

Exceptions and Debugging

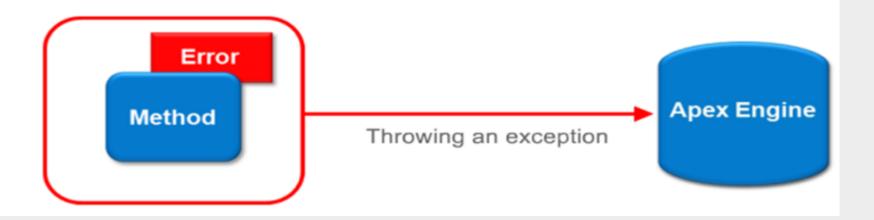


Exceptions



Apex uses exceptions to record:

- Errors and other events that disrupt the execution of code.
- Information about:
 - The error.
 - The type of error.
 - The state of the script or program when the error occurred.



Exceptions(Cont.)



- throw: Indicates that an error has occurred and provides an exception object.
- try: Identifies the block of code where the exception can occur.
- catch: Identifies the block of code that can handle a specific exception.
- finally: Identifies a block of code that executes after a try block.



Exception Types



System-Defined Exception Classes

User-Defined Exception Classes

System-Defined Exception Classes

The System. Exception class defines standard exceptions and contains methods for interrogating exceptions.

Some of the system-defined exceptions are:

- ListException
- DmlException
- MathException
- NullPointerException
- QueryException
- SecurityException
- SobjectException
- StringException
- TypeException



Exception Types



System-Defined Exception Classes

User-Defined Exception Classes

- Have their own characteristics.
- · Behave as any other exception type.
- Are created if the system-defined exception classes do not provide the required behavior.
- · Provide more control over the program behavior.
- · Must end with the string Exception.
- Must extend the system-defined Exception class.

The Exception class:

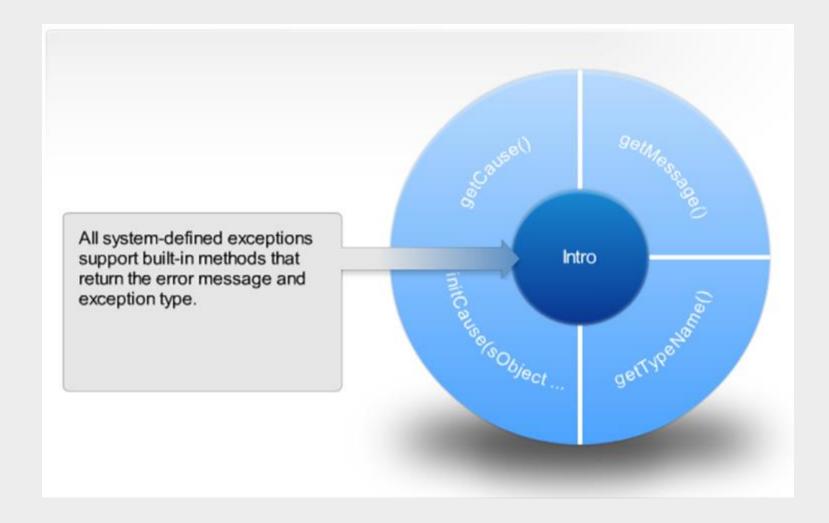
- Is a catch-all type of class.
- Should be placed at the end of all catch blocks.

User-Defined Exception Classes public virtual class BaseException extends Exception [] public class OtherException extends BaseException []



System-Defined Exception Methods





System-Defined DML Exception Methods



- Methods that have DML in their name are only supported for DML exceptions.
- Most DML exceptions take an integer parameter of the ith failed row.

| DML Exception Method | Returns |
|-----------------------|--|
| getDmlFields(int) | The names of the field(s) caused by the <i>i</i> th failed row |
| getDmlIndex(int) | The original row position of the ith failed row |
| getDmlMessage(int) | The user message for the ith failed row |
| getDmlStatusCode(int) | The Apex failure code for the ith failed row |
| getNumDml() | The number of failed row |

User-Defined Exception Types



- Developers can extend the exception classes, allowing user-defined exception types to form an inheritance tree.
- catch blocks ensure that the lowest or deepest level of exception or any of its parent exceptions are caught.

```
public virtual class BaseExceptionextends Exception {}

public class OtherExceptionextends BaseException {}

try {
   Integer i;
   // Your code here
   if (i < 5) throw new OtherException('This is bad');

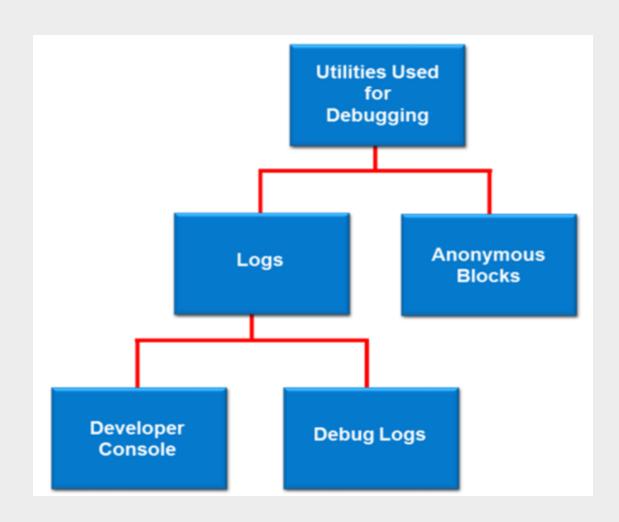
}

catch (BaseException e) {
   // This catches the OtherException
}

catch (Exception e) {
   // This catches the general Exception
}
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```

Debugging







System Log



- A System log:
 - Records errors and system processes that occur in an organization.
 - Records entries for every user whenever an Apex script, a rule, or an approval process executes.
 - Can be viewed using the Salesforce UI or the Force.com IDE.
 - Is limited to 2 MB per log.
- Each organization can retain up to 50 MB of logs.

Log Filters



| Log Filters | Includes |
|-------------------|--|
| Database | Log messages generated by calls to the System.debug method, DML statement, or inline SOQL or SOSL query |
| Workflow | Information for workflow rules, assignment rules, autoresponse rules, escalation rules, and approval processes |
| Validation | Information for validation rules |
| Callout | Request-response XML that the server sends and receives from an external Web service |
| Apex Code | Information about Apex scripts, DML statements, inline SOQL or SOSL queries |
| Apex Profiling | Cumulative profiling information |
| Visualforce | Information about Visualforce events |
| System | Information about calls to all System methods |

Debug Log and Filters



Debug Log Filters



- Filter unwanted information from the debug logs.
- Set appropriate log levels for classes and triggers:
 - The log levels specified for a class apply to all the classes, if falling in the same execution path.
 - The log levels can also be set for individual classes and triggers.

Debug Log

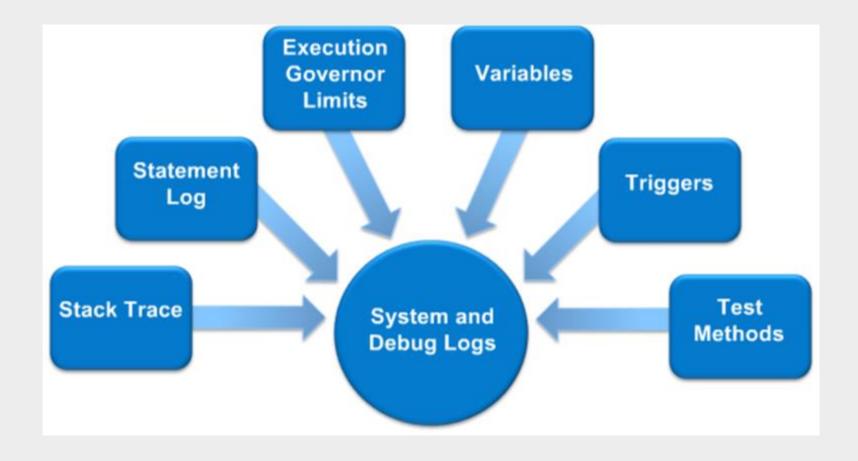
A debug log:

- Captures the same information as the system logs.
- Contains:
 - The output Apex debug statement.
 - The results of testing.
 - Unique custom messages.
 - Default messages.



Debugging Apex In Logs



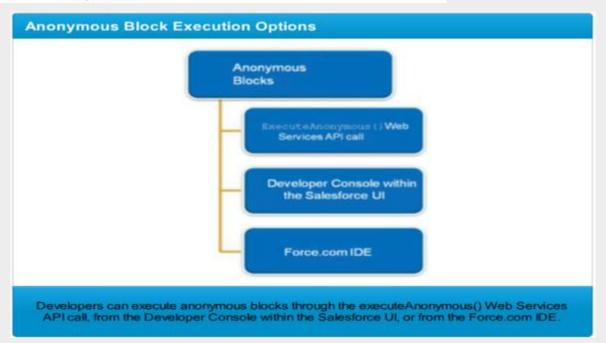


Anonymous Blocks and Execution Options



An anonymous block:

- Does not get stored in the metadata.
- Gets dynamically compiled and executed.
- · Is executed using the full permissions of the current user.
- Returns results that include status information for the compile and execute phases of the call and any errors that occur.
- · Can be used to evaluate Apex.
- · Can be used to write scripts that change dynamically at runtime.
- Cannot include the static keyword.



Hands-on Exercise



Apex: Debugging

Exercise 6-1: Creating a Test Class

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