



# Chapter 3 Java Exception



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# Exceptional Condition

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- **Exceptional Condition**
  - Divided by 0
  - No input or output file
  - Visit a Null reference
- **A Sound Program Should**
  - Declare the possible exceptional condition
  - Handle the exceptions at right time and in right place



# Exceptional Condition

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- **Exceptional Condition VS. Normal Condition**
  - End of file is a normal condition
  - Normal condition does not lead to program halt
  - Exceptional conditions lead to program halt
- **Exceptional Condition VS. Error Condition**
  - JVM crash is an error condition
  - Error conditions cannot be handled by program
  - Exceptional conditions can and should be handled by program



# Significance of Exception

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- Java Exception
  - Offering a clear grammar for handling program correctness
  - Balancing between **Clarity** and **Correctness**

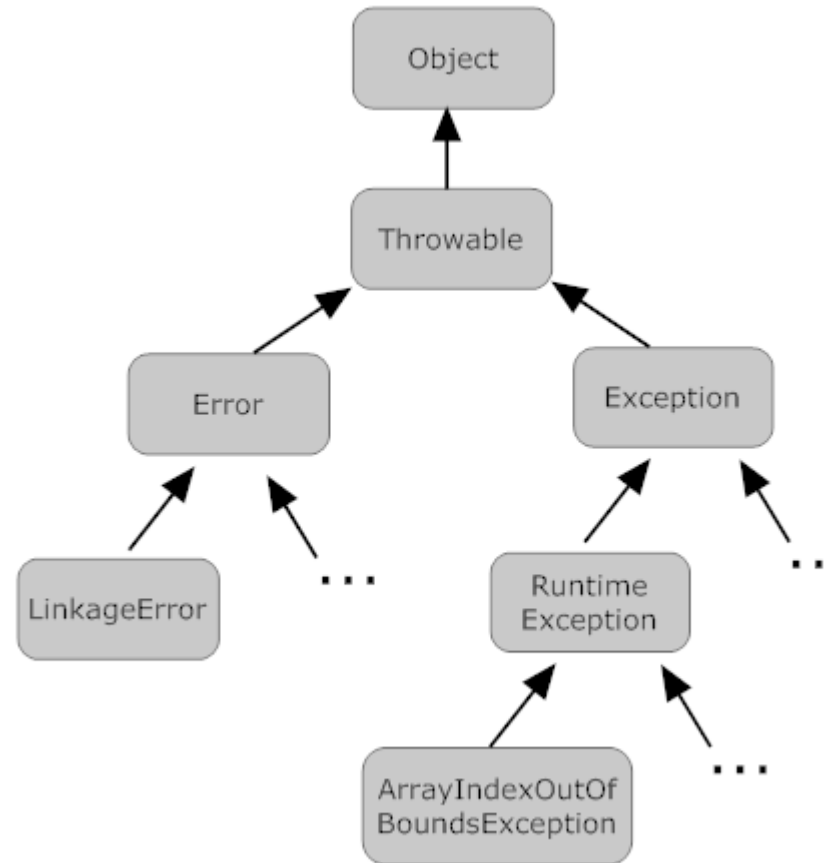
```
public void getShape(Person p){
    if(p==null){
        ...
    }else if(p.weight==0){
        ...
    }else{
        double ratio = p.height / p.weight;
        // Calculate and print the body shape of Person p
    }
}
```

```
public void getShape(Person p)
    throws NullPointerException, ArithmeticException{
    double ratio = p.height / p.weight;
    // Calculate and print the body shape of Person p
}
```



# Java Exception

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# Runtime Exception

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- Throwable Exceptions in Normal Run-time
- Related to Execution of Program
- Not Related to the Business Logic
- Difference: DO NOT HAVE TO Declare
- Example:
  - NullPointerException
  - ArithmeticException





# Java Exception Handling

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- Java Use Following Exception Handling Process:
  - Block A meets an exceptional condition
  - Block A halt
  - One or more exception objects generated
  - Exception objects are **thrown**
  - JVM looks for proper codes to **catch** these objects
  - Exceptional condition is handled
  - Program continues from exceptional handling code

|                                       |                              |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Exception                             | Superclass of all exceptions |
| DataFormatException                   | Error data format            |
| ClassNotFoundException                | Exception in class loading   |
| IOException                           | IO operation error           |
| SQLException                          | Database operation error     |
| TimeoutException                      | Timeout error                |
| SocketException                       | Socket operation error       |
| <i>ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException</i> | Exception in visiting array  |
| <i>NullPointerException</i>           | Visiting null reference      |



# Declare Exception

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- **throw** and **throws** – Declare Possible Exceptions
- **throw** throws exceptions in method body
- **throws** defines **Exception Specification**

```
public void checkFile(File file) throws IOException, IllegalArgumentException{
    if(!file.exists()){
        throw new IOException("File doesn't exist!");
    }else if(file.isDirectory()){
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Not a file!");
    }
}
```



# Catch and Handling of Exceptions

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- **try**, **catch** and **finally**
- **try** is used to monitor method invocation
- **catch** is used to catch thrown exceptions
- **finally** is used for execute essential code – whether there are exceptions or not
- Multiple **catch** clause
- At least one **catch** or **finally** clause

```
public void test(File file){
    try{
        this.checkFile(file);
    }catch(IOException e){
        System.out.println(e.getMessage());
    }catch(IllegalArgumentException e){
        System.out.println("Please provide a file");
    }catch(Exception e){
        System.out.println("Other exceptions occur");
    }finally{
        file.delete();
    }
}
```



# Deep Into **FINALLY**

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**The finally block always executes when the try block exits.** This ensures that the finally block is executed even if an **unexpected exception** occurs. But finally is useful for more than just exception handling — it allows the programmer to **avoid having cleanup code accidentally bypassed by a return, continue, or break.** Putting cleanup code in a finally block is always a good practice, even when no exceptions are anticipated.

**Note:** If the JVM exits while the try or catch code is being executed, then **the finally block may not execute.** Likewise, if the thread executing the try or catch code is interrupted or killed, the finally block may not execute even though the application as a whole continues.

- No catch
- Return in catch



# Deep Into **FINALLY**

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- Guess the result:

```
public void test(){
    try{
        System.out.println("try block");
        return;
    }finally{
        System.out.println("finally block");
    }
}
```



# Deep Into FINALLY

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- Guess the result:

```
public int test(){
    try{
        System.out.println("try block");
        int i = 1 / 0;
        return 1;
    }
    catch(Exception e){
        System.out.println("catch block");
        return 2;
    }
    finally{
        System.out.println("finally block");
    }
}
```





# Deep Into FINALLY

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- <http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/cn/java/j-lo-finally/>



# Rethrow Exceptions

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```
public void test(File file) throws IOException {
    try {
        this.checkFile(file);
    } catch (IOException e) {
        throw e;
    } catch (IllegalArgumentException e) {
        throw e;
    } catch (Exception e) {
        System.out.println("Other exceptions occur");
    } finally {
        file.delete();
    }
}
```

Is there something wrong?



# Exception Handling

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- **Message**
  - new Exception(String message)
  - getMessage()
- **Cause**
  - initCause()
  - new Exception(Exception cause)
  - getCause()
- **StackTrace**
  - printStackTrace()



# User-defined Exception

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```
public class BadObjectException extends Exception{
    private Object badObject;

    public BadObjectException(Object object, String msg){
        super(msg);
        this.badObject = object;
    }

    public Object getBadObject(){
        return this.badObject;
    }
}
```



# Lab Work

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- `hashCode()` + `cloneable` + `exception`

```
Person p1 = new Person("tom", 18);
Person p2 = new Person("tom", 18);
Person p3 = new Person("jack", 18);
Person p4 = p1;
Person p5 = null;
try{
    p5 = (Person)p1.clone();
}catch(Exception e){
    e.printStackTrace();
}
Person source = p1;
Person target = p3;
try{
    if(source.hashCode()!=target.hashCode()) throw(new BadObjectException(target));
    else System.out.println("Same Hashcode.");
}catch(BadObjectException e){
    System.out.println("The Souce Hashcode: " + source.hashCode());
    System.out.println("Bad Object Hashcode: " + ((Person)e.getBadObject()).hashCode());
}
```

We want to let the `hashCode` of `p1` = `hashCode` of `p2 p4 p5`, but different with `p3`, how to write the code?



# Think

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- Exception in Overriding
- Which is allowed?

```
public class A{  
    public void test() throws IOException, SQLException{  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
public class B extends A{  
    public void test() throws Exception{  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
public class C extends A{  
    public void test() throws SQLException{  
        ...  
    }  
}
```



# Self-study

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- Assertions(断言)

- Used for Software Testing

```
i++;
```

```
assert i < max;
```

- Regular Expression(正则表达式)

- java.util.regex

```
Pattern p = Pattern.compile("a*b");
```

```
Matcher m = p.matcher("aaaaab");
```

```
boolean b = m.matches();
```



# Forecast

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- Java I/O Introduction
- File and Directory
- Byte-stream and Character-stream
- Bridge between b-s and c-s
- Random Access File
- Standard I/O
  - System.in
  - System.out
- java.nio Pilot