

BEAJRockit™ SDK

Using the Monitoring and Management APIs

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Using JMAPI

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This document provides a short introduction to the BEA JRockit Monitoring and Management APIs (JMAPI) an API that provides a way to monitor and manage the BEA JRockit JVM.

This section includes information on the following subjects:

- Using the Javadoc
- Getting Started
- Using JMAPI to Subscribe to Events
- Using JMAPI to Access the BEA JRockit Profiler
- Using JMAPI to Access Exception Counting
- Accessing JMAPI from Code Running in BEA JRockit Having a Security Manager

Using the Javadoc

This document is simply an overview of JMAPI. While it provides basic instructions on how to implement this interface and describes some of its capabilities, the best source of documentation is the javadoc, available at:

http://edocs.bea.com/wljrockit/docs142/jmapi/javadoc/Management API/index.html

Getting Started

To implement JMAPI, you first need to fetch a reference to an actual instance of JVM by using the JVMFactory.

- JVMFactory provides a static method to fetch an instance of JVM. This is the starting point for working with the API.
- JVM provides basic information about the JVM and is also the interface used to access the different information subsystems available. These subsystems are:
 - ClassLibrary, which provides a way to monitor and manage the set of currently loaded Classes and ClassLoaders.
 - CompilationSystem, which provides a way to monitor and manage the way methods and constructors are compiled.
 - Machine, which provides information about the hardware the JVM is running on, like CPUs, network adapters and memory.
 - MemorySystem, which provides heap and garbage collection data.
 - OperatingSystem, which passes information about the OS the JVM is running on.
 - ProfilingSystem, which provides a way to perform lightweight profiling of the JVM, for instance invocation counting.
 - ThreadSystem, which provides thread stack dumps, thread snapshots, thread counts and means to access the threads running in BEA JRockit.

To fetch the instance of JVM, you need to add code such as the following:

```
com.bea.jvm.JVM myJVM = com.bea.jvm.JVMFactory.getJVM();
```

From the JVM instance you can access the different subsystems, such as the memory system. From the memory system you can, among other things, ask for heap size information or access the GarbageCollector. Reading the currently used heap size (in bytes) looks like this:

Listing 1 Reading the Current Heap Size

```
com.bea.jvm.JVM myJVM = com.bea.jvm.JVMFactory.getJVM();
long heapSize = myJVM.getMemorySystem().getUsedHeapSize();
```

To check if we are using a parallel garbage collector with a nursery, you might include something similar to the example in Listing 2:

Listing 2 Checking the Garbage Collector Type

```
com.bea.jvm.GarbageCollector myGC =
myJVM.getMemorySystem().getGarbageCollector();
boolean isParallelWithNursery = myGC.isParallel() &&
    myGC.isGenerational();
```

Using JMAPI to Subscribe to Events

You can use JMAPI to subscribe to a number of different events:

- ClassLoadEvent, which reports loaded and unloaded classes.
- CompilationListener, which reports compiled methods and constructors.
- GarbageCollectionEvent, which is fired after a garbage collection.

Listing 3 shows how to add an anonymous ClassLoadListener that prints out the name of the class that was loaded/unloaded:

Listing 3 Adding and Anonymous ClassLoadListener

```
JVM myJVM = JVMFactory.getJVM();
myJVM.getClassLibrary().addClassLoadListener(new
    ClassLoadListener()
    {
       public void onClassLoad(ClassLoadEvent event)
       {
```

```
String prefix = (event.getEventType() ==
        ClassLoadEvent.CLASS_LOADED) ? "Loaded" : "Unloaded";
    System.out.println(prefix + " : " +
        event.getClassObject().getName());
}
});
```

Listing 4 shows how to add an anonymous CompilationListener that prints out the method/constructor that was compiled and the optimization level used.

Listing 4 Adding an Anonymous CompilationListener

Using JMAPI to Access the BEA JRockit Profiler

The BEA JRockit JVM includes a very efficient, low overhead profiler to get method invocation counts and method timing information.

Listing 6 shows how to call a method in an example class (shown in Listing 5), then print out how many times it has been invoked and the total time spent in that method.

Listing 5 Example Class A

```
public class A
{
    public boolean check(Object obj)
    {
       return this.getClass().isInstance(obj);
    }
}
```

Listing 6 Calling a Method in an Example Class

```
ProfilingSystem profiler =
    JVMFactory.getJVM().getProfilingSystem();
A a = new A();
Method [] methods = A.class.getDeclaredMethods();
profiler.setInvocationCountEnabled(methods[0], true);
profiler.setTimingEnabled(methods[0], true);

for (int i = 0; i < 100000; i++) a.check(a);
System.out.println("Profiling system: check method invoked " +
    m_jrockit.getProfilingSystem().getInvocationCount(methods[0]) + "
    times");
System.out.println("Time spent in method " +
    m_jrockit.getProfilingSystem().getTiming(methods[0])
    + " ms");</pre>
```

Using JMAPI to Access Exception Counting

JMAPI also provides access to an exception counter that allows you to count how many exceptions of a certain class—and, optionally, all of its subclasses—have been thrown. Listing 7 shows an example of counting IOExceptions.

Listing 7 Counting IOExceptions with JMAPI

Accessing JMAPI from Code Running in BEA JRockit Having a Security Manager

To access JMAPI from code running in BEA JRockit that has a security manager, the permission com.bea.jvm.ManagementPermission "createInstance" must first be granted to that code. For more information on how to grant code permissions, see Permissions in the Java 2 SDK.

If the code has not been granted the permission, any attempt to access JMAPI will result in a SecurityException being thrown.

Listing 8 shows a simple policy statement, granting all code the permission to access the JMAPI:

Listing 8 Accessing JMAPI from Code Having a Security Manager

```
grant{
    // Needed to access the JRockit Management API.
    permission com.bea.jvm.ManagementPermission "createInstance";
    };
```

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