Java Applets

"Applets overview, architecture, skeleton "

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Applets Overview

- A type of java application
- Applets are small programs that:
 - Accessed on internet server
 - Transport over the internet
 - Installed automatically
 - Run as a part of web document
- After an applet arrives on client has limited access to resources
- Applets do not need a main() method
- Applets must be run under an applet viewer or a Java-compatible browser
- User I/O is not accomplished with Java's stream I/O classes. Instead, applets use the interface provided by the AWT

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Simple Applet Example

Simple Applet

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.applet.*;
public class SimpleApplet extends Applet {
    public void paint(Graphics g) {
        g.drawString("A Simple Applet", 20, 20);
    }
}
```

- The first line imports Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT), contain supports for window-based, graphical interface
- The next line imports applet package which contain Applet class
- This simple application compose only one method paint() defined by AWT and must be overridden by the Applet class
- paint() is called each time that the applet must redisplay its output

Running applet

- Applet program is compiled in the same way as other java programs
- But, executed differently from that of other applications and can be done in two ways
 - Executing applet within java-compatible web browser
 <applet code="SimpleApplet" width=200 height=60></applet>
 - Using an applet viewer, such as the standard SDK tool, appletviewer
 C: | >appletviewer RunApp.html

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The Applet class

- Applet class provides several methods some of them are listed below
- Applet provides all necessary support for applet execution, such as starting and stopping
- also provides methods that load and display images, and methods that load and play audio clips
 - AudioClip getAudioClip(URL url)
 - URL getDocumentBase()
 - Image getImage(URL url)
 - void init()
 - void play(URL url)
 - void resize(int width, int height)
 - void showStatus(String str)
 - void start()
 - void stop()



Applet architecture

- An applet is a window-based program
- Its architecture is different from the so-called normal, console-based programs
- Applets are event driven
- The user initiates interaction with an applet—not the other way around



Your Turn: Time to hear from you!



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