

Exceptions

Try-with-resources

Resource Management

- any external data sources (files, databases, etc.) are referred to as *resources*
- dealing with resource almost always requires three steps:
 1. opening the resource
 2. dealing with the resource (e.g. read/write)
 3. closing the resource
- forgetting to closing the resource can cause many bad things
 - *resource leak* results in resource becoming inaccessible
 - e.g. inability to connect to database by your or other programs, etc.

```
// example: method that opens a file, reads the data and closes the file
public void readFile(String file) {
    FileInputStream is = null;
    try {
        is = new FileInputStream("myfile.txt"); opening the resource
        // read file data
    } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    } finally {
        if (is != null) {
            try {
                is.close(); closing the resource
            } catch (IOException e2) {
                e2.printStackTrace();
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
// same thing, but using try-with-resources block  
// (also known as automatic resource management)
```

```
public void readFile(String file) {  
    try (FileInputStream is = new FileInputStream("myfile.txt")) {  
        // read file data  
    } catch (IOException e) {  
        e.printStackTrace();  
    }  
}
```

opening the resource

the resource is closed automatically
(implicit finally block)

```
// creating custom resource
```

```
public class MyFileClass implements AutoCloseable {
```

```
    private final int num;
```

interface with abstract method `close()` which has to be implemented

```
    public MyFileClass(int num) {
```

```
        this.num = num;
```

```
    }
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public void close() {
```

```
        System.out.println("closing MyFileClass #" + num);
```

```
    }
```

implementation of
method `close()`

```
}
```

```
// using MyFileClass resource with explicit finally block
```

```
try (MyFileClass bookReader = new MyFileClass(1);  
    MyFileClass movieReader = new MyFileClass(2)) {
```

```
    System.out.println("try block");
```

```
    throw new RuntimeException();
```

```
} catch (Exception e) {
```

```
    System.out.println("catch block");
```

```
} finally {
```

```
    System.out.println("finally block");
```

```
}
```

try block

closing MyFileClass #2

closing MyFileClass #1

catch block

finally block

when the exception occurs, first all the resources are closed (starting with the latest),
and only then the program continues to be executed in a regular order

Suppressed exceptions

- suppose `close()` can throw an exception, e.g.

```
public void close() throws IllegalStateException {  
    throw new IllegalStateException("The door does not close")  
}
```

- if try-with-resources block also throws an exception in catch block then
 - only the first exception will be caught
 - other exceptions will be suppressed

```
public class Door implements AutoCloseable {  
    public void close() throws IllegalStateException {  
        throw new IllegalStateException("The door does not close");  
    }  
}  
  
// in main method  
try (Door d = new Door()) {  
    throw new IllegalStateException("Something is wrong");  
} catch (IllegalStateException e)  
    System.out.println("caught: " + e.getMessage());  
    for (Throwable t : e.getSuppressed())  
        System.out.println("suppressed: " + t.getMessage());  
}  
  
this is how we can print out  
suppressed exceptions
```

```
caught: Something is wrong  
suppressed: The door does not close
```