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Database Management Systems

Lab: JDBC Review



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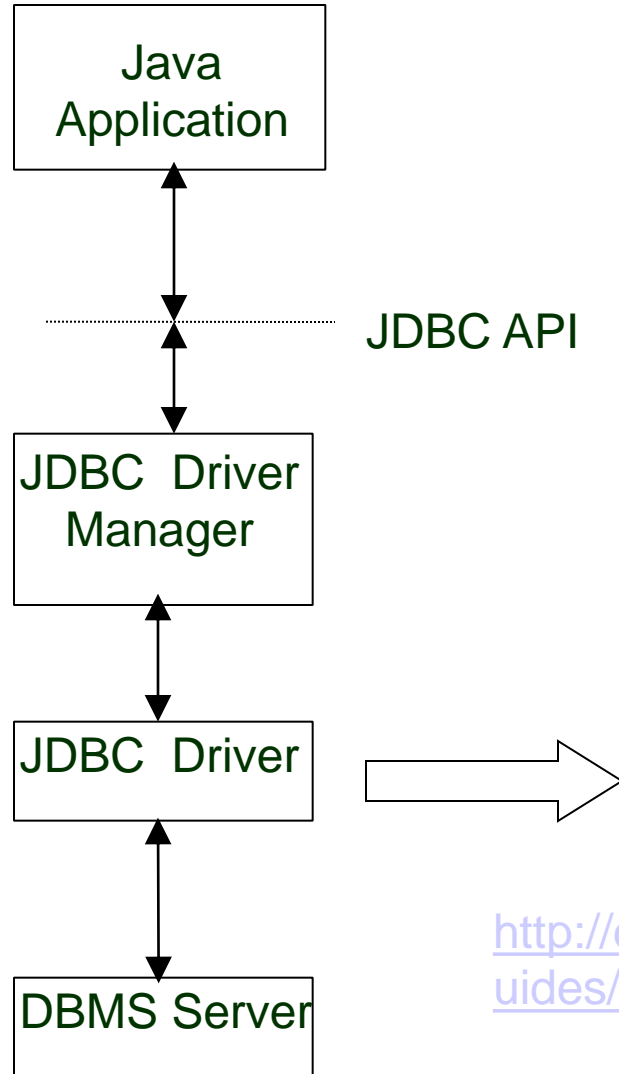
What Is JDBC?

- JDBC is a programming interface
- JDBC allows developers using java to gain access to a wide range of DBMSs
- JDBC allows users of different operating systems to access the same DBMS

What can you do with JDBC?

- Connect to different types of DBMSs
- Integrate SQL with Java to interact with data sources
- JSP, Servlet, Applet...
- Your Assignments and/or Projects
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JDBC Architecture



Comes in four varieties
For more information:

<http://download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/technotes/guides/jdbc/getstart/intro.html> 1.2.8 JDBC Driver Types

JDBC Interface

➤ Provides

- Library of function calls
- Standard way to connect
- Standard representation of data types
- Standard set of error codes

➤ Performs

- Connections with a database or other tabular data sources
- Sending of SQL statements
- Processing of results

Basic JDBC Classes

- DriverManager: manages connection between the data source and driver
- Connection: establishes connection to data source
- Statement: used to send DDL and DML statements to the data source
- ResultSet: used to access results of a query

Getting Started

➤ Environment Settings

> **echo \$CLASSPATH**

If /oracle/jdbc/lib/classes12.zip is not set:

- For bash users, add to .bashrc:

> **export CLASSPATH=\$CLASSPATH\:./oracle/jdbc/lib/classes12.zip**

- For csh or tcsh users, add to .cshrc:

> **setenv CLASSPATH \$CLASSPATH\:./oracle/jdbc/lib/classes12.zip**

➤ Import java.sql package in your java code

import java.sql.*;

Getting Started (cont.)

- `oraenv` **and** `coraenv` **are Unix/Linux** command line utilities that set the required environment variables (`ORACLE_SID`, `ORACLE_HOME` and `PATH`) to allow a user to connect to a given database instance.
- If you are using bourne shell
 `source /oracle/oraenv` or
if you are using the c shell,
 `source /oracle/coraenv`
- <http://gwynne.cs.ualberta.ca/~oracle/>

Getting Started (cont.)

➤ Establishing a connection

- Loading the driver

Class drvClass = Class.forName(driverName);

- Making a connection

**Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection (url,
userName, password);**

- driverName = oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver
- url = jdbc:oracle:thin:@gwynne.cs.ualberta.ca:1521:CRS
- Calling Class.forName will create an instance of the driver and register it for you automatically. You don't need to use DriverManager.registerDriver method in this context.
- <http://download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/technotes/guides/jdbc/getstart/drivermanager.html>

Getting Started (cont.)

➤ Sending SQL Statements

– Creating JDBC Statements

```
Statement stmt = m_con.createStatement();
```

– Executing Statements

```
stmt.executeQuery("select mname, category from  
movie");
```

```
stmt.executeUpdate("insert into movie (movieid)  
values (101)");
```

➤ Manipulating the results: **ResultSet** class

ResultSet Class

- represents the results of a query to the database
- the result can be read sequentially from the **ResultSet object** using method **next()**
- Example:
 - ***rset.next()***, where ***rset*** is an object of class ***ResultSet***

Creating a ResultSet

➤ use method **createStatement** from class **Connection** to specify properties of the **ResultSet** object.

➤ **Example:** creating a scrollable ResultSet

```
Statement stmt= conn.createStatement(  
    ResultSet.TYPE_SCROLL_SENSITIVE,  
    ResultSet.CONCUR_READ_ONLY);  
ResultSet rset=stmt.executeQuery("select ...");
```

ResultSet Properties Specification

- **types:**

- TYPE_FORWARD_ONLY (default)
- TYPE_SCROLL_INSENSITIVE (allows scroll and doesn't reflect changes)
- TYPE_SCROLL_SENSITIVE (reflects changes)

- **currency:**

- CONCUR_READ_ONLY (default, no updates)
- CONCUR_UPDATABLE (updates allowed)

ResultSet Methods for Cursors

- `rset.next()` – move forward one row;
- `rset.previous()` – move backward one row;
- `rset.first()` – move to the first row;
- `rset.last()` – move to the last row;
- `rset.getRow()` – obtain current position
- `rset.absolute(int n)` – move to the n^{th} row
- `rset.relative(int n)` – move n rows from current
- ...

Updating Data using ResultSet

- move **ResultSet** *rset* to the row to be changed
- use method **rset.updateXXX(column,value)** to change
 - e.g.: **rset.updateInt(1,25)** OR **rset.updateInt(“age”,25)**
- use method **rset.updateRow()** to make changes permanent

Note 1: statement must be **CONCUR_UPDATABLE**

Note 2: cannot be used if query is “select * from...”

Inserting Data using ResultSet

- move cursor to **special insert row** using method call **rset.moveToInsertRow()**
- set every column value using method call **rset.updateXXX(...)**
- insert new row in **ResultSet** and **table** using method call **rset.insertRow()**
- **Note:** statement must be **TYPE_SCROLL_SENSITIVE** and **CONCUR_UPDATABLE**

Deleting Data using ResultSet

- move cursor to the desired row
- delete row from **ResultSet** and **table** using method call **rset.deleteRow()**

Note: statement must be
TYPE_SCROLL_SENSITIVE and
CONCUR_UPDATABLE

Also check:

<http://download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/technotes/guides/jdbc/getstart/resultset.html>

Using MetaData to Display the ResultSet

- **ResultSetMetaData** class provides information about types and properties in a ResultSet
- use method **getMetaData()** on a ResultSet object to get the result set's metadata information
- use methods from **ResultSetMetaData** class to get the available information
 - **getColumnCount ()** – returns the number of columns in the ResultSet
 - **getColumnLabel (int column)** – returns the column title for use to display
 - **getColumnType (int column)** – returns a column's SQL type

Using MetaData to Display the ResultSet (cont.)

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```
ResultSetMetaData rsetMetaData = rset.getMetaData(); /* get metadata for ResultSet rset*/
int columnCount = rsetMetaData.getColumnCount(); /* get number of columns in result set*/
for ( int column = 1; column <= columnCount; column++) {...
    value = rsetMetaData.getColumnLabel(column); /* get column name */
... }
while (rset.next() ) {...
    for ( int index = 1; index <= columnCount; index++) {... /* get data one tuple at a time */
        o = rset.getObject(index); /* get the value as an Object */
        if (o != null )           value = o.toString(); /* convert it to String to display it */
        else                       value = "null";
        ...}
    ...}
...
...
```

What's Next:

- Work through the JDBC examples posted on the Course Webpage
- Other reference materials can be found in the "Reference Materials" section of the course webpage

Questions?