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CSN-103: Fundamentals of Object Oriented Programming

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Multiple catch Clauses



- In some cases, more than one exception could be raised by a single piece of code
- To handle this type of situation
 - We can specify two or more catch clauses
 - Each catching a different type of exception
- When an exception is thrown
 - Each catch statement is inspected in order
 - The first one whose type matches is executed
- After one catch statement executes, the others are bypassed
- Execution continues after the try /catch block

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Multiple catch Clauses



- It is important to remember
 - Exception subclasses must come before any of their superclasses
 - Otherwise, catch statement that uses a superclass will catch exception of that type and its subclasses
- Subclass would never be reached if it came after its superclass
- In Java, unreachable code is an error

```
SuperSubCatch.java:10: error: exception ArithmeticException has already been caught catch(ArithmeticException e) {
^
```

Nested try Statements



- The try statement can be nested
- If an inner try statement does not have a catch handler for a particular exception
 - The next try statement's catch handlers are inspected for a match
 - This continues until one of the catch statements succeeds
 - If no catch statement matches
 - Then, the Java run-time system will handle the exception

java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero

java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: Index 42 out of bounds for length 1

throw



- We are only catching exceptions that are thrown by the Java run-time system
- It is possible for your program to throw an exception explicitly
 - Using the throw statement
- The general form of throw is throw ThrowableInstance;
- ThrowableInstance must be an object of type Throwable or a subclass of Throwable
 - Primitive types and object of **String** and **Object** cannot be used as exceptions

throw



- The flow of execution stops immediately after the throw statement
- The nearest enclosing try block is inspected
 - If a catch statement that matches the type of exception is available
 - If it does, control is transferred to that statement
 - If not, then the next enclosing try statement is inspected, and so on
- If no matching catch is found
 - Then the default exception handler halts the program
 - Prints the stack trace

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ThrowDemo.java



Illustrates how to create one of Java's standard exception objects

throw new NullPointerException("demo");

- Most Java's built-in runtime exceptions have at least two constructors
 - One with no parameter and
 - One that takes a string parameter
 - When the second form is used, the argument specifies a string that describes the exception
- This string is displayed when the object is used as an argument to print() or println()

throws



- If a method is capable of causing an exception that it does not handle
 - This behavior must to specified to the callers of the method
- A throws clause lists the types of exceptions that a method might throw
 - throws is necessary for all exceptions
 - Except Error or RuntimeException (and their subclasses)
- General form of a method declaration with a throws clause:

```
type method-name(parameter-list) throws exception-list
{
     // body of method
}
```

finally



- finally creates a block of code that will be executed after a try /catch block has completed
 - and before the code following the try/catch block
- The finally block will execute whether or not an exception is thrown
- If an exception is thrown, the finally block will execute even if no catch statement matches the exception
- Useful for closing file handles and free inside procA reserved resources
- The finally clause is optional
 - However, each try statement requires at le procB clause

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inside procA
procA's finally
Exception caught
inside procB
procB's finally
inside procC
procC's finally

Creating Your Own Exception Subclasses

Custom Exception



- Create your own exception types to handle situations specific to your applications
- Just define a subclass of Exception (which is, of course, a subclass of Throwable)
 - Your subclasses don't need to actually implement anything
 - There existence in the program allows you to use them as exceptions
 - Sometimes it is better to override toString() to display a description of your exception
 - · Display a cleaner output

G:\My Drive\1.Courses\0 Called compute(1) Normal exit Called compute(20) Caught MyException[20]