Introduction to Computing & Java

- Key Concept of Computing
- Main differences with Python
- Starting a program
- Output

Key Concept of Computing

Don't need "the computer"

- Algorithm
 - Well ordered
 - Finite
 - Unambiguous
 - Doable

set of instructions

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Algorithm

 To sort a list of numbers from biggest to smallest

E.g.

6 -3 21 18 10 45 1 -17 56 34

Algorithm – Sort Numbers Big to Small

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What Do We Need in a Programming Language?

A way to store information

Instructions, meeting definition of algorithm, including:

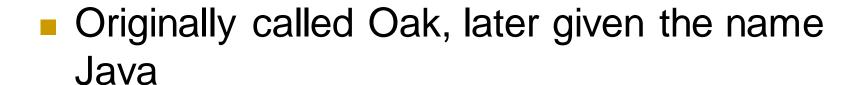
Main Differences with Python

Harder to make a Java program "run"

Java is "lower" in level than Python

Java

Developed at Sun Computers (Oracle) in 1990s



Java

- Now mainly used for running stuff on Internet or Android phone
- Originally meant to be a programming language for embedded systems

Claims to Fame:

Java is Compiledish

Vs. Python which is interpreted



- A line at a time
- Or the whole file

Java is Compiled



First Java Program

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public class FirstProgram {
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     * method simply to illustrate starting Java
     * concepts.
     * @param args - the command line arguments (none)
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    public static void main(String[ ] args) {
        int x;
        x = 5; //x is the favorite number
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IntelliJ

IDE for Java

Making a Java Project in IntelliJ

- Start IntelliJ
- New Project
 - Enter name and location
 - Build system: IntelliJ
 - NOTE: do NOT enable "Al Assistant"

You should now have the start of a Java file in which to type your program. The file will be called Main.java

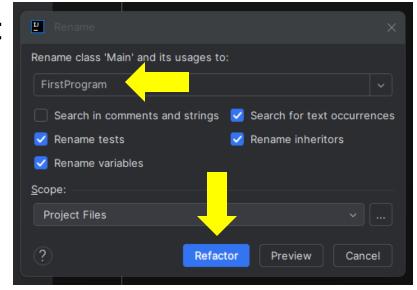
IntelliJ Personalization

- Change settings, e.g. font size
 - Ctrl-Alt "os"

- Keep top menu bar visible
 - □ View → Appearance → Show Main Menu in Separate Tool Bar
- Change file name
 - Click to highlight the class name, then from the top menu tabs select Refactor

IntelliJ Personalization continued

- Change file name
 - Click to highlight the class name
 - Then right-click and select "Rename"
 - Then right-click again and select "Rename" again
 - See this dialog:



Type the new file name and click on Refactor

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First Java Program: Put into File

Put the program into an actual file (called FirstProgram.java) in IntelliJ

Syntax Errors

Note that IntelliJ gives syntax help as you type

Still learn the syntax yourself!

What is a syntax error?

Running a Java File in IntelliJ

- Shift-F10
- or Run menu; then Run <filename>

A new window will appear with your results

Write a Program – Simple Sum

Write a Java program to sum the integers from 1 up to n, where n is a parameter.

If n is negative or 0, just answer 0.

Simple Sum Program

Put your program here:

Write a Program – Multiples

- Write a Java method to take an integer and a bound, then print all multiples of the integer up to, but not exceeding, the bound.
- If the multiple is negative, then print all multiples down to the bound.
- Watch error conditions, for example
 - If the multiple is 0
 - If the multiple is negative, but the bound is positive
 - Etc.

Example, with 3 up to 40: 3 6 9 12 15 18 21 24 27 30 33 36 39

Example, with -3 down to -20:

-3 -6 -9 -12 -15 -18

Multiples Method

Put your method here:

The End

Review

Which programming language is a higherlevel language—Java or Python? Why?

What is machine code?

What is byte code?

What are Java's 2 main strengths as a programming language?

Review

- What line of code must always be present somewhere in a Java project?
- What does public mean?
- If your Java program is in the file "SuperSunny.java", what line of code containing the keyword "class" would be in your file?