

# Review session: Exceptions, GUI's

→ ~~about~~

you have in your "About the Final" handout what you need to know.

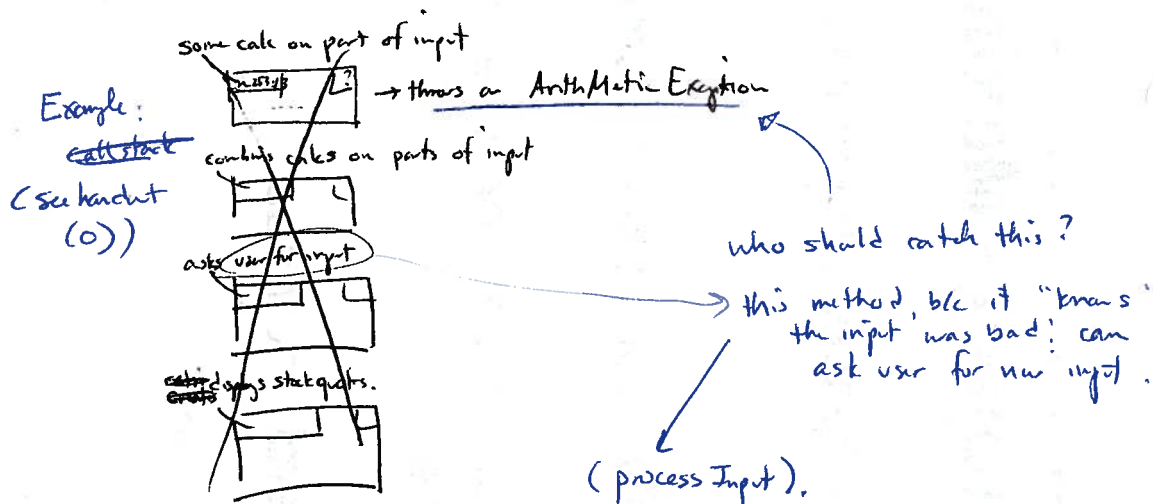
Exceptions: "~~About the Final~~" says:

~~For signalling~~

○ what are they? objects serving as signals that something (unusual) has gone wrong.

- ~~###~~ Array/String Index Out of Bounds - trying to access an index that doesn't exist
- Arithmetic Exception - trying to divide by zero
- NullPointerException - trying to access fields or methods of a null object.
- NumberFormatException - trying to treat a String that doesn't represent a number as if it did.

Exceptions can/should be caught by method that knows how to deal w/ the problem.



- how can processFirstBit throw an Exception?

- by trying to divide by zero, access null field

- system creates one (e.g., b/c of a divide by zero)

- throw new ~~Exc~~ Exception(); (some pre-existing or a new Excptn class).

- ~~throw new~~ Excptn; (if no detail msg)

- throw new ~~Excptn~~ Excptn("processFirstBit problem...")  
w/ a detail msg

- how can processInput catch an Exception?

inside:

```
try {
    processAllInfo();
} catch (Exception re) {
```

what if no catch?

what if diff. excptn?

how do we create class  
Excptn?

## Review session: exceptions and GUIs

(0) Consider the following methods:

runEverything(...): creates a GUI that responds to user requests. Calls processInput.

processInput(...): gets and processes entire input from the user. Calls calcAllInfo

preprocessAllInfo(...): collates info about result of preprocessing each piece of user input. Calls processFirstBit(...).

processFirstBit(...): preprocesses the first bit of user input.

We consider what (should) happen if processFirstBit throws an Exception.

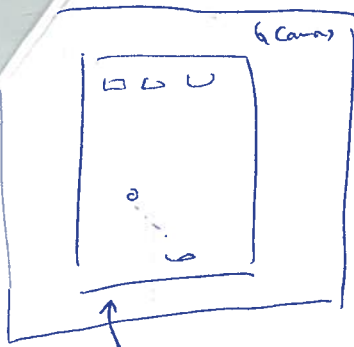
(1) (From Spring 2010's final) We have forgotten how to find the length of a string  $s$ , and we are in a hurry. We do remember that  $s.charAt(k)$  throws a `StringIndexOutOfBoundsException` if  $k$  is not the index of a character  $s$ . So we (meaning you) write the function below, using a loop (with initialization) that successively evaluates  $s.charAt(0)$ ,  $s.charAt(1)$ ,  $s.charAt(2)$ , ... until the exception is thrown, at which time  $k$  will be the length! Write the body of the function. You will need a try-statement.

```
/** = length of string s */
public static int length(String s) {
    k = 0;
    //inv: s[0..k-1] exists.
    while (true) {
        try {
            s.charAt(k); // totally useless, just check if access allowed
            // just making a statement.
        } catch (StringIndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
            return k; // here does it terminate.
        }
        k = k + 1;
    }
}
```

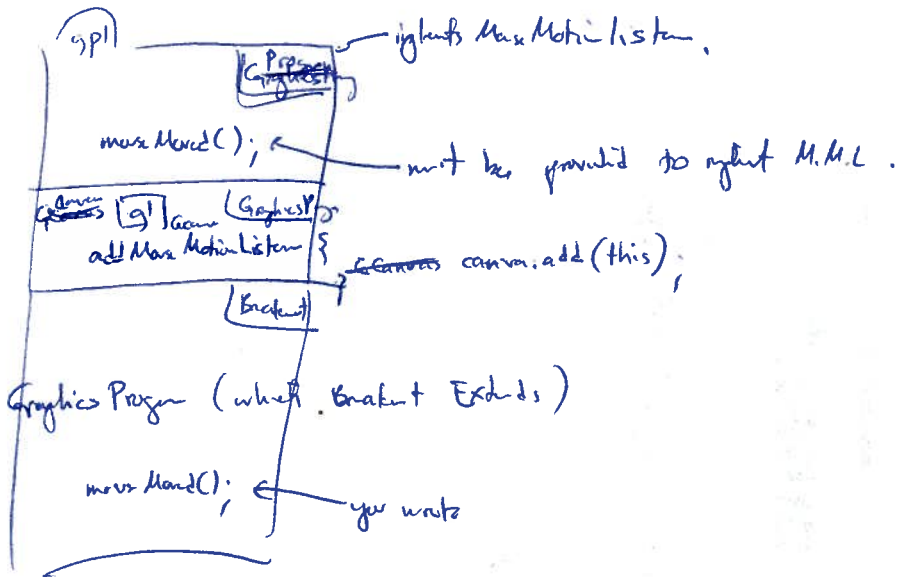
4 loops  
q's.

(2) How were the 3 steps for getting something to listen to an event actually implemented in the `acm` package we used for A7? (Remember we said that these things were done "under the hood".)

- 1st: recall 3 steps:
- explain what should happen if act'n occurs
  - Some class `deer` has to contain a method ~~that~~ act'n performed `wasenow()` (or whatever).
  - tell Jane ~~the~~ objects of this class specify what should happen
  - add "implements `dear & MotionListener`" to class header.
  - for a coyote when an the act'n could occur, register a deer object as a listener.
  - coyote.addNewMotionListener(↓);



a GCanvas, part of a Graphics Program (which Bracket Extends)



JFrame: BorderLayout  
 (cp.add(button, BorderLayout.EAST);

JPanel: FlowLayout  
 (p.add(button);

Box: BoxLayout  
 constructor: new Box(BoxLayout.X-AXIS);

- JButton
- JLabel
- JTextField
- JTextArea