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Managing Errors and Exceptions

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- **Brief**

- ✓ Why multiple inheritance is not supported by Java?



Errors..Introduction

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- **Error** is common to make **mistake**  while developing as well as typing a program.
- A **mistake** might **lead to an error** causing the program to produce unexpected results.
- **Errors** are the **wrongs** that can make a program go wrong.
- An error may produce an **incorrect output** or may **terminate the execution of the program abruptly** or even may cause the system to crash.
- It is therefore important to **detect and manage properly** all the possible error conditions in the program so that **program will not terminate or crash during execution**.

Types of Errors

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- Errors may broadly be *classified into two categories*:

- Compile-time Error
- Run-time Error



- Compile-time Error

- All syntax errors will be detected and displayed by the java Compiler and therefore these errors are known as compile-time errors.
- Whenever the compile displays an error, it will not create the .class file.
- It is therefore necessary that we fix all the errors before we can successfully compile and run the program.

- Run-time Error

- A runtime error occurs when a program is syntactically correct but contains an issue that is only detected during program execution.
- These issues cannot be caught at compile-time by the Java compiler and are only detected by the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) when the application is running.

Illustration of Compile-time errors

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```
/* This program contains an error */
```

```
1. class Error
```

```
2. {
```

```
3. public static void main(String args[])
```

```
4. {
```

```
5. System.out.println("Hello Java") //Missing ;
```

```
6. }
```

```
7. }
```

Compilation failed due to following
error(s).Main.java:4: error: ';' expected

```
System.out.println("Hello World")  
                        ^
```

1 error



The most common problems are:



- Missing semicolons
- Missing (or Mismatch of) brackets in classes and methods
- Misspelling of identifiers and keywords
- Missing double quotes in strings
- Use of undeclared variables
- Incompatible types in assignments / initialization
- Bad references to objects
- Use of = in place of == operator



Run-time Errors

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- Dividing an integer by Zero.
- Accessing an element that is out of the bounds of an array.
- Trying to store a value into an array of an incompatible class or type.
- Trying to cast an instant of a class to one of its subclasses.
- Passing a parameter that is not in a valid range or value for a method.
- Trying to illegally change the state of a thread.
- Attempting to use a negative size for an array.
- Converting invalid string to a number.
- Accessing a character that is out of bounds of a string.

Illustration of Run-time errors

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```
/* This program contains an error */  
1. class Main  
2. {  
3.     public static void main(String args[])  
4.     {  
5.         int a=10, b=5, c=5;  
6.         int x = a / (b-c); //Division by zero  
7.         System.out.println(x) ;  
8.         int y = a / (b+c);  
9.         System.out.println(x) ;  
10.    }  
11. }
```



Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero at
Main.main(Main.java:6)



Exceptions - Introduction▲

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- An exception is a condition that is ***caused by a run-time error in the program.***
- When the Java interpreter encounters an error such as dividing an integer by zero.
- It creates an exception object and throws it (i.e. ***informs us that an error has occurred***).
- The purpose of exception handling mechanism is to ***provide a means to detect and report*** an “Exceptional circumstance” so that appropriate action can be taken.

Exceptions performs the following tasks:



- Find the problem
 - *Means Hit the exception*
- Inform that an error has occurred
 - *Means throw the exception*
- Receive the error information
 - *Means catch the exception*
- Take corrective actions
 - *Means handle the exception*





Common Java Exceptions

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Exception Type	Cause of Exception
ArithmeticException	Caused by math errors such as division by zero
ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException	Caused by bad array indexes
ArrayStoreException	Caused when a program tries to store the wrong type of data in an array
FileNotFoundException	Caused by an attempt to access a non-existent file
IOException	Caused by general I/O failures, such as inability to read from a file
NullPointerException	Caused by referencing a null object.
NumberFormatException	Caused when a conversion between strings and number fails
OutOfMemoryException	Caused when there's not enough memory to allocate a new object
SecurityOverflowException	Caused when the system runs out of stack space
StringIndexOutOfBoundsException	Caused when a program attempts to access a non-existent character position in a string

Syntax of Exception Handling Code

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Exception
object
creator

Try Block

Statement that
causes an exception



Throws
exception
object

Exception
handler

catch Block

Statement that
handles the
exception

Use of simple try and catch statement



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class Main

```
{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        int a=10, b=5, c=5;
        try {
            int x = a / (b-c); //Division by zero
            System.out.println(x);
        } catch (ArithmeticException e) {
            System.out.println("Division by zero");
        }
        int y = a / (b+c);
        System.out.println(y) ;
    }
}
```

Syntax

.....

.....

try

{

Statement

}

Catch (exception-type e)

{

Statement

}

.....

.....

Catching invalid command line arguments

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- class Main
- { public static void main(String args[])
- { int invalid = 0, valid=0, number;
- for (int i = 0; i < args.length; i++)
- { try{ number = Integer.parseInt(args[i]); }
- catch(NumberFormatException e){
- invalid = invalid + 1;
- System.out.println("invalid number: "+ args[i]);
- continue;
- }
- valid = valid + 1;
- }
- System.out.println("Total valid Number are:"+valid);
- System.out.println("Total invalid Number are:"+invalid);
- }
- }

```
F:\Skill_Updates\JavaProg>javac Main.java
```

```
F:\Skill_Updates\JavaProg>java Main 15 25.75 40 Java 10.5 65
invalid number: 25.75
invalid number: Java
invalid number: 10.5
Total valid Number are:3
Total invalid Number are:3
F:\Skill_Updates\JavaProg>
```



Multiple catch statement

- try
- {
 - Statement
- }
- catch (Exception-type-1 e)
- {
 - Statement
- }
- catch (Exception-type-2 e)
- {
 - Statement
- }

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```
class Main {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        int a[] = {5,10}, b = 5;  
        try {  
            int x = a[2] / b - a[1];  
        } catch (ArithmeticException e) {  
            System.out.println("Division by zero");  
        } catch (ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e) {  
            System.out.println("Array index error");  
        } catch (ArrayStoreException e) {  
            System.out.println("Wrong Data Type");  
        }  
        int y = a[1] / a[0]; System.out.println("y="+y);  
    }  
}
```

Array index error
y=2



Using finally Statement

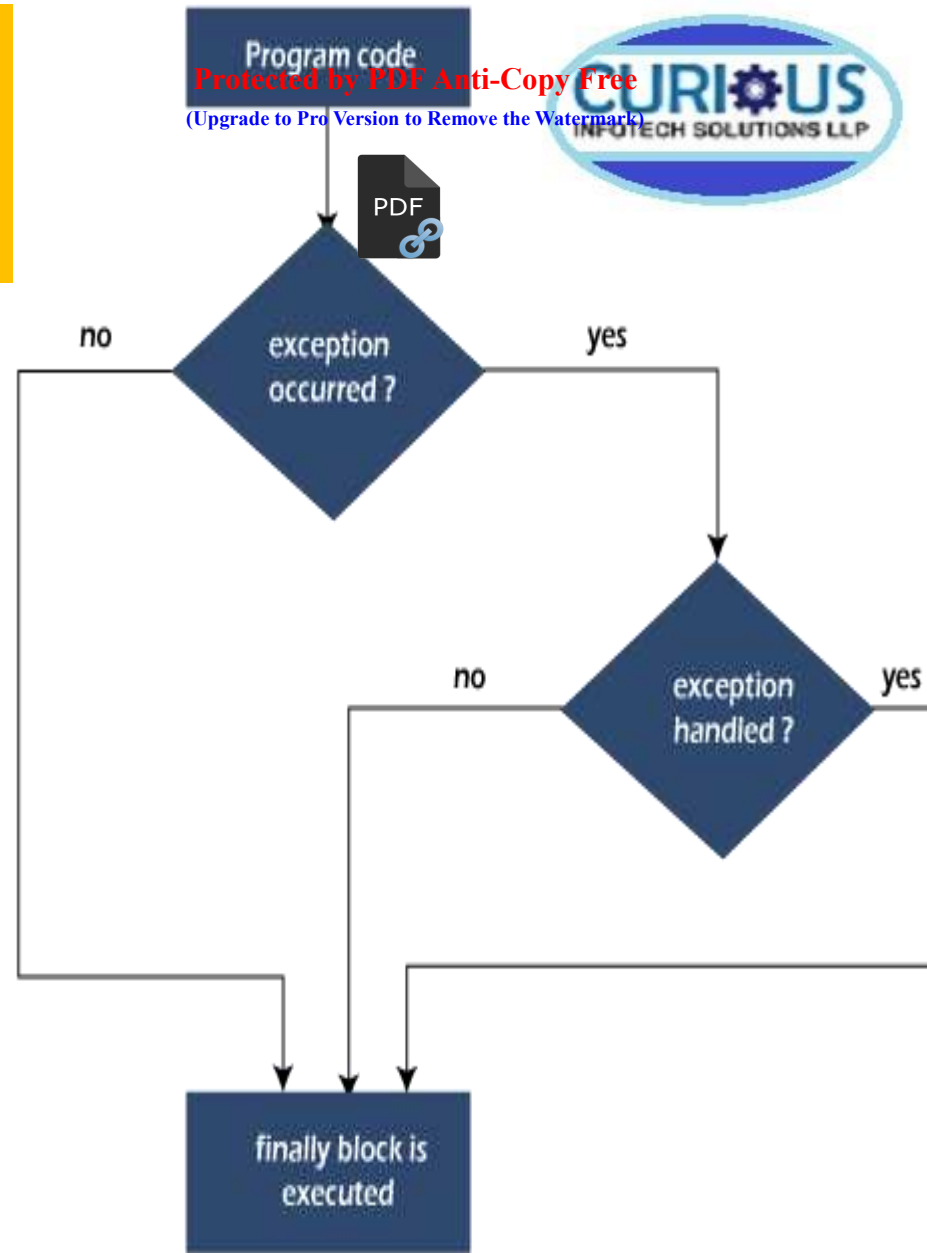
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- Java supports another statement known as finally statement that can be used to handle an exception that is not caught by any of the previous catch statements.
- finally block can be used to handle any exception generated within a try block.
- It may be added immediately after the try block or after the last catch block.

Contd..*finally*

```
• try
• {
  • .....
  • .....
• }
• finally
• {
  • .....
  • .....
• }
```



```
• try
• {
  • .....
• }
• catch
• {
  • .....
• }
• catch
• {
  • .....
• }
• finally
• {
  • .....
• }
```

```

class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]){
        try{
            int data=25/5;
            System.out.println(data);
        }
        catch(ArithmeticException e){
            System.out.println(e);
        }
        finally {
            System.out.println("finally block is always executed")
        }
        System.out.println("End of Program...");
    }
}

```

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finally block is always executed
End of Program...

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```

class Main {
    public static void main(String args[]){
        try{
            int data=25/0;
            System.out.println(data);
        }
        catch(ArithmeticException e){
            System.out.println(e);
        }
        finally {
            System.out.println("finally block is always executed");
        }
        System.out.println("End of Program...");
    }
}

```



java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
finally block is always executed
End of Program...

Contd..*finally*

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```
class Main {  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        try{  
            int data=25/0;  
            System.out.println(data);  
        }  
        finally {  
            System.out.println("finally block is always executed");  
        }  
        System.out.println("End of Program...");  
    }  
}
```

finally block is always executed
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
at Main.main(Main.java:4)

Throwing our own exception

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- There may be times when we would like to throw our own exceptions.
- We can do this by using the keyword **throw** as:
 - `throw new Throwable_subclass;`
- Example:
 - `throw new ArithmeticException();`
 - `throw new NumberFormatException();`

Example..throwing our own exception

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```
import java.lang.Exception;
class MyException extends Exception
{
    MyException(String msg)
    {
        super(msg);
    }
}
```

PDF Main

```
public static void main (String[] args) {
    int x=5, y=1000;
    try {
        float z = (float) x / (float) y;
        if (z < 0.01)
        {
            throw new MyException("Number is too small");
        }
    } catch(MyException e) {
        System.out.println("Caught my exception");
        System.out.println(e.getMessage());
    } finally {
        System.out.println("I am always here");
    }
}
```

Output

Caught my exception
Number is too small
I am always here