

JDBC

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JDBC life cycle

1. Load the JDBC driver
2. Open a database connection
3. Create a Statement / PreparedStatement / CallableStatement
4. Execute SQL statements
5. Retrieve and potentially process the results of any SQL query
6. Close database connection

JDBC Lifecycle

Load the JDBC driver



Open a database connection



Create a Statement/
PreparedStatement/CallableStatement



Execute SQL Statements -
Queries/Inserts/Updates

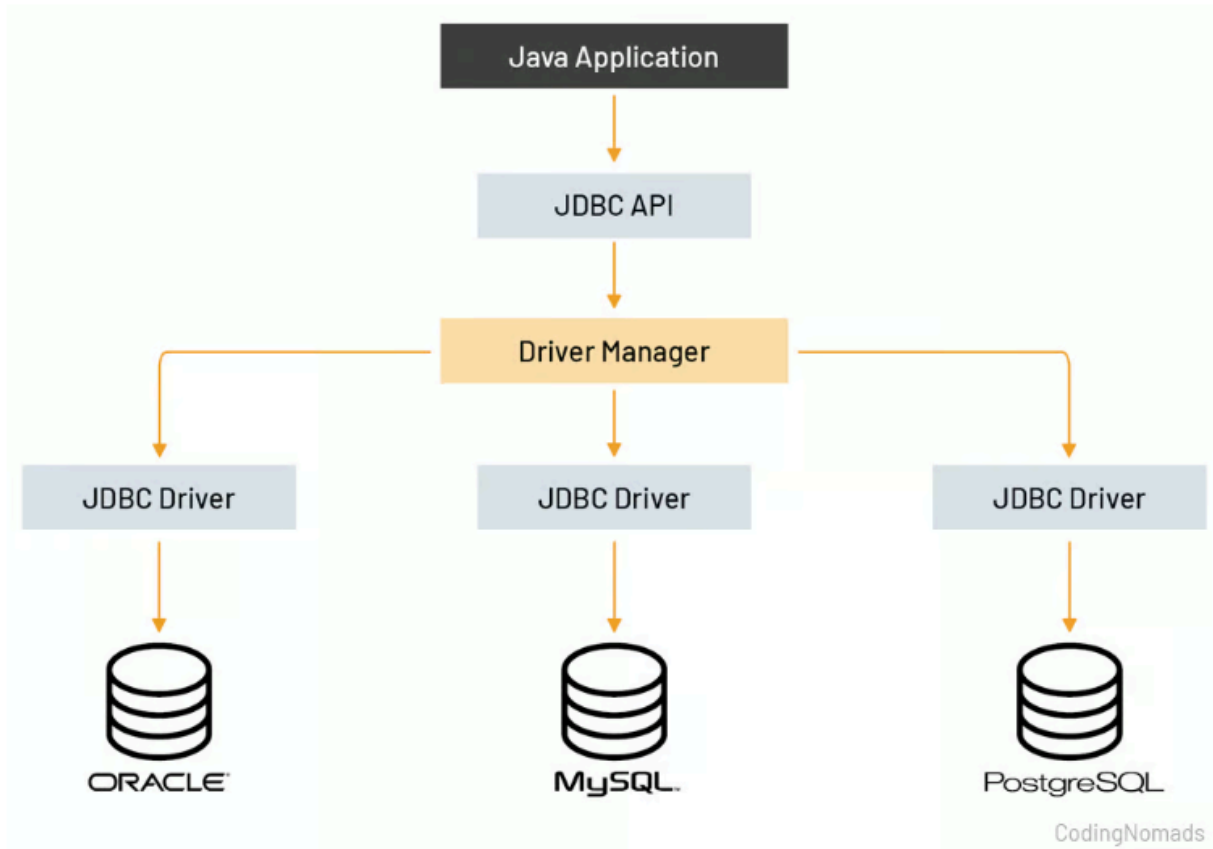


Process ResultSet, if applicable



Close database connection

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JDBC Lifecycle Guide

This guide explains the JDBC (Java Database Connectivity) lifecycle with code examples for each step.

1. Load the JDBC Driver

Before Java 8, you needed to explicitly load the JDBC driver using `Class.forName()`. In modern Java applications, this step is automatic when the driver is in the classpath.

```
1 // Legacy way (before Java 8)
2 Class.forName("com.mysql.cj.jdbc.Driver");
3
4 // Modern way - no explicit loading required
5 // Just ensure the driver is in your project dependencies
```

Add the appropriate dependency to your project:

```
1 <!-- For Maven -->
2 <dependency>
3     <groupId>mysql</groupId>
4     <artifactId>mysql-connector-java</artifactId>
```

```
5     <version>8.0.27</version>
6 </dependency>
```

2. Open a Database Connection

Use `DriverManager.getConnection()` to establish a connection to your database:

```
1 String url = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/your_database";
2 String username = "your_username";
3 String password = "your_password";
4
5 try (Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(url, username,
6     password)) {
7     // Use the connection here
8 } catch (SQLException e) {
9     e.printStackTrace();
10 }
```

3. Create SQL Statements

JDBC provides three types of statements:

Statement

Used for simple SQL queries without parameters:

```
1 Statement statement = connection.createStatement();
```

PreparedStatement

Used for SQL queries with parameters (recommended for preventing SQL injection):

```
1 String sql = "INSERT INTO users (name, email) VALUES (?, ?)";
2 PreparedStatement pstmt = connection.prepareStatement(sql);
3 pstmt.setString(1, "John Doe");
4 pstmt.setString(2, "john@example.com");
```

CallableStatement

Used for calling stored procedures:

```

1 String sql = "{call GetUserDetails(?)}";
2 CallableStatement cstmt = connection.prepareCall(sql);
3 cstmt.setInt(1, userId);

```

4. Execute SQL Statements

Different methods for executing SQL statements:

For SELECT queries:

```

1 // Using Statement
2 ResultSet rs = statement.executeQuery("SELECT * FROM users");
3
4 // Using PreparedStatement
5 ResultSet rs = pstmt.executeQuery();

```

For INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE:

```

1 // Using Statement
2 int rowsAffected = statement.executeUpdate("UPDATE users SET name =
  'Jane' WHERE id = 1");
3
4 // Using PreparedStatement
5 int rowsAffected = pstmt.executeUpdate();

```

For Stored Procedures:

```

1 boolean hasResults = cstmt.execute();

```

5. Process Results

Process the results from a SELECT query:

```

1 try (ResultSet rs = statement.executeQuery("SELECT * FROM users")) {
2     while (rs.next()) {
3         String name = rs.getString("name");
4         String email = rs.getString("email");
5         int age = rs.getInt("age");
6
7         // Process the data

```

```

8         System.out.println("Name: " + name + ", Email: " + email + ",
    Age: " + age);
9     }
10 }

```

6. Close Database Connection

Always close your resources in reverse order of creation. Use try-with-resources for automatic resource management:

```

1  try (
2      Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(url, username,
    password);
3      PreparedStatement pstmt = connection.prepareStatement(sql);
4      ResultSet rs = pstmt.executeQuery()
5  ) {
6      // Process results
7  } catch (SQLException e) {
8      e.printStackTrace();
9  }

```

Complete Example

Here's a complete example putting all the steps together:

```

1  import java.sql.*;
2
3  public class JDBCExample {
4      public static void main(String[] args) {
5          String url = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/your_database";
6          String username = "your_username";
7          String password = "your_password";
8
9          try (Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(url,
    username, password)) {
10             // Insert a new user
11             String insertSql = "INSERT INTO users (name, email) VALUES
    (?, ?)";
12             try (PreparedStatement pstmt =
    connection.prepareStatement(insertSql)) {
13                 pstmt.setString(1, "John Doe");
14                 pstmt.setString(2, "john@example.com");
15                 int rowsInserted = pstmt.executeUpdate();
16                 System.out.println("Rows inserted: " + rowsInserted);
17             }

```

```
18
19         // Query users
20         String selectSql = "SELECT * FROM users";
21         try (
22             Statement stmt = connection.createStatement();
23             ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery(selectSql)
24         ) {
25             while (rs.next()) {
26                 System.out.printf("User: %s, Email: %s%n",
27                     rs.getString("name"),
28                     rs.getString("email")
29                 );
30             }
31         }
32     } catch (SQLException e) {
33         e.printStackTrace();
34     }
35 }
36 }
```

Best Practices:

1. Always use try-with-resources for automatic resource cleanup
2. Use **PreparedStatement** instead of **Statement** when dealing with user input
3. Handle **SQLExceptions** appropriately in your application
4. Use connection pooling in production applications
5. Don't store credentials in your code; use configuration files or environment variables
6. Close resources in the reverse order of creation when not using try-with-resources

Remember to replace the database URL, username, and password with your actual database credentials when using this code.