Java StampedLock:
Key Methods

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

• Understand the structure, functionality of the Java StampedLock class

• Know the key methods in Java StampedLock
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- Writing mode methods, which acquire the lock exclusively

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class StampedLock implements java.io.Serializable {
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    public long writeLock() { ... }
    public long tryWriteLock() { ... }
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See dzone.com/articles/a-look-at-stampedlock
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- Optimistic reading mode methods, which acquire the lock non-exclusively

```java
public class StampedLock
    implements java.io.Serializable {
    ...
    public long tryOptimisticRead() {
        ...
    }

    public boolean validate(long stamp) {
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

These methods are “optimistic”, i.e., they assume contention may not occur
Key Methods in StampedLock: Optimistic Mode

- Optimistic reading mode methods, which acquire the lock non-exclusively
- Returns an “observation stamp” for later validation or 0 if the lock is currently held exclusively
- Code using this mode typically read the value of fields & hold them in local variables for use after they are “validated”

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See upcoming part of this lesson on “Java StampedLock: Example Application”
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- tryOptimisticRead() internally does a volatile read on a field inside of StampedLock to ensure “fresh” values of fields are observed

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See www.javaspecialists.eu/archive/Issue242.html
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  - Returns true if lock hasn’t been acquired exclusively since stamp was issued, else false
  - If validate() succeeds (i.e., returns true) synchronization overhead is very low & there’s no need to unlock the “lock”

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• Conditionally convert across lock modes

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These calls perform work *atomically* (despite lack of documentation ;-)
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This represents a “lock upgrade”
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    • If stamp represents holding a read lock—& a write lock is available—atomically release read lock & return write stamp
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    ...
    public void unlockWrite
        (long stamp) {
        ...
    }

    public void unlockRead
        (long stamp) {
        ...
    }

    public void unlock
        (long stamp) {
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unlock() is slightly less efficient than unlockWrite() & unlockRead()
End of Java StampedLock: Key Methods