

COMPS203F

Topic 07: XML, JSON and Maven

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XML

- XML (eXtensible Markup Language)
- markup language for documents, similar to HTML with pairs of tags, but
 - meaning of tags not predefined
 - user can use their own tags (e.g., <phone>, </phone>)
- designed for
 - data storage/transmission
 - machine-readable, and also human-readable
- reasons to study:
 - used in many documents/systems (e.g., Word .docx files)
 - you may need to processing it

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Example

- Student information (file: university.xml)

```
<university>
  <student>
    <name>Ben Wong</name>
    <phone>99887766</phone>
  </student>
  <student>
    <name>Cat Lee</name>
    <phone>99112233</phone>
  </student>
</university>
```

- It has a tree-like structure with a root (draw diagram)

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More Details

- An XML file can **optionally** have an XML prolog as in its first line (and no space before "<?")

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!-- this is a comment -->
<university>
  <student>
    <name>Ben Wong</name>
    <phone>99887766</phone>
  </student>
</university>
```
- Comment: same as HTML
- Case sensitive
- 5 reserved characters (<, >, &, ', "): need to use "<", ">", "&", "'", and """ instead

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Processing Using Java

- We use JDOM (Java Document Object Model), an open source Java library
- Whole document is stored in memory
- needs the jar file (e.g., `jdom.jar`) in your classpath, please replace "`jdom.jar`" with your actual file name
- In Crimson, add "-cp `jdom.jar`" in "Tools > Conf. User Tools > Argument" part
- Web site: <http://www.jdom.org>
- Other alternatives: SAX, DOM, StAX, ...

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Useful classes

- Useful classes `Document` and `Element`
`import org.jdom2.*;`
- To create an XML document `xmlDoc` with root element `university`:
`Element root = new Element("university");`
`Document xmlDoc = new Document(root);`
`<university></university>`
- To add an element `student` under `root`:
`Element student = new Element("student");`
`root.addContent(student);`
`<university>`
`<student>`
`</student>`
`</university>`

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Useful classes

- To add element and data to `student` :
`student.addContent(new Element("name")`
`.setText("Ben Wong"));`
- ```
<university>
 <student>
 <name>Ben Wong</name>
 </student>
</university>
```
- 
- ```
student.addContent(new Element("phone")
                    .setText("99887766"));

...
<phone>99887766</phone>
...
```

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Exercise

- Create the following XML document
- ```
<shop>
 <item>
 <name>Apple</name>
 <price>5.5</price>
 </item>
</shop>
```

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## Answers

```
Element root = new Element("shop");
Document xmlDoc = new Document(root);
Element item = new Element("item");
root.addContent(item);
item.addContent(new Element("name")
 .setText("Apple"));
item.addContent(new Element("price")
 .setText("5.5"));
```

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## Create XML class

```
import org.jdom2.*;
import org.jdom2.output.*;
import java.io.*;

public class CreateXML {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 try {
 // for printing in pretty format
 XMLOutputter xmlOutput = new XMLOutputter();
 Format format = Format.getPrettyFormat();
 format.setExpandEmptyElements(true);
 xmlOutput.setFormat(format);

 Element root = new Element("university");
 Document xmlDoc = new Document(root);
 xmlOutput.output(xmlDoc, System.out);
 } catch (Exception e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
 }
 }
}
```

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## Create XML class

```
Element student = new Element("student");
root.addContent(student);
xmlOutput.output(xmlDoc, System.out);

student.addContent(new Element("name")
 .setText("Ben Wong"));
student.addContent(new Element("phone")
 .setText("99887766"));
xmlOutput.output(xmlDoc, System.out);
} catch (IOException e) {
 e.printStackTrace();
}
}
```

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## Output

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<university></university>

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<university>
 <student></student>
</university>

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<university>
 <student>
 <name>Ben Wong</name>
 <phone>99887766</phone>
 </student>
</university>
```

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## Useful Methods

- the class Element representing a node in the document tree

returnType	methodName (parameters)	descriptions
Element	(String tag)	create an element (node) containing <tag></tag>

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## Processing XML

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
import org.jdom2.*;
import org.jdom2.input.*;
import org.jdom2.output.*;

public class ProcessXML {
 private Document document;
 private List<Element> elementList;

 public List<Element> getElementList() {
 return elementList;
 }

 public void setElementList(List<Element> elementList) {
 this.elementList = elementList;
 }

 // put other methods here
}
```

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## Importing and Printing XML

```
public List<Element> importXML(String filename)
 throws Exception {
 SAXBuilder saxBuilder = new SAXBuilder();
 File inFile = new File(filename);
 document = saxBuilder.build(inFile);
 Element rootElement = document.getRootElement();
 elementList = rootElement.getChildren();
 return elementList;
}

public void printList() throws Exception {
 for (Element element : elementList) {
 System.out.println(" Name: "
 + element.getChild("name").getText());
 System.out.println(" Phone: "
 + element.getChild("phone").getText());
 }
}
```

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## Finding and Changing

```
public String findPhone(String name) {
 for (Element element : elementList) {
 if (element.getChild("name").getText().equals(name))
 return element.getChild("phone").getText();
 }
 return null;
}

public boolean changePhone(String name, String newPhone) {
 for (Element element : elementList) {
 if (element.getChild("name").getText().equals(name)) {
 element.getChild("phone").setText(newPhone);
 return true;
 }
 }
 return false;
}
```

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## Deleting

```
public boolean deleteStudent(String name) {
 for (Element element : elementList) {
 if (element.getChild("name").getText().equals(name)) {
 elementList.remove(element);
 return true;
 }
 }
 return false;
}
```

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## Adding

```
public List<Element> addStudent(String name, String phone) {
 Element element = new Element("student");
 element.addContent(new Element("name").setText(name));
 element.addContent(new Element("phone").setText(phone));
 elementList.add(element);
 return elementList;
}
```

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## Exporting

```
//import org.jdom2.output.*;

public void exportXML(String filename) throws Exception {
 PrintStream outputStream = new PrintStream(
 new File(filename));
 XMLOutputter xmlOutput = new XMLOutputter();
 xmlOutput.setFormat(Format.getPrettyFormat());
 xmlOutput.output(document, outputStream);
 outputStream.close();
}
```

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## Full Testing Code

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
 ProcessXML xml = new ProcessXML();
 try {
 String xmlFile = "university.xml";
 System.out.println("import xml file: "+xmlFile);
 xml.importXML(xmlFile);
 System.out.println("print element list...");
 xml.printList();
 String aName = "Cat Lee";
 System.out.println("find phone number of "+aName);
 System.out.println(" "+aName + "'s Phone no.: "
 + xml.findPhone(aName));
 System.out.println("change phone number of Cat...");
 xml.changePhone(aName, "66778899");
 xml.printList();
 }
}
```

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## Full Testing Code

```
System.out.println("delete student Ben...");
xml.deleteStudent("Ben Wong");
xml.printList();
System.out.println("add student Dick...");
xml.addStudent("Dick Chan", "99001122");
xml.printList();
String outFile = "out.xml";
System.out.println("export to XML file: "+outFile);
xml.exportXML(outFile);
//xml.exportXML(xmlFile);
} catch(JDOMException e) {
 System.out.println("JDOM exception: "+e.getMessage());
 e.printStackTrace();
} catch(Exception e) {
 System.out.println(e.getMessage());
}
}
```

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## Output

```
import xml file: university.xml
print element list...
 Name: Ben Wong
 Phone: 99887766
 Name: Cat Lee
 Phone: 99112233
find phone number of Cat Lee
 Cat Lee's Phone no.: 99112233
change phone number of Cat...
 Name: Ben Wong
 Phone: 99887766
 Name: Cat Lee
 Phone: 66778899
```

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## Output

```
delete student Ben...
 Name: Cat Lee
 Phone: 66778899
add student Dick...
 Name: Cat Lee
 Phone: 66778899
 Name: Dick Chan
 Phone: 99001122
export to XML file: out.xml
```

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## Exercise

- Write a method `findName(String phone)` to return the name of the student having phone number phone

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## Answers

- Write a method `findName(String phone)` to return the name of the student having phone number `phone`

```
public String findName(String phone) {
 for (Element element : elementList) {
 if (element.getChild("phone").getText().equals(phone))
 return element.getChild("name").getText();
 }
 return null;
}
```

## More...

- Each element of XML can have attributes
- they are usually for storing meta-data
- If student has an attribute "id", the following statement can get its value:  
`student.getAttribute("id");`
- See  
[https://www.tutorialspoint.com/java\\_xml/java\\_jdom\\_parse\\_document.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/java_xml/java_jdom_parse_document.htm)

## JSON

- JSON (JavaScript Object Notation)
- contains text written in certain format
- for data storage and exchange
- light-weight
- both human and machine readable
- mainly use to transmit information between server and Web applications
- needs a jar file, get it at  
<http://central.maven.org/maven2/org/json/json/20180813/json-20180813.jar>

## JSON Data Types

- JSON has six data types
- string: "JSON", "new line\n"
- number: 12, 3.14
- boolean: true, false
- null: null
- array (in square brackets): [5, 6, 7], [8, "nine", true]
- object (in curly brackets): {"id": 23, "name": "John", "hobbies": ["cycling", "reading"]}

## XML Example Recall

- Student information (file: `university.xml`)

```
<university>
 <student>
 <name>Ben Wong</name>
 <phone>99887766</phone>
 </student>
 <student>
 <name>Cat Lee</name>
 <phone>99112233</phone>
 </student>
</university>
```

## Example

- To write the same data in JSON (file: `university.json`)

```
{ "university" : {
 "student": [
 { "name": "Ben Wong",
 "phone": "99887766"
 },
 { "name": "Cat Lee",
 "phone": "99112233"
 }
]
}
```

- 2 key-value pairs of data form a student object

## Processing Using Java

- needs a jar file (e.g., `json.jar`) in your classpath, please replace "`json.jar`" with your actual file name
- In Crimson, add "-cp `json.jar`" in "Tools > Conf. User Tools > Argument" part
- Web site (`org.json`):  
<http://github.com/stleary/JSON-java>
- jar file:  
<http://central.maven.org/maven2/org/json/json/20180813/json-20180813.jar>
- An alternative: `org.json.simple`

## Useful classes

- Useful classes `JSONObject` and `JSONArray`  
`import org.json.*;`
- To create a `JSONArray` and add a `JSONObject` with data:  

```
JSONArray studentArray = new JSONArray();
studentArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", "Ben Wong")
 .put("phone", "99887766"));
[{"name": "Ben Wong", "phone": "99887766"}]
```

```
studentArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", "Cat Lee")
 .put("phone", "99112233"));
[{"name": "Ben Wong", "phone": "99887766"},
 {"name": "Cat Lee", "phone": "99112233"}]
```



## Useful classes

- To add the array to a JSONObject :

```
JSONObject student = new JSONObject()
 .put("student", studentArray);
{student:[{"name": "Ben Wong", "phone": "99887766"},
 {"name": "Cat Lee", "phone": "99112233"}]
}
```

- To add the object to another JSONObject :

```
JSONObject university = new JSONObject()
 .put("university", student);
{university:
 {student:[{"name": "Ben Wong", "phone": "99887766"},
 {"name": "Cat Lee", "phone": "99112233"}]
 }
}
```

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## Exercise

- Create the following JSONObject

```
{"shop":
 {"item":
 [{"name": "Apple",
 "price": 5.5}]
 }
}
```

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## Answers

```
JSONArray itemArray = new JSONArray();
itemArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", "Apple")
 .put("price", 5.5));
JSONObject item = new JSONObject()
 .put("item", itemArray);
JSONObject shop = new JSONObject()
 .put("shop", item);
```

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## Create JSON class

```
import org.json.*;

public class CreateJSON {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 JSONArray studentArray = new JSONArray();
 studentArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", "Ben Wong")
 .put("phone", "99887766"));
 System.out.println(studentArray);
 studentArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", "Cat Lee")
 .put("phone", "99112233"));
 System.out.println(studentArray);
 JSONObject student = new JSONObject().put("student", studentArray);
 System.out.println(student);
 JSONObject json = new JSONObject().put("university", student);
 System.out.println(json);
 }
}
```

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## Output

```
[{"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben Wong"}]
[{"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben Wong"}, {"phone":"99112233","name":"Cat Lee"}]
{"student":[{"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben Wong"}, {"phone":"99112233","name":"Cat Lee"}]}
{"university":{"student":[{"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben Wong"}, {"phone":"99112233","name":"Cat Lee"}]}}
```

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## Useful Methods

- ...

returnType	methodName(parameters)	descriptions

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## Processing JSON

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
import org.json.*;

public class ProcessJSON {
 private JSONArray jsonArray;

 public JSONArray getJsonArray() { return jsonArray; }
 public void setJsonArray(JSONArray jsonArray) {
 this.jsonArray = jsonArray;
 }

 // put other methods here
}
```

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## Importing JSON

```
public JSONObject importJSON(String filename) throws Exception {
 try {
 String content = readFile(filename);
 if (content == null) return null;
 return new JSONObject(content);
 } catch (JSONException e) {
 System.out.println("Import JSON problem: "
 + e.getMessage());
 }
 return null;
}
```

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## *Importing JSON*

```
public String readFile(String filename) {
 String content = "";
 try {
 BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(
 new FileReader(filename));

 String line;
 while ((line = in.readLine()) != null)
 content += line;
 in.close();
 } catch (IOException e) {
 System.out.println("File read problem: "+e.getMessage());
 return null;
 }
 return content;
}
```

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## *Printing*

```
public void printArray() {
 JSONObject element;
 for (int i=0; i<jsonArray.length(); i++) {
 element = (JSONObject) jsonArray.get(i);
 System.out.println(" name: "+element.get("name"));
 System.out.println(" phone: "+element.get("phone"));
 }
}
```

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## *Finding*

```
public String findPhone(String name) {
 JSONObject element;
 for (int i=0; i<jsonArray.length(); i++) {
 element = (JSONObject) jsonArray.get(i);
 if (element.get("name").equals(name))
 return (String) element.get("phone");
 }
 return null;
}
```

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## *Changing*

```
public boolean changePhone(String name,
 String newPhone) {
 JSONObject element;
 for (int i=0; i<jsonArray.length(); i++) {
 element = (JSONObject) jsonArray.get(i);
 if (element.get("name").equals(name)) {
 element.put("phone", newPhone);
 return true;
 }
 }
 return false;
}
```

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## *Deleting*

```
public JSONObject deleteStudent(String name) {
 JSONObject element;
 for (int i=0; i<jsonArray.length(); i++) {
 element = (JSONObject) jsonArray.get(i);
 if (element.get("name").equals(name)) {
 return (JSONObject) jsonArray.remove(i);
 }
 }
 return null;
}
```

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## *Adding*

```
public JSONArray addStudent(String name,
 String phone) {
 return jsonArray.put(new JSONObject()
 .put("name", name)
 .put("phone", phone)
);
}
```

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## *Exporting*

```
public JSONObject exportJSON(String filename) {
 try {
 PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(new BufferedWriter(
 new FileWriter(filename)));
 JSONObject jsonObject = new JSONObject()
 .put("university", new JSONObject()
 .put("student", jsonArray));
 out.println(jsonObject);
 out.close();
 return jsonObject;
 } catch (IOException e) {
 System.out.println("Export JSON problem: "
 +e.getMessage());
 }
 return null;
}
```

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## *Full Testing Code*

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
 ProcessJSON json = new ProcessJSON();
 String jsonFile = "university.json";
 System.out.println("import json file: "+jsonFile);
 JSONObject jsonObject = null;
 try {
 jsonObject = json.importJSON(jsonFile);
 } catch (Exception e) {
 System.out.println(e.getMessage());
 }
 System.out.println("All: \n " +jsonObject);
 JSONObject university = (JSONObject)
 jsonObject.get("university");
 System.out.println("university: \n " +university);
 JSONArray student = (JSONArray) university.get("student");
 json.setJSONArray(student);
 json.printArray();
}
```

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## Full Testing Code

```
String aName = "Cat Lee";
System.out.println("find phone number of "+aName);
System.out.println(" "+aName + "'s Phone no.: "
 + json.findPhone(aName));
System.out.println("change phone number of Cat...");
json.changePhone(aName, "66778899");
json.printArray();
System.out.println("delete student Ben: "
 + json.deleteStudent("Ben Wong"));
json.printArray();
System.out.println("add student Dick... ");
json.addStudent("Dick Chan", "99001122");
json.printArray();
String newJsonFile = "out.json";
System.out.println("exporting to "+newJsonFile);
System.out.println(" "+json.exportJSON(newJsonFile));
}
```

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## Output

```
import json file: university.json
All:

{"university":{"student":[{"phone":"99887766","name":"
Ben Wong"}, {"phone":"99112233","name":"Cat Lee"}]}}
university:
 {"student":[{"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben
Wong"}, {"phone":"99112233","name":"Cat Lee"}]}
 name: Ben Wong
 phone: 99887766
 name: Cat Lee
 phone: 99112233
```

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## Output

```
find phone number of Cat Lee
 Cat Lee's Phone no.: 99112233
change phone number of Cat...
 name: Ben Wong
 phone: 99887766
 name: Cat Lee
 phone: 66778899
delete student Ben: {"phone":"99887766","name":"Ben Wong"}
 name: Cat Lee
 phone: 66778899
add student Dick...
 name: Cat Lee
 phone: 66778899
 name: Dick Chan
 phone: 99001122
exporting to out.json
 {"university":{"student":[{"phone":"66778899","name":"Cat
Lee"}, {"phone":"99001122","name":"Dick Chan"}]}}
```

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## Exercise

- Write a method `findName(String phone)` to return the name of the student having phone number phone

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## Answers

- Write a method `findName(String phone)` to return the name of the student having phone number `phone`

```
public String findName(String phone) {
 JSONObject element;
 for (int i=0; i<jsonArray.length(); i++) {
 element = (JSONObject) jsonArray.get(i);
 if (element.get("phone").equals(phone))
 return (String) element.get("name");
 }
 return null;
}
```

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## Maven

- Maven
  - from Apache
  - project management tool in Java
- can automate project build and other tasks
- project details written in XML file `pom.xml` (Project Object Model)
- by default, creates sensible project structure automatically

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## Maven

- Download
  - <https://maven.apache.org/download.cgi>
  - needs JDK 1.7 or above (use **JDK 1.8** to avoid problems!)
  - install instructions: <https://maven.apache.org/install.html>
- check installation successful:

```
D:\>mvn -v
```

```
D:\
Apache Maven 3.6.0 (97c98ec64a1fdfee7767ce5fffb20918da4f719f3; 2018-10-
 25T02:41:
7+08:00)
Maven home: C:\Program Files\Java\apache-maven-3.6.0\bin\..
Java version: 1.8.0_65, vendor: Oracle Corporation, runtime: C:\Program
Files\J
va\jdk1.8.0_65\jre
Default locale: en_US, platform encoding: MS950_HKSCS
OS name: "windows 7", version: "6.1", arch: "amd64", family: "windows"
```

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## Maven Repositories

- directory storing Maven jars and other things
- search order
  - local (created when first run, `C:\Users\<userName>\.m2`)
  - central (if found, downloaded to local)
  - remote (optional, same organization as local)

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## OpenIMAJ Installation

- Set of Java libraries for image analysis
- tutorial: <http://openimaj.org/tutorial-pdf.pdf>
- Create OpenIMAJ project in folder openimaj-01:  
D:\> **mvn -DarchetypeGroupId=org.openimaj -DarchetypeArtifactId=openimaj-quickstart-archetype -DarchetypeVersion=1.3.8 archetype:generate**

Downloading...

...

Define value for property 'groupId': **s358f**

Define value for property 'artifactId': **openimaj-01**

[INFO] Using property: version = 1.0-SNAPSHOT

Define value for property 'package' s358f: : **<enter key>**

[INFO] Using property: openimajVersion = 1.3.8

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## OpenIMAJ

Confirm properties configuration:

groupId: s358f

artifactId: openimaj-01

version: 1.0-SNAPSHOT

package: s358f

openimajVersion: 1.3.8

Y: : **y**

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## OpenIMAJ

```
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: s358f
[INFO] Parameter: artifactId, Value: openimaj-01
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 1.0-SNAPSHOT
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: s358f
[INFO] Parameter: packageInPathFormat, Value: s358f
[INFO] Parameter: package, Value: s358f
[INFO] Parameter: version, Value: 1.0-SNAPSHOT
[INFO] Parameter: groupId, Value: s358f
[INFO] Parameter: openimajVersion, Value: 1.3.8
[INFO] Parameter: artifactId, Value: openimaj-01
[INFO] Project created from Archetype in dir: D:\openimaj-01
[INFO] -----
[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS
[INFO] -----
```

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## (Further installation and) Compile

- A folder openimaj-01 has been created
- Type the commands to **compile** and wait for it to finish (may take 10-50 minutes):

D:\> **cd openimaj-01**

D:\openimaj-01> **mvn assembly:assembly**

Downloading...

...

[INFO] -----

[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS

[INFO] -----

[INFO] Total time: 37:27 min

[INFO] Finished at: 2019-03-25T17:22:58+08:00

[INFO] -----

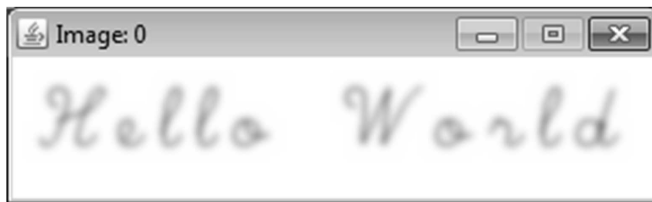
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## OpenIMAJ

- Type the command to **execute** and the window below will be displayed:

D:\openimaj-01> **java -jar target\openimaj-01-1.0-SNAPSHOT-jar-with-dependencies.jar**



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## Source Code

```
// file: D:\openimaj-01\src\main\java\s358f\App.java
// package and import statements not shown
public class App {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 //Create an image [with size 320 x 70]
 MBFImage image = new MBFImage(320,70, ColourSpace.RGB);

 //Fill the image with white
 image.fill(RGBColour.WHITE);

 //Render some test into the image
 image.drawText("Hello World", 10, 60,
 HersheyFont.CURSIVE, 50, RGBColour.BLACK);

 //Apply a Gaussian blur
 image.processInplace(new FGaussianConvolve(2f));

 //Display the image
 DisplayUtilities.display(image);
 }
}
```

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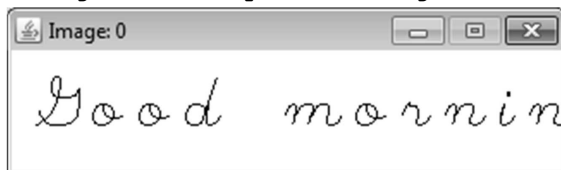
## Exercise

- Edit the source code with Crimson and change the text to "Good morning" and without any blur.

- Type the command and it takes around 2 minutes

D:\openimaj-01> **mvn assembly:assembly**

D:\openimaj-01> **java -jar target\openimaj-01-1.0-SNAPSHOT-jar-with-dependencies.jar**



- Try to fix any issue of missing character.

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## Exercise

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