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## COSC 211: Object Oriented Programming I - LAB01

## **Objectives**

### To gain experience with:

- Printing Programs Output
- Escape Sequences
- Assignment

### **Printing Output**

A print statement is actually a call to the *print* or *println* method of the System.out object. The print method takes exactly one argument or no arguments. However, it can take string or numeric value

### There are three kinds of print statements in java:

1. System.out.print(argument) just print out its argument.

#### Example1: Type and run the following program and observe the output

2. System.out.println(argument) prints out its argumenta nd ends the line.

## Example2: Modify the example1 program above, save as PrintLine.java, and compile, run, and observe the output

## Note that "print" is to be replaced with "println" method

3. System.out.printf(format, argument), gives more control over how things are printed.

## **Format String::**

Composed of literals and format specifiers. Arguments are required only if there are format specifiers in the format string. Format specifiers include: flags, width, precision, and conversion characters in the following sequence:

% [flags] [width] [.precision] conversion-character ( square brackets denote optional parameters )

## Flags:

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-: left-justify ( default is to right-justify )
+: output a plus ( + ) or minus ( - ) sign for a numerical value
0: forces numerical values to be zero-padded ( default is blank padding )
,: comma grouping separator (for numbers > 1000)
: space will display a minus sign if the number is negative or a space if it is positive
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### Width:

Specifies the field width for outputting the argument and represents the minimum number of characters to be written to the output. Include space for expected commas and a decimal point in the determination of the width for numerical values.

### **Precision:**

Used to restrict the output depending on the conversion. It specifies the number of digits of precision when outputting floating-point values or the length of a substring to extract from a String. Numbers are rounded to the specified precision

#### **Conversion-Characters:**

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d: decimal integer [byte, short, int, long]
f: floating-point number [float, double]
c: character Capital C will uppercase the letter
s: String Capital S will uppercase all the letters in the string
h: hashcode A hashcode is like an address. This is useful for printing a reference
n: newline Platform specific newline character- use %n instead of \n for greater compatibility
```

### Example3: Study, type, run and compile the following program and observe the output

```
//PrintingFormat.java
public class PrintingFormat{
       public static void main(String[] args){
                System.out.printf("%d",60);
                System.out.println();
                System.out.printf("%03d%n",9);
                System.out.printf("PI %.3f",3.141527);
                System.out.println();
                System.out.printf("Total is: N%,.2f%n", 84785.8978);
                System.out.printf("%-10S%n", "Department of Computer Science");
                System.out.printf("% .2f",-67.8917);
                System.out.println();
                System.out.printf("% .2f",67.8917);
                System.out.println();
                System.out.printf("%C",'a');
                System.out.println();
        }
```

## **Escape Sequence**

A character preceded by a backslash (\) is an escape sequence and has a special meaning to the compiler.

Following table shows the Java escape sequences -

Escape Sequence	Description
\t	Inserts a tab in the text at this point.
\b	Inserts a backspace in the text at this point.
\n	Inserts a newline in the text at this point.
\r	Inserts a carriage return in the text at this point
\f	Inserts a form feed in the text at this point.
\'	Inserts a single quote character in the text at this point.
\"	Inserts a double quote character in the text at this point.
\\	Inserts a backslash character in the text at this point.

When an escape sequence is encountered in a print statement, the compiler interprets it accordingly.

# Example: Study, Type, compile and run the following program and observe the output

```
// EscapeSequence.java
public class EscapeSequence {

public static void main(String args[]) {
   System.out.println("ABU said \"To pass, you must work hard!\".\n");
   System.out.println("Two Sided Triangles\n*\t***\n**\t ***\n***\t ***\n***\t **\n***\t *\n");
   System.out.println("A Diamond \n *\n\r ***\n\r***\n **\n *\n");
   System.out.println("A Letter S\n *\n\b* *\n * \n* *\n *\n");
   System.out.println("E = 46.12 * 6.9 - 2.5 * 10\n\t\b_______ \n\t 90.5 * 11.6");
}
```

## Assignment

1. Write a program that displays the following pattern



2. Write a program that displays the following table

	1	2	3	4
1	1	2	3	4
2	2	4	6	16
3	3	6	9	16 12
4	1	Ω	12	1.6