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Asynchronous Programming

Introduction to Kotlin Coroutines

Structural concurrency

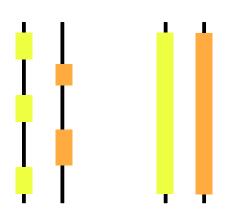
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Async Programming

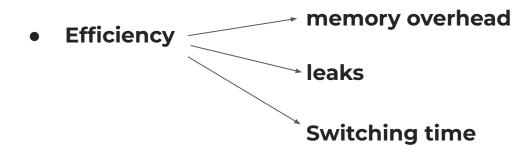
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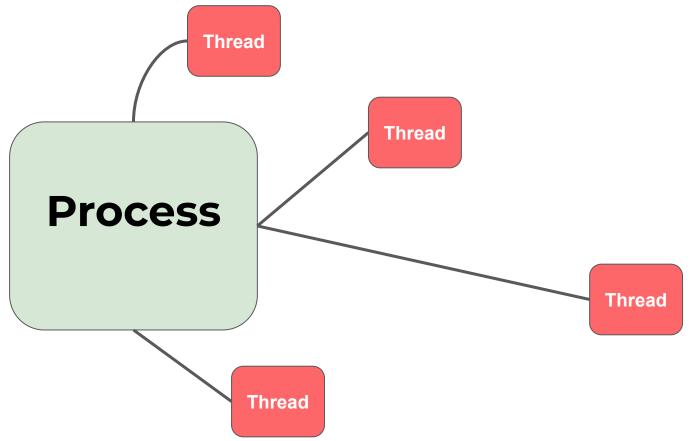


parallel operation & concurrent operation



• Threads, AsyncTasks, RxJava, Coroutine,





A flow of execution

• Thread switching is heavy & has memory overhead

What is Thread?

1- Thread is a class

2- Object from Thread class (Heap & Stack memory allocation)

3- Call run(start) method

4- Jvm communicate with OS scheduler to get cpu turn

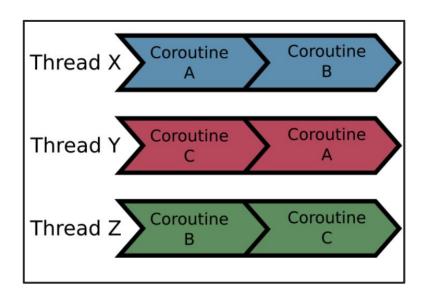
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Coroutines

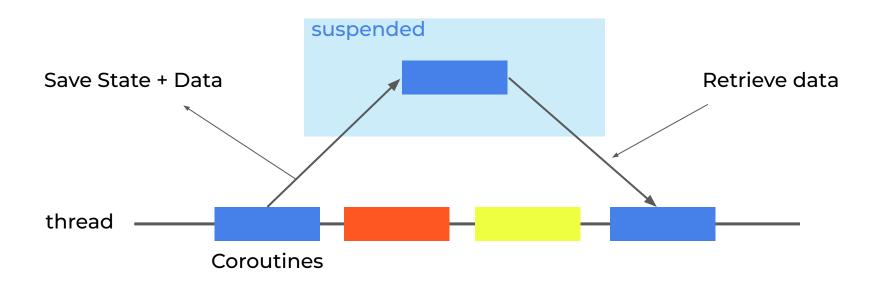
 Multiple coroutine can run on one thread

 A coroutine is not bound to any particular thread.

 may suspend execution in one thread and resume in another.



Computation can be suspended without blocking thread



- Coroutines have been stable since Kotlin 1.3 (October 2018)
- Unlike threads, don't need a lot of memory, just some bytes.

Suspend and resume concept

Coroutines Builders

Coroutines Builders

Launch

Async

```
suspend fun test(){
val scope = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO)
val job = scope.launch {
    // do some work
val deferred = scope.async {
    // do some work
deferred.await()
job.join()
```

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Suspend Function
Coroutine Scope
Coroutine Context

Coroutine Job

Suspend

- how the code can suspend without blocking threads?
- why a suspend function won't return until all the work that it started has completed?

what the compiler does under the hood?

Regular function

Suspend & Resume

Suspension Points

• When a coroutine suspend

The current stack frame copy and save

The return to its pool

- When the suspension is over, the coroutine resumes on a free thread in the pool.
- Kotlin compiler will create a state machine for every suspend function

Under The Hood

```
suspend fun loginUser(id:String, password:String):User {
   val user : remoreDatasource.login(id, password)
   val userEntity = localDatasource.login(user)
   return userEntity
}
suspend fun
```

Using Continuation

```
fun loginUser(id:String, password:String, completion: Continuation<Any?>):User {
     when(label){
         0 -> {
             remoreDatasource.login(id, password)
         1 -> {
             localDatasource.login(user)
        2 -> {
             completion.resume(userEntity)
         else -> throw IllegalStateException()
```

Using Continuation

```
when(continuation.label) {
        0 -> {
            continuation.label = 1
            userRemoteDataSource.logUserIn(userId!!, password!!, continuation)
        1 -> {
            continuation.user = continuation.result as User
            continuation.label = 2
            userLocalDataSource.logUserIn(continuation.user, continuation)
        2 -> {
            continuation.userDb = continuation.result as UserDb
            continuation.cont.resume(continuation.userDb)
        else -> throw IllegalStateException(...)
```

- how the code can suspend without blocking threads it knows from where to continue after execution
- why a suspend function won't return until all the work that it started has completed

Continuation object (switch-case)

what the compiler does under the hood

Using Continuation

```
public interface Continuation<in T> {
   public val context: CoroutineContext
   public fun resumeWith(result: Result<T>)
}
```

• Continuation is a public interface

• Can convert the callback-based API into a suspendable function

Using Continuation

```
fun fetchData(callback: (String -> Unit)){
    // do some work
    callback("sample result")
}
```

```
fetchData {
   //use result
}
```

```
suspend fun fetchDataSuspend() = suspendCoroutine { continuation ->
    fetchData {
        continuation.resume(it)
    }
}
val result = fetchDataSuspend()
```

```
suspend fun test(){
val scope = CoroutineScope Dispatchers.IO)
val job = scope.launch {
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     // do some work
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```

Suspend Function Coroutine Scope

Coroutine Scope

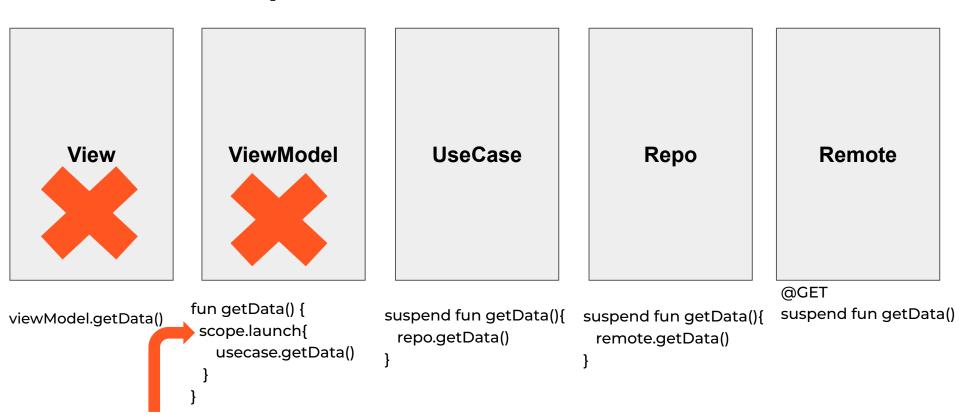
Coroutine Scope

• Start and control the lifecycle of coroutines in a particular layer of your app.

• Takes a CoroutineContext as a parameter

- The coroutine context is a set of rules and configurations that define how the coroutine will be executed. (ex: which thread)
- **Examples:** viewModelScope and lifecycleScope

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Coroutine Context

```
val dispatcher = Dispatchers.Main
val job = Job()
val exceptionHandler = CoroutineExceptionHandler()
val scope = CoroutineScope(dispatcher + job + exceptionHandler)
```

Coroutine Scope

```
val scope = CoroutineScope(Job() + Dispatchers.Main)
fun CoroutineScope(context:CoroutineContext) : CoroutineScope = {..}
interface CoroutineContext {
    operator fun plus(context:CoroutineContext) : CoroutineContext = {...}
```

Coroutine Scope

```
interface Job : CoroutineContext {}
public actual object Dispatchers {
    val Main = MainDispatcherLoader.dispatcher
abstract class MainCoroutineDispatcher : CoroutineDispatcher() {}
class CoroutineDispatcher : AbstractCoroutineContextElement(ContinuationInterceptor) {}
abstract class AbstractCoroutineContextElement() : Element
interface Element : CoroutineContext {}
```

Job

Job

```
val job = Job() / SupervisorJob()
val job = launch {..}
```

• lifecycle, cancellation, and parent-child relations

Job

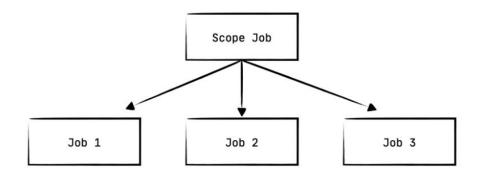
Parent-Child Relationship

```
val scope = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO)

val job1 = scope.launch{...}

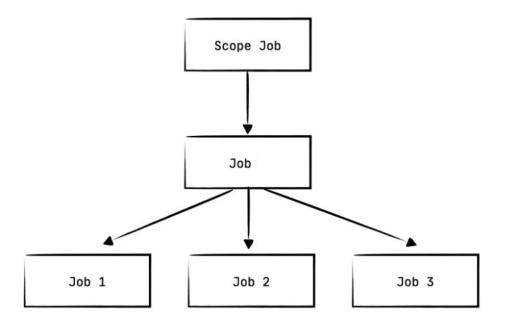
val job2 = scope.launch{...}

val job3 = scope.launch{...}
```



Parent-Child Relationship

```
val scope = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO)
val job = scope.launch {
   val job1 = scope.launch {...}
   val job2 = scope.launch {...}
   val job3 = scope.launch {...}
```



Job

JOB

Parent Job cancel

All children cancel

One child fail

Parent Job cancel

SUPERVISOR JOB **Parent Job cancel**

All children cancel

One child fail

Nothing happen

Job

Output:

```
hello job1
```

Job

```
val exceptionHandler = CoroutineExceptionHandler { coroutineContext, throwable -
    Log.i("CoroutineTest", "$coroutineContext $throwable")
}

val scope = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO + exceptionHandler)
val job1 = scope.launch {
    launch {
        delay(300)
            Log.i("CoroutineTest", "hello job1 child")
      }
    Log.i("CoroutineTest", "hello job1")
      throw error("throwing IllegalStateException")
}

job1.invokeOnCompletion {
    Log.i("CoroutineTest", "job1 complete. $it")
}
```

Output:

```
20:09:59.870 I hello job1
20:09:59.890 I
[com.example.coroutineexceptiontest.MainActivityKt$checkJobCancellations$$i
nlined$CoroutineExceptionHandler$1@482cc6,
StandaloneCoroutine{Cancelling}@3839487, Dispatchers.IO]
java.lang.IllegalStateException: throwing IllegalStateException
20:09:59.890 I job1 complete. java.lang.IllegalStateException: throwing
IllegalStateException
```

Structured Concurrency

every time our control splits into multiple concurrent paths, we make sure they join up again child operations are guaranteed to complete before their parents no child operation is executed outside the scope of a parent operation

- 1. When a scope cancels, all of its coroutines cancel.
- 2. When a **suspend fun returns**, all of its **work is done**.
- 3. When a coroutine errors, its caller or scope is notified."

Example: ViewModelScope

Structured Concurrency

Output:

```
job complete. kotlinx.coroutines.JobCancellationException: Job was
cancelled; job=JobImpl{Cancelling}@482cc6
```

Structured Concurrency

```
val scope = CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO)
    scope.launch(Job()) {
        delay(100)
        Log.i("CoroutineTest", "hello")
    }.invokeOnCompletion {
        Log.i("CoroutineTest", "job complete. $it")
    }
scope.cancel()
```

Output:

The structured concurrency is broken

```
hello
job complete. null
```

Coroutine Exception Handler

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Coroutine Exception Handler

Created by launch —— We have uncaught exceptions —— Needs try-catch

Created by async ——— always catches all its exceptions and We don't have uncaught exceptions.

Canceling coroutine

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Coroutines handle cancellation by throwing a special exception: CancellationException

If we just call cancel, it doesn't mean that the coroutine work will just stop.

```
val job = launch {
    for(file in files) {
        // TODO check for cancellation
        readFile(file)
    }
}
```

isActive - withContext - delay - ...

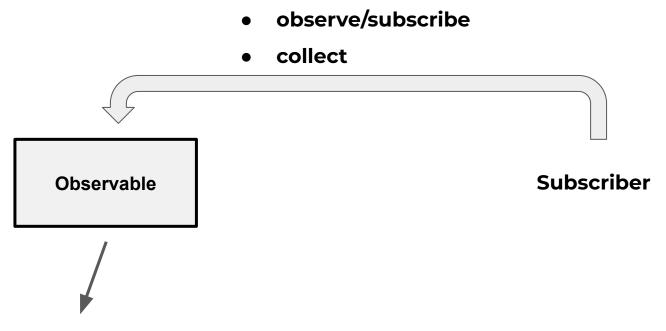
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Flow SharedFlow StateFlow

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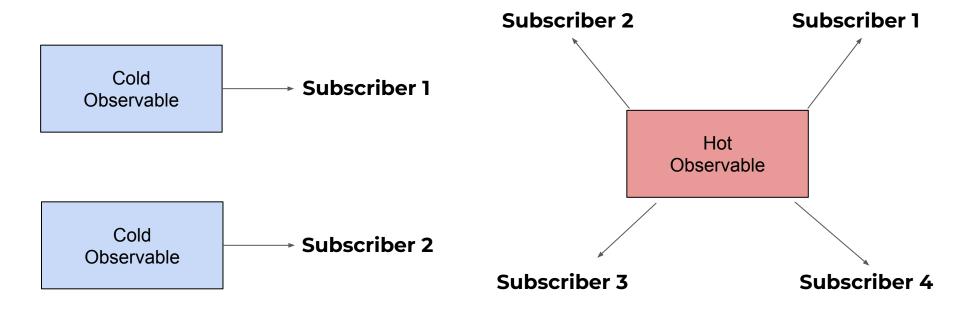
Hot & Cold

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- Single/Flowable...
- Flow/stateFlow/SharedFlow

Hot & Cold



Hot & Cold

SharedFlow & StateFlow

Flow

Flow & Shared-Flow & State-Flow

Flow

A sequence of values that can be asynchronously computed and delivered over time

Shared-Flow

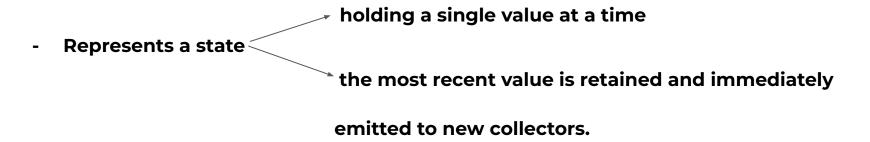
Allows multiple collectors to listen to the same stream of data independently.

State-Flow

stores the last state(most recent value) and emits it to all it's collectors

Flow & Shared-Flow & State-Flow

- Broadcast a value to multiple collectors
- Multiple subscribers to the same stream of data.
- Store a certain number of previously emitted values



- Single source of truth for a state
- Automatically update all the collectors with the latest state

Flow & Shared-Flow & State-Flow

Live Datas (Stock price) StateFlow

Event bus SharedFlow

Chat Messaging App SharedFlow

Feature	Flow	StateFlow	SharedFlow
∄ype	Cold stream	Hot stream	Hot stream
Statefulness	No state	Stateful	Optional Replay cache
Conflation	No conflation	Conflates	Configurable
Replay	No Replay	Always replays last value	Configurable Replay cache
Mutable	No	Yes with MutableStateFl ow()	Yes with MutableSharedFlo w()
Initial value	No	Yes	No
Emitting values	emit(value)	emit(value) value = new value	emit(value) tryEmit(value)
Use case	On-demand sequences	Observable state	Event broadcasting

Best Practices In Android

Inject Dispatchers

Suspend functions should be safe to call from the main thread

The ViewModel should create coroutines

Don't expose mutable types

The data and business layer should expose suspend functions and Flows

Creating coroutines in the business and data layer

Avoid GlobalScope

Make your coroutine cancellable

Inject Dispatchers

```
// DO inject Dispatchers
class NewsRepository(
    private val defaultDispatcher: CoroutineDispatcher = Dispatchers.Default
) {
    suspend fun loadNews() = withContext(defaultDispatcher) { /* ... */ }
}
```

testing easier as you can replace those dispatchers in unit and instrumentation tests with a <u>test dispatcher</u>

Suspend functions should be safe to call from the main thread

```
class NewsRepository(private val ioDispatcher: CoroutineDispatcher) {
    // As this operation is manually retrieving the news from the server
    // using a blocking HttpURLConnection, it needs to move the execution
    // to an IO dispatcher to make it main-safe
    suspend fun fetchLatestNews(): List<Article> {
        withContext(ioDispatcher) { /* ... implementation ... */ }
    }
}
```

The ViewModel should create coroutines

- Views shouldn't directly trigger any coroutines to perform business logic
- your coroutines will survive configuration changes automatically
- Views should trigger coroutines for UI-related logic

```
class LatestNewsViewModel(
    private val getLatestNewsWithAuthors: GetLatestNewsWithAuthorsUseCase
) : ViewModel() {
    private val _uiState = MutableStateFlow<LatestNewsUiState>(LatestNewsUiState.Loading)
    val uiState: StateFlow<LatestNewsUiState> = _uiState

fun loadNews() {
        viewModelScope.launch {
            val latestNewsWithAuthors = getLatestNewsWithAuthors()
            _uiState.value = LatestNewsUiState.Success(latestNewsWithAuthors)
        }
    }
}
```

Don't expose mutable types

```
class LatestNewsViewModel : ViewModel() {
    private val _uiState = MutableStateFlow(LatestNewsUiState.Loading)
    val uiState: StateFlow<LatestNewsUiState> = _uiState

    /* ... */
}
```

The data and business layer should expose suspend functions and Flows

Classes in these layers should expose suspend functions for one-shot calls and Flow to notify about data changes.

```
class ExampleRepository {
    suspend fun makeNetworkRequest() { /* ... */ }

fun getExamples(): Flow<Example> { /* ... */ }
}
```

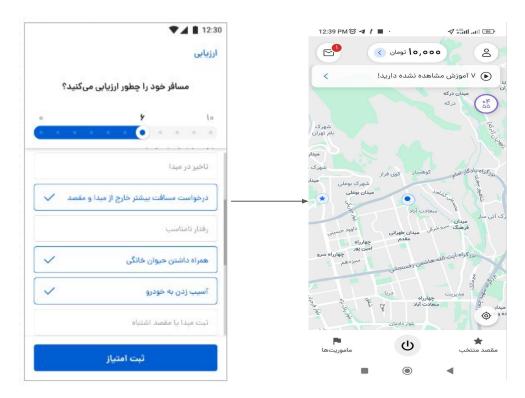
Creating coroutines in the business and data layer

If the work to be done is relevant as long as the app is opened, and the work is not bound to a particular screen, then the work should outlive the caller's lifecycle.

externalScope should be created and managed by a class that lives longer than the current screen, it could be managed by the Application class or a ViewModel scoped to a navigation graph.

Creating coroutines in the business and data layer

Example: Driver Optimistic NPS



Creating coroutines in the business and data layer

Example Of injecting external scope : Driver Optimistic NPS

```
interface AppScope : CoroutineScope

class IOAppScope(private val coroutineDispatcherProvider: CoroutineDispatcherProvider) : AppScope {
    override val coroutineContext: CoroutineContext
        get() = coroutineDispatcherProvider.ioDispatcher()
}

single<AppScope> {
    IOAppScope(get())
}
```

Avoid GlobalScope

Makes testing very hard as your code is executed in an uncontrolled scope,
 you won't be able to control its execution.

Make your coroutine cancellable

```
someScope.launch {
   for(file in files) {
      ensureActive() // Check for cancellation
      readFile(file)
   }
}
```

Thanks!