

FIGURE 25.16 Student and Enrollment are joined on ssn.

The tables Student and Enrollment are listed in the from clause. The query examines every pair of rows, each made of one item from Student and another from Enrollment, and selects the pairs that satisfy the condition in the where clause. The rows in Student have the last name, Smith, and the first name, Jacob, and both rows from Student and Enrollment have the same ssn values. For each pair selected, lastName and firstName from Student and courseId from Enrollment are used to produce the result, as shown in Figure 25.17. Student and Enrollment have the same attribute ssn. To distinguish them in a query, use Student.ssn and Enrollment.ssn.

```

mysql> select distinct lastName, firstName, courseId
-> from Student, Enrollment
-> where Student.ssn = Enrollment.ssn and
-> lastName = 'Smith' and firstName = 'Jacob';
+-----+-----+-----+
| lastName | firstName | courseId |
+-----+-----+-----+
| Smith    | Jacob    | 11111    |
| Smith    | Jacob    | 11112    |
| Smith    | Jacob    | 11113    |
+-----+-----+-----+
3 rows in set (0.06 sec)

mysql>

```

FIGURE 25.17 Query 7 demonstrates queries involving multiple tables.

## 25.4 JDBC

The Java API for developing Java database applications is called *JDBC*. JDBC is the trademarked name of a Java API that supports Java programs that access relational databases. JDBC is not an acronym, but it is often thought to stand for Java Database Connectivity.

JDBC provides Java programmers with a uniform interface for accessing and manipulating a wide range of relational databases. Using the JDBC API, applications written in the Java programming language can execute SQL statements, retrieve results, present data in a user-friendly interface, and propagate changes back to the database. The JDBC API can also be used to interact with multiple data sources in a distributed, heterogeneous environment.

The relationships between Java programs, JDBC API, JDBC drivers, and relational databases are shown in Figure 25.18. The JDBC API is a set of Java interfaces and classes used to write Java

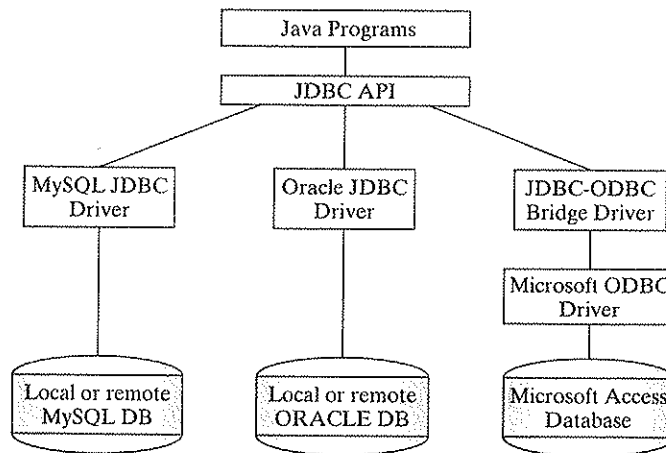


FIGURE 25.18 Java programs access and manipulate databases through JDBC drivers.

programs for accessing and manipulating relational databases. Since a JDBC driver serves as the interface to facilitate communications between JDBC and a proprietary database, JDBC drivers are database-specific. You need MySQL JDBC drivers to access the MySQL database, and Oracle JDBC drivers to access the Oracle database. Even with the same vendor, the drivers may be different for different versions of a database. For instance, the JDBC driver for Oracle 9 is different from the one for Oracle 8. A JDBC-ODBC bridge driver is included in JDK to support Java programs that access databases through ODBC drivers. An ODBC driver is preinstalled on Microsoft Windows 98, NT, 2000, and XP. You can use the JDBC-ODBC driver to access Microsoft Access database.

### 25.4.1 Developing Database Applications Using JDBC

The JDBC API is a Java application program interface to generic SQL databases that enables Java developers to develop DBMS-independent Java applications using a uniform interface.

The JDBC API consists of classes and interfaces for establishing connections with databases, sending SQL statements to databases, processing the results of the SQL statements, and obtaining database metadata. Four key interfaces are needed to develop any database application using Java: `Driver`, `Connection`, `Statement`, and `ResultSet`. These interfaces define a framework for generic SQL database access. The JDBC driver vendors provide implementation for them. The relationship of these interfaces is shown in Figure 25.19. A JDBC application loads an appropriate driver

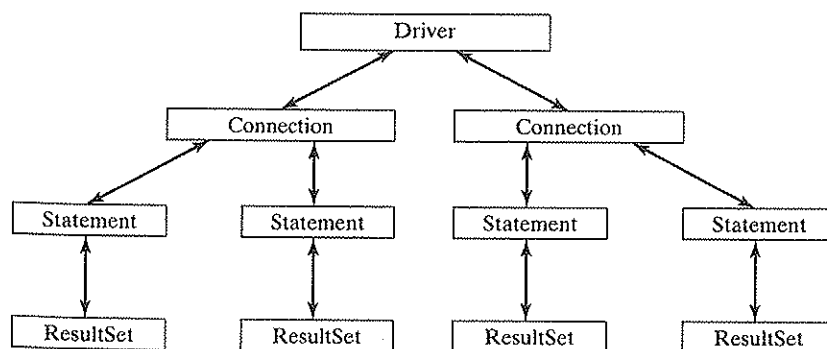


FIGURE 25.19 JDBC classes enable Java programs to connect to the database, send SQL statements, and process results.

using the `Driver` interface, connects to the database using the `Connection` interface, creates and executes SQL statements using the `Statement` interface, and processes the result using the `ResultSet` interface if the statements return results. Note that some statements, such as SQL data definition statements and SQL data modification statements, do not return results.

The JDBC interfaces and classes are the building blocks in the development of Java database programs. A typical Java program takes the steps outlined below to access the database.

1. **Loading drivers.** An appropriate driver must be loaded using the statement shown below before connecting to a database:

```
Class.forName("JDBCClass");
```

A driver is a concrete class that implements the `java.sql.Driver` interface. The drivers for Access, MySQL, and Oracle are listed in Table 25.3.

TABLE 25.3 JDBC Drivers

Database	Driver Class	Source
Access	<code>sun.jdbc.odbc.JdbcOdbcDriver</code>	Already in JDK
MySQL	<code>com.mysql.jdbc.Driver</code>	Companion Website
Oracle	<code>oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver</code>	Companion Website

The JDBC-ODBC driver for Access is bundled in JDK. The MySQL JDBC driver is contained in `mysqljdbc.jar` and Oracle JDBC driver is contained in `classes12.jar`. Both files are in the source code directory on the Companion Website. To use the MySQL and Oracle drivers, you have to add `mysqljdbc.jar` and `classes12.jar` in the classpath using the following DOS command in Windows:

```
classpath=%classpath%;c:\book\mysqljdbc.jar;c:\book\classes12.jar
```

If your program accesses several different databases, all their respective drivers must be loaded.

2. **Establishing connections.** To connect to a database, use the static method `getConnection(databaseURL)` in the `DriverManager` class, as follows:

```
Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(databaseURL);
```

where `databaseURL` is the unique identifier of the database on the Internet. Table 25.4 lists the URLs for the MySQL, Oracle, and Access databases.

TABLE 25.4 JDBC URLs

Database	URL Pattern
Access	<code>jdbc:odbc:datasource</code>
MySQL	<code>jdbc:mysql://hostname/dbname</code>
Oracle	<code>jdbc:oracle:thin:@hostname:port#:oracleDBSID</code>

For an ODBC data source, the `databaseURL` is `jdbc:odbc:datasource`. An ODBC data source can be created using the ODBC Data Source Administrator on Windows. See Supplement M, "Tutorial for Microsoft Access," on how to create an ODBC data source for an Access database. Suppose a data source named `ExampleMDBDataSource` has been created for an Access database. The following statement creates a `Connection` object:

```
Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection(
    "jdbc:odbc:ExampleMDBDataSource");
```

connect Access DB

The `databaseURL` for a MySQL database specifies the host name and database name to locate a database. For example, the following statement creates a `Connection` object for the local MySQL database test:

```
Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection
("jdbc:mysql://localhost/test");
```

connect MySQL DB

Recall that by default MySQL contains two databases named *mysql* and *test*. You can create a custom database using the MySQL SQL command `create database databasename`.

The `databaseURL` for an Oracle database specifies the *host name*, the *port#* where the database listens for incoming connection requests, and the *oracleDBSID* database name to locate a database. For example, the following statement creates a `Connection` object for the Oracle database on *liang.armstrong.edu* with *user name* *scott* and password *tiger*:

```
Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection
("jdbc:oracle:thin:@liang.armstrong.edu:1521:ora9i",
"scott", "tiger");
```

connect Oracle DB

3. **Creating statements.** If a `Connection` object can be envisioned as a cable linking your program to a database, an object of `Statement` or its subclass can be viewed as a cart that delivers SQL statements for execution by the database and brings the result back to the program. Once a `Connection` object is created, you can create statements for executing SQL statements as follows:

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

4. **Executing statements.** An SQL DDL or update statement can be executed using `executeUpdate(String sql)`, and an SQL query statement can be executed using `executeQuery(String sql)`. The result of the query is returned in `ResultSet`. For example, the following code executes the SQL statement `create table Temp (col1 char(5), col2 char(5))`:

```
statement.executeUpdate
("create table Temp (col1 char(5), col2 char(5))");
```

The next code executes the SQL query `select firstName, mi, lastName from Student where lastName = 'Smith'`:

```
// Select the columns from the Student table
ResultSet resultSet = statement.executeQuery
("select firstName, mi, lastName from Student where lastName = "
+ " = 'Smith'");
```

5. **Processing ResultSet.** The `ResultSet` maintains a table whose current row can be retrieved. The initial row position is null. You can use the next method to move to the next row and the various get methods to retrieve values from a current row. For example, the code given below displays all the results from the preceding SQL query:

```
// Iterate through the result and print the student names
while (resultSet.next())
    System.out.println(rset.getString(1) + " " + rset.getString(2)
+ ". " + rset.getString(3));
```

The `getString(1)`, `getString(2)`, and `getString(3)` methods retrieve the column values for *firstName*, *mi*, and *lastName*, respectively. Alternatively, you can use `getString("firstName")`, `getString("mi")`, and `getString("lastName")` to retrieve the same three column values. The first execution of the `next()` method sets the current row to the first row in the result set, and subsequent invocations of the `next()` method set the current row to the second row, third row, and so on, to the last row.

Listing 25.1 is a complete example that demonstrates connecting to a database, executing a simple query, and processing the query result with JDBC. The program connects to a local MySQL database and displays the students whose last name is Smith.

## LISTING 25.1 SimpleJDBC.java

```

1 import java.sql.*;
2
3 public class SimpleJdbc {
4     public static void main(String[] args)
5         throws SQLException, ClassNotFoundException {
6         // Load the JDBC driver
7         Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
8         System.out.println("Driver loaded");
9
10        // Establish a connection
11        Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection
12            ("jdbc:mysql://localhost/test");
13        System.out.println("Database connected");
14
15        // Create a statement
16        Statement statement = connection.createStatement();
17
18        // Execute a statement
19        ResultSet resultSet = statement.executeQuery
20            ("select firstName, mi, lastName from Student where lastName "
21             + " = 'Smith'");
22
23        // Iterate through the result and print the student names
24        while (resultSet.next())
25            System.out.println(resultSet.getString(1) + "\t" +
26                               resultSet.getString(2) + "\t" + resultSet.getString(3));
27
28        // Close the connection
29        connection.close();
30    }
31 }

```

load driver

connect database

create statement

execute statement

get result

close connection

The statement in Line 7 loads a JDBC driver for MySQL, and the statement in Lines 11–12 connects to a local MySQL database. You may change them to connect to an Access or Oracle database. The last statement (Line 29) closes the connection and releases resource related to the connection.

**NOTE**

Do not use a semicolon (;) to end the Oracle SQL command in a Java program. The semicolon does not work with the Oracle JDBC drivers. It does work, however, with the other drivers used in the book.

**NOTE**

The Connection interface handles transactions and specifies how they are processed. By default, a new connection is in auto-commit mode, and all its SQL statements are executed and committed as individual transactions. The commit occurs when the statement completes or the next execute occurs, whichever comes first. In the case of statements returning a result set, the statement completes when the last row of the result set has been retrieved or the result set has been closed. If a single statement returns multiple results, the commit occurs when all the results have been retrieved. You can use the `setAutoCommit(false)` method to disable auto-commit, so that all SQL statements are grouped into one transaction that is terminated by a call to either the `commit()` or the `rollback()` method. The `rollback()` method undoes all changes made by the transaction.

**EXAMPLE 25.1 ACCESSING A DATABASE FROM A JAVA APPLLET****Problem**

This example demonstrates connecting to a database from a Java applet. The applet lets the user enter the SSN and the course ID to find a student's grade, as shown in Figure 25.20.

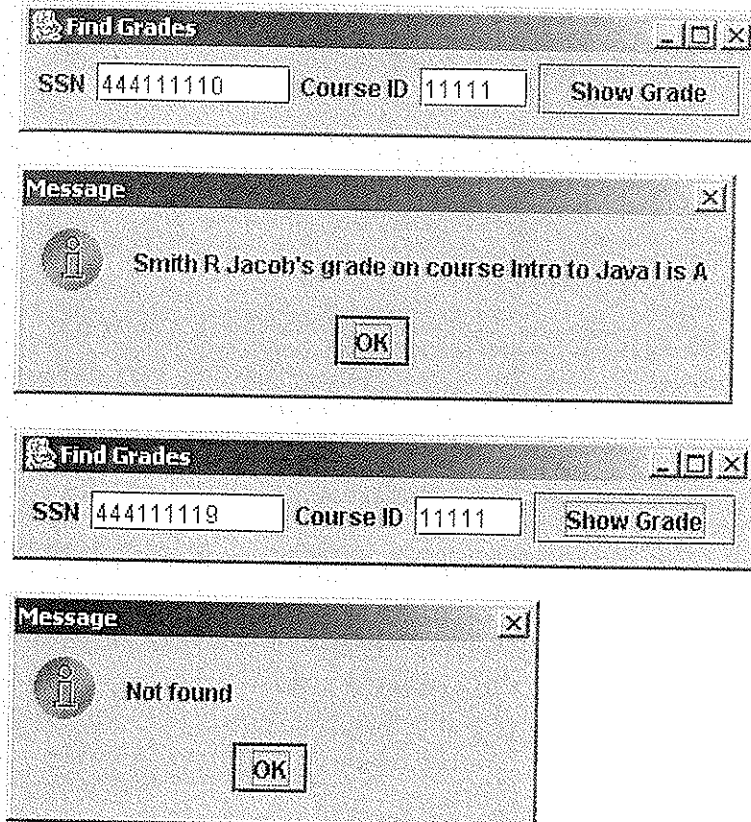
**EXAMPLE 25.1 (CONTINUED)**

FIGURE 25.20 A Java applet can access the database on the server.

**Solution**

Using the JDBC-ODBC bridge driver, your program cannot run as an applet from a Web browser because the ODBC driver contains non-Java native code. The JDBC drivers for MySQL and Oracle are written in Java and can run from the JVM in a Web browser. The code in Listing 25.2 uses the MySQL database on the host `liang.armstrong.edu`:

**LISTING 25.2 FindGrade.java**

```

1 import javax.swing.*;
2 import java.sql.*;
3 import java.awt.*;
4 import java.awt.event.*;
5
6 public class FindGrade extends JApplet {
7     private JTextField jtfSSN = new JTextField(9);
8     private JTextField jtfCourseId = new JTextField(5);
9     private JButton jbtShowGrade = new JButton("Show Grade");
10
11     // Statement for executing queries
12     private Statement stmt;
13
14     /** Initialize the applet */
15     public void init() {
16         // Initialize database connection and create a Statement object
17         initializeDB();
18     }

```

**EXAMPLE 25.1 (CONTINUED)**

button listener

load MySQL driver  
Oracle driver commented

connect database

connect to Oracle  
commented

create statement

execute statement

show result

```

19     jbtShowGrade.addActionListener(
20         new java.awt.event.ActionListener() {
21             public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
22                 jbtShowGrade_actionPerformed(e);
23             }
24         });
25
26     JPanel jPanel1 = new JPanel();
27     jPanel1.add(new JLabel("SSN"));
28     jPanel1.add(jtfSSN);
29     jPanel1.add(new JLabel("Course ID"));
30     jPanel1.add(jtfCourseId);
31     jPanel1.add(jbtShowGrade);
32
33     this.getContentPane().add(jPanel1, BorderLayout.NORTH);
34 }
35
36 private void initializeDB() {
37     try {
38         // Load the JDBC driver
39         Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
40         // Class.forName("oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver");
41         System.out.println("Driver loaded");
42
43         // Establish a connection
44         Connection connection = DriverManager.getConnection
45             ("jdbc:mysql://liang.armstrong.edu/test");
46         // ("jdbc:oracle:thin:@liang.armstrong.edu:1521:ora9i",
47         // "scott", "tiger");
48         System.out.println("Database connected");
49
50         // Create a statement
51         stmt = connection.createStatement();
52     }
53     catch (Exception ex) {
54         ex.printStackTrace();
55     }
56 }
57
58 private void jbtShowGrade_actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
59     String ssn = jtfSSN.getText();
60     String courseId = jtfCourseId.getText();
61     try {
62         String queryString = "select firstName, mi, " +
63             "lastName, title, grade from Student, Enrollment, Course " +
64             "where Student.ssn = '" + ssn + "' and Enrollment.courseId = " +
65             "' + courseId + " +
66             "' and Enrollment.courseId = Course.courseId " +
67             " and Enrollment.ssn = Student.ssn";
68
69         ResultSet rset = stmt.executeQuery(queryString);
70
71         if (rset.next()) {
72             String lastName = rset.getString(1);
73             String mi = rset.getString(2);
74             String firstName = rset.getString(3);
75             String title = rset.getString(4);
76             String grade = rset.getString(5);
77
78             // Display result in a dialog box
79             JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, firstName + " " + mi +
80                 " " + lastName + "'s grade on course " + title + " is " +
81                 grade);
82         } else {
83             // Display result in a dialog box
84             JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, "Not found");
85         }
86     }

```