

Predictable Java

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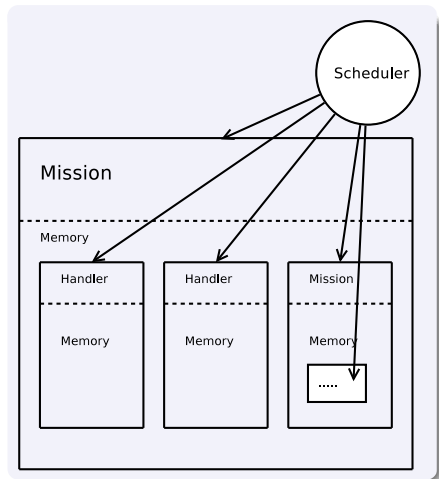


A constructive comment on SCJ

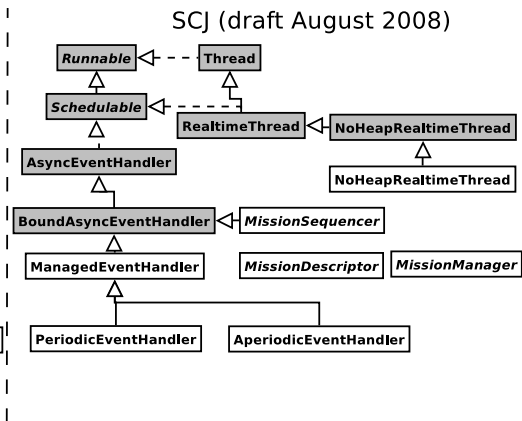
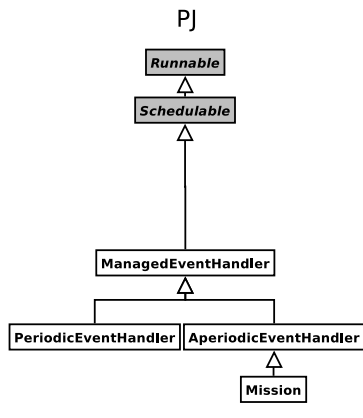
- Rational reconstruction of the class hierarchy
 - Generalization vs. specialization
- Missions
 - Mission concept as a handler
- RTSJ compliant
 - Delegation
- Result: Predictable Java

Predictable Java

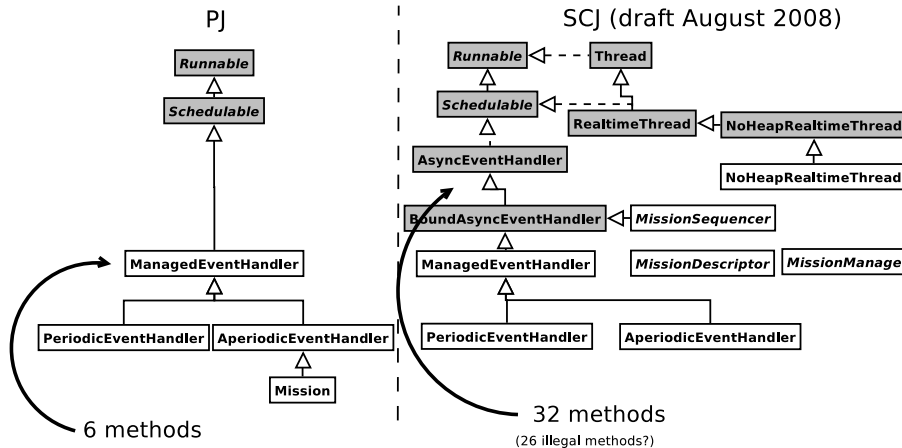
- Handlers
 - as in SCJ
- Mission
 - is a handler
- Schedulers
 - as in SCJ
- Memory areas
 - Simplified



Handlers

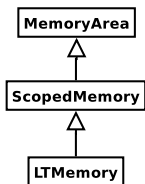


Handlers

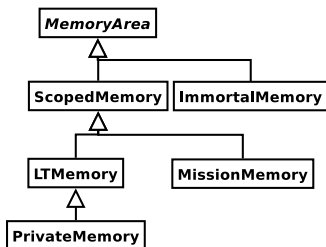


Memory

PJ



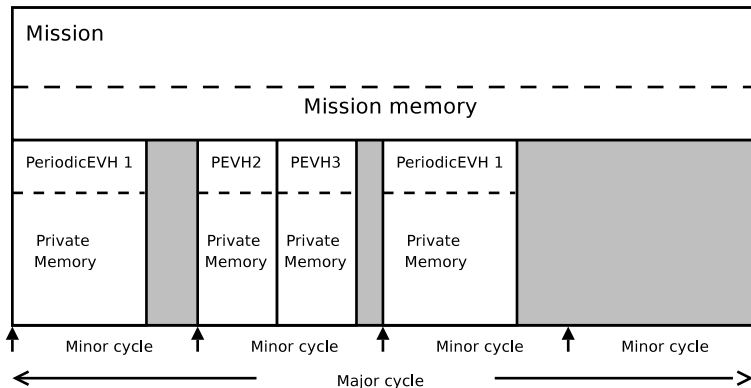
SCJ (draft August 2008)



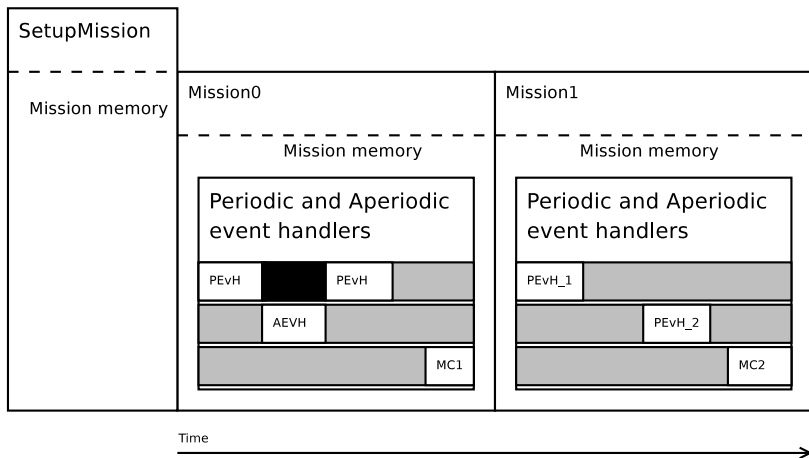
Scheduler

- Cyclic scheduler
- Priority scheduler

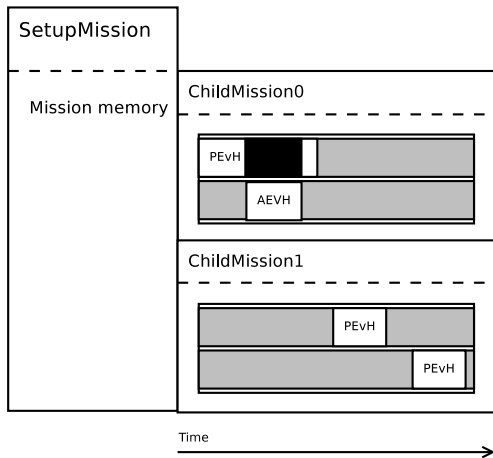
Level 0, Cyclic schedule



Level 1, Priority scheduler



Level 2, Priority scheduler



Simple mission

```
public class Basic extends Mission
{
    protected Basic(.., AperiodicParameters ap,
                    Scheduler scheduler,
                    MemoryArea memoryArea)
    {
        ... // initialization
    }

    public static void main (String[] args) {
        new Basic( null, null,
                 new CyclicScheduler(),
                 new LTMemory(10*1024));
    }
}
```

Simple mission initialization

```
addToMission(  
    new Periodic( null, pp, getScheduler(),  
                 new LTMemory(1024)));  
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    new Periodic( null, pp, getScheduler(),  
                 new LTMemory(1024)));  
...  
add(); // add mission to its scheduler
```

Sequential missions setup

```
private Mission[] mission;  
private int active = 0;  
static AperiodicEvent event;  
  
public SequentialMissions(...) {  
    mission = new Mission[2];  
  
    mission[0..1] = new Mission(...);  
  
    event = new AperiodicEvent(this);  
  
    mission[active].add();  
}
```

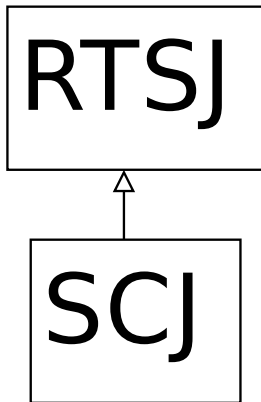
Mission change

```
private Mission[] mission;
private int active = 0;
static AperiodicEvent event;

public SequentialMissions(...) {
    ...
}

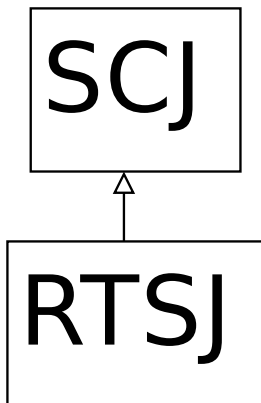
public void handleEvent() {
    mission[active].remove();
    active = (active + 1) % mission.length;
    mission[active].add();
}
```

The SCJ approach



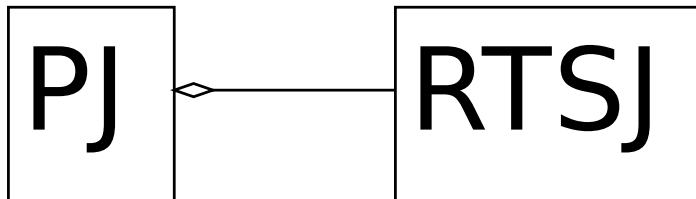
- Inheritance for limitation

Ideal world



- Inheritance for specialization

Implementation approach



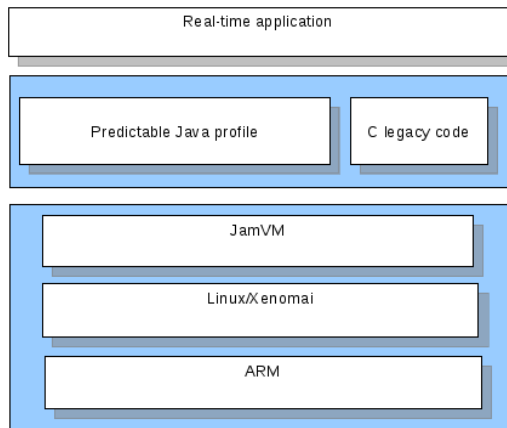
- Aggregation

RTSJ implementation

- Event Handlers
 - NoHeapRealtime Threads
- Schedulers
 - RTSJ Scheduler and NoHeapRealtime Threads
- Memory
 - Immortal and Scoped memory

Native implementation

- JamVM
- Real-time linux
- ARM
- Open source



Planned next steps

- Improved implementations
- Profile compliance checker
- Memory analysis
- WCET analysis
- Schedulability analysis

As Eclipse plugins – a workbench

Predictable Java conclusion

- A constructive comment on SCJ
- Simpler framework
- Experimental implementations
- Workbench