

Introduction

JDBC is an API (Application Programming Interface) that helps a programmer to write Java programs to connect to a database, retrieve the data from the database and perform various operations on the data in the Java program.

Every database vendor will provide a document representing all the commands to connect and utilize the database features. This document is called 'API (Application Programming Interface) document'. API document is a file that contains description of all the features of a software, a product or a technology. The vendor of Oracle database has given functions like:

oLog() \Rightarrow to connect to database

oexec() \Rightarrow to execute a command

oLogoff() \Rightarrow to disconnect from Oracle database

In the same way MySQL database has give functions like:

mysql_connect() \Rightarrow to connect to database

mysql_execute() \Rightarrow to execute command

mysql_disconnect() \Rightarrow to disconnect from MySQL database.

This is cumbersome as there are hundreds of functions to learn. This is the reason software scientists have thought of creating a common API document. By using the functions of this common API document, programmers can communicate with any databse in the world, such document is called ODBC (Open Database Connectivity) API.

ODBC is a document that contains common functions to communicate with any database. It is created by Microsoft Corporation. If any organization creates a software depending on this ODBC document, it is called ODBC driver.

In the same way, Sun Microsystems INC. has also created an API document named JDBC (Java Database Connectivity) API and the actual software which is created according to JDBC API, is called JDBC Driver. JDBC API is defined in java.sql package. This package contains interfaces like Connection, Statement, ResultSet, CallableStatement, Driver,

ResultSetMetaData, PreparedStatement and classes like Date, Time,

DriverManager etc. Several companies have started developing software containing these interfaces and classes. These softwares are called JDBC drivers. For example, **classes12.jar** is a driver developed by Oracle corporation using which we can connect to Oracle database

and communicate with it. Similarly **gate.jar** is a JDBC driver from inet to connect to Oracle. Similarly **Mysql-connector-java-3.0.11-stable-bin.jar** is a driver to connect to MySQL database.

Stages in JDBC Program

The following are the stages used by Java Programmers while using JDBC in their programs

1. **Registering the Driver:** database driver is a software containing classes and interfaces written according to JDBC API. Since there are several drivers available in the market, we should first declare a driver which is going to be used for communication with the database server in a Java Program.
2. **Connecting to a database:** establish a connection with a specific database through the driver which is already registered.
3. **Preparing SQL statement in Java:** create SQL statements in our Java program using any of the interfaces like `Statement`, `PreparedStatement` which are available in `java.sql` package.
4. **Executing the SQL statements on the database:** `execute()`, `executeQuery()` and `executeUpdate()` methods of `Statement` interface are used to execute SQL statements.
5. **Retrieving the results:** obtained by executing the SQL statements can be stored in an object with the help of interfaces like `ResultSet`, `ResultSetMetaData` and `DatabaseMetaData`.
6. **Closing the connection:** close the connection between the Java program and the database by using `close()` method of `Connection` interface.

Registering the Driver

This is the first step to connect to a database. A programmer should specify which database driver can be used to connect to the database. There are different ways to register a driver.

1. By creating an object to driver class of the driver software. For example to register mysql driver, create an object to the driver class as shown below

```
com.mysql.jdbc.Driver = new com.mysql.jdbc.Driver();
```

2. By sending the driver class object to `registerDriver()` method of `DriverManager` class. For example, the object of `mysql` can be passed to `registerDriver` method as
`DriverManager.registerDriver (" com.mysql.jdbc.Driver ");`
3. By sending the driver class name directly to `forName()` method as
`Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");`

Connecting to Database

To connect to database, we should know three things

URL of the database URL (Uniform Resource Locator) represents a protocol to connect to the database. Simply speaking it locates the database on the network.

Username to connect to the database, every user will be given a username which is generally allotted by the database administrator.

Password is the password allotted to the user by the database administrator to connect to the database.

For Example, to connect to `mysql` database, write the following statement.

`DriverManager.getConnection`

```
("jdbc:mysql://localhost/test ", "root", "root");
```

Here, `"jdbc:mysql://localhost/test"` is the URL, `"root"` is the username, `"root"` is the password.

Example Program to connect to the Database.

```
1 import java.sql.*;
2 class ConnectionExample {
3     public static void main(String a[]) {
4         try {
5             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
6             Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //
7                 localhost/db_test ", "root", "root");
8             System.out.println (" Connected... ");
9         }
10        catch (SQLException e) {
11            System.out.println (" Exception" + e.getMessage());
12        }
13    }
14 }
```

```

11     }
12     catch (Exception e) {
13         System.out. println (" Exception'' +e.getMessage());
14     }
15 }
16 }

```

Preparing and Executing SQL Statements

We need SQL (Structured Query Language) statements which are useful to make different operations like creating table in the database, adding data to the database, updating the data of the database, deleting the data from the database and also retrieving the data from the database. SQL statements can be classified into two types as follows.

select statements help to retrieve data from the database in the form of rows.

non-select statements represents all other statements except select statement like create, update, delete etc.

The Statement interface provides three methods for creating SQL queries and returning a result.

boolean execute(sqlstring) returns a boolean indicating if ResultSet was returned. Many SQL statements can be executed with execute.

int executeUpdate(sqlstring) returns an int (number of rows affected) or 0 when the statement is a Data Definition Statement (DDL) statement, such as CREATE TABLE.

ResultSet executeQuery(sqlstring) returns a ResultSet object.

For Example, to create a table Student, we can use create statement as:

```

CREATE TABLE Student(sid int(32),
sname Varchar(35), age int(32),
address Varchar(50))

```

To execute the above statement, create statement object, as

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

And then, pass the SQL statement to execute() method as

```
stmt.execute (" CREATE TABLE Student(sid int(32),  
sname Varchar(35), age int(32),  
address Varchar(50))'');
```

Example Program to create table.

```
1 import java.sql.*;  
2 class CreateTableExample {  
3     public static void main(String a[]) {  
4         try {  
5             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");  
6             Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //  
localhost/db_test ", "root", "root");  
7             Statement stmt = con.createStatement();  
8             String query = "CREATE TABLE Student (sid int(32), sname  
Varchar(35), age int(32), address Varchar(50))'";  
9             stmt.execute(query);  
10            System.out. println (" Table Created");  
11        }  
12        catch (SQLException e) {  
13            System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());  
14        }  
15        catch (Exception e) {  
16            System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());  
17        }  
18    }  
19 }
```

Example Program to insert records.

```
1 import java.sql.*;  
2 class InsertRecordsExample {  
3     public static void main(String a[]) {  
4         try {  
5             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");  
6             Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //  
localhost/db_test ", "root", "root");
```

```
7         Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
8         String query1 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (100, 'Raj', 22, '
Gachibowli)";
9         String query2 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (101, 'Sagar', 26, '
Dsnr)";
10        String query3 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (103, 'Sruthi', 20, '
Vizag)";
11        String query4 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (104, 'Swathi', 28,
'Mbnr)";
12        stmt.executeUpdate(query1);
13        stmt.executeUpdate(query2);
14        stmt.executeUpdate(query3);
15        stmt.executeUpdate(query4);
16        System.out.println (" Records Inserted  Sucessfully ");
17    }
18    catch (SQLException e) {
19        System.out.println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
20    }
21    catch (Exception e) {
22        System.out.println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
23    }
24 }
25 }
```

Closing Connection

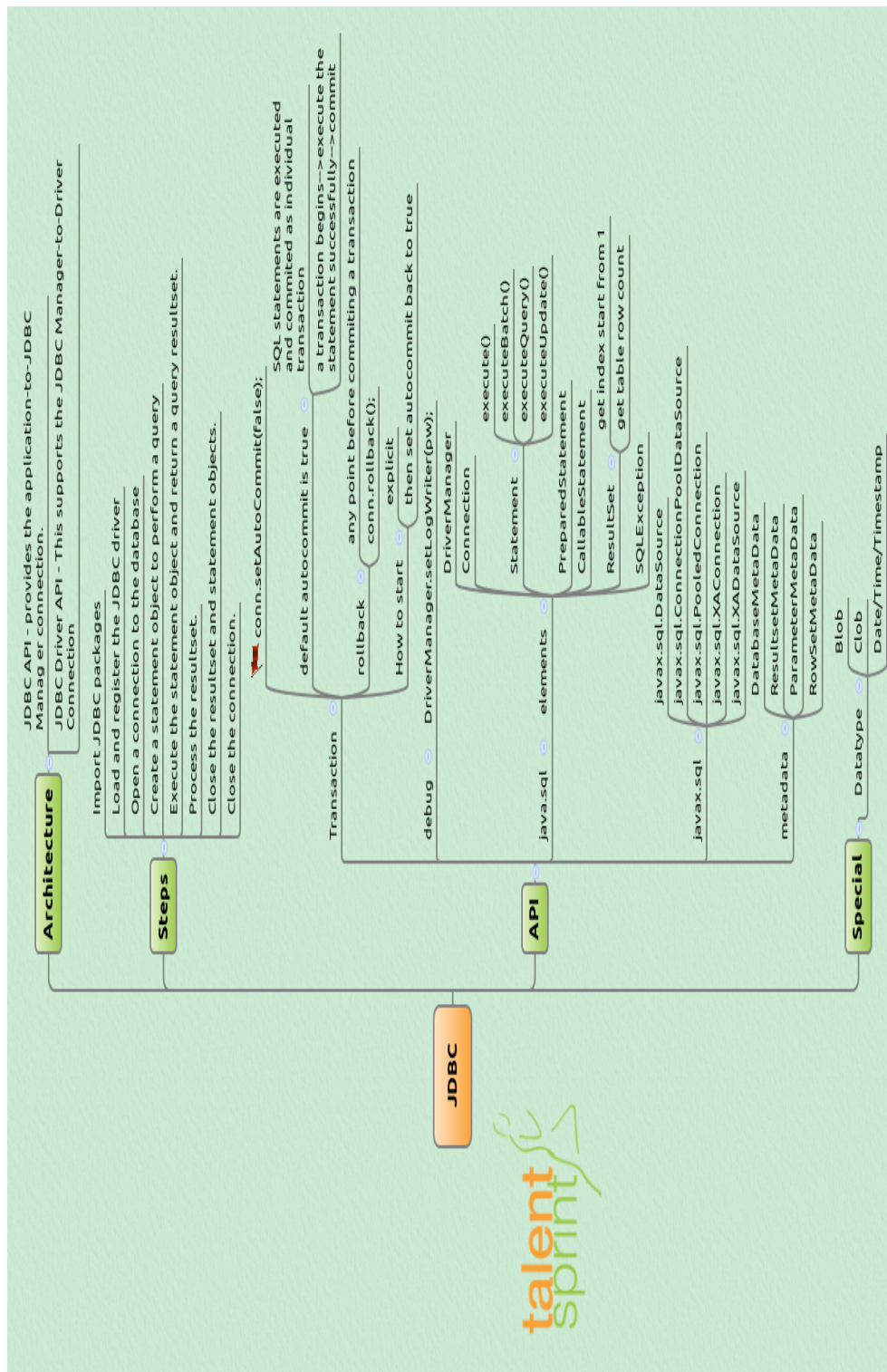
After executing all the required SQL statements and obtaining the results, close the connection and release the session. This can be done by calling `close()` method of the `Connection` interface as follows.

```
Connection.close();
```

Example Program to Insert records.

```
1 import java.sql.*;
2 class InsertCloseExample {
3     public static void main(String a[]) {
```

```
4      try {
5          Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
6          Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //
localhost/db_test ", "root ", "root ");
7          Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
8          String query1 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (100, 'Raj', 22, '
Gachibowli)";
9          String query2 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (101, 'Sagar', 26, '
Dsnr)";
10         String query3 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (103, 'Sruthi', 20, '
Vizag)";
11         String query4 = "INSERT INTO Student VALUES (104, 'Swathi', 28,
'Mbnr)";
12         stmt.executeUpdate(query1);
13         stmt.executeUpdate(query2);
14         stmt.executeUpdate(query3);
15         stmt.executeUpdate(query4);
16         System.out. println (" Records Inserted  Sucessfully ");
17     }
18     catch (SQLException e) {
19         System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
20     }
21     catch (Exception e) {
22         System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
23     }
24     finally {
25         if (con != null) {
26             System.out. println (" Closing connection");
27             con. close();
28         } else {
29             System.out. println (" Connection Closed");
30         }
31     }
32 }
33 }
```

PreparedStatement

Using PreparedStatement in place of Statement interface will improve the performance of a JDBC program. When a SQL statement is sent to database, the following tasks are performed

- The SQL statement's syntax should be verified to know whether it is correct or not. The SQL statement is divided into small pieces called 'tokens'. These tokens are also verified to know whether they are in SQL format or not.
- The another verification is done to know whether the table mentioned in the statement exists or not.

The above two statements are called 'parsing' and takes some time. When a SQL statement is executed, Statement interface does parsing every time the statement is executed and takes more time. On the other hand, if we use PreparedStatement, it does parsing only once and saves time. Hence PreparedStatement offers better performance.

We should create PreparedStatement object using `prepareStatement()` method of Connection interface as

```
PreparedStatement stmt = con.prepareStatement("INSERT  
INTO Student VALUES(?, ?, ?, ?)");
```

Here, '?' represents the value to be passed to the columns of the row. The first ? represents the value to be passed to the first column and the second ? represents the value for second column. These values can be passed using `setXXX()` method as

```
setInt (1, value);  
setString (2, value);
```

Example Program to insert records using PreparedStatement.

```
1 import java.sql.*;  
2 class PsInsertExample {  
3     public static void main(String a[]) {  
4         try {  
5             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");  
6             Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql://  
localhost/db_test ", "root ", "root ");  
7             String query = "INSERT into Student VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?) ";
```

```
8      PreparedStatement pstmt = con.prepareStatement(query);
9      pstmt.setInt (1, 105);
10     pstmt.setString (2, "Prashanth");
11     pstmt.setInt (3, 24);
12     pstmt.setString (4, "Kerela");
13     pstmt.executeUpdate();
14     pstmt.setInt (1, 106);
15     pstmt.setString (2, "Chandu");
16     pstmt.setInt (3, 21);
17     pstmt.setString (4, "Delhi");
18     pstmt.executeUpdate();
19     System.out. println (" Rows Inserted  Sucessfully ");
20 }
21 catch (SQLException e) {
22     System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
23 }
24 catch (Exception e) {
25     System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
26 }
27 finally {
28     if (con != null) {
29         System.out. println (" Closing connection");
30         con. close ();
31     } else {
32         System.out. println (" Connection Closed");
33     }
34 }
35 }
36 }
```

Working With ResultSet Interface

ResultSet is an interface that manages the resulting data returned from a Statement.

ResultSet objects

- `ResultSet` maintains a cursor to the returned rows. The cursor is initially pointing before the first row.
- The `ResultSet.next()` method is called to position the cursor in the next row.
- The default `ResultSet` is not updatable and has a cursor that points only forward.
- It is possible to produce `ResultSet` objects that are scrollable and/or updatable as follows.

```
Statement stmt = con.createStatement  
                (ResultSet.TYPE_SCROLL_INSENSITIVE,  
                 ResultSet.CONCUR_UPDATABLE);
```

ResultSet methods

boolean next() moves the cursor to the one row next from the current position.

boolean previous() moves the cursor to the one row previous from the current position.

boolean first() moves the cursor to the first row in result set object.

boolean last() moves the cursor to the last row in result set object.

boolean absolute(int row) moves the cursor to the specified row number in the `ResultSet` object.

boolean relative(int row) moves the cursor to the relative row number in the `ResultSet` object, it may be positive or negative.

int getInt(int columnIndex) returns the data of specified column index of the current row as `int`.

int getInt(String columnName) returns the data of specified column name of the current row as `int`.

String getString(int columnIndex) returns the data of specified column index of the current row as `String`.

String getString(String columnName) returns the data of specified column name of the current row as `String`.

Example Program to retrieve records.

```
1  import java.sql.*;
2  class SelectExample {
3      public static void main(String a[]) {
4          try {
5              Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
6              Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //
localhost/db_test ", "root", "root");
7              Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
8              String query = "SELECT * FROM Student";
9              ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery(query);
10             while (rs.next()) {
11                 System.out.println (" current Row : " +rs.getRow());
12                 System.out.println (" Id : " +rs.getInt (" sid"));
13                 System.out.println (" Name :"+rs.getString (" sname"));
14                 System.out.println (" Age : " +rs.getInt(3));
15             }
16             catch (SQLException e) {
17                 System.out.println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
18             }
19             catch (Exception e) {
20                 System.out.println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
21             }
22             finally {
23                 if (con != null) {
24                     System.out.println (" Closing connection");
25                     con.close();
26                 } else {
27                     System.out.println (" Connection Closed");
28                 }
29             }
30         }
31     }
```

ResultSetMetaData Interface

ResultSetMetaData interface is used to describe a JDBC Driver object that encapsulates the metadata of the cursor. The ResultSetMetaData object is used to retrieve information about the columns in a ResultSet. It can also be used to get the information like column names, column datatypes, and column length, related to particular result. The ResultSetMetaData object is obtained by using the ResultSet object, that is by invoking the `getMetaData()` method on the ResultSet object.

Methods of ResultSetMetaData

getColumnCount() returns an integer value and retrieves the number of columns in the ResultSet object.

getColumnName(int index) takes the column index and returns the column name.

getColumnType(int index) takes the column index and returns the integer value that indicates the columns SQL type.

getColumnLabel(int index) retrieves the title of the specified column in the ResultSet object.

getTableName(int column) retrieves the name of the specified column in the ResultSet object.

getColumnTypeName(int index) takes the column index and returns the database specific type name.

Example Program to demonstrate ResultSetMetaData.

```
1 import java.sql.*;
2 class RSMetaDataExample {
3     public static void main(String a[]) {
4         try {
5             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
6             Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql://
localhost/db_test ", "root ", "root ");
7             Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
8             String query = "SELECT * FROM Student ";
9             ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery(query);
```

```

10         ResultSetMetaData md = rs.getMetaData();
11         System.out. println (" Column count : " +md.getColumnCount());
12         System.out. println ("second column Name : " +md.getColumnName
(2));
13         System.out. println (" Column Data Type : " +md.
getColumnTypeName(2));
14     }
15     catch (SQLException e) {
16         System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
17     }
18     catch (Exception e) {
19         System.out. println (" Exception" +e.getMessage());
20     }
21     finally {
22         if (con != null) {
23             System.out. println (" Closing connection");
24             con. close ();
25         } else {
26             System.out. println (" Connection Closed");
27         }
28     }
29 }
30 }

```

Working With Batch Updates

The batch update option allows you to submit multiple Data Manipulation Language (DML) operations to a database as a single unit. Submitting multiple DML statements together, rather than submitting them individually, improves the performance of the system by reducing the time consumption in executing statements.

Batch Update Methods

addBatch(String SQLStatement) adds the given SQL statement to the current batch i.e, the batch that is managed by this Statement object.

clearBatch() clears the batch currently associated with this Statement object.

int[]executeBatch() submits the current batch on this `Statement` object to the underlying datasource. Once the batch is submitted to the data source, the statements in a batch are executed in the sequence in which they have been added to the batch. The following are the outcomes of this method.

- If the batch executes successfully, this method returns an array of integer values whose length is equal to the number of statements in the batch.
- If the value of any element in this array is equal to `STATEMENT.SUCCESS_NO_INFO`, it indicates that the statement has been executed successfully but the number of rows affected is unknown.
- In case a statement in a batch fails to be executed or produces a result set, further processing of the batch execution depends on the database that is in use. The database may continue to execute the batch or may terminate it.

Example Program to demonstrate Batch Updates.

```
1  import java.sql.*;
2  class BatchExample {
3      public static void main(String args[]) {
4          Connection con = null;
5          try {
6              Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
7              con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql://localhost/db_test", "root", "root");
8              Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
9              String query1 = "INSERT INTO EMP VALUES (109, 'albert', 9000)";
10             ;
11             String query2 = "INSERT INTO EMP VALUES (110, 'robert', 8000)";
12             ;
13             String query3 = "UPDATE EMP SET sal = sal + 1000";
14             String query4 = "DELETE FROM EMP WHERE empno = 109";
15             stmt.addBatch(query1);
16             stmt.addBatch(query2);
17             stmt.addBatch(query3);
18             stmt.addBatch(query4);
19             int a[] = stmt.executeBatch();
20             System.out.println(a[0] + " row(s) inserted");
```



```

19         System.out. println (a [1] + " row(s) inserted ");
20         System.out. println (a [2] + " row(s) updated");
21         System.out. println (a [3] + " row(s) deleted ");
22     } catch(Exception e) {
23         System.out. println (" Exception: " + e.getMessage());
24     }
25     finally {
26         try {
27             con. close ();
28         } catch(Exception e){}
29     }
30 }
31 }

```

DataBaseMetaData Interface

DataBaseMetaData is an interface implemented by the JDBC driver provider. The DataBaseMetaData object encapsulates all the information related to the database and driver. The DataBaseMetaData object is useful to get the database details, such as DB vendor name, product name, version etc. Use the `Connection.getMetaData()` method to get the DataBaseMetaData object.

Methods of DataBaseMetaData

int getDatabaseMajorVersion() retrieves the major version number of the database in use.

int getDatabaseMinorVersion() retrieves the minor version number of the database in use.

String getDatabaseProductName() retrieves the name of this database product.

String getDatabaseProductVersion() retrieves the version number of this database product.

int getDriverMajorVersion() retrieves the major version number of the JDBC Driver.

int getDriverMinorVersion() retrieves the minor version number of the JDBC Driver.

int getMaxRowSize() retrieves the maximum number of bytes a database allows in a single row.

int getMaxConnections() retrieves the maximum number of concurrent connections to a database that are possible.

String getDriverName() retrieves the name of this JDBC driver.

String getURL() retrieves the URL for this DBMS.

String getUsername() retrieves the user name as known to this database.

Example Program to demonstrate DataBaseMetaData.

```

1  import java.sql.*;
2  class DBMetaDataExample {
3      public static void main(String a[]) {
4          try {
5              Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
6              Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql: //
localhost/db_test ", "root", "root");
7              DatabaseMetaData md = con.getMetaData();
8              System.out.println (" Product Name : "+md.
getDatabaseProductName());
9              System.out.println (" Version : '"+md.getDatabaseProductVersion());
10             System.out.println (" Driver Name : '"+md.getDriverName());
11             System.out.println (" Major Version : '"+md.
getDatabaseMajorVersion());
12             System.out.println (" Minor Version : '"+md.
getDatabaseMinorVersion());
13             System.out.println (" Size : '"+md.getMaxRowSize());
14             System.out.println (" URL : '"+md.getURL());
15             System.out.println (" User : '"+md.getUsername());
16         }
17         catch (SQLException e) {
18             System.out.println (" Exception'' +e.getMessage());
19         }
20         catch (Exception e) {
21             System.out.println (" Exception'' +e.getMessage());

```

```

22     }
23     finally {
24         if (con != null) {
25             System.out.println (" Closing connection' ');
26             con.close();
27         } else {
28             System.out.println (" Connection Closed' ');
29         }
30     }
31 }
32 }
```

Transactions

Transaction is a set of statements executed on a resource or resources applying ACID properties. In multiple environments various users work on databases and there may be chances of data loss. Therefore, to avoid data loss, DBMS is used to maintain data integrity within database. Transactions are required to provide data integrity, correct application semantics, and a consistent view of data during concurrent access. In general, DBMS provides atomicity, consistency, isolation, and durability for each transaction in a database. These properties are collectively called as the ACID properties.

Describing ACID properties

Atomicity is the ability of a transaction to hold the decision of saving the statement until the end of the set of statements i.e, transactions.

Consistency guarantees that the data remains in a legal state when the transaction begins and ends.

Isolation is the ability of the transaction to isolate or hide the data from other transactions until it ends.

Durability guarantees that once the user has been notified of the successful transaction i.e, if a transaction is committed , it will persist all the statements or it will leave complete transaction unsaved.

JDBC Transactions

By default, when a Connection is created, transaction is in auto-commit mode.

- Each individual SQL statement is treated as transaction and automatically committed after it is executed.

- To group two or more statements together, disable auto-commit mode.

```
Connection.setAutoCommit(false);
```

- Explicitly call the commit method to complete the transaction with in the database.

```
Connection.commit();
```

- Transactions can be rolled back programatically in the event of failure.

```
Connection.rollback ();
```

By default, JDBC auto commits all SQL statements. However when you want to create an atomic operations that involves multiple SQL statements, disable auto-commit. After auto-commit is disabled no SQL statements are committed to the database until commit method is called explicitly. The other advantage of managing transactions is the ability to rollback the set of statements in the event of failure using rollback method.



Note

Create table and Insert the data as given below in the database.

```
CREATE TABLE Bank(accno int, bal int);
```

```
INSERT INTO Bank VALUES(101, 10000);
```

```
INSERT INTO Bank VALUES(102, 10000);
```

Example Program to demonstrate Transactions.

```
1 import java.sql.*;
2 class TransactionExample {
3     public static void main(String a[]) {
4         Connection con = null;
5         try {
6             Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
7             con = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/
db_test ", "root ", "root ");
```

```
8      Statement stmt = con.createStatement();
9      con.setAutoCommit(false);
10     stmt.addBatch("update Bank set bal = bal - 1000 where accno =
7900");
11     stmt.addBatch("update Bank set bal = bal + 1000 where accno =
000"); // fails updating record
12     int a[] = stmt.executeBatch();
13     for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
14         if (a[i] != 0) {
15             System.out.println (" Transaction is success .. ");
16             return;
17         }
18     }
19     System.out.println (" Transaction is fail .. ");
20     con.rollback ();
21 } catch (Exception e) {
22     System.out.println (" Exception" + e.getMessage());
23     System.out.println (" Transaction is failed .. ");
24     con.rollback ();
25 }
26 finally {
27     try {
28         con.commit();
29         con.close ();
30     } catch(Exception e){}
31 }
32
33 }
34 }
```