

Exception Handling 9

LISTING 9.1 One Way to Deal with a Problem Situation

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class GotMilk
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.println("Enter number of donuts:");
        int donutCount = keyboard.nextInt();

        System.out.println("Enter number of glasses of milk:");
        int milkCount = keyboard.nextInt();

        //Dealing with an unusual event without Java's exception
        //handling features:
        if (milkCount < 1)
        {
            System.out.println("No milk!");
            System.out.println("Go buy some milk.");
        }
        else
        {
            double donutsPerGlass = donutCount / (double)milkCount;
            System.out.println(donutCount + " donuts.");
            System.out.println(milkCount + " glasses of milk.");
            System.out.println("You have " + donutsPerGlass +
                " donuts for each glass of milk.");
        }
        System.out.println("End of program.");
    }
}
```

Sample Screen Output

```
Enter number of donuts:  
2  
Enter number of glasses of milk:  
0  
No milk!  
Go buy some milk.  
End of program.
```

LISTING 9.2 An Example of Exception Handling (part 1 of 2)

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ExceptionDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);

        try
        {
            System.out.println("Enter number of donuts:");
            int donutCount = keyboard.nextInt();

            System.out.println("Enter number of glasses of milk:");
            int milkCount = keyboard.nextInt();

            if (milkCount < 1)
                throw new Exception("Exception: No milk!");

            double donutsPerGlass = donutCount / (double)milkCount;
            System.out.println(donutCount + " donuts.");
            System.out.println(milkCount + " glasses of milk.");
            System.out.println("You have " + donutsPerGlass +
                " donuts for each glass of milk.");
        }

        catch(Exception e)
        {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
            System.out.println("Go buy some milk.");
        }

        System.out.println("End of program.");
    }
}
```

This program is just a simple example of the basic syntax for exception handling.

try block

catch block

Sample Screen Output 1

```
Enter number of donuts:  
3  
Enter number of glasses of milk:  
2  
3 donuts.  
2 glasses of milk.  
You have 1.5 donuts for each glass of milk.  
End of program.
```

Sample Screen Output 1

```
Enter number of donuts:  
2  
Enter number of glasses of milk:  
0  
Exception: No milk!  
Go buy some milk.  
End of program.
```

LISTING 9.3 Flow of Control When No Exception Is Thrown

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ExceptionDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);

        try
        {
            System.out.println("Enter number of donuts:");
            int donutCount = keyboard.nextInt();
            System.out.println("Enter number of glasses of milk:");
            int milkCount = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (milkCount < 1)
                throw new Exception("Exception: No milk!");
            double donutsPerGlass = donutCount / (double)milkCount;
            System.out.println(donutCount + " donuts.");
            System.out.println(milkCount + " glasses of milk.");
            System.out.println("You have " + donutsPerGlass
                + " donuts for each glass of milk.");
        }

        catch(Exception e)
        {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
            System.out.println("Go buy some milk.");
        }

        System.out.println("End of program.");
    }
}
```

Here we assume that the user enters a positive number for the number of glasses of milk.

milkCount is positive, so an exception is NOT thrown here.

This code is NOT executed.

LISTING 9.4 Flow of Control When an Exception Is Thrown

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class ExceptionDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        try
        {
            System.out.println("Enter number of donuts:");
            int donutCount = keyboard.nextInt();
            System.out.println("Enter number of glasses of milk:");
            int milkCount = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (milkCount < 1)
                throw new Exception("Exception: No milk!");
            double donutsPerGlass = donutCount / (double)milkCount;
            System.out.println(donutCount + " donuts.");
            System.out.println(milkCount + " glasses of milk.");
            System.out.println("You have " + donutsPerGlass
                + " donuts for each glass of milk.");
        }
        catch (Exception e)
        {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
            System.out.println("Go buy some milk.");
        }
        System.out.println("End of program.");
    }
}
```

Here we assume that the user enters zero for the number of glasses of milk, and so an exception is thrown.

milkCount is zero or negative, so an exception is thrown here.

This code is NOT executed.

LISTING 9.5 A Programmer-Defined Exception Class

```
public class DivideByZeroException extends Exception
{
    public DivideByZeroException()
    {
        super("Dividing by Zero!");
    }
    public DivideByZeroException(String message)
    {
        super(message);
    }
}
```

You can do more in an exception constructor, but this form is common.

super is an invocation of the constructor for the base class Exception.

LISTING 9.6 Using a Programmer-Defined Exception Class (part 1 of 3)

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class DivideByZeroDemo
{
    private int numerator;
    private int denominator;
    private double quotient;

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        DivideByZeroDemo oneTime = new DivideByZeroDemo();
        oneTime.doIt();
    }
    public void doIt()
    {
        try
        {
            System.out.println("Enter numerator:");
            Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
            numerator = keyboard.nextInt();

```

We will present an improved version of this program later in this chapter.

```

System.out.println("Enter denominator:");
denominator = keyboard.nextInt();

    if (denominator == 0)
        throw new DivideByZeroException();

quotient = numerator / (double)denominator;
System.out.println(numerator + "/" + denominator +
                    " = " + quotient);
}
catch(DivideByZeroException e)
{
    System.out.println(e.getMessage());
    giveSecondChance();
}
System.out.println("End of program.");
}

```

```
public void giveSecondChance()
{
    System.out.println("Try again:");
    System.out.println("Enter numerator:");
    Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
    numerator = keyboard.nextInt();
    System.out.println("Enter denominator:");
    System.out.println("Be sure the denominator is not zero.");
    denominator = keyboard.nextInt();
```

Sometimes, dealing with an exceptional case without throwing an exception is better.

```
if (denominator == 0)
{
    System.out.println("I cannot do division by zero.");
    System.out.println("Since I cannot do what you want,");
    System.out.println("the program will now end.");
    System.exit(0);
}
```

```
quotient = ((double)numerator) / denominator;
System.out.println(numerator + "/" + denominator +
    " = " + quotient);
}
}
```

Sample Screen Output 1

```
Enter numerator:  
5  
Enter denominator:  
10  
5/10 = 0.5  
End of program.
```

Sample Screen Output 2

```
Enter numerator:  
5  
Enter denominator:  
0  
Dividing by Zero!  
Try again.  
Enter numerator:  
5  
Enter denominator:  
Be sure the denominator is not zero.  
10  
5/10 = 0.5  
End of program.
```

Sample Screen Output 3

```
Enter numerator:  
5  
Enter denominator:  
0  
Dividing by Zero!  
Try again.  
Enter numerator:  
5  
Enter denominator:  
Be sure the denominator is not zero.  
0  
I cannot do division by zero.  
Since I cannot do what you want,  
the program will now end.
```

LISTING 9.7 Passing the Buck Using a throws Clause

```
import java.util.Scanner;

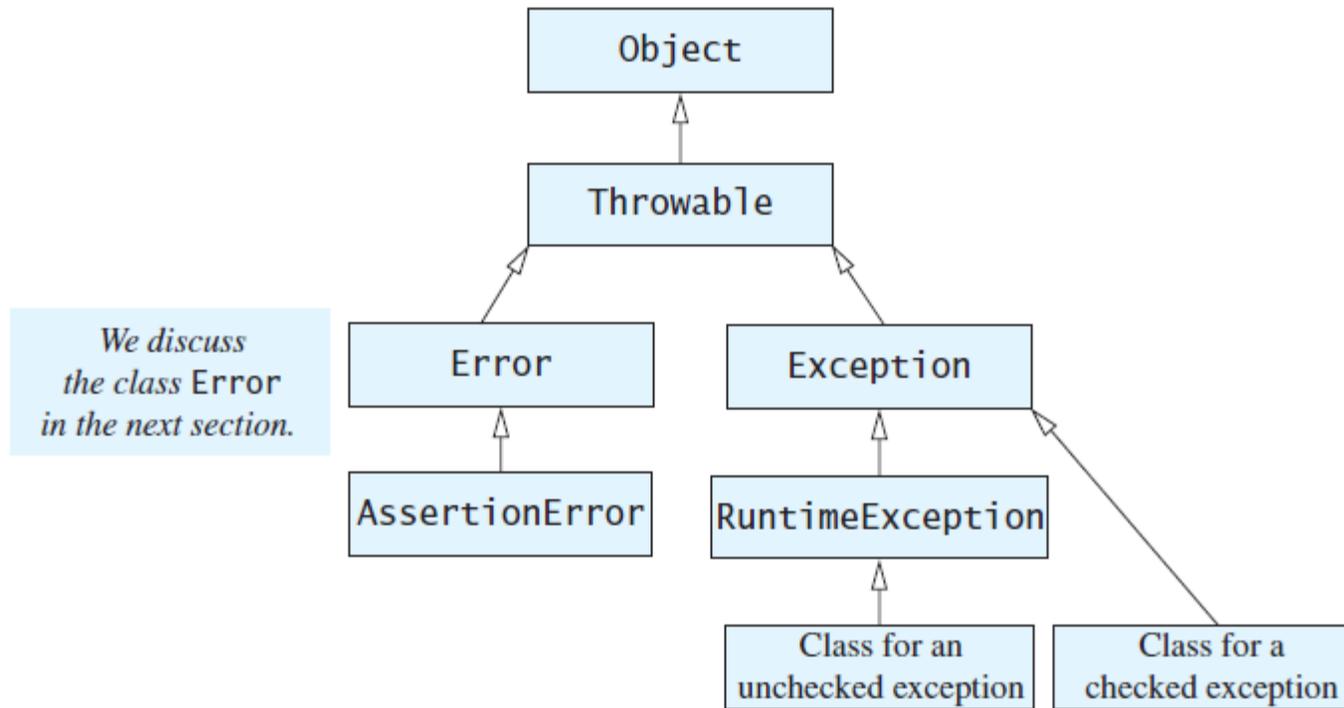
public class DoDivision
{
    private int numerator;
    private int denominator;
    private double quotient;

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        DoDivision doIt = new DoDivision();
        try
        {
            doIt.doNormalCase();
        }
        catch(DivideByZeroException e)
        {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
            doIt.giveSecondChance();
        }
        System.out.println("End of program.");
    }
    public void doNormalCase() throws DivideByZeroException
    {
        System.out.println("Enter numerator:");
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        numerator = keyboard.nextInt();
        System.out.println("Enter denominator:");
        denominator = keyboard.nextInt();
        if (denominator == 0)
            throw new DivideByZeroException();

        quotient = numerator / (double)denominator;
        System.out.println(numerator + "/" + denominator +
            " = " + quotient);
    }
}
```

The method giveSecondChance and the input/output samples are identical to those given in Listing 9.6

FIGURE 9.1 Hierarchy of the Predefined Exception Classes



LISTING 9.8 Catching Multiple Exceptions (part 1 of 2)

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class TwoCatchesDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        try
        {
            System.out.println("Enter number of widgets " +
                               "produced:");
            Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
            int widgets = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (widgets < 0)
                throw new NegativeNumberException("widgets");

            System.out.println("How many were defective?");
            int defective = keyboard.nextInt();
            if (defective < 0)
                throw new NegativeNumberException("defective " +
                                                  "widgets");

            double ratio = exceptionalDivision(widgets,
                                               defective);

            System.out.println("One in every " + ratio +
                               " widgets is defective.");
        }
    }
}
```

This is just an example of handling exceptions using two catch blocks.

```

    catch(DivideByZeroException e)
    {
        System.out.println("Congratulations! A perfect " +
                            "record!");
    }
    catch(NegativeNumberException e)
    {
        System.out.println("Cannot have a negative number of " +
                            e.getMessage());
    }
    System.out.println("End of program.");
}
public static double exceptionalDivision(double numerator,
                                         double denominator) throws DivideByZeroException
{
    if (denominator == 0)
        throw new DivideByZeroException();
    return numerator / denominator;
}
}

```

Sample Screen Output 1

```
Enter number of widgets produced:  
1000  
How many were defective?  
500  
One in every 2.0 widgets is defective.  
End of program.
```

Sample Screen Output 2

```
Enter number of widgets produced:  
-10  
Cannot have a negative number of widgets  
End of program.
```

Sample Screen Output 3

```
Enter number of widgets produced:  
1000  
How many were defective?  
0  
Congratulations! A perfect record!  
End of program.
```

LISTING 9.9 The Class NegativeNumberException

```
public class NegativeNumberException extends Exception
{
    public NegativeNumberException()
    {
        super("Negative Number Exception!");
    }
    public NegativeNumberException(String message)
    {
        super(message);
    }
}
```

LISTING 9.10 The UnknownOpException Class

```
public class UnknownOpException extends Exception
{
    public UnknownOpException()
    {
        super("UnknownOpException");
    }

    public UnknownOpException(char op)
    {
        super(op + " is an unknown operator.");
    }

    public UnknownOpException(String message)
    {
        super(message);
    }
}
```

LISTING 9.11 The Unexceptional Cases (part 1 of 3)

This version of the program does not handle exceptions and thus is not yet complete. However, it does run and can be used for debugging.

```
import java.util.Scanner;
/**
 PRELIMINARY VERSION without exception handling.
 Simple line-oriented calculator program. The class
 can also be used to create other calculator programs.
 */
public class PrelimCalculator
{
    private double result;
    private double precision = 0.0001;
    //Numbers this close to zero are treated as if equal to zero.

```

```

public static void main(String[] args)
    throws DivideByZeroException,
           UnknownOpException
{
    PrelimCalculator clerk = new PrelimCalculator();

    System.out.println("Calculator is on.");
    System.out.print("Format of each line: ");
    System.out.println("operator space number");
    System.out.println("For example: + 3");
    System.out.println("To end, enter the letter e.");
    clerk.doCalculation();

    System.out.println("The final result is " +
                       clerk.resultValue());
    System.out.println("Calculator program ending.");
}
public PrelimCalculator()
{
    result = 0;
}
public void reset()
{
    result = 0;
}

```

The definition of the main method will change before this case study ends.

```

public void setResult(double newResult)
{
    result = newResult;
}
public double getResult()
{
    return result;
}
/**
Returns n1 op n2, provided op is one of '+', '-', '*', or '/'.
Any other value of op throws UnknownOpException.
*/
public double evaluate(char op, double n1, double n2)
    throws DivideByZeroException, UnknownOpException
{
    double answer;
    switch (op)
    {
        case '+':
            answer = n1 + n2;
            break;
        case '-':
            answer = n1 - n2;
            break;
        case '*':
            answer = n1 * n2;
            break;
        case '/':
            if ((-precision < n2) && (n2 < precision))
                throw new DivideByZeroException();
            answer = n1 / n2;
            break;
        default:
            throw new UnknownOpException(op);
    }
    return answer;
}
}

```

reset, setResult, and getResult are not used in this program, but might be needed by some other application that uses this class.

```

public void doCalculation() throws DivideByZeroException,
                             UnknownOpException
{
    Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
    boolean done = false;
    result = 0;
    System.out.println("result = " + result);

    while (!done)
    {
        char nextOp = (keyboard.next()).charAt(0);
        if ((nextOp == 'e') || (nextOp == 'E'))
            done = true;
        else
        {
            double nextNumber = keyboard.nextDouble();
            result = evaluate(nextOp, result, nextNumber);
            System.out.println("result " + nextOp + " " +
                               nextNumber + " = " + result);
            System.out.println("updated result = " + result);
        }
    }
}

```

Sample Screen Output

```
Calculator is on.  
Format of each line: operator space number  
For example: + 3  
To end, enter the letter e.  
result = 0.0  
+ 4  
result + 4.0 = 4.0  
updated result = 4.0  
* 2  
result* 2.0 = 8.0  
updated result = 8.0  
e  
The final result is 8.0  
Calculator program ending.
```

LISTING 9.12 The Complete Line-Oriented Calculator (part 1 of 3)

```
import java.util.Scanner;
/**
Simple line-oriented calculator program. The class
can also be used to create other calculator programs.
*/
public class Calculator
{
    private double result;
    private double precision = 0.0001;
    //Numbers this close to zero are treated as if equal to zero.

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Calculator clerk = new Calculator();

        try
        {
            System.out.println("Calculator is on.");
            System.out.print("Format of each line: ");
            System.out.println("operator space number");
            System.out.println("For example: + 3");
            System.out.println("To end, enter the letter e.");
            clerk.doCalculation();
        }
    }
}
```

```
catch(UnknownOpException e)
{
    clerk.handleUnknownOpException(e);
}
catch(DivideByZeroException e)
{
    clerk.handleDivideByZeroException(e);
}

System.out.println("The final result is " +
                    clerk.resultValue());
System.out.println("Calculator program ending.");
}

public Calculator()
{
    result = 0;
}
```

```

public void handleDivideByZeroException
                                   (DivideByZeroException e)
{
    System.out.println("Dividing by zero.");
    System.out.println("Program aborted");
    System.exit(0);
}
public void handleUnknownOpException(UnknownOpException e)
{
    System.out.println(e.getMessage());
    System.out.println("Try again from the beginning:");

    try
    {
        System.out.print("Format of each line: ");
        System.out.println("operator number");
        System.out.println("For example: + 3");
        System.out.println("To end, enter the letter e.");
        doCalculation(); ← The first UnknownOpException
                           gives the user another chance.
    }

    catch (UnknownOpException e2) ← This block catches an
                                    UnknownOpException
                                    if it is thrown a second time.
    {
        System.out.println(e2.getMessage());
        System.out.println("Try again at some other time.");
        System.out.println("Program ending.");
        System.exit(0);
    }
    catch (Divi ← The methods reset, setResult, getResult, evaluate, and doCalculation
    { ← are the same as in Listing 9.11.
        handle ← }
    }
}

```

The methods `reset`, `setResult`, `getResult`, `evaluate`, and `doCalculation` are the same as in Listing 9.11.

}

Sample Screen Output

```
Calculator is on.  
Format of each line: operator space number  
For example: + 3  
To end, enter the letter e.  
result = 0.0  
+ 80  
result + 80.0 = 80.0  
updated result = 80.0  
- 2  
result - 2.0 = 78.0  
updated result = 78.0  
% 4  
% is an unknown operator.  
Try again from the beginning:  
Format of each line is: operator space number  
For example: + 3  
To end, enter the letter e.  
result = 0.0  
+ 80  
result + 80.0 = 80.0  
updated result = 80.0  
- 2  
result - 2.0 = 78.0  
updated result = 78.0  
* 0.04  
result * 0.04 = 3.12  
updated result = 3.12  
e  
The final result is 3.12  
Calculator program ending.
```

LISTING 9.13 A JFrame GUI Using Exceptions (part 1 of 2)

```
import javax.swing.JButton;
import javax.swing.JFrame;
import javax.swing.JTextField;
import java.awt.Color;
import java.awt.Container;
import java.awt.FlowLayout;
import java.awt.Graphics;
import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
import java.awt.event.ActionListener;

public class ColorDemo extends JFrame implements ActionListener
{
    public static final int WIDTH = 400;
    public static final int HEIGHT = 300;
    public static final int NUMBER_OF_CHAR = 20;

    private JTextField colorName;

    public ColorDemo()
    {
        setSize(WIDTH, HEIGHT);
        WindowDestroyer listener = new WindowDestroyer();
        addWindowListener(listener);

        Container contentPane = getContentPane();
        contentPane.setBackground(Color.GRAY);
        contentPane.setLayout(new FlowLayout());
        JButton showButton = new JButton("Show Color");
        showButton.addActionListener(this);
        contentPane.add(showButton);

        colorName = new JTextField(NUMBER_OF_CHAR);
        contentPane.add(colorName);
    }
}
```

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e)
{
    Container contentPane = getContentPane();

    try
    {
        contentPane.setBackground(
            getColor(colorName.getText()));
    }
    catch(UnknownColorException exception)
    {
        colorName.setText("Unknown Color");
        contentPane.setBackground(Color.GRAY);
    }
}
```

```
public Color getColor(String name) throws UnknownColorException
{
    if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("RED"))
        return Color.RED;
    else if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("WHITE"))
        return Color.WHITE;
    else if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("BLUE"))
        return Color.BLUE;
    else if (name.equalsIgnoreCase("GREEN"))
        return Color.GREEN;
    else
        throw new UnknownColorException();
}
}
```

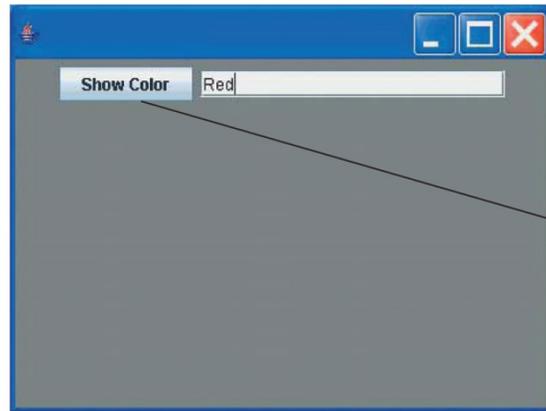
LISTING 9.14 The Class `UnknownColorException`

```
public class UnknownColorException extends Exception
{
    public UnknownColorException()
    {
        super("Unknown Color!");
    }
    public UnknownColorException(String message)
    {
        super(message);
    }
}
```

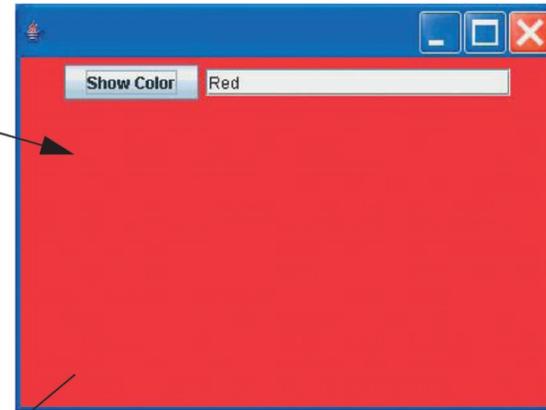
LISTING 9.15 Running the GUI ColorDemo

```
public class ShowColorDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        ColorDemogui = new ColorDemo( );
        gui.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```

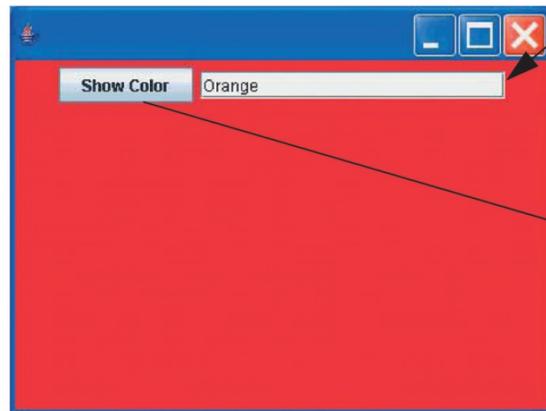
Sample Screen Output



After clicking button



After changing text field



After clicking button

