

Programming for Mobile Computing

EECS 1022

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July 22–31

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Final exam (written part)

When: Friday August 4, 14:00-15:30

Where:

- Curtis Lecture Hall E if your last name starts with A-K
- Curtis Lecture Hall F if your last name starts with L-Z

Material: everything covered in the course

Final exam (written part)

- No questions are allowed during the test. If a question is not clear, then write down any assumptions made.
- One page of notes (letter size, double sided) may be used during the test.
- A non-electronic dictionary may be used during the test.

Preparation

- Study the material.
- Prepare your page of notes.
- Think of a test question.
- Post your question on the forum at Moodle.
- Answer questions posted by other students on the forum.
- Discuss questions and answers on the forum.

- Tuesday August 1, 17:30-19:30
- Thursday August 3, 17:30-19:30

Sources of Crashes

- Enter your choice (1–5): a
- ```
List<Integer> list = ...
for (int i = 0; i <= list.size (); i++) {
 output.println (list .get(i));
}
```
- ```
import com.cheapbutquestionable.Integer;  
...  
int value = Integer.parseInt(input.nextInt ());
```
- ```
List<String> list = ...
while (true) {
 list .add(new String("Hello"));
}
```

Which exceptions a method may throw are specified in the API.

E `get(int index)`

Returns the element at the specified position in this list.

**Parameters:**

`index` – index of the element to return

**Returns:**

the element at the specified position in this list

**Throws:**

`IndexOutOfBoundsException` – if the index is out of range (`index < 0 || index >= size()`)



# How to Handle Exceptions

## Step 1

Place a try block around the statement(s) that may throw the exception.

```
try {
 ...
}
```

## Step 2

Place a catch block right after the try block.

```
catch (... Exception e) {
 ...
}
```

## Compiling

```
File file = new File("test.txt");
PrintStream fileOutput = new PrintStream(file);
```

gives rise to the error

```
Client.java:13: unreported exception java.io.
FileNotFoundException; must be caught or declared
to be thrown
```

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 ^
```

1 error

Why?

## Answer

Because the constructor `PrintStream(File)` throws a `FileNotFoundException` if the file object does not denote an existing, writable regular file and a new regular file of that name cannot be created, or if some other error occurs while opening or creating the file (see [API](#)).

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We can catch the exception.

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Since a `NullPointerException` is not a `FileNotFoundException`, the app crashes.

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The “must be caught or declared to be thrown” rule is only applicable to checked exceptions and an `IndexOutOfBoundsException` is not checked.

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`RuntimeExceptions` represent conditions that can be validated by the programmer.

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For example, the programmer may want to separate the error handling code from the rest.