

# JDK 9 Deep Dive

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# JDK 9: Big And Small Changes

Process API Updates  
HTTP 2 Client  
Improve Contended Locking  
Unified JVM Logging  
Compiler Control  
Variable Handles  
Segmented Code Cache  
Smart Java Compilation, Phase T  
The Modular JDK  
Modular Source Code  
Elide Deprecation Warnings on Import Statement  
Resolve Lint and Doclint Warnings  
Milling Project Coin  
Remove GC Combinations Deprecations  
Tiered Attribution for javac  
Process Import Statements Correctly  
Annotations Pipeline 2.0  
Datagram Transport Layer Security (TLS)  
Modular Run-Time Images  
Simplified Doclet API  
jshell: The Java Shell (Read-Eval-Print Loop)  
New Version-String Scheme  
HTML5 Javadoc  
Javadoc Search  
UTF-8 Property Files  
Unicode 7.0  
Add More Diagnostic Commands  
Create PKCS12 Keystores by Default  
Remove Launch-Time JRE Version Selection

Improve Secure Application Performance  
Generate Run-Time Compiler Tests Automatically  
Test Class-File Attributes Generated by javac  
Parser API for Nashorn  
Linux/AArch64 Port  
Multi-Release JAR Files  
Remove the JVM TI hprof Agent  
Move the jhat Tool  
Move the JVM Compiler Trace  
HTTP Connection-Layer Protocol Negotiation Extension  
Validate Command Line Argument Areas  
Leverage Constructors in GHA and RSA  
Compiler Under Platform Services  
Make GSS API Default  
OCSP Support for TLS  
Store Large Strings in Memory  
Multi-Threaded Images  
Use Multiple Data Layouts  
JavaFX UI Components GSS APIs for Authorization  
Collect Strings  
Merge Selected Xerces 2.10.0 Fixes into JAXB  
BeanInfo Annotations  
Update JavaFX/Media to Newer Version of GStreamer  
HarfBuzz Font-Layout Engine  
Stack-Walking API  
Encapsulate Most Internal APIs  
Module System  
TIFF Image I/O  
HiDPI Graphics on Windows and Linux

Platform Logging API and Service  
Marlin Graphics Renderer  
More Concurrency Updates  
Unicode 8.0  
XML Catalogs  
Convenience Factory Methods for Collections  
Reserved Stack Areas for Critical Sections  
Unified Class Loaders  
Platform-Specific Features  
DRF and SecureRandom Implementations  
Enhanced Method Handler  
Modular Java Applications  
Dynamic Linking of Large Objects  
Enhanced Resource Management  
Additional Reference Objects in G1  
Improve Test Failure Troubleshooting  
Indify String Concatenation  
HotSpot C++ Unit-Testing Framework  
jlink: The Java Linker  
Enhanced Hotspot System  
New Hotspot System  
Spin-Wait Hints  
SHA-3 Hash Algorithms  
Disable SHA-1 Certificates  
Deprecate the Applet API  
Filter Incoming Serialization Data  
Implement Selected ECMAScript 6 Features in Nashorn  
Linux/s390x Port

# Agenda

- Java Platform Module System
- Developer features
- Other things
- Migrating applications to JDK 9
  - Real world example
- Summary

# JPMS: API Structural Changes



# API Classification

- Supported, intended for public use
  - JCP specified: `java.*`, `javax.*`
  - JDK specific: some `com.sun.*`, some `jdk.*`
- Unsupported, not intended for public use
  - Mostly `sun.*`
  - Most infamous is `sun.misc.Unsafe`

# General Java Compatability Policy

- If an application uses only supported APIs on version N of Java it *should* work on version N+1, even without recompilation
- Supported APIs can be removed
  - But only with advanced notice
- JDK 8 has 18 interfaces, 23 classes, 64 fields, 358 methods and 20 constructors that have been deprecated
  - None have been removed
  - Until now

# Most Popular Unsupported APIs

1. sun.misc.BASE64Encoder
2. sun.misc.Unsafe
3. sun.misc.BASE64Decoder

Oracle dataset based on internal application code

# JDK Internal API Classification

- Non-critical
  - Little or no use outside the JDK
  - Used only for convenience (alternatives exist)
- Critical
  - Functionality that would be difficult, if not impossible to implement outside the JDK

# JEP 260 Proposal

- Encapsulate all non-critical JDK-internal APIs
- Encapsulate all critical JDK-internal APIs, for which supported replacements exist in JDK 8
- Do *not* encapsulate other critical JDK-internal APIs
  - Deprecate these in JDK 9
  - Plan to encapsulate or remove them in JDK 10
  - Command-line option to access encapsulated critical APIs
    - --add-exports
    - --add-opens

# JEP 260 Accessible Critical APIs

- sun.misc.Unsafe
- sun.misc.Signal
- sun.misc.SignalHandler
- sun.misc.Cleaner
- sun.reflect.Reflection.getCallerClass
- sun.reflect.ReflectionFactory

# Project Jigsaw And Modules



# Goals For Project Jigsaw

- Make Java SE more scalable and flexible
  - Internet of Things
  - Microservices
- Improve security, maintainability and performance
- Simplify construction, deployment and maintenance of large scale applications
- Eliminate classpath hell

# Module Fundamentals

- Module is a grouping of code
  - For Java this is a collection of packages
- Modules can contain other things
  - Native code
  - Resources
  - Configuration data

com.azul.zoop.alpha.Name  
com.azul.zoop.alpha.Position  
com.azul.zoop.beta.Animal  
com.azul.zoop.beta.Reptile  
com.azul.zoop.theta.Zoo  
com.azul.zoop.theta.Lake

com.azul.zoop

# Module Declaration

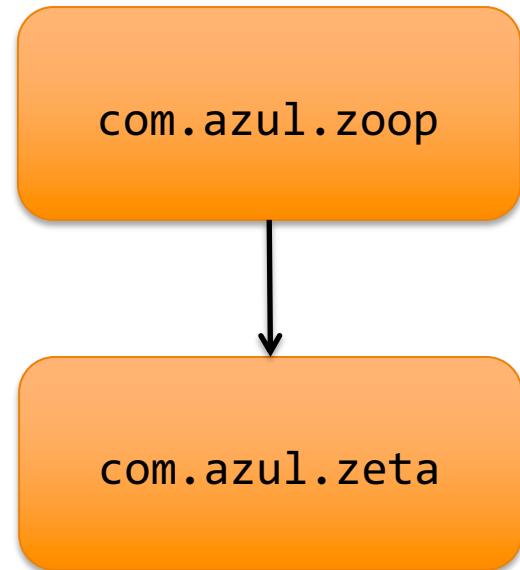
```
module com.azul.zoop {  
}
```

**module-info.java**

com/azul/zoop/alpha/Name.java  
com/azul/zoop/alpha/Position.java  
com/azul/zoop/beta/Animal.java  
com/azul/zoop/beta/Reptile.java  
com/azul/zoop/theta/Zoo.java  
com/azul/zoop/theta/Lake.java

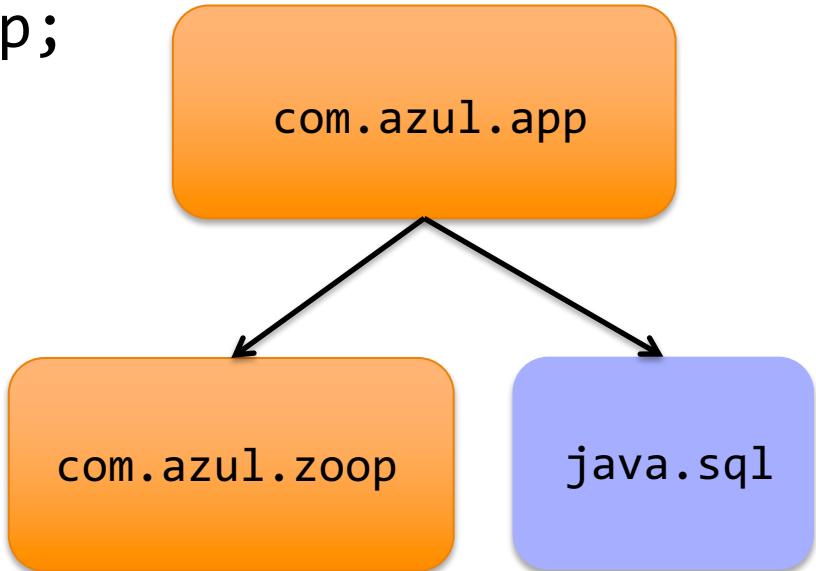
# Module Dependencies

```
module com.azul.zoop {  
    requires com.azul.zeta;  
}
```

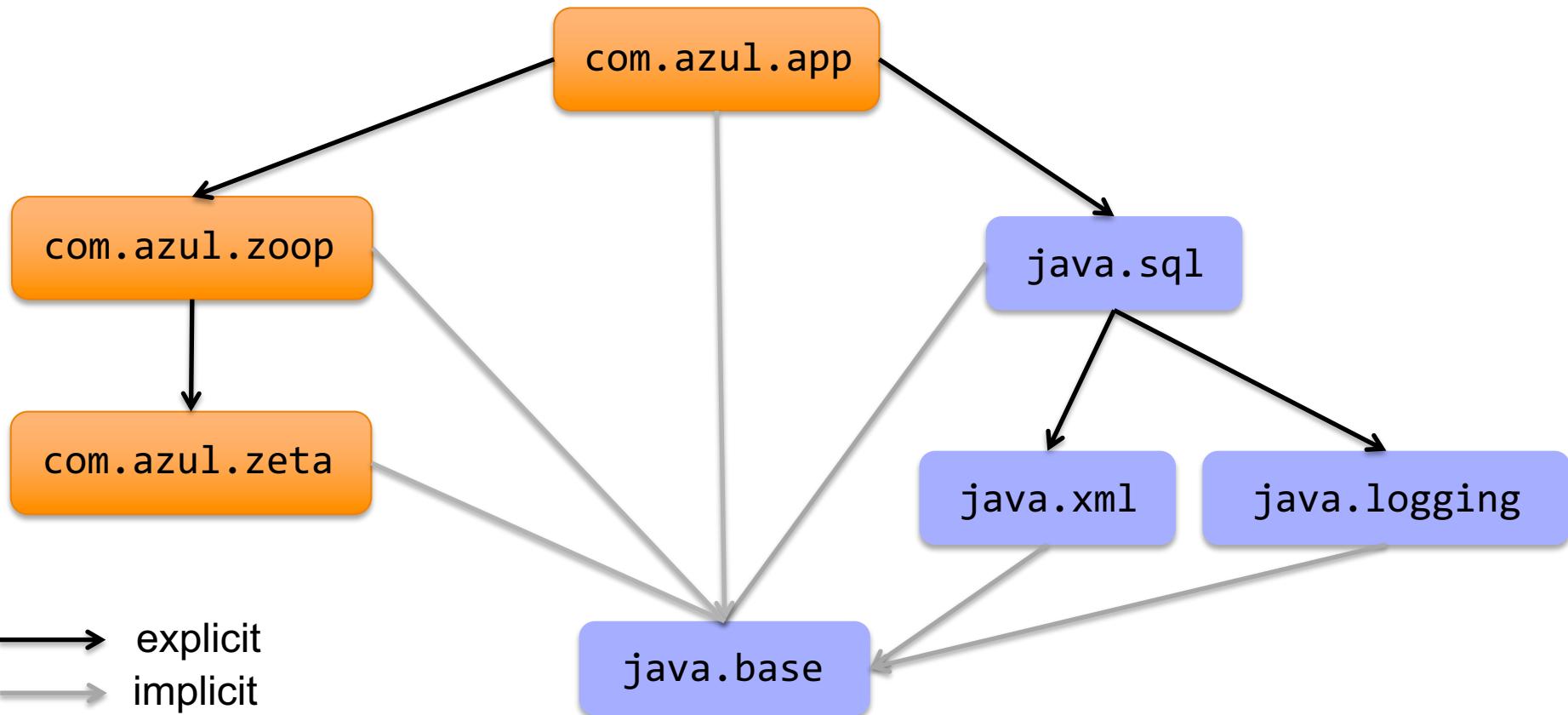


# Module Dependencies

```
module com.azul.app {  
    requires com.azul.zoop;  
    requires java.sql;  
}
```

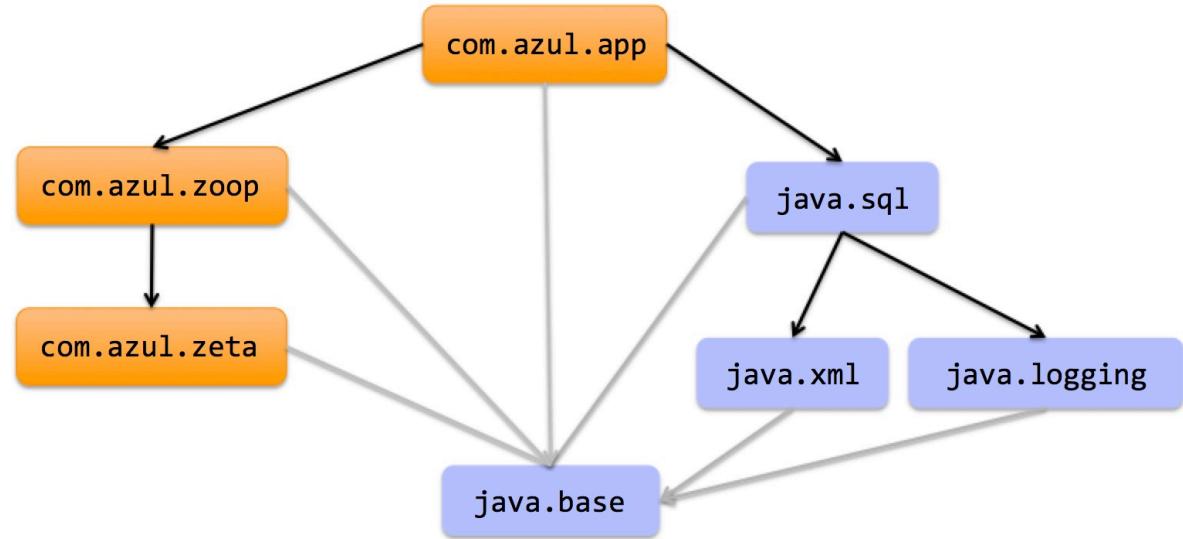


# Module Dependency Graph

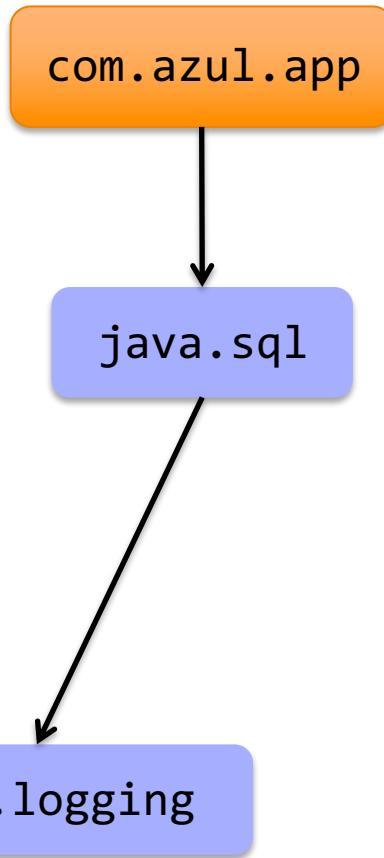


# Module Dependency Graph

- No missing dependencies
- No cyclic dependencies
- No split packages

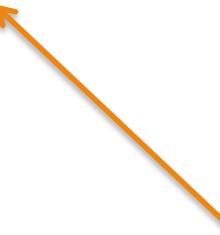


# Readability v. Dependency



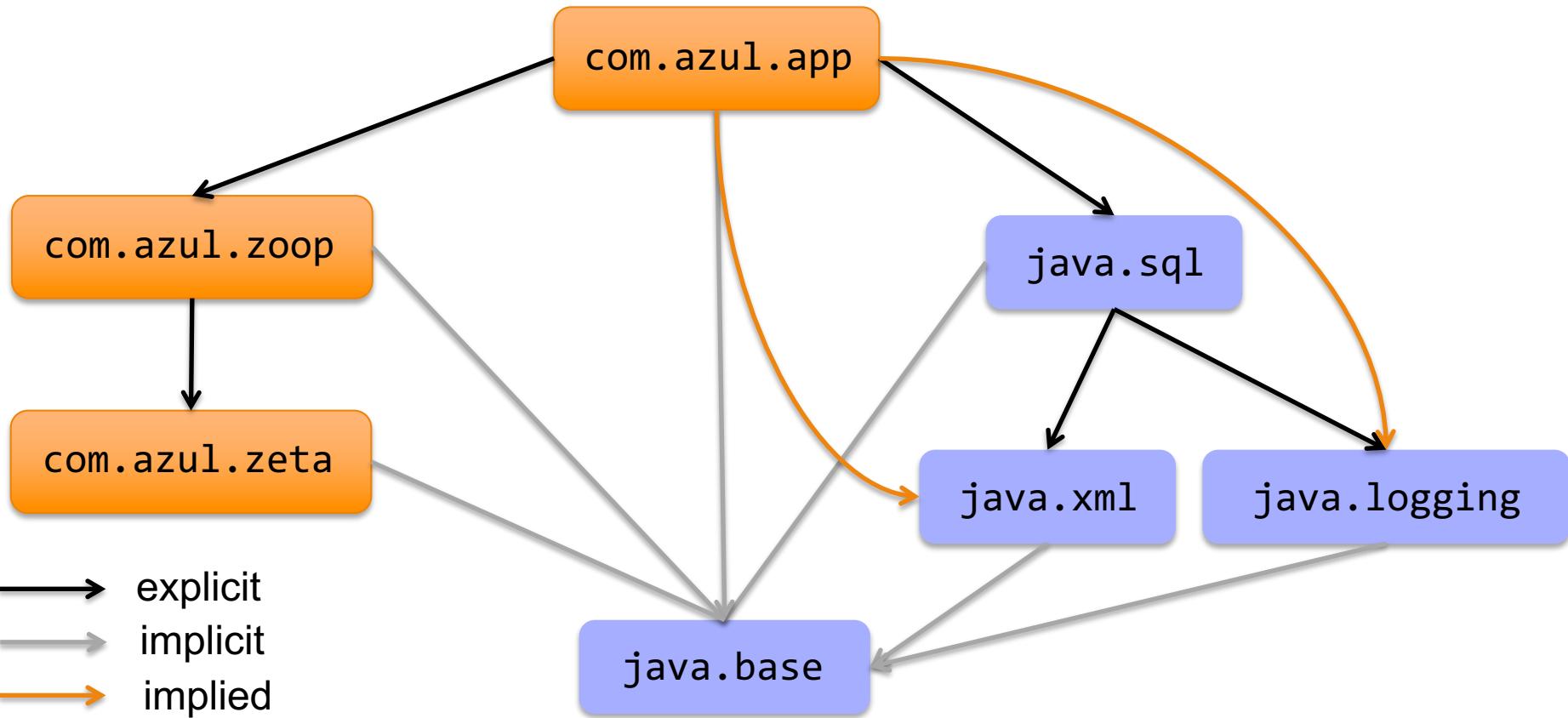
```
Driver d = ...  
Logger l = d.getParentLogger();  
l.log("azul');
```

```
module java.sql {  
    requires transitive java.logging;  
}
```



Implied readability

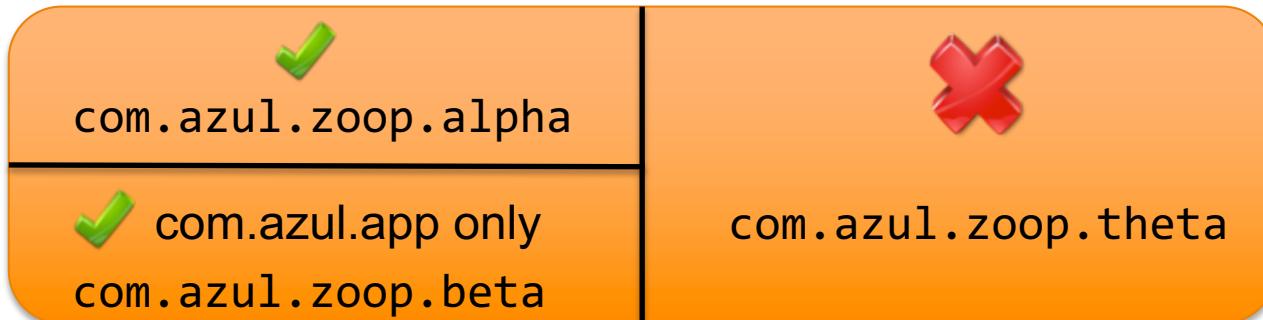
# Module Implied Readability Graph



# Package Visibility

```
module com.azul.zoop {  
    requires com.azul.zeta;  
    exports com.azul.zoop.alpha;  
    exports com.azul.zoop.beta to com.azul.app;  
}
```

com.azul.zoop



# More Package Visibility

```
open module com.azul.zoop {  
    requires com.azul.zeta;  
}
```

com.azul.zoop



**IMPORT**

com.azul.zoop.alpha  
com.azul.zoop.beta  
com.azul.zoop.theta



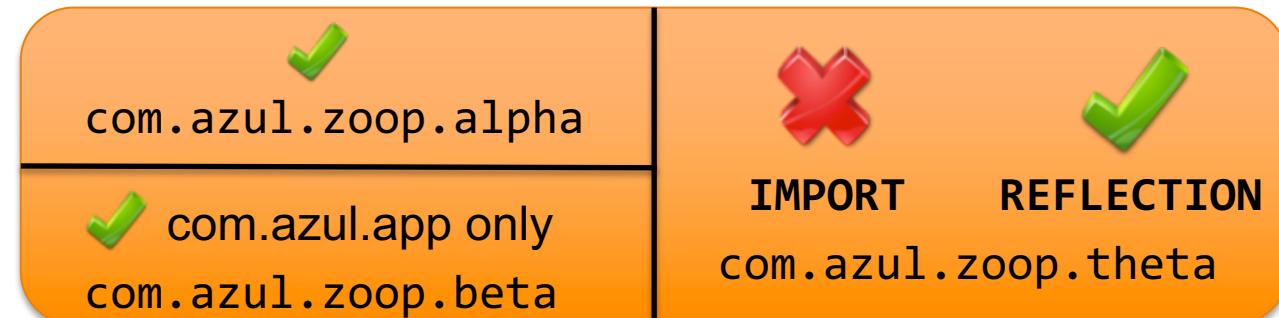
**REFLECTION**

com.azul.zoop.alpha  
com.azul.zoop.beta  
com.azul.zoop.theta

# Even More Package Visibility

```
module com.azure.zoop {  
    requires com.azure.zeta;  
    exports com.azure.zoop.alpha;  
    exports com.azure.zoop.beta to com.azure.app;  
    opens com.azure.theta;  
}
```

com.azure.zoop



# Restricted Keywords

```
module module {  
    requires requires;  
    exports exports to to;  
    opens opens;  
}
```

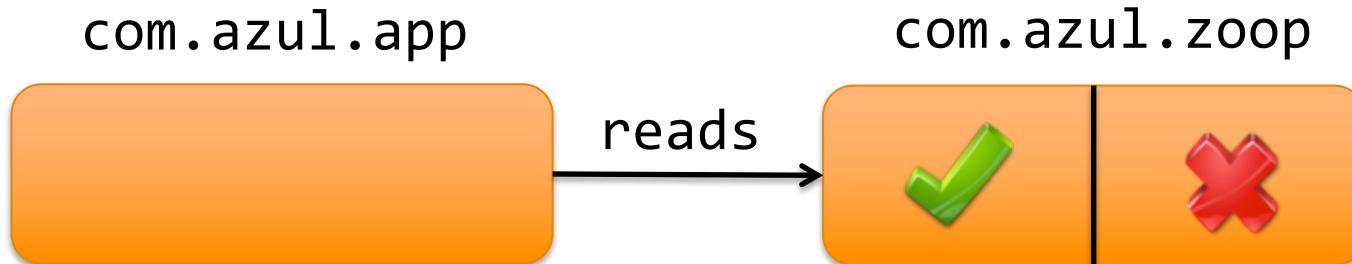
# Optional Dependencies

- Required at compile time
- Possibly not needed at runtime
  - If it generates a NoClassDefFoundError
- Use static keyword
  - Oddly this used to be optional, which is more logical

```
module mine.lib {  
    requires static com.google.guava  
}
```

# Accessibility

- For a package to be visible
  - The package must be exported by the containing module
  - The containing module must be read by the using module
- Public types from those packages can then be used



# Java Accessibility (pre-JDK 9)

public  
protected  
<package>  
private

# Java Accessibility (JDK 9)

*public to everyone*

*public, but only to specific modules*

*public only within a module*

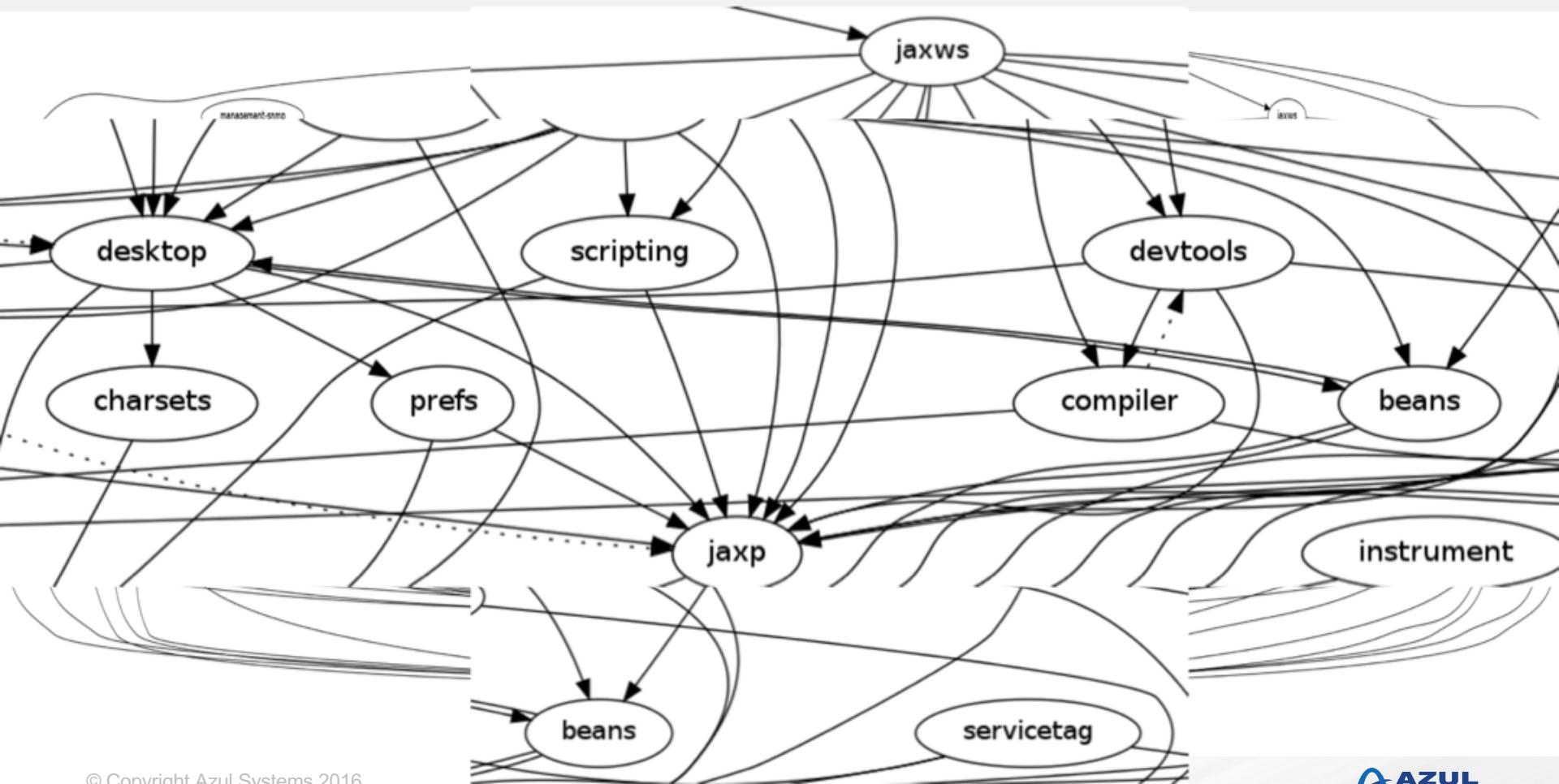
protected

<package>

private

public ≠ accessible (fundamental change to Java)

# JDK 8 Dependencies



# The java.base Module

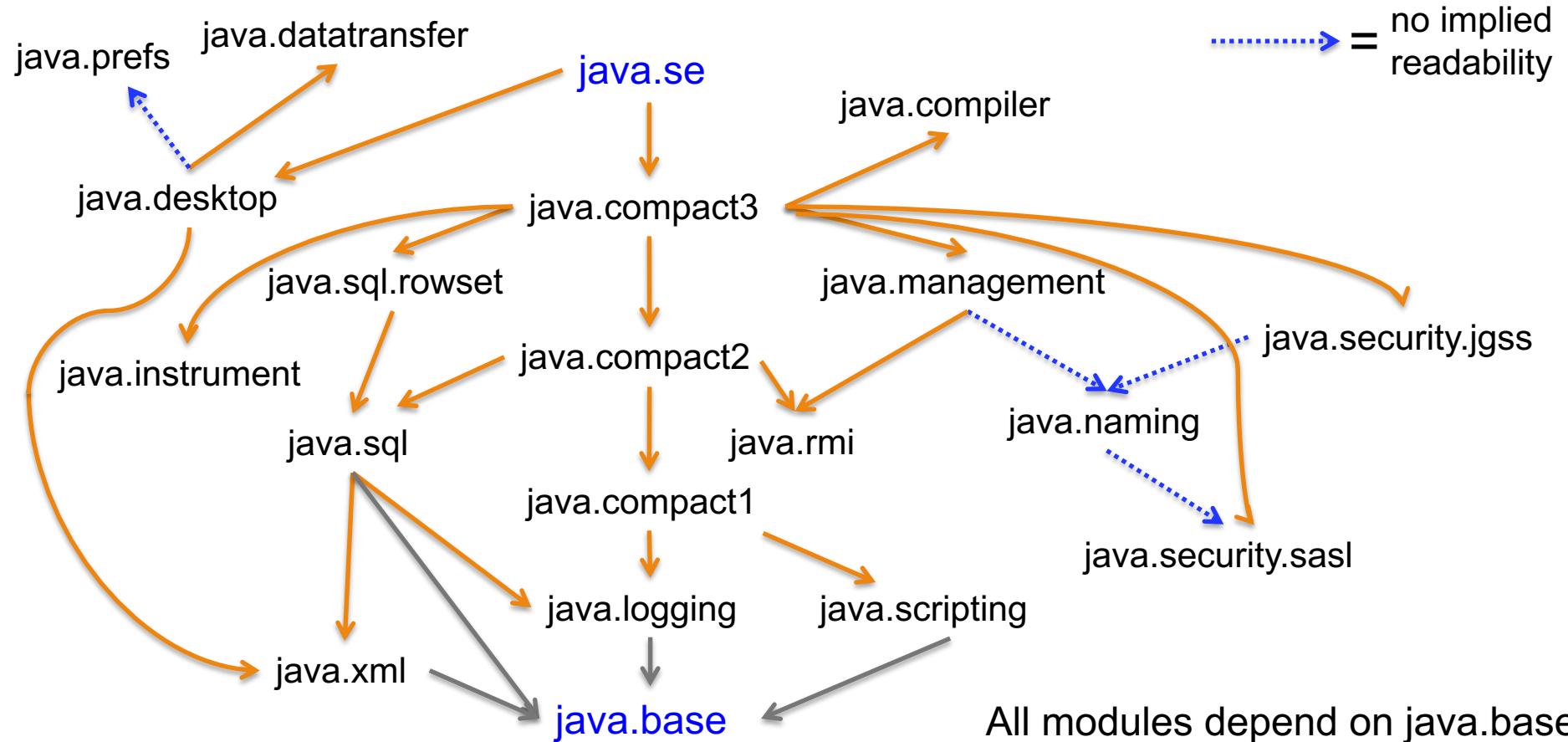
## java.base

java.lang  
java.io  
java.net  
java.util

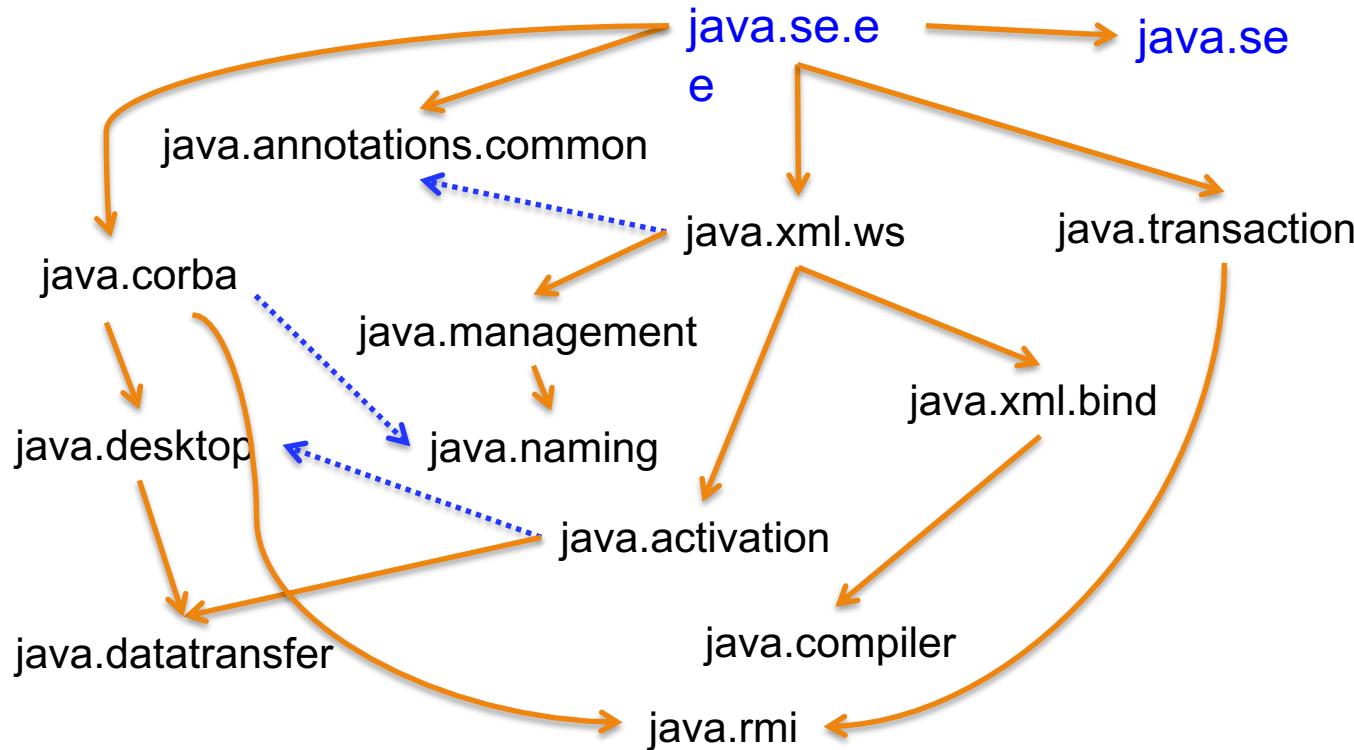
com.sun.crypto.provider  
sun.nio.ch  
sun.reflect.annotation  
sun.security.provider

```
module java.base {  
    exports java.lang;  
    exports java.io;  
    exports java.net;  
    exports java.util;  
}
```

# JDK 9 Platform Modules



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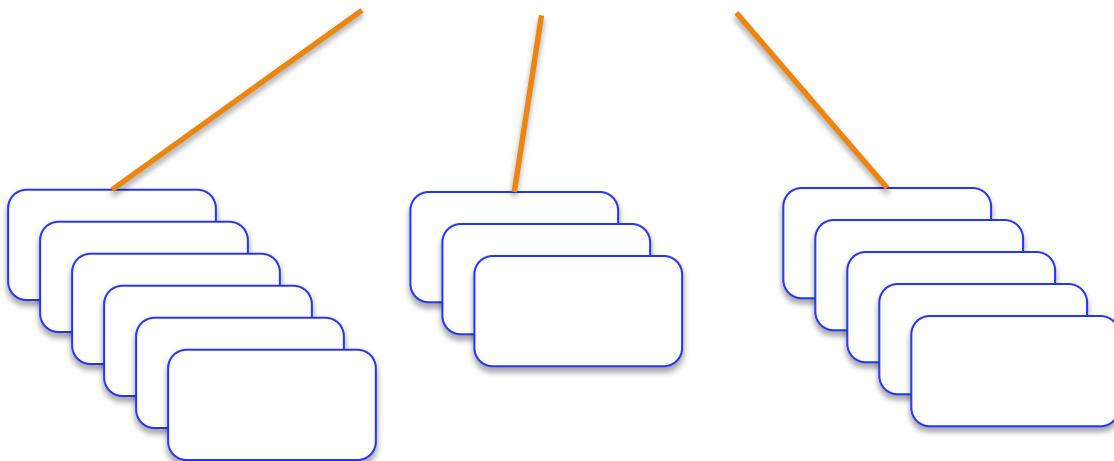
All modules depend on **java.base**

# Using Modules



# Module Path

```
$ javac -modulepath dir1:dir2:dir3
```

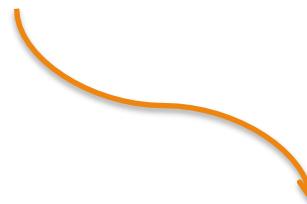


# Compilation With Module Path

```
$ javac --module-path mods -d mods \  
src/module-info.java \  
src/com/azul/zoop/alpha/Name.java
```

src/module-info.java

src/com/azul/zoop/alpha/Name.java



mods/module-info.class

mods/com/azul/zoop/alpha/Name.class

# Application Execution

module name    main class  


```
$ java -p mods -m com.azul.app/com.azul.app.Main
```

*Azul application initialised!*

- --module-path can be abbreviated to -p

# Packaging With Modular JAR Files

mods/module-info.class

mods/com/azul/app/Main.class

app.jar

module-info.class  
com/azul/app/Main.class

```
$ jar --create --file=mylib/app.jar \  
--main-class=com.azul.app.Main \  
-C mods .
```

# JAR Files & Module Information

```
$ jar --file=mylib/app.jar --print-module-descriptor  
$ jar --file=mylib/app.jar -d
```

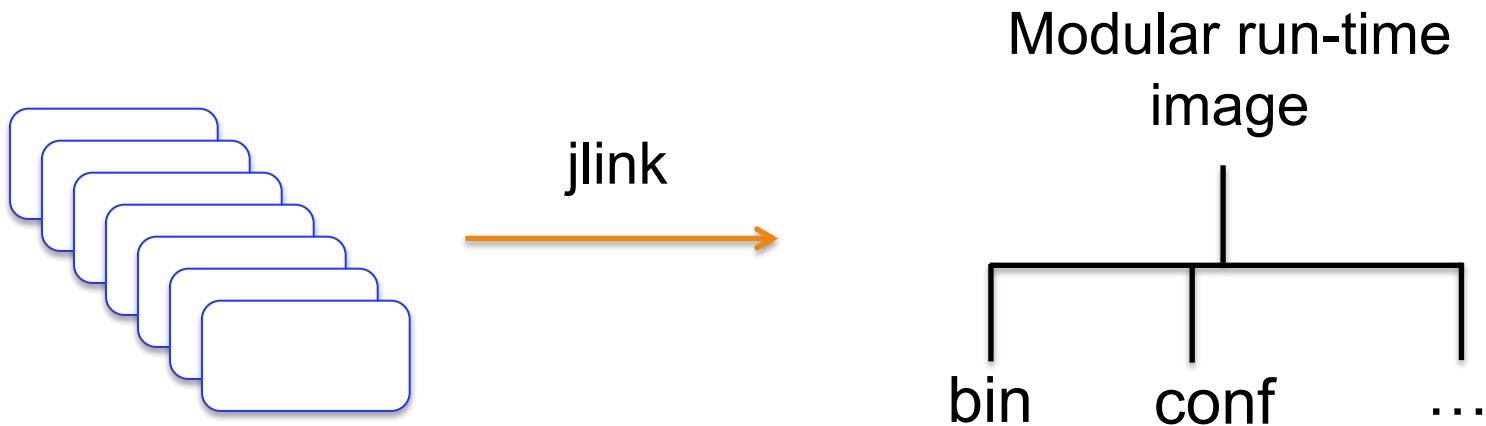
```
com.azul.app  
  requires com.azul.zoop  
  requires com.azul.zeta  
  requires mandated java.base  
  requires java.sql  
  main-class com.azul.zoop.Main
```

# Application Execution (JAR)

```
$ java -p mylib:mods -m com.azul.app
```

*Azul application initialised!*

# Linking



```
$ jlink --module-path $JDKMODS \  
--add-modules java.base --output myimage
```

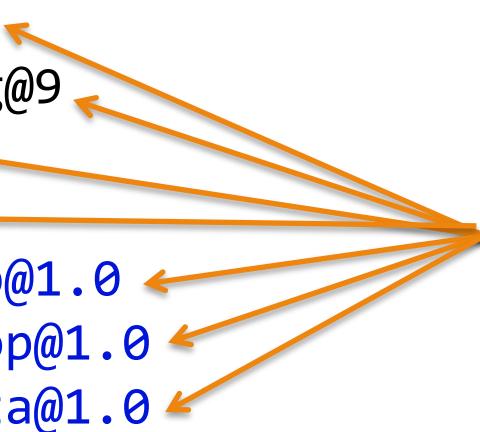
```
$ myimage/bin/java --list-modules  
java.base@9.0
```

# Linking An Application

```
$ jlink --module-path $JDKMODS:$MYMODS \  
--add-modules com.azul.app --output myimage
```

```
$ myimage/bin/java --list-modules
```

java.base@9  
java.logging@9  
java.sql@9  
java.xml@9  
**com.azul.app@1.0**  
**com.azul.zoop@1.0**  
**com.azul.zeta@1.0**



Version numbering for  
information purposes only  
“It is not a goal of the module  
system to solve the version-  
selection problem”

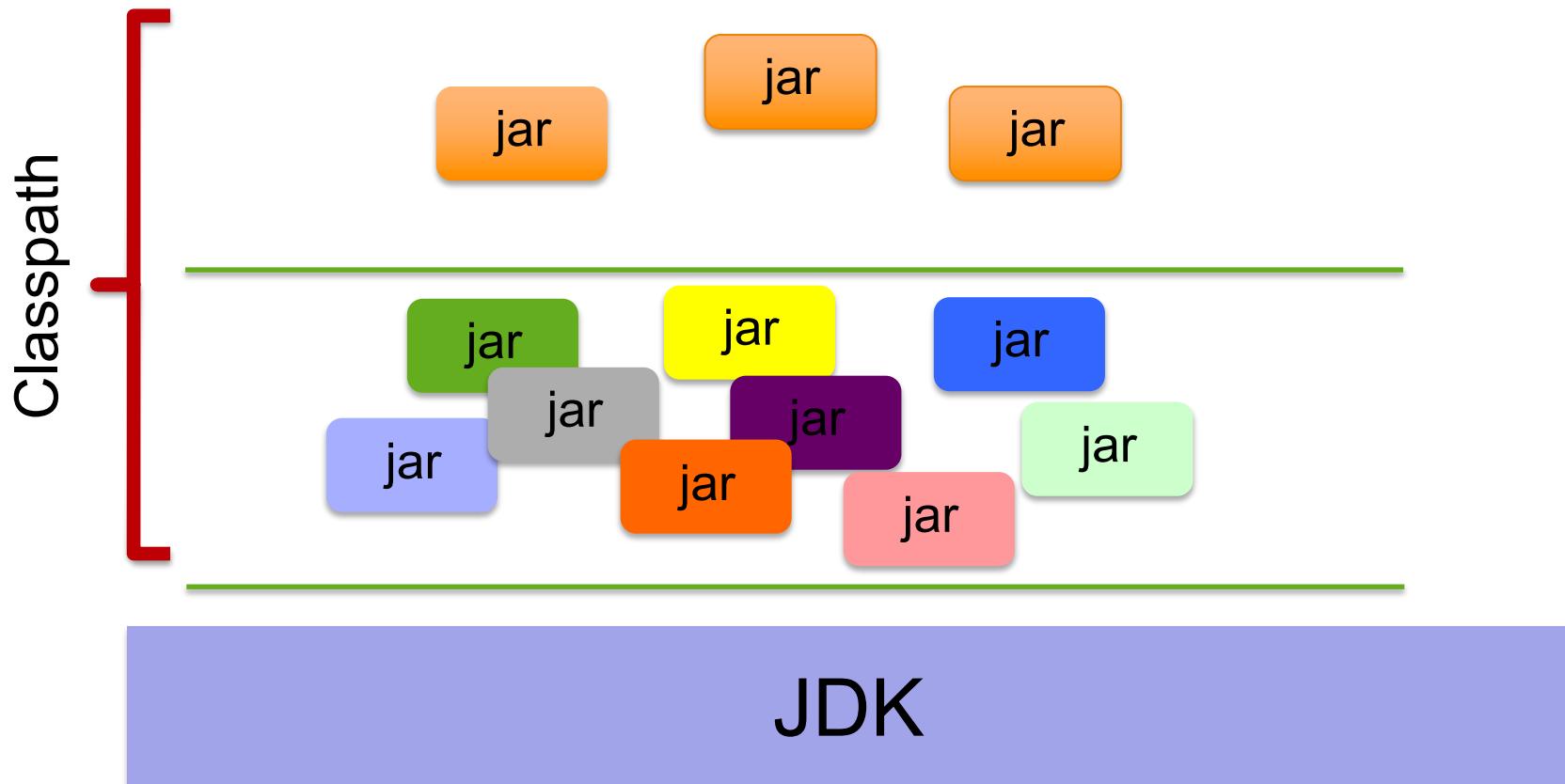
# The Implications Of jlink

- "Write once, run anywhere"
  - Long term Java slogan, mainly held true
- jlink generated runtime may not include all Java SE modules
  - But is still a conforming Java implementation
  - To conform to the specification, the runtime:
    - Must include the java.base module
    - If other modules are included, all transitive module dependencies must also be included
      - Defined as a closed implementation

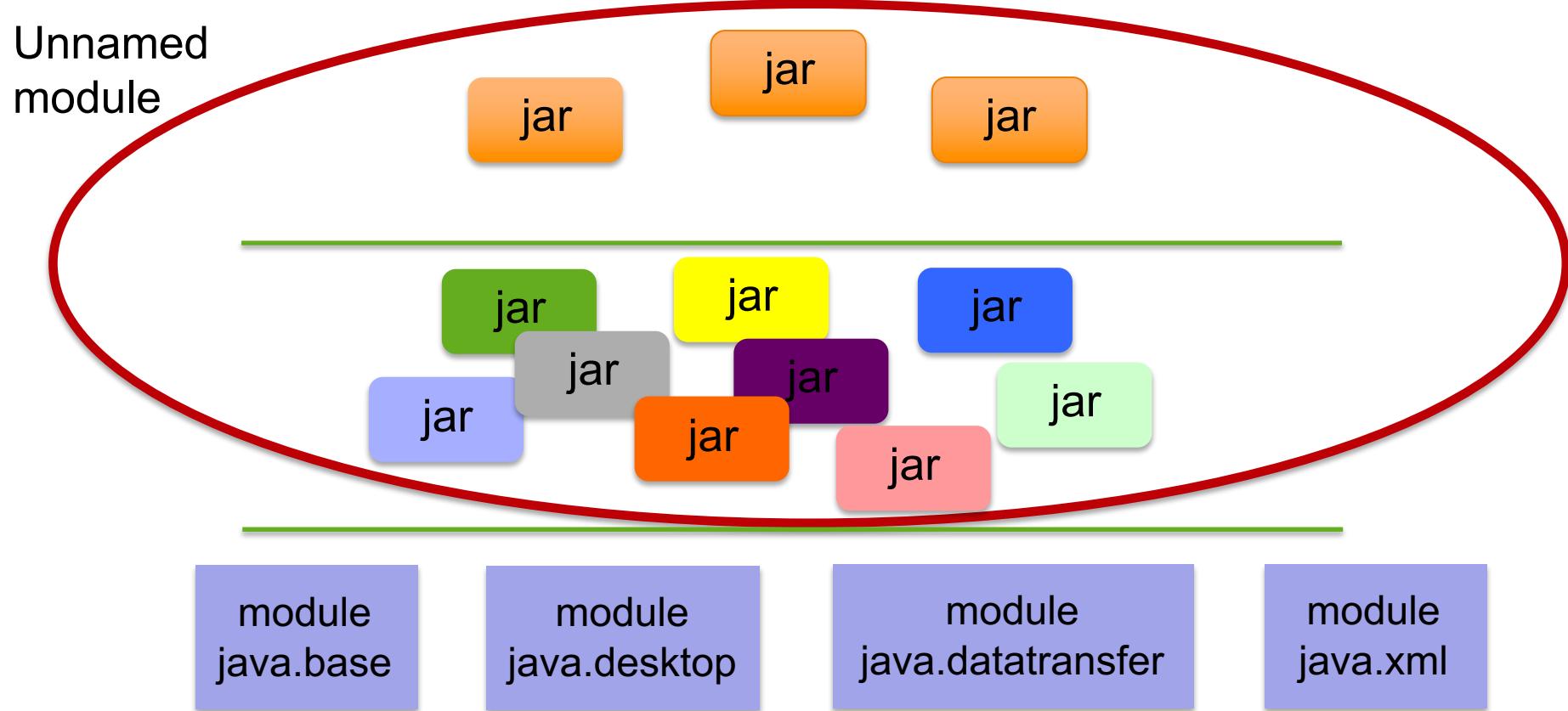
# Application Migration



# Typical Application (JDK 8)



# Typical Application (JDK 9)



# Sample Application

myapp.ja  
r

mylib.jar

---

libgl.jar

gluegen.jar

jogl.jar

---

module  
java.base

module  
java.desktop

module  
java.datatransfer

module  
java.xml

# Run Application With Classpath

```
$ java -classpath \
lib/myapp.jar: \
lib/mylib.jar: \
lib/libgl.jar: \
lib/gluegen.jar: \
lib/jogl.jar: \
myapp.Main
```

# Sample Application

module  
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module  
mylib.jar

---

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gluegen.jar

jogl.jar

---

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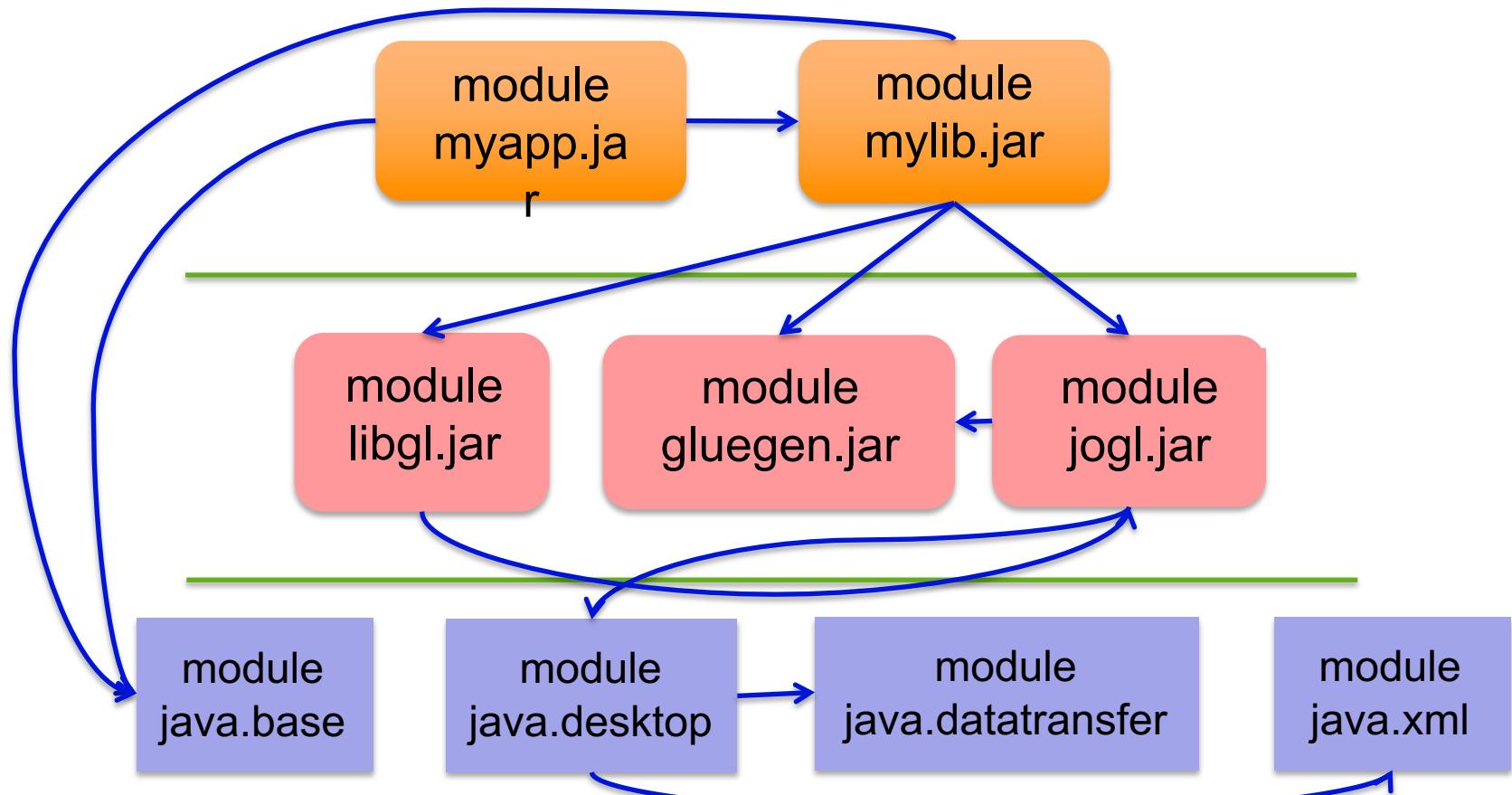
module  
java.datatransfer

module  
java.xml

# Application module-info.java

```
module myapp {  
    requires mylib;  
    requires java.base;  
    requires java.sql;  
    requires libgl;      ????  
    requires gluegen;    ????  
    requires jogl;      ????  
}  
.
```

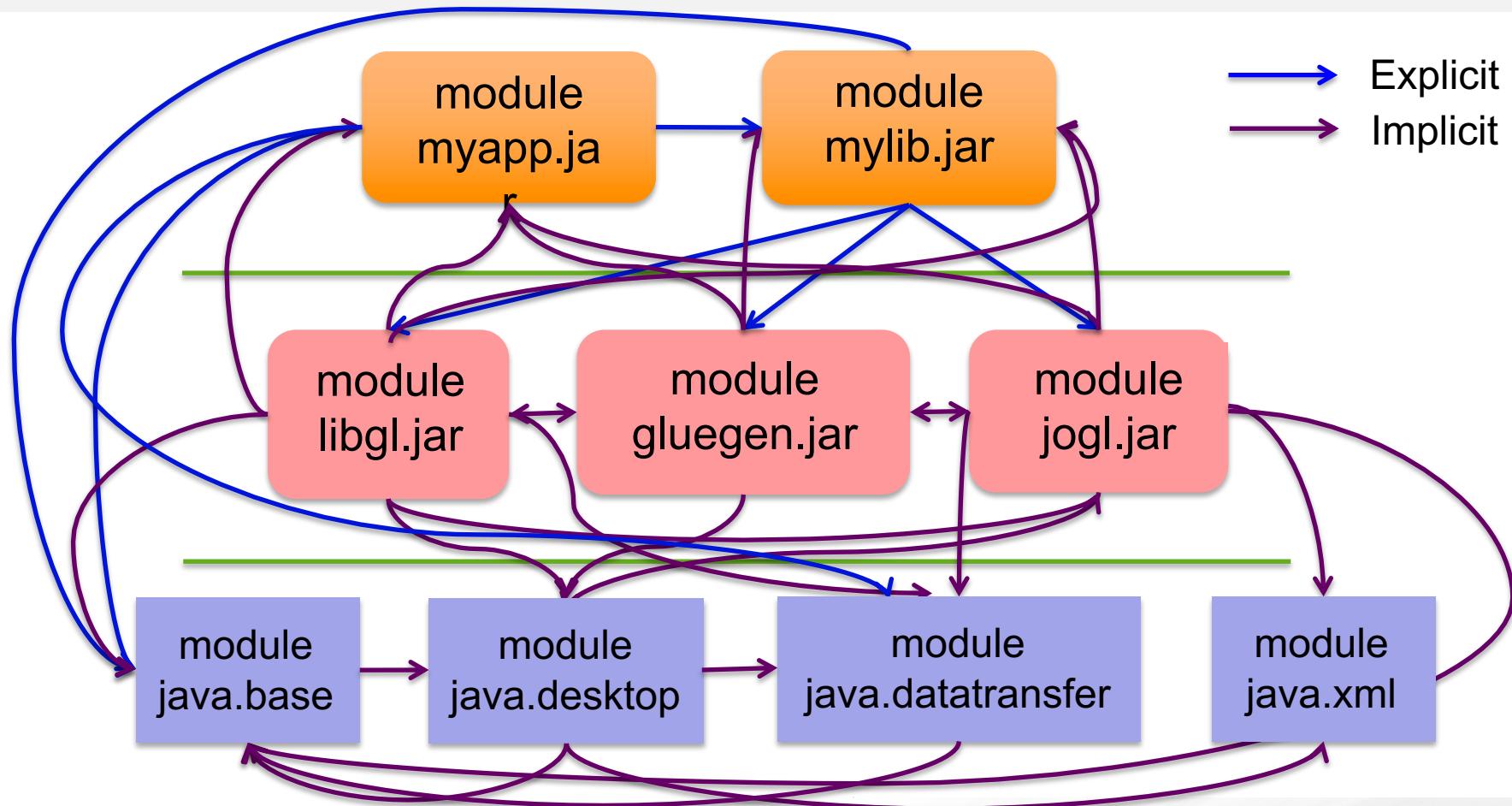
# Sample Application



# Automatic Modules

- Real modules
- Simply place unmodified jar file on module path
  - Rather than classpath
- No changes to JAR file
- Module name derived from JAR file name
- Exports all its packages
  - No selectivity
- Automatically requires all modules on the module path

# Application Module Dependencies



# Run Application With Modules

```
$ java -classpath \
lib/myapp.jar: \
lib/mylib.jar: \
lib/libgl.jar: \
lib/gluegen.jar: \
lib/jogl.jar: \
myapp.Main
```

```
$ java -p mylib:lib -m myapp
```

# Advanced Details



# Modular Jar Files And JMODs

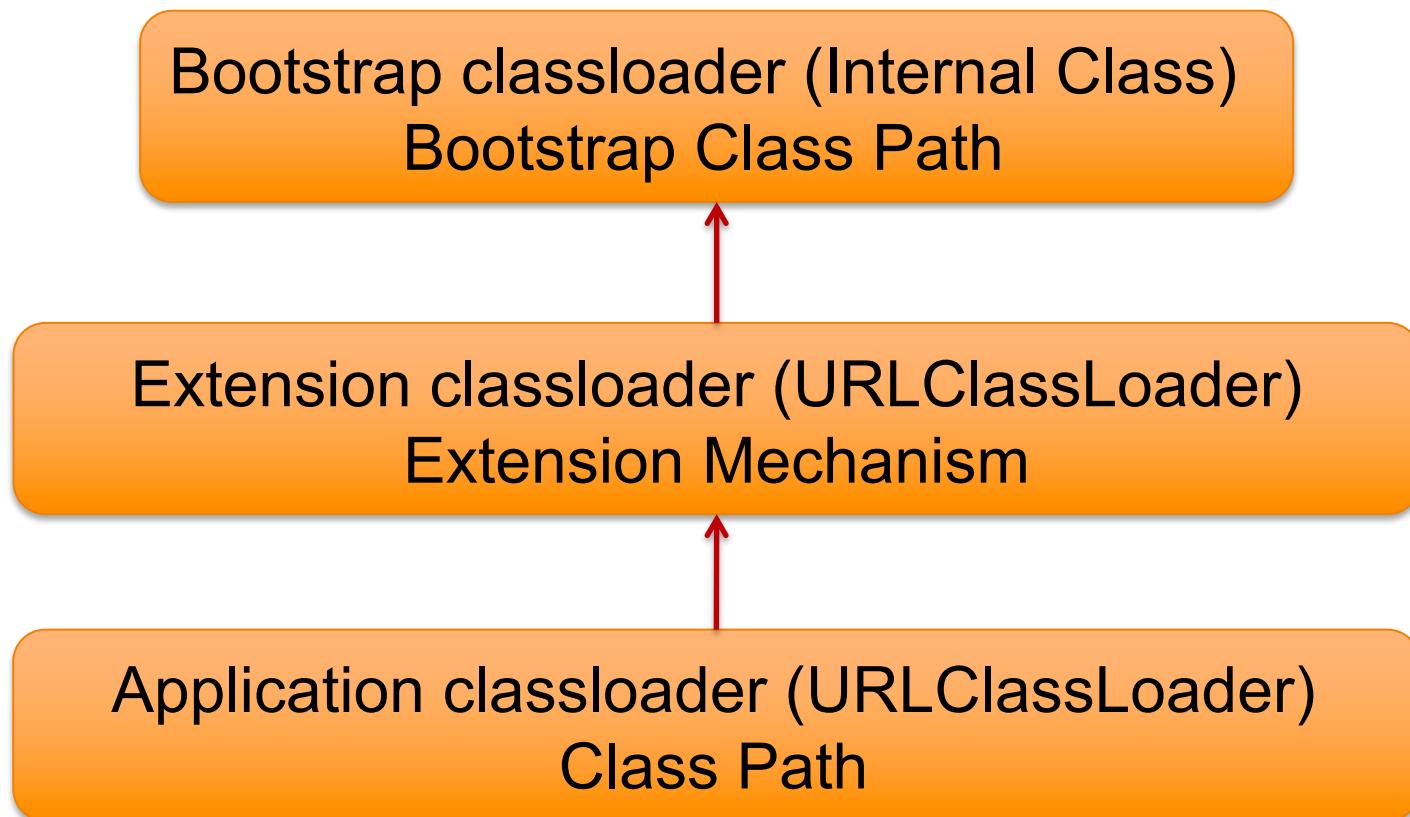
- Modular jar files are simple
  - Standard jar file possibly with module-info.class file
  - Can use existing (unmodified) jar files
- JMOD files
  - More complex module files
  - Used for modules in the JDK
  - Can include native files (JNI), configuration files and other data
  - Based on zip file format (pending final details - JEP 261)

# jmod Command

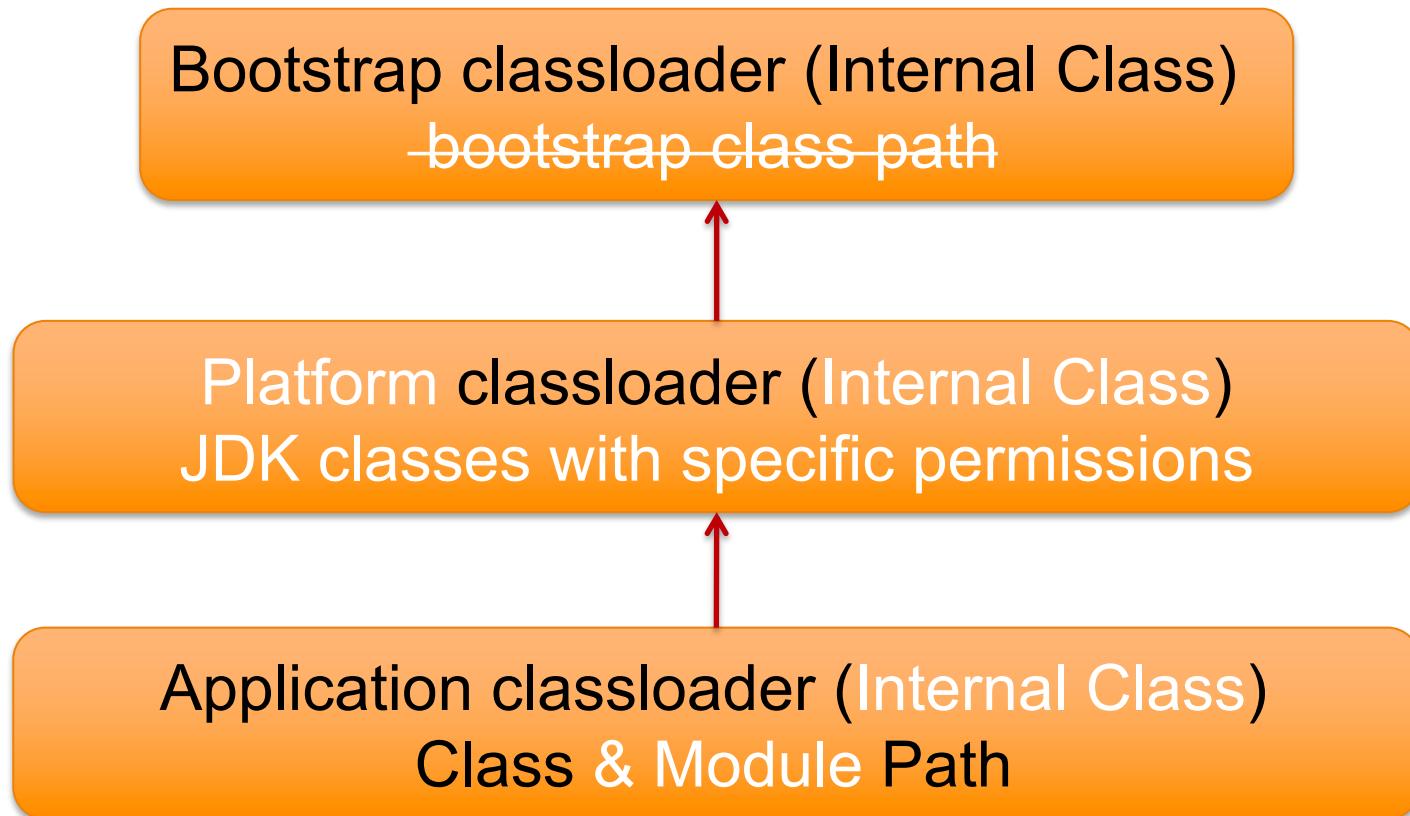
```
jmod (create | list | describe) <options> <jmod-file>
```

- Create can specify several details:
  - Main class
  - Native libraries and commands
  - Configuration data
  - OS name, version and machine architecture
- Details included in module-info.class file

# Classloaders (Since JDK 1.2)



# Classloaders (JDK 9)



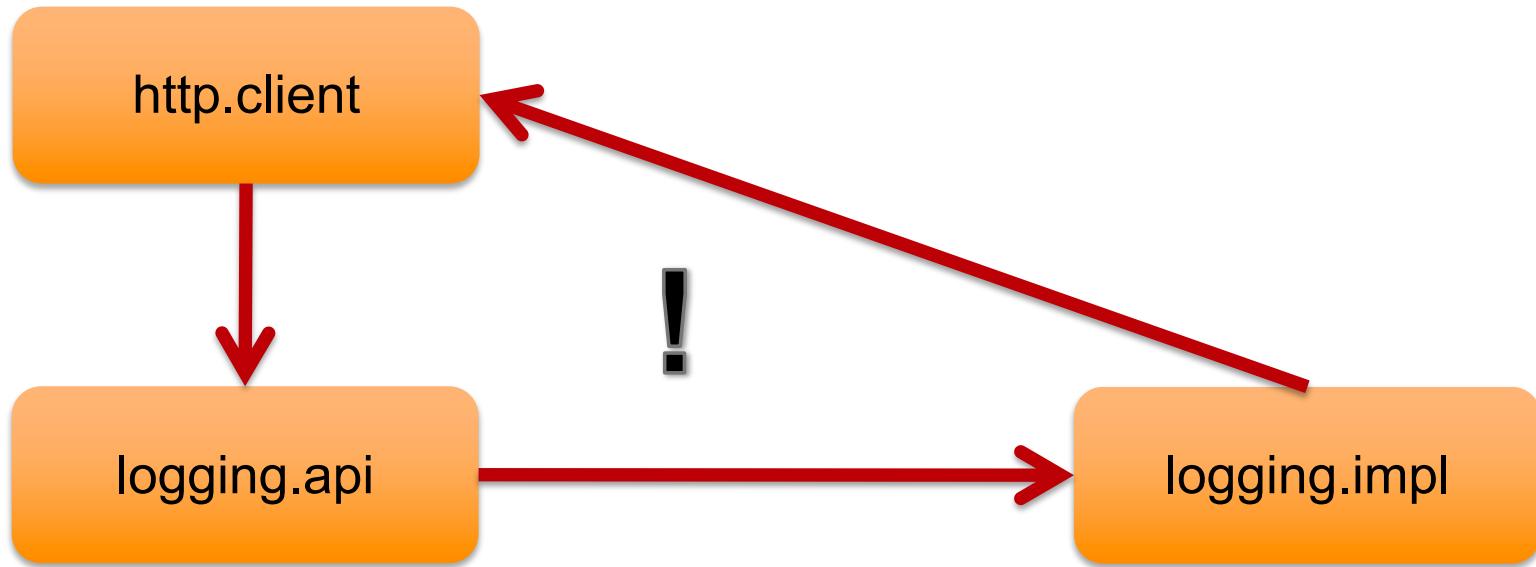
# Services

```
module java.sql {  
    requires transient  
    java.logging;  
    requires transient java.xml;  
    exports java.sql;  
    exports javax.sql;  
    exports javax.transaction.xa;  
    uses java.sql.Driver;  
}
```

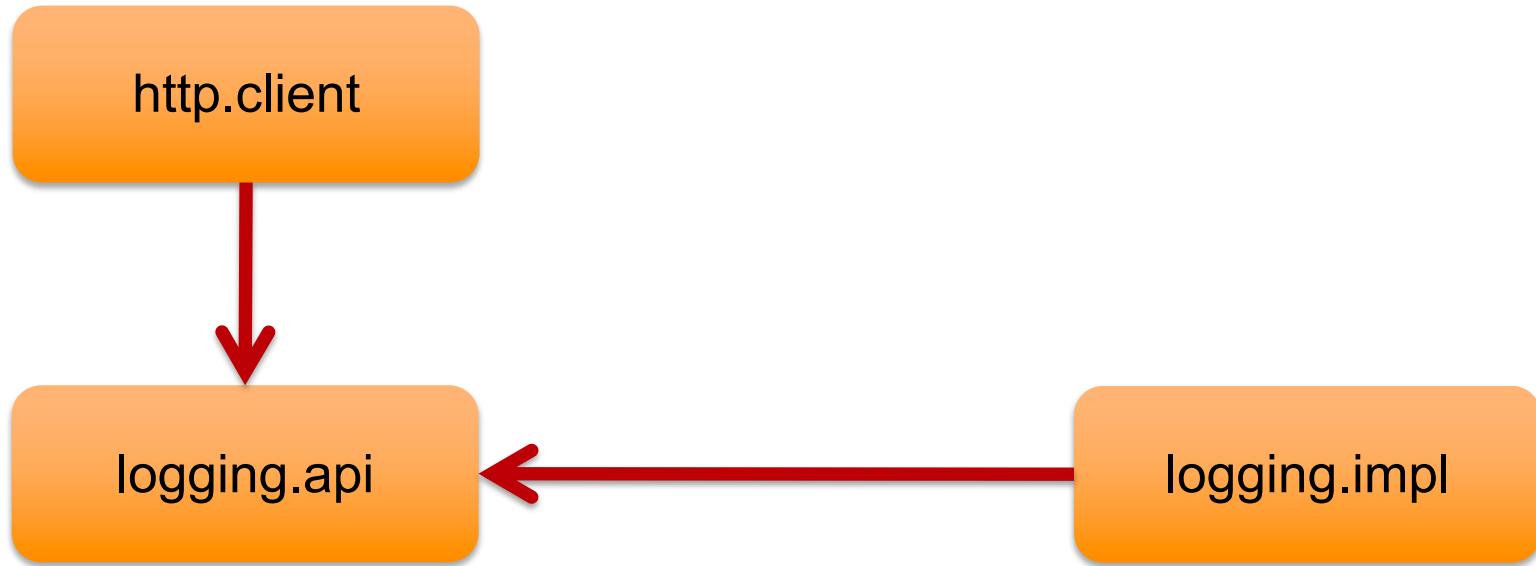
# Services

```
module com.mysql.jdbc {  
    requires java.sql;  
    exports com.mysql.jdbc;  
    provides java.sql.Driver with com.mysql.jdbc.Driver;  
}
```

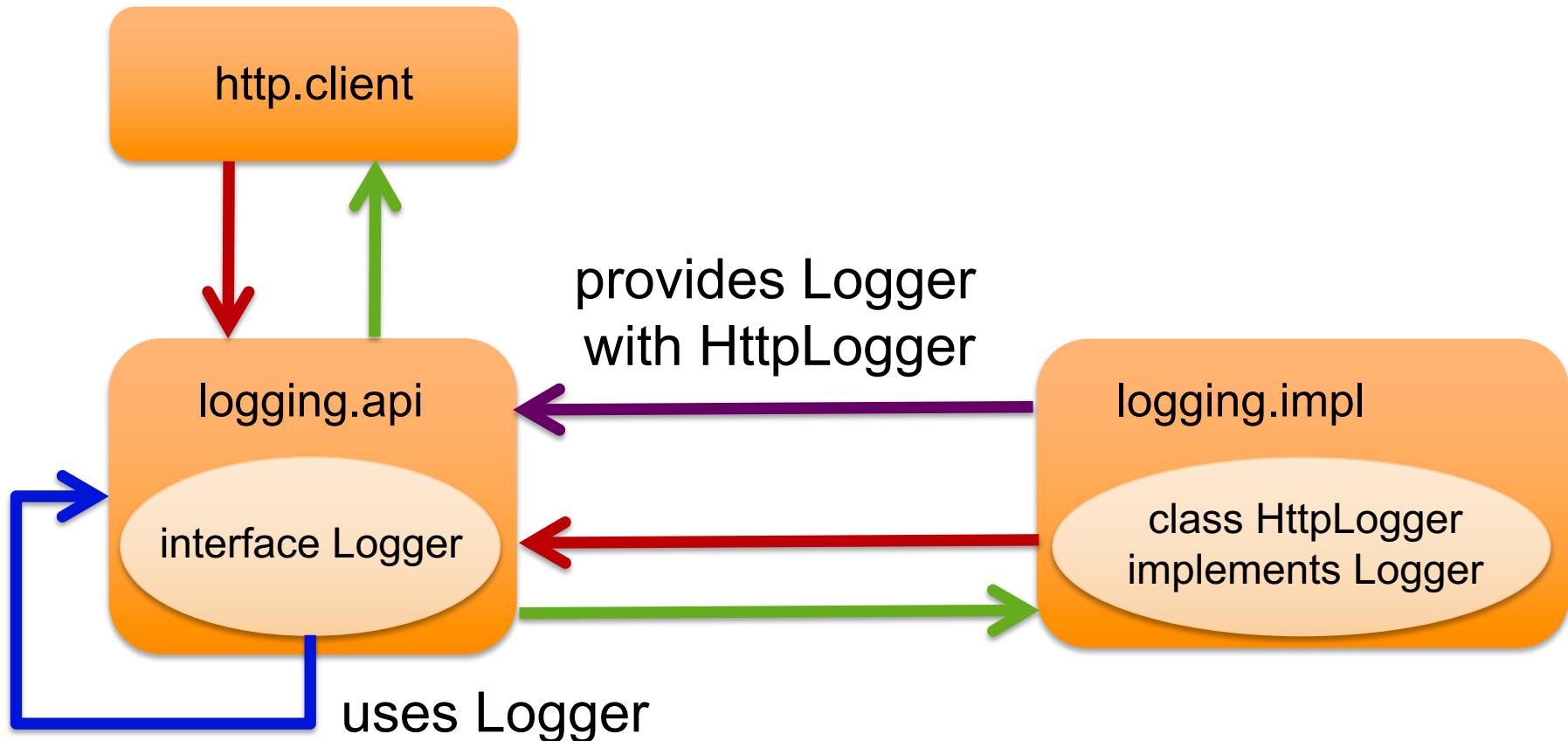
# Avoiding Cyclic Dependencies



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# Incubator Modules (JEP 11)

- Develop APIs without making them part of the standard
  - At least not straight away
- Allow developers to “kick the tyres”
  - Not always possible to get a new API right first time
- Move from incubator to full module
  - Becomes part of the standard
- JDK 9 only has one incubator: HTTP/2 (JEP 110)
- Some concerns about fragmentation
  - do-not-resolve-by-default

# JDK 9 Developer Features



# Java Language



# Milling Project Coin (JEP 213)

- Single underscore is now a reserved word
  - No longer usable as an identifier
  - Two or more underscores still works
- Allow @SafeVarargs on private instance methods
  - In addition to constructors, final and static methods



# Milling Project Coin

- Private methods are now permitted in interfaces
  - Separate common code for default and static methods

```
public interface MyInterface {  
    default int getX() {  
        return getNum() * 2;  
    };  
  
    static int getY() {  
        return getNum() * 4;  
    }  
  
    private static int getNum() {  
        return 12;  
    }  
}
```

# Milling Project Coin

- Effectively final variables in try-with-resources

```
BufferedReader reader =  
    new BufferedReader(new FileReader("/tmp/foo.txt"));  
  
try (Reader reader = reader) {  
    myReader.readLine();  
    .forEach(System.out::println);  
}  
JDK 8
```

# Milling Project Coin

- Diamond operator with anonymous classes
  - Type inference can infer a non-denotable type
  - If the type inferred can be denotable you can use <>

```
public abstract class Processor<T> {  
    abstract void use(T value);  
}  
  
Processor<String> processor = new Processor<>() {  
    @Override  
    void use(String value) {  
        // Some stuff  
    }  
};
```

# Core Libraries



# Factory Methods For Collections (JEP 269)

- The problem:
  - Creating a small unmodifiable collection is verbose

```
Set<String> set = new HashSet<>();  
set.add("a");  
set.add("b");  
set.add("c");  
set = Collections.unmodifiableSet(set);
```

# Factory Methods For Collections (JEP 269)

- Static methods added to List, Set and Map interfaces
  - Create compact, immutable instances
  - 0 to 10 element overloaded versions
  - Varargs version for arbitrary number of elements

```
Set<String> set = Set.of("a", "b", "c");
List<String> list = List.of("a", "b", "c");
Map<String, String> map = Map.of("k1", "v1", "k2", "v2");
Map<String, String> map = Map.ofEntries(
    entry("k1", "v1"), entry("k2", "v2"));
```

# Stream Enhancements

- `Optional` now has a `stream()` method
  - Returns a stream of one element or an empty stream
- `Collectors.flatMapping()`
  - Returns a Collector that converts a stream from one type to another by applying a flat mapping function

```
Map<String, Set<LineItem>> items = orders.stream()
    .collect(groupingBy(Order::getCustomerName,
        flatMapping(order -> order.getLineItems().stream(), toSet())));
```

# Improved Iteration

- Initial value
- Predicate
- UnaryOperator
- `iterate(seed, hasNext, next)`
  - Can be used like the classic for loop

```
IntStream.iterate(0, i -> i < 10, i -> ++i)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

```
IntStream.iterate(0, i -> i < 10, i -> i++)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

Infinite stream

# Stream takeWhile

- Stream<T> takeWhile(Predicate<? super T> p)
- Select elements from stream while Predicate matches
- Unordered stream needs consideration

```
thermalReader.lines()  
    .mapToInt(i -> Integer.parseInt(i))  
    .takeWhile(i -> i < 56)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

# Stream dropWhile

- Stream<T> dropWhile(Predicate<? super T> p)
- Ignore elements from stream while Predicate matches
- Unordered stream still needs consideration

```
thermalReader.lines()  
    .mapToInt(i -> Integer.parseInt(i))  
    .dropWhile(i -> i < 56)  
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

# dropWhile/takeWhile

- Be careful of unordered streams missing values

```
List<String> list = List.of("alpha", "bravo", "charlie",  
    "delta", "echo", "foxtrot");
```

```
list.stream()  
    .dropWhile(s -> s.charAt(0) < 'e') → echo  
    .forEach(System.out::println);          foxtrot
```

```
list.stream()  
    .takeWhile(s -> s.length() == 5) → alpha  
    .forEach(System.out::println);          bravo
```

# Additional Stream Sources

- Matcher stream support
  - `Stream<MatchResult> results()`
- Scanner stream support
  - `Stream<MatchResult> findAll(String pattern)`
  - `Stream<MatchResult> findAll(Pattern pattern)`
  - `Stream<String> tokens()`

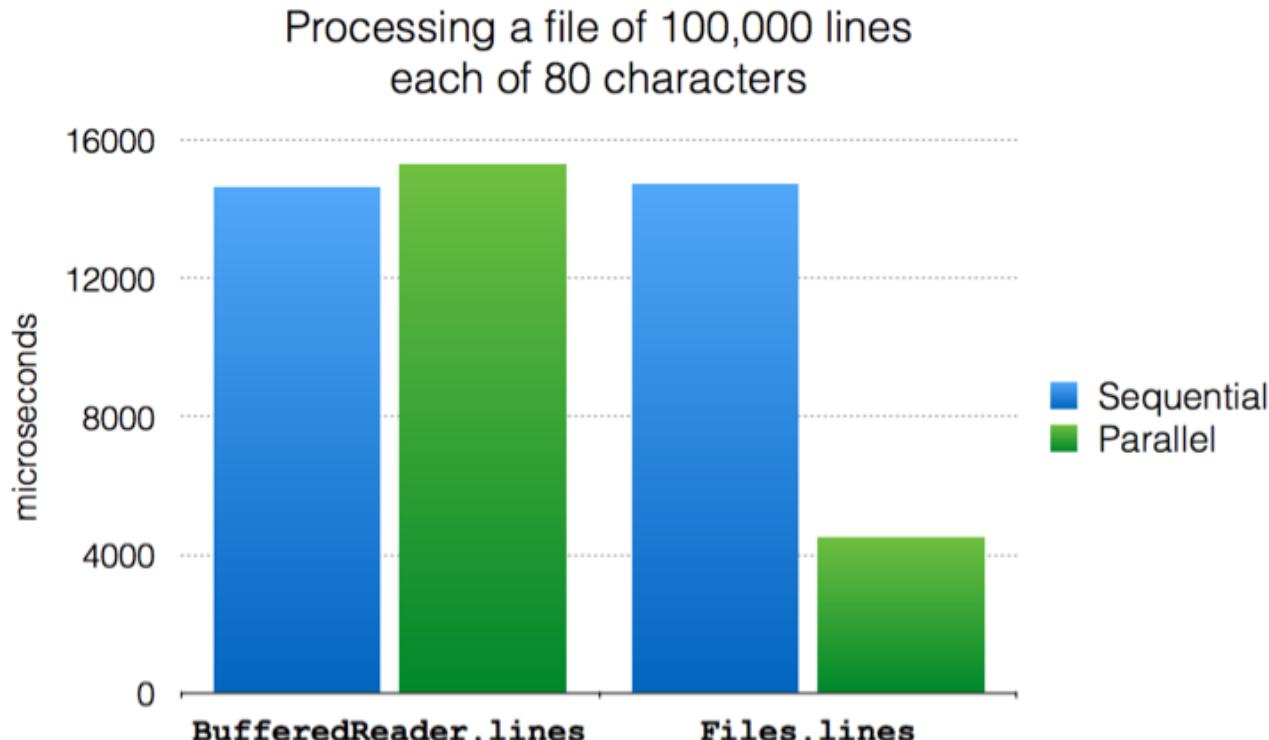
# Additional Stream Sources

- `java.net.NetworkInterface`
  - `Stream<InetAddress> inetAddresses()`
  - `Stream<NetworkInterface> subInterfaces()`
  - `Stream<NetworkInterface> networkInterfaces()`
    - `static`
- `java.security.PermissionCollection`
  - `Stream<Permission> elementsAsStream()`

# Parallel Support For Files.lines()

- Memory map file for UTF-8, ISO 8859-1, US-ASCII
  - Character sets where line feeds easily identifiable
- Efficient splitting of mapped memory region
- Divides approximately in half
  - To nearest line feed

# Parallel Lines Performance



Results produced using `jmh` on a MacBook Pro (2012 model)

# Optional: New Methods

- `ifPresentOrElse(Consumer action, Runnable emptyAction)`
  - If a value is present call `accept()` on `action` with the value
  - Otherwise, run the `emptyAction`
    - Not in a separate thread
- `or(Supplier<? extends Optional<? extends T>> supplier)`
  - Return the `Optional` if there is a value
  - Otherwise, return a new `Optional` created by the `Supplier`
- `stream()`
  - Returns a stream of zero or one element

# Smaller Features

- Process API updates (JEP 102)
  - Native process
  - Process/ProcessHandle/ProcessHandle.Info
    - Process.toHandle()
  - More information about process
    - Command. command line, arguments, CPU duration, user
  - Control subject to security manager permissions

# Multi-Release Jar Files (JEP 238)

- Multiple Java release-specific class files in a single archive
- Enhance jar tool to create multi-release files
- Support multi-release jar files in the JRE
  - Classloaders
  - JarFile API
- Enhance other tools
  - javac, javap, jdeps, etc.
- Also, modular jar files



# jshell

## Read-Eval-Print Loop (REPL)

### Demo

# Spin-Wait Hints (JEP 285)

- Proposed by Azul
  - We rock!
- A new method for Thread class
  - `onSpinWait()`
- Enables the x86 PAUSE instruction to be used from Java code
  - If available
  - Ignored otherwise
  - Improved performance for things like Disruptor

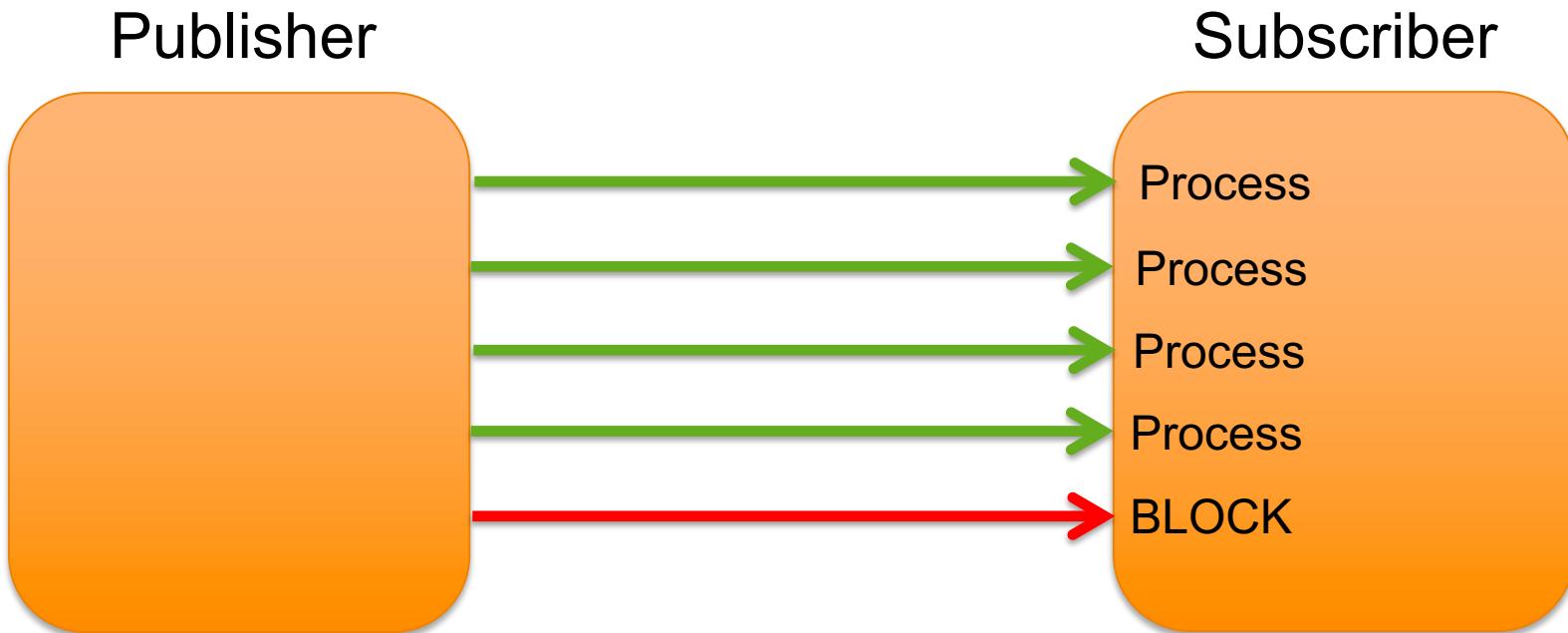


# Reactive Streams (JEP 266)

- Reactive streams publish-subscribe framework
- Asynchronous, non-blocking
- Flow
  - Publisher, Subscriber, Processor, Subscription
- SubmissionPublisher utility class
  - Asynchronously issues items to current subscribers
  - Implements Flow.Processor



# Reactive Streams: The Problem



# Reactive Streams: Flow API

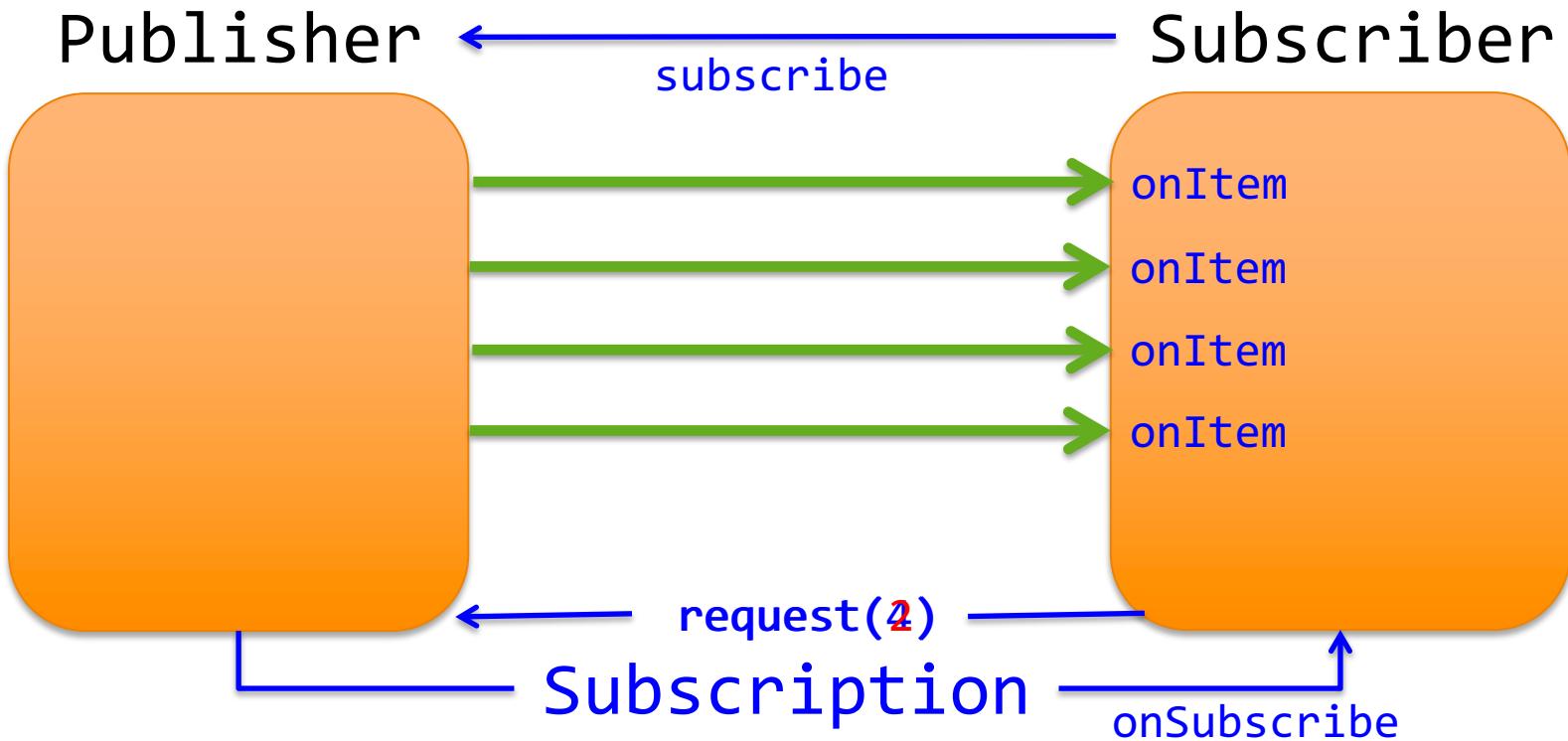


- Set of interfaces
- Publisher
  - Producer of items to be received by Subscribers
- Subscriber
  - Receiver of messages
- Processor
  - Both a Publisher and Subscriber (chaining)
- Subscription
  - Message control linking a Publisher and Subscriber

# Reactive Streams: Flow API

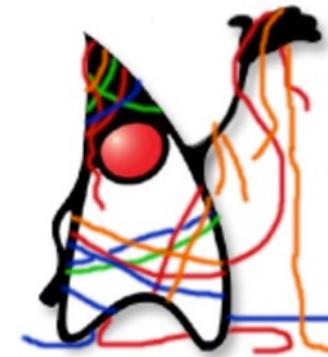
- Publisher
  - subscribe(Subscriber)
- Subscriber
  - OnSubscribe(Subscription)
  - onNext(T item)
  - onComplete() / onError(Throwable)
- Subscription
  - request(long)
  - cancel()

# Solution



# Concurrency Updates (JEP 266)

- CompletableFuture additions
  - Delays and timeouts
  - Better support for sub-classing
  - New static utility methods
    - minimalCompletionStage
    - failedStage
    - newIncompleteFuture
    - failedFuture



# Variable Handles (JEP 193)

- Replacement for parts of sun.misc.Unsafe
- Fence operations
  - Fine grained memory control
  - Atomic operations on object fields and array elements
- VarHandle
  - compareAndExchange(), compareAndSet()
  - getAndAdd(), getAndSet()
  - acquireFence(), releaseFence()



# JDK 9 Other Features



# Enhanced Deprecation (JEP 277)

- We have @deprecated and @Deprecated
  - Used to cover too many situations
- New methods in Deprecated annotation
  - boolean forRemoval()
    - Will this ever be removed?
  - String since()
    - JDK Version when this was deprecated
- Several @Deprecated tags added
  - `java.awt.Component.{show(),hide()}` removed
- `jdeprscan` command to produce report



# Default Collector: G1 (JEP 248)

- G1 now mature in development
- Designed as low-pause collector
- Concurrent class unloading (JEP 156) JDK8u40
  - Useful enhancement to improve G1
- Still falls back to full compacting collection
  - Pause times proportional to heap size
  - Use Zing from Azul for truly pauseless



# Better String Performance



- Compact strings (JEP 254)
  - Improve the space efficiency of the `String` class
  - Not using alternative encodings
- Store interned strings in CDS archive (JEP 250)
  - Share `String` and `char[]` objects between JVMs
- Indify `String` concatenation (JEP 280)
  - Change from static `String`-concatenation bytecode sequence to `invokedynamic`
  - Allow future performance improvements

# JIT Compiler Control (JEP 165)

- Control of C1/C2 JIT
  - Directive file
  - Runtime changes via jcmd



# Compiler Directive Example

```
[ //Array of directives
{ //Directive Block
  //Directive 1
  match: ["java*.*", "oracle*.*"],
  c1: { Enable: true, Exclude: true,
        BreakAtExecute: true, },
  c2: { Enable: false, MaxNodeLimit: 1000, },
        BreakAtCompile: true, DumpReplay: true, },
{ //Directive Block
  //Directive 2 match: ["*Concurrent.*"],
  c2: { Exclude:true, },
},
]
```

# AOT Compilation (JEP 295)

- Experimental feature in JDK 9
  - `-XX:+UnlockExperimentalVMOptions`
  - Only the `java.base` module has AOT version
- `jaotc` command
  - `jaotc --output libMyStuff.so MyStuff.jar`
- JVM uses AOT code to replace interpreted
  - Can recompile with C1 to collect further profiling data
  - Recompile with C2 for optimum performance

# AOT Compilation

- Future use
- Project Metropolis
  - Rewrite the JVM in Java
  - Start with AOT code, profile and recompile with JIT

# Migrating Applications To JDK 9



# Migration Guidance From Oracle

"Clean applications that just depend on java.se  
*should just work*"

# Java Platform Module System

- The core Java libraries are now a set of modules
  - 97 modules for JDK, 28 of which are Java SE
  - No more rt.jar or tools.jar files
- Most internal APIs are now encapsulated
  - sun.misc.Unsafe, etc.
  - Numerous libraries and frameworks use internal APIs
- Module path used to locate modules
  - Separate and distinct from classpath

# Migrating Applications to JPMS

- Initially, leave everything on the classpath
- Anything on the classpath is in the unnamed module
  - All packages are exported
  - The unnamed module depends on all modules
- Migrate to modules as required
  - Try automatic modules
  - Move existing jar files from classpath to modulepath

# Reversing Encapsulation

- "The Big Kill Switch"
  - illegal-access
- Four options:
  - permit (current default)
  - warn
  - debug
  - deny (future default)

# Reversing Encapsulation

- Big kill switch overrides encapsulation
  - From the unnamed module (i.e. classpath)
  - Allows unlimited reflective access to named modules
    - Not from named modules
- Warning messages written to error stream
- Useful to understand use of --add-exports and  
-add-opens when migrating to named modules

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# Reversing Encapsulation

- Allowing direct access to encapsulated APIs

- --add-exports

```
--add-exports java.management/com.sun.jmx.remote.internal=mytest  
--add-exports java.management/sun.management=ALL-UNNAMED
```

- Allowing reflective access to encapsulated APIs

- --add-opens

```
--add-opens java.base/java.util=ALL-UNNAMED
```

# Reversing Encapsulation

- Using the JAR file manifest

Add-Exports: java.base/sun.security.provider

# Finding Encapsulated API Use

- jdeps
  - Analyses dependencies on APIs
- Example: Minecraft

```
jdeps --list-deps 1.8.jar
    java.base
    java.datatransfer
    java.desktop
    java.management
    java.naming
    not found
    unnamed module: 1.8.jar
```

# "Missing" Modules

- Remember, "Clean applications that only use java.se..."
- The `java.se.ee` module not included by default
  - Compilation and runtime
- Affected modules
  - `java.corba`
  - `java.transaction`
  - `java.activation`
  - `java.xml.bind`
  - `java.xml.ws`
  - `java.xml.ws.annotation`

# Using "Missing" Modules

- Use the command line option
  - --add-modules java.corba
- All modules (except CORBA) have standalone versions
  - Maven central
  - Relevant JSR RI
- Deploy standalone version on the upgrade module path
  - --upgrade-module-path <path>
- Deploy standalone version on the classpath

# Small Incompatibilities



# Milling Project Coin

- A single underscore is now a keyword in Java

```
error: as of release 9, '_' is a keyword, and may not be used as  
an identifier
```

- Fear not, two or more underscores can still be used

# Deleted Deprecated Methods

- Classes
  - `java.util.jar.Pack200`
  - `java.util.jar.Unpack200`
  - `java.util.logging.LogManager`
- Methods
  - `addPropertyChangeListener()`
  - `removePropertyChangeListener()`
- Removal required for clean modularisation

# Deleted Deprecated Class

- com.sun.security.auth.callback.DialogCallbackHandler
- Part of the Java Authentication and Authorisation Service
  - JAAS
  - Deprecated in JDK 7

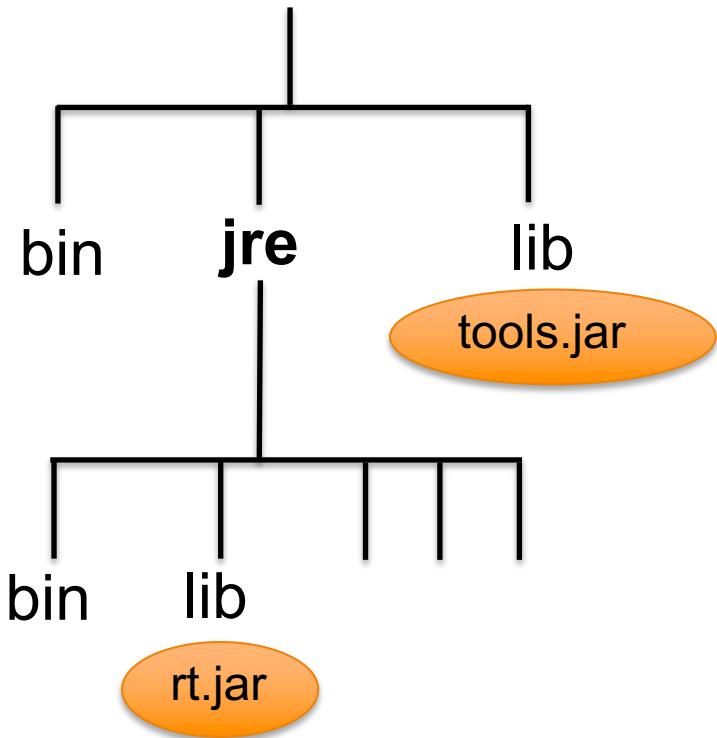
# Finding Deprecated API Use

- **jdeprscan**
  - New tool in JDK 9
  - Statically analyses class files and jar files against Java SE APIs
  - Looks for and reports usage of deprecated Java SE APIs

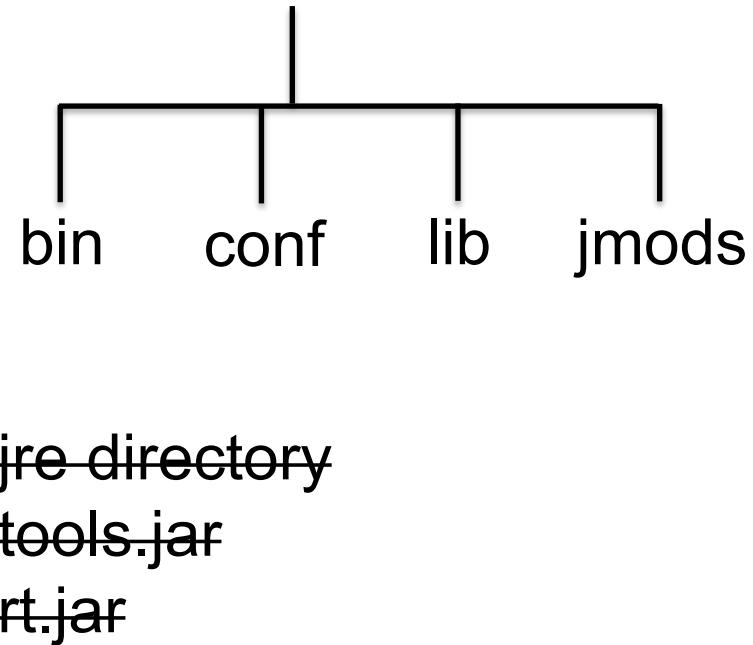
```
$ jdeprscan --class-path classes example.Deprecations
class example/Deprecations uses type java/rmi/RMISecurityManager deprecated
class example/Deprecations uses method javax/swing/JList getSelectedValues ()[Ljava/
lang/Object; deprecated
class example/Deprecations uses method in type java/rmi/RMISecurityManager deprecated
class example/Deprecations uses method java/lang/Boolean <init> (Z)V deprecated
```

# JDK/JRE File Structure (JEP 220)

Pre-JDK 9



JDK 9



# New Version String Format (JEP 223)

- Old
  - Limited update release/Critical patch update (CPU)
  - Download: Java SE 8u131, java -version: jdk1.8.0\_131
  - Which has more patches, JDK 7u55 or JDK 7u60?
- New
  - JDK \$MAJOR.\$MINOR.\$SECURITY
  - Easy to understand by humans and apps
  - Semantic versioning



# Non-Programmatic Issues

- Java Network Launch Protocol (JNLP) [JSR 52]
  - Now uses strict parsing of configuration files
  - Some files that did parse may now fail
- Extension mechanism/Endorsed Standards Override mechanisms removed
  - Directories removed
    - \$JAVA\_HOME/lib/ext
    - \$JAVA\_HOME/lib/endorsed
  - <JAVA\_HOME>/lib/ext exists, extensions mechanism no longer supported; Use -classpath instead.  
Error: Could not create the Java Virtual Machine.  
Error: A fatal exception has occurred. Program will exit.

# Removed GC Options (JEP 214)

- Deprecated in JDK 8 (JEP 173)

DefNew + CMS	:	-XX:-UseParNewGC -XX:+UseConcMarkSweepGC
ParNew + SerialOld	:	-XX:+UseParNewGC
ParNew + iCMS	:	-Xincgc
ParNew + iCMS	:	-XX:+CMSIncrementalMode -XX:+UseConcMarkSweepGC
DefNew + iCMS	:	-XX:+CMSIncrementalMode -XX:+UseConcMarkSweepGC -XX:-UseParNewGC
CMS foreground	:	-XX:+UseCMSCompactAtFullCollection
CMS foreground	:	-XX:+CMSFullGCsBeforeCompaction
CMS foreground	:	-XX:+UseCMSCollectionPassing

# JVM Logging

- Unified JVM logging (JEP 158)
  - Common logging system for all components of JVM
- Unified GC logging (JEP 271)
  - Re-implement GC logging using unified JVM logging
  - Many command line options changed



# Removed JVM Flags: Ignored

- AdaptiveSizePolicy
- CodeCacheMinimumFreeSpace
- DefaultThreadPriority
- JNIDetachReleasesMonitors
- LazyBootClassLoader
- NmethodSweepCheckInterval
- NmethodSweepFraction
- PrintOopAddress
- ReflectionWrapResolutionErrors
- StarvationMonitorInterval
- ThreadSafetyMargin
- UseAltSigs
- UseBoundThreads
- UseCompilerSafepoints
- UseFastAccessorMethods
- UseFastEmptyMethods
- BackEdgeThreshold
- PreInflateSpin

Java HotSpot™ 64-Bit Server VM warning: Ignoring option  
<Option>; support was removed in 9.0

# Deprecated JVM Flags

JDK 8 Option	JDK 9 Replacement
PrintGC	-Xlog:gc
PrintGCDetails	-Xlog:gc*
CreateMinidumpOnCrash	CreateCoredumpOnCrash (suggestion)
DefaultMaxRAMFraction	MaxRAMFraction (suggestion)
TraceBiasedLocking	-Xlog:biasedlocking=info
TraceClassLoadingPreorder	-Xlog:class+preorder=debug
TraceClassResolution	-Xlog:class+resolve=debug
TraceMonitorInflation	-Xlog:monitorinflation=debug
TraceRedfineClasses	-Xlog:redefine+class*=info
TraceSafepointCleanupTime	-Xlog:safepoint+cleanup=info
TraceClassLoading	-Xlog:class+load=info
TraceClassUnloading	-Xlog:class+unload=info
TraceLoaderConstraints	-Xlog:class+loader+constraints=info
ConvertSleepToYield	NONE

# Deprecated JVM Flags

- Two forms of warning message

warning[gc] -XX:+PrintGC is deprecated. Will use -Xlog:gc instead.

Java HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server VM warning: Option  
CreateMinidumpOnCrash was deprecated in version 9.0 and will likely  
be removed in a future release. Use option CreateCoredumpOnCrash  
instead.

# JVM Flags: Non-Starters (1)

- AdjustConcurrency
- CMSCompactWhenClearAllSoftRefs
- CMSDumpAtPromotionFailure
- CMSFullGCsBeforeCompaction
- CMSIncrementalDutyCycle
- CMSIncrementalDutyCycleMin
- CMSIncrementalMode
- CMSIncrementalOffset
- CMSIncrementalPacing
- CMSParPromoteBlocksToClaim
- CMSPrintEdenSurvivorChunks
- CollectGen0First
- GCLogFileSize
- NumberOfGCLogFiles
- ParallelGCVerbose
- PrintAdaptiveSizePolicy
- PrintCMSInitiationStatistics
- PrintCMSStatistics
- PrintClassHistogramAfterFullGC
- PrintClassHistogramBeforeFullGC
- PrintFLSCensus
- PrintFLSStatistics
- PrintGCAccumulationConcurrentTime
- PrintGCAccumulationStoppedTime
- PrintGCCause
- PrintGCDates

# JVM Flags: Non-Starters (2)

- PrintGCTaskTimeStamps
- PrintGCTimeStamps
- PrintHeapAtGC
- PrintHeapAtGCExtended
- PrintJNIGCStalls
- PrintOldPLAB
- PrintPLAB
- PrintParallelOldGCPPhaseTimes
- PrintPromotionFailure
- PrintReferenceGC
- PrintTLAB
- PrintTenuringDistribution
- TraceDynamicGCThreads
- TraceGen0Time
- TraceGen1Time
- TraceMetadataHumongousAllocation
- TraceParallelOldGCTasks
- UseCMSCollectionPassing
- UseCMSCompactAtFullCollection
- UseGLogFileRotation
- UseMemSetInBOT
- UsePPCLWSYNC
- UseVMInterruptibleIO
- WorkAroundNPTLTimedWaitHang

# JVM Flags: Non-Starters

- 50 command line flags from JDK 8
- Use will cause the JVM to abort at start
  - It won't run your application

Unrecognized VM option '<Option>'

Error: Could not create the Java Virtual Machine.

Error: A fatal exception has occurred. Program will exit.

# Real World Example



# HdrHistogram Library

- Open source library (created by Gil Tene, Azul CTO)
- *Ideally* this should work with JDK 6, 7, 8 and 9 code
  - Unchanged and with no special command line flags
- Problem:
  - Needs to encode and decode using Base64
- Solutions:
  - `sun.misc.BASE64Encoder/Decoder` (JDK 6, 7, 8)
  - `javax.xml.bind.DatatypeConverter` (JDK 6, 7, 8)
  - `java.util.Base64.{Encoder,Decoder}` (JDK 8, 9)

# Solution

- Helper class with same named methods as from `xml.bind`
  - `printBase64Binary(byte[] array)`
  - `parseBase64Binary(String input)`
- Static code to determine which class is available
  - Initialise Method object reference
- Helper methods invoke through method reference to available implementation

# Solution (1)

- Code in static block

```
try {  
    Class<?> javaUtilClass = Class.forName("java.util.Base64");  
  
    Method getDecoderMethod = javaUtilClass.getMethod("getDecoder");  
    decoderObj = getDecoderMethod.invoke(null);  
    decodeMethod = decoderObj.getClass().getMethod("decode", String.class);  
    Method getEncoderMethod = javaUtilClass.getMethod("getEncoder");  
    encoderObj = getEncoderMethod.invoke(null);  
    encodeMethod = encoderObj.getClass()  
        .getMethod("encodeToString", byte[].class);  
} catch (Throwable e) { // ClassNotFoundException, NoSuchMethodException  
    decodeMethod = null;  
    encodeMethod = null;  
}
```

# Solution (2)

```
if (encodeMethod == null) {  
    decoderObj = null;  
    encoderObj = null;  
  
    try {  
        Class<?> xmlBindClass = Class.forName("javax.xml.bind.DatatypeConverter");  
        decodeMethod = xmlBindClass.getMethod("parseBase64Binary", String.class);  
        encodeMethod = xmlBindClass.getMethod("printBase64Binary", byte[].class);  
    } catch (Throwable e) {  
        decodeMethod = null;  
        encodeMethod = null;  
    }  
}
```

# Summary



# Summary

- JDK 9 has many changes
- JPMS is the big one
  - Encapsulation of internal APIs
- Smaller developer features
  - Stream enhancements, jshell, reactive streams
- Many changes to the platform
  - JVM option changes, better string performance
- Ignore JDK 9 (and probably JDK 10) for deployment
  - But not the features

# Zulu Java

- Azul's binary distribution of OpenJDK
  - Passes all TCK tests
  - Multi-platform (Windows, Linux, Mac)
  - Free, with paid support options
  - No licensing issues
  - Verified as built from 100% open-source
- JDK 6, 7, 8 and 9



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