

What's null?

null is default value for java object.

it is not a valid object instance

simply a value says ref variable not referring to an object currently.

thread ->stack->frame(method) ->variable(identifier,symbolic name) on frame

null is just a value in the stack frame and no allocated memory on heap.

Java syntax for null

not to primitive

NullPointerException when access instance member, ok to access static members

throw null will cause NullPointerException

printed as null

object array default value is null

Dead code rule

Dead code only applies when compile-time constants are used

While will not compile if a false constant is used

for loop will not compile if a false constant is used

if conditional will compile regardless of constant, but a warning will appear for dead code

Switch statement same as conditional but no warning

try/catch catch block parameter order must go up in hierarchy order

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