
CS151

Exceptions
Analysis

Exceptions

- Unexpected events during execution
 - unavailable resource
 - unexpected input
 - logical error
- In Java, exceptions are objects
- 2 options with an Exception
 - “Throw” it
 - this says that the exception must be handled elsewhere
 - “Catch” it.
 - handle the problem here and now

Catching Exceptions

- Exception handling

- `try-catch`

- An exception is caught by having control transfer to the matching `catch` block

- If no exception occurs, all `catch` blocks are ignored

```
try {  
    guardedBody  
} catch (exceptionType1 variable1) {  
    remedyBody1  
} catch (exceptionType2 variable2) {  
    remedyBody2  
} ...  
    ...
```

Throwing Exceptions

- An exception is thrown
 - implicitly by the JVM because of errors
 - explicitly by code
 - If your code throws an exception it **must** catch that exception somewhere else
- Method signature – throws

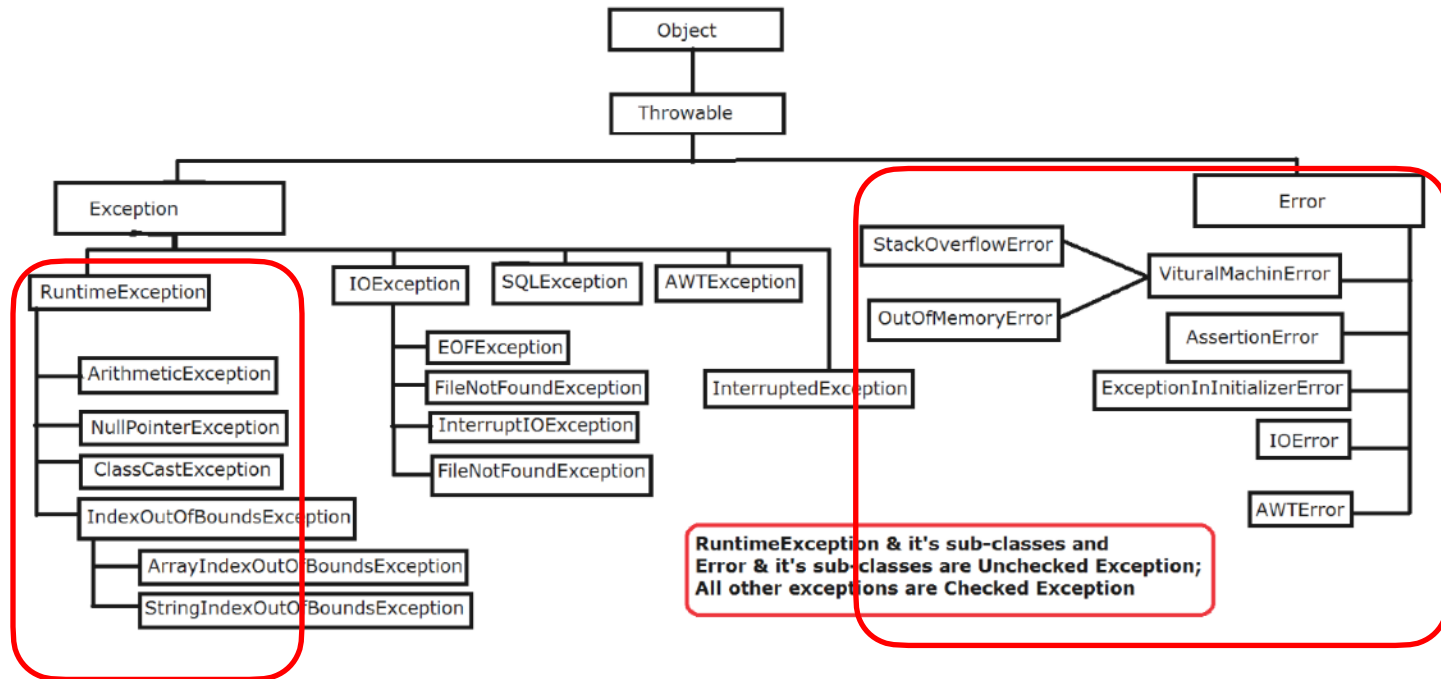
```
public static int parseInt(String  
s) throws NumberFormatException
```

Exceptions Example

```
public class ExceptThrower {
    public int divv(int numer, int denom) {
        try {
            return numer / denom;
        } catch (ArithmeticException e) {
            System.err.println("Caught in Func " + e);
        }
        return 0;
    }
    public int divvTh(int numer, int denom) throws ArithmeticException {
        return numer / denom;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ExceptThrower except = new ExceptThrower();
        except.divv(2, 0);
        try {
            except.divvTh(4, 0);
        } catch (ArithmeticException ae) {
            System.err.println("Caught in Main " + ae);
        }
    }
}
```

The diagram consists of green arrows and a green box. One arrow starts at the 'return numer / denom;' line in the 'divv' method's try block and points to the 'catch (ArithmeticException e)' block. Another arrow starts at the 'return numer / denom;' line in the 'divvTh' method and points to the 'catch (ArithmeticException ae)' block in the 'main' method. A third arrow starts at the 'except.divvTh(4, 0);' line in the 'main' method's try block and points to the 'catch (ArithmeticException ae)' block. A green box encloses the 'divvTh' method and the 'main' method's try-catch block.

Java's Exception Hierarchy



Running Time

- The run time of a program depends on
 - efficiency of the algorithm/implementation
 - size of input
 - what else?
- The running time typically grows with input size
- How do you measure running time?
 - CPU usage?
 - Reliability?

Timing Code

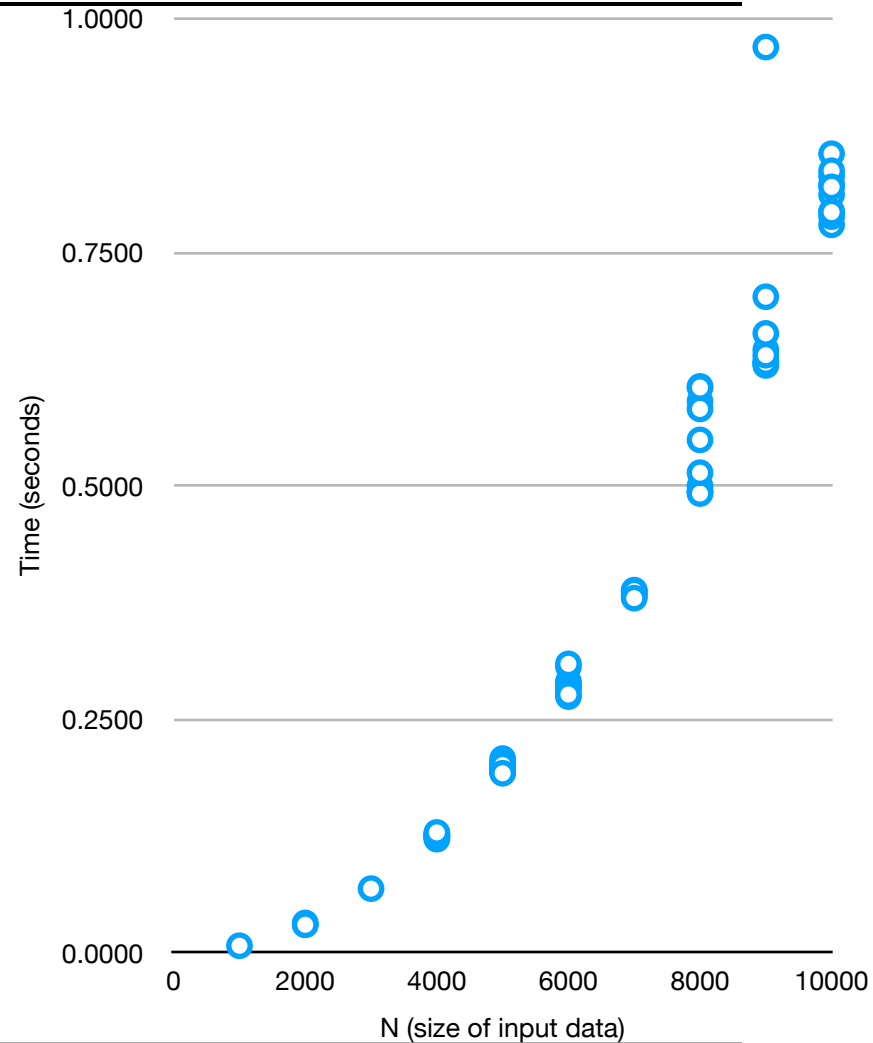
```
public class Timer {
    private static final int REPS = 2; // number of trials
    private static final int NANOS_SEC = 1000000000; // nanosec per sec

    public double doSomething(int[] data) {
        double k = 0;
        for (long i = 0; i < data.length; i++) {
            for (long j = 0; j < data.length; j++) {
                k += Math.sqrt(i * j);
            }
        }
        return k;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Timer timer = new Timer();
        long data[] = new long[REPS];
        for (int j = 1000; j < 65000; j = j*2) {
            for (int i = 0; i < REPS; i++) {
                long start = System.nanoTime();
                timer.doSomething(new int[j]);
                long finish = System.nanoTime();
                data[i] = (finish - start);
                System.out.println(String.format("%d %.4f", j, (double) (finish - start) /
NANOS_SEC));
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Experimental Studies

- Write a program implementing the algorithm
- Run it with different input sizes and compositions
- Record times and plot results



Limitation of Experiments

- You have to implement the algorithm
- You have to generate inputs that represent all cases
- Comparing two algorithms requires exact same hardware and software environments
 - Even then timing is hard
 - multiprocessing
 - file i/o

Theoretical Analysis

- Use a high-level description of algorithm
 - pseudo-code
- Running time as a function input size, n
- Ignore other details of the input
- Independent of the hardware/software environment

Primitive Operations

- Basic computations
 - $*$ / $+$ -
- Comparisons
 - $==$, $>$, $<$
- Setting
 - $x=y$
- Assumed to take constant time
 - exact constant is not important
 - Because constant is not important, can do more than just this list

Example

Time required to compute an average

```
public double allAverage(long[] data){
    double res = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<data.length; i++)
    {
        res = res+data[i];
    }
    return res/data.length;
}

public double posAverage(long[] data) {
    double res = 0;
    long pCount = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<data.length; i++) {
        long datum=data[i];
        if (0<datum) {
            res = res+datum;
            pCount=pCount+1;
        }
    }
    return res/pCount;
}
```

How many operations? (In terms of the length of data)

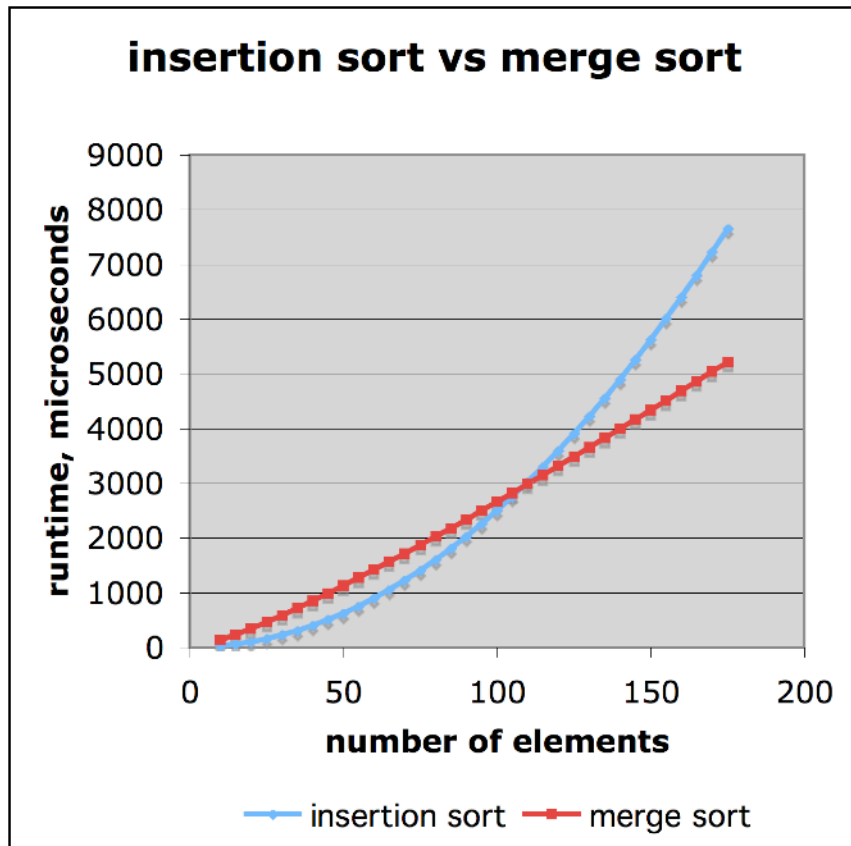
Estimate Running Time

- `allAverage` executes $5N+3$ operations
- `posAverage` executes a total of $9N+3$ primitive operations in the worst case, $5N+3$ in the best case.
- Let **a** be the fastest primitive operation time, **b** be the slowest primitive operation time
- Let $T(n)$ denote the worst-case time of `allAverage`.
Then:
$$a(5n+3) < T(n) < b(5n+3)$$
- $T(n)$ is bounded by two functions
 - both are linear in terms of n

Growth Rate of Running Time

- Changing the hardware/ software environment
 - Affects $T(n)$ by a constant factor, but
 - Does not alter the growth rate of $T(n)$
- The linear growth rate of the running time $T(n)$ is an intrinsic property of both algorithms.

Comparison of Two Algorithms



- insertion sort: $n^2/4$
- merge sort: $2n \lg n$
- suppose $n=10^8$
 - insertion sort:
 $10^8 * 10^8 / 4 = 2.5 * 10^{15}$
 - merge sort:
 $10^8 * 26 * 2 = 5.2 * 10^9$
 - or merge sort can be expected to be about 10^6 times faster
 - so if merge sort takes 10 seconds then insertion sort takes about 100 days

Asymptotic Notation

- Provides a way to simplify analysis
- Allows us to ignore less important elements
 - constant factors
- Focus on the largest growth of n
 - Focus on the dominant term

How do these functions grow?

- $f_1(x) = 43n^2 \log^4 n + 12n^3 \log n + 52n \log n$
- $f_2(x) = 15n^2 + 7n \log^3 n$
- $f_3(x) = 3n + 4 \log_5 n + 91n^2$
- $f_4(x) = 13 \cdot 3^{2n+9} + 4n^9$

Big O

- Constant factors are ignored
- Upper bound on time
- Goal is to have an easily understood summary of algorithm speed
 - not implementation speed

Sublinear Algorithms

- $O(1)$
 - runtime does not depend on input

- $O(\lg_2 n)$
 - algorithm constantly halves input

Linear Time Algorithms: $O(n)$

- The algorithm's running time is at most a constant factor times the input size
- Process the input in a single pass spending constant time on each item
 - max, min, sum, average, linear search
- Any single loop

$O(n \log n)$ time

Frequent running time in cases when algorithms involve:

- Sorting
 - only the “good” algorithms
 - e.g. quicksort, merge sort, ...

Quadratic Time: $O(n^2)$

- Nested loops, double loops
 - The `doSomething` algorithm
- Processing all pairs of elements
- The less-good sorting algorithms
 - e.g., insertion sort

Slow!!!! Times

- polynomial time: $O(n^k)$
 - All subsets of n elements of size k
- exponential time: $O(2^n)$
 - All subsets of n elements (power set)
- factorial time: $O(n!)$
 - All permutations of n elements

Algorithm Run Times

N	log(n)	n	n log(n)	n*n	n*n*n	n!
10	3	10	33	100	1000	10 ⁵
100	7	100	664	10000	10 ⁶	10 ⁹⁴
1000	10	1000	9966	10 ⁶	10 ⁹	10 ¹⁴³⁵
10000	13	10000	132877	10 ⁸	10 ¹²	10 ¹⁹³⁵⁵
100000	17	100000	1660964	10 ¹⁰	10 ¹⁵	10 ^(10⁶)

Analyzing StuffBag

- add
- remove one
- count
- remove all of X

- Can these times be improved?
 - at what cost?