

Java ConditionObject: Common Use Cases



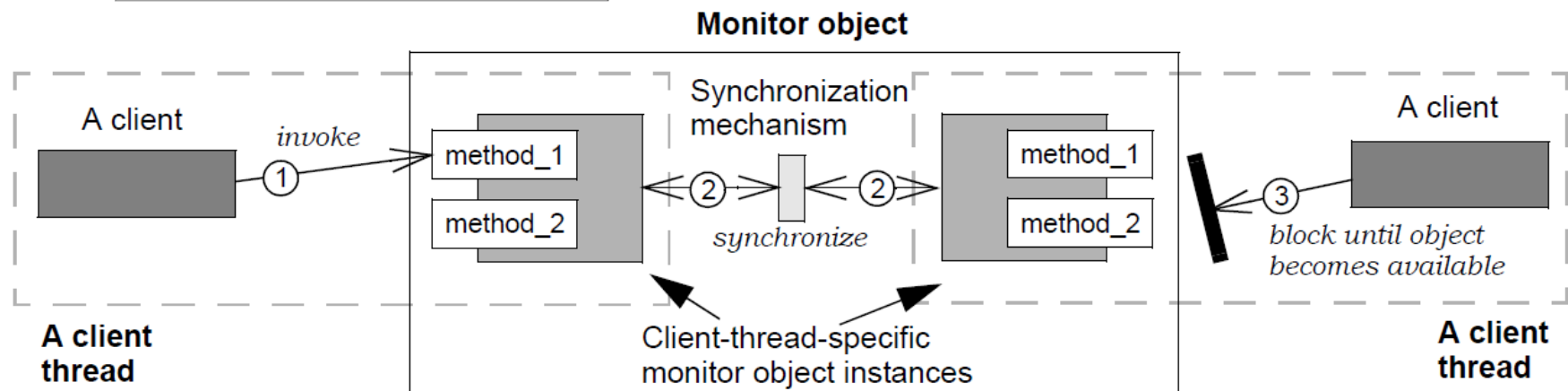
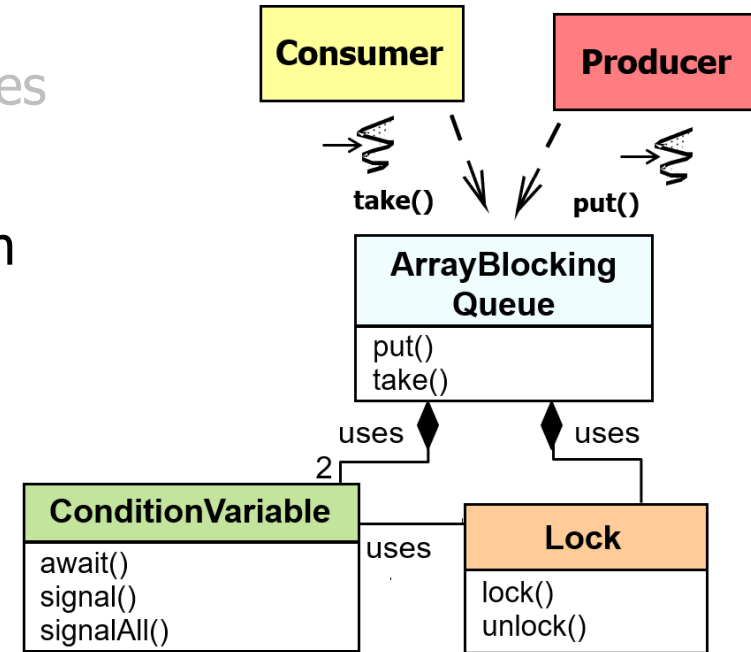
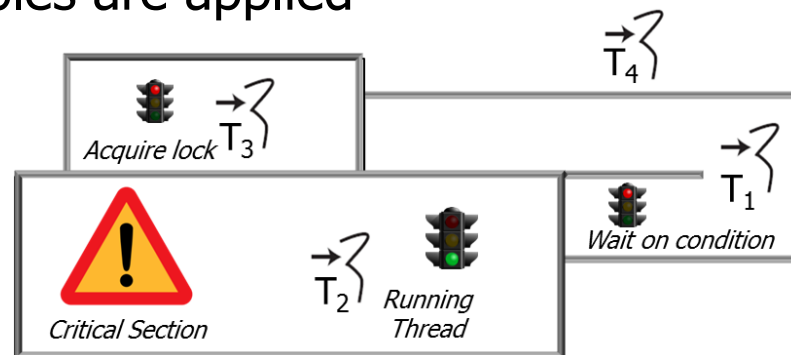
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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

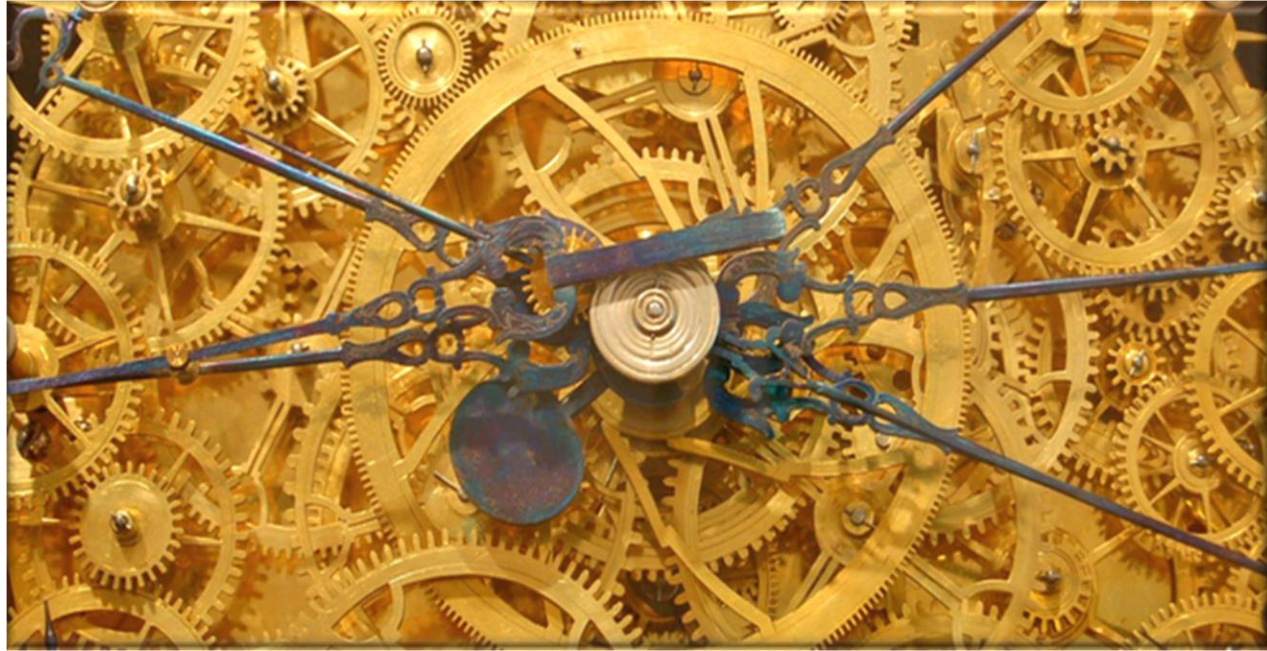
- Understand what condition variables are
- Note a human known use of condition variables
- Know what pattern they implement
- Recognize common use cases where condition variables are applied



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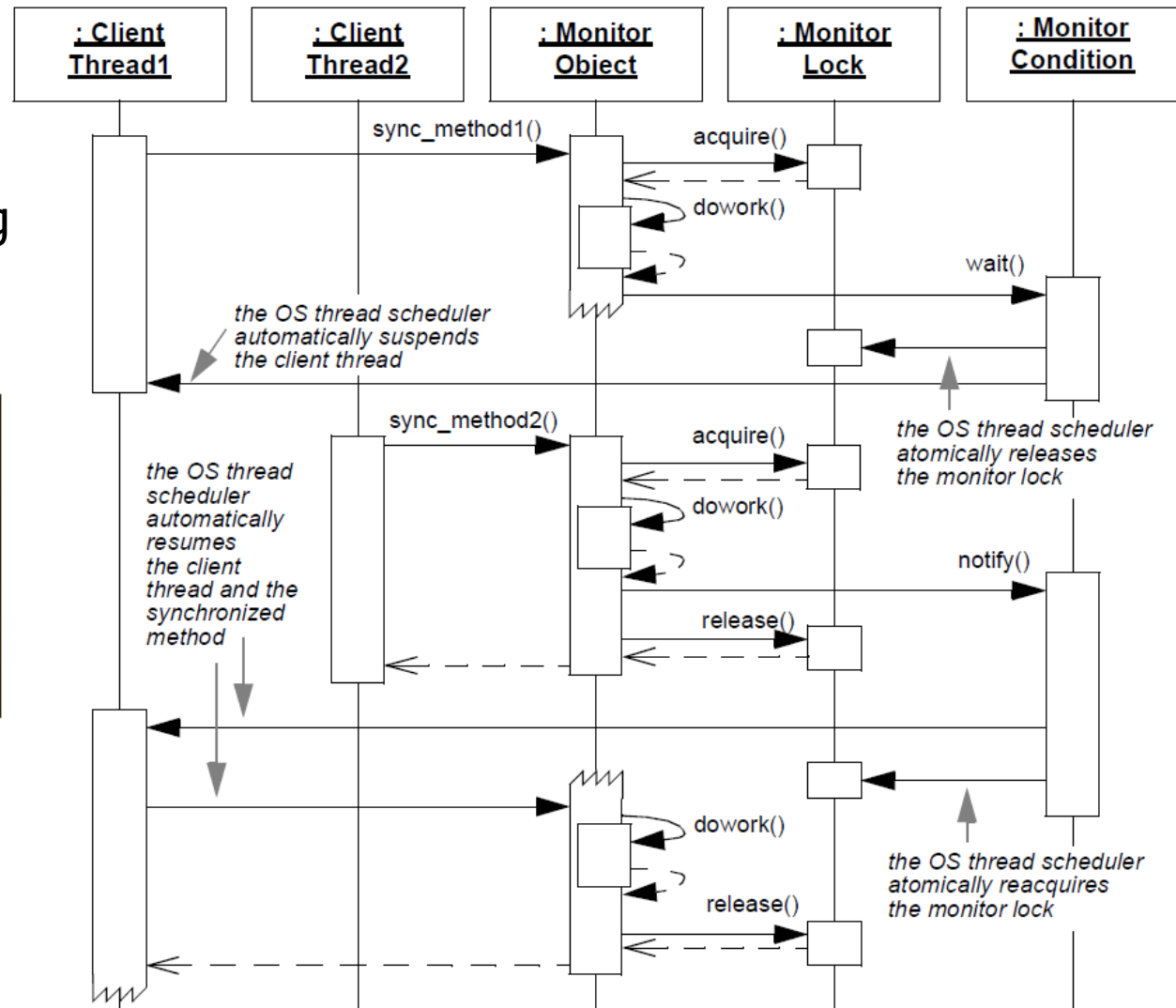


See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grok

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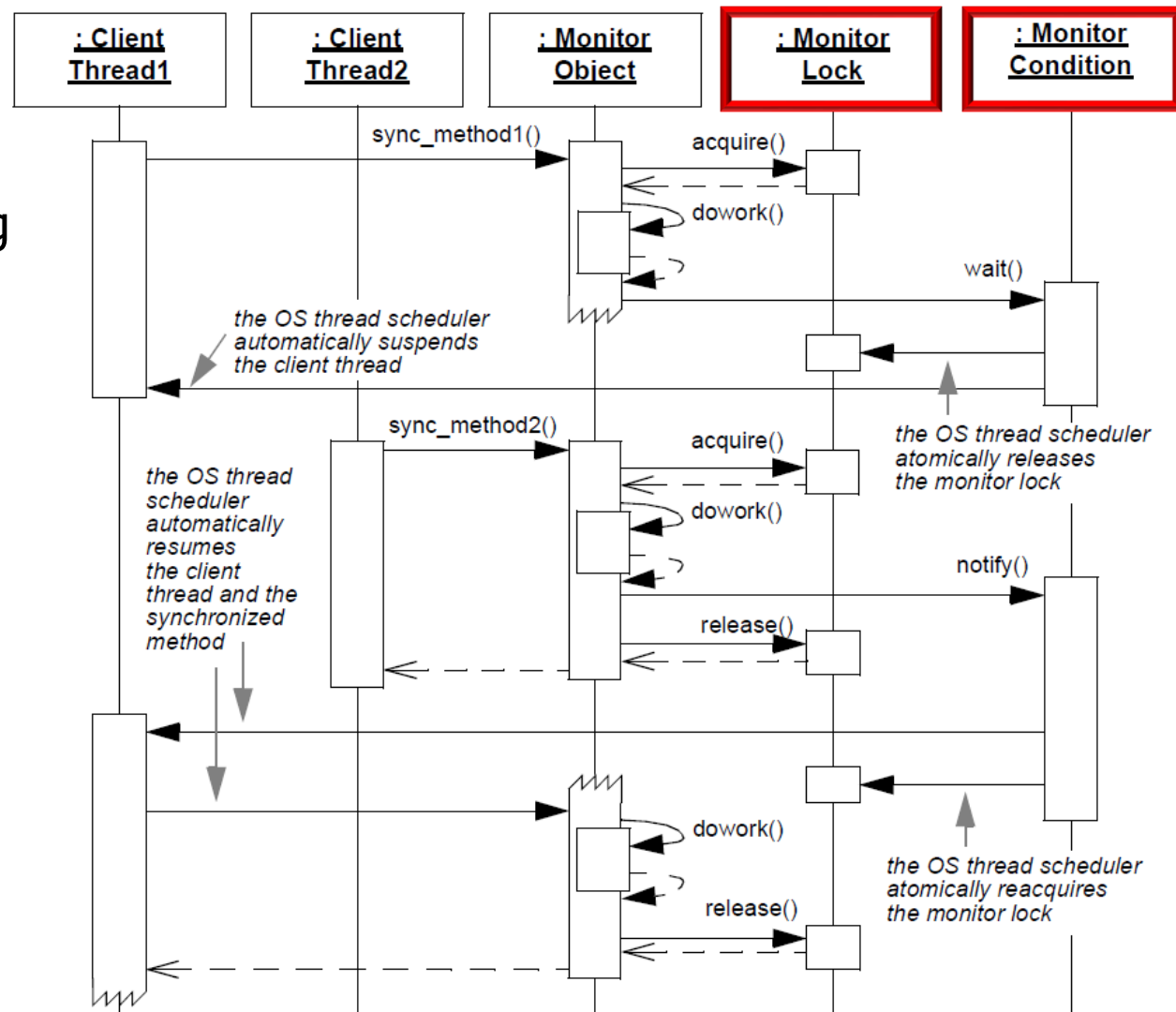
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CAUTION
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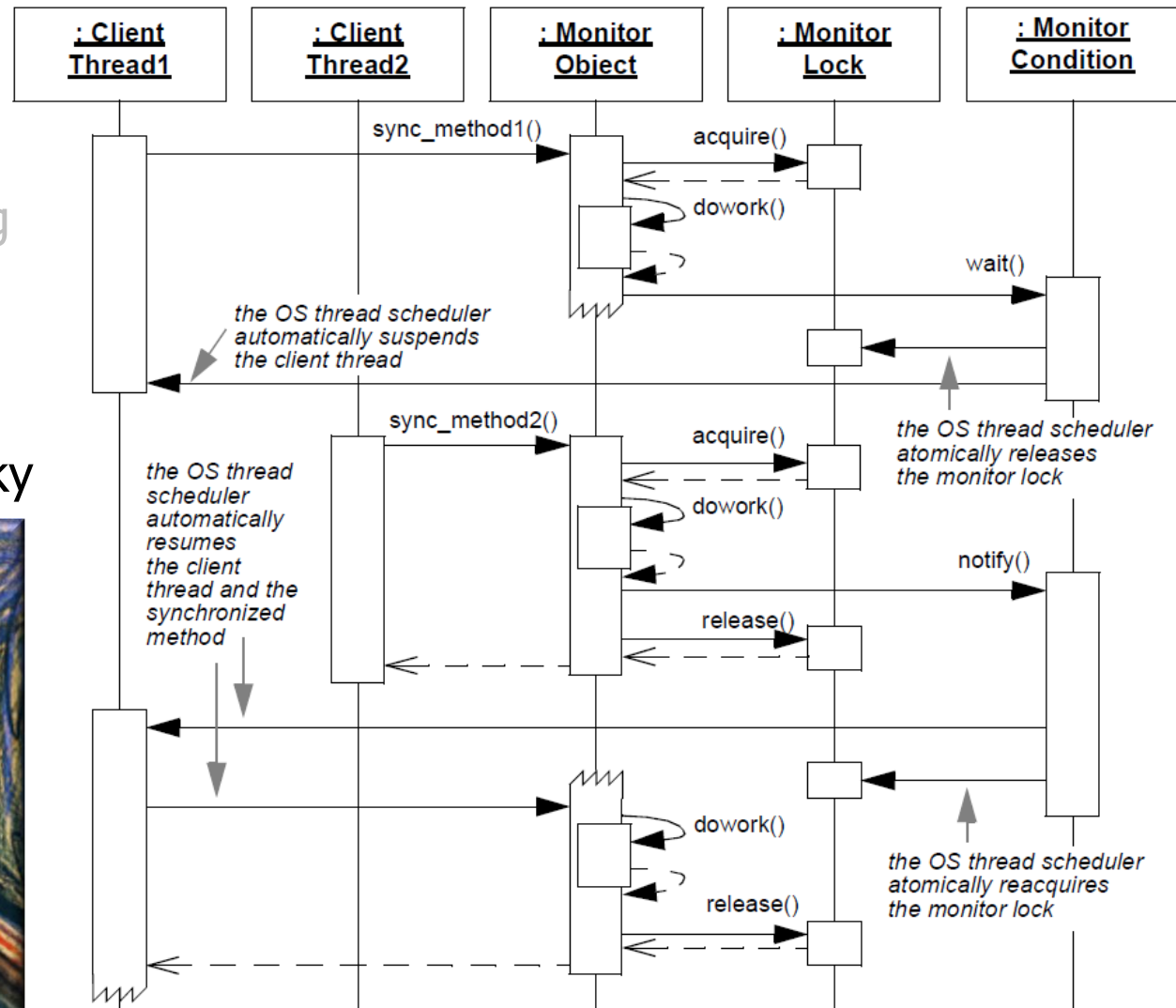
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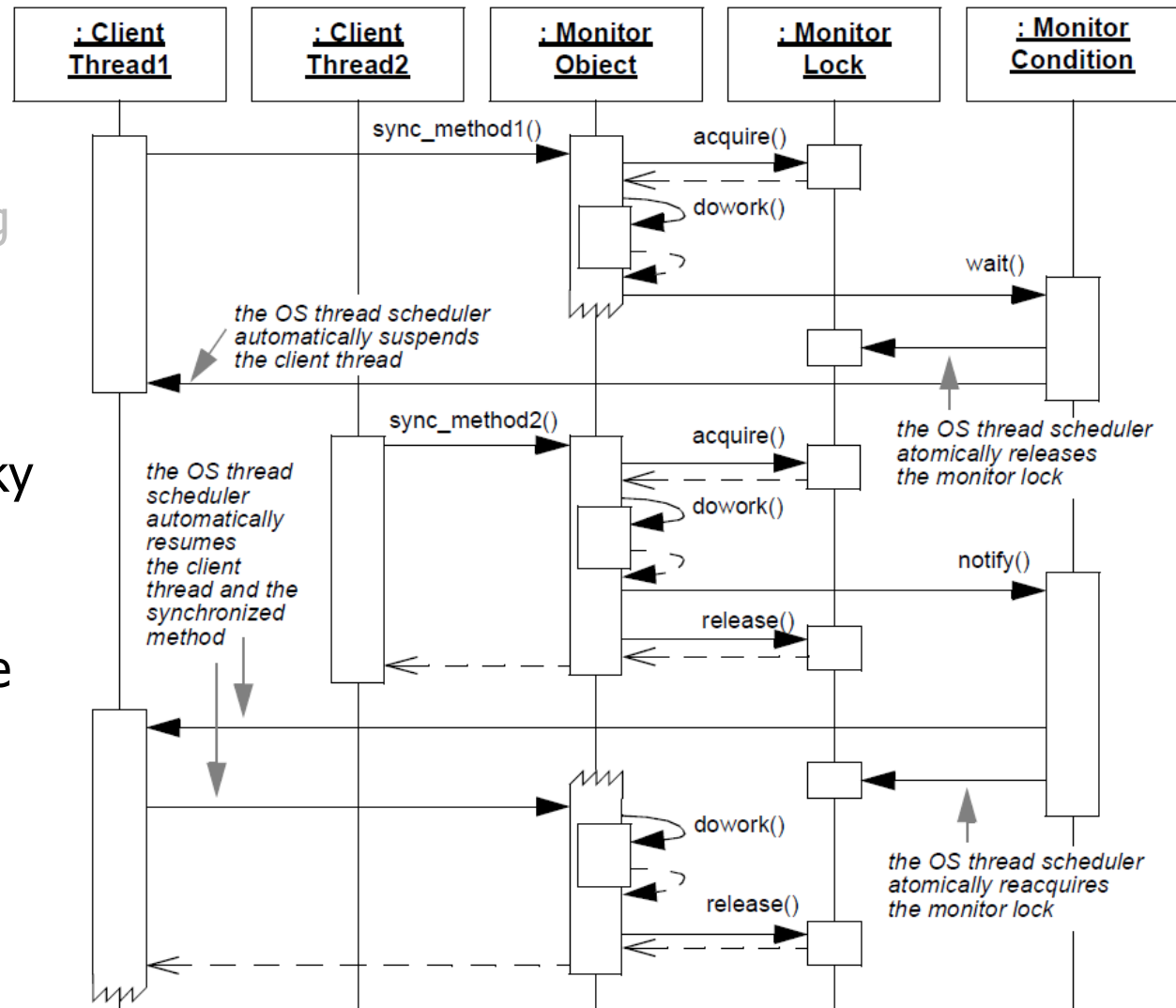
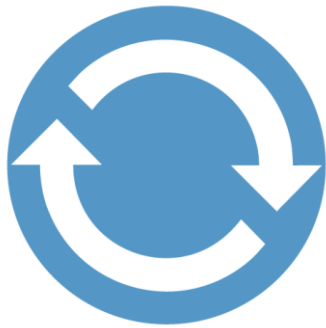
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See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nondeterministic_algorithm

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See stackoverflow.com/a/38313778

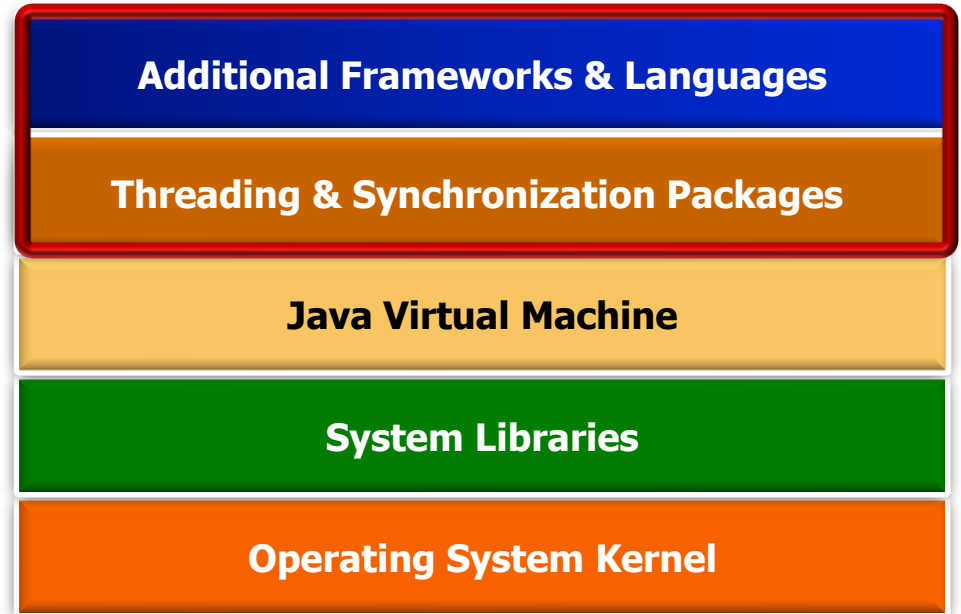
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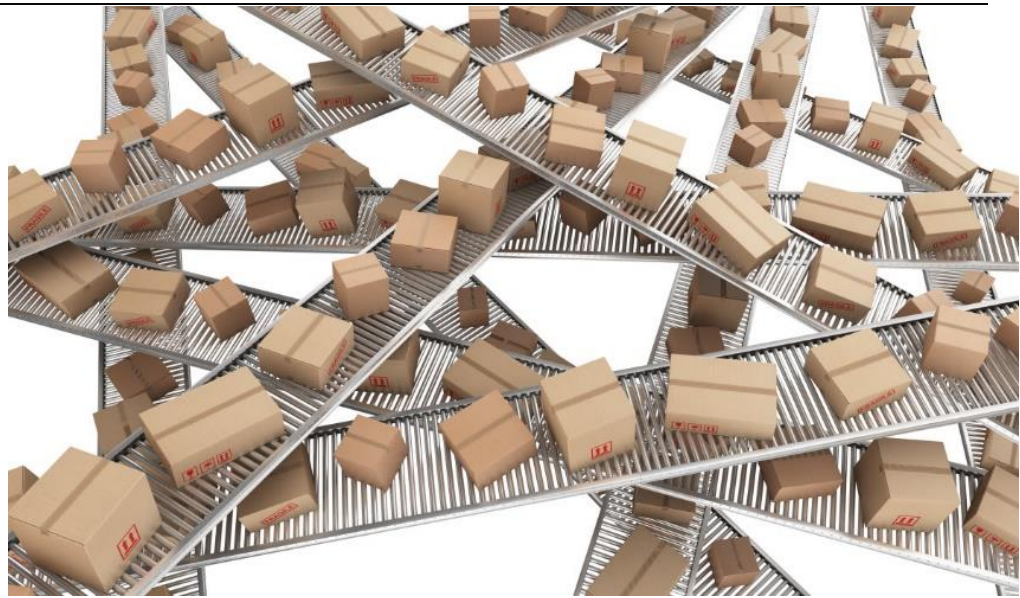
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See docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/concurrent/locks/AbstractQueuedSynchronizer.ConditionObject.html

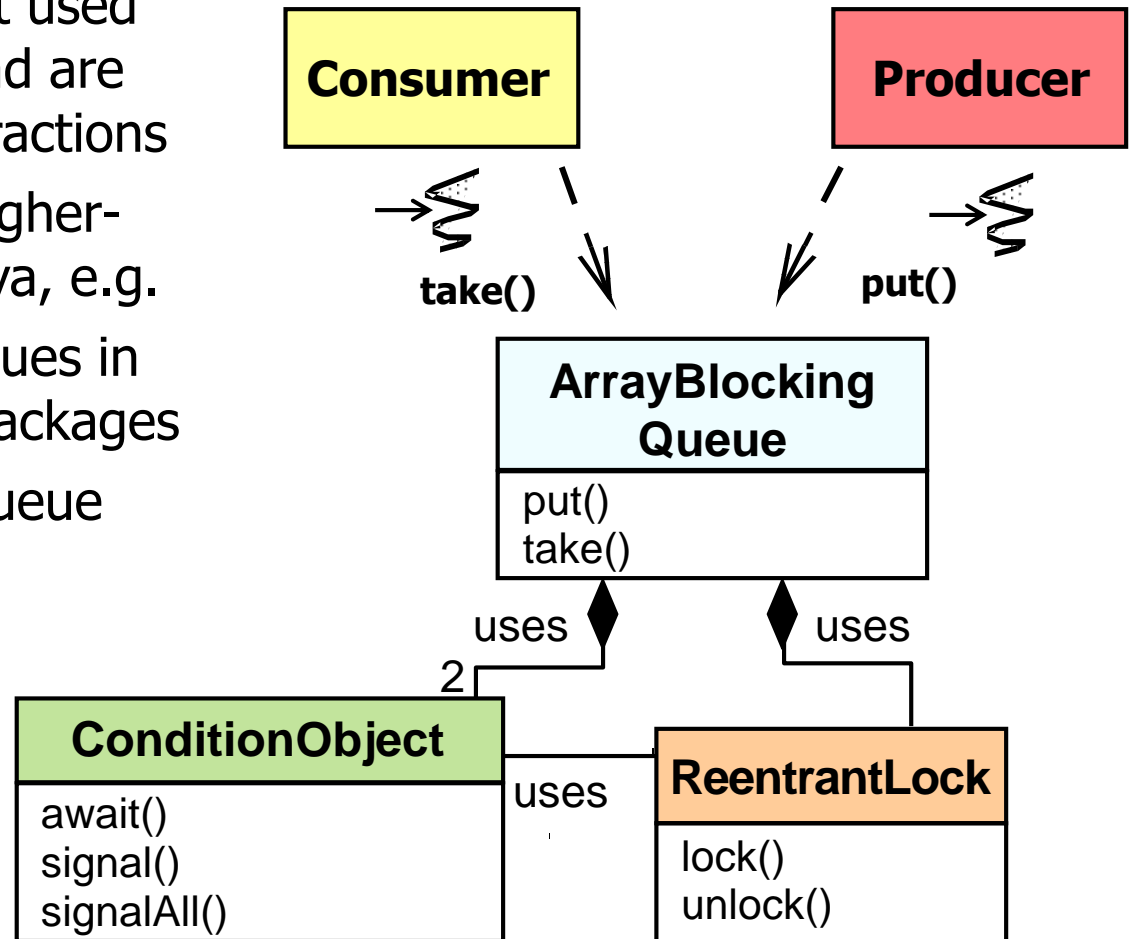
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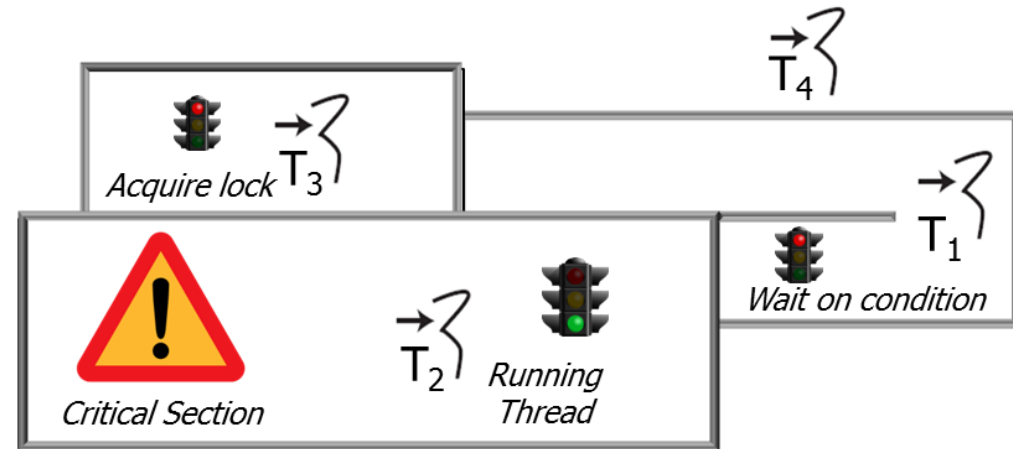
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 - e.g., `ArrayBlockingQueue`



See upcoming discussion in “*Java ConditionObject: Example Application*”

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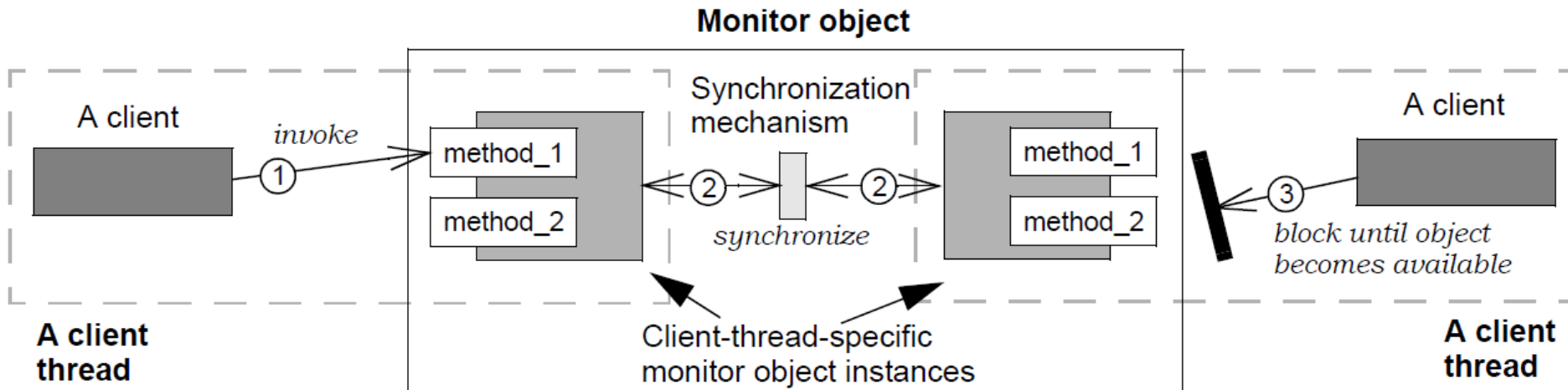
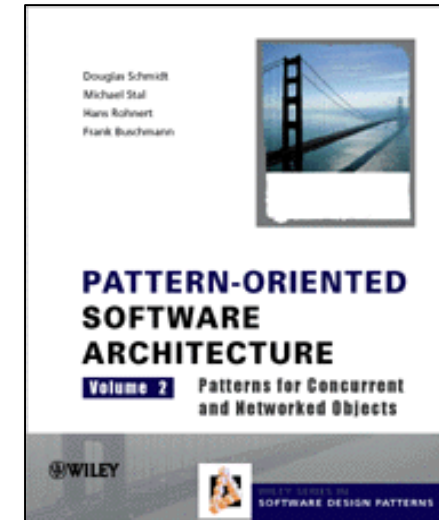
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 - Java built-in monitor objects
 - The *Monitor Object* pattern



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End of Java ConditionObject: Common Use Cases