

DrlvmLocking

DRLVM has a complex system of locks used to synchronize multiple threads operation.

Thread primitives in DRLVM

Low-level primitives for use in C++ code

- Mutex: hymutex_create, hymutex_lock, hymutex_trylock, hymutex_unlock, hymutex_destroy
Most of the internal DRLVM locks are mutexes
- Conditional variable: hycond_create, hycond_wait, hycond_wait_timed, hycond_wait_interruptible, hycond_notify, hycond_notify_all, hycond_destroy
Conditional variables are used in pair with mutex. Most of the internal DRLVM events are implemented using conditional variables.

Higher-level synchronization objects

- Java monitors are accessible from C++ code using functions

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jthread_monitor_init thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_enter thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_try_enter thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_exit thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_notify thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_notify_all thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_wait thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_timed_wait thread\src\thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_init thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_enter thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_try_enter thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_exit thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_notify thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_notify_all thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_wait thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
jthread_monitor_timed_wait thread/src/thread_java_monitors.c
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Topics to be covered by this page

- What synchronization objects should be used and when during DRLVM development
- The general locking rules ("locking protocol") in DRLVM
 - the list of global locks
 - the order of obtaining locks
 - interaction with suspension

Some of the topics are already covered by <http://harmony.apache.org/subcomponents/drlvm/TM.html>