Overview of Java Scheduled ExecutorService Policies

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

- Recognize the key methods provided by the Java ScheduledExecutorService interface & its related interfaces/classes
- Understand the policies defined by the ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor

Class ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor

java.lang.Object java.util.concurrent.AbstractExecutorService java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor java.util.concurrent.ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor

All Implemented Interfaces:

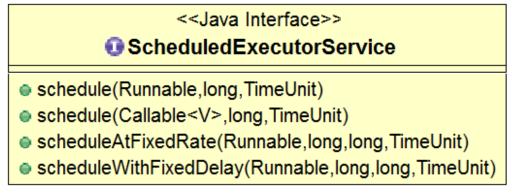
Executor, ExecutorService, ScheduledExecutorService

public class ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor
extends ThreadPoolExecutor
implements ScheduledExecutorService

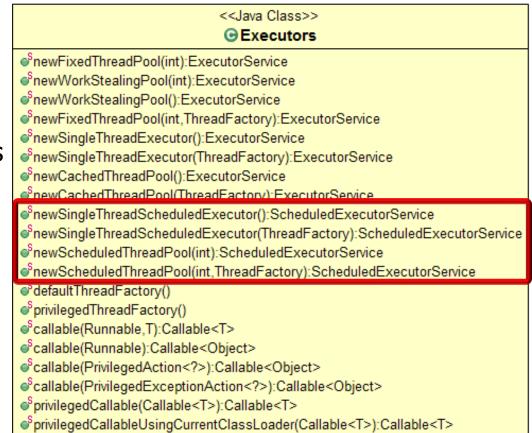
A ThreadPoolExecutor that can additionally schedule commands to run after a given delay, or to execute periodically. This class is preferable to Timer when multiple worker threads are needed, or when the additional flexibility or capabilities of ThreadPoolExecutor (which this class extends) are required.

Delayed tasks execute no sooner than they are enabled, but without any real-time guarantees about when, after they are enabled, they will commence. Tasks scheduled for exactly the same execution time are enabled in first-in-first-out (FIFO) order of submission.

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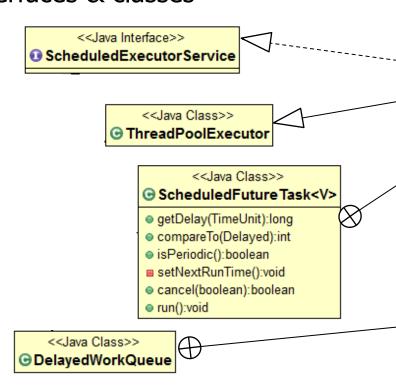
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 - These implementations are based (directly or indirectly) on the ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor

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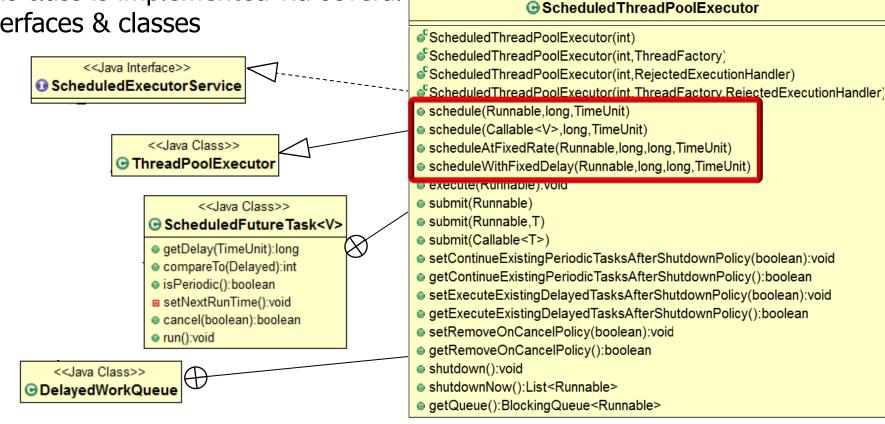
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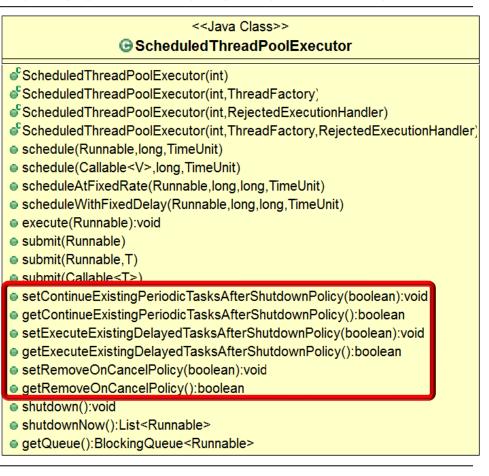
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Oddly, all three of these policies are set "backwards" by default...

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newSingleThreadScheduledExecutor() doesn't return ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor!
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```
class Executors {
  public static ScheduledExecutorService
```

```
newSingleThreadScheduledExecutor() {
  return new DelegatedScheduledExecutorService
    (new ScheduledThreadPoolExecutor(1));
```

See java/util/concurrent/Executors.java#Executors.newSingleThreadScheduledExecutor

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Executors.newScheduledThreadPool(1);

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See lesson on "The Java ScheduledExecutorService: Implementing TimedMemoizerEx"

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See knpcode.com/java/concurrency/java-scheduledthreadpoolexecutor-scheduling-with-executorservice

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Set default policies to something more sensible
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End of Overview of Java ScheduledExecutor Service Policies