

The Java Executors Utility Class

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Learning Objectives in this Lesson

- Understand the implementation of key methods in the Executors utility class

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`java.util.concurrent.Executors`

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See docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/concurrent/Executors.html

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 - A utility class is a final class having only static methods, no non-static state, & a private constructor

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See www.quora.com/What-is-the-best-way-to-write-utility-classes-in-Java/answer/Jon-Harley

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 - The `defaultThreadFactory()` is used by these factory methods

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 - e.g., enables apps to create custom thread subclasses, priorities, etc.



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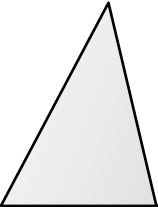
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    final Runnable task; final T result;  
  
    RunnableAdapter(Runnable t, T r){ task = t; result = r; }  
    public T call() { task.run(); return result; }  
}
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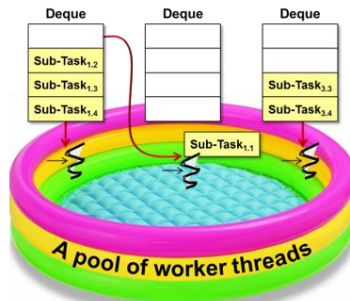
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It can also create a thread pool with just one thread!

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 - Create fixed-sized thread pools

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    public static ExecutorService  
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ThreadFactory threadFactory){  
    return new ThreadPoolExecutor  
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See earlier lesson on "*Overview of Java ThreadPoolExecutor*"

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 - Create variable-sized thread pools

```
public class Executors {  
    ...  
    public static ExecutorService  
newCachedThreadPool  
    (ThreadFactory threadFactory){  
    return new ThreadPoolExecutor  
        (0, Integer.MAX_VALUE,  
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public class Executors {  
    ...  
    public static ExecutorService  
        newWorkStealingPool  
            (int parallelism) {  
        return new ForkJoinPool  
            (parallelism,  
             ForkJoinPool  
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See lessons on "*Java ForkJoinPool*"

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