Exception Handling

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- Try/Catch
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  - Finally
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Common Errors by Java Programmers

10 · Accessing non-static member variables from static methods (such as main)

9 · Mistyping the name of a method when overriding

8 · Comparison assignment (= rather than ==)

7 · Comparing two objects (== instead of .equals)

6 · Confusion over passing by value, and passing by reference

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Common Errors by Java Programmers (cont.)

5. Writing blank exception handlers
4. Forgetting that Java is zero-indexed
3. Preventing concurrent access to shared variables by threads
2. Capitalization errors
1. **Null pointers!**
   - Commonly caused by uninitialized objects

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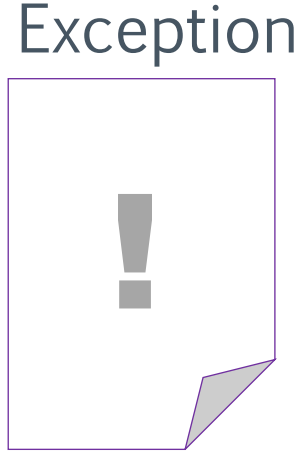
Common Errors by Java Programmers (cont.)

- Syntax error
  - cannot compile
- Logic error
  - wrong formula, wrong step, integer division, …
  - unit test
  - fixed by programmer
- Status of environment
  - network down
  - cannot open file
  - out of control by programmer

Though it is impossible to completely eliminate errors from the coding process, with care and practice you can avoid repeating the same ones.

Exception



- **An exception** is a problem that arises during the execution of a program.
- There are many types of exceptions.
- Therefore, there are many classes of Exception objects.
- For example,
  - ArithmeticException
  - ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException
  - FileNotFoundException

Exception (cont.): ArithmeticException

ExceptionNotHandle.java | *DivideException.java

```
1  public class DivideException {
2
3      public static void main(String[] args) {
4          division(100,4);          // Line 1
5          division(100,0);          // Line 2
6          System.out.println("Exit main().");
7      }
8
9      public static void division(int totalSum, int totalNumber) {
10         System.out.println("Computing Division.");
11         int average  = totalSum/totalNumber;
12         System.out.println("Average : "+ average);
13     }
14 }
```

Detected at runtime

Console

<terminated> DivideException [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.6.0_02\bin\javaw.exe (10 มิ.ย. 2008, 22:19:58)

```
Computing Division.
Average : 25
Computing Division.
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
        at DivideException.division(DivideException.java:11)
        at DivideException.main(DivideException.java:5)
```

Exception (cont.): ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException

RuntimeExceptionNotHandl | DivideException.java | ExceptionNotHandle2.java | DivideException2.java | ExceptionSpecifying.java

```
1 /*
2  * This class demonstrates what happen when
3  * runtime exception occurs and not handled.
4  */
5
6 public class RuntimeExceptionNotHandle {
7
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9
10        int[] data = new int[4];
11        data[4] = 7;
12
13        String courseNumber = "2110210";
14        System.out.println(courseNumber.charAt(10));
15    }
```

Detected at runtime

Console

<terminated> RuntimeExceptionNotHandle [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.6.0_02\bin\javaw.exe (11 ส.ค. 2008, 9:38:17)

```
tion in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 4
    at RuntimeExceptionNotHandle.main(RuntimeExceptionNotHandle.java:11)
```

Exception (cont.): FileNotFoundException

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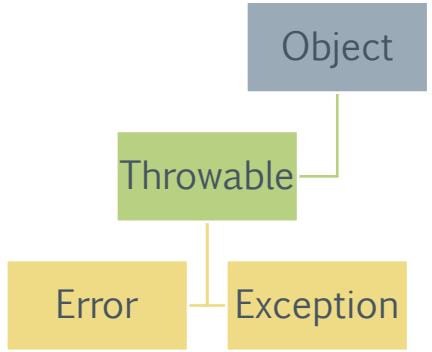
```
1  /*
2   * This class demonstrates what happen when
3   *    - exception is not handled.
4   */
5  import java.io.FileReader;
6  import java.io.FileNotFoundException;
7
8  public class ExceptionNotHandle {
9
10     public static void main(String[] args) {
11         fileProcessing();
12     }
13
14     public static void fileProcessing() {
15         FileReader file = new FileReader("data.txt");
16 Unhandled exception type FileNotFoundException
17 }
18
```

Detected at compilation

Categories of Exceptions



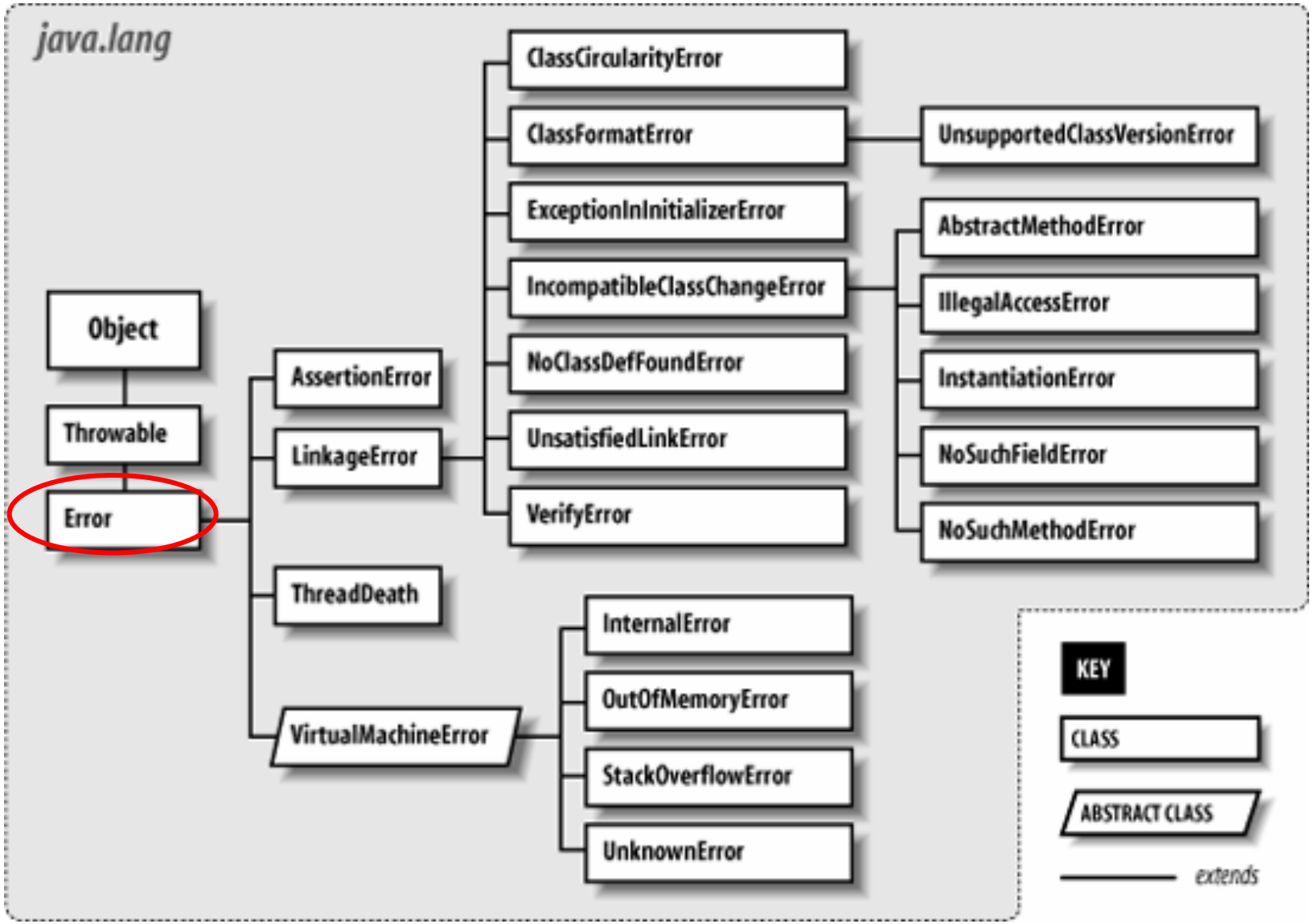
ERROR

- It is a serious problem that arise beyond the control of the user or the programmer.
- It is typically ignored in your code because you can rarely do anything about an error

EXCEPTION

- It is an error that is less serious than the Error class and can be control by the program.
  - Allow to “try/catch” or “throw”
- There are two types:
  - Unchecked Exception
  - Checked Exception

Categories of Exceptions (cont.): Error



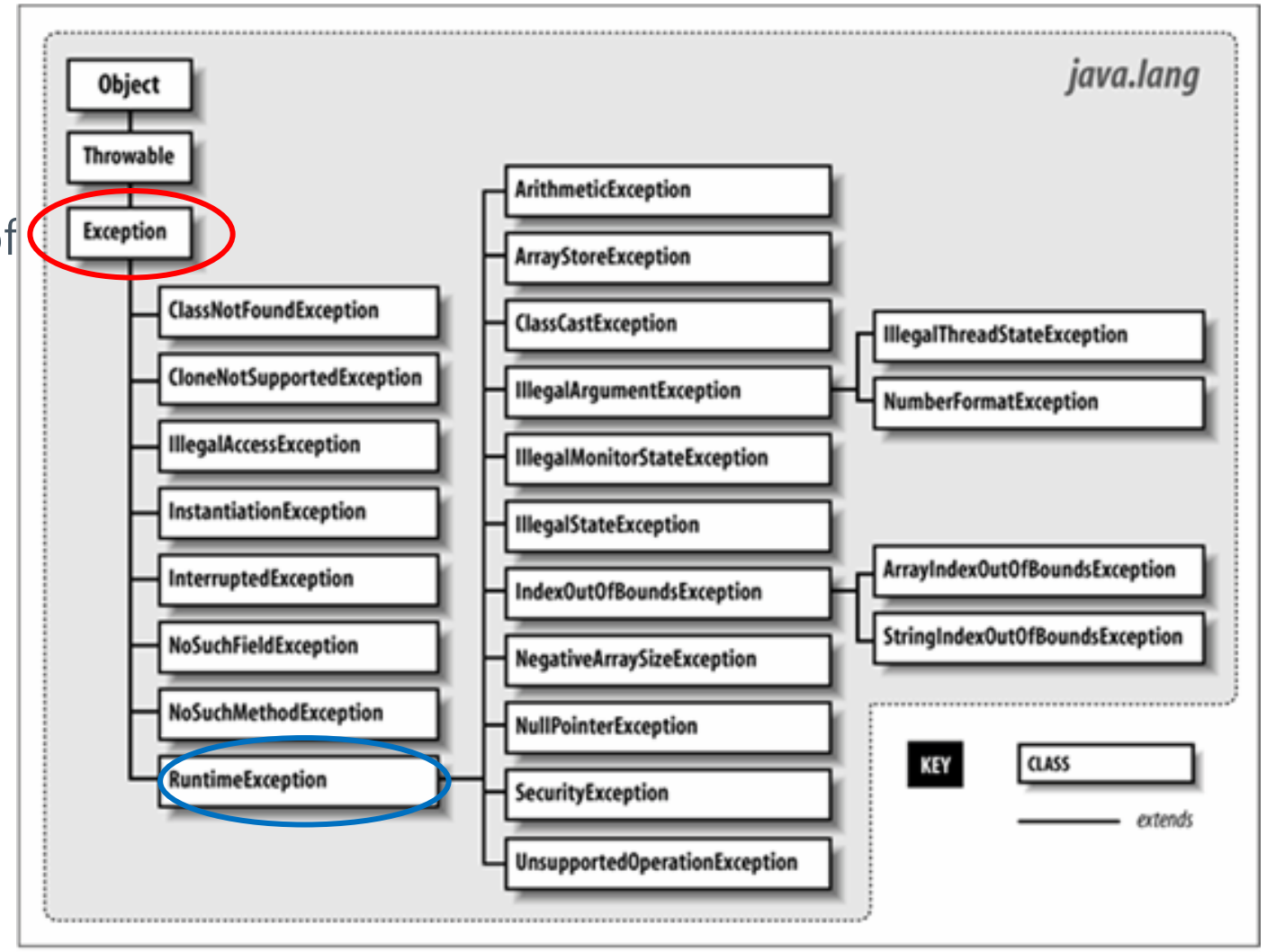
Categories of Exceptions (cont.): Exception

run time checking

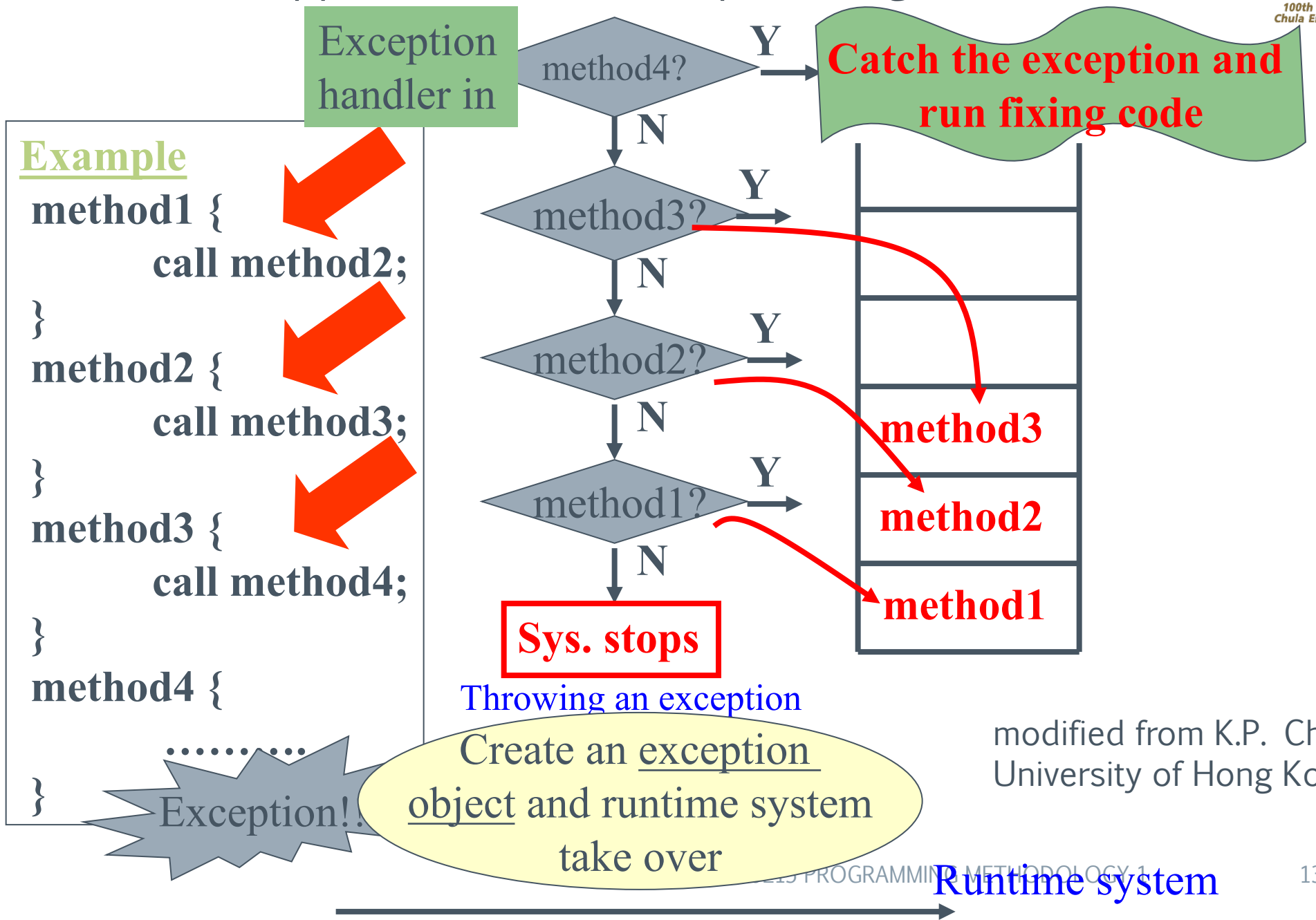
- Unchecked exceptions:
  - They are ignored at the compilation time.
  - They are any subclasses of RuntimeException.

compile time checking

- Checked exceptions:
  - These exceptions cannot simply be ignored at the time of compilation.
  - They must be handled (try-catch or throw).
  - They are Exception's subclasses, except RuntimeException.



What happens when an exception is generated?



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Exception Handling

› Try-catch

```
try {
      block of statements
} catch (ExceptionType name) {
        exception handler 1
} catch (ExceptionType name) {
        exception handler 2
}
```

› Throws

in Integer class:

```
public static int parseInt(String s)
          throws NumberFormatException;
```

› No handling at all
- unchecked exceptions only
- need to be carefully checked by programmers

› try/catch/finally
- handle normally

› Specifying the exception
- throws the exception to the caller
- Used when we don't want to catch the exception in this method

Try-Catch: Usage

System.out.println(aE.getMessage());

```
/ by zero
End
```

System.out.println(aE.toString());

```
java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
End
```

aE.printStackTrace()

```
java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
End
at Exception1.main(Exception1.java:7)
```

Exception1.java

```
public class Exception1 {

  public static void main(String[] args) {

    int s[] = new int[2];

    try {

      for (int i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {

        s[i] = 1/i;

        System.out.println(s[i]);

      }

    } catch (ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException arrE) {

      System.out.println(arrE.toString());

    } catch (ArithmeticException aE) {

      System.out.println(aE.toString());

    } catch (Exception e) {

      System.out.println(e.toString());

    }

    System.out.println("End");

  }

}
```

Try-Catch: Comparing to if-else

ReadFile1.java (pseudo code)

```
errorCodeType readFile {
  initialize errorCode = 0;
  open the file;
  if (theFileIsOpen) {
    determine the length of the file;
    if (gotTheFileLength) {
      allocate that much memory;
      if (gotEnoughMemory) {
        read the file into memory;
        if (readFailed) errorCode = -1;    // read failed
      } else errorCode = -2;               // not enough memor
    } else errorCode = -3;                 // file size can't be determined
    close the file;
    if (theFileDidntClose && errorCode == 0) {
      errorCode = -4;                      // can't close file
    } else errorCode = errorCode and -4;   // can't close file + error
  } else errorCode = -5;                   // can't open file
  return errorCode;
}
```

Pseudo code to read file

```
readFile {
  open the file;
  determine its size;
  allocate that much memory;
  read the file into memory;
  close the file;
}
```

- Spaghetti code
  - difficulty to read
- What if a method needs to return value?
  - a method can return only a single value

Try-Catch: Comparing to if-else (cont.)

ReadFile2.java (pseudo code)

```
readFile {
  try {
    open the file;
    determine its size;
    allocate that much memory;
    read the file into memory;
    close the file;
  } catch (fileOpenFailed) {
      doSomething;
  } catch (sizeDeterminationFailed) {
      doSomething;
  } catch (memoryAllocationFailed) {
      doSomething;
  } catch (readFailed) {
      doSomething;
  } catch (fileCloseFailed) {
      doSomething;
  }
}
```

Pseudo code to read file

```
readFile {
  open the file;
  determine its size;
  allocate that much memory;
  read the file into memory;
  close the file;
}
```

Comparing ReadFile1.java & ReadFile2.java, which one is better?

Try-Catch: Finally

TestFinally.java (main)

```
public class TestFinally {

   public static void main(String[] args) {

      functionWithFinally();

   }

}
```

Result (return)

```
catch

finally
```

Result (System.exit(-1))

```
catch
```

Why do we need “finally”?
Can’t we just move “finally code” to be after the try-catch statement.

TestFinally.java (functionWithFinally)

```
public static void functionWithFinally() {

  int result = 0;

  for (int i = 0; i < 4; ++i) {

    try {

      result = 10 / i;

      System.out.println("i=" + i + " and result=" + result);

      if (i == 2) break;

    } catch (ArithmeticException ae) {

      System.out.println("catch");

      return;

    } finally {

      System.out.println("finally");

    }

    System.out.println("End Step\n");

  }

  System.out.println("End Main Loop");

}
```

```
public void writeList() {
  try {
        PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(new FileWriter("out.txt"));
            for (int i=0; i<SIZE; i++) {
                  out.println(v.elementAt(i));
            }
        out.close( ):
  } catch (ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
        System.err.println("Caught ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException");
  } catch (IOException e) {
        System.err.println("Caught IOException");
  }
}
```

May not get executed!

use a finally block
(always will execute, even if
we jump out of try block)

Throws

- When an exception occurs in the method, it will be *thrown* to the caller.
- add `throws` clause to the method declaration if we do not want to catch exception within the current method.
- Throw1.java
  - Caller: main()
  - Callee: greet()
    - Checked Exception: `ClassNotFoundException, InterruptedException`
- Caller must handle ALL checked exception in the callee!

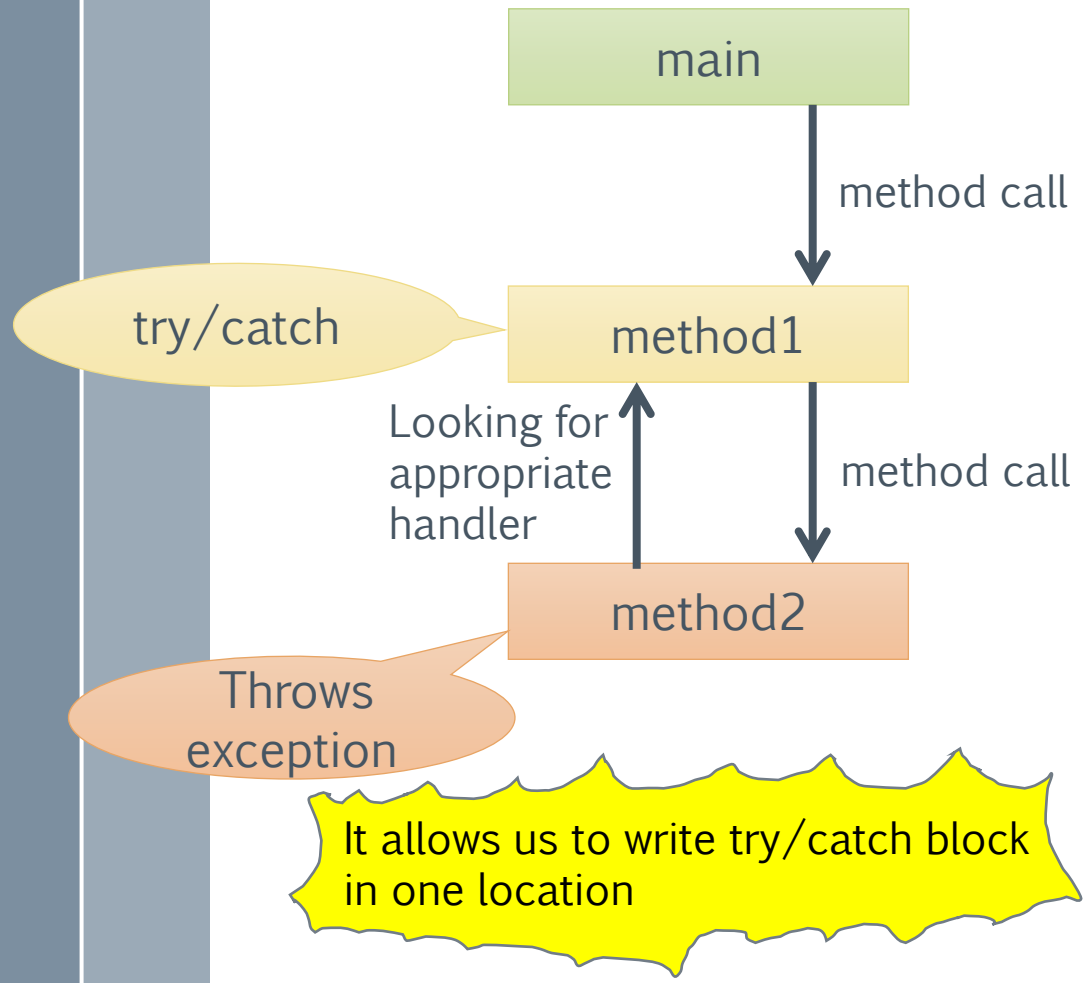
Throw1.java

```
public class Throw1 {

  static void greet(String name) throws ClassNotFoundException,
InterruptedException {

      if (name.equals("John"))

          throw new InterruptedException();

      System.out.println("Hello! " + name);

  }

  public static void main(String[] args) throws
ClassNotFoundException{

    try {

      greet("John");

    } catch (InterruptedException e) {

      System.out.println("Bye.");

    }

  }

}
```

Result

```
Bye
```

Throws: Chain Caller



ChainCaller.java

```
public class ChainCaller {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    ChainCaller t = new ChainCaller();
    t.method1(6, 3);
    t.method1(6, 0);
  }
  public void method1(double a, double b) {
    try {
      System.out.println(method2(a, b));
    } catch (ArithmeticException ae) {
      System.out.println("Divided by zero not allowed");
    }
  }
  public String method2(double a, double b)
    throws ArithmeticException {
    if (b == 0) throw new ArithmeticException();
    else return a + "/" + b + "=" + a / b;
  }
}
```

Result

```
6.0/3.0=2.0
Divided by zero not allowed
```

What happens if we don't want to catch at all

```
import java.io.*;
 public void m1( ){
        m2( );
 }
 public void m2( ){
        m3( );
 }
 public void m3( ) throws IOException {
        int b = System.in.read( );
 }
```

```
public void m1( ) throws IOException {
      m2( );
}
```

```
public void m2( ) throws IOException {
      m3( );
}
```

Compile ok, but do not handle the exception….

Error!!
m2 has to either catch or throw IOException

Error!!
m1 has to either catch or throw IOException

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Create a new exception

"Extends" can be applied.

TestMyException.java: MyException

```
class MyException extends Exception {
    public MyException(String s) {
        System.out.println("MyException = " + s);
    }
}
```

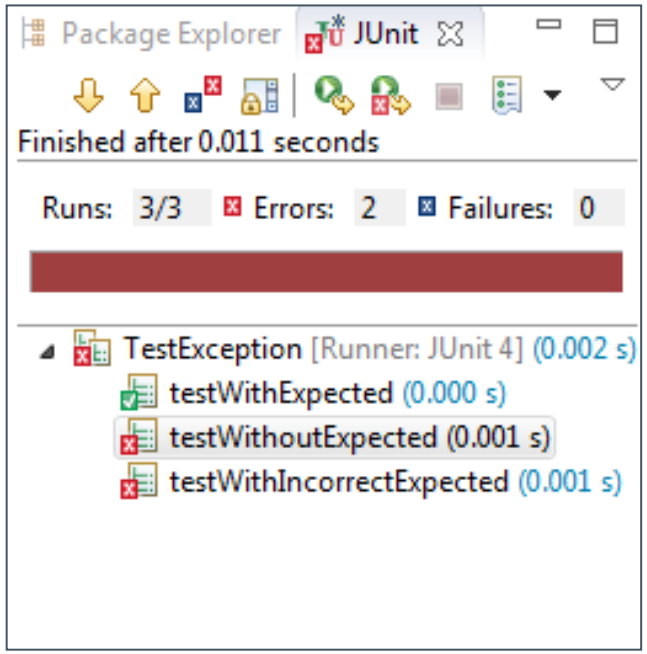
TestMyException.java

```
public class TestMyException {
  static void welcome(String s) throws MyException {
    if (s.equals("JAVA"))
      System.out.println("Welcome to JAVA World");
    else
      throw new MyException(s + " not allowed here");
}
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    try {
      welcome("C#");
    } catch (MyException e1) {
      System.out.println("MyException.");
    }
  }
}
```

Result

```
MyException = C# not allowed here
MyException.
```

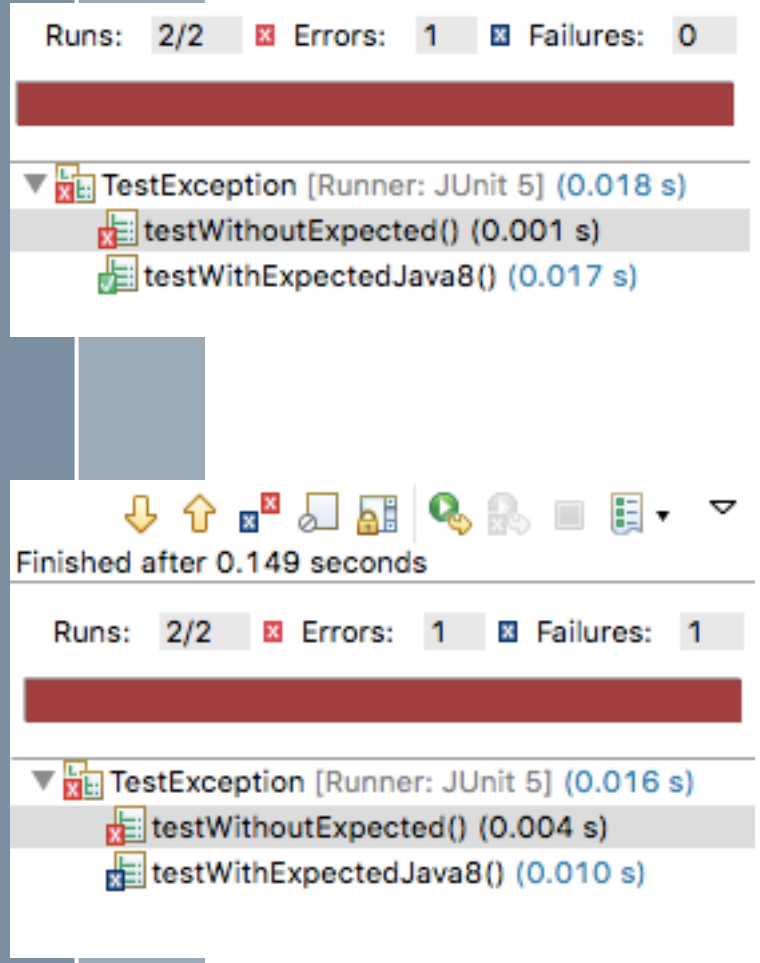
JUnit4 with exception



JUnit: TestException

```
import org.junit.Test;

public class TestException {

  @Test(expected=ArithmeticException.class)
  public void testWithExpected() {
    double a = 10/0;
  }

  @Test
  public void testWithoutExpected() {
    double a = 10/0;
  }

  @Test(expected=ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException.class)
  public void testWithIncorrectExpected() {
    double a = 10/0;
  }
}
```

JUnit5 with exception



Junit 5: TestException

```java
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
import org.junit.jupiter.api.function.Executable;
import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.assertThrows;

public class TestException {
  @Test
  public void testWithExpectedJava8() {
  Executable e = () -> System.out.println(10/0);
  assertThrows(ArithmeticException.class, e);
  }

  @Test
  public void testWithExpectedJava8() {
  assertThrows(ArithmeticException.class,
      () -> {int x = 10/0;});
  }
}
```