# **Changing the Default Java File Handler**

This guide details how to change the default application to open .java files from Visual Studio 2005 to Notepad.

## ***Finding a Java File***

1. Open Windows Explorer, and find a Java file.
2. Right-click on the Java file, select Open With 🡪 Choose Program…
   1. Select Notepad, and place a check mark next to “Always use the selected program to open this kind of file”
3. Press OK
4. A Notepad will open. From now on, Notepad will be used to open .java files
   1. Warning: Due to the configuration of the computers in the Programming Lab, you may have to repeat these steps if you log onto a different computer or you log on later