

Course Objective

- Explain the Java programming environment
- Describe the concepts of programming elements using Java and object-oriented
- programming concepts
- Apply the exception handling and input/output in Java programming
- Apply the event handling, GUI programming using swing, and Java database connectivity

Unit 5: Exception Handling and Multithreading

- Dealing With Errors
- Catching Exceptions
- try, catch, throw, throws, and finally
- Introduction to Multithreading

Learning Outcome (Unit 5)

- Design and develop java error handling software.
- Understand multithreading and be able to apply it practically.



Errors

Syntax errors

- arise because the rules of the language have not been followed.
- detected by the compiler.

Logic errors

- leads to wrong results and detected during testing.
- arise because the logic coded by the programmer was not correct.

Runtime errors

 Occur when the program is running and the environment detects an operation that is impossible to carry out.

Code errors

- Divide by zero
- Array out of bounds
- Integer overflow
- Accessing a null pointer (reference)

Exception

- Is an abnormal condition that arises in a code sequence at run time.
- Also called runtime error.

Exception Handling

- A mechanism to handle exception by detecting and responding to exception in systematic way in order to maintain the normal flow of application.
- Any exception not handled are caught by JRE (java runtime environment).

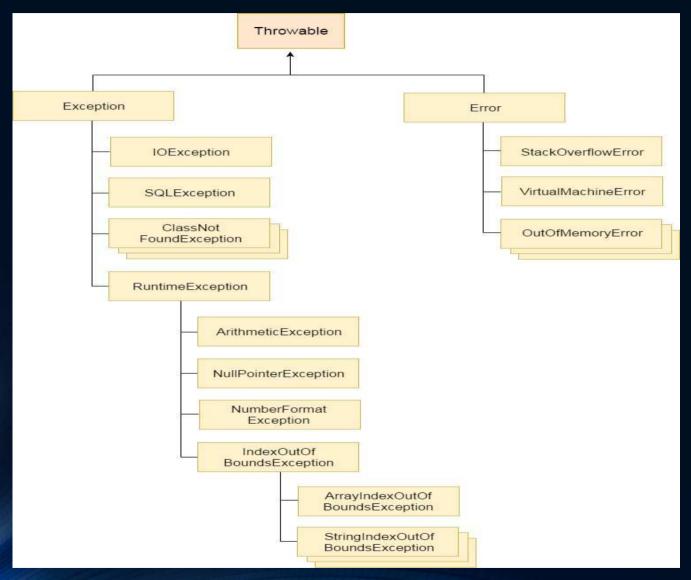


Fig: Exception Class Hierarchy (Image: javatpoint.com)

• Types of Exception:

- Checked Exception
 - The classes that extend Throwable class except RuntimeException and Error are known as checked exceptions.
 - . Checked exceptions are checked at compile-time.
 - E.g.
 - IOException, SQLException etc
- Unchecked Exception
 - The classes that extend RuntimeException are known as unchecked exceptions
 - Unchecked exceptions are not checked at compile-time rather they are checked at runtime.
 - E.g.
 - ArithmeticException, NullPointerException, ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException etc.
- Error
 - Error is irrecoverable
 - E.g.
 - OutOfMemoryError, VirtualMachineError, AssertionError etc.

```
class Error{
        public static void main(String[] args) {
2.
                int number = 5;
3.
                float result = number / o;
4.
                System.out.println("Result = "+result);
5.
6.
                 C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
7. }
                C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>javac Error.java
                C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java Error
                Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
                        at Error.main(Error.java:4)
                C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
```

```
class ArrayError{
        public static void main(String[] args) {
2.
                int number[] = {1,2,3,4,5};
3.
                int result = number[5];
4.
                System.out.println("Result = "+result);
5.
6.
                  C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
7. }
                 C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>javac ArrayError.java
                 C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java ArrayError
                 Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 5
                         at ArrayError.main(ArrayError.java:4)
                 C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
```



• Java provides 5 keywords that help handle exception.



Handling exception

```
void compute(){
    try{
       getIO();
    }catch(IOException e){
    }
}
```

```
void compute() throws IOException{
    getIO();
}
```

Handling exception:

```
class ThrowsException{
1.
      static void throwOne() throws IllegalAccessException{
2.
       System.out.println("Inside throwOne");
3.
       throw new IllegalAccessException("Sorry Illegal Access");
4.
5.
      public static void main(String args[]){
6.
      try{
7.
8.
       throwOne();
      }catch(IllegalAccessException ie){
9.
                                                C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
       System.out.println("Caught:="+ie);
10.
                                               C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>javac ThrowsException.java
11.
                                               C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java ThrowsException
                                               Inside throwOne
12.
                                               Caught:=java.lang.IllegalAccessException: Sorry Illegal Access
13.
                                               C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
```

Catching Exceptions:

```
try {
    //Statements that may throw exceptions
catch (Exception1 e1) {
 //code to handle exceptions of type Exception1;
catch (Exception2 e2) {
 // code to handle exceptions of type Exception2;
catch (ExceptionN eN) {
 // code to handle exceptions of type exceptionN;
// statement after try-catch block
```

• Catching Exceptions:

```
try {
    int numbers[10] = 56 / userInput;
}catch (ArithmeticException e1) {
    System.out.println("ArithmeticException occur");
}catch (ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e2) {
    System.out.println("ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException occur");
}catch (ExceptionN e) {
    System.out.println("Generic Exception occur");
}
```

- Getting Information from Exceptions:
- Use the instance of java.lang.Throwable class
 - String toString()
 - Returns a short description of the exception
 - String getMessage()
 - Returns the detail description of the exception
 - void printStackTrace()
 - Prints the stacktrace information on the console

Getting Information from Exceptions:

```
class ErrorHandle{
1.
          public static void main(String[] args) {
2.
                    try{
3.
                              int number = 5;
4.
                              float result = number / o;
5.
                               System.out.println("Result = "+result);
6.
                    }catch(ArithmeticException ae){
7.
                               System.out.println(ae.toString());
8.
                               System.out.println(ae.getMessage());
9.
                                                           C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>javac ErrorHandle.java
                               ae.printStackTrace();
10.
                                                           C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java ErrorHandle
                                                           java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
11.
                                                           java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
                                                                  at ErrorHandle.main(ErrorHandle.java:5)
12.
                                                           C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
13.
```

<u>Issues</u>

```
1. java.io.PrintWriter output = null;
2. try {
3.          output = new java.io.PrintWriter("text.txt");
4.          output.println("Welcome to Java");
5.          output.close();
6.     }
7.     catch(java.io.IOException ex){
8.          ex.printStackTrace();
9.     }
```

- Output must be closed despite exception.
- Same kind of situation: eg database connection

Solution

• Use *finally* clause for code that must be executed "no matter what"

```
try{
}catch(Exception1 e1){
}catch(ExceptionN en){
finally{//optional
```

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          output.println("Welcome to Java");
4.
5.
     catch(java.io.IOExcetion ex){
6.
           ex.printStackTrace();
7.
8.
     finally {
9.
10.
          if (output != null) output.close();
11.
```

• Finally Block:

- Executed when try block is exited in any of three ways:
 - After last statement of try block (success).
 - After last statement of catch clause, if this catch block caught an exception.
 - When an exception was thrown in try block and not caught
- Executed even if there is a return statement prior to reaching the finally block

• Throwing Exceptions:

- When somebody writes a code that could encounter a runtime error,
 - it creates an object of appropriate Exception class and throws it
 - and <u>must</u> also declare it in case of checked exception

```
1 class ThrowExample {
         static void demoproc(){
              try{
                  throw new NullPointerException("Throw Demo");
              }catch(NullPointerException npe){
                   System.out.println("Caught inside catch");
                   throw npe;//rethrowing excecption
 8
 9
         public static void main(String[] args) {
10
                                                                                C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
11
              try{
12
                   demoproc();
                                                                               C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java ThrowExample
                                                                               Caught inside catch
              }catch(NullPointerException ex){
13
                                                                               Recaught: java.lang.NullPointerException: Throw Demo
                   System.out.println("Recaught: "+ex);
14
                                                                               C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
15
16
17 }
```

- Creating Custom Exceptions:
- Create custom exception only if predefined exceptions are not sufficient.
- Create a class that extends Exception
- A good practice is to:
 - Add one argument less constructor
 - And another one string type parameter
- class BtypeError extends Exception{

```
2. BtypeError(){
```

- 3. //argument less constructor
- 4.
- 5. BtypeError(String msg){
- 6. //constructor with one string type parameter
- 7.
- 8. }

```
class CustomException extends Exception{
    private int detail;
    CustomException(int name){
        detail = name;
    public String message(){
        return "CustomException["+detail+"]";
class CreateException{
    static void compute(int number) throws CustomException{
        System.out.println("Called compute ("+number+")");
        if(number < 5){
            throw new CustomException(number);
        System.out.println("Normal Exit");
    public static void main(String args[]){
        try{
            compute(10);
            compute(20);
            compute(3);
        }catch(CustomException ce){
            System.out.println("Caught :="+ce);
```

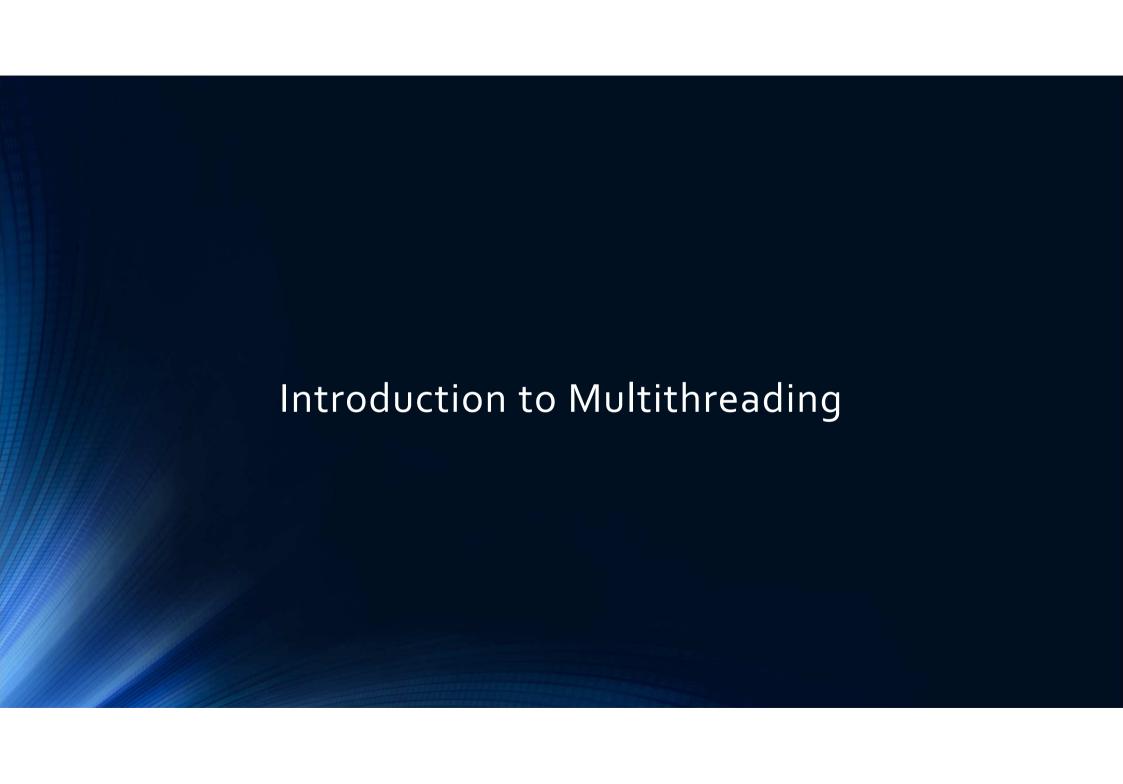
```
C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java CreateException
Called compute (10)
Normal Exit
Called compute (20)
Normal Exit
Called compute (3)
Caught :=CustomException

C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
```

- When to create Custom Exceptions?:
- Use the exception classes in the API whenever possible.
- You should write your own exception classes if you answer 'yes' to one of the following:
 - ✓ Do you need an exception type that isn't represented by those in the Java platform?
 - ✓ Would it help users if they could differentiate your exceptions from those thrown by classes written by other vendors?
 - ✓ Do you want to pass more than just a string to the exception handler?

- When to use Exceptions:
- •Use it if the event is truly exceptional and is an error
- •Do not use it to deal with simple, expected situations.

```
try {
  System.out.println(message.toString());
catch (NullPointerException ex) {
  System.out.println("message is null");
                 Above code can be replaced by code below.
if(message != null){
    System.out.println(message.toString());
}else{
    System.out.println("message is null");
```



mul·ti·thread·ing

/ˈməltiˈTHrediNG,ˈməltī-/

noun COMPUTING

noun: multithreading; noun: multi-threading

a technique by which a single set of code can be used by several processors at different stages of execution.

- Multithreading is achieved using thread, a light weight process.
- The can be easily spawned
- The Java Virtual Machine spawns a thread when your program is run called the Main Thread

• Why threads?

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- To increase response to the user
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- Eg:
 - Web server with multithreaded environment can serve multiple request simultaneously increasing response time.

- Creating Thread:
- Two ways to create thread
 - 1. Implementing Runnable interface
 - 2. Extending Thread class

- Creating Thread using Runnable Interface:
- First you need to implement the runnable interface
 - class RunnableThreadDemo implements Runnable{}
- Then use the methods provided by runnable interface
 - Thread(Runnable ThreadObj, String ThreadName) = one of the Thread constructor, used to instantiate thread class.
 - public void run() = serves as a entry point and define code that constitutes
 new thread
 - void start() = starts the thread, thread doesn't start unless called this method

```
class RunnableThreadDemo implements Runnable{
    Thread t:
   RunnableThreadDemo(){
       //create new second thread
       t = new Thread(this, "Demo Thread");
       System.out.println("Child thread:= "+t);
       t.start();//start thread
    //entry point for second thread
   public void run(){
        try{
           for(int i = 5; i >= 0; i --){
                System.out.println("Child Thread := "+i);
                Thread.sleep(500);
        }catch(InterruptedException e){
            System.out.println("Child interrupted");
       System.out.println("Exiting child thread");
class RunnableThread{
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       new RunnableThreadDemo(); // creates a new thread
        try{
           for (int i = 5; i >= 0; i--) {
                System.out.println("Main Thread := "+i);
                Thread.sleep(1000);
        }catch(InterruptedException e){
            System.out.println("Main thread interrupted");
       System.out.println("Exiting main thread");
```

```
C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>java RunnableThread
Child thread:= Thread[Demo Thread,5,main]
Main Thread := 5
Child Thread := 5
Child Thread := 4
Main Thread := 4
Child Thread := 3
Child Thread := 2
Main Thread := 3
Child Thread := 1
Child Thread := 0
Main Thread := 2
Exiting child thread
Main Thread := 1
Main Thread := 0
C:\Users\USER\Desktop\lecture\java\Unit -V\Programs>
```

- Creating Thread by extending Thread class:
- First you need to extend the Thread class
 - class RunnableThreadDemo extends Thread{}
- Then override the run() method and also call start() to begin thread.

```
class ExtendingThreadDemo extends Thread{
    ExtendingThreadDemo(){
       super("Demo Thread");
       System.out.println("Child thread := "+ this);
        start();
    //entry point for second thread
   public void run(){
        try{
            for(int i = 5; i >= 0; i --){
                System.out.println("Child Thread := "+i);
                Thread.sleep(500);
        }catch(InterruptedException e){
           System.out.println("Child interrupted");
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class ExtendingThread{
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       new ExtendingThreadDemo(); // creates a new thread
        try{
            for (int i = 5; i >= 0; i--) {
                System.out.println("Main Thread := "+i);
                Thread.sleep(1000);
        }catch(InterruptedException e){
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```

Suggested Readings

- •The respective topics in The complete Reference Java 7 (or any higher edition) by Hebert Schildt
- •https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/exceptions
- •https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/concurrency/



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