



JDBC Basics

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INTRODUCTION

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Identify the classes/Interface in JDBC API
- Demonstrate the steps involved in connecting to Database
- Distinguish the types of drivers
- Identify and Use the classes/interfaces during each Step
- Map SQL and Java Data types





Refer package **com.mgait.jdbc** in the provided code base for demo programs on the topics covered in this presentation

The demo programs use the 'hr' schema of Oracle Express Edition

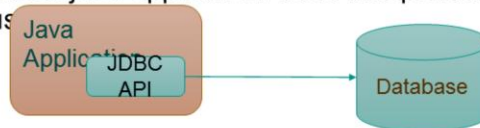


CONCEPT *JDBC API*



Introduction to JDBC

- JDBC stands for Java Database Connectivity
- Standard API which enables java applications to interact with relational databases
- JDBC API makes java application code independent of the database the application uses

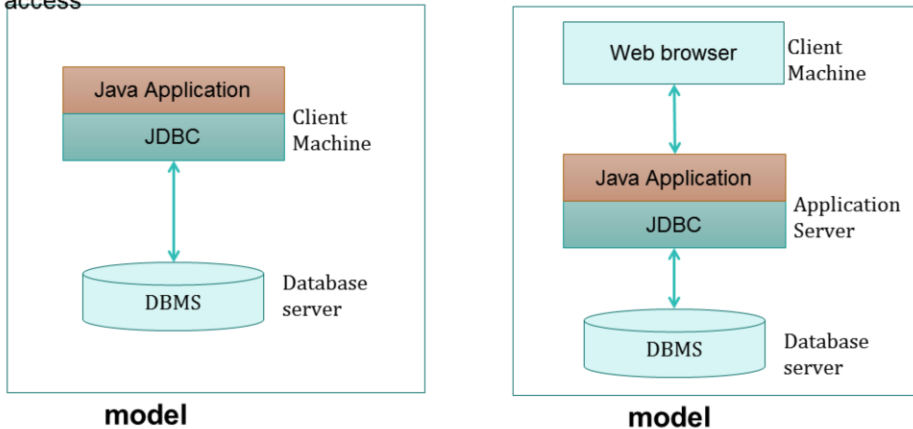


- JDBC API defines interfaces and classes which standardize the way in which java application
 - Connect to Database
 - Execute queries



JDBC Architecture

The JDBC API supports both two-tier and three-tier processing models for database access



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In the two-tier model, a Java application talks directly to the data source. The database may be located on another machine to which the user is connected via a network. It is based on client server architecture. The client contains all the code to interact with the database.

In the three-tier model, commands are sent to a "middle tier", which then sends the commands to the data source. The data source processes the commands and sends the results back to the middle tier, which then sends them to the user.

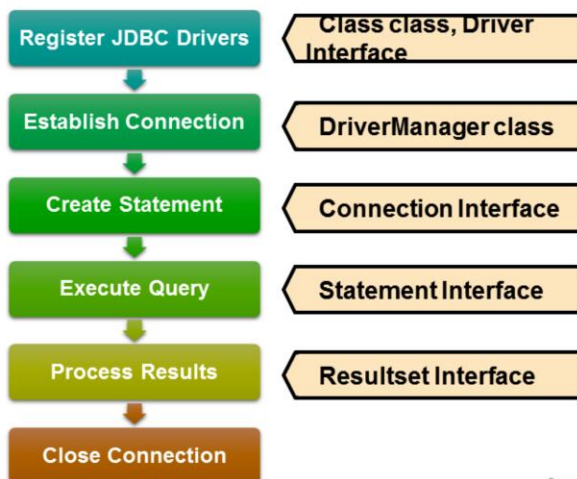


Steps for accessing database using JDBC





JDBC API classes and interfaces



- **java.sql** and **javax.sql** packages define the classes and interfaces required for accessing data from a data source
- **SQLException** is thrown in case of error while accessing the data source
- Every Database vendor providing java connectivity to their databases implements the JDBC API
- The implemented API is provided as a jar file containing specific classes for the database





JDBC Driver and its types

- JDBC Driver is a software component that enables java application to interact with the database

Type 1 : Bridge

- JDBC ODBC Bridge Driver

Type 2 : Native

- Native API Driver

Type 3: Middleware

- Network Protocol Driver

Type 4 : Pure

- Native Protocol Driver

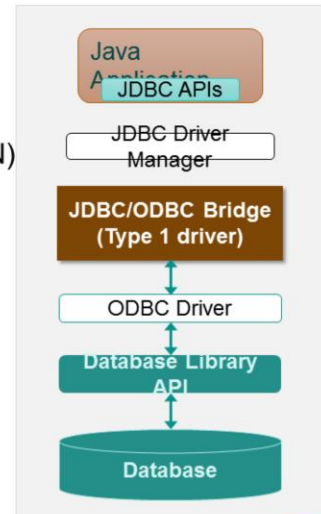


Type-1: JDBC-ODBC Bridge Driver

- Translates JDBC calls into ODBC calls and sends to the ODBC driver
- ODBC requires configuring a Data Source Name (DSN)

- Allows access to almost any database which has ODBC driver

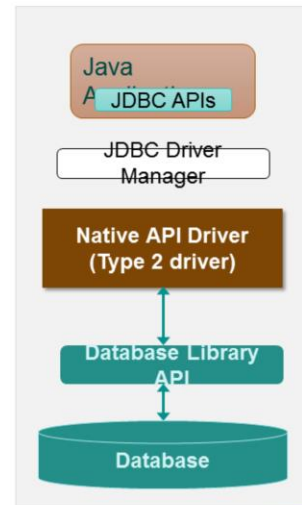
- Slowest of all drivers
- ODBC driver needs to be installed on the client machine
- Recommended only for experimental use or when no other alternative is available
- Not suitable for Web





Type-2: Native API Driver

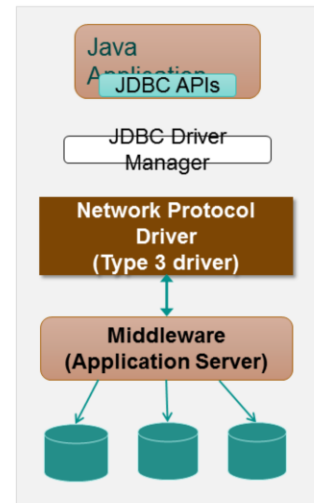
- Driver implementation uses the client-side libraries of the database
 - It converts JDBC method calls into native calls of the database API
 - Ex. Oracle Call Interface (OCI) driver
 - Offers better performance than the JDBC-ODBC Bridge
- The database client library needs to be installed on the client machine
 - It is platform dependent
 - Not suitable for Web





Type-3: Network Protocol Driver

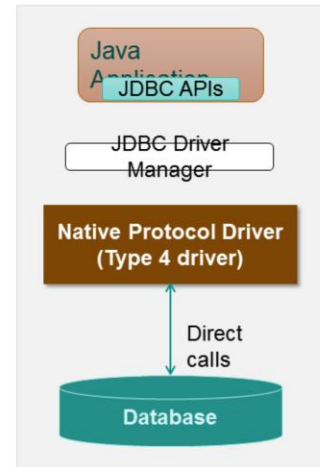
- Follows a three tier communication approach
- JDBC calls are passed to the middle-tier server that translates the JDBC calls to vendor specific database calls
- Extremely Flexible as single driver can provide access to multiple databases
- Fully written in java
 - Communication between client and the middleware server is database independent
 - Can connect to multiple databases
 - Portable across platforms
- Requires database-specific coding to be done in the middle tier





Type-4 : Native Protocol Driver

- Also known as the Direct to Database Pure Java Driver
- Uses java networking libraries to directly communicate with the database server
- Converts JDBC calls directly into a vendor-specific
 - Highest performance driver available for the database
 - Completely written in java to achieve platform independence
- Drivers are database dependent, hence separate driver is required for each database





Driver Selection

- Type-4
 - Preferred driver, When java application needs to access one type of database, such as Oracle, MySQL, etc
- Type-3
 - Preferred driver, If a Java application is accessing multiple types of databases
- Type-2
 - Are useful in situations where a type 3 or type 4 driver is not available yet
- Type-1
 - Not considered a deployment-level driver and is typically used for development and testing purposes only



Register JDBC Driver

- `Class.forName("driver class name")` method loads the driver class in memory and registers it with the DriverManager
- When a driver is registered, it becomes available for making a connection with DBMS

- Example of Loading and registering a Oracle Driver

```
try {  
    Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.OracleDriver");  
} catch (ClassNotFoundException ex) {  
    System.out.println("Error: Unable to load driver class!");  
}
```

Oracle
Driver
class
Name

Note :

- `DriverManager.registerDriver(...)` can also be used to register a driver. Hardly used unless it is a custom driver





Establishing Connection with DBMS

- DriverManager class is used to establish a connection with the DBMS
- DriverManager
 - Maintains a list of drivers that are registered with it
 - Responsible for finding a driver corresponding to the database connection URL
 - Responsible for using appropriate driver to connect to the corresponding database
- ```
getConnection(String url, String user, String password) : Connection
getConnection(String url) : Connection
```



## Format of Database Connection URL

- Database connection Url provides the necessary information needed by DriverManager to connect to the DBMS
- Connection Url is database specific i.e varies depending on the database

### URL Syntax for Oracle

`jdbc:oracle:<driver type>@<hostname>:<port>:<Oracle SID>`

**URL:** `jdbc:oracle:thin@localhost:1521:XE`

### URL with userid and password included

`jdbc:oracle:thin:usr1/pass1@localhost:1521:XE`

### URL for MySQL

`jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/test`



## Opening a Connection using DriverManager

```
static final String DB_URL = "jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:XE";
static final String USERID = "hr";
static final String PASSWORD = "hr";
try{
 Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(DB_URL, USERID, PASSWORD);
} catch (SQLException ex) {
 System.out.println("Error: Unable to open connection");
}
```

- getConnection(...) method returns a Object of type Connection
- The object returned is assigned to the Connection Interface



## Connection Interface

- Connection Interface provides methods for
  - Creating Statement Objects
  - Transaction Management
  - Getting meta data of Database
  - Ending the Connection
- Connection object represents a connection session with a database
- Java Application can have connections to multiple database or multiple connections to a single database
- Connection has to be closed once all the data access is complete for the session





## Create Statement

- `createStatement()` method of `Connection` Interface is used to create a `Statement` object
- `Statement` object is used to send SQL statements to the database.

```
try{
 Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(DB_URL, USERID, PASSWORD);
 Statement statement = conn.createStatement();
}
catch(SQLException ex) {
 System.out.println("Error: Unable to open connection");
}
```







## Executing Query

- Statement object is used to execute a static SQL query and return the results of the query
- **Statement Interface** provides methods for execution of static SQL queries

```
executeQuery(sql) method is used to execute a SQL statement (SELECT
String sql = "Select COUNTRY_ID, COUNTRY_NAME from COUNTRIES";
try{
 Connection conn = ...
 Statement statement = conn.createStatement();

 ResultSet result = statement.executeQuery(sql);

 catch(SQLException ex) {
 System.out.println("Error: Unable to open connection");
 }
}
```





## ResultSet

- The results of the SELECT query executed using Statement object is returned in a **ResultSet** object

```
Select COUNTRY_ID, COUNTRY_NAME from COUNTRIES
where REGION_ID = 3;
```

| COUNTRY_ID<br><i>char(2)</i> | COUNTRY_NAME<br><i>varchar(40)</i> | REGION_ID<br><i>Number</i> |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| AR                           | Argentina                          | 2                          |
| BE                           | Belgium                            | 1                          |
| IN                           | India                              | 3                          |
| AU                           | Australia                          | 3                          |

COUNTRIES TABLE

- The above query when executed by the Statement Object will return the Resultset as shown
- ResultSet object maintains a cursor that points to the current row in the result set



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| IN | India     |
| AU | Australia |

RESULTS  
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- The initial position of the cursor for a new

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## Process Results

- ResultSet Interface provides methods for navigating the ResultSet, retrieving and manipulating the data in the ResultSet

- For retrieval, the cursor has to be positioned on the row using next() method before retrieving the data

```
ResultSet result = statement.executeQuery(sql);
result.next(); //returns true if row exists
```

- ResultSet interface provides **getXXX(..)** methods to retrieve the column values from the current row, based

```
String ctryId = result.getString("COUNTRY_ID");
String ctryName = result.getString("COUNTRY_NAME");
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```
result.getString(1);
result.getString(2);
```





## CLOSE CONNECTION

- After retrieving the data from the ResultSet, the Statement object has to be closed to release the resources held
- close() method releases the database and JDBC resources immediately
- Closing a statement object automatically closes the ResultSet object that was generated by the Statement

```
statement.close();
```

- If the Connection to Database is no more needed, It should be closed as below to release JDBC and database resources

```
connection.close();
```



## SQLException

- SQLException is thrown, If any errors occur while accessing the database using jdbc
- SQLException is defined in java.sql package
- Methods for getting details about the Exception
  - `getErrorCode()`
    - Returns an error code that is specific to each vendor. Normally this will be the actual error code returned by the underlying database.
  - `getMessage()`
    - Returns a string describing the error
  - `getSQLState()`
    - Returns a string with the SQLState of the database error
  - `getNextException()`
    - Gets the next Exception object in the exception chain





## Putting it all together

```
public class JDBCdemo1 {
 private static final String DB_URL =
 "jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:xe";
 private static final String USER_ID = "hr";
 private static final String PASSWORD = "hr";

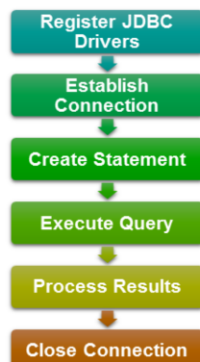
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 final String sql =
 "Select COUNTRY_ID, COUNTRY_NAME from COUNTRIES";
 Connection conn = null;
 try {
 // Register Driver
 Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.OracleDriver");

 // Establish Connection with DBMS
 conn = DriverManager.getConnection(DB_URL, USER_ID, PASSWORD);

 // Create Statement
 Statement statement = conn.createStatement();

 // Execute Query
 ResultSet result = statement.executeQuery(sql);
 }
 }
}
```

Demo  
Class : JDBCdemo1





## Putting it all together

```
// Process Results
while (result.next()) {
 String id = result.getString("COUNTRY_ID");
 String name = result.getString("COUNTRY_NAME");
 System.out.println(id + " " + name);
}
} catch (SQLException e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
} catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
} finally {
 // Close Connection
 try {
 conn.close();
 } catch (SQLException e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
 }
}
}
```





## DATA TYPE MAPPING

- The following tables show the mapping between Java types and SQL Data types
- The JDBC driver does the data type conversion implicitly

| SQL                              | JAVA             |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| VARCHAR,<br>CHAR,<br>LONGVARCHAR | java.lang.String |
| TINYINT                          | byte             |
| SMALLINT                         | short            |
| INTEGER                          | int              |
| BIGINT                           | long             |
| REAL, FLOAT                      | float            |
| DOUBLE                           | double           |

| SQL       | JAVA                 |
|-----------|----------------------|
| DATE      | java.sql.Date        |
| TIME      | java.sql.Time        |
| TIMESTAMP | java.sql.Timestamp   |
| ARRAY     | java.sql.Array       |
| BINARY    | byte[ ]              |
| VARBINARY | byte[ ]              |
| NUMERIC   | java.math.BigDecimal |



## SQLWarning

- SQLWarning objects are a subclass of SQLException that deal with database access warnings.
- Warnings do not stop the execution of an application, as exceptions do; they simply alert the user that something did not happen as planned
- A warning can be reported on a Connection object, a Statement object or a ResultSet object
- Each of these classes has a getWarnings method, which must be invoked

```
SQLWarning warning = stmt.getWarnings();
if (warning != null) {
 System.out.println("Warnings");
 while (warning != null) {
 System.out.println("Message: " + warning.getMessage());
 System.out.println("SQLState: " + warning.getSQLState());
 warning = warning.getNextWarning();
 }
}
```



Which JDBC driver is portable and provides the highest performance?

- ☐ JDBC ODBC Bridge Driver
- ☐ Native API Driver
- ☐ Network Protocol Driver
- ☐ Native Protocol Driver





Which of the following is not a part of Database Connection URL?

- ☐ Server IP address
- ☐ Port No
- ☐ Driver Class Name
- ☐ UserId/Password





Which Exception should be replaced by “?” In the below code?

```
try {
 Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.OracleDriver");
} catch(? ex) {
 System.out.println("Error: Unable to load driver class!");
}
```

- ☐ SQLException
- ☐ ClassNotFoundException
- ☐ ClassCastException
- ☐ ClassFormatError
- ☐ Try-catch not required as no

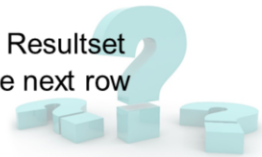




Consider result as an object of type ResultSet. Which of the following statements is/are true, when the below code is executed?

```
result.next();
```

- ☐ It returns the next resultset, if query returns multiple resultsets
- ☐ It returns false, if there are no rows in the Resultset
- ☐ It returns false, When the cursor is on the last row in the Resultset
- ☐ It returns true, when the cursor successfully moves to the next row







## References

- Refer following demo videos on EduNxt
  - Introduction To Jdbc
  - Jdbc Driver And Different Types
  - Jdbc Url
  - Overview Of Jdbc Api
  - Connection
  - Inserting A Record Using Statement





## SUMMARY

*JDBC*

*Fundamentals*



## SUMMARY



In this lesson, you've learned to:

- Identify the classes/Interface in JDBC API
- List the steps involved in connecting to Database
- Distinguish the types of drivers
- Implement the steps using classes/interfaces in JDBC API
- Map SQL and Java Data types