

Java Lang Package

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Objectives of Java Lang Package

- Purpose:
 - To understand important classes under Java Lang package like String, Math, Wrapper classes, StringBuffer / StringBuilder, and System Classes.
- Product:
 - Understanding of String class and its immutableness
 - Understanding of all Wrapper classes, their usage and how to use
 - Understanding of System class, its use and how to use
 - Understanding of Math class, its use and how to use
- Process:
 - Theory Sessions along with assignments
 - A recap at the end of the session in the form of Quiz.

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The *Math* Class

- Provides predefined constants and methods for performing different mathematical operations
- Methods:

Math Methods
<code>public static double abs(double a)</code>
Returns the positive value of the parameter. An overloaded method. Can also take in a float or an integer or a long integer as a parameter, in which case the return type is either a float or an integer or a long integer, respectively.
<code>public static double random()</code>
Returns a random positive value greater than or equal to 0.0 but less than 1.0.
<code>public static double max(double a, double b)</code>
Returns the larger value between two <i>double</i> values, <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> . An overloaded method. Can also take in float or integer or long integer values as parameters, in which case the return type is either a float or an integer or a long integer, respectively.
<code>public static double min(double a, double b)</code>
Returns the smaller value between two <i>double</i> values, <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> . An overloaded method. Can also take in float or integer or long integer values as parameters, in which case the return type is either a float or an integer or a long integer, respectively.
<code>public static double ceil(double a)</code>
Returns the smallest integer that is greater than or equal to the specified parameter <i>a</i> .
<code>public static double floor(double a)</code>
Returns the largest integer that is lesser than or equal to the specified parameter <i>a</i> .

The *Math Class: Methods*

Math Methods

```
public static double exp(double a)
```

Returns Euler's number *e* raised to the power of the passed argument *a*.

```
public static double log(double a)
```

Returns the natural logarithm (base *e*) of *a*, the *double* value parameter.

```
public static double pow(double a, double b)
```

Returns the *double* value of *a* raised to the *double* value of *b*.

```
public static long round(double a)
```

Returns the nearest *long* to the given argument. An overloaded method. Can also take in a *float* as an argument and returns the nearest *int* in this case.

```
public static double sqrt(double a)
```

Returns the square root of the argument *a*.

```
public static double sin(double a)
```

Returns the trigonometric sine of the given angle *a*.

```
public static double toDegrees(double angrad)
```

Returns the degree value approximately equivalent to the given radian value.

```
public static double toRadians(double angdeg)
```

Returns the radian value approximately equivalent to the given degree value.

The *Math Class*: Example

```
class MathDemo {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        System.out.println("absolute value of -5: " + Math.abs(-5));  
        System.out.println("absolute value of 5: " + Math.abs(5));  
        System.out.println("random number(max is 10):" + Math.random()*10) ;  
        System.out.println("max of 3.5 and 1.2: " + Math.max(3.5,1.2));  
        System.out.println("min of 3.5 and 1.2: " + Math.min(3.5,1.2));  
        System.out.println("ceiling of 3.5: " + Math.ceil(3.5));  
        System.out.println("floor of 3.5: " + Math.floor(3.5));  
        System.out.println("e raised to 1: " + Math.exp(1));  
        System.out.println("log 10: " + Math.log(10));  
        System.out.println("10 raised to 3: " + Math.pow(10,3));  
        System.out.println("rounded off value of pi: " + Math.round(Math.PI));  
        System.out.println("square root of 5 = " + Math.sqrt(5));  
        System.out.println("10 radian = " + Math.toDegrees(10) + " degrees");  
        System.out.println("sin(90): " + Math.sin(Math.toRadians(90)));  
    }  
}
```

String Class

- Definition:
 - Represents combinations of character literals
 - Using Java, strings can be represented using:
 - Array of characters
 - The *String* class
 - Note: A *String* object is different from an array of characters!
- String constructors
 - 13 constructors

The *String* Class: Constructors

```
class StringConstructorsDemo {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        String s1 = new String(); //empty string  
        char chars[] = { 'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o' };  
        String s2 = new String(chars); //s2="hello";  
        byte bytes[] = { 'w', 'o', 'r', 'l', 'd' };  
        String s3 = new String(bytes); //s3="world"  
        String s4 = new String(chars, 1, 3);  
        String s5 = new String(s2);  
        String s6 = s2;  
        System.out.println(s1);  
        System.out.println(s2);  
        System.out.println(s3);  
        System.out.println(s4);  
        System.out.println(s5);  
        System.out.println(s6);  
    }  
}
```


The *String* Class: Methods

String Methods

```
public char charAt(int index)
```

Returns the character located in the specified *index*.

```
public int compareTo(String anotherString)
```

Compares this string with the specified parameter. Returns a negative value if this string comes lexicographically before the other string, 0 if both of the strings have the same value and a positive value if this string comes after the other string lexicographically.

```
public int compareToIgnoreCase(String str)
```

Like `compareTo` but ignores the case used in this string and the specified string.

```
public boolean equals(Object anObject)
```

Returns true if this string has the same sequence of characters as that of the *Object* specified, which should be a *String* object. Otherwise, if the specified parameter is not a *String* object or if it doesn't match the sequence of symbols in this string, the method will return false.

```
public boolean equalsIgnoreCase(String anotherString)
```

Like `equals` but ignores the case used in this string and the specified string.

```
public void getChars(int srcBegin, int srcEnd, char[] dst, int dstBegin)
```

Gets the characters from this string starting at the *srcBegin* index up to the *srcEnd* index and copies these characters to the *dst* array starting at the *dstBegin* index.

The *String* Class: Methods

String Methods

```
public int length()
```

Returns the length of this string.

```
public String replace(char oldChar, char newChar)
```

Returns the string wherein all occurrences of the *oldChar* in this string is replaced with *newChar*.

```
public String substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)
```

Returns the substring of this string starting at the specified *beginIndex* index up to the *endIndex* index.

```
public char[] toCharArray()
```

Returns the character array equivalent of this string.

```
public String trim()
```

Returns a modified copy of this string wherein the leading and trailing white space are removed.

```
public static String valueOf(-)
```

Takes in a simple data type such as boolean, integer or character, or it takes in an object as a parameter and returns the *String* equivalent of the specified parameter.

The *StringBuffer* Class

- Problem with *String* objects:
 - Once created, can no longer be modified (It is a final class)
- A *StringBuffer* object
 - Similar to a *String* object
 - But, mutable or can be modified
 - Unlike *String* in this aspect
 - Length and content may changed through some method calls

The *StringBuffer* Class: Methods

StringBuffer Methods

```
public int capacity()
```

Returns the current capacity of this *StringBuffer* object.

```
public StringBuffer append(-)
```

Appends the string representation of the argument to this *StringBuffer* object. Takes in a single parameter which may be of these data types: *boolean*, *char*, *char []*, *double*, *float*, *int*, *long*, *Object*, *String* and *StringBuffer*. Still has another overloaded version.

```
public char charAt(int index)
```

Returns the character located in the specified *index*.

```
public void getChars(int srcBegin, int srcEnd, char[] dst, int dstBegin)
```

Gets the characters from this object starting at the *srcBegin* index up to the *srcEnd* index and copies these characters to the *dst* array starting at the *dstBegin* index.

```
public StringBuffer delete(int start, int end)
```

Deletes the characters within the specified range.

```
public StringBuffer insert(int offset, -)
```

Inserts the string representation of the second argument at the specified offset. An overloaded method. Possible data types for the second argument: *boolean*, *char*, *char []*, *double*, *float*, *int*, *long*, *Object* and *String*. Still has another overloaded version.

The *StringBuilder* Class

- `StringBuilder` class is same as `StringBuffer`.
- Only difference is that `StringBuffer` is thread Safe.
- In general – it is better to use `StringBuilder`, until thread safety is concerned.

The Wrapper Classes

Some Facts:

- Primitive data types are not objects
- Cannot access methods of the *Object* class
- Only actual objects can access methods of the *Object* class

Why wrapper classes?

Need an object representation for the primitive type variables to use Java built-in methods

Definition: Object representations of simple non-object variables

The *Wrapper Class*

- Wrapper classes are very similar to their primitive equivalents.
 - Capitalized
 - Spelled out versions of the primitive data types

Wrapper Classes

- It converts primitive values to objects.
- Need of Wrapper class:
- Primitive values in java are not objects. So in order to include the primitives in the activities reserved for objects for ex-to be used as elements of Collections or to be returned as objects from a method we need Wrapper classes.
- There is a Wrapper class for every primitive in java.
- All Wrapper classes are **final**.
- The objects of all Wrapper classes are **immutable** i.e their state can not be changed

The *Wrapper Class*: Example

<u>PrimitiveType</u>	<u>Corresponding Wrapper class</u>
boolean	Boolean
byte	Byte
char	Character
double	Double
float	Float
int	Integer
long	Long
short	Short

Numeric Wrapper Classes

- Each numeric Wrapper class defines minimum and maximum value of the corresponding primitive data type.

`<Wrapperclassname>.MIN_VALUE`

`<Wrapperclassname>.MAX_VALUE`

Example -

`int max = Integer.MAX_VALUE`

`double max = Double.MIN_VALUE`

Creating Wrapper Objects

By using Constructors : (converting primitive values to wrapper objects)

```
Character c1 = new Character('c');
```

```
Boolean b1 = new Boolean(true);
```

```
Integer i1 = new Integer(8000);
```

```
Double d1 = new Double(8.34);
```

Creating Wrapper Objects

B(converting Strings to Wrapper objects)

```
Boolean b2 = new Boolean("TrUe"); // true
```

```
Boolean b3 = new Boolean("xx");    //false
```

```
Integer i2 = new Integer("8000");
```

```
Double d2 = new Double("8.45");
```

```
Long long1 = new Long(8);
```

Using Wrapper conversion utilities

1. Converting Wrapper objects to Strings

String toString()

Each Wrapper class overrides the toString() method from the Object class.

```
Character c1 = new Character('g');
```

```
String s1 = c1.toString();
```

```
Boolean b1 = new Boolean(true);
```

```
String s2 = b1.toString();
```

Using Wrapper conversion...

2. Converting primitive values to Strings

Each wrapper class defines a static method `toString(type v)` that returns the String corresponding to the primitive value .

`static String toString(type v)`

```
String s1 = Character.toString('\n');  
String s2 = Boolean.toString(false);  
String s3 = Integer.toString(2000); // base 10  
String s4 = Double.toString(1.55);
```

Using Wrapper conversion...

3. Converting integer values to Strings in different Notations

```
static String toBinaryString(int i) //base 2
```

```
static String toHexString(int i) //base 16
```

```
static String toOctalString(int i) //base 8
```

These three methods return an unsigned String value of base 2,16,8 with no leading zeros.

```
static String toString(int i, int base)
```

This method returns the minus sign('-') as the first character if i is negative.

```
static String toString(int i)
```

Using Wrapper conversion...

4. Converting Wrapper objects to primitive values

Each Wrapper class except Boolean and Character defines a `typeValue()` which returns the primitive value in the wrapper object.

`type typeValue()`

`double d = d1.doubleValue();`

`int i = i1.intValue();`

Using Wrapper conversion...

5. Converting any numeric Wrapper objects into any numeric primitive values

```
Byte b1 = new Byte((byte)17);  
Integer i1 = new Integer(2005);  
Double d1 = new Double(1.48);
```

```
short s1 = i1.shortValue();  
long l1 = b1.longValue();  
int i2 = d1.intValue(); //truncation  
double d2 = i1.doubleValue();
```

Using Wrapper conversion...

6. Converting Strings to Numeric values

Each numeric wrapper class defines a static method `parseType(String s)` that returns the primitive numeric value of String it contains.

This method will throw a `NumberFormatException` if the String parameter is not a valid argument.

Using Wrapper conversion...

1. static type parseType(String s)
 byte b1 = Byte.parseByte("18");
 int i1 = Integer.parseInt("2007");
 int i2 = Integer.parseInt("abc");//NFE
2. static type parseType(String s, int base)
 byte b1 = Byte.parseByte("1010",2);
 short s1 = Short.parseShort("013",8);
 long l1 = Long.parseLong("-a",16);
 int i1 = Integer.parseInt("500",16);

The Wrapper Classes: Boolean Example

```
class BooleanWrapper {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        boolean booleanVar = 1>2;  
        Boolean booleanObj = new Boolean("True");  
        /* primitive to object; can also use valueOf method */  
        Boolean booleanObj2 = new Boolean(booleanVar);  
        System.out.println("booleanVar = " + booleanVar);  
        System.out.println("booleanObj = " + booleanObj);  
        System.out.println("booleanObj2 = " +  
            booleanObj2);  
        System.out.println("compare 2 wrapper objects: "  
            + booleanObj.equals(booleanObj2));  
        /* object to primitive */  
        booleanVar = booleanObj.booleanValue();  
        System.out.println("booleanVar = " + booleanVar);  
    }  
}
```

The System Class

- Provides many useful fields and methods
 - Standard input
 - Standard output
 - Utility method for fast copying of a part of an array

The System Class: Methods

System Methods

```
public static void arraycopy(Object src, int srcPos, Object dest, int destPos, int length)
```

Copies *length* items from the source array *src* starting at *srcPos* to *dest* starting at index *destPos*. Faster than manually programming the code for this yourself.

```
public static long currentTimeMillis()
```

Returns the difference between the current time and January 1, 1970 UTC. Time returned is measured in milliseconds.

```
public static void exit(int status)
```

Kills the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) running currently. A non-zero value for status by convention indicates an abnormal exit.

```
public static void gc()
```

Runs the garbage collector, which reclaims unused memory space for recycling.

```
public static void setIn(InputStream in)
```

Changes the stream associated with *System.in*, which by default refers to the keyboard.

```
public static void setOut(PrintStream out)
```

Changes the stream associated with *System.out*, which by default refers to the console.

The System Class: Example

```
import java.io.IOException;

public class Elapsed {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
        long lngStart, lngEnd = 0;
        System.out.println("Timing a for from 0 to 1,000,000");
        /time a for loop from 0 to 1,000,000
        lngStart=System.currentTimeMillis();
        for(int j=0;j<1000000;j++)
            lngEnd = System.currentTimeMillis();
        System.out.println("Elapsed time : " + (lngEnd-lngStart));
    }
}
```

Output:

Timing a for from 0 to 1,000,000 Elapsed time: 78

Recap (Hot Keywords)

Math.cos

Integer.parseInt

System.out.print

StringBuilder

Immutable

Append

String

Thank You For Your Time



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