Java Programming: From Problem Analysis to Program Design, 5e

Chapter 1
An Overview of Computers and
Programming Languages

Chapter Objectives

- Learn about different types of computers
- Explore the hardware and software components of a computer system
- Learn about the language of a computer
- Learn about the evolution of programming languages
- Examine high-level programming languages

Chapter Objectives (continued)

- Discover what a compiler is and what it does
- Examine how a Java program is processed
- Learn what an algorithm is and explore problem-solving techniques
- Become aware of structured and objectoriented programming design methodologies

Introduction

- Computers have greatly affected our daily lives – helping us complete many tasks
- Computer programs (software) are designed specifically for each task
- Software is created with programming languages
- Java is an example of a programming language

An Overview of the History of Computers

- The first device known to carry out calculations was the abacus
- The abacus uses a system of sliding beads on a rack for addition and subtraction
- Blaise Pascal invented the calculating device called the Pascaline

- In 1819, Joseph Jacquard, a French weaver, discovered that the weaving instructions for his looms could be stored on cards with holes punched in them
- In the early and mid-1800s, Charles Babbage, an English mathematician and physical scientist, designed two calculating machines: the difference engine and the analytical engine

- The first computer-like machine was the Mark I
 - Built in 1944
 - Used punched cards to feed data into the machine
 - 52 feet long, weighed 50 tons, and had 750,000 parts
- In 1946, ENIAC (Electronic Numerical Integrator and Calculator) was built at the University of Pennsylvania
 - Contained 18,000 vacuum tubes and weighed some 30 tons

- In 1956, the invention of the transistors resulted in smaller, faster, more reliable, and more energy-efficient computers
- This era also saw the emergence of the software development industry with the introduction of FORTRAN and COBOL, two early programming languages
- In 1970, the microprocessor, an entire CPU on a single chip, was invented

- In 1977, Stephen Wozniak and Steven Jobs designed and built the first Apple computer in their garage
- In 1981, IBM introduced its personal computer (PC)
- Modern-day computers are very powerful, reliable, and easy to use
 - Can accept spoken-word instructions and imitate human reasoning through artificial intelligence

- A computer is an electronic device capable of performing commands
- The basic commands that a computer performs are input (get data), output (display results), storage, and performance of arithmetic and logical operations

Elements of a Computer System

- A computer has two components
 - Hardware
 - Software

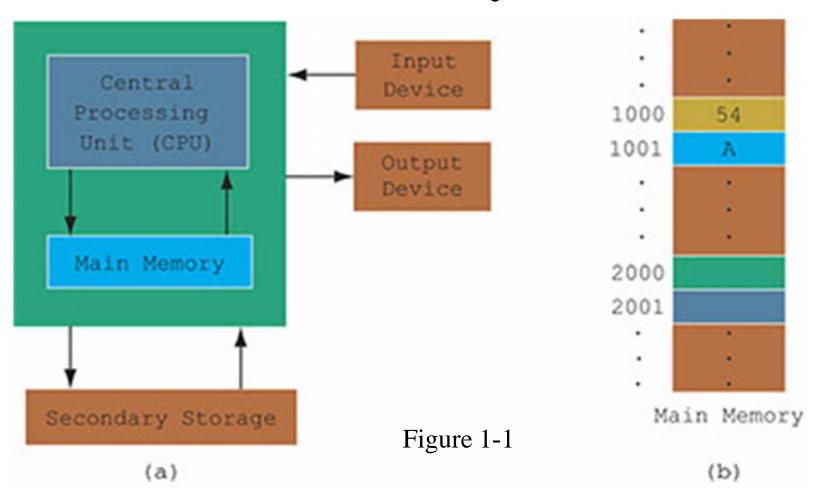
Hardware Components of a Computer

- Central processing unit (CPU)
- Main memory

Central Processing Unit

• Arithmetic and logical operations are carried out inside the CPU

Central Processing Unit and Main Memory



Main Memory

- Ordered sequence of cells (memory cells)
- Directly connected to CPU
- All programs must be brought into main memory before execution
- When power is turned off, everything in main memory is lost

Secondary Storage

- Provides permanent storage for information
- Examples of secondary storage:
 - Hard disks
 - Floppy disks
 - Flash memory
 - ZIP disks
 - CD-ROMs
 - Tapes

Input Devices

- Definition: devices that feed data and computer programs into computers
- Examples
 - Keyboard
 - Mouse
 - Secondary storage

Output Devices

- Definition: devices that the computer uses to display results
- Examples
 - Printer
 - Monitor
 - Secondary storage

Input/Output Devices



Figure 1-2

Software

- Software consists of programs written to perform specific tasks
- Two types of programs
 - System programs
 - Application programs

System Programs

- System programs control the computer
- The operating system is first to load when you turn on a computer

Operating System (OS)

- OS monitors overall activity of the computer and provides services
- Example services
 - Memory management
 - Input/output
 - Activities
 - Storage management

Application Programs

- Written using programming languages
- Perform a specific task
- Run by the OS
- Example programs
 - Word processors
 - Spreadsheets
 - Games

Language of a Computer

- Machine language: the most basic language of a computer
- A sequence of 0s and 1s
- Every computer directly understands its own machine language
- A bit is a binary digit, 0 or 1
- A byte is a sequence of eight bits

Language of a Computer (continued)

TABLE 1-1 Binary Units

Unit	Symbol	Bits/Bytes
Byte		8 bits
Kilobyte	КВ	2 ¹⁰ bytes = 1024 bytes
Megabyte	МВ	$1024 \text{ KB} = 2^{10} \text{ KB} = 2^{20} \text{ bytes} = 1,048,576 \text{ bytes}$
Gigabyte	GB	$1024 \text{ MB} = 2^{10} \text{ MB} = 2^{30} \text{ bytes} = 1,073,741,824 \text{ bytes}$
Terabyte	ТВ	$1024 \; GB = 2^{10} \; GB = 2^{40} \; bytes = 1,099,511,627,776 \; bytes$
Petabyte	РВ	$1024 \text{ TB} = 2^{10} \text{ TB} = 2^{50} \text{ bytes} = 1,125,899,906,842,624}$ bytes
Exabyte	EB	$1024 \text{ PB} = 2^{10} \text{ PB} = 2^{60} \text{ bytes} = 1,152,921,504,606,846,976 bytes}$
Zettabyte	ZB	$1024 \text{ EB} = 2^{10} \text{ EB} = 2^{70} \text{ bytes} = 1,180,591,620,717,411,303,424 bytes}$

Evolution of Programming Languages

- Early computers programmed in machine language
- Assembly languages were developed to make programmer's job easier
- In assembly language, an instruction is an easy-to-remember form called a mnemonic
- Assembler: translates assembly language instructions into machine language

Instructions in Assembly and Machine Language

TABLE 1-2 Examples of Instructions in Assembly Language and Machine Language

Assembly Language	Machine Language
LOAD	100100
STOR	100010
MULT	100110
ADD	100101
SUB	100011

Evolution of Programming Languages

- High-level languages make programming easier
- Closer to spoken languages
- Examples
 - Basic
 - FORTRAN
 - COBOL
 - -C/C++
 - Java

Evolution of Programming Languages (continued)

- To run a Java program:
 - 1. Java instructions need to be translated into an intermediate language called bytecode
 - 2. Then the bytecode is interpreted into a particular machine language

Evolution of Programming Languages (continued)

- Compiler: a program that translates a program written in a high-level language into the equivalent machine language
 - In the case of Java, this machine language is the bytecode
- Java Virtual Machine (JVM): hypothetical computer developed to make Java programs machine independent

A Java Program

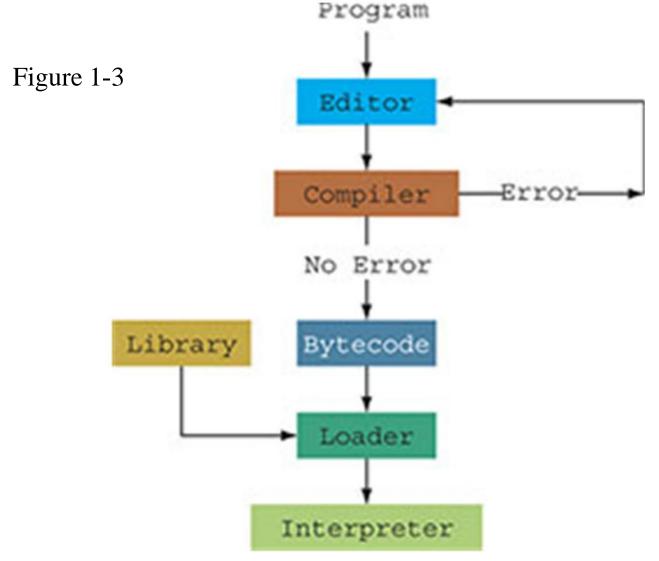
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public class MyFirstJavaProgram
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println("My first Java program.");
    }
}

Output:
My first Java program.
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Processing a Java Program

- Two types of Java programs: applications and applets
- Source program: written in a high-level language
- Loader: transfers the compiled code (bytecode) into main memory
- **Interpreter**: reads and translates each bytecode instruction into machine language and then executes it

Processing a Java Program (continued)



Internet, World Wide Web, Browser, and Java

- The *Internet* is an interconnection of networks that allows computers around the world to communicate with each other
- In 1969, the U.S. Department of Defense's Advanced Research Project Agency (ARPA) funded research projects to investigate and develop techniques and technologies to interlink networks
- This was called the *internetting* project, and the funding resulted in ARPANET, which eventually became known as the "Internet"
- The Internet allows computers to be connected and communicate with each other

Internet, World Wide Web, Browser, and Java (continued)

- World Wide Web (WWW), or Web, uses software programs that enable computer users to access documents and files (including images, audio, and video) on almost any subject over the Internet with the click of a mouse
- Computers around the world communicate via the Internet; the World Wide Web makes that communication a fun activity

Internet, World Wide Web, Browser, and Java (continued)

- The primary language for the Web is known as Hypertext Markup Language (HTML)
- Java applets are programs that run from a *Web* browser and make the Web responsive and interactive
- Two well-known *browsers* are Mozilla Firefox and Internet Explorer
- Java applets can run in either browser
- Through the use of applets, the Web becomes responsive, interactive, and fun to use

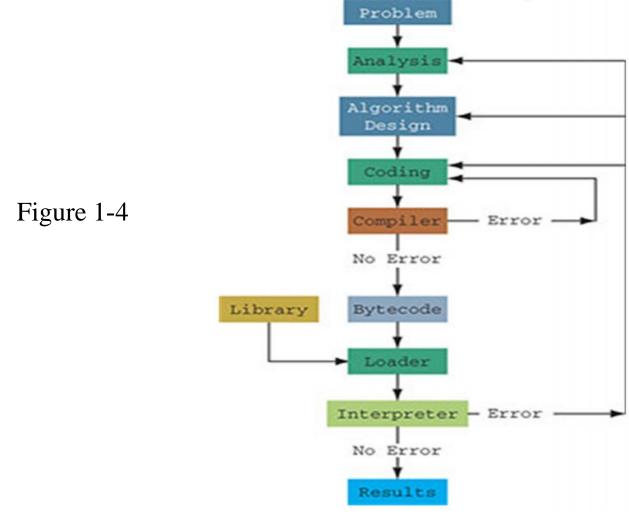
Problem-Analysis-Coding-Execution Cycle

• **Algorithm**: a step-by-step problem-solving process in which a solution is arrived at in a finite amount of time

Problem-Solving Process

- 1. Analyze the problem and outline the problem and its solution requirements
- 2. Design an algorithm to solve the problem
- 3. Implement the algorithm in a programming language, such as Java
- 4. Verify that the algorithm works
- 5. Maintain the program by using and improving it and modifying it if the problem domain changes

Problem-Analysis-Coding-Execution Cycle (continued)



Programming Methodologies

- Two basic approaches to programming design
 - Structured design
 - Object-oriented design

Structured Design

- 1. A problem is divided into smaller subproblems
- 2. Each subproblem is solved
- 3. The solutions of all subproblems are then combined to solve the problem

Object-Oriented Design (OOD)

- In OOD, a program is a collection of interacting objects
- An object consists of data and operations
- Steps in OOD
 - 1. Identify objects
 - 2. Form the basis of the solution
 - 3. Determine how these objects interact

Chapter Summary

- A computer system is made up of hardware and software components
- Computers understand machine language; it is easiest for programmers to write in high-level languages
- A compiler translates high-level language into machine language
- Java steps to execute a program: edit, compile, load, and execute

Chapter Summary (continued)

- Algorithm: step-by-step problem-solving process in which a solution is arrived at in a finite amount of time
- Three steps to problem solving: analyze the problem and design an algorithm, implement the algorithm in a programming language, and maintain the program
- Two basic approaches to programming design: structured and object-oriented