COMP 202 Java in one week

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The Java Programming Language

- A *programming language* specifies the words and symbols that we can use to write a program
- A programming language employs a set of rules that dictate how the words and symbols can be put together to form valid *program statements*
- Java was created by Sun Microsystems, Inc.
- It was introduced in 1995 and has become quite popular
- It is an object-oriented language



Java Program Structure

- In the Java programming language:
 - A program is made up of one or more *classes*
 - A class contains one or more methods
 - A method contains program statements
 - Statements are the actual commands you issue
- These terms will be explored in detail throughout the course
- A Java program always contains a method called main

This is where the program starts



Calculator I: add two Integers

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AddTwoIntegers.java
                       import java.util.Scanner;
                       public class AddTwoIntegers {
                         public static void main(String ☐ args) {
                           int input1,input2,output;
                           Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
                           // input the values
                           System.out.println("Add: Type in the first integer:");
                           input1 = scan.nextInt();
                           System.out.println("Add: Type in the second integer:");
                           input2 = scan.nextInt();
                           // perform the calculation
                           output = input1 + input2;
                           System.out.println("The sum is: "+output);
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 Interactions
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```



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Java Program Structure

```
comments about the class
public class MyProgram
                               class header: The name of
                                              the class
                                Important: The class header name MUST
          class body
                                be the same name as the file name:
                                MyProgram.java
               Comments can be added almost anywhere
```



Java Program Structure

```
comments about the class
public class MyProgram
       comments about the method
   public static void main (String[] args)
                                  method header
           method body
```



Identifiers

- *Identifiers* are the words a programmer uses in a program. They are used to give names to things.
- An identifier can be made up of letters, digits, the underscore character (), and the dollar sign
- Identifiers cannot begin with a digit
- Java is *case sensitive*, therefore Result and result are different identifiers



Identifiers

- Sometimes we choose identifiers ourselves when writing a program (such as input1, AddTwoIntegers)
- Sometimes we are using another programmer's code, so we use the identifiers that they chose (such as println)
- Often we use special identifiers called *reserved words* that already have a predefined meaning in the language
 - A reserved word cannot be used in any other way
 - Main, class, public, ...

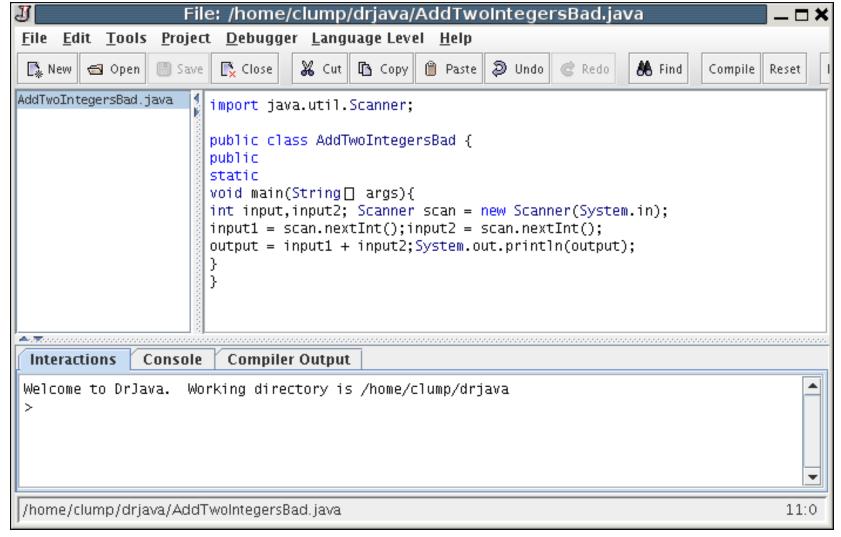


More on println

- println takes one input
 - a character string: println("hello world");
 - the value of a variable: *println(output)*;
 - the combination of both:
 - println("The sum is" + output);
- We will understand the exact semantics behind this soon



Formatting and Errors





Formatting rules

- Spaces, blank lines, and tabs are collectively called *white space*
 - separates words and symbols in a program
 - Extra white spaces are ignored
- A valid Java program can be formatted many different ways
- Programs should be formatted for readability
 - use proper indentation
 - use space and new lines
 - use comments

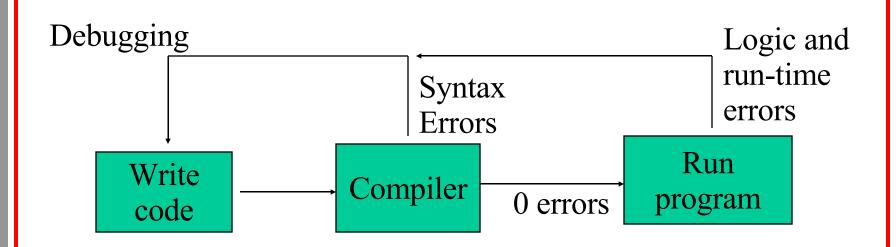


Programming Errors

- A program can have three types of errors
 - The compiler will find problems with syntax and other basic issues (*compile-time errors*)
 - If compile-time errors exist, an executable version of the program is not created
 - A program may run, but produce incorrect results (logical errors)
 - output = input1 input2;
 - A problem can occur during program execution, and causes a program to terminate abnormally (*run-time errors*)
 - Divide by zero
 - Wrong data type



Development Life Cycle



Errors may take a long time to debug!

Important Note: When you compile for the first time and see the 150 errors, do not despair. Only the first 1 or 2 errors are relevant. Fix those and compile again. There should be fewer errors (like 50). Repeat until no errors.



Syntax and Semantics

- The *syntax rules* of a language define how we can put symbols, reserved words, and identifiers together to make a valid program (see appendix L)
- The *semantics* of a program statement define what that statement means (its purpose or role in a program)
- A program that is syntactically correct is not necessarily logically (semantically) correct
- A program will always do what we tell it to do, not what we meant to tell it to do



Calculator II: Choosing the right data type

- Integer: -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...
- Real Number:
 - number that can be given by an infinite decimal representation (e.g, 3.237654...)
- floating point number:
 - approximation of a real number
 - needs only finite space (fits in a cell or set of cells)
 - data type in Java (for now): double



Calculator II: Choosing the right data type

• Integer vs. double

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddTwoDoubles {
  public static void main(String  args) {
    double input1, input2, output;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // input the values
    System.out.println("Add: Type in the first number:");
    input1 = scan.nextDouble();
    System.out.println("Add: Type in the second number:");
    input2 = scan.nextDouble();
    // perform the calculation
    output = input1 + input2;
    System.out.println("The sum is: "+output);
```



Data Type compatibility

- If you try to assign a *double* value to a variable of type *int*, you get a run-time error
- If you try to assign an *int* value to a variable of type *double*, an automatic conversion occurs



Calculator III: Constants

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  import java.util.Scanner;
  public class Circle {
    public static void main(String ☐ args) {
      double radius, circumference, area;
      final double PI = 3.14;
      Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
      // read in radius
      System.out.println("Enter radius:");
      radius = scan.nextDouble();
      // perform calculations
      circumference = 2.0 * radius * PI;
      area = radius * radius * PI;
      System.out.println("The circumference is: "+circumference);
      System.out.println("The area is: "+area);
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```



Constants

- A constant is an identifier that is similar to a variable except that it holds one value for its entire existence
- The compiler will issue an error if you try to change a constant
- In Java, we use the final modifier to declare a constant

```
final double PI = 3.14;
```

- Constants:
 - give names to otherwise unclear literal values
 - facilitate changes to the code
 - More precision required: change PI only once to 3.14159
 - prevent inadvertent errors



Arithmetic Expressions

• An expression is a combination of operators and operands

```
- radius * radius * PI
```

• Arithmetic expressions compute numeric results and make use of the arithmetic operators:

Addition	x + y
Subtraction	x - y
Multiplication	x * y
Division	x / y
Remainder	x % y
Negative	- X

• If either or both operands to an arithmetic operator are floating point (double), the result is floating point (double)



Division with Integers

- If both operands to the division operator (/) are integers, the result is an integer (the fractional part is discarded)
- The remainder operator (%) returns the remainder after dividing the second operand into the first
- Example 1:
 - int numHours = 52;
 - int fullDays = numHours / 24;
 - 2
 - int remainingHours = numHours % 24;
 - 4
- Division by 0
 - Produces run-time error
 - Program has to avoid it



Calculator IV: Division

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 import java.util.Scanner;
 public class DivisionInt {
   public static void main(String  args) {
     int numerator, denominator, output, remainder;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
     // read in the numerator
     System.out.println("Enter numerator:");
     numerator = scan.nextInt();
     System.out.println("Enter denominator:");
     denominator = scan.nextInt():
     // check correctness of input
     if (denominator == 0) {
       System.out.println("Division by zero is undefined.");
     } else {
       // input is ok
       output = numerator / denominator;
       remainder = numerator % denominator;
       System.out.println("The result is: "+output);
       System.out.println("The remainder is: "+remainder);
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```



If-else statements

- A statement that allows a program to choose an action depending on the value of a boolean expression
- Example:

```
if (balance > amount)
    Balance = balance - amount;
else
    System.out.println("You cannot withdraw more money
        than you have");
System.out.println("your balance is: " + balance);
```

- If the value of the variable balance is larger than the value of the variable amount, the amount is subtracted from the balance
- Otherwise the user is informed that the subtraction cannot be done
- In any case, the value of the balance is printed



Boolean Expression

- An expression that evaluates either to "true" or to "false"
- Named after George Boole, inventor of the Boolean Algebra (we will discuss it in more detail later)
- Similar concept in natural language
 - "the traffic light is red"
 - This expression is either true or false



Comparison

- Boolean Expressions often contain comparisons;
 - if (denominator == 0)
 - If the denominator is zero
 - Note the difference of comparison == to assignment =
 - One of the most common errors
 - If (denominator != 0)
 - If the denominator is not zero
 - if (balance > amount), if (balance < amount)
 - If the balance is larger / smaller than the amount
 - If (balance >= amount)
 - If the balance is larger or equal to the amount
 - If (balance <= amount)
 - If the balance is smaller or equal to the amount



The simple if-then-else Statement

```
if ( condition )
    statement1;
else
    statement2;
```

- If the condition is true, statement1 is executed; if the condition is false, statement2 is executed
- One or the other will be executed, not both



Block Statements

- Several statements can be grouped together into a block statement
- A block is delimited by braces ({ . . . })
- A block statement can be used wherever a statement is called for in the Java syntax
- For example, in an if-else statement, the if portion, or the else portion, or both, could be block statements
- Task: rewrite the division program with comparison
 if (denominator != 0)



Calculator V: Add five numbers

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 import java.util.Scanner;
 public class AddFive {
   public static void main(String ☐ args) {
     double input1, input2, input3, input4, input5;
     double output:
     Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
     // input the values
     System.out.println("Add: Type in the first number:");
     input1 = scan.nextDouble();
     System.out.println("Add: Type in the second number:");
     input2 = scan.nextDouble();
     System.out.println("Add: Type in the third number:");
     input3 = scan.nextDouble();
     System.out.println("Add: Type in the fourth number:");
     input4 = scan.nextDouble();
     System.out.println("Add: Type in the fifth number:");
     input5 = scan.nextDouble();
     // perform the calculation
     output = input1 + input2 + input3 + input4 + input5;
     System.out.println("The sum is: "+output);
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Calculator VI: add 10 numbers

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 import java.util.Scanner;
 public class AddTen {
   public static void main(String ☐ args) {
     double input;
     double output = 0;
     int counter;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
     // read in the values and computer partial sums
     counter=1;
     while (counter <= 10) {
       System.out.println("Add: Type in a number:");
       input = scan.nextDouble();
       output = output + input;
       counter = counter + 1;
     System.out.println("The sum is: "+output);
/home/clump/drjava/AddTen.java
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```



The while-loop

- A loop allows us to execute a statement or a block of statements repetitively
- Body of the loop: the block of statements contained in the loop (executed repetitively)
- Iteration: one execution of body of the loop
- The body is executed repeatedly as long as the condition after the while evaluates to true
 - If the condition never evaluates to true, then the loop is never executed



The While-loop syntax

If the condition is true, the statement is executed. Then the condition is evaluated again.

The statement is executed repetitively until the condition becomes false.



Calculator VII: Adding an arbitrary amount of numbers

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 import java.util.Scanner;
 public class AddArbitrary {
   public static void main(String ☐ args) {
     double input;
     int iterations;
     double output = 0;
     int counter;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
     System.out.println("Add: How many numbers do you want to add?");
     iterations = scan.nextInt();
     // read in the values and computer partial sums
     counter=1;
     while (counter <= iterations) {</pre>
       System.out.println("Add: Type in a number:");
       input = scan.nextDouble();
       output = output + input;
       counter = counter + 1;
     System.out.println("The sum is: "+output);
/home/clump/drjava/AddArbitrary.java
```



Classes

- So far, we have used some existing classes:
 - Scanner:
 - Allows us to read from keyboard: nextInt, nextDouble, ...
 - System.out
 - Allows us to print information to the screen: println
 - We call the operations that we can perform *methods*
- So far, we have developed a set of own classes
 - Division, AddArbitrary, ...
 - But are these conceptually classes?
 - They are rather tasks of a class calculator!



The calculator class

- Provides Addition and Division
- Expects repetitive input from user
- User must indicate type of operation (addition, division, ...)
- User must indicate input
- Calculator performs operation
- Calculator exits if user does not want to have further computation



Main Method

- Main
 - get type of operation wanted by user
 - 0: exit
 - 1: add
 - 2: divide
 - While (type != 0)
 - If (type == 1)
 - Call Addition method
 - If (type == 2)
 - Call Division method
 - Make sure no other input is provided
 - Get next type of operation wanted by user



Summary

- Variables, variable assignments, expressions are the fundamental building blocks
- Variables can have different data types
 - So far integer and floating point
- We can perform basic operations on variables

```
- +, -, *, /
```

- If-then-else
 - control when certain statements are executed
- While loops
 - execute statements repetitively
- concept of a class
 - bundle related functionality



Problem Solving

- The purpose of writing a program is to solve a problem
- The general steps in problem solving are:
 - Understand the problem
 - Dissect the problem into manageable pieces
 - Design a solution
 - Consider alternatives to the solution and refine it
 - Implement the solution
 - Test the solution and fix any problems that exist



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Calculator I: add two Integers

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddTwoIntegers
  public static void main (String [] args)
    int input1, input2, output;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // read in the values
    System.out.println("Add: Type the first integer:");
    input1 = scan.nextInt();
    System.out.println("Add: Type the second integer:");
    input2 = scan.nextInt();
    // perform calculation
    output = input1 + input2;
    System.out.println("The sum is: " + output);
```



Formatting and Errors

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class AddTwoIntegersBad
{
  public
  static
  void main (String [] args) {
  int input, input2; Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
  input1 = scan.nextInt(); input2 = scan.nextInt()
  output = input1 + input2; System.out.println("The sum is: " + output);
  }
}
```



Calculator II: Choosing the right data type

Integer vs. double

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddTwo
  public static void main (String [] args)
    double input1, input2, output;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // read in the values
    System.out.println("Add: Type the first number:");
    input1 = scan.nextDouble();
    System.out.println("Add: Type the second number:");
    input2 = scan.nextDouble();
    // perform calculation
    output = input1 + input2;
    System.out.println("The sum is: " + output);
```



Calculator III: Constants

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class Circle
  public static void main (String [] args)
    double radius, circumference, area;
    final double PI = 3.14;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // read in the radius
    System.out.println(Enter radius:");
    input1 = scan.nextDouble();
    // perform calculation
    circumference = 2 * radius * PI;
    area = radius * radius * PI;
    System.out.println("The circumference is: " + circumference);
    System.out.println("The area is: " + area);
```



Calculator IV: Division

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class DivisionInt
 public static void main (String [] args)
    int nominator, denominator, output, remainder;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // read in the input
    System.out.println("Enter nominator:");
    nominator = scan.nextInt();
    System.out.println("Enter denominator:");
    denominator = scan.nextInt();
    // check correctness of input
    if (denominator == 0)
          System.out.println("The denominator may not be 0");
    else // perform calculation
          output = nominator / denominator;
          remainder = nominator % denominator;
          System.out.println("The result is: " + output);
          System.out.println("The remainder is: " + remainder);
```



Calculator V: Add five numbers

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddFive
 public static void main (String [] args)
    double input1, input2, input3, input4, input5, output;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    // read in the input
    System.out.println("Enter first number:");
    input1 = scan.nextDouble();
   System.out.println("Enter second number:");
    input2 = scan.nextDouble();
    System.out.println("Enter third number:");
    input3 = scan.nextDouble();
    System.out.println("Enter fourth number:");
    input4 = scan.nextDouble();
    System.out.println("Enter fifth number:");
    input5 = scan.nextDouble();
    // perform calculation
   output = input1 + input2 + input3 + input4 + input5;
   System.out.println("The result is: " + output);
```



Calculator VI: add 10 numbers

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddTen
 public static void main (String [] args)
    double input;
   double output = 0;
   int counter;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
   // read in the values in a loop and incrementally perform calculation
   counter = 1;
    while (counter <= 10)
     System.out.println("Enter number:");
     input = scan.nextDouble();
     output = output + input;
     counter = counter + 1;
    System.out.println("The sum is: " + output);
```



Calculator VII: Adding an arbitrary amount of numbers

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class AddArbitrary
  public static void main (String [] args)
    double input;
    int iterations;
    double output = 0;
    int counter;
    Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.println("Indicate the amount of number:");
    iterations = scan.nextInt();
    // read in the values in a loop and incrementally perform calculation
    counter = 1;
    while (counter <= iterations)
      System.out.println("Enter number:");
      input = scan.nextDouble();
      output = output + input;
      counter = counter + 1;
    System.out.println("The sum is: " + output);
```

