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Building Java Programs Chapter 1

Introduction to Java Programming

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What is programming?

• **program**: A set of instructions to be carried out by a computer.



- **program execution**: The act of carrying out the instructions contained in a program.
- programming language: A systematic set of rules used to describe computations in a format that is editable by humans.
 - This textbook teaches programming in a language named Java.

Programming languages

- Some influential ones:
 - FORTRAN
 - science / engineering
 - COBOL
 - business data
 - LISP
 - \bullet logic and AI
 - BASIC
 - a simple language



Parts of a Computer

- CPU
 - GHz for desktops, cell phones
 - Primitive instructions
- DRAM
 - GB for desktops
- Disk
 - GB on phone, 100s GB laptop, TB desktop
- Input/Output devices

"large" units

kilo	10^{3}	1,000
mega	10^{6}	1,000,000
giga	10^{9}	1,000,000,000
tera	10^{12}	1,000,000,000,000
peta	10^{15}	$1,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000$
exa	10^{18}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000
zetta	10^{21}	$1,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000,\!000$
yotta	10^{24}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000
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units < 1

milli	10^{-3}
micro	10^{-6}
nano	10^{-9}
pico	10^{-12}
femto	10^{-15}
atto	10^{-18}
zepto	10^{-21}
yocto	10^{-24}

names for large numbers

kilo	10^{3}	thousand
mega	10^{6}	million
giga	10^{9}	billion
tera	10^{12}	trillion
peta	10^{15}	quadrillion
exa	10^{18}	quintillion
zetta	10^{21}	sextillion
yotta	10^{24}	septillion

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kilo: 1,000 or 1,024?

		powers of 10		powers of 2
kilo	10^{3}	1,000	2^{10}	1,024
mega	10^{6}	1,000,000	2^{20}	1,048,576
giga	10^{9}	1,000,000,000	2^{30}	1,073,741,824
tera	10^{12}	1,000,000,000,000	2^{40}	1,099,511,627,776
peta	10^{15}	1,000,000,000,000,000	2^{50}	1,125,899,906,842,624
exa	10^{18}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000	2^{60}	1,152,921,504,606,846,976
zetta	10^{21}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000	2^{70}	1,180,591,620,717,411,303,424
yotta	10^{24}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000	2^{80}	1,208,925,819,614,629,174,706,176

usually use:

- powers of 2 for storage
- powers of 10 for just about everything else

proposed prefixes powers of 2

powers of 10				powers of 2
kilo	10^{3}	kibi	2^{10}	1,024
mega	10^{6}	mebi	2^{20}	1,048,576
$_{ m giga}$	10^{9}	gibi	2^{30}	1,073,741,824
tera	10^{12}	tebi	2^{40}	1,099,511,627,776
peta	10^{15}	pebi	2^{50}	$1,\!125,\!899,\!906,\!842,\!624$
exa	10^{18}	exbi	2^{60}	$1,\!152,\!921,\!504,\!606,\!846,\!976$
zetta	10^{21}	zebi	2^{70}	1,180,591,620,717,411,303,424
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Basic Java programs with println statements

Compile/run a program

1. Write it.

- **code** or **source code**: The set of instructions in a program.
- 2. Compile it.
 - **compile**: Translate a program from one language to another.
 - byte code: The Java compiler converts your code into a format named byte code that runs on many computer types.
- 3. Run (execute) it.
 - **output**: The messages printed to the user by a program.



A Java program

```
public class Hello {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, world!");
        System.out.println();
        System.out.println("This program produces");
        System.out.println("four lines of output");
    }
}
```

• Its output:

Hello, world!

This program produces four lines of output

• **console**: Text box into which the program's output is printed.

Mess	ages	jGRASP Messages Run I/O
	[jGRASP exec: java Hello Hello, world!
		This program produces four lines of output
Ι.	L	jGRASP: operation complete.
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Structure of a Java program



- Every executable Java program consists of a class,
 - that contains a **method** named main,
 - that contains the **statements** (commands) to be executed.

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System.out.println

- A statement that prints a line of output on the console.
 - pronounced "print-linn"
 - sometimes called a "println statement" for short
- Two ways to use System.out.println:
 - System.out.println("**text**"); Prints the given message as output.
 - System.out.println(); Prints a blank line of output.

Names and identifiers

• You must give your program a name.

public class GangstaRap {

- Naming convention: capitalize each word (e.g. MyClassName)
- Your program's file must match exactly (GangstaRap.java)
 - includes capitalization (Java is "case-sensitive")
- identifier: A name given to an item in your program.
 - must start with a letter or $_$ or \$
 - subsequent characters can be any of those or a number
 - legal: _myName TheCure ANSWER_IS_42 \$bling\$
 - •illegal: me+u 49ers side-swipe Ph.D's

Keywords

• **keyword**: An identifier that you cannot use because it already has a reserved meaning in Java.

abstract	default	if	private	this
boolean	do	implements	protected	throw
break	double	import	public	throws
byte	else	instanceof	return	transient
case	extends	int	short	try
catch	final	interface	static	void
char	finally	long	strictfp	volatile
class	float	native	super	while
const	for	new	switch	
continue	goto	package	synchronized	

Syntax

- **syntax**: The set of legal structures and commands that can be used in a particular language.
 - Every basic Java statement ends with a semicolon ;
 - The contents of a class or method occur between $\{ and \}$
- **syntax error** (**compiler error**): A problem in the structure of a program that causes the compiler to fail.
 - Missing semicolon

...

- Too many or too few { } braces
- Illegal identifier for class name
- Class and file names do not match

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Syntax error example

```
1 public class Hello {
```

```
2 pooblic static void main(String[] args) {
3 System.owt.println("Hello, world!")_
4 }
5 }
```

```
• Compiler output:
```

- The compiler shows the line number where it found the error.
- The error messages can be tough to understand!

Strings

- string: A sequence of characters to be printed.
 - Starts and ends with a " quote " character.
 - The quotes do not appear in the output.
 - Examples:

```
"hello"
"This is a string. It's very long!"
```

- Restrictions:
 - May not span multiple lines.
 "This is not

```
a legal String."
```

- May not contain a " character. "This is not a "legal" String either."

Escape sequences

- **escape sequence**: A special sequence of characters used to represent certain special characters in a string.
 - \t tab character
 - \n new line character
 - \" quotation mark character
 - \\ backslash character
 - Example:

System.out.println("\\hello\nhow\tare \"you\"?\\\\");

- Output:

```
\hello
how are "you"?\\
```

Questions

• What is the output of the following println statements?

```
System.out.println("\ta\tb\tc");
System.out.println("\\\");
System.out.println("'");
System.out.println("\"\"");
System.out.println("C:\nin\the downward spiral");
```

• Write a println statement to produce this output:

/ \ // \\ /// \\\

Answers

• Output of each println statement:

```
a b c

\\

"""
C:

in he downward spiral
```

• println statement to produce the line of output:

```
\label{eq:system.out.println("/ \\ // \\\\ /// \\\\\");}
```

Questions

• What println statements will generate this output?

This program prints a quote from the Gettysburg Address.

"Four score and seven years ago, our 'fore fathers' brought forth on this continent a new nation."

• What println statements will generate this output?

A "quoted" String is 'much' better if you learn the rules of "escape sequences."

Also, "" represents an empty String. Don't forget: use \" instead of " ! '' is not the same as "

Answers

• println statements to generate the output:

System.out.println("This program prints a"); System.out.println("quote from the Gettysburg Address."); System.out.println(); System.out.println("\"Four score and seven years ago,"); System.out.println("our 'fore fathers' brought forth on"); System.out.println("this continent a new nation.\"");

• println statements to generate the output:

System.out.println("A \"quoted\" String is"); System.out.println("'much' better if you learn"); System.out.println("the rules of \"escape sequences.\""); System.out.println(); System.out.println("Also, \"\" represents an empty String."); System.out.println("Don't forget: use \\\" instead of \" !"); System.out.println("'' is not the same as \"");

Comments

- comment: A note written in source code by the programmer to describe or clarify the code.
 - Comments are not executed when your program runs.
- Syntax:
 - // comment text, on one line
 - or,
 - /* comment text; may span multiple lines */
- Examples:
 - // This is a one-line comment.
 - /* This is a very long
 multi-line comment. */

Using comments

- Where to place comments:
 - at the top of each file (a "comment header")
 - at the start of every method (seen later)
 - to explain complex pieces of code
- Comments are useful for:
 - Understanding larger, more complex programs.
 - Multiple programmers working together, who must understand each other's code.

Comments example

/* Suzy Student, CS 101, Fall 2019
This program prints lyrics about ... something. */

public class BaWitDaBa {

public static void main(String[] args) {

// first verse

System.out.println("Bawitdaba"); System.out.println("da bang a dang diggy diggy"); System.out.println();

// second verse

System.out.println("diggy said the boogy");
System.out.println("said up jump the boogy");

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Algorithms

- algorithm: A list of steps for solving a problem.
- Example algorithm: "Bake sugar cookies"
 - Mix the dry ingredients.
 - Cream the butter and sugar.
 - Beat in the eggs.
 - Stir in the dry ingredients.
 - Set the oven temperature.
 - Set the timer.
 - Place the cookies into the oven.
 - Allow the cookies to bake.
 - Spread frosting and sprinkles onto the cookies.
 - ...



Problems with algorithms

Static methods

- lack of structure: Many tiny steps; tough to remember.
- redundancy: Consider making a double batch...
 - Mix the dry ingredients.
 - Cream the butter and sugar.
 - Beat in the eggs.
 - Stir in the dry ingredients.
 - Set the oven temperature.
 - Set the timer.
 - Place the first batch of cookies into the oven.
 - Allow the cookies to bake.
 - Set the timer.
 - Place the second batch of cookies into the oven.
 - Allow the cookies to bake.
 - Mix ingredients for frosting.

- ...

Structured algorithms

- structured algorithm: Split into coherent tasks.
 - **1** Make the cookie batter.
 - Mix the dry ingredients.
 - Cream the butter and sugar.
 - Beat in the eggs.
 - Stir in the dry ingredients.

2 Bake the cookies.

- Set the oven temperature.
- Set the timer.

....

- Place the cookies into the oven.
- Allow the cookies to bake.

3 Add frosting and sprinkles.

- Mix the ingredients for the frosting.
- Spread frosting and sprinkles onto the cookies.

Removing redundancy

• A well-structured algorithm can describe repeated tasks with less redundancy.

1 Make the cookie batter.

- Mix the dry ingredients.

- ...

2a Bake the cookies (first batch).

- Set the oven temperature.
- Set the timer.
- ...

2b Bake the cookies (second batch).

3 Decorate the cookies.

- ...

A program with redundancy

public class BakeCookies public static void main(String[] args) { System.out.println("Mix the dry ingredients."); System.out.println("Cream the butter and sugar."); System.out.println("Beat in the eggs."); System.out.println("Stir in the dry ingredients."); System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven."); System.out.println("Allow the cookies to bake."); System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven."); System.out.println("Allow the cookies to bake."); System.out.println("Mix ingredients for frosting."); System.out.println("Spread frosting and sprinkles.");

Static methods

• static method: A named group of statements.

- denotes the *structure* of a program
- eliminates *redundancy* by code reuse
- procedural decomposition: dividing a problem into methods
- Writing a static method is like adding a new command to Java.



Using static methods

- 1. Design the algorithm.
 - Look at the structure, and which commands are repeated.
 - Decide what are the important overall tasks.
- 2. **Declare** (write down) the methods.
 - Arrange statements into groups and give each group a name.
- 3. Call (run) the methods.
 - The program's main method executes the other methods to perform the overall task.

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Design of an algorithm

<pre>// This program displays a delicious recipe for baking cookies. public class BakeCookies2 { public static void main(String[] args) { // Step 1: Make the cake batter. System.out.println("Mix the dry ingredients."); System.out.println("Cream the butter and sugar."); System.out.println("Beat in the eggs."); System.out.println("Stir in the dry ingredients.");</pre>	
<pre>// Step 2a: Bake cookies (first batch). System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven."); System.out.println("Allow the cookies to bake.");</pre>	
<pre>// Step 2b: Bake cookies (second batch). System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer.");</pre>	

System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven."); System.out.println("Allow the cookies to bake.");

// Step 3: Decorate the cookies.
System.out.println("Mix ingredients for frosting.");
System.out.println("Spread frosting and sprinkles.");

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Declaring a method

Gives your method a name so it can be executed

• Syntax:

public static void name() {
 statement;
 statement;
 ...
 statement;
}

• Example:

```
public static void printWarning() {
    System.out.println("This product causes cancer");
    System.out.println("in lab rats and humans.");
}
```

Calling a method

Executes the method's code

• Syntax:

name();

- You can call the same method many times if you like.
- Example:

printWarning();

- Output:

This product causes cancer in lab rats and humans.

Program with static method

```
public class FreshPrince {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        rap(); // Calling (running) the rap method
        System.out.println();
        rap(); // Calling the rap method again
    }
    // This method prints the lyrics to my favorite song.
    public static void rap() {
        System.out.println("Now this is the story all about how");
    }
}
```

```
System.out.println("Now this is the story all about how");
System.out.println("My life got flipped turned upside-down");
```

Output:

Now this is the story all about how My life got flipped turned upside-down

Now this is the story all about how My life got flipped turned upside-down

Final cookie program

<pre>// Step 1: Make the cake batter. public static void makeBatter() { System.out.println("Mix the dry ingredients."); System.out.println("Cream the butter and sugar."); System.out.println("Beat in the eggs."); System.out.println("Stir in the dry ingredients."); } // Step 2: Bake a batch of cookies. public static void bake() { System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven."); </pre>
<pre>// Step 2: Bake a batch of cookies. public static void bake() { System.out.println("Set the oven temperature."); System.out.println("Set the timer."); System.out.println("Place a batch of cookies into the oven.");</pre>
System.out.println("Allow the cookies to bake."); }
<pre>// Step 3: Decorate the cookies. public static void decorate() { System.out.println("Mix ingredients for frosting."); System.out.println("Spread frosting and sprinkles."); }</pre>

Methods calling methods

```
public class MethodsExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        message1();
        message2();
        System.out.println("Done with main.");
    }
    public static void message1() {
        System.out.println("This is message1.");
    }
    public static void message2() {
        System.out.println("This is message2.");
        message1();
        System.out.println("Done with message2.");
    }
    Public static void message2() {
        System.out.println("Done with message2.");
    }
```

This is message1. This is message2. This is message1. Done with message2. Done with main.

Control flow

- When a method is called, the program's execution...
 - "jumps" into that method, executing its statements, then
 - "jumps" back to the point where the method was called.

public class MethodsExample {



When to use methods

- Place statements into a static method if:
 - The statements are related structurally, and/or
 - The statements are repeated.
- You should not create static methods for:
 - An individual println statement.
 - Only blank lines. (Put blank printlns in main.)
 - Unrelated or weakly related statements.
 (Consider splitting them into two smaller methods.)

Static methods question

• Write a program to print these figures using methods.

Drawing complex figures with static methods



Development strategy



First version (unstructured):

- Create an empty program and main method.
- Copy the expected output into it, surrounding each line with System.out.println syntax.
- Run it to verify the output.

Program version 1

public class Figures1 {

public static void main(String[] args) { System.out.println(" "); System.out.println(" \\"); System.out.println("/ $\langle \rangle$; /"); System.out.println("\\ System.out.println(" \\ /"); System.out.println(); /"); System.out.println("\\ /"); System.out.println(" \\ System.out.println("+----+"); System.out.println(); System.out.println(" "); System.out.println(" $\langle \rangle$; System.out.println("/ $\langle \rangle$; |"); System.out.println("| STOP System.out.println("\\ /"); /"); System.out.println(" \` System.out.println(); System.out.println(" "); System.out.println(" $\langle \rangle$; System.out.println("/ $\langle \rangle$; System.out.println("+----+");

/ \

STOP

}

Development strategy 2

Output structure



STOP

Second version (structured, with redundancy):

- Identify the structure of the output.
 - Divide the main method into static methods based on this structure.



STOP



- initial "egg" figure
- second "teacup" figure
- third "stop sign" figure
- fourth "hat" figure

This structure can be represented by methods:

- egg
- teaCup
- stopSign
- hat

Program version 2



Program version 2, cont'd.



Development strategy 3

Output redundancy



STOP

Third version (structured, without redundancy):

- Identify redundancy in the output, and create methods to eliminate as much as possible.
- Add comments to the program.



The redundancy in the output:

- egg top:
- reused on stop sign, hat
- eqq bottom: reused on teacup, stop sign
- divider line: used on teacup, hat



- eggTop
- eggBottom
- line

Program version 3

```
// Suzy Student, CSE 138, Spring 2094
// Prints several figures, with methods for structure and redundancy.
public class Figures3 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        egg();
        teaCup();
        stopSign();
        hat();
    // Draws the top half of an an egg figure.
    public static void eggTop() {
        System.out.println("
System.out.println("
                                         ·");
        System.out.println("/
                                        \langle \langle " \rangle;
    }
    // Draws the bottom half of an egg figure.
    public static void eggBottom() {
                                          /");
        System.out.println("\\
        System.out.println(" \\
                                         /");
    }
    // Draws a complete egg figure.
    public static void eqq() {
        eggTop();
        eqqBottom();
        System.out.println();
    }
    . . .
```

Program version 3, cont'd.

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<pre>// Draws a teacup figure. public static void teaCup() { eggBottom();</pre>
<pre>line(); System.out.println(); }</pre>
<pre>// Draws a stop sign figure.</pre>
<pre>public static void stopSign() {</pre>
eggTop(); System out println(" STOP ");
eggBottom();
System.out.println();
}
<pre>// Draws a figure that looks sort of like a hat. public static void hat() {</pre>
eggTop();
line();
// Draws a line of dashes.
System.out.println("++");
}

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