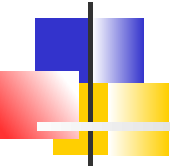


Software and Programming I

Introduction Basic elements of Java

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Module Information

- Time: Thursdays in the Spring term
- Lectures: MAL B04 (A–H: 2–3.30pm, I–Z: 3.30–5pm)
MAL B20 (A–L: 6–7.30pm, M–Z: 7.30–9pm)
- Labs: MAL 109 (2–5pm) and MAL 414/415 (6–9pm)
- **Optional tutorial hour:** MAL 109, 5–6pm
- web: <http://www.dcs.bbk.ac.uk/~roman/sp1>
moodle (<http://moodle.bbk.ac.uk>)



Assessment

- In-Class Tests (weeks 5 & 11): **20%** (10% & 10%)

- Programming Exercises **5%**

**if you do not complete all exercises by week 10
then you will not be able to sit In-Class Test 2
and you will get 0 marks for the exercises**

- Two-hour examination in summer 2020: **75%**



Essential Textbook

Cay Horstmann
Java for Everyone

2nd edition

John Wiley & Sons, 2013

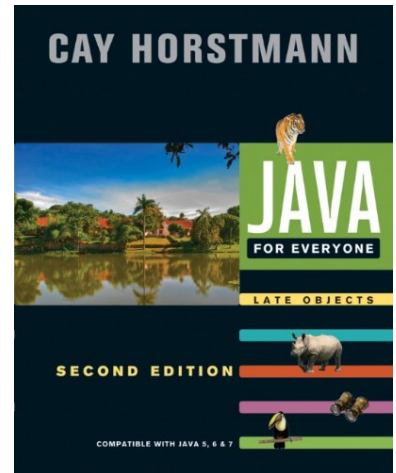
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book also available **online** via BBK library, see
<http://www.dcs.bbk.ac.uk/~roman/sp1/>

the module draws on Chapters 1–9 and 12

the lab classes are based on exercises suggested in JFE





Python v Java

Introduction to Programming was in Python. Why learn Java?

- Python particularly suitable for first steps
- Java widely used for large software systems
- **concepts** carry over
 - from one programming language to another
- main difference: Java is **statically typed**
- goal: be(come) comfortable with
 - more than one programming language

NB: Java is not a version of JavaScript



Syllabus

- primitive data types and strings
- branching and loops
- arrays
- objects and classes
- methods and constructors
- instance and static variables and methods
- inheritance and polymorphism
- object-oriented design
- input/output
- basic data structures and algorithms



SP1 Module Specification

Software and Programming I is a **Level 5** module

Introduction to Programming is a Level 4 module

Software and Programming I is **15 credits**

each credit is worth 10 hours of study

150 hours

term = 11 weeks = 33 hours of classes

any difficulties \implies attend tutorials (MAL 109, 5–6pm)

Python:

```
n = "World"
print("Hello, " + n + "!")
```



My First Program

```
1 /* HelloWorld.java
2    Purpose: printing a hello message on the screen
3 */
4 public class HelloWorld {
5     // each program is a class (week 6)
6     // almost everything in Java is an object
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         String n = "World";
9         System.out.println("Hello, " + n + "!");
10    }
11 }
```

NB. watch out for **semicolons** — they are compulsory

NB. names and reserved words are **case-sensitive**



My First Program: Layout Style 2

```
1 /* HelloWorld.java
2    Purpose: printing a hello message on the screen
3 */
4 public class HelloWorld
5 { // opening curly brackets on the new line
6     // each program is a class
7     public static void main(String[] args)
8     {
9         String n = "World";
10        System.out.println("Hello, " + n + "!");
11    }
12 } // closing curly brackets directly below
```

NB. different styles of curly bracket layout **(indentation is irrelevant)**



My First Program: No Style

```
1 /* HelloWorld.java Purpose: printing a hello message
   on the screen */ public class HelloWorld { public
   static void main(String[] args) { String n = "
   World"; System.out.println("Hello, " + n + "!"); }
   } // all in a single line
```

the Java compiler is happy, but ...

NB: `println` prints the argument and moves the cursor to
the **new line** (`\n` comes from 'line')

`print` simply prints the argument

see <http://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/13/docs/api/java.base/java/io/PrintStream.html>

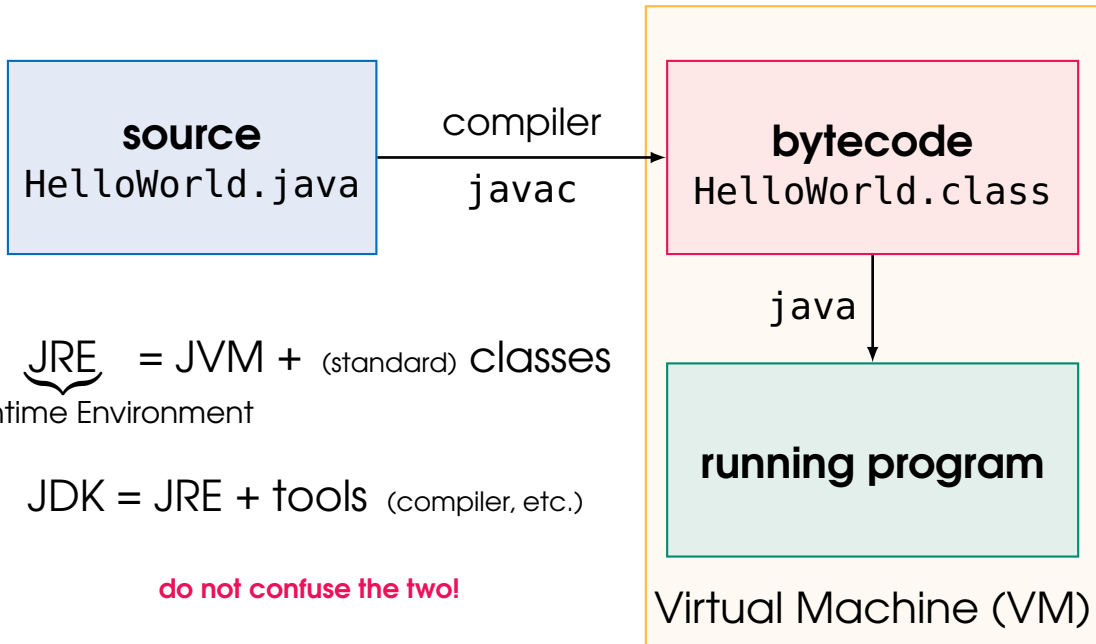


Java Development Environments

- Java Development Kit (JDK), Java SE 8^{/13}
Standard Edition
- BlueJ
(a public project to make programming in Java easier)
- IntelliJ
(extensible,
free software with a proprietary commercial edition)
- Eclipse
(multi-language and extensible,
free and open source software)



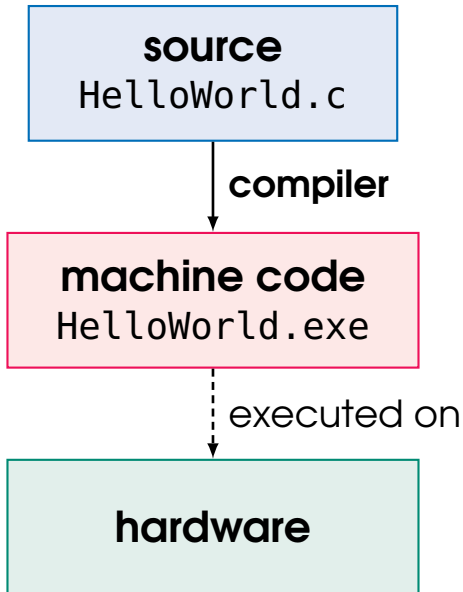
Java Compilation and JRE



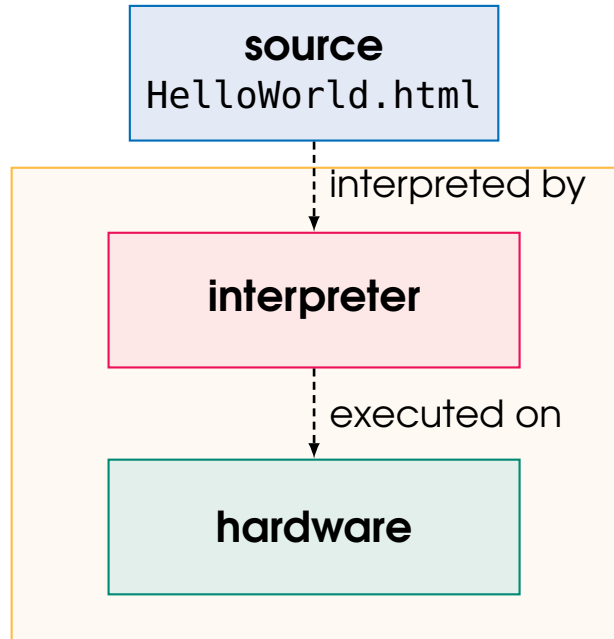


Compilation v Interpretation

C, C++, Swift, ...



JavaScript, PHP, ...





JDK: Editing

- source code can be edited in any text editor
(e.g., Notepad, emacs, ...)
- *MS Word* caveat:
by default, Word does not save in ASCII text format
- make sure to save the code before compiling!
- the file name must be the same
as the name of the class (with the .java extension)
(**case sensitive!**)



Compiling with JDK

- invoke the command-line compiler:

```
javac <source>.java
```

- compiles <source> and all classes it depends on into **Java bytecode** files (<source>.java, etc.)

- for example:

```
javac HelloWorld.java
```

produces the file `HelloWorld.class`

(provided there are no errors)

- make sure the compiler and JVM are in the command path (PATH)



Execution in JDK

- starting the Java Virtual Machine (JVM):

```
java <source>
```

- the named class is loaded and execution is started
(other classes are loaded as needed)
- only possible if the class has been **compiled**
into Java bytecode

How does the JVM know where to start the execution?



Coding in BlueJ

- BlueJ organises files into **projects**, stored in project-specific directories on disk
do not forget to backup!
- types of BlueJ files:
 - bluej.pkg: contains information about classes in the package (one per package)
 - bluej.pkh: backup of the package file
 - *.java: Java source code (text files, one per class)
 - *.class: Java bytecode (binary, one per class)
 - *.ctxt: BlueJ context file with extra information about the class (one per class)



Software is Free

- available on BBK's network
 - JDK (allows one to compile and execute programs)
 - BlueJ (preferred Java IDE)
- installing BlueJ for home use
 - download JDK from
<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads>
 - download BlueJ from
<http://www.bluej.org>
 - BlueJ tutorial
<http://www.bluej.org/tutorial/tutorial-v4.pdf>



Comments

```
1 /* this is a block comment
2    comments provide additional information
3    that is not readily available in the code itself
4    comments are ignored by the Java compiler */
5 public class HelloWorld {
6     // this is a single-line comment
7     public static void main(String[] args) {
8         String n = "World";
9         System.out.println("Hello, " + n + "!");
10    }
11 }
```

NB: Python uses # for single-line comments

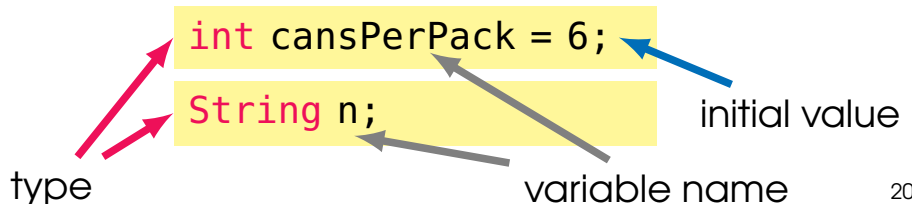


Variables

- A **variable** is a storage location with a name

cansPerPack 6

- Every variable must be **declared** before its first use
(unlike in Python) otherwise, a **compile-time** error
- When declaring a variable, you specify
 - the **type** of its values
 - and optionally its **initial value**





Variable Names (aka Identifiers)

- variable names must start with a letter (or `_` or `$`), the remaining characters must be letters, `_`, `$` or digits (but cannot be a reserved word)
- identifiers are **case-sensitive** by convention, variable names start with a lower-case letter

Q: cansPerPack ✓
cans_per_pack ✓
cans per pack ✗
_cansperpack ✓
CaNsPeRpAcK ✓

digit ✓
0digit ✗
digit0 ✓
int ✗
INT ✓



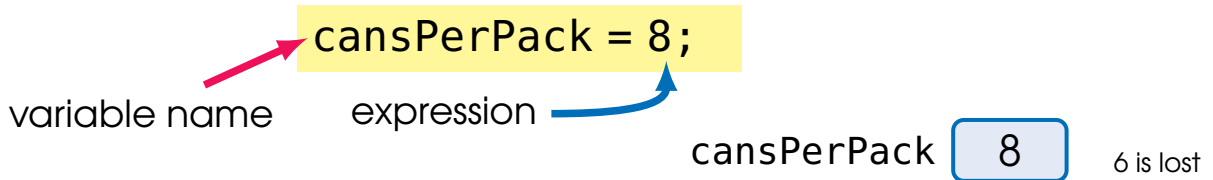
Primitive Data Types

- **int** 32-bit two's complement integer
 $(\underbrace{-2,147,483,648}_{\text{Integer.MIN_VALUE}} \text{ to } \underbrace{2,147,483,647}_{\text{Integer.MAX_VALUE}})$
- **long** 64-bit two's complement integer
- **short** 16-bit two's complement integer
- **byte** 8-bit two's complement integer
- **double** double-precision 64-bit IEEE 754 floating point
- **float** single-precision 32-bit IEEE 754 floating point
- **boolean** Boolean value (**true** or **false**)
- **char** 16-bit Unicode character



Variable Assignment

An assignment statement stores a new value in a variable, **replacing** the previously stored value
(so, the previous value is lost)



Q: how do you swap the contents of two variables, a and b?

```
int a;  
int b;
```

a 4 b 5

(the answer is at the end)



Assignment v Equality

The assignment operator = **does not** denote mathematical equality

Q: what is the meaning of

```
x = x + 1;
```

1. take the current value of x
2. evaluate $x + 1$
3. assign the resulting value to the variable x

Use **==** to compare numbers — more in week 2

- Pascal uses := for assignment and = for equality

“Software is getting slower more rapidly than hardware becomes faster”

(Niklaus Wirth, 1995)

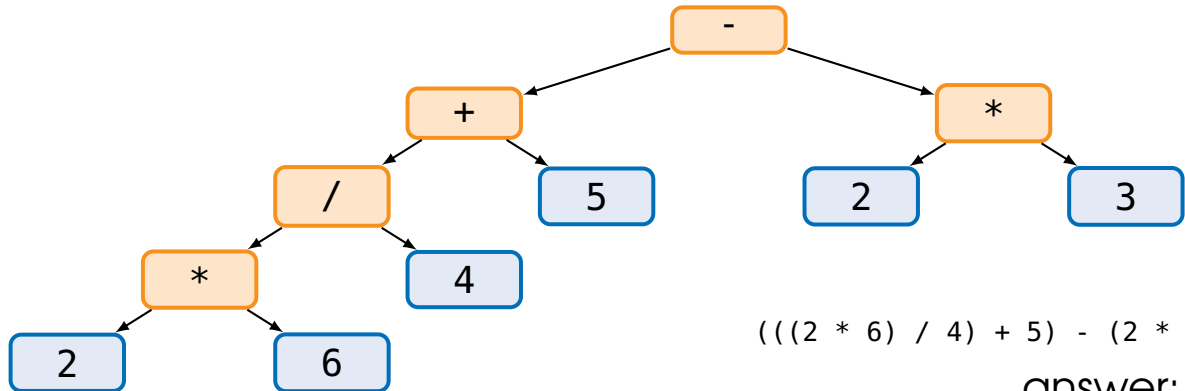


Arithmetic Expressions

Java uses the **natural precedence**

of arithmetic operations: $*$, $\%$, $/$ before $+$, $-$
remainder

Q: what is the value of $2 * 6 / 4 + 5 - 2 * 3$?



$$(((2 * 6) / 4) + 5) - (2 * 3)$$

answer: 2



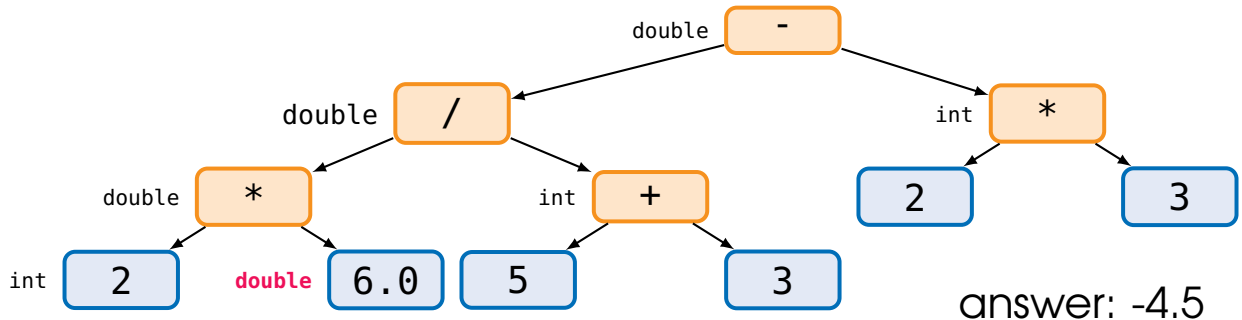
Expressions are Typed

Java uses the natural precedence

of arithmetic operations: $*$, $\%$, $/$ before $+$, $-$

if in doubt, use brackets

Q: what is the value of $2 * 6.0 / (5 + 3) - 2 * 3$?



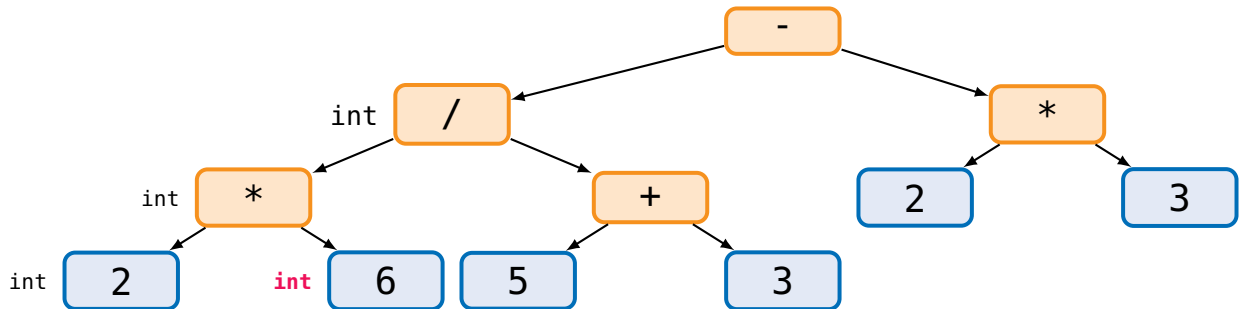


Integer Arithmetic Operations

if one argument is **double** then the result is **double**

if both arguments are **int** then the result is **int** (rounded toward 0)

Q: what is the value of $2 * 6 / (5 + 3) - 2 * 3$?



answer: -5

NB: beware of the **unintended integer division**



Strings

- strings are sequences of characters:

```
String name = "index.html";  
              literal
```

- the `length` method yields the number of characters in the string:

```
int len = name.length();
```

the empty string `""` is of **length 0**

- `\", \n, \\, \'` are examples of **escape sequences**

(double quotes, new line, backslash, quotes)

(like in Python)



Strings Concatenation

- use the + operator to **concatenate** strings

```
String name = "Harry";  
String lastname = "Morgan";  
String fullname = name + " " + lastname;
```

NB: whenever one of the arguments of + is a string,
the other argument is **converted** to a string

(in Python, conversion function `str()` is needed)



Substrings (1)

- string **positions** are counted starting with **0**

```
String name = "index.html";
```

	i	n	d	e	x	.	h	t	m	l
position	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

- `substring(i, j)`: string made up of the characters starting at position *i* and containing all the characters up to, *but not including*, the position *j*:

```
String filename = name.substring(0,5);
```

- **NB: no negative** positions! (unlike in Python)

```
String last = name.substring(name.length() - 1,  
                             name.length());
```



Substrings (2)

- string **positions** are counted starting with **0**

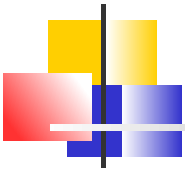
```
String name = "index.html";
```

		i	n	d	e	x	.	h	t	m	l
position		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

- `substring(i)`: all characters from the position *i*
to the end of the string:
`String ext = name.substring(name.length() - 4);`

- these are examples of instance methods of the class `String` (week 6):
use `variable.method-name`, not `function(variable)` like in Python
- there is no string format operation, like `%` in Python; use `String.format` instead

[http://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/13/docs/api/java.base/java/lang/String.html#format\(java.lang.String,java.lang.Object...\)](http://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/13/docs/api/java.base/java/lang/String.html#format(java.lang.String,java.lang.Object...))



Methods

```
Python:  
def sq(x):  
    Python code
```

- A **method** is a named sequence of instructions

method name

```
public static int sq(int x) {  
    Java code (sequence of instructions)  
}
```

parameter
(type and name)

type of **return value**

void means the method does not return any value

- **Parameter values** are supplied when a method is called
- The **return value** is the result that the method computes
- Method \approx algorithm \approx function (in Python)

NB: until week 6, all methods will be **public static**



Some Remarks on Code Structure

- every **method** must be declared in a class
that is, inside the curly brackets in `public class class-name { ... }`
- all **code** should occur in one of the methods
(unlike in Python, where code can also be at “top level”)
until week 6: inside the curly brackets in
`public static return-type method-name(parameters) { ... }`
one exception: initialisation blocks are not in the scope of SP1
- the order of method declarations is **not important**
(unlike in Python, where a function has to be declared before use)
- only `System.out.println(...)`, `.print`, `.printf`, etc.
actually print something on the screen (standard output)
return does not print the value
(and `System.out.println(...)` does not return any value to the program)



Example: $y = x^2$ as a Method

```
1 public class PrintSquares {
2     // compute  $x^2$ 
3     public static int sq(int x) {
4         // x is a parameter variable
5         int y = x * x; // compute the value
6         return y; // return the value
7     }
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         System.out.println(7 + "^2=" + sq(7));
10        System.out.println(9 + "^2=" + sq(9));
11    }
12 }
```

the output is:

```
7^2=49
9^2=81
```



Swapping Values

suppose there are two variables

```
1 int a, b; // the same as int a; int b;
```

how do you swap the contents of a and b?



```
2 int t = a;
```



```
3 a = b;
```



```
4 b = t;
```





Overview

- compiler, bytecode and JVM
- interpretation v compilation
- JDK and BlueJ
- variables: declaration and initialisation
- primitive data types
- arithmetic operations
- strings
- methods