

Lecture 4: Exceptions. I/O

Outline

- Access control. Class scope
- Exceptions
- I/O

Access Control

```
public class CreditCard {  
    String cardNumber;  
    double expenses;  
    void charge(double amount) {  
        expenses = expenses + amount;  
    }  
    String getCardNumber(String password) {  
        if (password.equals("SECRET!3*!")) {  
            return cardNumber;  
        }  
        return "jerkface";  
    }  
}
```

Mr. MeanGuy

```
public class Malicious {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        maliciousMethod(new CreditCard());  
    }  
    static void maliciousMethod(CreditCard card)  
    {  
        card.expenses = 0;  
        System.out.println(card.cardNumber);  
    }  
}
```

Public vs. Private

- Public: others can use this
- Private: only the class can use this

public/private applies to any
field or **method**

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}
```

Access Control DONE RIGHT

```
public class CreditCard {  
    private String cardNumber;  
    private double expenses;  
    public void charge(double amount) {  
        expenses = expenses + amount;  
    }  
    public String getCardNumber(String password)  
    {  
        if (password.equals("SECRET!3*!")) {  
            return cardNumber;  
        }  
        return "jerkface";  
    }  
}
```

Why Access Control

- Protect private information (sorta)
- Clarify how others should use your class
- Keep implementation separate from interface

Scope

Just like methods, variables are accessible inside {}

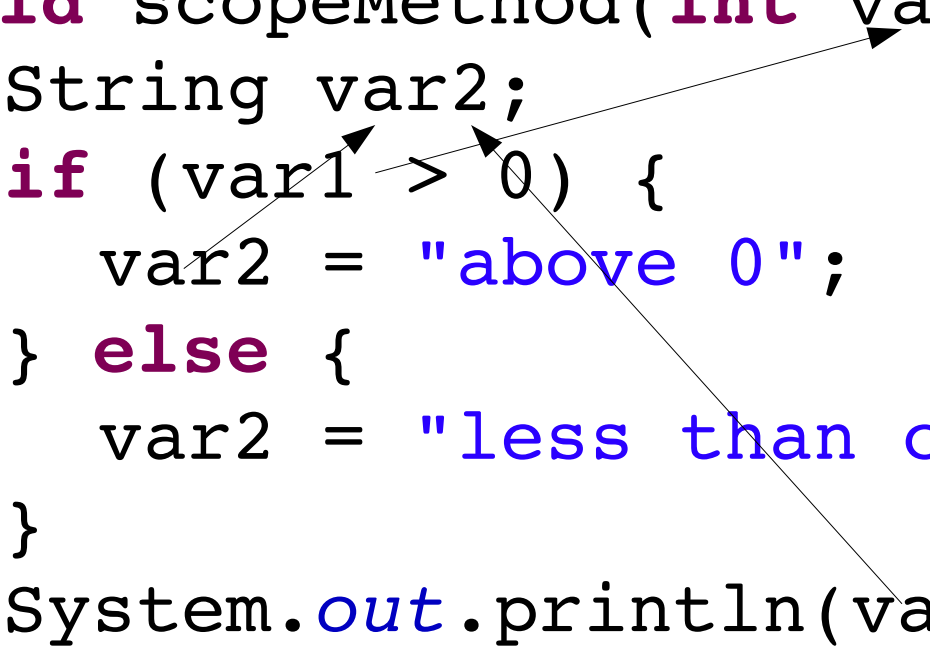
- Method-level scope

```
void method(int arg1) {  
    int arg2 = arg1 + 1;  
}
```
- Class-level scope

```
class Example {  
    int memberVariable;  
    void setVariable(int newVal) {  
        memberVariable += newVal;  
    }  
}
```

Method Scope

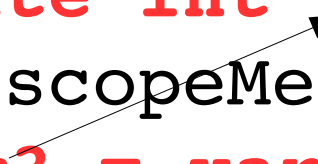
```
public class ScopeReview {  
    void scopeMethod(int var1) {  
        String var2;  
        if (var1 > 0) {  
            var2 = "above 0";  
        } else {  
            var2 = "less than or equal to 0";  
        }  
        System.out.println(var2);  
    }  
}
```



The diagram illustrates the scope of variables in the provided Java code. Two arrows originate from the 'var1' parameter in the method signature 'void scopeMethod(int var1)'. One arrow points to the 'var1' in the 'if' condition 'if (var1 > 0)', and the other points to the 'var1' in the 'println' statement 'System.out.println(var2)'. This indicates that 'var1' is in scope throughout the entire method body. A second arrow originates from the 'var2' declaration 'String var2;' and points to the 'var2' in the 'println' statement, indicating that 'var2' is in scope from its declaration until the end of the method.

Class Scope

```
public class ScopeReview {  
    private int var3;  
    void scopeMethod(int var1) {  
        var3 = var1;  
        String var2;  
        if (var1 > 0) {  
            var2 = "above 0";  
        } else {  
            var2 = "less than or equal to 0";  
        }  
        System.out.println(var2);  
    }  
}
```



'this' keyword

- Clarifies scope
- Means 'my object'

Usage:

```
class Example {  
    int memberVariable;  
    void setVariable(int newVal) {  
        this.memberVariable += newVal;  
    }  
}
```

Only method-level 'servings' is updated

```
public class Baby {  
    int servings;  
    void feed(int servings) {  
        servings = servings + servings;  
    }  
    void poop() {  
        System.out.println("All better!");  
        servings = 0;  
    }  
}
```

Object-level 'servings' is updated

```
public class Baby {  
    int servings;  
    void feed(int servings) {  
        this.servings =  
            this.servings + servings;  
    }  
    void poop() {  
        System.out.println("All better!");  
        servings = 0;  
    }  
}
```

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Exceptions

- NullPointerException
- ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException
- ClassCastException
- RuntimeException

What is an “Exception”?

- Event that occurs when something “unexpected” happens
 - `null.someMethod();`
 - `(new int[1])[1] = 0;`
 - `int i = “string”;`

Why use an Exception?

- To tell the code using your method that something went wrong

```
Exception in thread "main"  
    java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 5  
    at RuntimeException.main(RuntimeException.java:8)
```

Accessed index 5, which isn't in the array

The method that called it was main

- Debugging and understanding control flow

How do exceptions “happen”?

- Java doesn't know what to do, so it
 - Creates an Exception object
 - Includes some useful information
 - “throws” the Exception
- You can create and throw Exceptions too!

public class Exception

- Exception is a class
- Just inherit from it!

```
public class MyException extends Exception  
{  
}
```

- Or use existing ones
 - <http://rymden.nu/exceptions.html>

Warn Java about the Exception

```
public Object get(int index) throws
    ArrayOutOfBoundsException {
    If (index < 0 || index >= size())
        throw new
            ArrayOutOfBoundsException(""+index);
}
```

- **throws** tells Java that `get` may throw the `ArrayOutOfBoundsException`
- **throw** actually throws the Exception (sorry)

Catching an Exception

- Java now expects code that calls `get` to deal with the exception by
 - Catching it
 - Rethrowing it

Catching it

- What it does
 - **try** to run some code that may throw an exception
 - Tell Java what to do if it sees the exception (**catch**)

```
try {  
    get(-1);  
} catch (ArrayOutOfBoundsException err) {  
    System.out.println("oh dear!");  
}
```

Rethrowing it

- Maybe you don't want to deal with the Exception
- Tell Java that your method throws it too

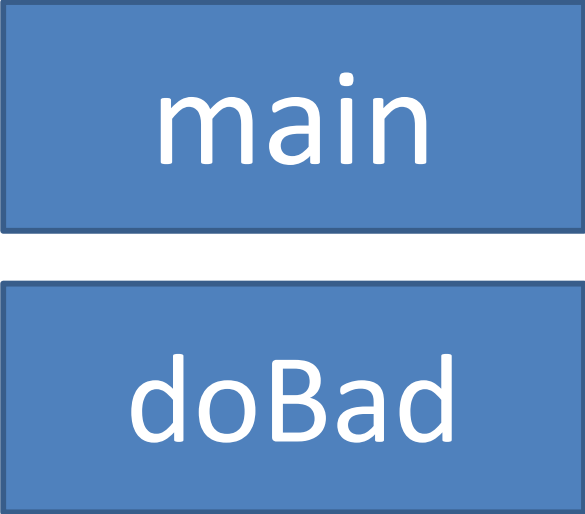
```
void doBad() throws ArrayOutOfBoundsException {  
    get(-1);  
}
```

Rethrowing it



main

Rethrowing it

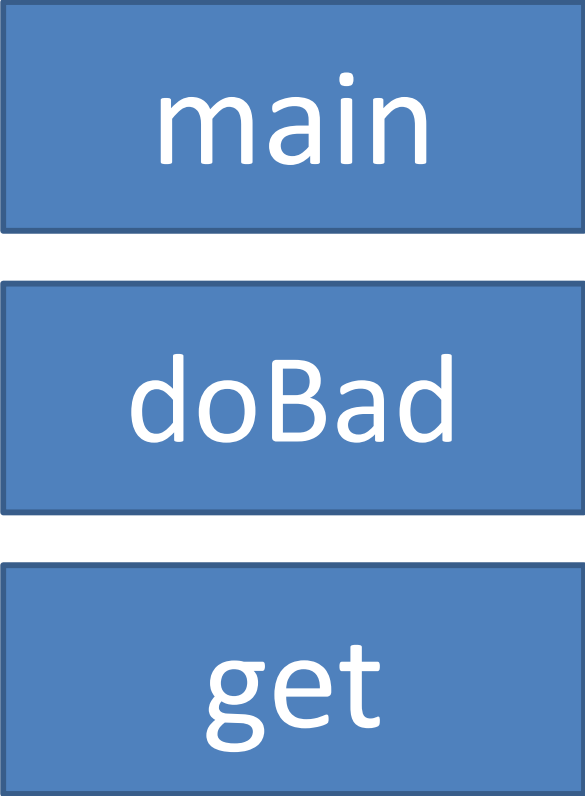


main

The diagram consists of two blue rectangular boxes stacked vertically. The top box contains the text 'main' and the bottom box contains the text 'doBad'. Both boxes have a thin dark blue border.

doBad

Rethrowing it



main

A vertical stack of three blue rectangular boxes representing a call stack. The top box is labeled 'main', the middle box is labeled 'doBad', and the bottom box is labeled 'get'. The boxes are stacked vertically, with 'main' at the top, 'doBad' in the middle, and 'get' at the bottom.

doBad

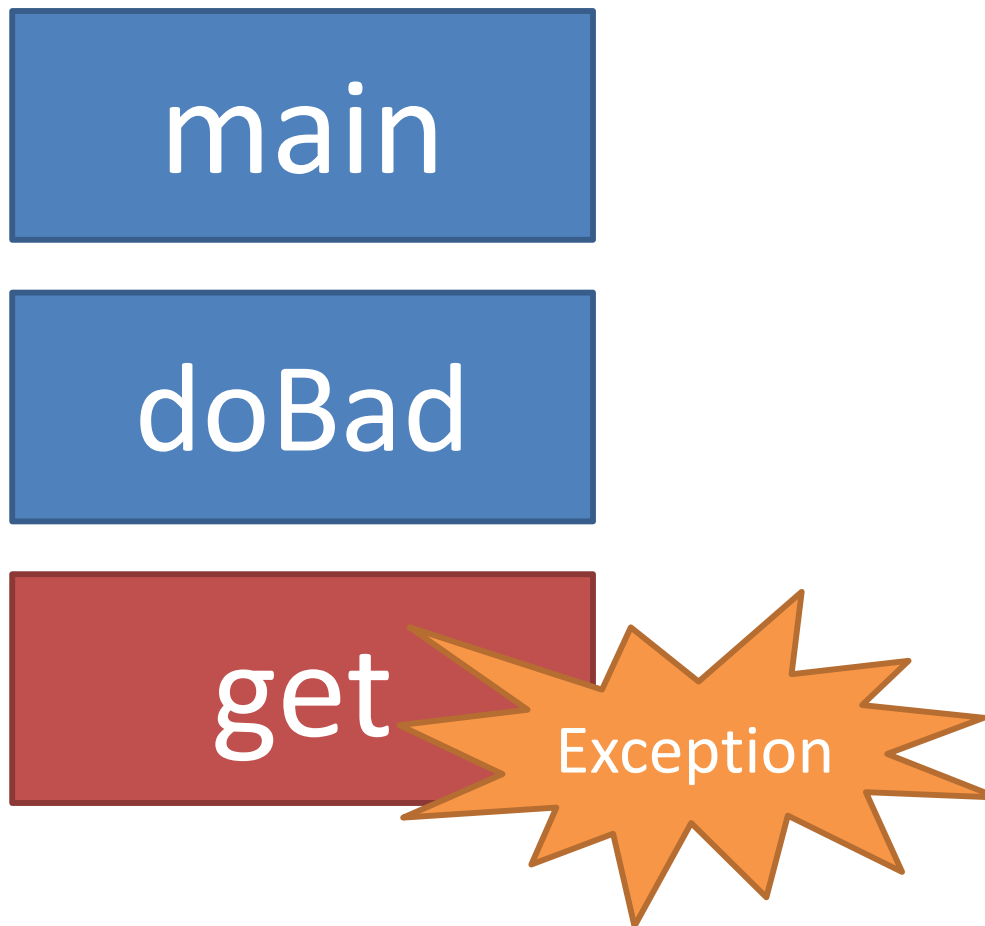
get

Rethrowing it

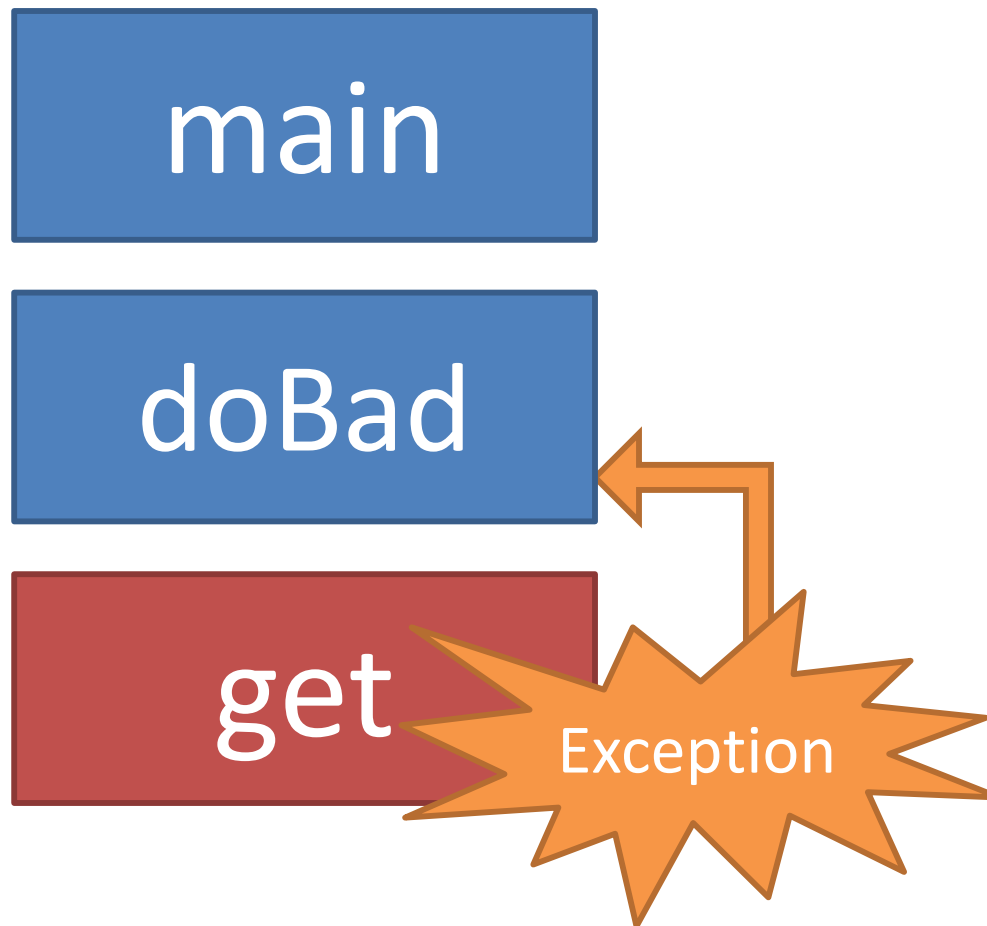


Uh Oh

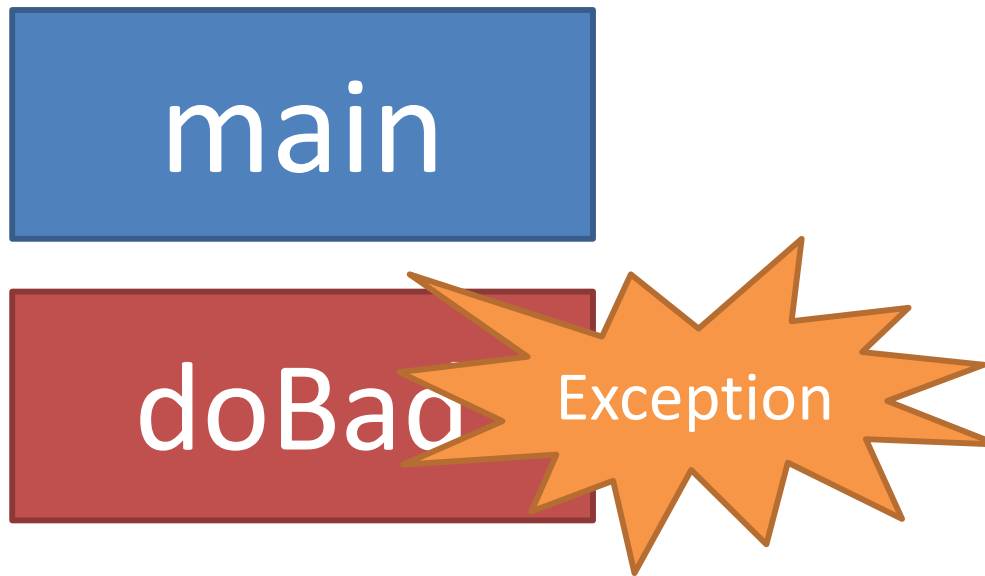
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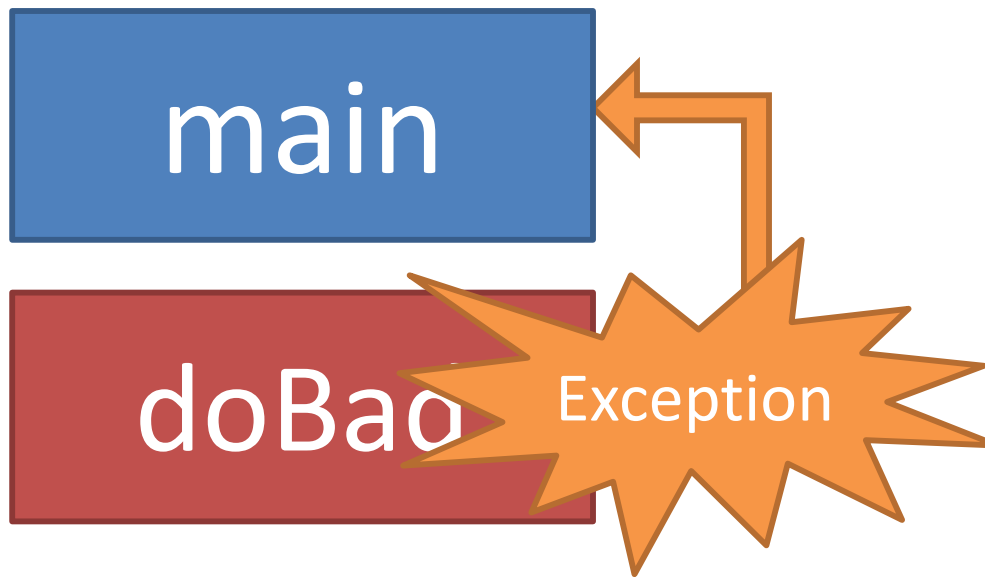
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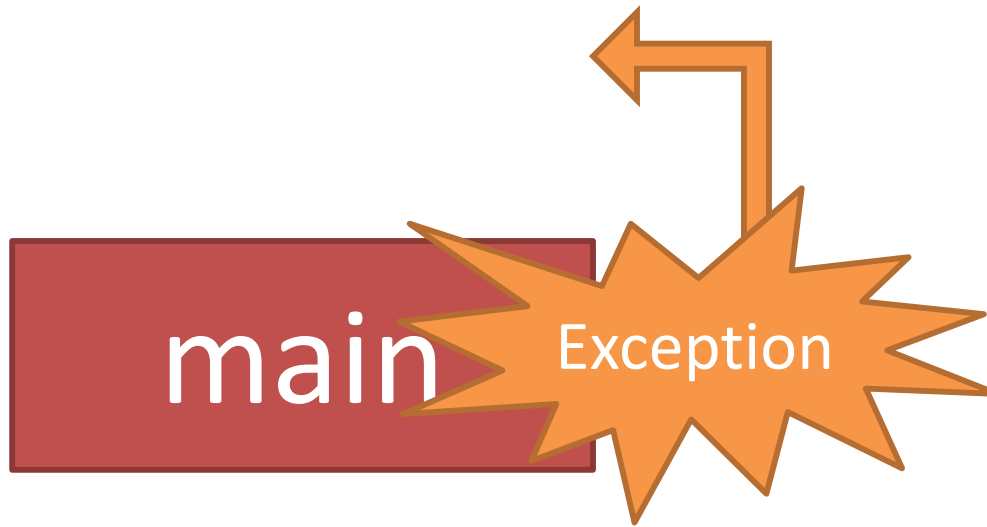
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What if no one catches it?

- If you run

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {  
    doBad();  
}
```

- Java will print that error message you see

```
Exception in thread "main"  
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: -1  
    at YourClass.get(YourClass.java:50)  
    at YourClass.doBad(YourClass.java:11)  
    at YourClass.main(YourClass.java:10)
```

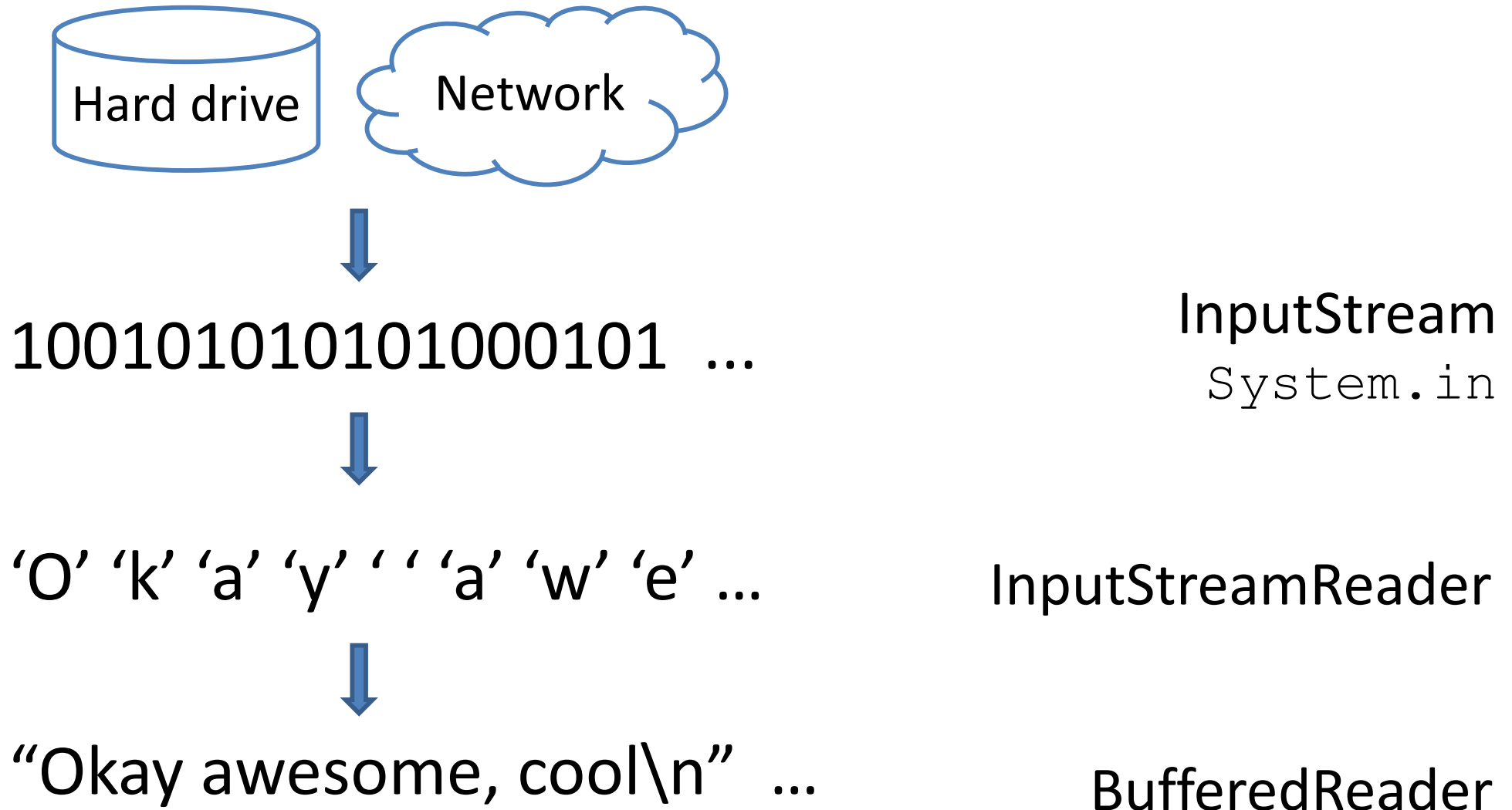
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We've seen Output

```
System.out.println("some string");
```

The Full Picture



InputStream

- InputStream is a stream of bytes
 - Read one byte after another using `read()`
- A byte is just a number
 - Data on your hard drive is stored in bytes
 - Bytes can be interpreted as characters, numbers..

```
InputStream stream = System.in;
```

InputStreamReader

- Reader is a class for character streams
 - Read one character after another using `read()`
- InputStreamReader takes an InputStream and converts bytes to characters
- Still inconvenient
 - Can only read a character at a time

```
new InputStreamReader(stream)
```

BufferedReader

- **BufferedReader** buffers a character stream so you can read line by line
 - `String readLine()`

```
new BufferedReader(  
    new InputStreamReader(System.in) );
```

User Input

```
InputStreamReader ir = new  
    InputStreamReader(System.in);  
BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(ir);  
  
br.readLine();
```

FileReader

- FileReader takes a text file
 - converts it into a character stream
 - `FileReader("PATH TO FILE");`
- Use this + `BufferedReader` to read files!

```
FileReader fr = new FileReader("readme.txt");  
BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(fr);
```

FileReader Code

```
import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.FileReader;
import java.io.IOException;

public class ReadFile {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException{
        // Path names are relative to project directory (Eclipse Quirk )
        FileReader fr = new FileReader("./src/readme");
        BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(fr);
        String line = null;
        while ((line = br.readLine()) != null) {
            System.out.println(line);
        }
        br.close();
    }
}
```