

# **Bachelor of Cyber Security - Pathway Program (Year 1)**



## **SIT232 Object-Oriented Development Assignment 4.1P**

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## NullReferenceException:

- Possible Situation: This exception occurs when you try to access or call a member (property, method, or field) on an object that is null.
- Thrower: The programmer typically throws this exception by attempting to perform operations on a null reference.
- Message to User: The message should explain which object is null and what the user can do to prevent it.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled, but it's generally better to avoid it through proper null-checking.
- Handling: You should generally catch and handle this exception because it often indicates a bug or unexpected condition.
- Avoidance: Avoidance is preferred by checking for null references before using them.

### Example:

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      string name = null;
4      Console.WriteLine(name.Length); // Throws NullReferenceException
5  }
6  catch (NullReferenceException ex)
7  {
8      Console.WriteLine("Null reference encountered: " + ex.Message);
9  }
10
```

## IndexOutOfRangeException:

- Possible Situation: Occurs when trying to access an array or collection element with an index that is outside the valid range.
- Thrower: Programmers typically throw this exception by providing an invalid index.
- Message to User: Include the index that caused the exception and specify the valid range.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled.
- Handling: You should catch and handle it to provide user-friendly feedback or take corrective actions.
- Avoidance: Avoid by ensuring indices are within the valid range before accessing elements.

### Example:

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      int[] numbers = { 1, 2, 3 };
4      Console.WriteLine(numbers[5]); // Throws IndexOutOfRangeException
5  }
6  catch (IndexOutOfRangeException ex)
7  {
8      Console.WriteLine("Index out of range: " + ex.Message);
9  }
10
```

## StackOverflowException:

- Possible Situation: Occurs when the program's call stack exceeds its limit, often due to recursive method calls.
- Thrower: Usually, it's the runtime system.
- Message to User: Typically, you wouldn't catch this for end-users; it indicates a serious program error.
- Catchability: It's generally not caught but left for the runtime to handle.
- Handling: In most cases, it's not handled directly; you should refactor code to prevent stack overflow.
- Avoidance: Avoid by using iterative approaches instead of excessive recursion.

*Example:*

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      object obj = "Hello";
4      int num = (int)obj; // Throws InvalidCastException
5  }
6  catch (InvalidCastException ex)
7  {
8      Console.WriteLine("Invalid cast: " + ex.Message);
9  }
10
```

**OutOfMemoryException:**

- Possible Situation: Occurs when there is insufficient memory to allocate an object.
- Thrower: Usually, the runtime system.
- Message to User: Typically not caught for end-users; it signifies a system-level resource problem.
- Catchability: It's usually not caught but left for the runtime to handle.
- Handling: Rarely handled directly; you should optimize memory usage.
- Avoidance: Avoid by managing memory efficiently, disposing of objects, and using appropriate data structures.

**InvalidCastException:**

- Possible Situation: Occurs when an invalid cast is attempted, such as casting an incompatible type.
- Thrower: Programmer throws this exception when trying to perform an invalid cast.
- Message to User: Specify the types involved in the cast and why it's invalid.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled.
- Handling: Catch and handle it to provide meaningful feedback or alternative actions.
- Avoidance: Avoid by checking types before casting or using safe type conversion methods.

## DivideByZeroException:

- Possible Situation: Occurs when attempting to divide a number by zero.
- Thrower: Programmer throws this exception by performing the division.
- Message to User: Inform the user about the division operation and why it's not possible.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled.
- Handling: Catch and handle it to prevent application crashes when division by zero is a possibility.
- Avoidance: Avoid by checking for zero before performing division.

*Example:*

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      int result = 5 / 0; // Throws DivideByZeroException
4  }
5  catch (DivideByZeroException ex)
6  {
7      Console.WriteLine("Division by zero: " + ex.Message);
8  }
9
```

## ArgumentException:

- Possible Situation: Occurs when an argument provided to a method is invalid.
- Thrower: Programmers typically throw this exception when validating method arguments.
- Message to User: Explain why the argument is invalid and what valid values should be.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled.
- Handling: Catch and handle it to provide clear feedback on invalid inputs.
- Avoidance: Avoid by validating input parameters before using them.

### Example:

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      int age = -5;
4      if (age < 0)
5      {
6          throw new ArgumentException("Age cannot be negative.");
7      }
8  }
9  catch (ArgumentException ex)
10 {
11     Console.WriteLine("Invalid argument: " + ex.Message);
12 }
13 |
```

### **ArgumentOutOfRangeException:**

- Possible Situation: Occurs when an argument value is outside the acceptable range.
- Thrower: Programmer throws this exception during argument validation.
- Message to User: Indicate the valid range and why the argument is out of range.
- Catchability: It can be caught and handled.
- Handling: Catch and handle to inform users about valid input ranges.
- Avoidance: Avoid by validating input within the acceptable range.

#### *Example:*

```
C# Example
1  try
2  {
3      int score = 110;
4      if (score < 0 || score > 100)
5      {
6          throw new ArgumentOutOfRangeException("Score must be between 0 and 100.");
7      }
8  }
9  catch (ArgumentOutOfRangeException ex)
10 {
11     Console.WriteLine("Argument out of range: " + ex.Message);
12 }
13
```

### **SystemException:**

- Possible Situation: It's a base class for all predefined system exceptions in .NET.
- Thrower: Both the runtime system and programmers can throw exceptions derived from this class.
- Message to User: Depends on the specific derived exception; handle based on the exception type.
- Catchability: Depends on the specific derived exception; some can be caught and handled, others left for the runtime.
- Handling: Handle based on the specific exception and its impact on the application.
- Avoidance: Avoid by following best practices and handling specific exceptions appropriately.