

# CS 10: Problem solving via Object Oriented Programming

Prioritizing

# Agenda



1. Priority Queue ADT
2. Implementation choices
3. Java's built-in PriorityQueue
4. Reading from a file

# We can model airplanes landing as a queue

Airplanes queued to land



Each airplane assigned a priority to land in order of arrival

First in traffic pattern, first to land

# Sometimes higher priority issues arise and we need to change order

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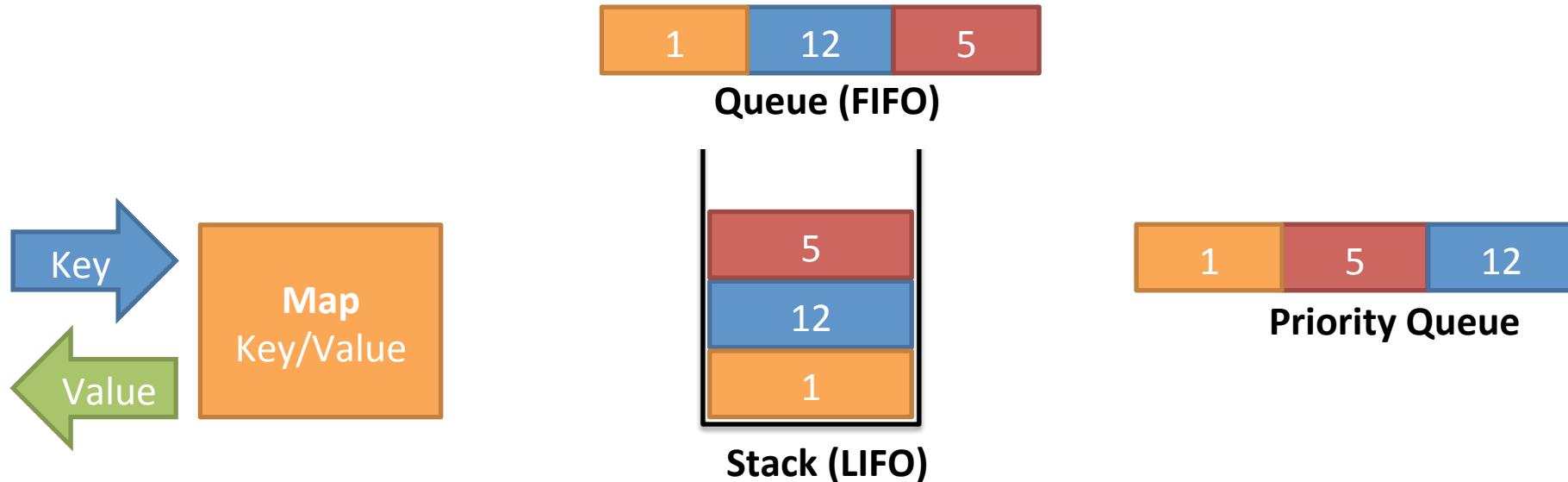


Suddenly one aircraft has an in flight emergency, and needs to land now!

Need a way to go to front of queue

Enter the priority queue

# Priority Queues store/retrieve objects based on priority, not identity



## Maps are a Key/Value store

- *put(Key, Value)* stores a *Value* associated with a *Key* (e.g., Key: Student ID and Value: Student Record)
- *get(Key)* return *Value* associated with *Key*
- Keys unique; identify object
- No ordering among Keys

## Stacks/Queues arrival order

- Item order depends on when item arrived
- Only one item accessible at any time (top or front)

## Priority Queue order

- Items stored/retrieved by priority
- Priority does not represent identity as with a Map Key
- Not dependent on arrival order like Stack/Queue

# Priority Queues have the ability to extract the highest priority item

## Min Priority Queue Overview

- Lowest priority number removed first (“number 1 for landing”)
- Can be used for sorting (put everything in, then repeatedly extract lowest priority number, one at a time, until queue empty)
  - Operations
    - *insert (element)* – insert *element* into Priority Queue
      - Like BST, elements need a way to compare with each other to see which is the smallest, so *element* should implement *compareTo()*
      - We will say whatever *compareTo()* uses to compare elements is the Key
      - Many elements can have the same Key in a Priority Queue
    - *extractMin ()* – remove and return element with smallest Key
    - *minimum ()* – return element with smallest Key, but leaves the element in Priority Queue (like *peek()* or *front()* in Stack or Queue)
    - *isEmpty ()* – true if no items stored, false otherwise
    - *decreaseKey ()* – reduces an element’s priority number (take CS 31 for more details on this)

**Max Priority Queue works similarly, but extracts the largest priority item with *extractMax()***

# Priority Queues are extensively used in simulations and scheduling

## Job scheduling example

### Machine 1

Start job at time 0  
Job takes 11 minutes

Add to Priority Queue  
that job will finish at  
time 11

### Priority Queue

Key	11	8	9
Value	Machine 1	Machine 2	Machine 3

### Machine 2

Start job at time 2  
Job takes 6 minutes

Add to Priority Queue  
that job will finish at  
time 8

Which machine will finish first?  
When will it be?  
*extractMin()* to find out

### Machine 3

Start job at time 4  
Job takes 5 minutes

Add to Priority Queue  
that job will finish at  
time 9

No need to run simulation and  
check each minute to see if any  
machine finishes at times 0  
through 7; can jump to time 8

Which machine will finish next?  
*extractMin()* again and get time 9

# MinPriorityQueue.java specifies interface

## MinPriorityQueue.java

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```

- As with BST, elements must extend Comparable
- Allows Java to compare elements and determine which one is smaller
  - Uses *compareTo()* method on element objects
- Can make a Max Priority Queue by reversing the *compareTo()* method
- Note: no ability to get items by index!
- Can only extract smallest (or largest) item

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There are several ways to implement a PriorityQueue, today we look at Lists



**1. Unsorted List**

**2. Sorted List**

# We can implement a PriorityQueue with an unsorted ArrayList

## Unsorted ArrayList implementation



Keep elements unsorted in ArrayList

# *isEmpty()* is O(1) with an unsorted ArrayList

## Unsorted ArrayList implementation

*isEmpty()*



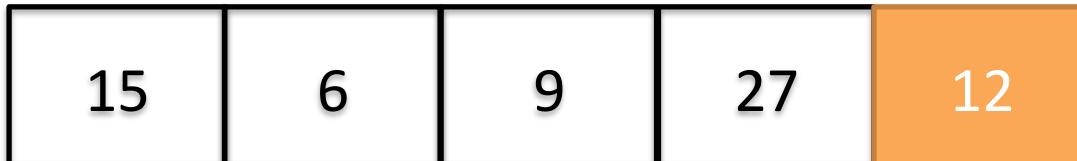
`isEmpty` – just check ArrayList *size()* method

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# *insert()* is also O(1) with an unsorted ArrayList

Unsorted ArrayList implementation

*insert(12)*



insert – just add element to end of ArrayList

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Unsorted ArrayList implementation

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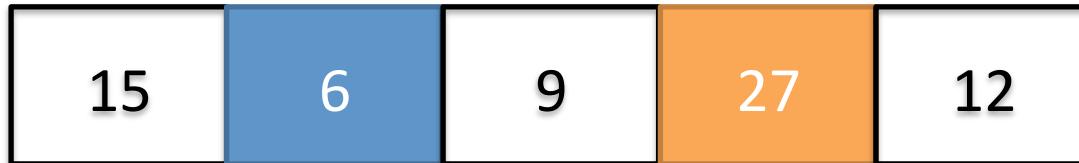
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## Unsorted ArrayList implementation

**extractMin()**

Check 12

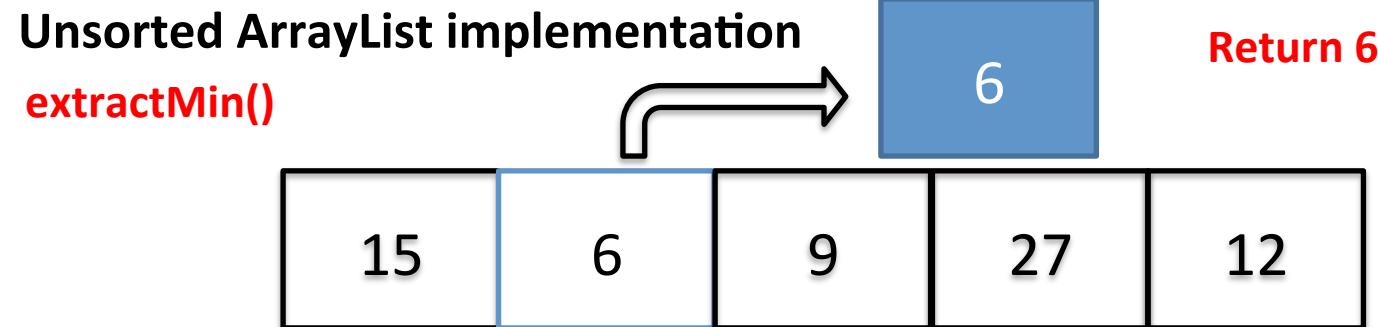
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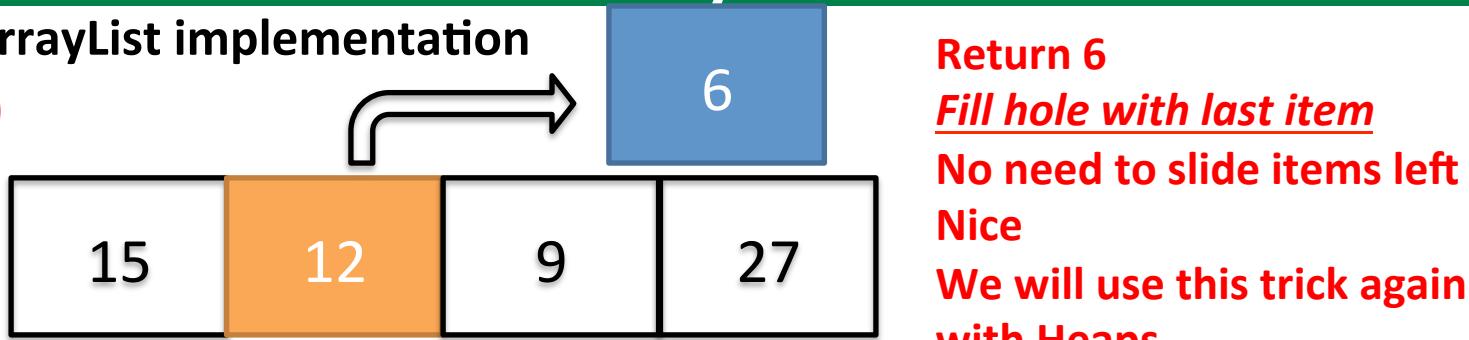
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Unsorted ArrayList implementation

**extractMin()**



**Return 6**

**Fill hole with last item**

No need to slide items left

Nice

We will use this trick again  
with Heaps

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11
12     /**
13      * Constructor
14      */
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16         list = new ArrayList<E>();
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27     /**
28      * Insert an element into the priority queue.
29      * Keep in decreasing order
30      * @param element the element to insert
31      */
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33         list.add(element);
34     }
```

- Implements MinPriorityQueue interface using ArrayList
- Store elements in ArrayList called *list*
- Elements must provide *compareTo()* because we say E extends Comparable
- isEmpty() just checks ArrayList size() method
- Inserting is easy, just tack new element on to end of ArrayList

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There are several ways to implement a PriorityQueue, today we look at two

**1. Unsorted List**

 **2. Sorted List**

We can improve *extractMin()* by using a sorted List, but inserts take more time

Sorted ArrayList implementation



Keep elements sorted in ArrayList with smallest always at end

# *isEmpty()* is O(1) with a sorted ArrayList

Sorted ArrayList implementation

**isEmpty()**



`isEmpty()` – just check ArrayList *size()* method

Operation	Run time	Notes
<code>isEmpty</code>	<b>O(1)</b>	<b>Return size, same as unsorted</b>

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Sorted ArrayList implementation

**insert(12)**



*insert()* – need to loop backward to find slot for new element, then move other elements right

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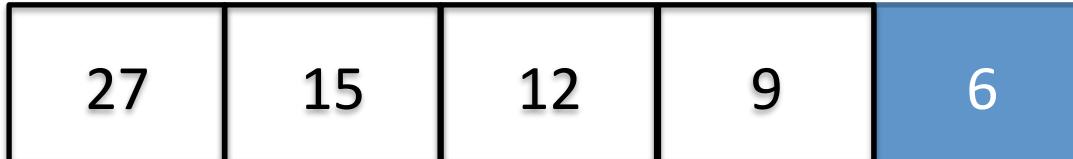
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# SortedArrayList implementation improves *extractMin()*, but at expense of *insert()*

## SortedArrayListMinPriorityQueue.java

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33  public void insert(E element) {  
34      int p; // Current position in the list.  
35  
36      //loop backward from end toward front  
37      //continue if new element larger than current element  
38      for (p = list.size(); p > 0 && list.get(p-1).compareTo(element) < 0; p--)  
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54          return list.get(list.size() - 1); // Last item is smallest  
55  }  
56  
57  /**  
58   * Return the element with the minimum key, and remove it from the queue.  
59   * @return the element with the minimum key, or null if queue empty.  
60   */  
61  public E extractMin() {  
62      if (list.size() == 0)  
63          return null;  
64      else {  
65          return list.remove(list.size()-1); // Shrink the size  
66          // and return the smallest element  
67      }  
68  }
```

Store elements in ArrayList called *list*

*insert()* is O(n)

Loop backward to find appropriate slot *p*, O(n)

Insert element at that slot

*add(p,element)* moves other elements right which is also O(n), plus O(1) for actual insert into array

total = O(n) + O(n) + O(1) = O(2n+1) = O(n)

*minimum()* and *extractMin()* are easy, just get/remove last element in *list*

# Implementations have different strengths, but no practical difference

Operation	Unsorted	Sorted
isEmpty	O(1)	O(1)
insert	O(1)	<b>O(n)</b>
minimum	<b>O(n)</b>	O(1)
extractMin	<b>O(n)</b>	O(1)

- Generally have the same number of inserts as extracts, so no real difference, unless just looking for min without extracting
- We will do better next class when we look at heaps!

# Agenda

1. Priority Queue ADT
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# Java implements a *PriorityQueue*, but with non-standard names

## Java's *PriorityQueue* Operations

- *isEmpty* == *isEmpty*
- *insert* == *add*
- *minimum* == *peek*
- *extractMin* == *remove*

Why *remove()* instead of *extractMin()*?  
We will control if the min or max gets removed (next slides show how)

If we use our own Objects in *PriorityQueue*,  
need to provide way to compare objects

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# Use Student object to demonstrate the three Priority Queue methods

## Student.java

```
11 public class Student implements Comparable<Student> {  
12     private String name;  
13     private int year; ← Student stores data about a student's name and year  
14  
15     public Student(String name, int year) {  
16         this.name = name;  
17         this.year = year;  
18     }  
19  
20     /**  
21      * Comparable: just use String's version (lexicographic)  
22      */  
23     @Override  
24     public int compareTo(Student s2) {  
25         return name.compareTo(s2.name);  
26     }  
27  
28     @Override  
29     public String toString() {  
30         return name + " " + year;  
31     }
```

*Student class implements Comparable so PriorityQueue holding Student objects can compare students*

*If we are going to use Student in a PriorityQueue, need a way to tell which ones are bigger, the same, or smaller than other Students*

*This approach sorts increasing alphabetically by student name*

*Here we use the built in String `compareTo()` method to evaluate Students based on name (could reverse `compareTo()` for descending order)*

- If this `name < s2.name` return negative
- If this `name equals s2.name` return 0
- If this `name > s2.name` return positive

# Method 1: Objects in Priority Queue provide *compareTo()* method

## Student.java

```
33 public static void main(String[] args) {  
34     //create ArrayList of students and add some  
35     ArrayList<Student> students = new ArrayList<Student>();  
36     students.add(new Student("charlie", 18));  
37     students.add(new Student("alice", 20));  
38     students.add(new Student("bob", 19));  
39     students.add(new Student("elvis", 21));  
40     students.add(new Student("denise", 20));  
41     System.out.println("original:" + students);  
42  
43     // Three methods for using Comparator  
44  
45     // Method 1:  
46     // Create Java PriorityQueue and use Student  
     // class's compareTo method (lexicographic order)  
     // this is used if comparator not passed to PriorityQueue constructor  
PriorityQueue<Student> pq = new PriorityQueue<Student>();  
pq.addAll(students); //add all Students in ArrayList in one statement  
51  
52     //remove until empty (this essentially sorting)  
53     System.out.println("\nlexicographic:");  
54     while (!pq.isEmpty()) System.out.println(pq.remove());  
55  
56
```

original:[charlie '18, alice '20, bob '19, elvis '21, denise '20]

lexicographic: **Output in alphabetical order**  
alice '20  
bob '19  
charlie '18  
denise '20  
elvis '21

- *Student Objects added to ArrayList in undefined order*
- *Student objects have name and year instance variables*
- **Priority Queue created to hold Student Objects**
- **No Comparator provided in constructor**
- **By default PriorityQueue will use Student object's *compareTo()* to find min Key**
- **ArrayList of students is added to PriorityQueue with *addAll()* method**
- **Output in sorted order**
- **Each time while loop executes, removes smallest Student object using *compareTo()***

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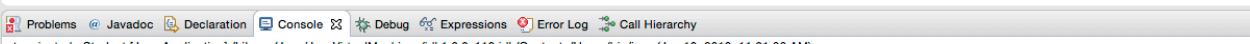
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63            return s1.name.length() - s2.name.length();  
64        }  
65    }  
66    Comparator<Student> lenCompare = new NameLengthComparator();  
67    pq = new PriorityQueue<Student>(lenCompare); //passing Comparator to PriorityQueue  
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```

Output sorted by length of name

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- Instantiate new Comparator
- Create new Priority Queue and pass Comparator in constructor
- Then fill Priority Queue with students
- Sort by looping until Priority Queue empty
- Each time remove *Student* with smallest Key as determined by Comparator instead of Student's *compareTo()*

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82 }  
83 }
```



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```
year:  
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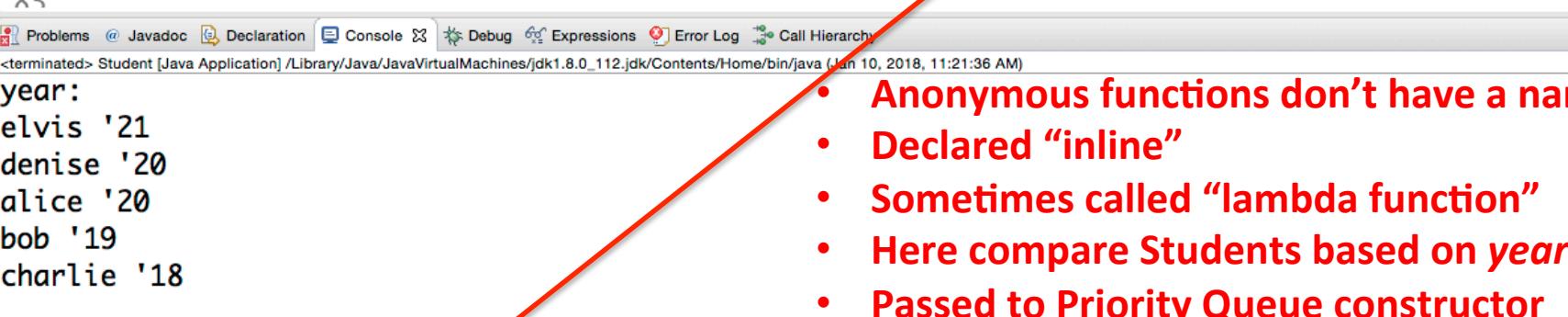
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# Method 3: Use anonymous function in Priority Queue declaration

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Created a Max Priority Queue by simply reversing compare



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Output sorted by student year in descending order (reversed normal order of compared objects)

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# Use a BufferedReader to read a file line by line until reaching the end of file

## Roster.java

```
BufferedReader input = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(fileName));
String line;
int lineNum = 0;
while ((line = input.readLine()) != null) {
    System.out.println("read @" + lineNum + ` + line + "'");
    lineNum++;
}
```

- *BufferedReader* opens file with name *filename*
- Reading will start at beginning of file
- Each line from file stored in *line* in while loop
- *input.readLine* will return null at end of file
- Here we are just printing each line

# When reading files, we need to be ready to handle many different exceptions

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82          input = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(fileName));  
83      }  
84      catch (FileNotFoundException e) {  
85          System.err.println("Cannot open file.\n" + e.getMessage());  
86          return roster;  
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- Many possible exceptions reading data from a file:
  - File may not be found
  - Some data might be missing (e.g., name without a year)
  - Some data might be invalid (e.g., year is not a valid Integer)

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104                 try {  
105                     // Extract year as an integer, if possible  
106                     Student s = new Student(pieces[0], Integer.parseInt(pieces[1]));  
107                     System.out.println("=>" + s);  
108                     roster.add(s); //good student, add to roster  
109                 }  
110                 catch (NumberFormatException e) {  
111                     // couldn't parse second element as integer  
112                     System.err.println("bad number in line " + lineNumber + ":" + line);  
113                 }  
114             }  
115         }  
116     }  
117 }
```

**Close file in *finally* block (not shown) – always runs**

- Got two elements after *split()*
  - Try to parse as *name* as String and *year* as Integer
  - Add to *roster* if valid student
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- If second element not Integer:
    - Catch error
    - Print error message
    - Keep reading

