

Chapter 1: Introduction

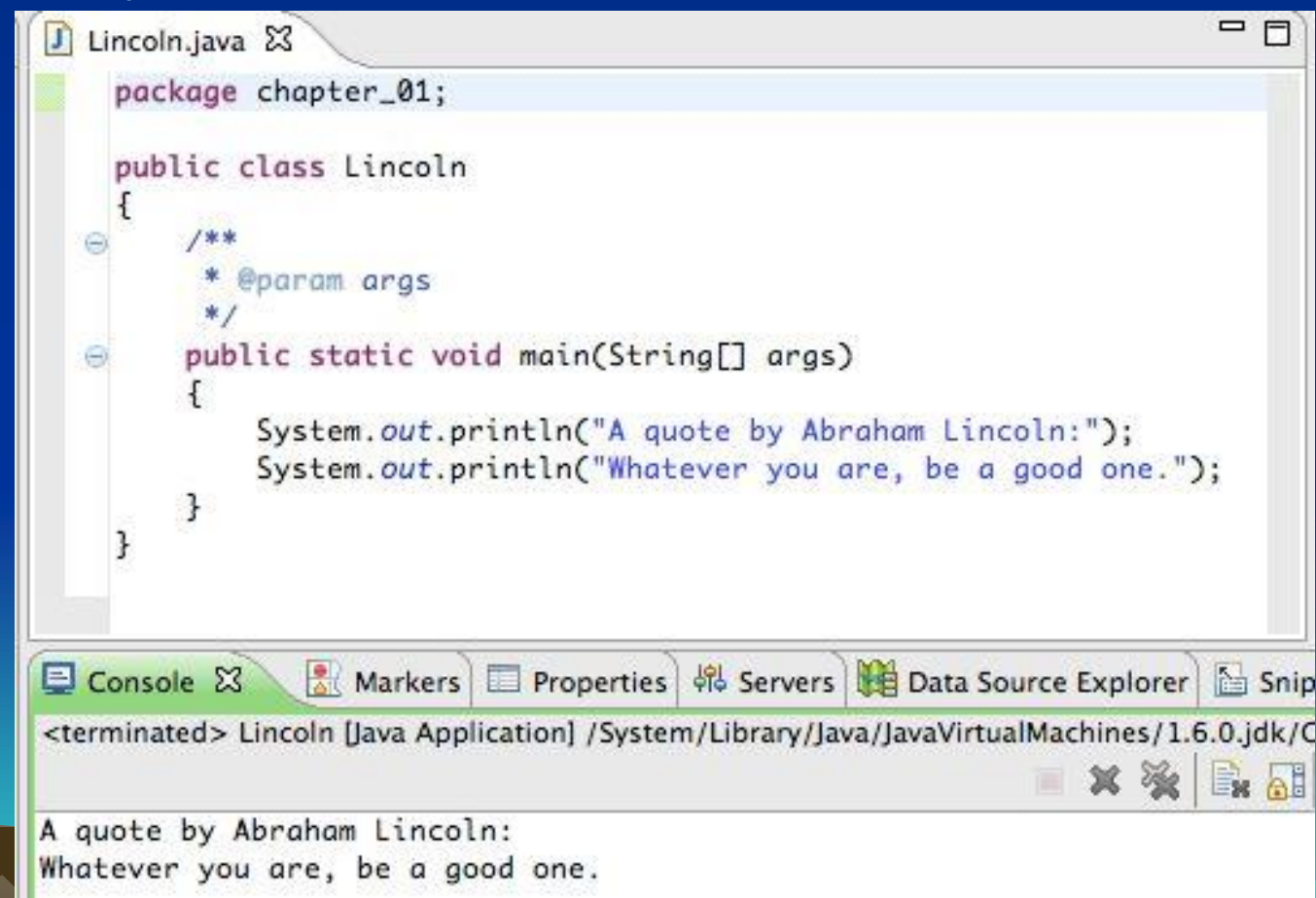
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The Java Programming Language

- The Java programming language was created by Sun Microsystems, Inc.
- It was introduced in 1995 and its popularity has grown quickly since
- Java has gone through several iterations.
- Some aspects of the original Java is now **deprecated**.
- Java is an Object-Oriented language (More on this later)

Java Program Structure

- In the Java programming language:
 - A program is made up of one or more classes
 - A class contains one or more methods
 - A method contains program statements
- These terms will be explored in detail throughout the course
- A Java application always contains a method called main
- See Lincoln.java



The screenshot shows an IDE window titled 'Lincoln.java'. The code defines a package 'chapter_01;' and a public class 'Lincoln'. Inside the class, there is a Javadoc comment for the 'main' method and the implementation of the 'main' method. The 'main' method prints two lines of text: 'A quote by Abraham Lincoln:' and 'Whatever you are, be a good one.' Below the code editor, there is a 'Console' tab showing the output of the program: 'A quote by Abraham Lincoln:' followed by 'Whatever you are, be a good one.' on the next line. The IDE interface includes tabs for 'Console', 'Markers', 'Properties', 'Servers', 'Data Source Explorer', and 'Snippets'.

```
package chapter_01;

public class Lincoln
{
    /**
     * @param args
     */
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("A quote by Abraham Lincoln:");
        System.out.println("Whatever you are, be a good one.");
    }
}
```

<terminated> Lincoln [Java Application] /System/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/1.6.0.jdk/C

A quote by Abraham Lincoln:
Whatever you are, be a good one.

Program Structure

Class Header

Comment

Method Header

Method body between
{ }

```
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{
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     * @param args
     */
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
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    }
}
```

Comments Styles in Java:

// this comment runs to the end of the line

/* this comment runs to the terminating
symbol, even across line breaks */

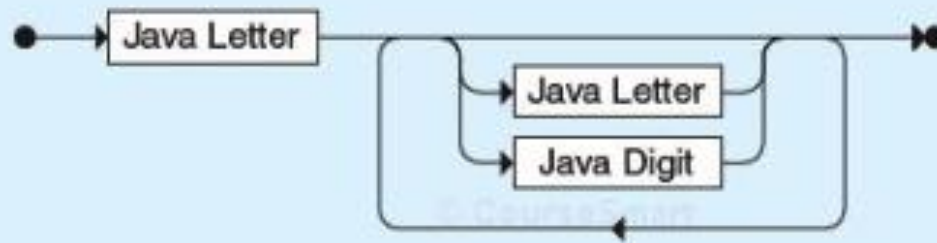
/** this is a javadoc comment */

Identifiers

- Identifiers are the "words" in a program
 - A Java identifier can be made up of letters, digits, the underscore character (`_`), and the dollar sign
 - Identifiers cannot begin with a digit
- Java is case sensitive: Total, total, and TOTAL are different identifiers
- By convention, programmers use different case styles for different types of identifiers, such as
 - title case for class names - Lincoln
 - upper case for constants - MAXIMUM
- Reserved word is a special identifier that already have a predefined meaning in the language.
- A reserved word cannot be used in any other way

Identifiers and Reserved Words

Identifier



An identifier is a letter followed by zero or more letters and digits. A Java Letter includes the 26 English alphabetic characters in both uppercase and lowercase, the \$ and _ (underscore) characters, as well as alphabetic characters from other languages. A Java Digit includes the digits 0 through 9.

Examples:

total
MAX_HEIGHT
num1
Keyboard
System

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

FIGURE 1.18 Java reserved words

Quick Check

grade Valid

quizGrade Valid

NetworkConnection Valid

frame2 Valid

3rdTestScore Invalid – cannot begin with a digit

MAXIMUM Valid

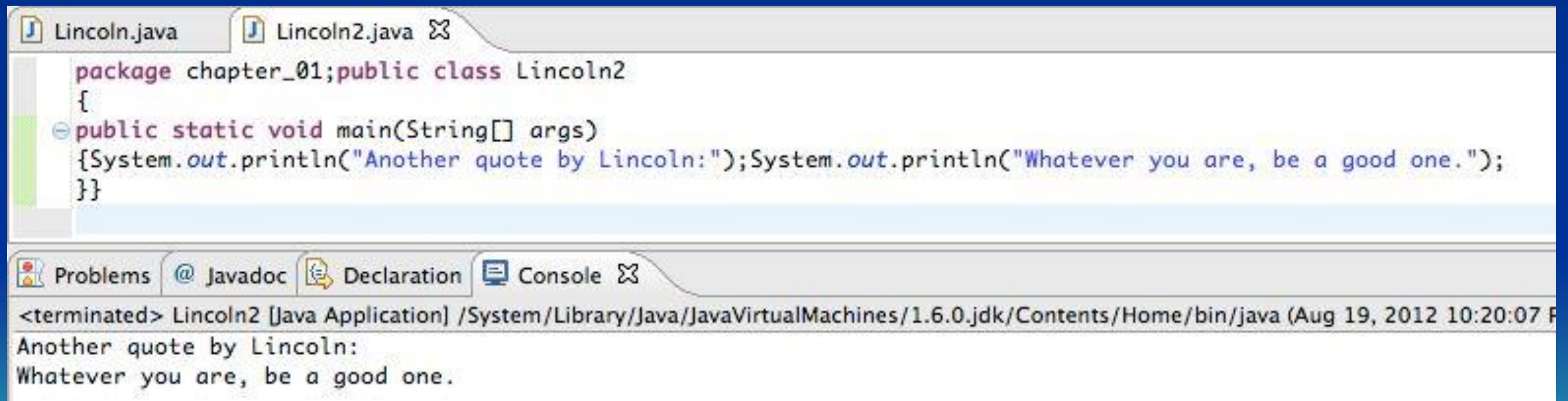
MIN_CAPACITY Valid

student# nvalid – cannot contain the '#' character

Shelves1&2 Invalid – cannot contain the '&' character

White Space

- Spaces, blank lines, and tabs are called white space
- White space is used to separate words and symbols in a program
- Extra white space is ignored
- A valid Java program can be formatted in many ways
- Programs should be formatted to enhance readability, using consistent indentation



The screenshot shows an IDE with two tabs: 'Lincoln.java' and 'Lincoln2.java'. The 'Lincoln2.java' tab is active, displaying the following code:

```
package chapter_01;public class Lincoln2
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {System.out.println("Another quote by Lincoln:");System.out.println("Whatever you are, be a good one.");
    }}
```

Below the code editor, there is a 'Console' tab showing the output of the program:

```
<terminated> Lincoln2 [Java Application] /System/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/1.6.0.jdk/Contents/Home/bin/java (Aug 19, 2012 10:20:07 P
Another quote by Lincoln:
Whatever you are, be a good one.
```


Program Development

- The mechanics of developing a program include several activities:
 - writing the program in a specific programming language (such as Java)
 - translating the program into a form that the computer can execute
 - investigating and fixing various types of errors that can occur
- Software tools can be used to help with all parts of this process

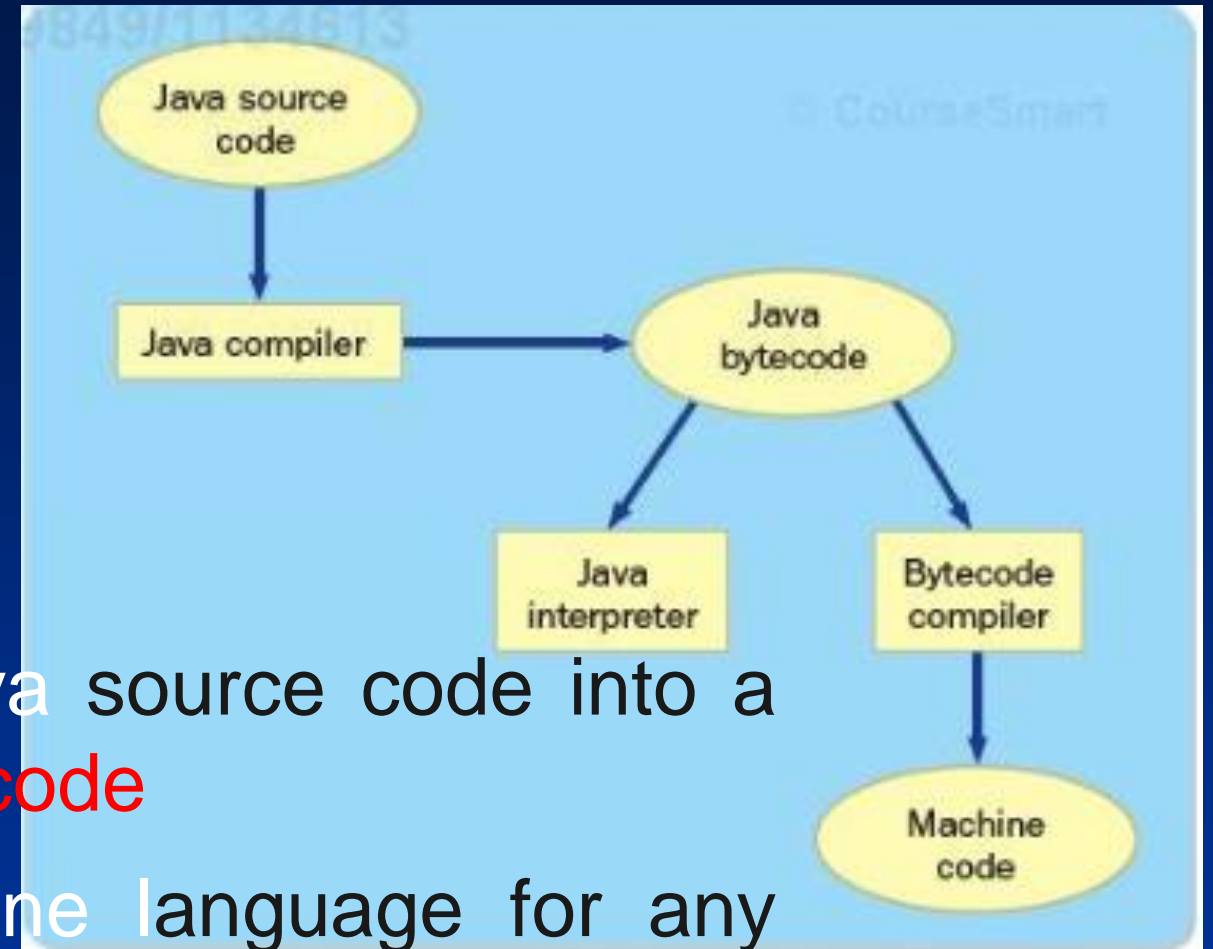
Language Levels

- There are four programming language levels:
 - machine language
 - assembly language
 - high-level language
 - fourth-generation language
- Each type of CPU has its own specific machine language
- The other levels were created to make it easier for a human being to read and write programs

Programming Languages

- A program must be translated into machine language before it can be executed
- A **compiler** is a software tool which translates source code into a specific target language
- Often, that target language is the machine language for a particular CPU type. Example: C
- The Java approach is somewhat different

Java Translation



- The Java compiler translates Java source code into a special representation called **bytecode**
- Java bytecode is not the machine language for any traditional CPU
- Another software tool, called an **interpreter**, translates bytecode into machine language and executes it
- Therefore the Java compiler is not tied to any particular machine
- Java is considered to be **architecture-neutral**

Development Environments

- There are many programs that support the development of Java software, including:
 - Java Software Development Kit (JDK)
 - Eclipse
 - NetBeans
 - BlueJ
 - jGRASP
- The details of these environments differ.
- The basic compilation and execution process is essentially the same

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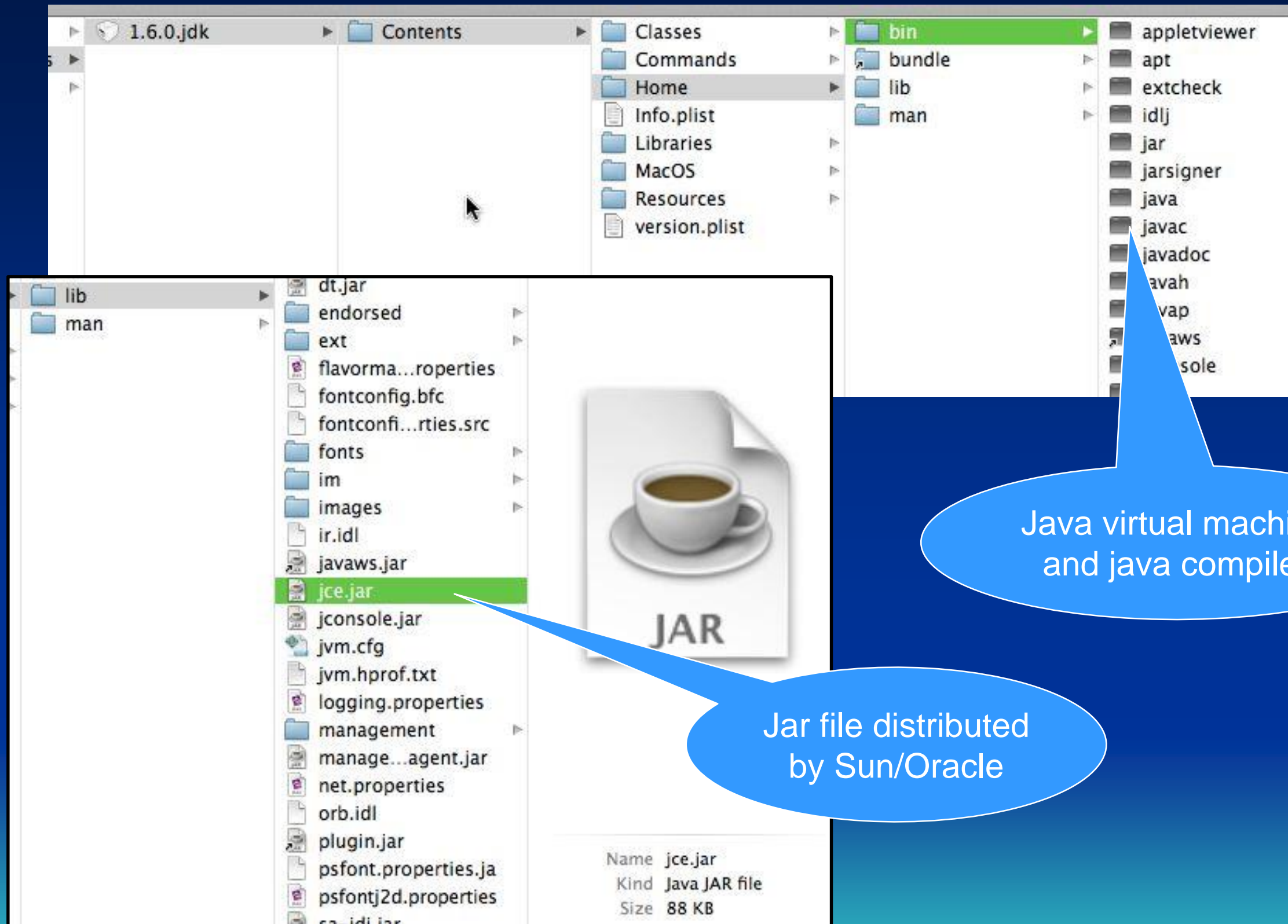
Here are the Java SE downloads in detail:

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Java Development Kit

Java Runtime Environment

Java JDK and Jar Files

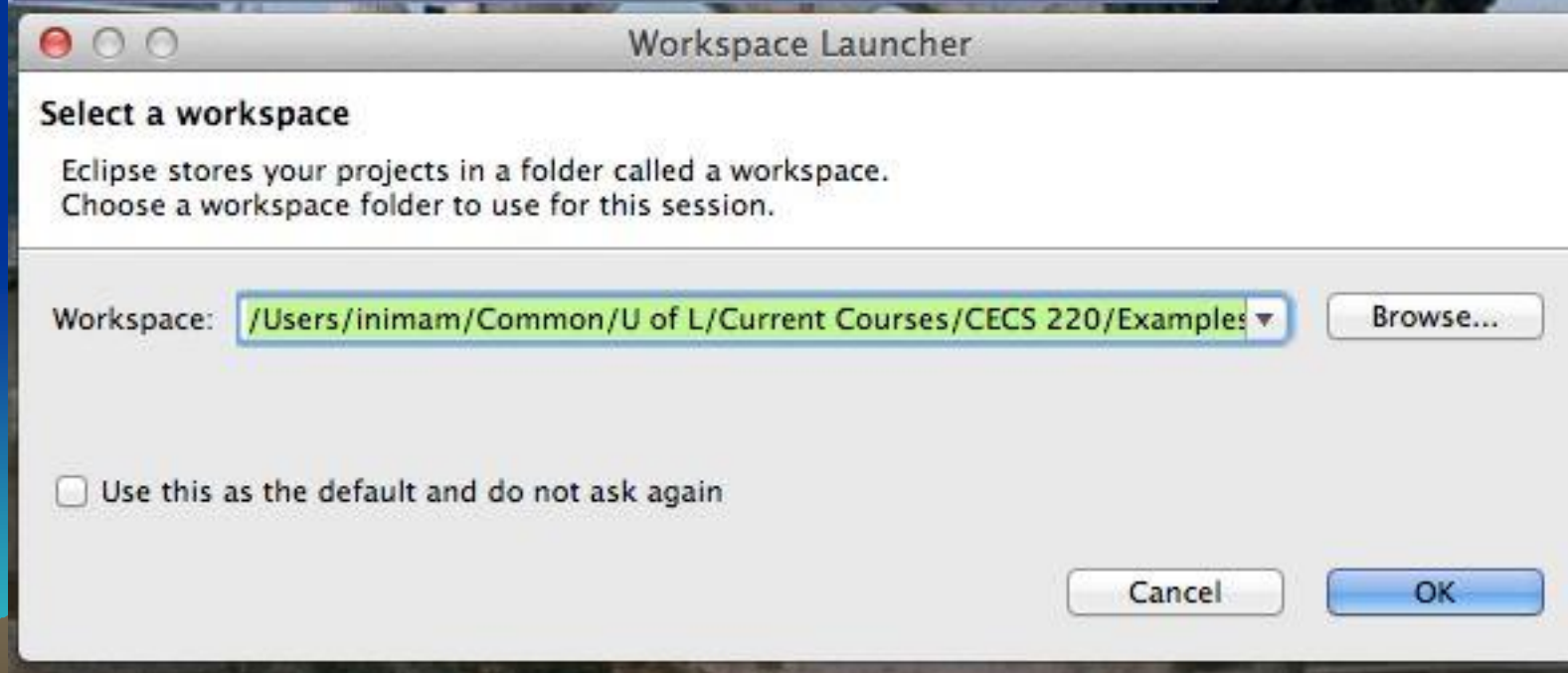
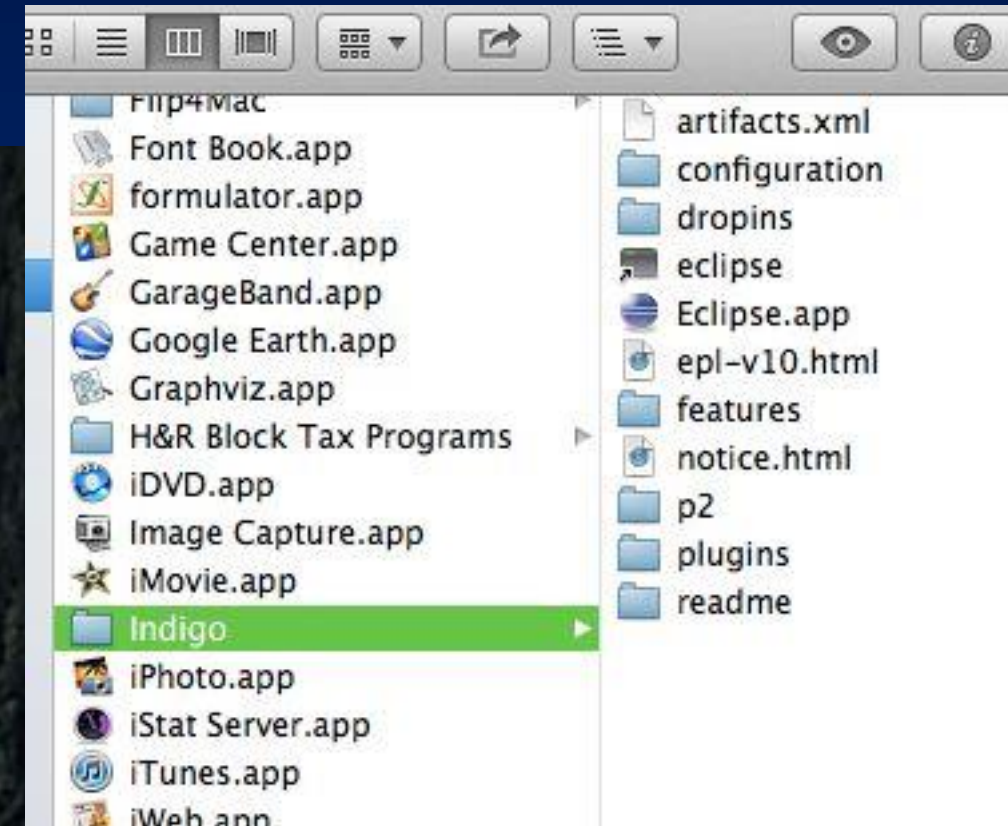
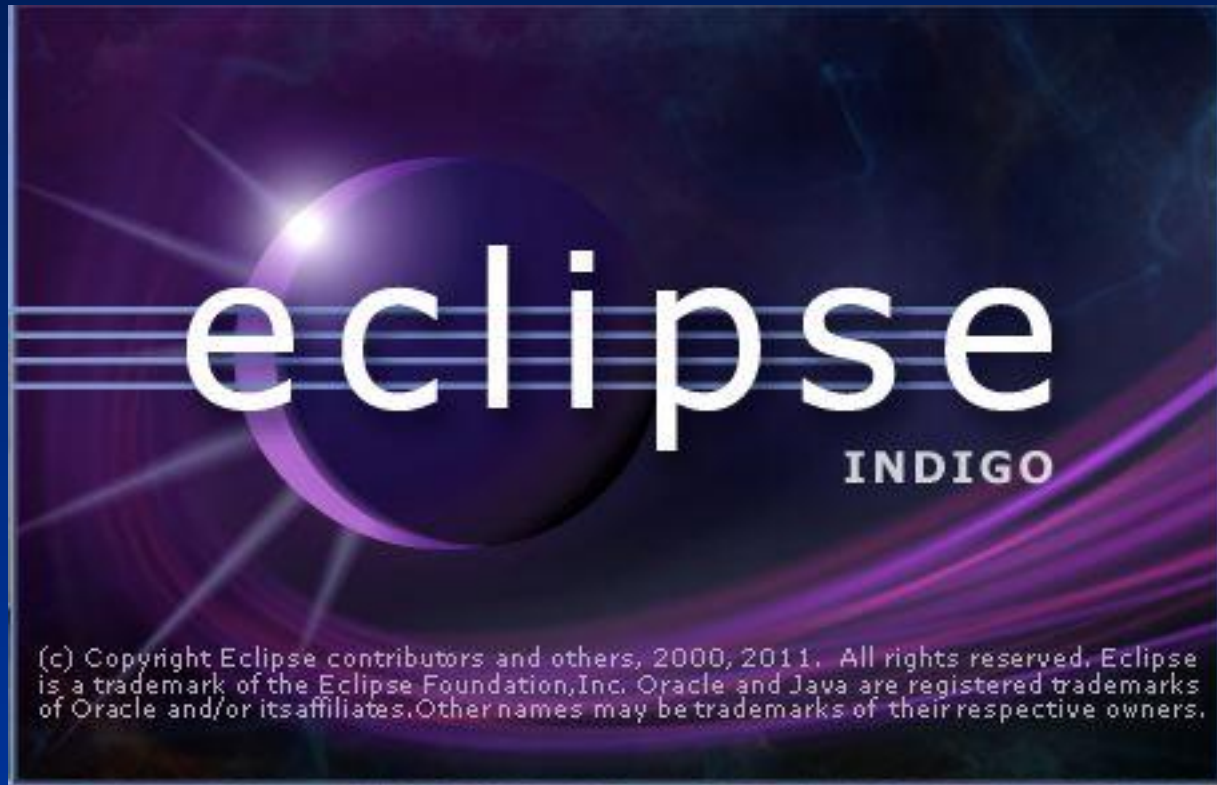


Eclipse Downloads: <http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/>

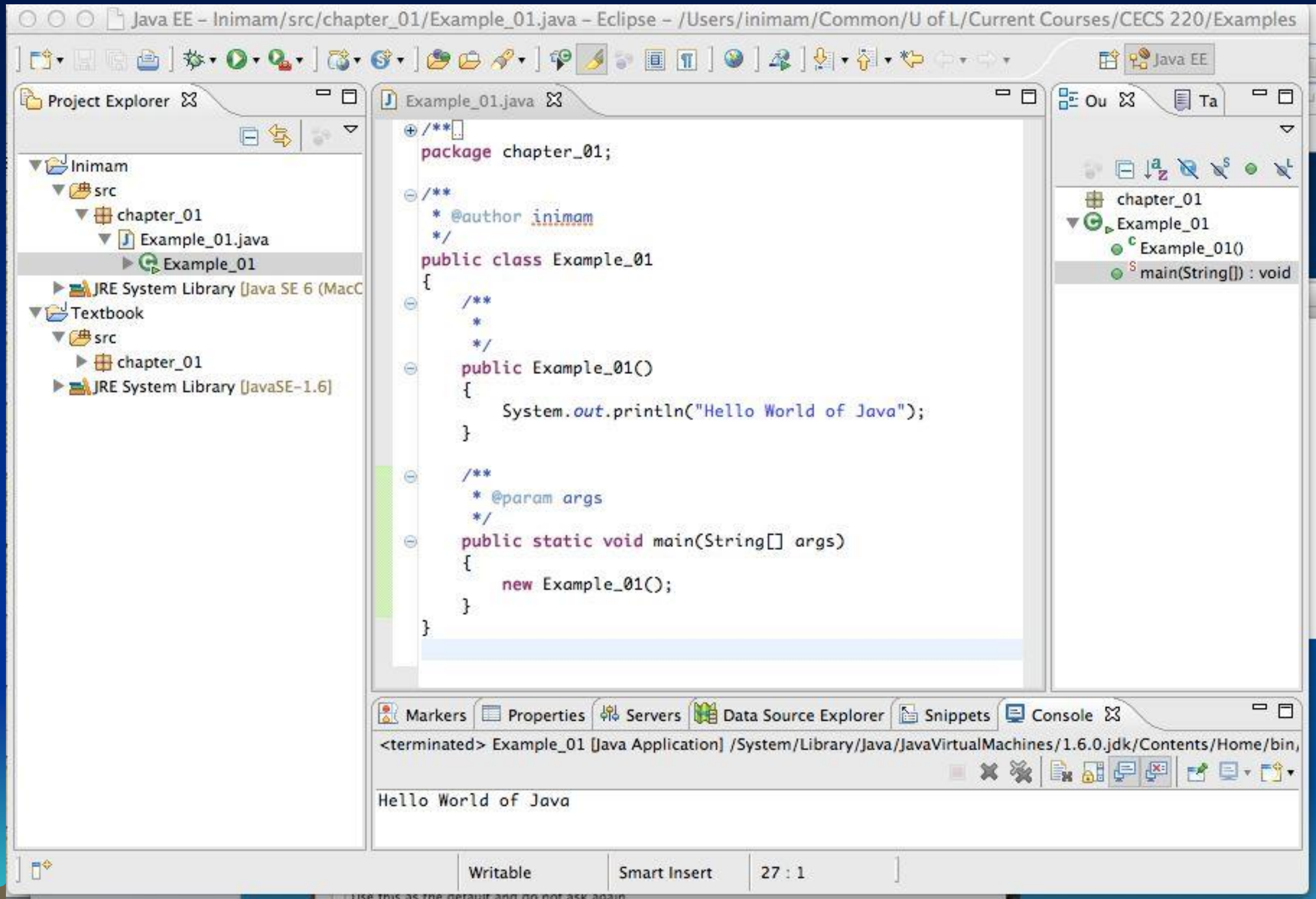
- Download and expand the Eclipse subfolder then move it anywhere you desire.
- Run eclipse.exe or eclipse.app ... etc, based on your OS.



Running Eclipse



Eclipse Perspectives



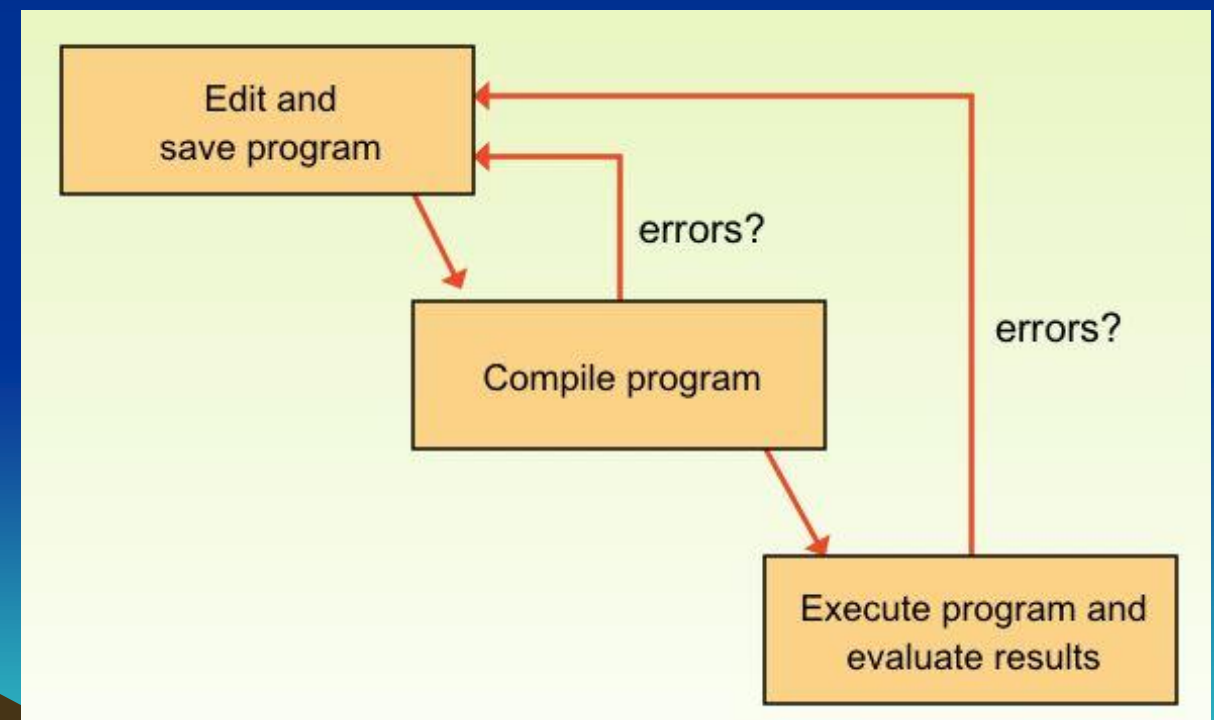
Syntax and Semantics

- The syntax rules of a language define how we can put together symbols, reserved words, and identifiers to make a valid program
- The semantics of a program statement define what that statement means (its purpose or role in a program)
- A program that is syntactically correct is not necessarily logically (semantically) correct
- A program will always do what we tell it to do, not what we meant to tell it to do

Errors

- A program can have three types of errors
 1. Compile-time errors: The compiler will find syntax errors and other basic problems.
 2. Run-time errors: A problem can occur during program execution which causes a program to terminate abnormally. Example: Division By Zero.
 3. Logical errors: A program may run, but produce incorrect results. Example: Incorrect Formula.

Basic Program Development



Object-Oriented Programming

- Java is an object-oriented programming language
- As the term implies, an object is a fundamental entity in a Java program.
- Objects can be used effectively to represent real-world entities
 - For instance, an object might represent a particular employee in a company.
 - Each employee object handles the processing and data management related to that employee.

Objects

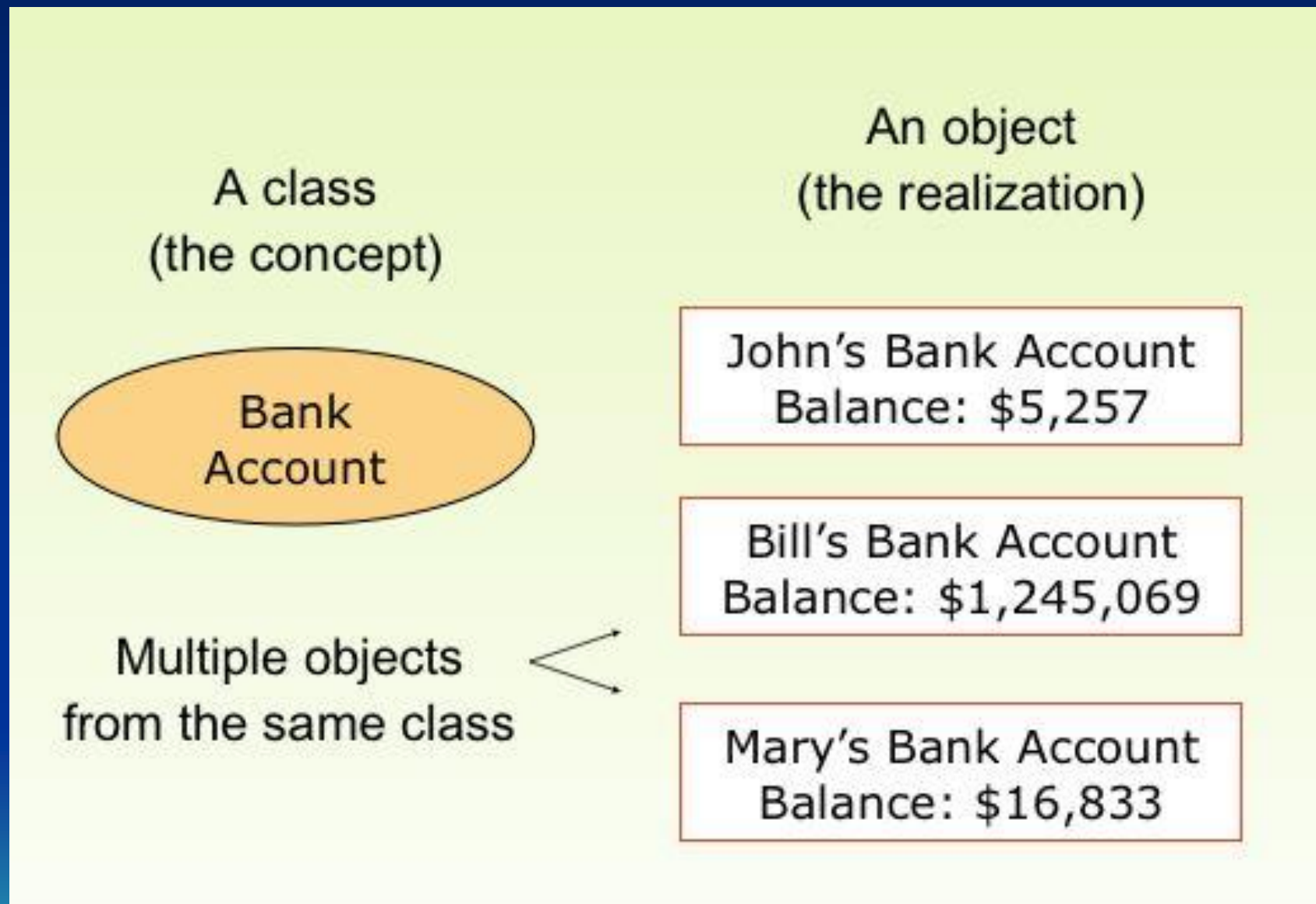
- An object has:
 - State - descriptive characteristics
 - Behaviors - what it can do (or what can be done to it)
- The state of a bank account includes its account number and its current balance
- The behaviors associated with a bank account include the ability to make deposits and withdrawals
- The behavior of an object might change its state

Classes

- An object is defined by a class
- A class is the blueprint of an object
- The class uses methods to define the behaviors of the object
- The class that contains the main method of a Java program represents the entire program
- A class represents a concept, and an object represents the embodiment of that concept
- Multiple objects can be created from the same class
- **Class = Blueprint**

Objects and Classes

- Class is a design concept while an object is a runtime entity



Inheritance

- One class can be used to derive another via inheritance (More on this later)
- Classes can be organized into hierarchies

