# Advanced Java CompletableFuture Features: 

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Arbitrary-arity methods
Exception methods

Factory methods


Basic methods
See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logical_conjunction

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- Not shown since it's not part of the method signature, but is implied since thenCombine() is a non-static method


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thenCombine() essentially performs a simple "reduction"

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CompletableFuture<BF> compF1 = CompletableFuture
.supplyAsync(() ->
/* multiply two BFs. */);

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CompletableFuture<BF> compF2 = CompletableFuture .supplyAsync(() ->
/* divide two BFs. */);

- Used to "join" two paths of asynchronous execution
compr1
.thenCombine (compF2,
BigFraction: :add)
.thenAccept(System.out: :println);

See github.com/douglascraigschmidt/LiveLessons/tree/master/Java8/ex8

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Asynchronously multiple \& divide two big fractions

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## compF1

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thenCombine()'s action is
triggered only after its two
associated futures complete
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| thenCombineAsync() can |
| :---: |
| be used if a long-duration |
| BiFunction is applied |

compr1
. thenCombineAsync (compF2, aLongDurationBiFunction)
.thenAccept(System.out: :println);

See docs.orade.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/concurrent/CompletableFuture.html\#thenCombineAsync

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Print out the results

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## End of Advanced Java

## CompletableFuture Features: Two Stage Completion Methods (Part 1)

