The io package supports Java's basic I/O system.

File:

- The File class does not specify how information is retrieved from or stored in files.
- > It describes the properties of a file itself.
- A File object is used to obtain or manipulate the information associated with a disk file, such as the permissions, time, date, and directory path, and to navigate subdirectory hierarchies
- Files are a primary source and destination for data within many programs
- The following constructors can be used to create File objects:

```
File(String directoryPath)
File(String directoryPath, String filename)
File(File dirObj, String filename)
File(URI uriObj)
```

Directories:

- A directory is a File that contains a list of other files and directories.
- When you create a File object that is a directory.

The Autocloseable, Closeable, and Flushable Interfaces

Closeable and Flushable: They are defined in java.io and were added by JDK 5.

AutoCloseable: was added by JDK 7. It is packaged in java.lang.

- AutoCloseable provides support for the try-with-resources statement, which automates the process of closing a resource.
- Autocloseable is called automatically at the end of a try-with-resources statement, thus eliminating the need to explicitly call **close()**.
- > The AutoCloseable interface defines only the close() method
- > This method closes the invoking object, releasing any resources that it may hold.
- The Closeable interface also defines the **close()** method. Objects of a class that implement Closeable can be closed.
- Any class that implements Closeable also implements AutoCloseable.
- Dbjects of a class that implements Flushable can force buffered output to be written to the stream to which the object is attached. It defines the **flush()** method

I/O Exceptions:

(i) IOException:

- if an I/O error occurs, an IOException is thrown.

(ii) FileNotFoundException:

- if a file cannot be opened, a FileNotFoundException is thrown.
- FileNotFoundException is a subclass of IOException, so both can be caught with a single catch that catches IOException.

The stream classes:

Stream: A stream represents a flow of data.

1. Byte Streams: provides a convenient means for handling input and output of bytes.

i. InputStream: to read bytes from a file

ii. OutputStream: to write bytes in a file

2. Character Streams: a convenient means for handling input and output of characters.

I. Reader: to read characters from a file

ii. Writer: to write characters in a file

A. The Byte Streams:

FileInputStream:

- The FileInputStream class creates an InputStream that you can use to read bytes from a file.
- > Two commonly used constructors are shown here:

FileInputStream(String filePath)

FileInputStream(File fileObj)

- ➤ Here, filePath is the full path name of a file, and fileObj is a File object that describes the file.
- > Either can throw a FileNotFoundException.

FileInputStream abc = new FileInputStream("text.txt");

FileOutputStream:

- > FileOutputStream creates an OutputStream that you can use to write bytes to a file.
- It implements the AutoCloseable, Closeable, and Flushable interfaces.
- Four of its constructors are shown here:

FileOutputStream(String filePath)

FileOutputStream(File fileObj)

FileOutputStream(String filePath, boolean append)

FileOutputStream(File fileObj, boolean append)

➤ Either can throw a FileNotFoundException.

FileOutputStream xyz = new FileOutputStream("abc.txt");

PrintStream:

Output stream that contains print() and println()

DataOutputStream:

Output stream that contains methods for writing the java standard data types

DataInputStream:

> Input stream that contains methods for reading the java standard data types

RandomAccessFile:

RandomAccessFile is special because it supports positioning requests—that is, you can position the file pointer within the file.

B. The Character Streams:

FileWriter:

output stream that writes to a file
FileWriter ab = new FileWriter("file1.txt");

FileReader:

input stream that reads from a file

FileReader xy = new FileReader("file1.txt");

PrintWriter:

Output stream that contains print() and println()

The Predefined Streams:

- > System contains three predefined stream variables: in, out, and err.
- > System.in is an object of type InputStream; System.out and System.err are objects of type PrintStream.

The Console Class:

> It is used to read from and write to the console

Reading Console Input:

- In Java, console input is accomplished by reading from **System.in**
- To obtain a character- based stream that is attached to the console, wrap **System.in** in a **BufferedReader** object.
- ➤ **BufferedReader** supports a buffered input stream: **InputStreamReader**, which converts bytes to characters.

BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));

Reading Characters:

```
import java.io.*;
class readch
{
    public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
    {
        char ch;
        BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
        System.out.println("Enter characters and press 'q' to quit.");
        // read characters
        do{
            ch = (char) br.read();
            System.out.println(ch);
        } while(ch != 'q');
    }
}
```

Reading Strings:

```
import java.io.*;
class brreadLines
{
      public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
    {
              // create a BufferedReader using System.in
            BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
            String str;
            System.out.println("Enter lines of text.");
            System.out.println("Enter 'stop' to quit.");
            do{
                       str = br.readLine();
                       System.out.println(str);
               } while(!str.equals("stop"));
    }
}
Text Editor:
import java.io.*;
class tinyEdit
      public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
    {
              BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
              String str[] = new String[4];
              System.out.println("Enter lines of text & enter 'stop' to quit.");
             for(int i=0; i<4; i++)
             {
                     str[i] = br.readLine();
                      if(str[i].equals("stop")) break;
            System.out.println("\nHere is your file:"); // display the lines
            for(int i=0; i<4; i++)
            {
                      if(str[i].equals("stop")) break;
```

}

}

}

System.out.println(str[i]);

Writing Console Output:

- Console output is most easily accomplished with print() and println()
- These methods are defined by the class **PrintStream** (which is the type of object referenced by **System.out**)
- Even though **System.out** is a byte stream, using it for simple program output is still acceptable.

The PrintWriter Class:

➤ **PrintWriter** is one of the character-based classes. Using a character-based class for console output makes internationalizing your program easier.

PrintWriter (OutputStream outputStream, boolean flushingOn)

- Here, outputStream is an object of type **OutputStream**, and flushingOn controls whether Java flushes the output stream every time a **println()** method (among others) is called. If flushingOn is **true**, flushing automatically takes place. If **false**, flushing is not automatic.
- **PrintWriter** supports the **print()** and **println()** methods.

```
import java.io.*;
public class printwriterDemo
{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        PrintWriter pw = new PrintWriter(System.out,true);
        String s = "This is a string.";
        int i = 154;
        double d = 409754.67;
        pw.println(s+" "+i+" "+d);
    }
}
```

Serialization:

Serialization is the process of writing the state of an object to a byte stream. This is useful when you want to save the state of your program to a persistent storage area, such as a file. At a later time, you may restore these objects by using the process of deserialization.

```
import java.io.*;
class Student implements Serializable
{
       int id; String name;
       public Student(int id, String name)
       {
              this.id = id;
              this.name = name;
       }
}
class serializationdemo
{
       public static void main(String args[])throws Exception
       {
              Student s1 = new Student(211, "ravi");
              FileOutputStream fout= new FileOutputStream("f.txt");
              ObjectOutputStream out= new ObjectOutputStream(fout);
              out.writeObject(s1);
              out.flush();
              System.out.println("success");
       }
}
```

Writing, Reading and Displaying contents of a File:

```
import java.io.*;
class read_write
       public static void main(String args[])
               // to write content in file
               try
               {
                      FileOutputStream fout=new FileOutputStream("info.dat");
                      String country="Nepal";
                      String city ="Kathmandu";
                      byte bcountry[]=country.getBytes(); //converting string into byte array
                      byte bcity[]=city.getBytes();
                      fout.write(bcountry);
                      fout.write(bcity);
                      fout.close();
               }catch(Exception e)
               {
                      System.out.println(e);
               }
               //
                      to read and display content of file
               try
               {
                      FileInputStream fin=new FileInputStream("info.dat");
                      int i=0;
                      while((i=fin.read())!=-1)
                      {
                              System.out.println((char)i);
                      }
                      fin.close();
               }catch(Exception e)
                      System.out.println(e);
               }
       }
}
```

Copy one File to another:

```
import java.io.*;
public class CopyFile
        public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
       {
               FileInputStream in = null;
               FileOutputStream out = null;
               try
               {
                       in = new FileInputStream("input.txt");
                       out = new FileOutputStream("output.txt");
                       int length;
                       while ((length = in.read()) != -1)
                       {
                               out.write(length);
                       }
               finally
               {
                       if (in != null)
                       {
                               in.close();
                       if (out != null)
                       {
                               out.close();
                       }
                       System.out.println("File Copied Successfully.");
               }
       }
}
```

Copy one File to another(user input):

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Scanner;
public class Copy_User
{
       public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
               String src, dest;
               Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
               System.out.print("Enter Source File Name (with extension): ");
               src = scan.nextLine();
               System.out.print("Enter Destination File Name (with extension): ");
               dest = scan.nextLine();
               FileInputStream in = null;
               FileOutputStream out = null;
               try
               {
                       in = new FileInputStream(src);
                       out = new FileOutputStream(dest);
                       int length;
                       while ((length = in.read()) > 0)
                       {
                              out.write(length);
                       }
               }
               finally
               {
                       if (in != null)
                              in.close();
                       if (out != null)
                              out.close();
                       System.out.println("File Copied..");
               }
       }
}
```

```
//WAP that displays all the Read only Files of a given Folder
import java.io.*;
class FilesListFromFolder
  public static void main(String a[])
    File file = new File("D:/MyFolder/");
    file.setReadOnly();
    File[] files = file.listFiles();
    for(File f: files)
       System.out.println(f.getName());
    }
  }
}
/*Write a program to take employee id, name and DOB from user and store it in a file
"Emp.txt"and then display the content of "Emp.txt"*/
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Scanner;
class fil
        public static void main(String[]args)throws IOException
               try
                       FileWriter fw=new FileWriter("Emp.txt");
                       BufferedWriter bw= new BufferedWriter(fw);
                       String name,id,DOB;
                       Scanner scan=new Scanner(System.in);
                       System.out.print("Enter name,id and Dob: ");
                       name=scan.nextLine();
                       id=scan.nextLine();
                       DOB=scan.nextLine();
                       bw.write(id);
                       bw.write(DOB);
                       bw.write(name);
                       bw.close();
               }catch(Exception e)
                       System.out.println(e);
               }
```

```
try
{
    FileReader fr = new FileReader("Emp.txt");
    BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(fr);
    String msg=null;
    while((msg=br.readLine())!=null)
    {
        System.out.println(msg);
    }
    br.close();
}catch(Exception e)
{
        System.out.println(e);
}
```

// WAP that displays content of folder database stored in d: drive

```
import java.io.*;
class ContentFromFolder
        public static void main(String a[])
                String dirname = "D:/database"
                File f1 = new File(dirname);
                if(f1.isDirectory())
                {
                        String s[] = f1.list();
                        for(int i=0; i<s.length; i++);</pre>
                        {
                                File f = new File(dirname+"/"+s[i]);
                                if(f.isDirectory())
                                        System.out.println(s[i]+" is a directory");
                                else
                                        System.out.println(s[i]+" is a file");
                        }
                        file.listFiles();
                        for(File f: files)
                        {
                                System.out.println(f.getName());
                        }
                }
        }
}
```

/* Program that reads line of text from keyboard and write to file. Also read the content of the same file and display on monitor */

```
import java.io.*;
class read write keyboard
{
       public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException
       {
               BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
               String str;
               FileWriter fw = null;
               System.out.println("Enter lines of text.");
               System.out.println("Enter 'stop' to quit.");
               try{
                      fw = new FileWriter("hello.txt");
                      do{
                              str = br.readLine();
                              System.out.println(str);
                              fw.write(str);
                          } while(!str.equals("stop"));
                  }catch(IOException e)
                      System.out.println("IO Interruption");
                  }
         }
}
```