

Software Development 2

Further Swing

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Awesome GUI stuff

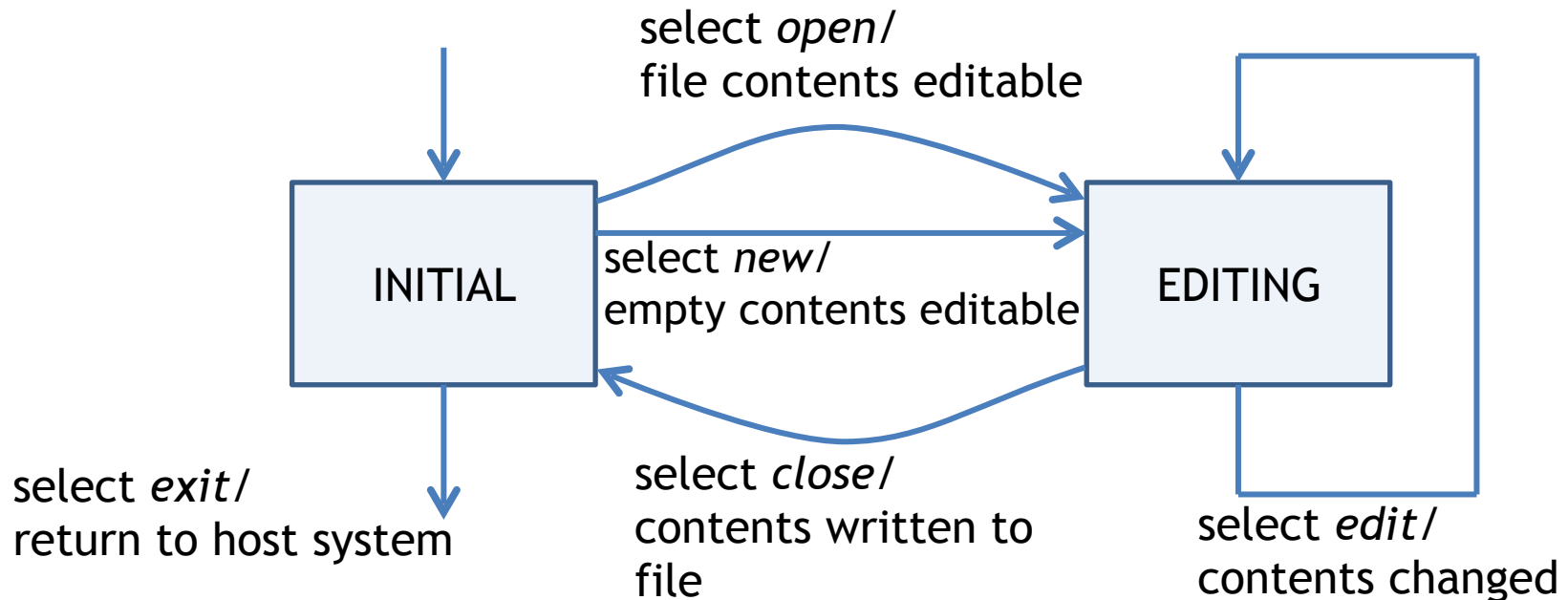
TODAY'S LECTURE

Today's Lecture

- Other GUI components
 - JTextArea
 - JScrollPane
 - JMenu
 - JFileChooser
 - JOptionPane

Overview

- Rolling example of a text editor:



Overview

- Will focus on methods to:
 - display/manipulate scrollable text
 - select options from menu bars
 - open/save files from directory
 - conduct simple standard dialogs

Editable text

`JTextArea` extends

`javax.swing.text.JTextComponent`

- multiple lines of plain, unformatted text
- user can edit text

`JTextArea(String text, int rows, int columns)`

- *text*: text to be edited
- *rows*: number of displayed rows
- *columns*: number of displayed columns

Editable text

```
public String setText(String text)
```

- **replaces all text with *text***

```
public String append(String text)
```

- **adds *text* at end**

```
public String getText()
```

- **returns text as single String**

JTextArea supports drag and drop

- **but no right button menu**

Editable text

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import javax.swing.*;
import java.io.*;

// Define class: a window that contains a text area
class Edit11 extends JFrame {

    JTextArea ta; // text display area

    Edit() {
        ta = new JTextArea("",24,80); // create

        add(BorderLayout.CENTER,ta); // and add to window
    }
}
```


Editable text

```
class TestEdit {  
    public static void main(String [] args)  
        throws IOException {  
        Edit11 e = new Edit11(); // create window with text area  
  
        // setup window  
        e.setTitle("edit1");  
        e.setSize(400,200);  
        e.setVisible(true);  
        e.addWindowListener  
            (new WindowAdapter()  
            {   public void  
                windowClosing(WindowEvent e)  
                {   System.exit(0); }  
            });  
    }  
}
```

Editable text

```
// read text from file a line at a time
// note: in practice, this wouldn't be in main!
BufferedReader fin;
fin = new BufferedReader
    (new FileReader("test.txt"));
String next = fin.readLine();
while(next!=null) {
    e.ta.append(next);
    next = fin.readLine();
}
}
```

Editable text

test.txt:

Once upon a time there were three little computers called Boris, Doris and Horace. One day Boris was having difficulty opening a file.

"I just can't open this file!" said Boris sadly. "Maybe there's something wrong with my H: drive."

"Maybe it's a network problem," said Doris. "I can't access the printer."

"And I can't get onto the Internet," said Horace.

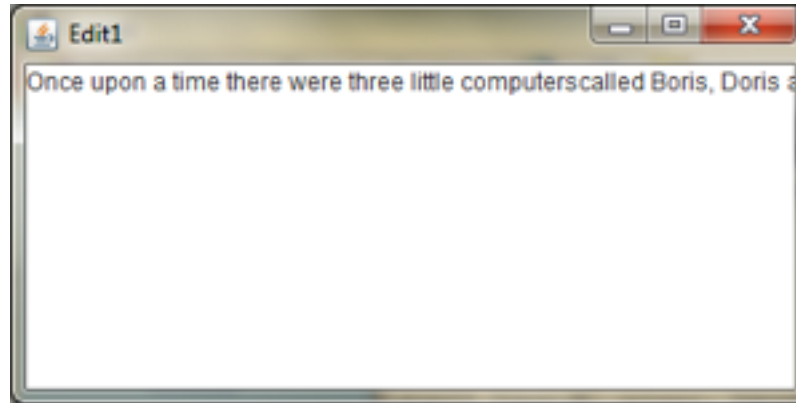
Just then, along came the Nice Computer Manager.

Editable text

"Hello computers!" said the Nice Computer Manager.
"Hello Nice Computer Manager!" said the computers.
"How are you all today?" asked the Nice Computer Manager.
"I can't open a file," said Boris, sadly.
"And I can't access the printer," said Doris, glumly.
"And I can't get onto the Internet," said Horace, gloomily.
"Don't worry," said the Nice Computer Manager. "You're all
being replaced by a shiny new laptop!"

The End.

Line wrap

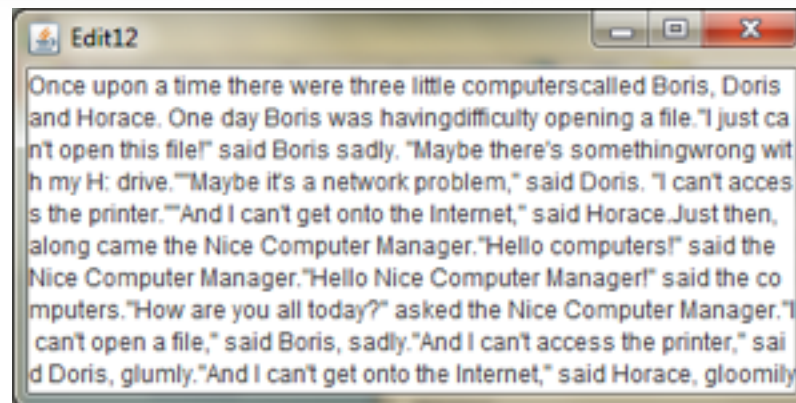


Currently all the text is on one line

- need to turn on line wrapping
- `public void setLineWrap(Boolean wrap)`

Line wrap

```
Edit() {  
    ta = new JTextArea("", 24, 80);  
    ta.setLineWrap(true);  
  
    add(BorderLayout.CENTER, ta);  
}
```

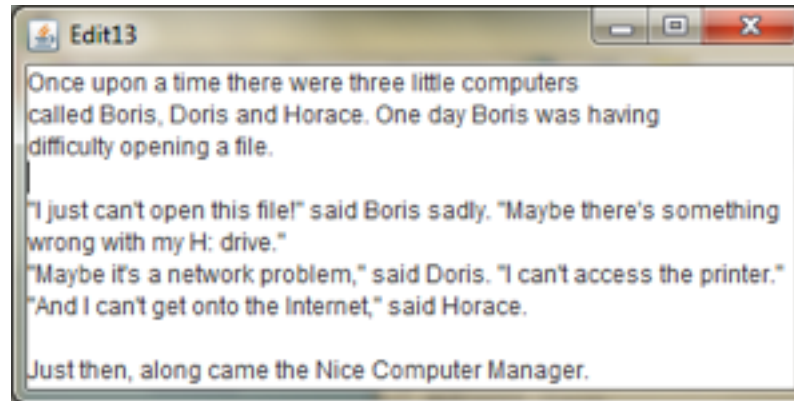


Line termination

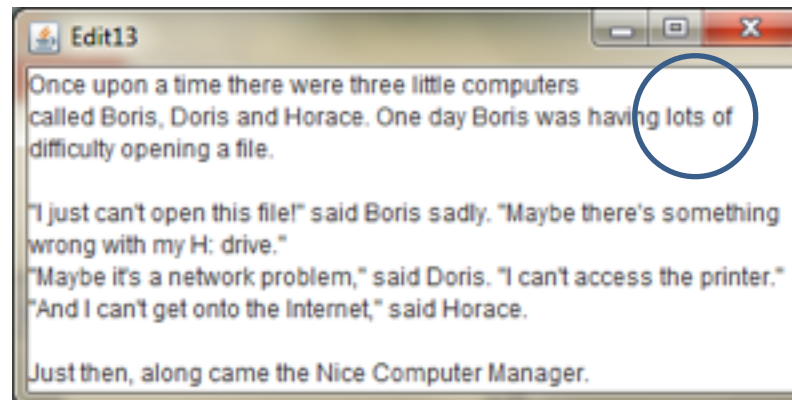
- also need to add line termination

```
public static void main(String [] args)
    throws IOException {
    Edit13 e = new Edit13();
    ...
    String next = fin.readLine();
    while(next!=null)
    {
        e.ta.append(next+"\n");
        next = fin.readLine();
    }
}
```

Line termination



- can add/delete text using the mouse & keyboard



SCROLL PANE

Scrolling

However, text doesn't scroll, so also need a...

`JScrollPane` extends `JComponent`
implements `Accessible`, `ScrollPaneConstants`

```
public JScrollPane()
```

```
public JScrollPane(Component view)
```

- **constructs a `JScrollPane` container for `Component view`**
- **allows horizontal & vertical scrolling**

Scrolling

Can change presence of scroll bars with:

```
setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy(int policy)
```

```
setVerticalScrollBarPolicy(int policy)
```

- where ***policy*** is a `ScrollPaneConstants`:
 - `HORIZONTAL_SCROLLBAR_` **or**
 - `VERTICAL_SCROLLBAR_` **followed by:**
 - `ALWAYS AS_NEEDED` **or** `NEVER`
- e.g. `setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy(
ScrollPaneConstants.HORIZONTAL_SCROLLBAR_NEVER)`

Scrolling

Add a Component to a scroll pane using:

- `public void setViewportView(Component view)`
- **Don't use** `add()`
 - This will compile, but won't work as expected!

Scrolling

Change `Edit` to provide vertical scrolling

- have wrap round so don't need horizontal scrolling
- horizontal scrolling is poor for text manipulation

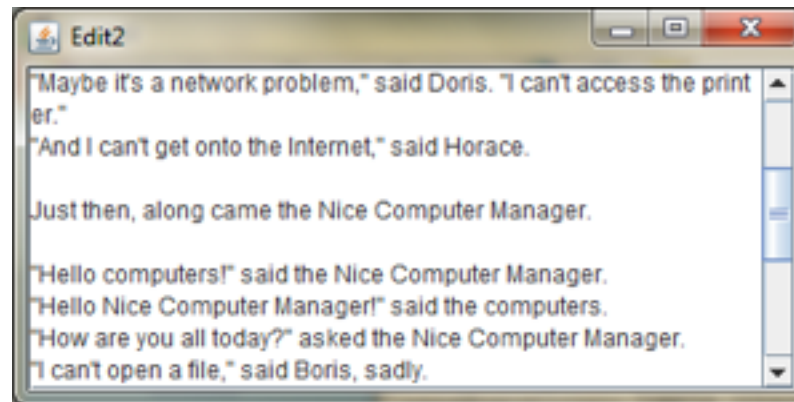
Scrolling

```
...
class Edit extends JFrame {
    JTextArea ta;    // the text area
    JScrollPane sp; // the text area's scroll pane

    Edit2() {
        sp = new JScrollPane();
        // turn off the horizontal scroll bar
        // use default policy for vertical: appears as needed
        sp.setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy
            (ScrollPaneConstants.HORIZONTAL_SCROLLBAR_NEVER);
        ta = new JTextArea("", 24, 80);
        ta.setLineWrap(true);
        sp.setViewportViewView(ta); // set view to be the scroll pane
        add(BorderLayout.CENTER, sp);
    }
}
```

Scrolling

```
class TestEdit {  
    static BufferedReader fin;  
  
    public static void main(String [] args) throws IOException  
    {  
        Edit e = new Edit();  
        ...  
    }  
}
```



Advanced [not examinable]

Java also supports formatted text areas

- `JEditorPane` supports HTML
- `JTextPane` is more like a word processor
- <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/uiswing/components/editorpane.html>

MENUS

Menus

Windows interfaces provide menu bars with:

- selectable pop-up/pull-down menus
- of selectable menu items

Advantages over buttons

- more space efficient
- show available functionality in one place
- standardised menu names and menu items
 - e.g. File, Edit, Copy, Paste, ...

Menus

There's a Swing class for menu bars:

```
JMenuBar extends JComponent  
             implements MenuElement
```

```
JMenuBar ( )
```

- **creates a new** JMenuBar

```
setJMenuBar (JMenuBar menubar)
```

- **places** *menubar* **at the top of a** JFrame

Menus

Also a Swing class for menus:

```
JMenu extends JMenuItem  
      implements MenuElement
```

```
JMenu(String s)
```

- **creates a new JMenu identified by s**

```
jmenubar.add(jmenu)
```

- **adds *jmenu* to *jmenubar***

Menus

And a Swing class for menu items:

`JMenuItem` extends `AbstractButton`
implements `MenuElement`

`JMenuItem(String s)`

- **creates a new JMenuItem identified by *s***

`jmenu.add(jmenuitem)`

- **Adds menu item *jmenuitem* to *jmenu***

`jmenu.add(submenu)`

- **Adds menu *submenu* to *jmenu***

Menus

Add menu bar to editor with a menu for *File* with options for *Open*, *New*, *Close* and *Exit*

```
...  
class Edit extends JFrame {  
    JScrollPane sp;  
    JTextArea ta;  
  
    JMenuBar jb; // the menu bar  
    JMenu file; // the file menu  
    JMenuItem MNew, MOpen, MClose, MExit; // the menu items
```

Menus

```
Edit() {  
    sp = new JScrollPane();  
    sp.setHorizontalScrollBarPolicy  
        (ScrollPaneConstants.  
         HORIZONTAL_SCROLLBAR_NEVER);  
  
    ta = new JTextArea("", 24, 80);  
    ta.setLineWrap(true);  
  
    sp.setViewportViewView(ta);  
    add(BorderLayout.CENTER, sp);  
  
    jb = new JMenuBar(); // create menu bar  
    file = new JMenu("File"); // create named menu
```

Menus

```
// create menu items, specifying names
```

```
MNew = new JMenuItem("New");
```

```
MOpen = new JMenuItem("Open");
```

```
MClose = new JMenuItem("Close");
```

```
MExit = new JMenuItem("Exit");
```

```
// add menu items to file menu
```

```
file.add(MNew);
```

```
file.add(MOpen);
```

```
file.add(MClose);
```

```
file.add(MExit);
```

```
jfb.add(file); // add file menu to menu bar
```

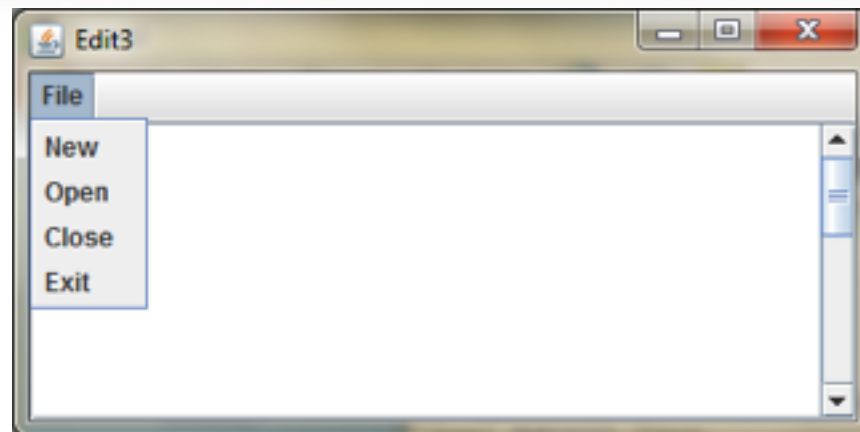
```
setJMenuBar(jfb); // display menu bar (in current window)
```

```
}
```

```
}
```


Menus

```
class TestEdit {  
    static BufferedReader fin;  
  
    public static void main(String [] args) throws IOException {  
        Edit e = new Edit();  
        ...  
    }  
}
```



Menu

Now need to associate actions with the options

- JMenuItem **causes** ActionEvent

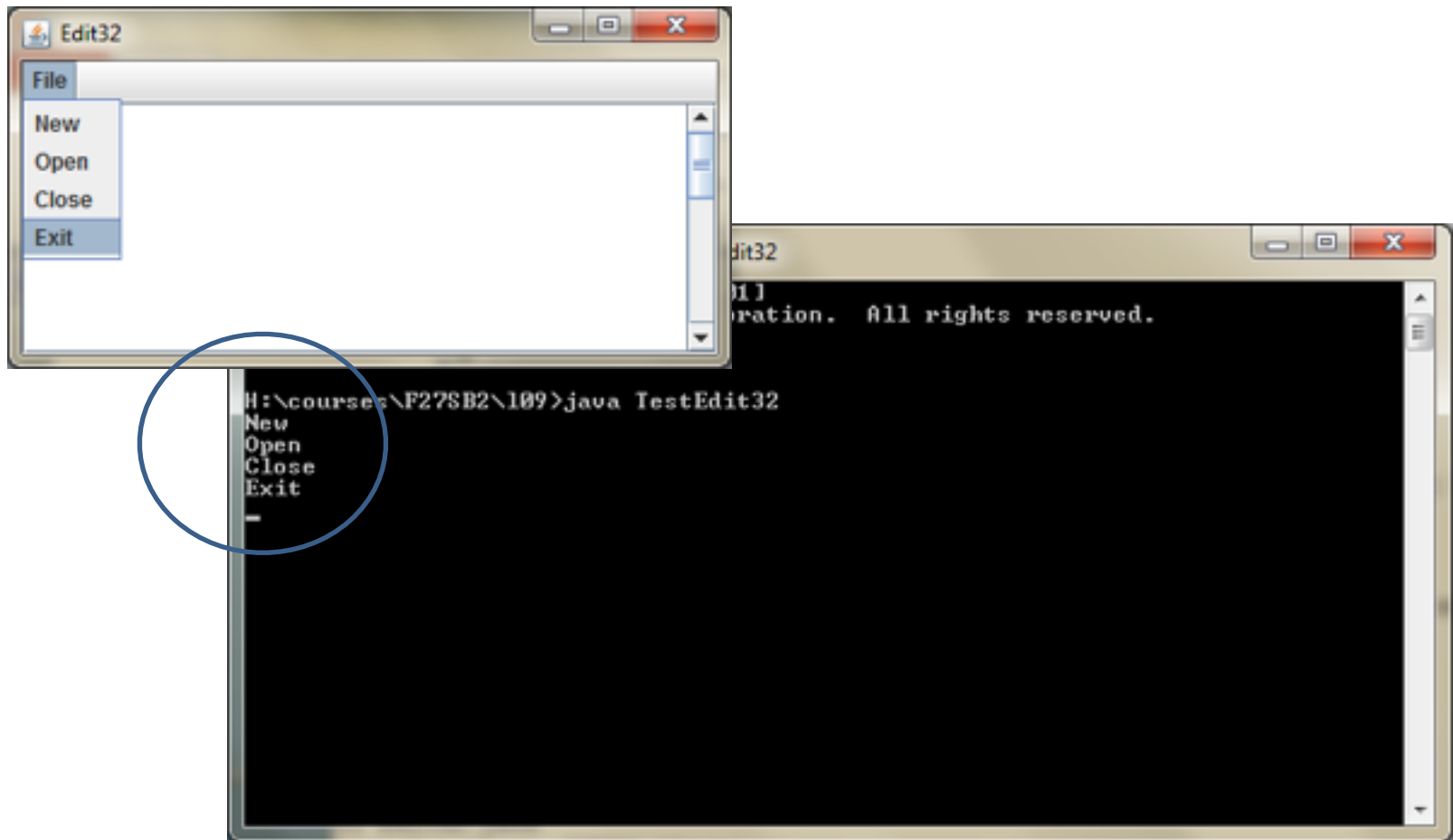
```
class Edit extends JFrame implements ActionListener {  
    ...  
    Edit() {  
        ...  
        // add action listener to menu items, as with buttons  
        MNew.addActionListener(this);  
        MOpen.addActionListener(this);  
        MClose.addActionListener(this);  
        MExit.addActionListener(this);  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Menu

```
// process action events in the same way as buttons
// just print out selected menu item's name for now
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e)
{
    if(e.getSource()==MNew)
        System.out.println("New");
    else if(e.getSource()==MOpen)
        System.out.println("Open");
    else if(e.getSource()==MClose)
        System.out.println("Close");
    else if(e.getSource()==MExit)
        System.out.println("Exit");
}
}

class TestEdit{    ... }
```

Menu



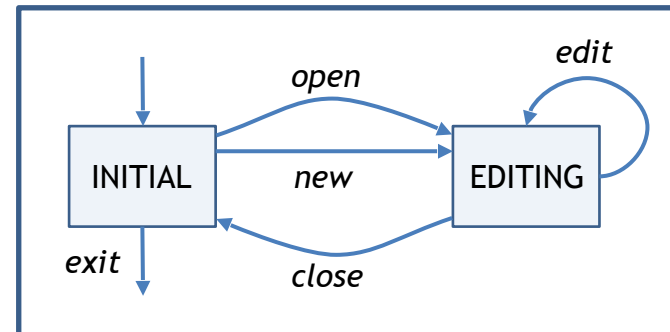
State machine

Next, develop state machine in
`actionPerformed`

- two states, so can use a boolean state variable:

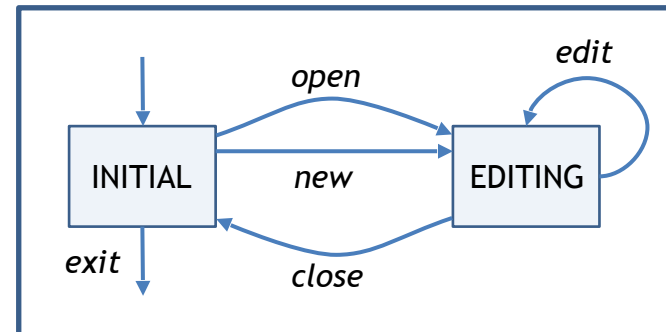
Also need to use `setEditable(boolean e)`

- changes `Component` **editable** status
- initially, not `editing`
and text area is not editable



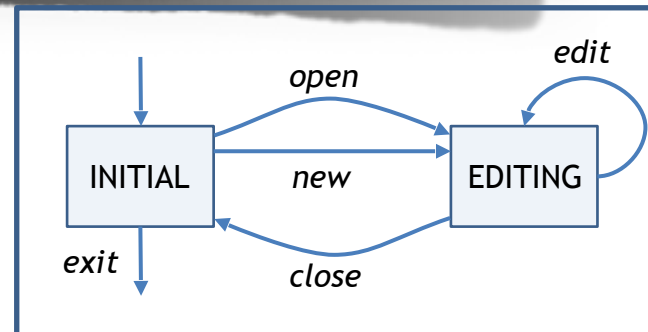
State machine

```
class Edit extends JFrame implements ActionListener {  
    ...  
    boolean editing; // state variable: editing or not editing?  
    ...  
  
    Edit() {  
        ...  
        editing = false; // initially not in the editing state  
        ta.setEditable(false); // so disable the text area  
        ...  
    }  
}
```



State machine

```
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {  
    if(!editing) // check state before processing events  
    {  
        if(e.getSource() == MNew) {  
            System.out.println("New");  
            editing = true; // transition to editing state  
            ta.setEditable(true);  
        }  
        else if(e.getSource() == MOpen) {  
            System.out.println("Open");  
            editing = true; // transition to editing state  
            ta.setEditable(true);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



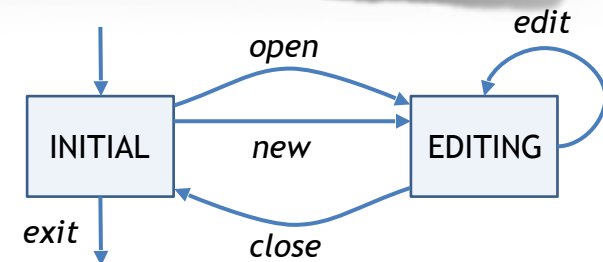
State machine

```
else if(e.getSource()==MExit)
    System.out.println("Exit");

}
else {// if in editing state
    if(e.getSource()==MClose)
    {
        System.out.println("Close");
        editing = false; // transition to non-editing state
        ta.setEditable(false);
    }
}
}
...

```

- next implement the actions...



Advanced [not examinable]

- Menu separators

```
jmenu.addSeparator()
```

- Accelerators (i.e. keyboard shortcuts)

```
jmenuItem.setAccelerator(KeyStroke.getKeyStroke(  
    KeyEvent.VK_1, ActionEvent.ALT_MASK));
```

- For further info, e.g. popup menus,
see: <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/uiswing/components/menu.html>

Advanced [not examinable]

Mac OS handles menus a bit differently!

- first, check if this is a Mac

```
if (System.getProperty("os.name")  
    .toLowerCase().startsWith("mac os x")) {
```

- if so, move the menu bar to the top of the screen

```
System.setProperty(  
    "apple.laf.useScreenMenuBar", "true");
```

- and give the ‘application menu’ a proper name

```
System.setProperty("com.apple.mrj.application  
n.apple.menu.about.name", "Editor");
```

Never ever will I hard code a filename again!

FILE CHOOSERS

File chooser

We don't want to hard code the file paths, so use:

`JFileChooser` extends `JComponent`
implements `Accessible`

- a Swing component providing a standard GUI for file system navigation

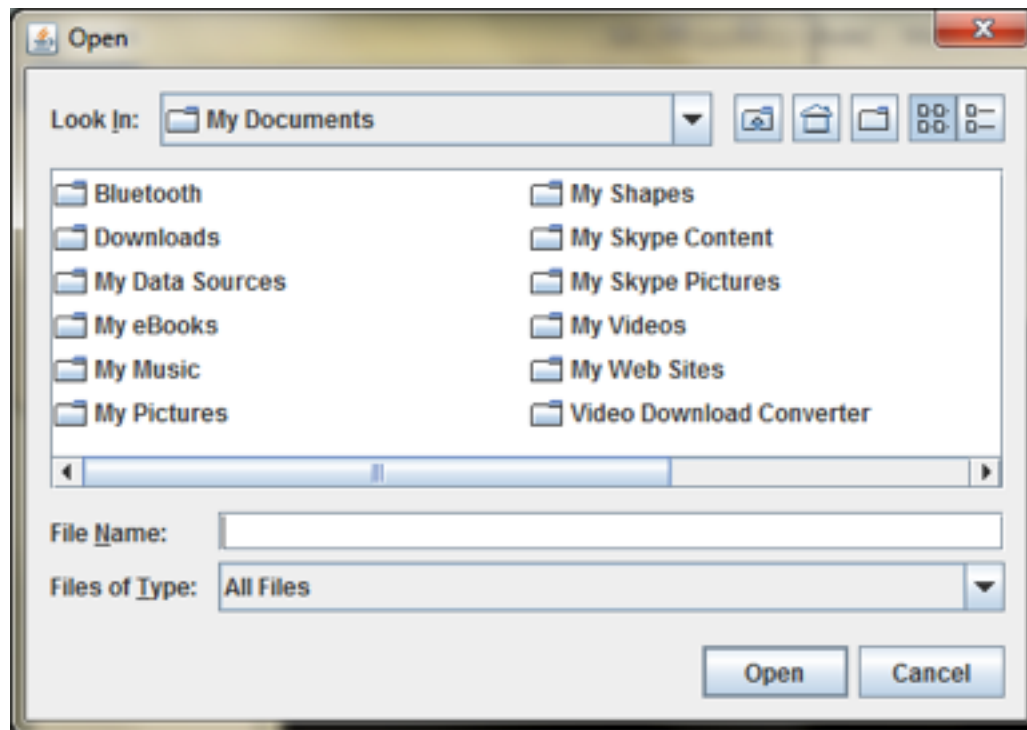
`JFileChooser()`

- **create** `JFileChooser` **component** for current directory
- **Does not support** `WindowListener`

File chooser

```
int showOpenDialog(Component parent)
```

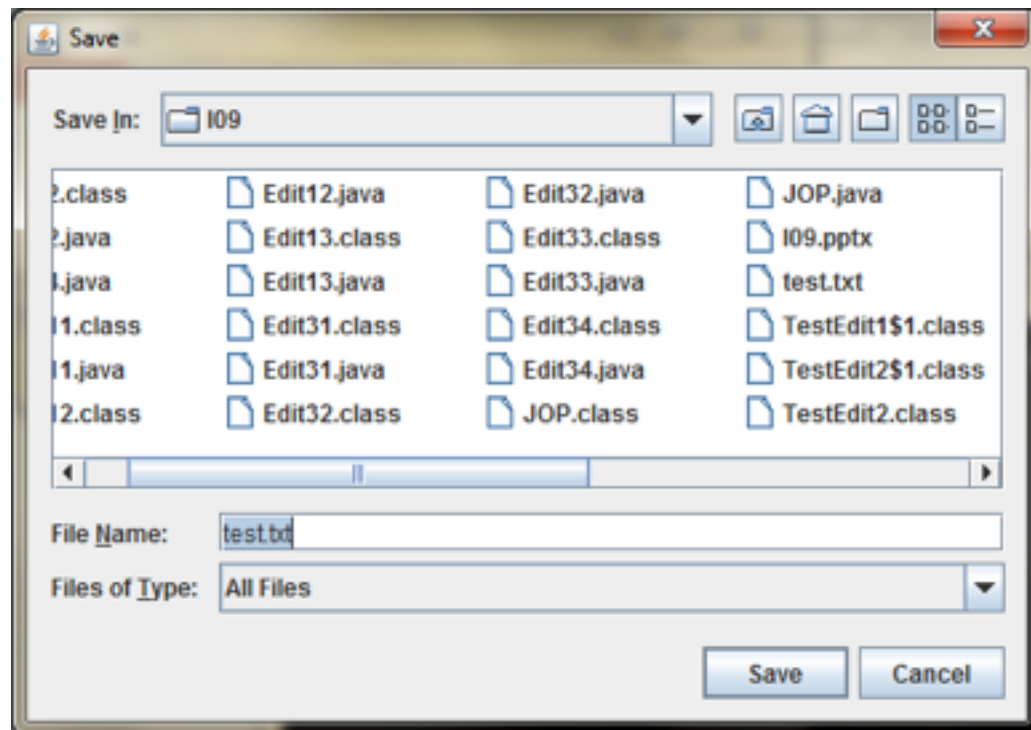
- shows the standard open file dialog box



File chooser

```
int showSaveDialog(Component parent)
```

- shows the standard save file dialog box



File chooser

- both return constants:
 - APPROVE_OPTION for *Open/Save* buttons
 - CANCEL_OPTION for *Cancel* button

`File getSelectedFile()`

- returns selected file from `JFileChooser`

File chooser

```
// process action events from menu items
public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
    if(!editing) {
        if(e.getSource()==MNew)
            doNew();
        else if(e.getSource()==MOpen)
            doOpen();
        else if(e.getSource()==MExit)
            doExit();
    }
    else {
        if(e.getSource()==MClose)
            doClose();
    }
}
```


File chooser

```
class Edit extends JFrame implements ActionListener {  
    ...  
    JFileChooser files;  
    files = new JFileChooser(); // create the file chooser  
    ...  
    // respond to user selecting 'open' menu item  
    public void doOpen() {  
        try {  
            // ask file chooser to show file open dialog  
            int response = files.showOpenDialog(this);  
            // check whether user pressed okay or cancel  
            if(response==JFileChooser.APPROVE_OPTION) {  
                // if they pressed okay, identify selected file  
                File f = files.getSelectedFile();  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

File chooser

```
// then read file as usual...
BufferedReader fin =
    new BufferedReader(new FileReader(f));

String next = fin.readLine();
while(next!=null)
{   ta.append(next+"\n");
    next = fin.readLine();
}
fin.close();
editing = true;
ta.setEditable(true);
}
}
catch(IOException e){};
}
```

File chooser

```
// respond to user selecting 'close' menu item
public void doClose() {
    try {
        // ask file chooser to show save file dialog
        int response = files.showSaveDialog(this);
        // if user pressed okay, identify chosen file
        if(response==JFileChooser.APPROVE_OPTION) {
            File f = files.getSelectedFile();
            BufferedWriter fout =
                new BufferedWriter(new FileWriter(f));
            fout.write(ta.getText());
            fout.close();
            editing = false;
            ta.setEditable(false);
        }
    }
    catch(IOException e){};
}
```

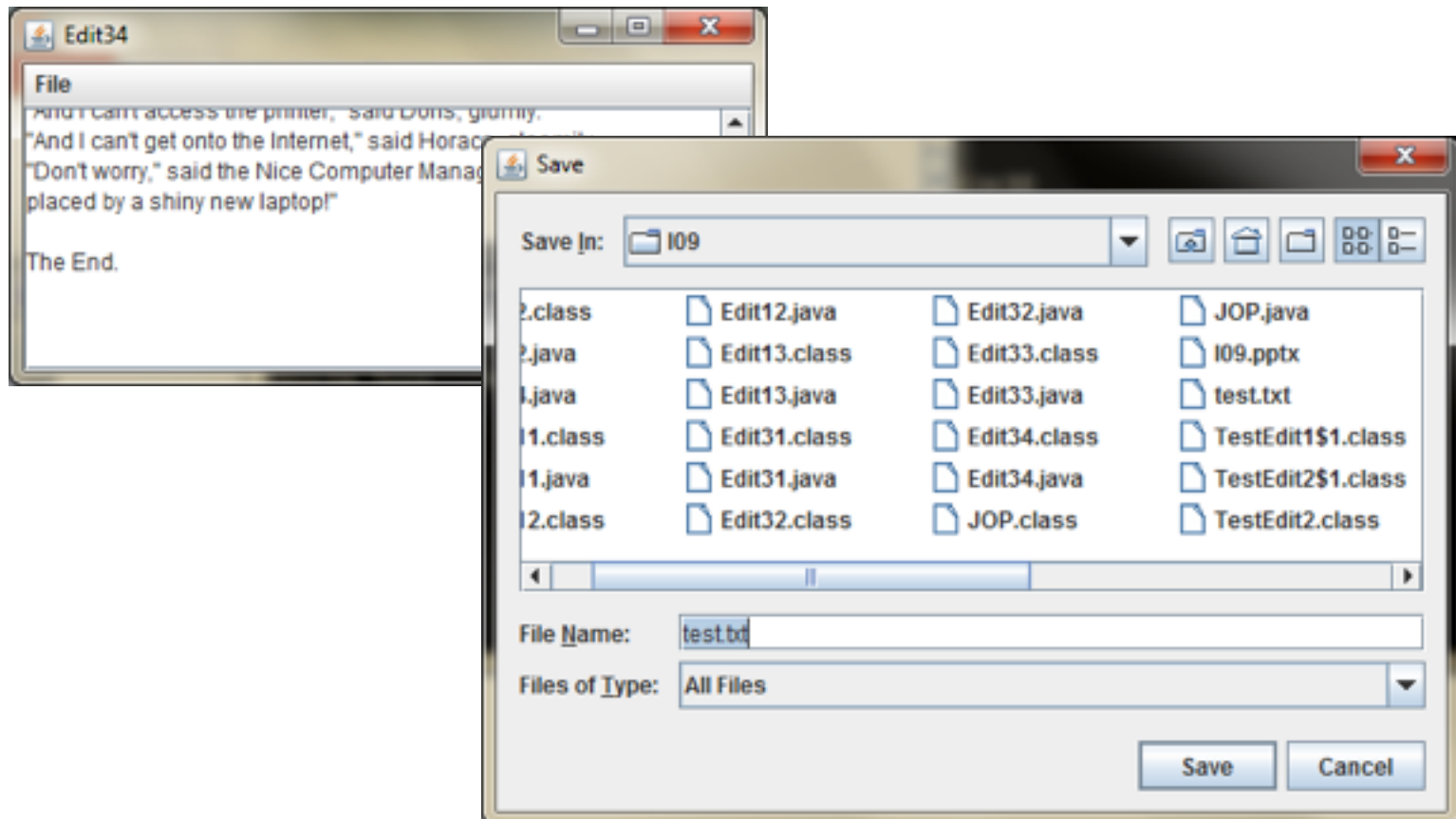
File chooser

```
// respond to user selecting 'exit' menu item
public void doExit() {
    System.exit(0);
}

// respond to user selecting 'new' menu item
public void doNew() {
    editing = true; // state transition
    ta.setEditable(true);
    ta.setText("");
}
```

File chooser

```
class TestEdit34{    ...    }
```



‘Murican for dialogues

DIALOGS

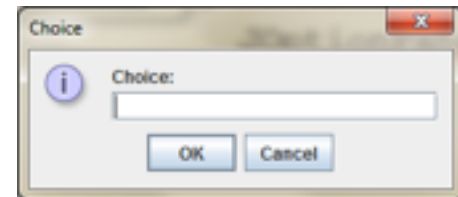
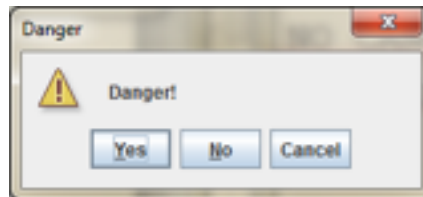
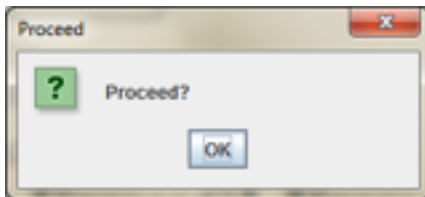
Dialogs

`JFileChooser` is an example of a *dialog*

- A common restricted specialised frame

Some simpler examples are:

- **Message dialog:** a message with an *OK* button
- **Confirm dialog:** a message with a *YES/NO* option
- **Input dialog:** a request for simple text entry



Dialogs

These dialogs can be created using:

```
JOptionPane extends JComponent  
implements Accessible
```

```
JOptionPane()
```

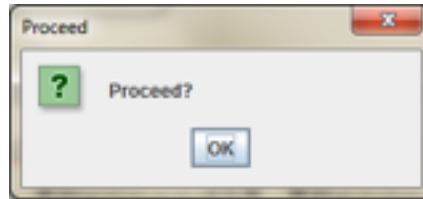
- **constructor creates new empty dialog**

However `new JOptionPane()` is rarely used

- **instead, use static methods**
- *showXxxDialog()*

Dialogs

Message dialog:

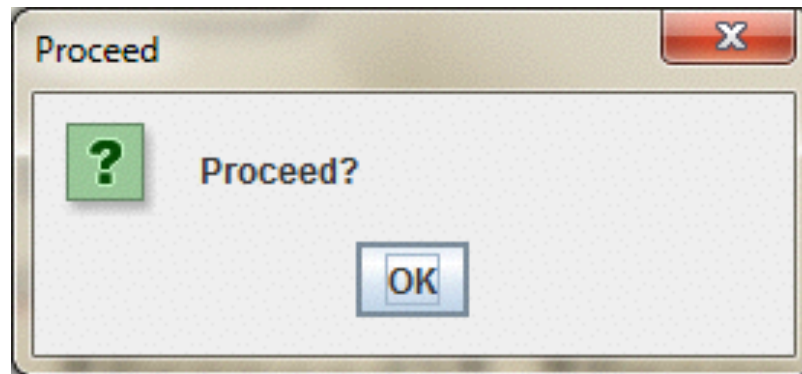


```
public static void showMessageDialog  
(Component parent, Object message,  
 [String title, int messagetype, Icon icon])
```

- *parent*: usually a frame, can be null
- *message*: string to display
- other arguments are optional
 - *messagetype*: WARNING_MESSAGE, QUESTION_MESSAGE, INFORMATION_MESSAGE, ERROR_MESSAGE, PLAIN_MESSAGE
 - *icon*: icon to display with message
- Supports WindowListener

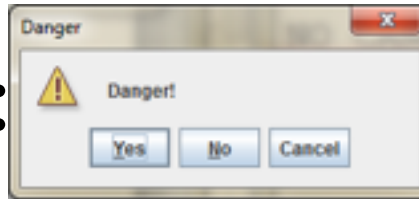
Dialogs

```
class JOptionPaneDemo extends JFrame {  
    JOptionPaneDemo () {  
        ...  
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog  
            (this, "Proceed?", "Proceed",  
             JOptionPane.QUESTION_MESSAGE);  
    }  
}
```



Dialogs

- Confirm dialog:



```
public static int showConfirmDialog  
( Component parent, Object message,  
  [String title, int optiontype,  
  int messagetype, Icon icon])
```

- *optiontype*: DEFAULT_OPTION (*Okay*), YES_NO_OPTION,
 YES_NO_CANCEL_OPTION, OK_CANCEL_OPTION
- **returns**: OK_OPTION, CANCEL_OPTION, YES_OPTION,
 NO_OPTION, CLOSED_OPTION (**window closed without selection**)

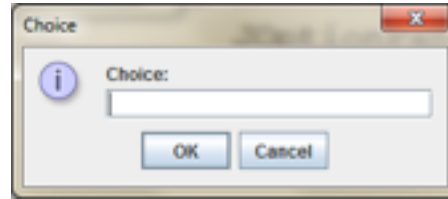
Dialogs

```
...  
JOptionPane.showConfirmDialog  
    (this, "Danger!", "Danger",  
     JOptionPane.YES_NO_CANCEL_OPTION,  
     JOptionPane.WARNING_MESSAGE);  
...
```



Dialogs

- Input dialog:

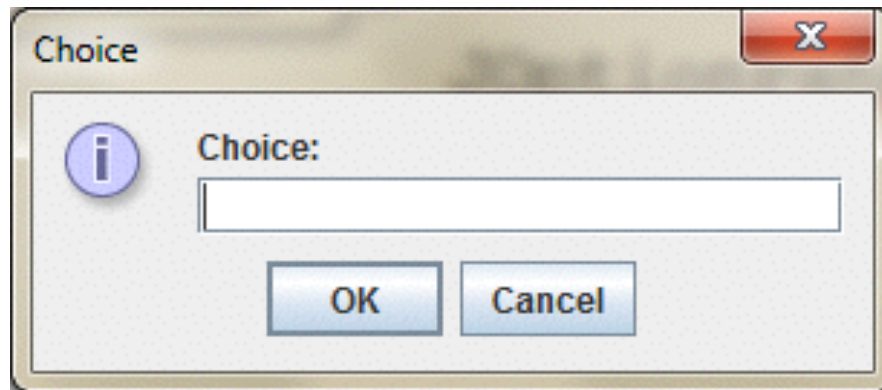


```
public static String showInputDialog  
(Component parent, Object message,  
 [String title, int messagetype, ...])
```

- **returns entered** String

Dialogs

```
...  
String input =  
    JOptionPane.showInputDialog(this, "Choice:", "Choice",  
                                JOptionPane.INFORMATION_MESSAGE);  
...
```



- also a version with a pull down menu of options

Dialogs

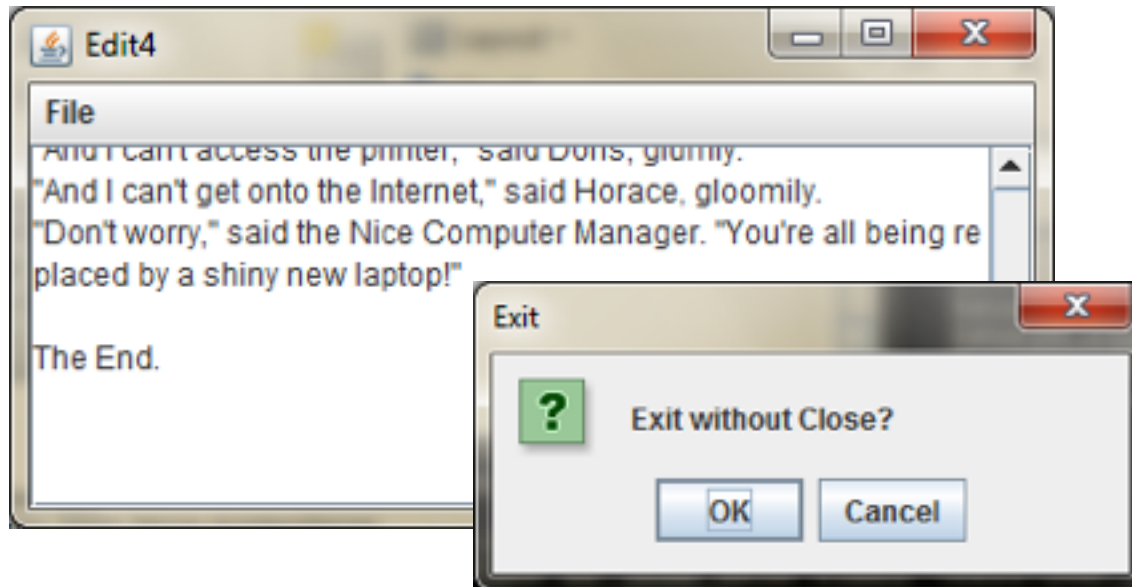
Let's modify the editor to allow exit without save

- but first ask the user if they want to save

```
...
class Edit extends JFrame implements ActionListener {
    ...
    public void doExit() {
        // show confirm dialog
        int response = JOptionPane.showConfirmDialog
            (this, "Exit without Close?", "Exit",
             JOptionPane.OK_CANCEL_OPTION,
             JOptionPane.QUESTION_MESSAGE);
        // only proceed if the user selected 'okay'
        if (response == JOptionPane.OK_OPTION)
            System.exit(0);
    } ...
}
```

Dialogs

```
class TestEdit {  
    public static void main(String [] args)  
    { Edit e = new Edit(); ... }  
}
```



THAT'S IT!

Next Lecture

- Revision!