

# **Advanced Java CompletableFuture Features: Applying Factory Methods**

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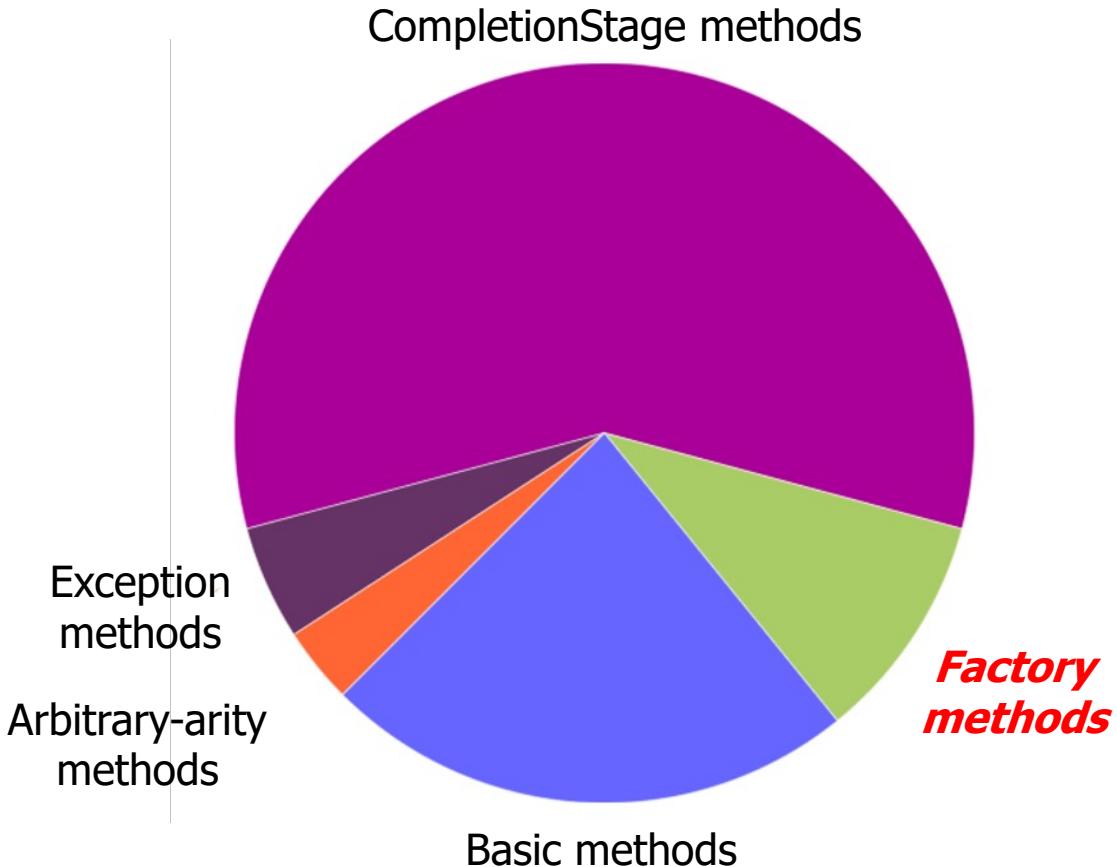
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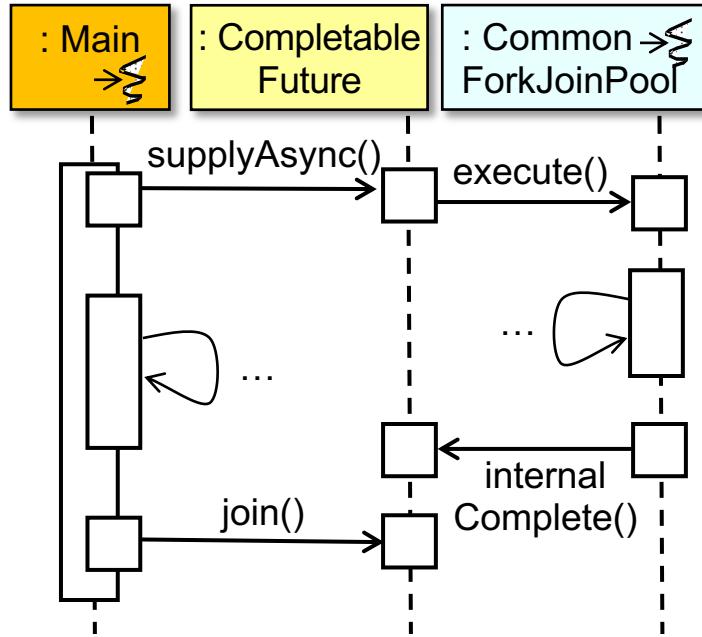
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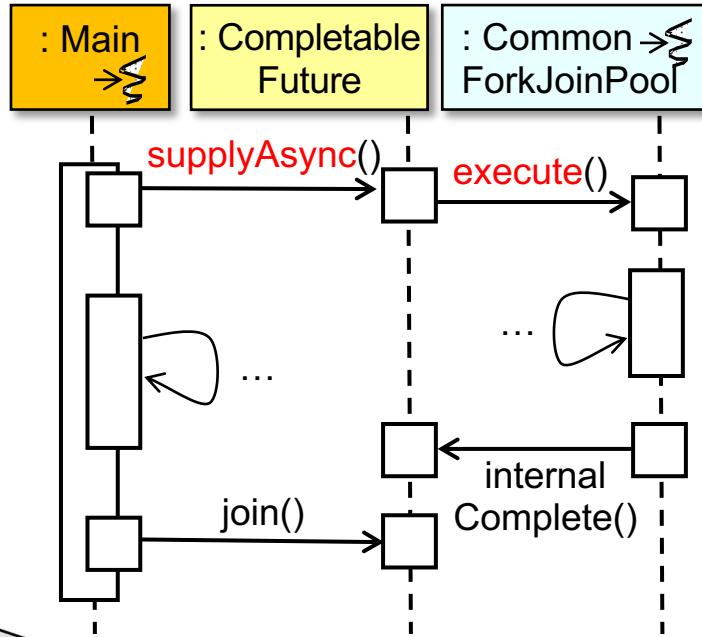
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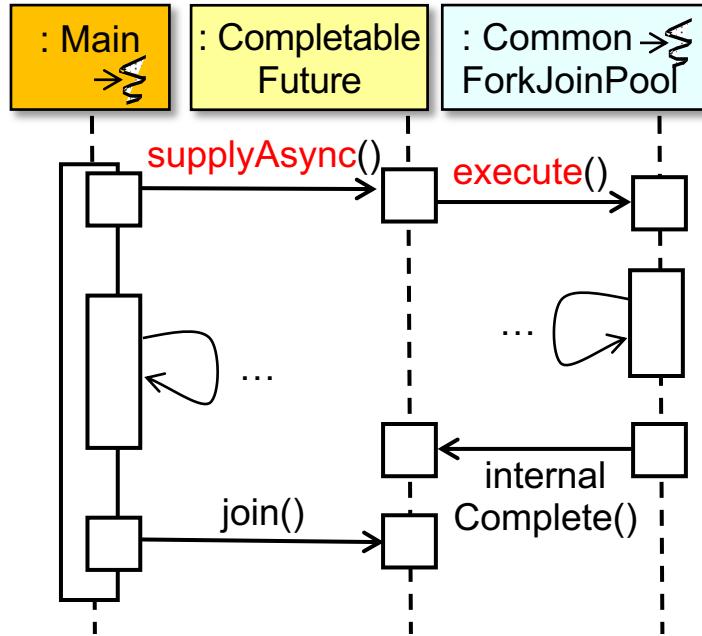
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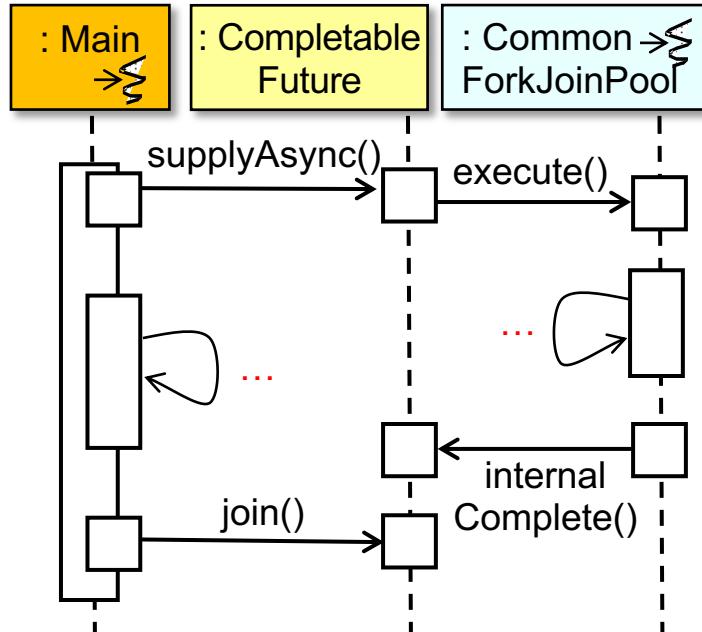
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*These computations run concurrently*

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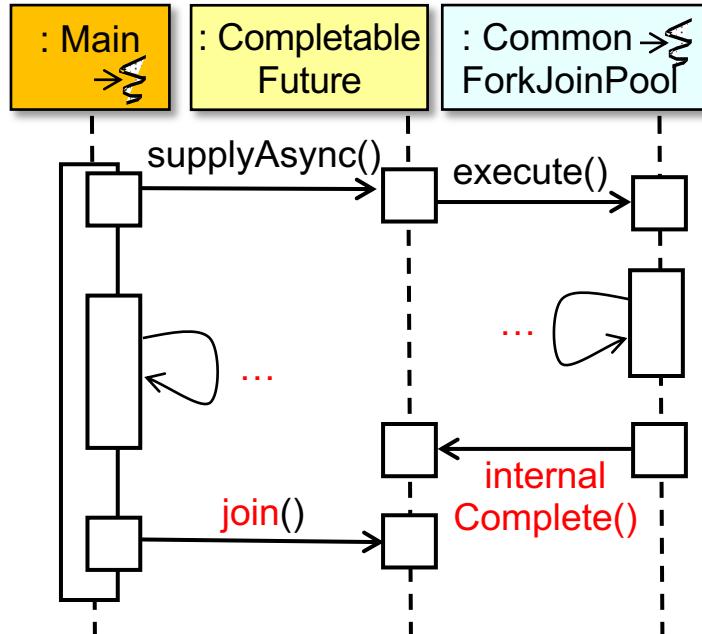
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*join() blocks until result is complete*

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  - Avoids the explicit creation/use of threads

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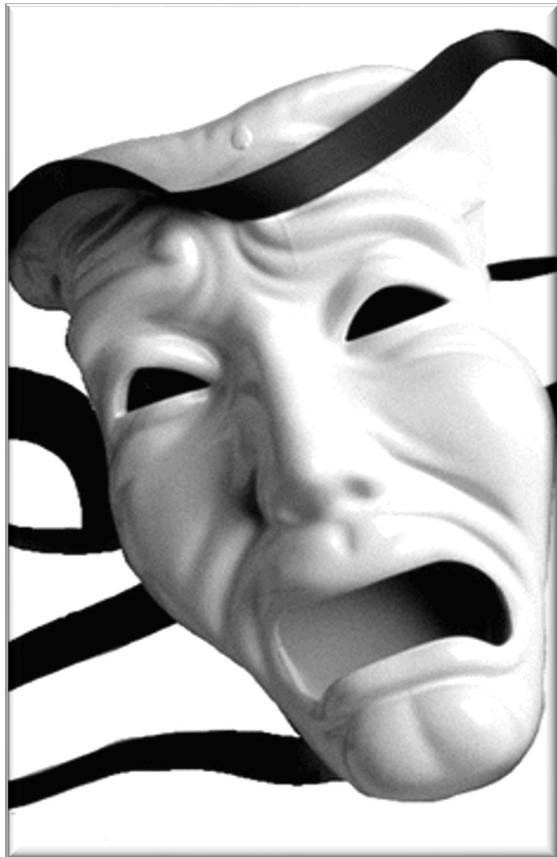


The supplier lambda runs in the Java common fork-join pool

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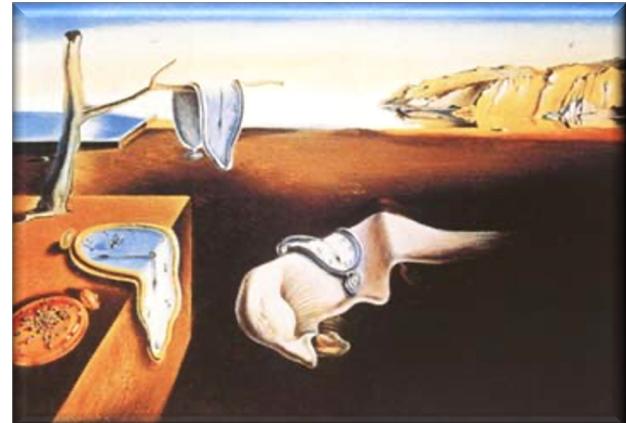
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## Class CompletableFuture<T>

java.lang.Object  
java.util.concurrent.CompletableFuture<T>

### All Implemented Interfaces:

CompletionStage<T>, Future<T>

```
public class CompletableFuture<T>  
extends Object  
implements Future<T>, CompletionStage<T>
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A Future that may be explicitly completed (setting its value and status), and may be used as a CompletionStage, supporting dependent functions and actions that trigger upon its completion.

When two or more threads attempt to complete, completeExceptionally, or cancel a CompletableFuture, only one of them succeeds.

In addition to these and related methods for directly manipulating status and results, CompletableFuture implements interface CompletionStage with the following policies:

- Actions supplied for dependent completions of *non-async* methods may be performed by the thread that completes the current CompletableFuture, or by any other caller of a completion method.
- All *async* methods without an explicit Executor argument are performed using the `ForkJoinPool.commonPool()` (unless it does not support a parallelism level of at least two, in which case, a new Thread is created to run each task). To simplify monitoring, debugging, and tracking, all generated asynchronous tasks are instances of the marker interface `CompletableFuture.AynchronousCompletionTask`.

Addressing this issue motivates the advanced Java CompletableFuture features!

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# End of Advanced Java CompletableFuture Features: Applying Factory Methods