

Lecture 2: Intro to Java



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Languages

Instead of imagining that our main task is to instruct a computer what to do, let us concentrate rather on explaining to human beings what we want a computer to do. - Donald Knuth

Machine languages. Tedious and error-prone.

Natural languages. Ambiguous and hard for computer to parse.

High-level programming languages. Acceptable tradeoff.

Why Programming?

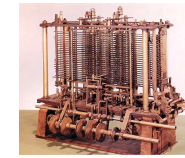
Idealized computer. "Please simulate the motion of a system of N heavenly bodies, subject to Newton's laws of motion and gravity."

Prepackaged software solutions. Great, if it does exactly what you need.

Computer programming. Art of making a computer do what **you** want.



Ada Lovelace



Analytic Engine

Why Java?

Java features.

- Widely used.
- Widely available.
- Embraces full set of modern abstractions.
- Variety of automatic checks for mistakes in programs.

Caveat. No perfect language.

Our approach.

- Minimal subset of Java.
- Develop general programming skills that are applicable to: C, C++, C#, Perl, Python, Ruby, Matlab, Fortran, Fortress, ...

A Rich Subset of the Java Language

Built-In Types	
int	double
long	String
char	boolean

System
System.out.println()
System.out.print()
System.out.printf()

Math Library	
Math.sin()	Math.cos()
Math.log()	Math.exp()
Math.sqrt()	Math.pow()
Math.min()	Math.max()
Math.abs()	Math.PI

Flow Control	
if	else
for	while

Parsing
Integer.parseInt()
Double.parseDouble()

Boolean	
true	false
	&&
!	

Punctuation	
{	}
()
,	;

Primitive Numeric Types		
+	-	*
/	%	++
--	>	<
<=	>=	==
!=		

String	
+	""
length()	compareTo()
charAt()	matches()

Arrays
a[i]
new
a.length

Objects	
class	static
public	private
toString()	equals()
new	main()

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1.1 Your First Program

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Programming in Java

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```

/*****
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 * Everyone's first Java program.
 *****/

public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, World");
    }
}

```

HelloWorld.java

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command-line → `% javac HelloWorld.java`

(or click the Compile button in DrJava)

- This creates a Java bytecode file named: HelloWorld.class

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`java HelloWorld`

command-line →

```
% javac HelloWorld.java
% java HelloWorld
Hello, World
```

(or click the Run button in DrJava)

A few remarks.

- Name of class must match name of file.
- Comments between `/*` and `*/` are ignored by compiler.
- Whitespace and indentation is for human readability.
- Syntax coloration auto-generated by editor.

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1.2 Built-In Types of Data

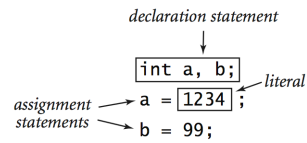
Built-In Data Types

Data type. A set of values and operations defined on those values.

Type	Description	Literals	Operations
char	characters	'A' '@'	compare
String	sequences of characters	"Hello World" "CS is fun"	concatenate
int	integers	17 12345	add, subtract, multiply, divide
double	floating point numbers	3.1415 6.022e23	add, subtract, multiply, divide
boolean	truth values	true false	and, or, not

Basics

Definitions.



Trace.

	a	b	t
int a, b;	undefined	undefined	
a = 1234;	1234	undefined	
b = 99;	1234	99	
int t = a;	1234	99	1234
a = b;	99	99	1234
b = t;	99	1234	1234

Text

Text: the String data type.

- Values: sequences of Unicode characters.
- Operations: string concatenation.
- Useful for program input and output.

expression	value
"Hi," + "Bob"	"Hi, Bob"
"1 " + "2 " + "1 "	"1 2 1"
"1234" + " " + " " + "99"	"1234 + 99"
"1234" + "99"	"123499"

Typical String expressions

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Subdivisions of a Ruler

```
public class Ruler {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String ruler1 = "1";
        String ruler2 = ruler1 + " 2 " + ruler1;
        String ruler3 = ruler2 + " 3 " + ruler2;
        String ruler4 = ruler3 + " 4 " + ruler3;
        String ruler5 = ruler4 + " 5 " + ruler4;
        System.out.println(ruler5);
    }
}
```

"1"
"1 2 1"
"1 2 1 3 1 2 1"
string concatenation

```
% java Ruler
1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 5 1 2 1 3 1 2 1 4 1 2 1 3 1 2 1
```

Integers

Integers: the int data type.

- Values: integers between -2^{31} and $2^{31} - 1$.
- Operations: add, subtract, multiply, divide, remainder.
- Useful for expressing algorithms.

expression	value	comment
5 + 3	8	
5 - 3	2	
5 * 3	15	
5 / 3	1	
5 % 3	2	
1 / 0		runtime error
3 * 5 - 2	13	* has precedence
3 + 5 / 2	5	/ has precedence
3 - 5 - 2	-4	left associative
(3 - 5) - 2	-4	better style
3 - (5 - 2)	0	unambiguous

Typical int expressions

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Integer Operations

```
public class IntOps {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int a = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        int b = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
        int prod = a * b;
        int quot = a / b;
        int rem = a % b;
        System.out.println(a + " * " + b + " = " + prod);
        System.out.println(a + " / " + b + " = " + quot);
        System.out.println(a + " % " + b + " = " + rem);
    }
}

% javac IntOps.java
% java IntOps 1234 99
1234 * 99 = 122166
1234 / 99 = 12
1234 % 99 = 46

1234 = 12*99 + 46
```

command-line arguments

Java automatically converts rem to a String

Floating Point Numbers

- Floating point numbers: the `double` data type.
- Values: real numbers represented according to IEEE 754 standard.
 - Operations: add, subtract, multiply, divide.
 - Useful in scientific applications.
- like scientific notation

expression	value
3.141 + .03	3.171
6.02e23 - 2	6.02e23
6.02e23 / 2	3.01e23
5.0 / 3.0	1.6666666666666667
5.0 % 2.0	2.5
1.0 / 0.0	Infinity
Math.sqrt(2.0)	1.4142135623730951
Math.sqrt(-1.0)	NaN

Typical double expressions

Quadratic Equation

Ex. Solve quadratic equation $x^2 + bx + c = 0$.

$$\text{roots} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4c}}{2}$$

```
public class Quadratic {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // parse coefficients from command-line
        double b = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
        double c = Double.parseDouble(args[1]);

        // calculate roots
        double discriminant = b*b - 4.0*c;
        double d = Math.sqrt(discriminant);
        double root1 = (-b + d) / 2.0;
        double root2 = (-b - d) / 2.0;

        // print them out
        System.out.println(root1);
        System.out.println(root2);
    }
}
```

Testing

Testing. Some valid and invalid inputs.

```
% java Quadratic -3.0 2.0
2.0
1.0
x^2 - 3x + 2

% java Quadratic -1.0 -1.0
1.618033988749895
-0.6180339887498949
x^2 - x - 1
golden ratio

% java Quadratic 1.0 1.0
NaN
NaN
x^2 + x + 1
not a number

% java Quadratic 1.0 hello
java.lang.NumberFormatException: hello

% java Quadratic 1.0
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException
```

Booleans and Comparisons

Booleans: the `boolean` data type.

- Values: `true` or `false`.
- Operations: `and`, `or`, `not`.
- Useful to control logic and flow of a program.

Logical Operators

a	b	a && b	a b
false	false	false	false
false	true	false	true
true	false	false	true
true	true	true	true

a	!a
false	true
true	false

Comparison Operators

op	Description	true	false
<code>==</code>	equal	<code>2 == 2</code>	<code>2 == 3</code>
<code>!=</code>	not equal	<code>2 != 3</code>	<code>2 != 2</code>
<code><</code>	less	<code>2 < 13</code>	<code>3 < 2</code>
<code><=</code>	less or equal	<code>2 <= 2</code>	<code>3 <= 2</code>
<code>></code>	greater	<code>13 > 2</code>	<code>2 > 13</code>
<code>>=</code>	greater or equal	<code>3 >= 2</code>	<code>2 >= 3</code>

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Leap Year

Q. Is a given year a leap year?

A. Yes if either (i) divisible by 400 or (ii) divisible by 4 but not 100.

```
public class LeapYear {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int year = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        boolean isLeapYear;

        // divisible by 4 but not 100
        isLeapYear = (year % 4 == 0) && (year % 100 != 0);

        // or divisible by 400
        isLeapYear = isLeapYear || (year % 400 == 0);

        System.out.println(isLeapYear);
    }
}
```

```
% java LeapYear 2004
true
% java LeapYear 1900
false
% java LeapYear 2000
true
```

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Type Conversion

Type conversion. Convert from one type of data to another.

- Automatic: no loss of precision; or with strings.
- Explicit: `cast`; or method.

Ex. Generate a pseudo-random number between 0 and $N-1$.

```
public class RandomInt {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int N = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        double r = Math.random();
        int n = (int) (r * N);
        System.out.println("random integer is: " + n);
    }
}
```

String to int (method)
double between 0.0 and 1.0
double to int (cast) int to double (automatic)
int to String (automatic)

```
% java RandomInt 6
random integer is 3
% java RandomInt 6
random integer is 0
% java RandomInt 10000
random integer is 3184
```

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Summary

A data type is a set of values and operations on those values.

- `String` text processing.
- `double, int` mathematical calculation.
- `boolean` decision making.

Be aware.

- Declare type of values.
- Convert between types when necessary.
- In 1996, Ariane 5 rocket exploded after takeoff because of bad type conversion.



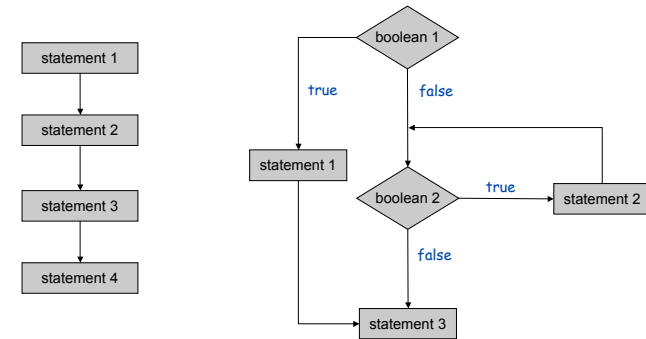
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1.3 Conditionals and Loops

Control Flow

Control flow.

- Sequence of statements that are actually executed in a program.
- Conditionals and loops: enable us to choreograph control flow.



straight-line control flow

control flow with conditionals and loops

If-Else Statement

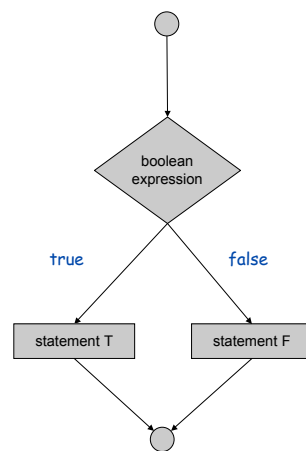
The **if-else statement**. A common branching structure.

- Check **boolean condition**.
- If **true**, execute some statements.
- Otherwise, execute other statements.

```
if (boolean expression) {
    statement T;
}
else {
    statement F;
}
```

can be any sequence of statements

if-else syntax



if-else flow chart

If-Else: Leap Year

If-else. Take different action depending on value of variable.

- If **isLeapYear** is **true**, then print "is a".
- Otherwise, print "isn't a".

```
System.out.print(year + " ");

if (isLeapYear) {
    System.out.print("is a");
}
else {
    System.out.print("isn't a");
}

System.out.println(" leap year");
```

Oblivious Sorting

Sort. Read in 3 integers and rearrange them in ascending order.

```
public class Sort3 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        int a = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);  
        int b = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);  
        int c = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);  
  
        if (b > c) { int t = b; b = c; c = t; }  
        if (a > b) { int t = a; a = b; b = t; }  
        if (b > c) { int t = b; b = c; c = t; }  
  
        System.out.println(a + " " + b + " " + c);  
    }  
}
```

```
% java Sort3 9 8 7  
7 8 9  
  
% java Sort3 2 1 7  
1 2 7
```

Puzzle 1. Sort 4 integers with 5 compare-exchanges.

Puzzle 2. Sort 6 integers with 12.