate ()`

```
Predicate<String> predicate = (s) -> s.length() > 0;
```

```
predicate.test("foo");           // true  
predicate.negate().test("foo");  // false
```

```
Predicate<Boolean> nonNull = Objects::nonNull;
```

```
Predicate<Boolean> isNull = Objects::isNull;
```

```
Predicate<String> isEmpty = String::isEmpty;
```

```
Predicate<String> isEmpty = isEmpty.negate();
```

Function

- One-parameter functions that produce a value
- Functional method: `apply (...)` –applies the function to the parameter
- Default methods:
 - `compose (before)` : applies first the „before” function given as a parameter then itself
 - `andThen (after)` : applies itself first and then the „after” function

```
Function<String, Integer> toInteger = Integer::valueOf;
```

```
Function<String, String> backToString =  
toInteger.andThen (String::valueOf) ;
```

```
backToString.apply ("123") ;      // "123"
```


Supplier

- Describes a supplier object
- Functional method: `get ()` – supplies the result

```
Supplier<Person> personSupplier = Person::new;  
personSupplier.get(); // new Person
```

Consumer

- One-parameter operation without a result
- It has a side effect (the others do not have)
- Functional method: `accept (...)` – Executes the operation to its parameter
- Default method:
 - `andThen (after)` : Provides a Consumer by also executing the „after” after the execution of this

```
Consumer<Person> greeter = (p) -> System.out.println("Hello, " +  
p.firstName);
```

```
greeter.accept(new Person("Luke", "Skywalker"));
```

Streams

See more:

<http://winterbe.com/posts/2014/07/31/java8-stream-tutorial-examples/>

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/articles/java/ma14-java-se-8-streams-2177646.html>

<http://www.slideshare.net/martyhall/lambda-expressions-and-streams-in-java-8-presented-by-marty-hall-to-google-inc>

<http://java67.blogspot.hu/2014/04/java-8-stream-api-examples-filter-map.html>

What are streams?

- Streams are „monad”s
 - In functional programming *monad* means such a structure that represents calculations given as sequences of steps. A monad-structured type defines what it means to link or encapsulate functions.
- A stream represents a (infinite) list of elements and provides possible operations on these elements
- They are not Collections since they use no memory space.
- The operations may be intermediate or terminal
 - Fluent API: stream operations return streams
- Most of them can get a lambda expression as a parameter
 - This defines the exact work of the operation

Intermediate operations

- They return a stream, so they can be linked one after the other without using semicolon.
- E.g:
 - `filter`: provides a new stream by applying a filter on an old one
 - `map`: provides a new stream by mapping the elements off the old one
 - `sorted`: provides a new stream by sorting the elements of the old one
- Full list: <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/stream/Stream.html>
- They form an operation pipeline

```
List<String> myList = Arrays.asList("a1", "a2", "b1", "c2", "c1");  
myList.stream()  
    .filter(s -> s.startsWith("c"))  
    .map(String::toUpperCase)  
    .sorted()  
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

Terminal operations

- These are `void`, operations or they have a non stream return value
- E.g.: `forEach` or `reduce`

```
List<String> myList = Arrays.asList("a1", "a2", "b1", "c2", "c1");  
myList.stream()  
    .filter(s -> s.startsWith("c"))  
    .map(String::toUpperCase) // .map(s -> String.toUpperCase(s))  
    .sorted()  
    .forEach(System.out::println); // .forEach(s -> System.out.println(s))
```

Result:

C1

C2

Desired properties of operations

- Non-interfering operation (no side effect): the operation does not modify the data source
 - E.g.: no lambda expression changes `myList` (on previous slide)
- Stateless operation: The execution order of operations is deterministic
 - E.g.: No lambda expression depends on such a variable (state) that may change during execution

Types of streams

- Streams can be created based on different data sources (mainly on Collections)
- New methods of `java.util.Collection`:
 - `stream()`: creates a sequential stream
 - `parallelStream()`: creates a parallel stream

Creating sequential streams

- **stream()**

- Returns a stream of objects

- **of()**

- Creates a stream of object references

`Stream.of("a1", "a2", "a3")`

`.findFirst()`

`.ifPresent(System.out::println);`

`// a1`

- **range()**

- Initializes a stream of primitive type elements (IntStream, LongStream, DoubleStream, ...)

`IntStream.range(1, 4)`

`.forEach(System.out::println);`

`// 1`

`// 2`

`// 3`

Primitive streams

- Similar to ordinary streams except that...
 - They use specialized lambda expressions
 - E.g. `IntFunction` instead of `Function`, `IntPredicate` instead of `Predicate`...
 - They have more terminal aggregating operations
 - `sum()` and `average()`

```
Arrays.stream(new int[] {1, 2, 3})  
    .map(n -> 2 * n + 1)  
    .average()  
    .ifPresent(System.out::println); // 5.0
```

- Conversion in both directions (`mapToInt`, `mapToLong`, `mapToDouble`)

```
Stream.of("a1", "a2", "a3")  
    .map(s -> s.substring(1))  
    .mapToInt(Integer::parseInt)  
    .max()  
    .ifPresent(System.out::println);  
// 3
```

```
IntStream.range(1, 4)  
    .mapToObj(i -> "a" + i)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);  
  
// a1  
// a2  
// a3
```

```
Stream.of(1.0, 2.0, 3.0)  
    .mapToInt(Double::intValue)  
    .mapToObj(i -> "a" + i)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);  
  
// a1  
// a2  
// a3
```

Process order

- Intermediate operations use „lazy processing” meaning that they are processed only if there is a terminal operation

- Example that makes nothing:

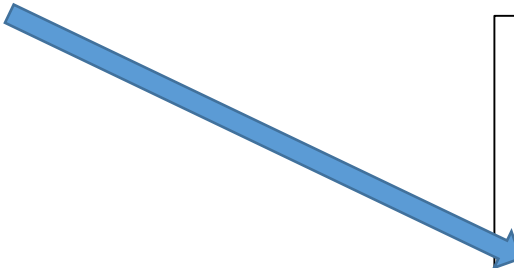
- Plus a terminal operation:

- **result:**

```
filter: d2
forEach: d2
filter: a2
forEach: a2
filter: b1
forEach: b1
filter: b3
forEach: b3
filter: c
forEach: c
```

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);
        return true;
    });
```

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);
        return true;
    })
    .forEach(s -> System.out.println("forEach: " + s));
```



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- This decreases the number of operations to be run on elements

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .map(s -> {
        System.out.println("map: " + s);
        return s.toUpperCase();
    })
    .anyMatch(s -> {
        System.out.println("anyMatch: " + s);
        return s.startsWith("A");
    });
```

```
// map: d2
// anyMatch: D2
// map: a2
// anyMatch: A2
```

`anyMatch` returns true as soon as its predicate can be applied to an input element (2nd element in the example).

As a result of vertical processing the `map` runs only twice.

Does the order matter?

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .map(s -> {
        System.out.println("map: " + s);
        return s.toUpperCase();
    })
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);
        return s.startsWith("A");
    })
    .forEach(s -> System.out.println("forEach: "+s));
```

```
// map:      d2
// filter:   D2
// map:      a2
// filter:   A2
// forEach:  A2
// map:      b1
// filter:   B1
// map:      b3
// filter:   B3
// map:      c
// filter:   C
```

The order does matter!

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);
        return s.startsWith("a");
    })
    .map(s -> {
        System.out.println("map: " + s);
        return s.toUpperCase();
    })
    .forEach(s -> System.out.println("forEach: " + s));
```

```
// filter:   d2
// filter:   a2
// map:      a2
// forEach:  A2
// filter:   b1
// filter:   b3
// filter:   c
```

sorted

- Stateful intermediate operation

- In order to be able to sort a list of elements it has to store a state of elements

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")           // sort:    a2; d2
    .sorted((s1, s2) -> {                       // sort:    b1; a2
        System.out.printf("sort: %s; %s\n", s1, s2); // sort:    b1; d2
        return s1.compareTo(s2);               // sort:    b1; a2
    })                                          // sort:    b3; b1
    .filter(s -> {                             // sort:    b3; d2
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);     // sort:    c; b3
        return s.startsWith("a");             // sort:    c; d2
    })                                          // filter:  a2
    .map(s -> {                                 // map:     a2
        System.out.println("map: " + s);       // forEach: A2
        return s.toUpperCase();              // filter:  b1
    })                                          // filter:  b3
    .forEach(s -> System.out.println("forEach: " + s)); // filter:  c
                                                    // filter:  d2
```

Here `sorted` runs horizontally (for the full list)

Updated version:

```
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.println("filter: " + s);
        return s.startsWith("a");
    })
    .sorted((s1, s2) -> {
        System.out.printf("sort: %s; %s\n", s1, s2);
        return s1.compareTo(s2);
    })
    .map(s -> {
        System.out.println("map: " + s);
        return s.toUpperCase();
    })
    .forEach(s -> System.out.println("forEach: " + s));
```

// filter: d2
// filter: a2
// filter: b1
// filter: b3
// filter: c
// map: a2
// forEach: A2

Here `sorted` is not called because `filter` filters to only one element.

Reuse of streams

- By default it is not possible
 - By calling a terminal operation the stream closes

```
Stream<String> stream =  
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")  
    .filter(s -> s.startsWith("a"));  
stream.anyMatch(s -> true); // ok  
stream.noneMatch(s -> true); // exception (IllegalStateException)
```

- Solution: for all terminal operations we want to call create a separate stream chain
 - Every `get()` creates a new stream

```
Supplier<Stream<String>> streamSupplier =  
    () -> Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c").filter(s -> s.startsWith("a"));  
  
streamSupplier.get().anyMatch(s -> true); // ok  
streamSupplier.get().noneMatch(s -> true); // ok
```


collect

- Terminal operation with which we can create different forms of the elements of the stream
 - E.g. `List`, `Set`, `Map`, etc.
- It gets a `Collector` that has four operations:
 - A supplier
 - An accumulator
 - A combiner
 - A finisher
- There are many built-in `Collector`-s

collect examples

```
class Person {
    String name;
    int age;

    Person(String name, int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    }

    @Override
    public String toString() {
        return name;
    }
}
```

```
List<Person> persons =
    Arrays.asList(
        new Person("Max", 18),
        new Person("Peter", 23),
        new Person("Pamela", 23),
        new Person("David", 12));
```

collect examples

```
List<Person> filtered =  
    persons  
        .stream()  
        .filter(p -> p.name.startsWith("P"))  
        .collect(Collectors.toList());  
  
System.out.println(filtered);  
// [Peter, Pamela]
```

```
IntSummaryStatistics ageSummary =  
    persons.stream().collect(  
        Collectors.summarizingInt(p -> p.age));  
  
System.out.println(ageSummary);  
// IntSummaryStatistics{count=4, sum=76,  
    min=12, average=19.000000, max=23}
```

```
Map<Integer, List<Person>> personsByAge = persons  
    .stream()  
    .collect(Collectors.groupingBy(p -> p.age));  
  
personsByAge  
    .forEach((age, p) -> System.out.format("age %s: %s\n", age, p));  
  
// age 18: [Max]  
// age 23: [Peter, Pamela]  
// age 12: [David]
```

How to create a Collector

- Let's link the names of all persons by a pipe (|) character

```
Collector<Person, StringJoiner, String> personNameCollector =  
    Collector.of(() -> new StringJoiner(" | "), // supplier  
              (j, p) -> j.add(p.name.toUpperCase()), // accumulator  
              (j1, j2) -> j1.merge(j2), // combiner  
              StringJoiner::toString); // finisher
```

```
String names = persons.stream().collect(personNameCollector);
```

```
System.out.println(names); // MAX | PETER | PAMELA | DAVID
```

reduce

- Reduces all the elements of a stream to only one element
- It has three versions
 - Reduces a stream of elements to exactly one element
 - E.g.: Who is the oldest?
 - Reduces on a base of a unity element and a BinaryOperator accumulator
 - Reduces on a base of a unity element, a BiFunction accumulator and a BinaryOperator typed combiner function
 - It is often more simple to simply combine a map and reduce

reduce examples

Who is the oldest?

```
persons
    .stream()
    .reduce((p1, p2) -> p1.age > p2.age ? p1 : p2)
    .ifPresent(System.out::println);    // Pamela
```

Let's create a Person object, that aggregates the names and ages of elements of the stream.

```
Person result =
    persons
        .stream()
        .reduce(new Person("", 0), (p1, p2) -> {
            p1.age += p2.age;
            p1.name += p2.name;
            return p1;
        });

System.out.format("name=%s; age=%s", result.name, result.age);
// name=MaxPeterPamelaDavid; age=76}
```

peek

- Intermediate operation

```
System.out.println("sum: " +
    IntStream.range(1, 11)
        .map(i -> i + 5)
        .peek(i -> System.out.print(i + " "))
        .reduce(0, (i, j) -> i + j)
);
// 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 sum: 105
```

Make it parallel!

```
Integer ageSum = persons
    .parallelStream()
    .reduce(0,
        (sum, p) -> {
            System.out.format("accumulator: sum=%s; person=%s\n", sum, p);
            return sum += p.age;
        },
        (sum1, sum2) -> {
            System.out.format("combiner: sum1=%s; sum2=%s\n", sum1, sum2);
            return sum1 + sum2;
        });
```

```
// accumulator: sum=0; person=Pamela
// accumulator: sum=0; person=David
// accumulator: sum=0; person=Max
// accumulator: sum=0; person=Peter
// combiner: sum1=18; sum2=23
// combiner: sum1=23; sum2=12
// combiner: sum1=41; sum2=35
```


Parallel streams

- The running performance may increase
- A so called `ForkJoinPool` is used that forks to threads

```
ForkJoinPool commonPool = ForkJoinPool.commonPool();  
System.out.println(commonPool.getParallelism()); // 3
```

- It can be reached in two ways:
 - Through the `parallelStream()` method of collections
 - By the `parallel()` intermediate operation that parallelizes a sequential stream

Example

```
Arrays.asList("a1", "a2", "b1", "c2", "c1")
    .parallelStream()
    .filter(s -> {
        System.out.format("filter: %s [%s]\n",
            s, Thread.currentThread().getName());
        return true;
    })
    .map(s -> {
        System.out.format("map: %s [%s]\n",
            s, Thread.currentThread().getName());
        return s.toUpperCase();
    })
    .forEach(
        s -> System.out.format("forEach: %s [%s]\n",
            s, Thread.currentThread().getName()));
```

```
filter: b1 [main]
map: b1 [main]
filter: a2 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-1]
filter: a1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-2]
forEach: B1 [main]
filter: c1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-3]
map: c1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-3]
forEach: C1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-3]
filter: c2 [main]
map: c2 [main]
forEach: C2 [main]
map: a1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-2]
forEach: A1 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-2]
map: a2 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-1]
forEach: A2 [ForkJoinPool.commonPool-worker-1]
```

Aggregated operations and iterators

- Aggregated operations may look similar to iterators (e.g. `forEach`)
- Differences are:
 - They use inner iteration
 - They do not have a method like `next()`
 - Their use defines on which collection we use them but the JDK tells how
 - They process elements of a stream
 - And not the elements of the collection itself. This is the very reason why we call them stream operations.
 - We describe the behavior by parameters.
 - Most aggregated operations are parameterizable so they are configurable

Other new features

java.util.Optional

- A container object that may hold a null value or may not
- Since Java 8
- Important methods:
 - static empty(): returns an empty Optional instance
 - static of(value): returns an Optional that has a given value
 - static ofNullable(value): If value is not null it is returned as an optional else it returns an empty optional.
 - get(): If in the Optional we have a value it returns it else it throws NoSuchElementException
 - ifPresent(): Returns true if there is an element in the optional. (Else false.)
 - orElse(other): If there is a value it is returned else the Other object.

What is Optional good for?

- We force the caller to handle the case if an object does not exist
 - So we will have less NPE-s (NullPointerException)
- All methods that may not return a value should have Optional as a return type.

How to use?

```
public Optional<Student> findStudentByNeptunId(String neptunId) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
Optional<Student> optional = findStudentByNeptunId(neptunId);
```

```
if (optional.isPresent()) {  
    Student st = optional.get();  
    /* use the Student object */  
}  
else {  
    /* handle the case if there is no such element */  
}
```

java.util.StringJoiner

- Creates a character sequence separated by given character sequence between a given optional prefix and suffix

```
int[] t = new int[] {1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10};
StringJoiner sj = new StringJoiner(", ", "[", "]");
for (int i : t)
    sj.add(i + ""); // String.valueOf(i);
System.out.println(sj); // [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
```

- **Collectors.joining**

```
System.out.println(Arrays.stream(t)
    .mapToObj(i -> i + "") // .mapToObj(String::valueOf)
    .collect(Collectors.joining(", ", "[", "]"))); // [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
```


Streams and lambda practice

- <https://github.com/JavaCodeKata/stream-lambda>
- <https://github.com/AdoptOpenJDK/lambda-tutorial>
- <http://technologyconversations.com/2014/10/16/java-tutorial-through-katas/>
 - <https://github.com/vfarcic/java-8-exercises>