Introduction to the Java ExecutorCompletionService

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

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- Understand how Java CompletionService's interface defines a framework for submitting async tasks & handling their completion
- Know how to instantiate the Java ExecutorCompletionService

 One problem with the ExecutorService implementation of the PrimeChecker app is that the future submit() returned must be handled synchronously

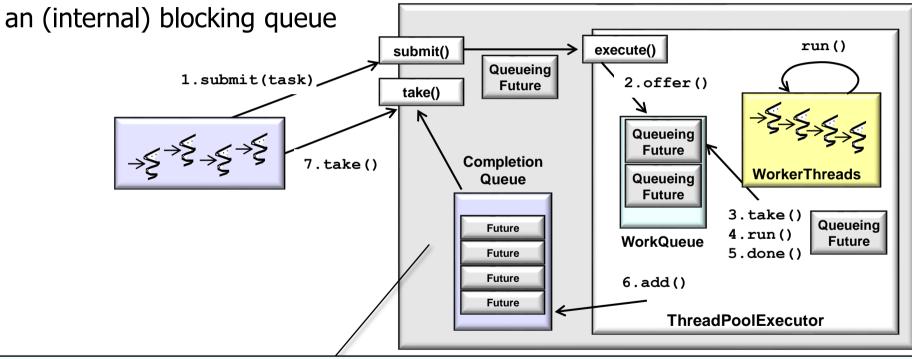
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private class FutureRunnable
  implements Runnable {
  List<Future<PrimeCallable.PrimeResult>>
    mFutures;
  MainActivity mActivity; ...
                                             future::get may block the
                                             thread, even if some other
 public void run() {
                                            futures may have completed
   mFutures.forEach(future -> {
    PrimeCallable.PrimeResult pr =
      rethrowSupplier(future::get)
                       .get();
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This blocking problem is common w/the "synchronous future" processing model

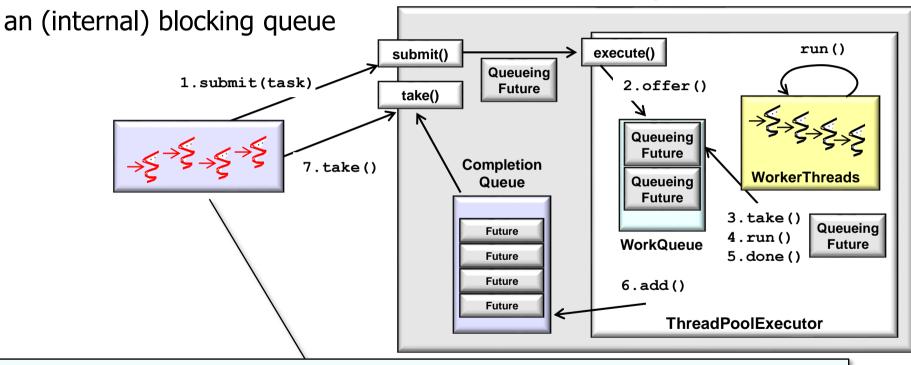
CompletionService fixes this problem via an "async future" processing model that combines an executor with

ExecutorCompletionService

an (internal) blocking quous



Two-way task results are stored in a completion queue & can be processed immediately



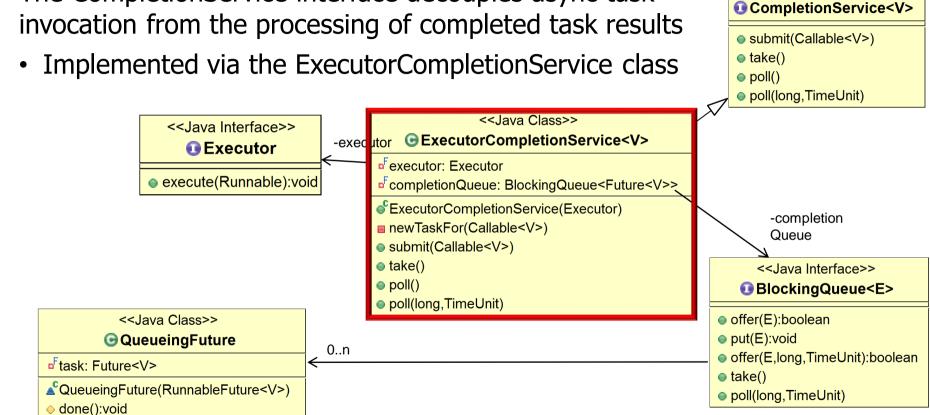
1+ client threads can submit tasks & 1+ client threads can process their results

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<<Java Interface>>

The CompletionService interface decouples async task



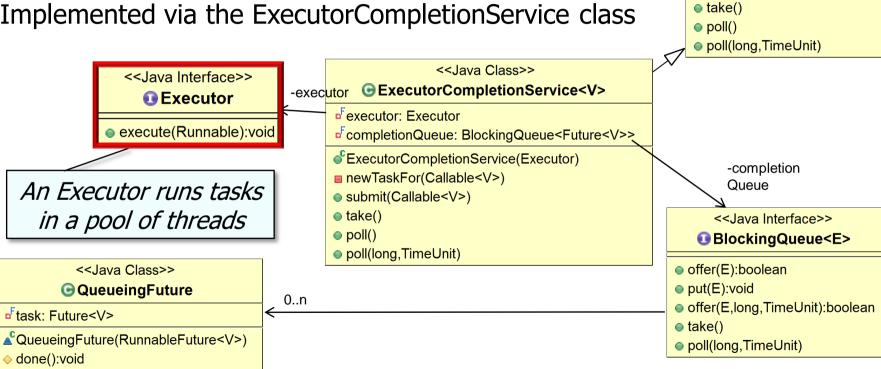
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<<Java Interface>> CompletionService<V>

submit(Callable<V>)

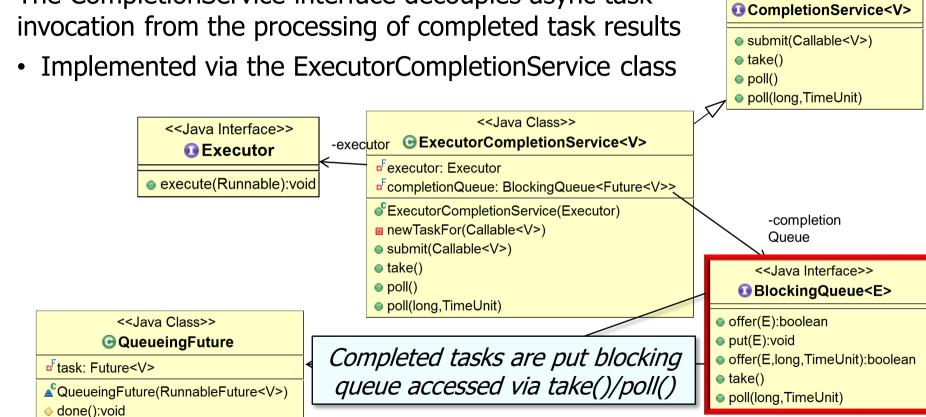
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<<Java Interface>>

• The CompletionService interface decouples async task



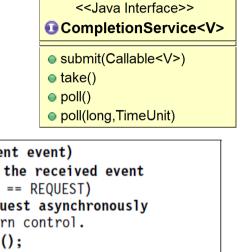
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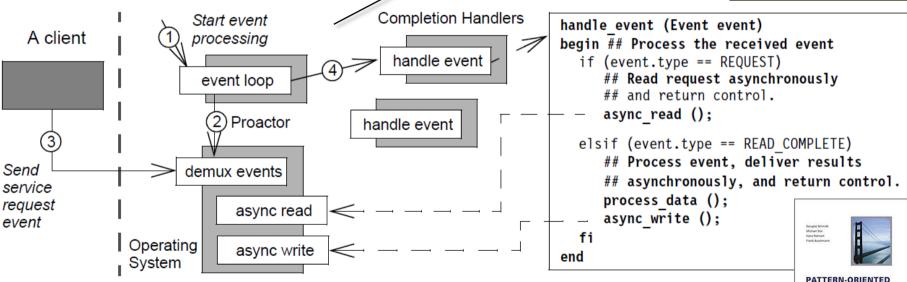
See src/share/classes/java/util/concurrent/ExecutorCompletionService.java

• CompletionService can implement the *Proactor* pattern

Supports demultiplexing & dispatching of event handlers that are triggered by the completion of async events



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Patterns for Concurrent



See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Proactor_pattern

 ExecutorCompletionService implements CompletionService <<Java Interface>> CompletionService<V> & uses an executor to execute tasks placed on a blocking submit(Callable<V>) queue when they complete take() ()llog poll(long,TimeUnit) <<Java Class>> <<Java Interface>> • ExecutorCompletionService<V> -executor Executor Fexecutor: Executor execute(Runnable):void -completion newTaskFor(Callable<V>) Queue submit(Callable<V>) take() <<Java Interface>> poll() BlockingQueue<E> poll(long,TimeUnit) <<Java Class>> offer(E):boolean put(E):void QueueingFuture 0..n offer(E,long,TimeUnit):boolean √task: Future<V> take() ▲ QueueingFuture(RunnableFuture<V>) poll(long,TimeUnit) odone():void

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mExecutorService =
    Executors.newFixedThreadPool(Runtime.getRuntime())
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.availableProcessors());

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  new ExecutorCompletionService<>(mExecutorService);
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