

## 2. Data and Expressions

- Objectives - when we have completed this chapter, you should be familiar with:
  - character strings & escape sequences
  - variables and assignment
  - primitive data
  - if and if-else statements
  - expressions and operator precedence
  - Accepting standard input from the user
  - data conversions

# Character Strings

- A string of characters can be represented as a *string literal* by putting double quotes around the text:

- Examples:

`"This is a string literal."`

`"Pat Doe, 123 Main Street"`

`"7"`

- Every character string is an object in Java, defined by the `String` class
- Every string literal represents a `String` object

# The println Method

- Recall that the `println` method prints a character string
- The `System.out` object is an output stream corresponding to a display destination (the monitor screen)

```
System.out.println ("War Eagle from the Auburn Plains!");
```



# The print Method

- The `print` method in the `system.out` object is similar to the `println` method, except that it does not advance to the next line
- Therefore anything printed after a `print` statement will appear on the same line
- See [CountOff.java](#)

# String Concatenation

- The *string concatenation operator* (+) appends one string to the end of another

`"Peanut butter " + "and jelly"`

- It can also append a **number** to a **string**
- A string literal cannot be broken across two lines in a program
- See [ConcatenationExample1](#)

# String Concatenation

- The + operator also used for arithmetic addition if both operands are numeric

5 + 10  $\longrightarrow$  15

- If one or both operands is a string, + performs string concatenation

5 + " years"  $\longrightarrow$  "5 years"

"years: " + 5  $\longrightarrow$  "years: 5"

- The + operator is evaluated left to right, but parentheses can be used to force the order

- See [ConcatenationExample2](#)

*(Experiment with String expressions in the interactions pane in jGRASP)*

# Escape Sequences

- What if we wanted to print a quote character?
- The following line would cause a compile-time error - it would interpret the second quote as the end of the string

```
System.out.println ("I said "Hello" to you.");
```



- An *escape sequence* represents a special character
- An escape sequence begins with a backslash character (\)

```
System.out.println ("I said \"Hello\" to you.");
```



# Escape Sequences

- Some Java escape sequences:

<u>Escape Sequence</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
<code>\b</code>	backspace
<code>\t</code>	tab
<code>\n</code>	newline or line feed (LF)
<code>\r</code>	carriage return (CR)
<code>\"</code>	double quote
<code>\'</code>	single quote
<code>\\</code>	backslash

- Use `\r\n` together to move to the next line
- See [EscapeSeq.java](#)



# Variables

- A *variable* is a name for a “location” in memory that allows us to store and retrieve program data
- There are many types of data...
  - integers (-60, 7, 23, etc)
  - floating point types (-5.6, 2.4, 35.2, etc)
  - characters ('j', 'P', '5', etc)
  - boolean values (true, false)
- We'll examine the details of the different types later; let's focus on `int` types (32 bit integer values) for now.

# Variables

- A variable must be *declared* with the type of information that it will hold before it can be used

data type (integer)

variable name



```
int total;
```

Multiple variables can be created in one declaration

```
int count, temp, result;
```

# Variable Initialization

- When a variable is declared, it can be “initialized” to a particular value

```
int sum = 0;  
int base = 32, max = 149;
```

- When a variable is referenced in a program, its current value is used


```
System.out.println("base is " + base);
```

would print...

```
base is 32
```

# Assignment

- An *assignment statement* changes value of variable

`total = 55;`  


- Uses the *assignment operator*: =
- How does it work?
  - Evaluates the expression on right side
  - Stores the value in the variable on the left side  
(previous value is overwritten)
- Java is *strongly typed*: variable type and expression type must be compatible!
- See [VariablesExample.java](#)

# Primitive Data

- There are 8 primitive data types in Java

- Integer types :

- byte, short, **int**, long

## Examples

```
int num1 = -4;
```

- Floating point types:

- float, **double**

```
double num2 = 1.2;
```

- Character type:

- char

```
char c = 'a';
```

- Boolean type:

- boolean

```
boolean b = true;
```

# Expressions

- An *expression* is a combination of one or more operators and operands
- *Arithmetic expressions* compute numeric results and make use of the *arithmetic operators*:

Addition	+
Subtraction	-
Multiplication	*
Division	/
Remainder	%

- If one of the operands in an arithmetic expression is floating point, then the result is a floating point value

# Division and Remainder

- If both operands to the division operator (/) are integers, the result is an integer (the fractional part is discarded)

11 / 2 equals 5

7 / 10 equals 0

- For integers, the remainder operator (%) returns the remainder after dividing the first operand by the second

11 % 2 equals 1

7 % 10 equals 7

[RemainderCheck.java](#)

# Assignment Revisited

- The right and left hand sides of an assignment statement can contain the same variable

First, one is added to the  
original value of count

```
count = count + 1;
```



Then the result is stored back into count  
(overwriting the original value)



# Increment and Decrement

- The increment and decrement operators use only one operand
- The *increment operator* (++) adds one to its operand
- The *decrement operator* (--) subtracts one from its operand
- The statement

```
count++;
```

is functionally equivalent to

```
count = count + 1;
```

# Assignment Operators

- Often we perform an operation on a variable, and then store the result back into that variable
- Java provides *assignment operators* to simplify that process
- For example, the statement

```
num += count;
```

is equivalent to

```
num = num + count;
```

# Characters

- A `char` variable stores a single character
- *Character literals* are in single quotes:

`'a'`    `'x'`    `'7'`    `'$'`    `','`    `'\n'`

- Example declarations:

```
char topGrade = 'A';
```

```
char terminator = ';', separator = ' ';
```

- A primitive character variable holds only one character, while a `String` object holds multiple characters

# Boolean

- A boolean value represents a true or false condition
- The reserved words `true` and `false` are the only valid values for a boolean type

```
boolean done = false;
```

- A boolean variable is appropriate when for any variable with two states (e.g., *on*, *off*)

```
boolean lightOn = true;
```

# Relational Operators

- Boolean expressions can be formed using relational operators

Operator	Meaning
==	Equal
!=	Not equal
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal

- Example:

```
boolean greater = 89 > 50;
```

```
int temp = 99;
```

```
boolean isCold = temp < 50;
```

# If Statements

- A program can perform an operation only under certain conditions.

```
int temp = 85;
double humidity = .60;
if (humidity >= .60) {
    temp = temp + 5;
}
System.out.println("Feels like " + temp +
    " degrees.");
```

[Humidity1.java](#)

# If Statements

- We can also use a boolean variable to capture the result of evaluating the boolean expression:

```
int temp = 85;
double humidity = .60;
boolean isHotter = humidity >= .60;
if (isHotter) {
    temp = temp + 5;
}
System.out.println("Feels like " + temp +
    " degrees.");
```

[Humidity2.java](#)

# if-else Statements

- What if we wanted to perform a different operation under a false condition?

```
int num1 = 9, num2 = 7;
if (num1 < num2) {
    System.out.println(num1 + " is < " + num2);
}
else {
    System.out.println(num2 + " is < " + num1);
}
System.out.println("Done!");
```

- What is the output?
- What if num1 and num2 both hold value 10?

[IfElseExample.java](#)



# Interactive Programs Using Standard Input

- Programs generally need user input
- The `Scanner` class provides methods for reading input values of various types
- A `Scanner` object can be set up to read input from various sources (including keyboard input)
- Keyboard input is represented by the `System.in` object

# Numerical Input Example

- The following line creates a Scanner object that reads from the keyboard:

```
Scanner scan = new Scanner(System.in);
```

- The new operator creates the Scanner object
- Once created, the Scanner object can be used to get user input. For example, nextInt retrieves an integer value:

```
int numberItems = scan.nextInt();
```

- See [Difference.java](#)

# Part 2

- More on primitive types
- Character sets
- Operator precedence
- Increment and Decrement: prefix & postfix form
- Data conversion
- Reading user input (String values, etc

# Numeric Primitive Data

- Why have multiple types for integers and floating points? They are different sizes in memory, which dictate the range of possible values

<u>Type</u>	<u>Storage</u>	<u>Min Value</u>	<u>Max Value</u>
byte	8 bits	-128	127
short	16 bits	-32,768	32,767
int	32 bits	-2,147,483,648	2,147,483,647
long	64 bits	$< -9 \times 10^{18}$	$> 9 \times 10^{18}$
float	32 bits	$\pm 3.4 \times 10^{38}$ with 7 significant digits	
double	64 bits	$\pm 1.7 \times 10^{308}$ with 15 significant digits	

# Numeric Primitive Data

- Suppose you want to declare an integer type
- You could use a byte value...

`byte` scheduledCourses;

- Takes up only a small space (8 bits)
- However, it can only be between **-127** and **127**

- Or an int value

`int` storeInventory;

- Now you can go all the way to **2,147,483,647**
  - Range is approximately **± 2 billion**
- However, reserves much more space (32 bits)

# Numeric Primitive Data

- **Think of it as picking out a suitcase.** How much space do you have? How much do you want to be able to carry?



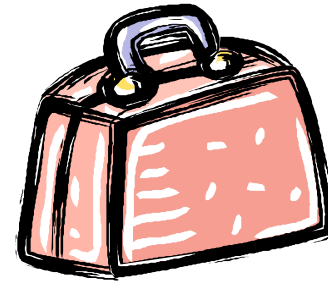
byte



short



int



long

- Since your computer probably has plenty of space for our programs, **int** and **double** numeric types will be used most often

# jGRASP Viewers for byte, short, int, long

The screenshot displays the jGRASP IDE interface. The main editor shows the `TypesExample.java` file with the following code:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    byte b = 15;
    short s = 15;
    int i = 15;
    long j = 15;

    float a = 15;
    float x = 999;
    double y = 999;
    double z = 0.1;

    char c = 'A';

    boolean bn = true;
}
```

On the left, the **Variables** pane lists the following variables and their values:

- args --> (obj 379 : java.lang.String[])
- b = 15 : byte
- s = 15 : short
- i = 15 : int
- j = 15 : long
- a = 15.0 : float
- x = 999.0 : float
- y = 999.0 : double
- z = 0.1 : double
- c = 'A' : 65 : char
- bn = true : boolean

Four variable viewers are open, showing the details for variables b, s, i, and j:

- Viewer (by name): b** (Type: byte):
  - Decimal: 15
  - Hex: 0xF
  - Octal: 017
  - Binary: 0000 1111
- Viewer (by name): s** (Type: short):
  - Decimal: 15
  - Hex: 0xF
  - Octal: 017
  - Binary: 0000 0000 0000 1111
- Viewer (by name): i** (Type: int):
  - Decimal: 15
  - Hex: 0xF
  - Octal: 017
  - Binary: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1111
- Viewer (by name): j** (Type: long):
  - Decimal: 15
  - Hex: 0xF
  - Octal: 017
  - Binary: 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1111

The status bar at the bottom indicates: **Status: debugging user program** | **Line:1 Col:1 Code:4**

[TypesExample.java](#)

# Character Sets

- A *character set* maps each of its characters to a unique number which imposes an order on the characters
  - A `char` variable in Java can store any character from the *Unicode character set*
  - The Unicode character set uses sixteen bits per character, allowing for 65,536 unique characters
  - It is an international character set, containing symbols and characters from many world languages
  - ASCII (255 characters) is a subset of Unicode



# Character Sets

- The **ASCII** *character set* is older and smaller than Unicode (**A**merican **S**tandard **C**ode for **I**nformation **I**nterchange)
- The ASCII characters are a subset of the Unicode character set, including:

uppercase letters

A, B, C, ...

lowercase letters

a, b, c, ...

punctuation

period, semi-colon, ...

digits

0, 1, 2, ...

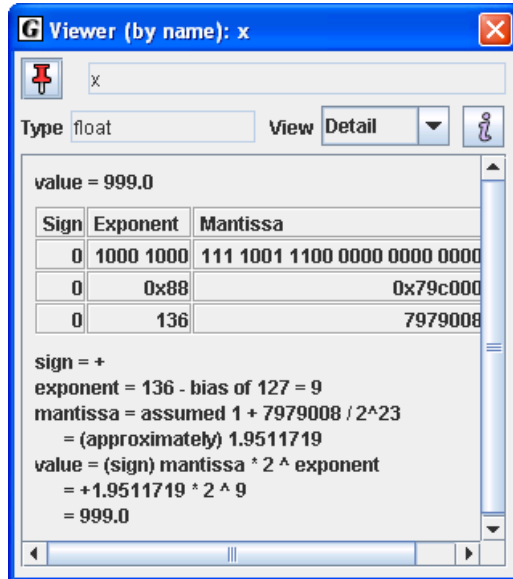
special symbols

&, |, \, ...

control characters

carriage return, tab, ...

# jGRSAP Viewers for float, double, char, boolean



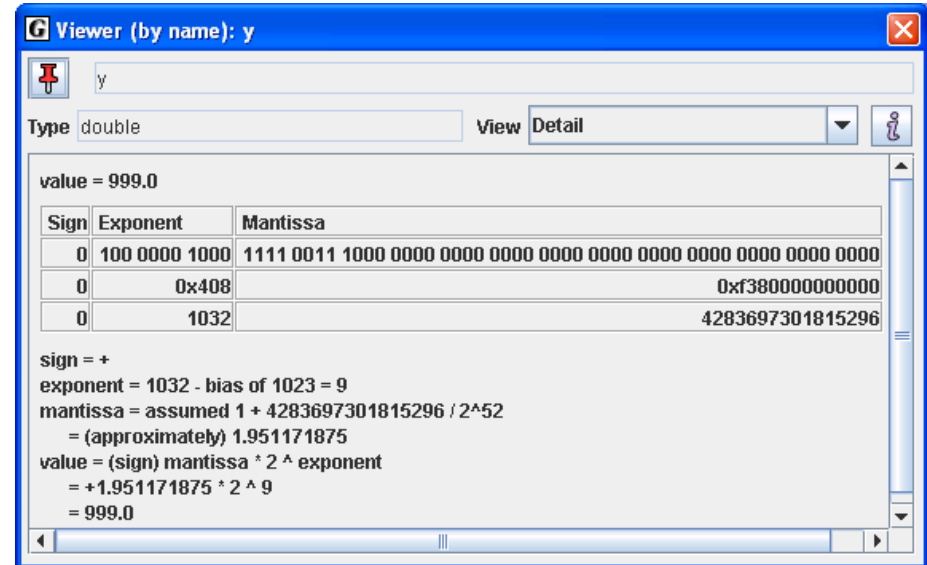
**G Viewer (by name): x**

Type: float View: Detail

value = 999.0

Sign	Exponent	Mantissa
0	1000 1000	111 1001 1100 0000 0000 0000
0	0x88	0x79c000
0	136	7979008

sign = +  
exponent = 136 - bias of 127 = 9  
mantissa = assumed 1 + 7979008 / 2<sup>23</sup>  
= (approximately) 1.9511719  
value = (sign) mantissa \* 2<sup>exponent</sup>  
= +1.9511719 \* 2<sup>9</sup>  
= 999.0



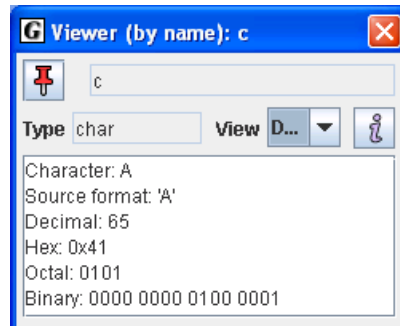
**G Viewer (by name): y**

Type: double View: Detail

value = 999.0

Sign	Exponent	Mantissa
0	100 0000 1000	1111 0011 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
0	0x408	0xf3800000000000
0	1032	4283697301815296

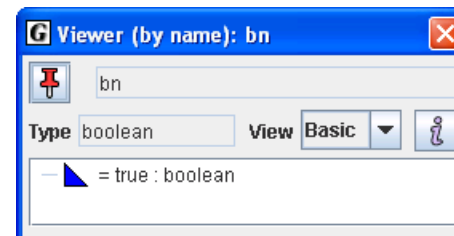
sign = +  
exponent = 1032 - bias of 1023 = 9  
mantissa = assumed 1 + 4283697301815296 / 2<sup>52</sup>  
= (approximately) 1.951171875  
value = (sign) mantissa \* 2<sup>exponent</sup>  
= +1.951171875 \* 2<sup>9</sup>  
= 999.0



**G Viewer (by name): c**


Type: char View: D...

Character: A  
Source format: 'A'  
Decimal: 65  
Hex: 0x41  
Octal: 0101  
Binary: 0000 0000 0100 0001



**G Viewer (by name): bn**

Type: boolean View: Basic

—  = true : boolean

# Operator Precedence



- Operators can be combined into complex expressions

```
result = total + count / max - offset;
```

- Operators have a precedence which determines the order in which they are evaluated
- Multiplication, division, and remainder are evaluated before addition, subtraction, and string concatenation
- Arithmetic operators with the same precedence are evaluated from left to right, but parentheses can be used to force the evaluation order

# Operator Precedence

- What is the order of evaluation in the following expressions?

a + b + c + d + e  
1 2 3 4

a + b \* c - d / e  
3 1 4 2

a / (b + c) - d % e  
2 1 4 3

a / (b \* (c + (d - e)))  
4 3 2 1

# Assignment Revisited

- The assignment operator has a lower precedence than the arithmetic operators

First the expression on the right-hand side of the = operator is evaluated

```
answer = sum / 4 + MAX * lowest;
```

4            1    3



Then the result is stored in the variable on the left-hand side

# Increment and Decrement



- The increment and decrement operators can be applied in *postfix form*:

**count++**      uses old value in the expression,  
then increments

- or *prefix form*:

**++count**      increments then uses new value in  
the expression

- When used as part of a larger expression, the two forms can have different effects
  - Use the increment and decrement operators with care

[IncrementOperatorExample](#)

# Assignment Operators

- There are many assignment operators in Java, including the following:

<u>Operator</u>	<u>Example</u>	<u>Equivalent To</u>
<b>+=</b>	<b>x += y</b>	<b>x = x + y</b>
<b>-=</b>	<b>x -= y</b>	<b>x = x - y</b>
<b>*=</b>	<b>x *= y</b>	<b>x = x * y</b>
<b>/=</b>	<b>x /= y</b>	<b>x = x / y</b>
<b>%=</b>	<b>x %= y</b>	<b>x = x % y</b>

# Assignment Operators

- The right-hand side of an assignment operator can be a complex expression
- The entire right-hand expression is evaluated first, then the result is “combined” with the variable on the left; finally this result is assigned to the variable on the left
- Therefore

```
result /= (total-MIN) % num;
```

is equivalent to

```
result = result / ((total-MIN) % num);
```



# Data Conversion

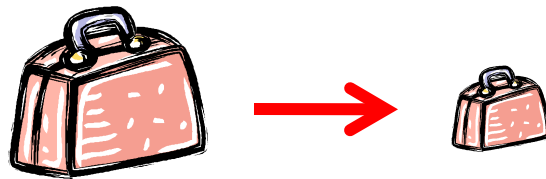
- Sometimes it is convenient to convert data from one type to another
- For example, we may want to treat an integer as a floating point value
- Conversions must be handled carefully to avoid losing information

# Data Conversion

- *Widening conversions* go from a smaller to larger data type.
  - If a **byte** with value 95 was converted to an **int** type, the new value would still be 95 (your new grade could now go as high as 2,147,483,647) 😊
  - If an **int** is converted to a **double**, there is no loss of precision
- *Narrowing conversions* go from a large data type to a smaller one.
  - If the an **int** value was 700 (larger than the max **byte** value of 127), information would be lost when converted to an int
  - If your grade of 89.8 (a **double**) was converted to an **int** type, the new value would be 89 (a 'B'!) 😞

# Data Conversion

- Think about the suitcase example...
  - Narrowing conversion : you may lose data going from a larger data type to a smaller data type



Not ok if the  
larger one was  
full!

- In Java, data conversions can occur in three ways:
  - assignment conversion
  - Promotion
  - casting

# Assignment Conversion

- *Assignment conversion*: a value of one type is assigned to a variable of another. Example:
  - Variable `money` is a `double` type. Variable `dollars` is an `int` type.
  - The assignment below converts the value in `dollars` to a `double`

```
money = dollars;
```

- The type and value of `dollars` did not change
- Only widening conversions can occur implicitly during assignment

# Data Conversion

- *Promotion* happens when operators in expressions convert their operands
- For example:

sum is a **double** (as is result)

count is an **int**

The value of `count` is converted to a floating point value to perform the following calculation:

```
result = sum / count;
```

# Casting

- *Casting* allows narrowing conversions and widening conversions, so be careful!
- It is also easy to detect in code
- To cast, the type is in parentheses in front of the value being converted
- For example, if `total` and `count` are integers, the value of `total` would be converted to a floating point to avoid integer division:

```
result = (double) total / count;
```

# Constants

- A *constant* is similar to a variable, but its initial value cannot be changed
- In Java, we use the `final` modifier to prevent the initial value from changing:

```
final int MIN_HEIGHT = 69;
```

- The compiler will issue an error if you try to change the value of a constant

# Constants

- Constants are useful for three important reasons...
  1. Constants improve code readability:  
for example, `MAX_LOAD` means more than the literal `250`
  2. Constants facilitate program maintenance:  
a constant used in multiple places only needs to be updated at its declaration
  3. Constants prevent a value from changing,  
avoiding inadvertent errors by other programmers
- Constants will be revisited in Chapter 4



# Reading Input

- The Scanner class is part of the `java.util` class library, and must be imported into a program to be used:

```
import java.util.Scanner;
```

- See [ReadLineExample](#)
- The `nextLine` method reads all of the input until the end of the line is found
- Object creation and class libraries are discussed further in Chapter 3

# Input Tokens

- Unless specified otherwise, *white space* is used to separate the elements (called *tokens*) of the input
- White space includes space characters, tabs, new line characters
- The `next` method of the `Scanner` class reads the next input token and returns it as a string
- Methods such as `nextInt` and `nextDouble` read data of particular types
- See [DinnerForGroup](#)

# Scanning a String

- A Scanner object can be created to scan any String, breaking it into tokens
- Suppose we want to separate a phrase into words and print each word on a separate line

```
Scanner scan = new Scanner("this is a test");  
System.out.println(scan.next());  
System.out.println(scan.next());  
...
```

[StringScan.java](#)