

A Starship Enterprise is shown in space, firing a bright orange phaser beam. The ship is viewed from a low angle, looking up at its saucer section. The background is a dark space filled with small white stars.

# Phaser volle Energie ...

... eine Reise ins Paralleluniversum von JDK7

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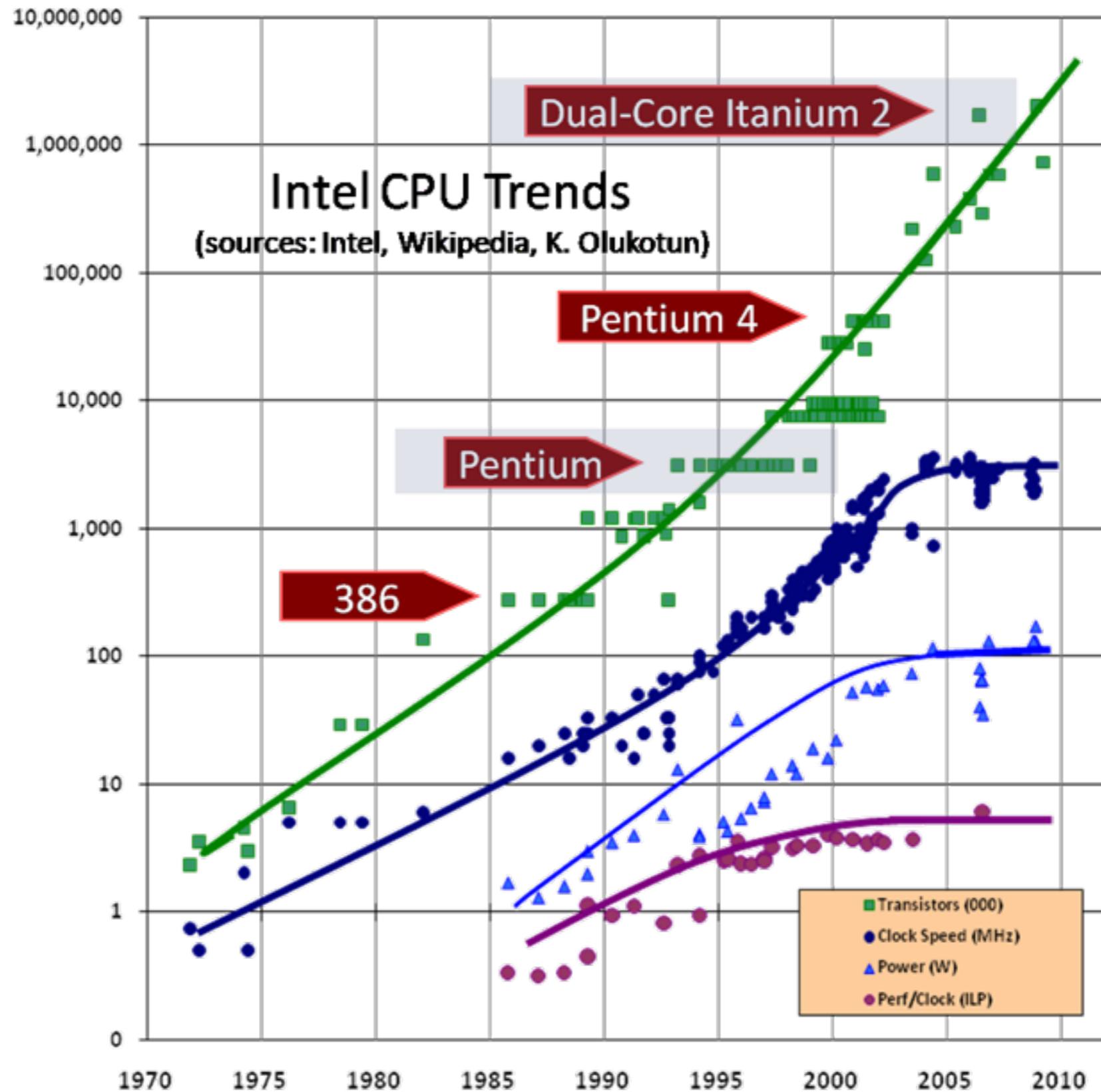
## Reiseplan

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# Engine Check

(Bestandsaufnahme)

# Why Concurrency?



# Why Concurrency?

**The Free Lunch Is Over**  
A Fundamental Turn Toward Concurrency in Software  
By Herb Sutter

**Applications will increasingly need to be concurrent if they want to fully exploit continuing exponential CPU throughput gains**

**Efficiency and performance optimization will get more, not less, important**

**Concurrency is the next major revolution in how we write software**

<http://www.gotw.ca/publications/concurrency-ddj.htm>

# Concurrency Problems

„It's hard to get it right ...“

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# Concurrency Problems

„It's hard to get it right ...“  
(from ForkJoinPool.java)

- \* Style notes: There are lots of inline assignments (of form
- \* `"while ((local = field) != 0)"`) which are usually the simplest
- \* way to ensure the required read orderings (which are sometimes
- \* critical). Also several occurrences of the unusual `"do {}`
- \* `while (!cas...)"` which is the simplest way to force an update of
- \* a CAS'ed variable. **There are also other coding oddities that**
- \* **help some methods perform reasonably even when interpreted (not**
- \* **compiled), at the expense of some messy constructions that**
- \* **reduce byte code counts.**

# Concurrency in JDK 6

`java.util.concurrent`

- Atomic:  
AtomicBoolean, AtomicInteger
- Executors:  
ExecutorService, Callable, Future
- Synchronizers:  
Semaphore, CountdownLatch, CyclicBarrier

# Concurrency in JDK 7

`java.util.concurrent`

- ...
- Phaser
- ForkJoinPool

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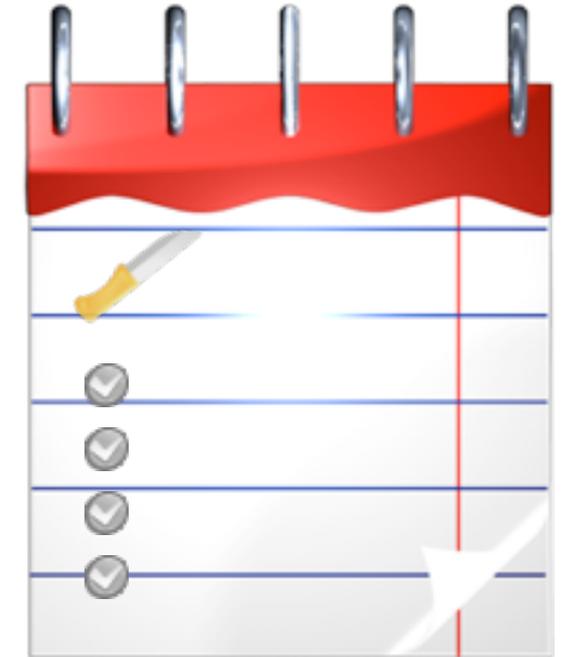
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(Phaser - Idee)

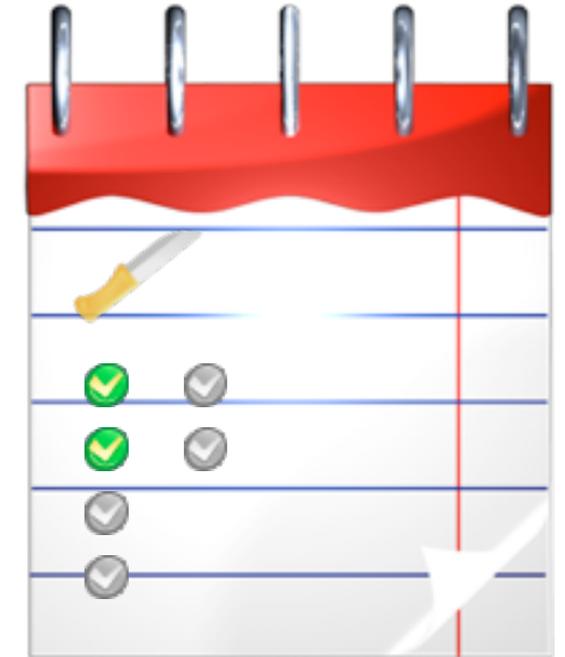
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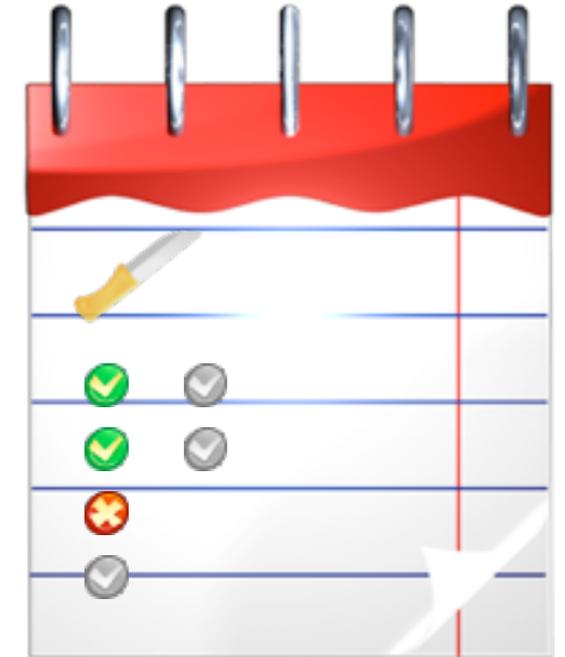
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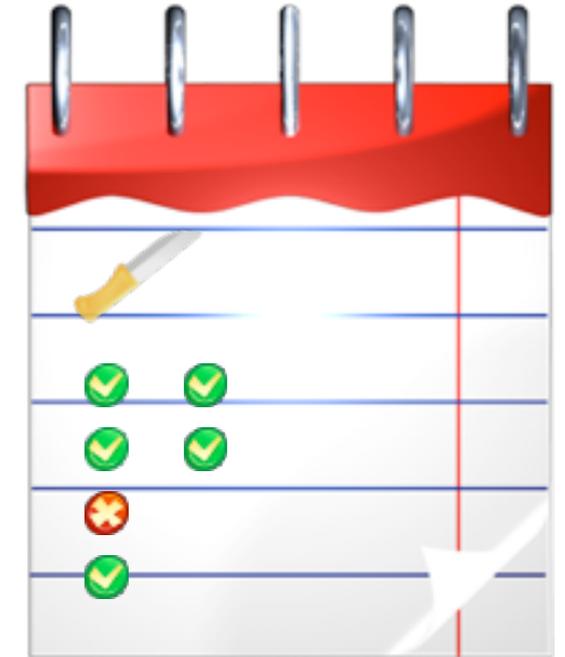
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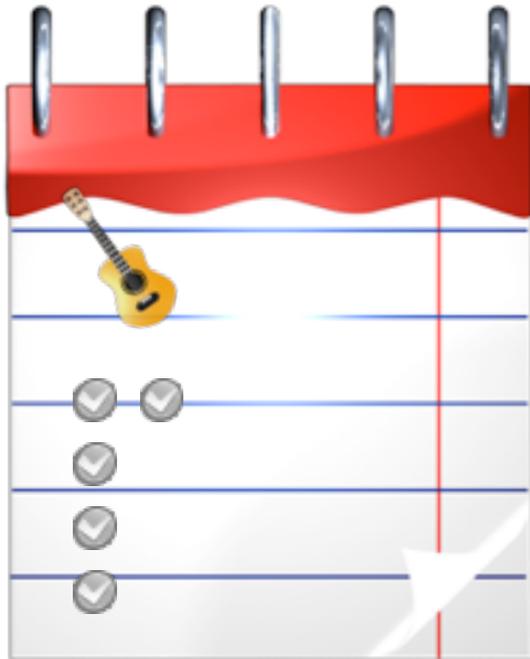
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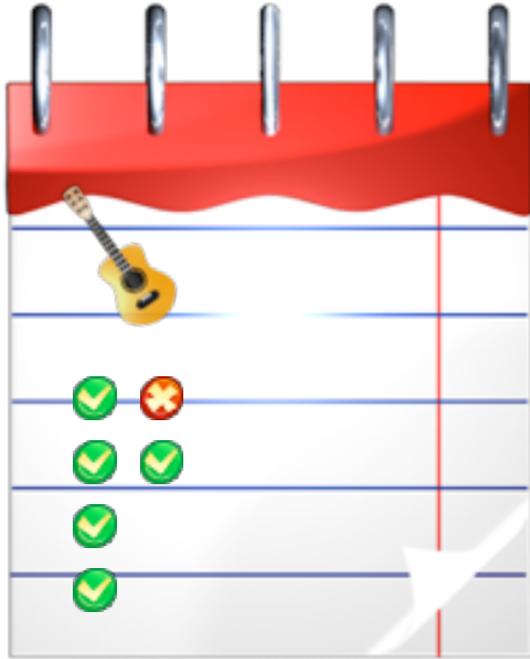
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# Countdown

(Phaser - Code)

# Phaser API Registration

- `register()`
- `bulkRegister(int parties)`
- `new Phaser(int parties)`
- `arriveAndDeregister()`

... registration and deregistration  
affect only internal counts ...

# Phaser API

## Synchronization

- `arriveAndAwaitAdvance()`
- `arriveAndDeregister()`
- `arrive()`
- `awaitAdvance(int phase)`

... each generation of a phaser has an associated phase number ...

# Phaser: example

```
void runTasks(List<Runnable> tasks) {  
    final Phaser phaser = new Phaser(1); // "1" to register self  
    // create and start threads  
    for (final Runnable task : tasks) {  
        phaser.register();  
        new Thread() {  
            public void run() {  
                phaser.arriveAndAwaitAdvance(); // await all creation  
                task.run();  
            }  
        }.start();  
    }  
  
    // allow threads to start and deregister self  
    phaser.arriveAndDeregister();  
}
```

# Phaser - Demo

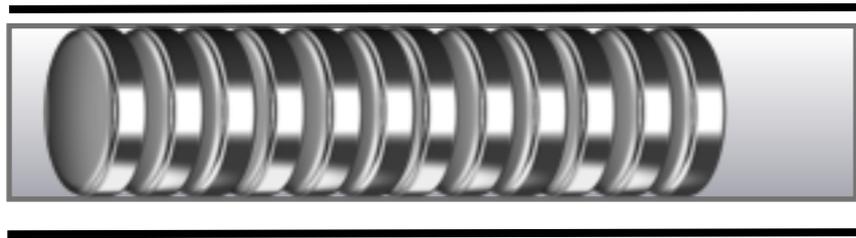
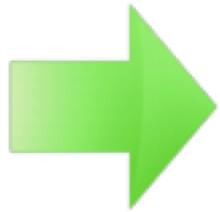
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- Termination: `isTerminated()`
- Tiering: `Phaser(Phaser parent)`
- Advance:  
`onAdvance(int phase, int registeredParties)`

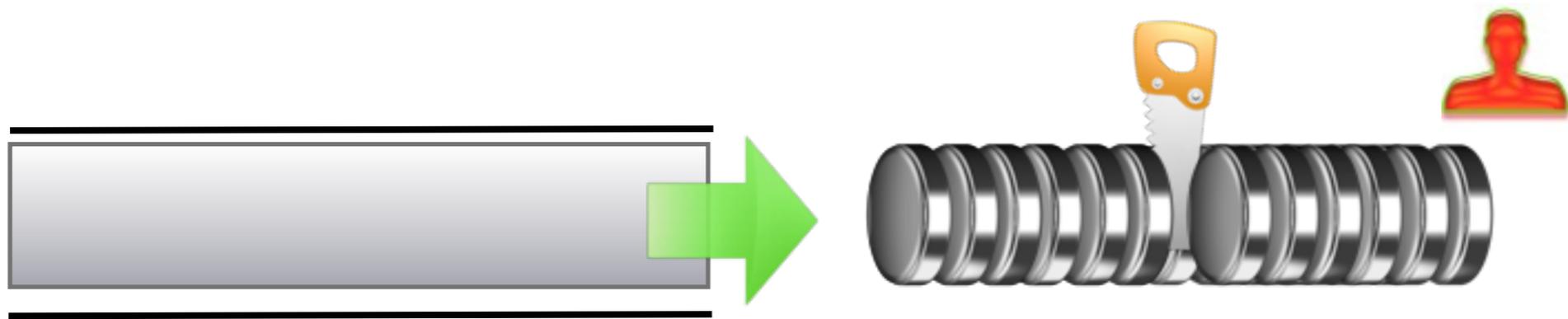
# Ins Paralleluniversum

(ForkJoinPool - Idee)

# ForkJoinPool

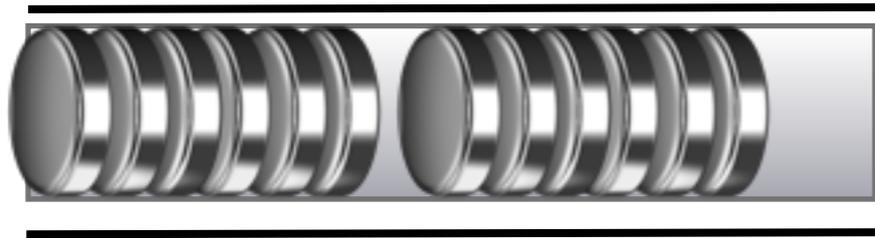


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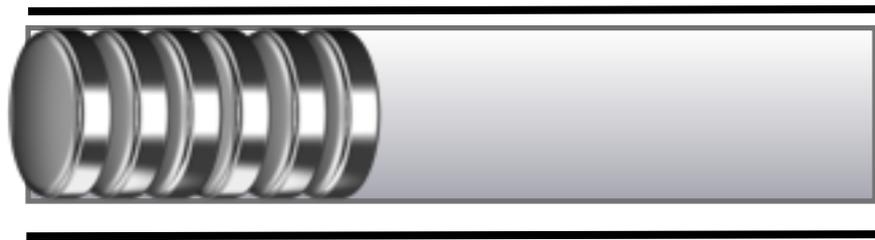


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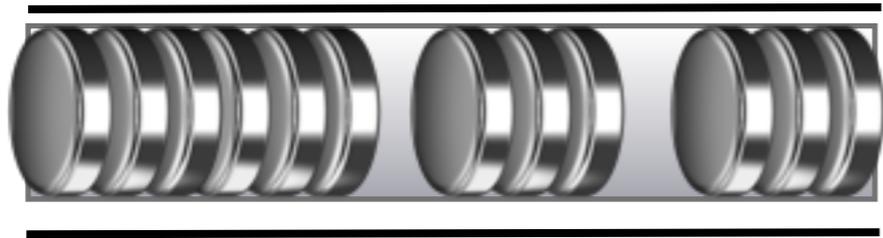
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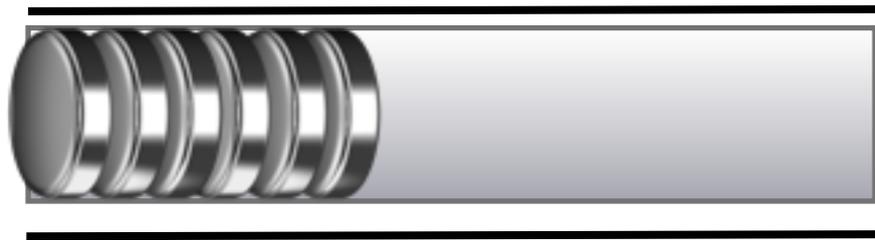
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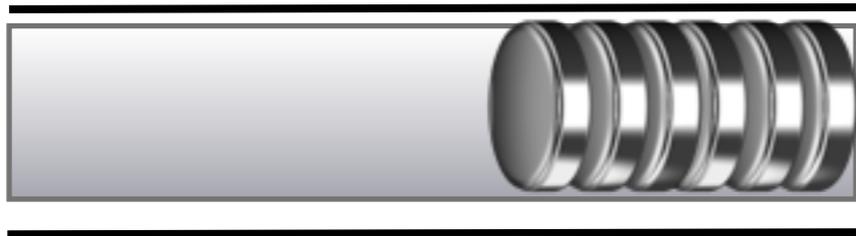
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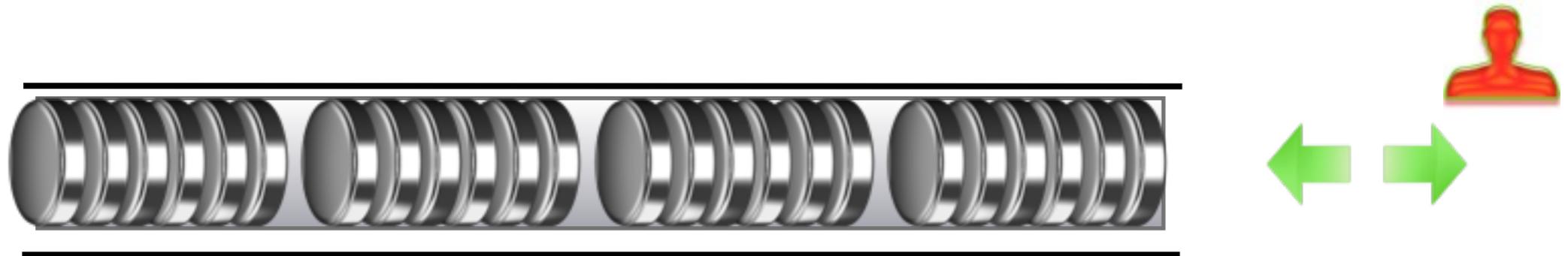
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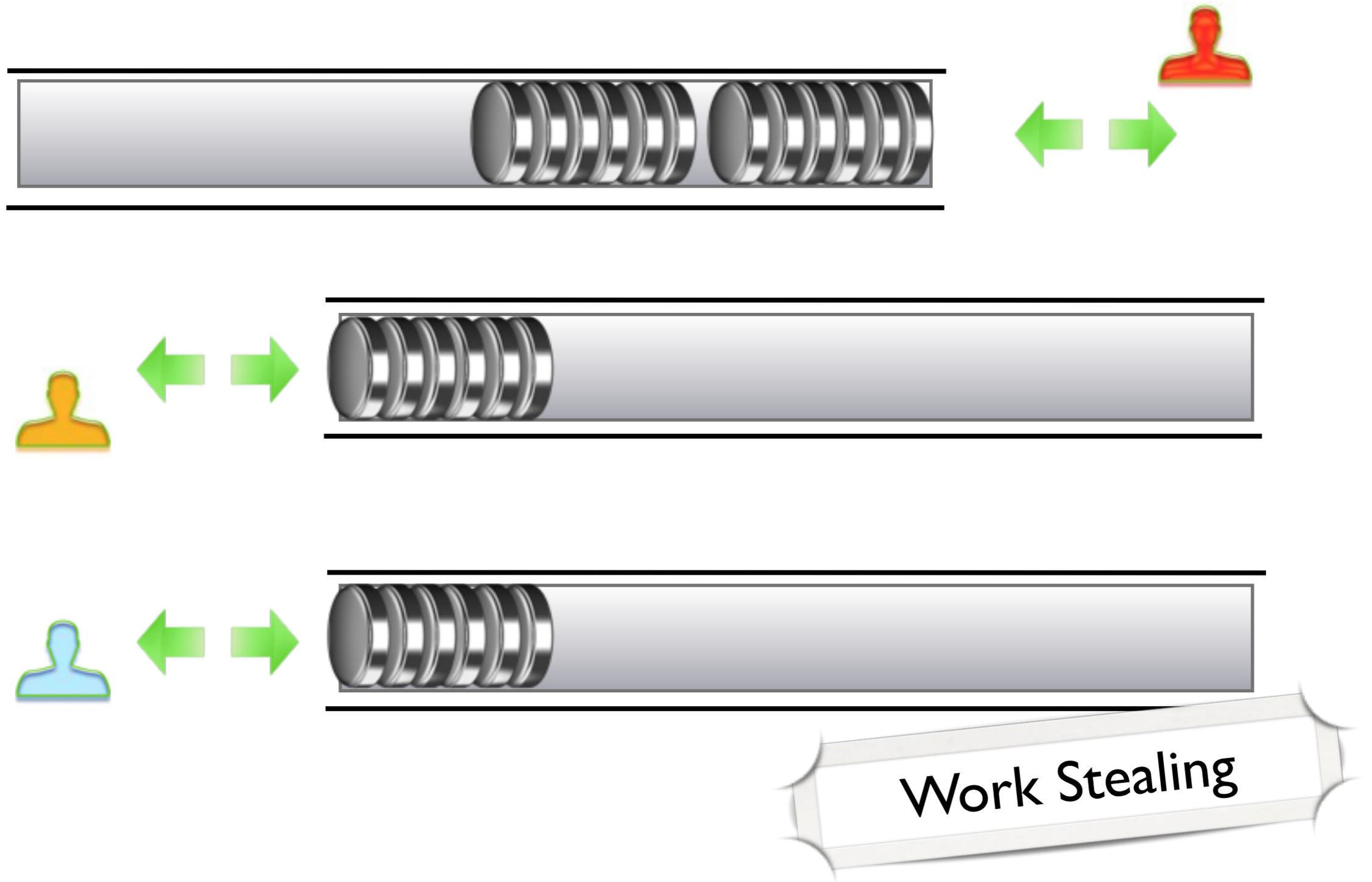


# ForkJoinPool



**Work Stealing**

# ForkJoinPool



# Welcome to JDK 7

(ForkJoinPool - Code)

# ForkJoin API

## ForkJoinPool

- differs from other ExecutorServices by virtue of employing work-stealing
- default parallelism: number of processors
- dynamically adds, suspends, or resumes worker threads

ForkJoinPool implements  
ExecutorService

# ForkJoin API

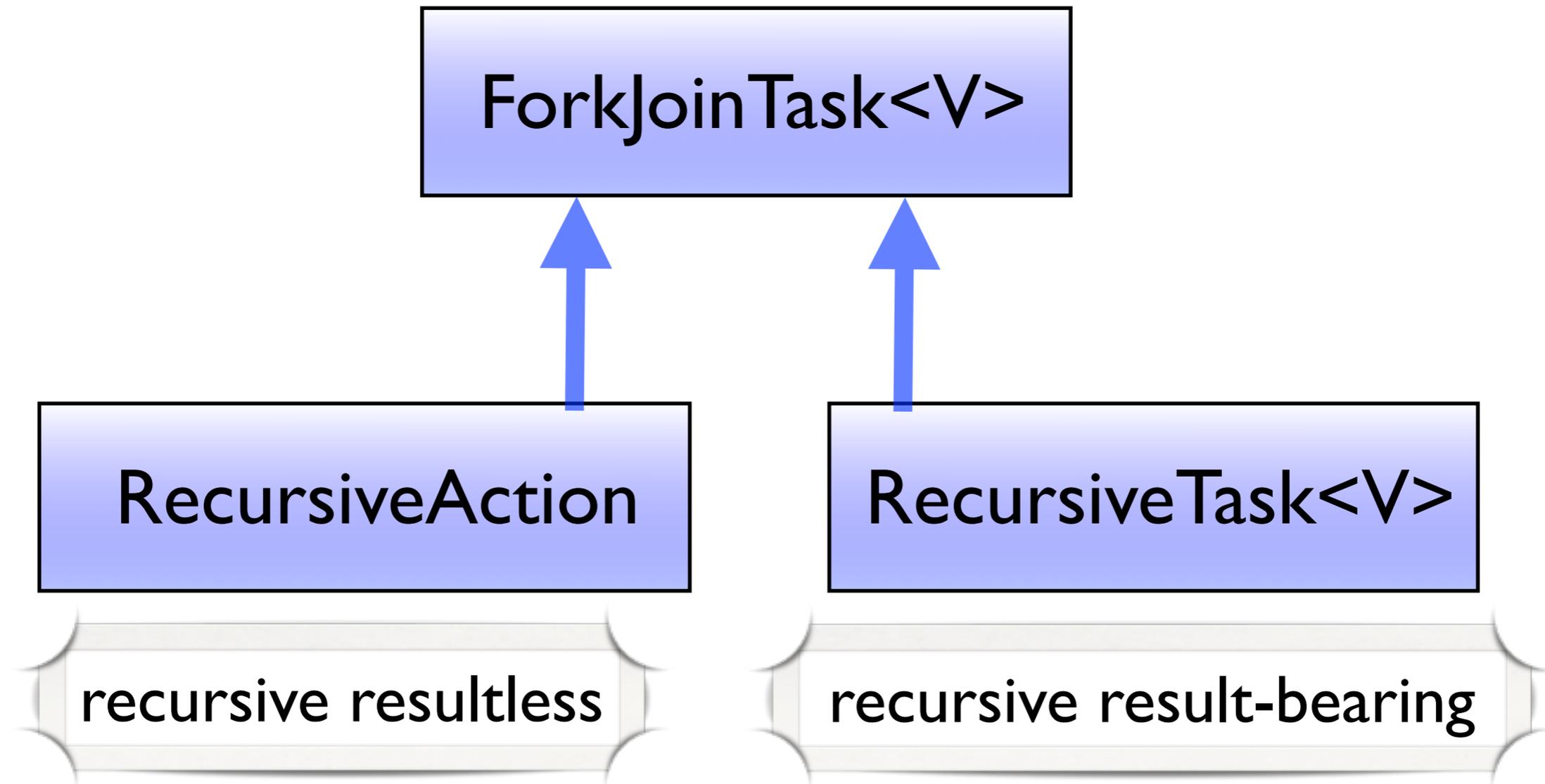
## ForkJoinPool

- `execute(ForkJoinTask)` // async, no result
- `invoke(ForkJoinTask)` // sync, result
- `submit(ForkJoinTask)` // async, future

ForkJoinPool implements  
ExecutorService

# ForkJoin API

## ForkJoinTask



# ForkJoin API

## ForkJoinTask<V>

- `V compute()`
- `fork()`      *// async execution*
- `V join()`    *// sync get result*
- ...



ForkJoinTask  
implements Future

# ForkJoin: example

```
public class ForkJoinWorker extends RecursiveTask<Integer> {
```

```
    private final int[] intArray;  
    private final int start;  
    private final int end;
```

```
    public ForkJoinWorker(int[] intArray, int start, int end) {  
        this.intArray = intArray;  
        this.start = start;  
        this.end = end;  
    }
```

```
    @Override  
    protected Integer compute() {
```

# ForkJoin: example

```
@Override
protected Integer compute() {
    if (end - start < SIZE_THRESHOLD) {
        return computeRest();
    } else {
        int mid = (start + end) >>> 1;
        ForkJoinWorker t1 =
            new ForkJoinWorker(intArray, start, mid);
        ForkJoinWorker t2 =
            new ForkJoinWorker(intArray, mid+1, end);

        t1.fork();
        t2.fork();

        return t1.join() + t2.join();
    }
}
```

```
private Integer computeRest() {
```

# ForkJoin - Demo

# ForkJoin API guidelines

- don't make too many small tasks:  
„ ... pick some minimum granularity size for which you always solve sequentially ...“
- `getSurplusQueuedTaskCount()`

# ForkJoin API guidelines

- ForkJoinTasks:
  - „computational tasks calculating pure functions“
  - „should not perform blocking I/O“
  - „access variables, that are independent from other running tasks“

# ForkJoin API exception handling

- `ForkJoinTask.join()`:  
throws `RuntimeException` or `Error`
- `ForkJoinTask.get()`:  
throws `InterruptedException` or  
`ExecutionException`



# Touchdown

(Zusammenfassung)

# Phaser - ForkJoinPool

- Phaser:
  - enhanced CountdownLatch
  - simple API
  - ready to use

# Phaser - ForkJoinPool

- ForkJoinPool:
  - complex API
  - computing intensive tasks
  - requires tuning and performance testing

# Phaser - ForkJoinPool

- ForkJoinPool:
  - preparation for Java 8

JSR#337 (Java 8)

## Performance

The Fork/Join Framework introduced in Java SE 7 was a first step toward providing higher-level programming abstractions suitable for multicore CPUs. In this release we will take another big step by enhancing the Collections Framework and related APIs to support automatically-parallelizable bulk-data operations such as filter, map, and reduce. Convenient use of these new APIs will be enabled by extending the Java language to include lambda expressions (a.k.a. "closures") and default methods....

**java.util.concurrent**

**use it!**