



JAVA IO

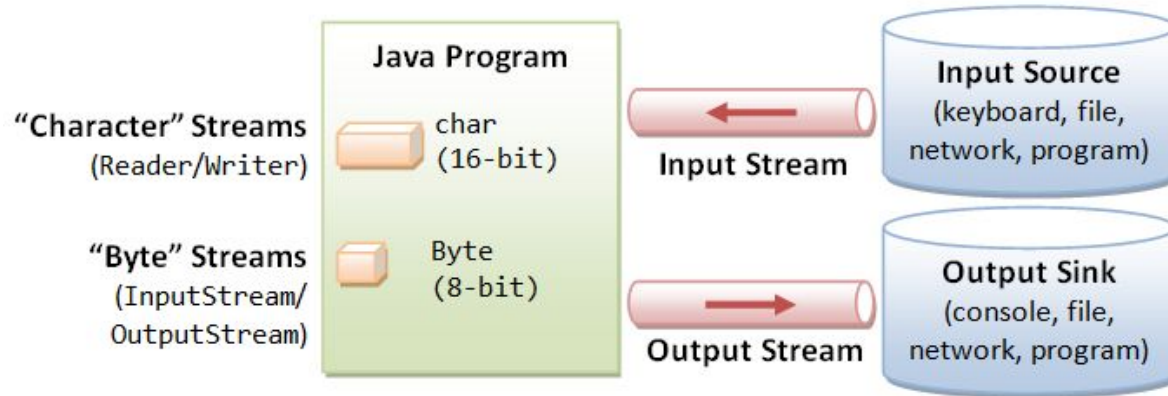
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Stream I/O

- ❖ Inputs and outputs are handled by the so-called streams
- ❖ A stream is a sequential and contiguous one-way flow of data
- ❖ The Java program receives data from a source by opening an input stream, and sends data to a sink by opening an output stream
- ❖ Two streams - an input stream and an output stream

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Internal Data Formats:

- Text (char): UCS-2
- int, float, double, etc.

External Data Formats:

- Text in various encodings (US-ASCII, ISO-8859-1, UCS-2, UTF-8, UTF-16, UTF-16BE, UTF16-LE, etc.)
- Binary (raw bytes)



Byte Streams

- ❖ Byte streams are used to read/write raw bytes serially from/to an external device
- ❖ All the byte streams are derived from the abstract superclasses `InputStream` and `OutputStream`

Reading from an `InputStream`

```
public abstract int read() throws IOException
```

- returns the input byte read as an `int` in the range of 0 to 255, or
- returns -1 if "end of stream" condition is detected, or

```
public int read(byte[] bytes, int offset, int length) throws IOException // Read "length" number of bytes,  
store in bytes array starting from offset of index.
```

```
public int read(byte[] bytes) throws IOException // Same as read(bytes, 0, bytes.length)
```



Writing to an OutputStream

```
public void abstract void write(int unsignedByte) throws IOException => to write a data-byte to the output  
sink
```

```
public void write(byte[] bytes, int offset, int length) throws IOException  
// Write "length" number of bytes, from the bytes array starting from offset of index.  
public void write(byte[] bytes) throws IOException  
// Same as write(bytes, 0, bytes.length)
```



Opening & Closing I/O Streams

```
FileInputStream in = null;

try {

    in = new FileInputStream(...); // Open
    stream

} catch (IOException ex) {
    ex.printStackTrace();} finally { // always
    close the I/O streams

    try { if (in != null) in.close();

        } catch (IOException ex) {
            ex.printStackTrace(); }

}
```

```
try (FileInputStream in = new
FileInputStream(...)) {

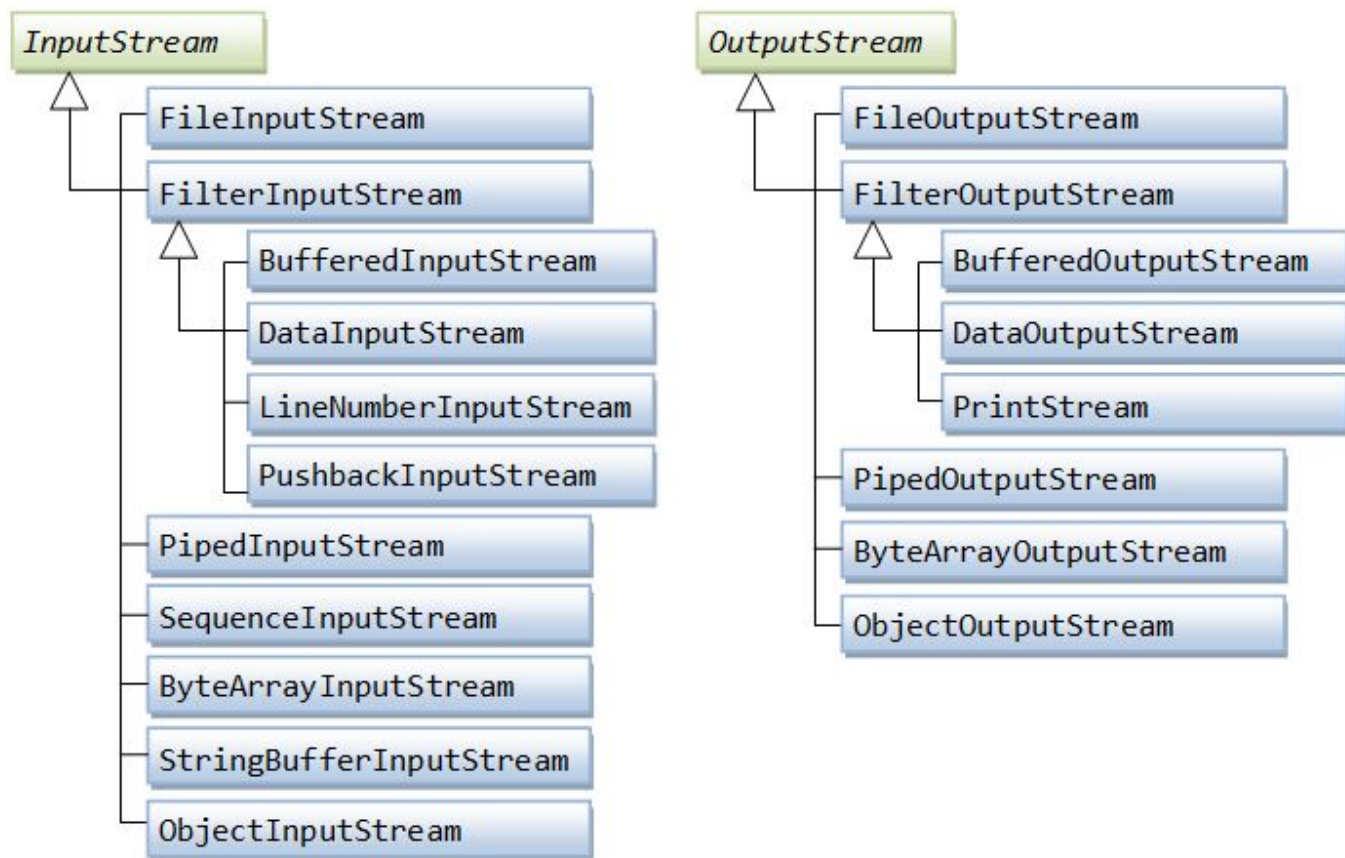
    .....

    .....

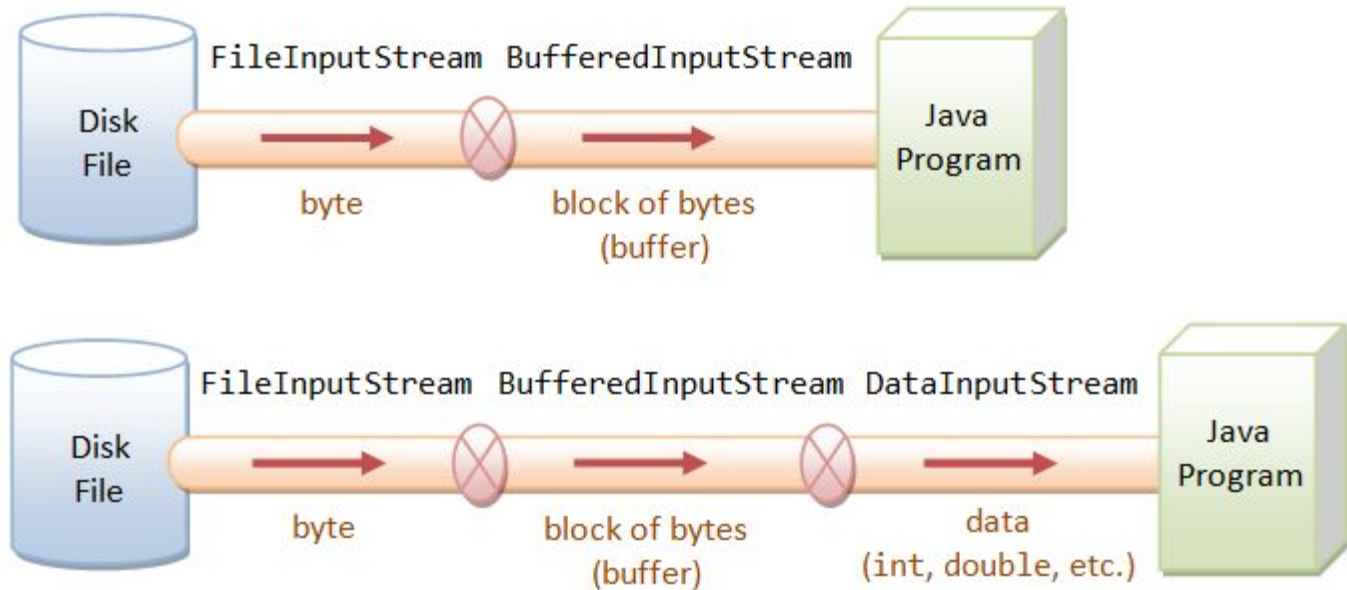
} catch (IOException ex) {

    ex.printStackTrace();

} // Automatically closes all opened
resource in try (...).
```



Chained I/O Streams





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```
FileInputStream fileIn = new FileInputStream("in.dat");  
BufferedInputStream bufferIn = new BufferedInputStream(fileIn);  
DataInputStream dataIn = new DataInputStream(bufferIn);  
  
// or  
  
DataInputStream in = new DataInputStream(  
    new BufferedInputStream(  
        new FileInputStream("in.dat")));
```



JDK 1.7

```
try (FileInputStream in = new FileInputStream(inFileStr);  
    FileOutputStream out = new FileOutputStream(outFileStr)) {  
    int byteRead;  
    // Read a raw byte, returns an int of 0 to 255.  
    while (byteRead = in.read()) != -1) {  
        // Write the least-significant byte of int, drop the upper 3 bytes  
        out.write(byteRead);  
    }  
    } catch (IOException ex) {  
        ex.printStackTrace();  
    }
```

Formatted Data-Streams: DataInputStream & DataOutputStream

```
DataInputStream in = new DataInputStream(new BufferedInputStream(new FileInputStream("in.dat")));
```

```
// 8 Primitives
```

```
public final int readInt() throws IOException;    // Read 4 bytes and convert into int
```

```
public final double readDouble() throws IOException; // Read 8 bytes and convert into double
```

```
public final byte readByte() throws IOException;
```

```
public final char readChar() throws IOException;
```

```
public final short readShort() throws IOException;
```

```
public final long readLong() throws IOException;
```

```
public final boolean readBoolean() throws IOException;    // Read 1 byte. Convert to false if zero
```

```
public final float readFloat() throws IOException;
```



```
public final int readUnsignedByte() throws IOException; // Read 1 byte in [0, 255] upcast to int
```

```
public final int readUnsignedShort() throws IOException; // Read 2 bytes in [0, 65535], same as  
char, upcast to int
```

```
public final void readFully(byte[] b, int off, int len) throws IOException;
```

```
public final void readFully(byte[] b) throws IOException;
```

```
// Strings
```

```
public final String readLine() throws IOException;
```

```
    // Read a line (until newline), convert each byte into a char - no unicode support.
```

```
public final String readUTF() throws IOException;
```

```
    // read a UTF-encoded string with first two bytes indicating its UTF bytes length
```



DataOutputStream

```
// 8 primitive types
```

```
public final void writeInt(int i) throws IOException;    // Write the int as 4 bytes
```

```
public final void writeFloat(float f) throws IOException;
```

```
public final void writeDouble(double d) throws IOException; // Write the double as 8 bytes
```


```
public final void writeByte(int b) throws IOException;    // least-significant byte
```

```
public final void writeShort(int s) throws IOException;    // two lower bytes
```

```
public final void writeLong(long l) throws IOException;
```

```
public final void writeBoolean(boolean b) throws IOException;
```

```
public final void writeChar(int i) throws IOException;
```



```
// String
```

```
public final void writeBytes(String str) throws IOException;
```

```
    // least-significant byte of each char
```

```
public final void writeChars(String str) throws IOException;
```

```
    // Write String as UCS-2 16-bit char, Big-endian (big byte first)
```

```
public final void writeUTF(String str) throws IOException;
```

```
    // Write String as UTF, with first two bytes indicating UTF bytes length
```

```
public final void write(byte[] b, int off, int len) throws IOException
```

```
public final void write(byte[] b) throws IOException
```

```
    public final void write(int b) throws IOException    // Write the least-significant byte
```



Character-Based I/O & Character Streams

- ❖ Java internally stores characters (char type) in 16-bit UCS-2 character set
- ❖ Character-based I/O is almost identical to byte-based I/O. Instead of InputStream and OutputStream, we use Reader and Writer for character-based I/O

Reader

```
public abstract int read() throws IOException

public int read(char[] chars, int offset, int length) throws
IOException

public int read(char[] chars) throws IOException
```

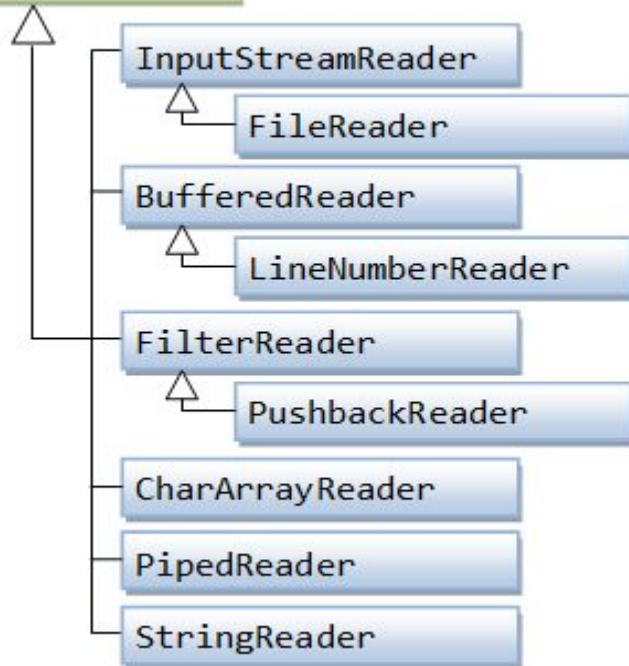
Writer

```
public void abstract void write(int aChar) throws IOException

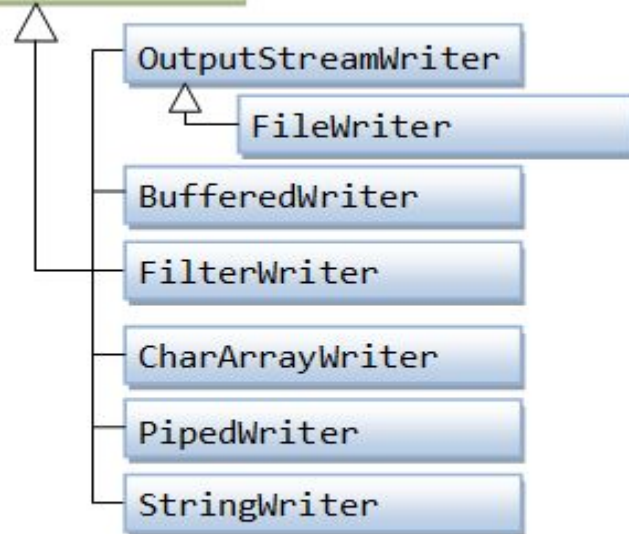
public void write(char[] chars, int offset, int length) throws
IOException

public void write(char[] chars) throws IOException
```

Reader



Writer



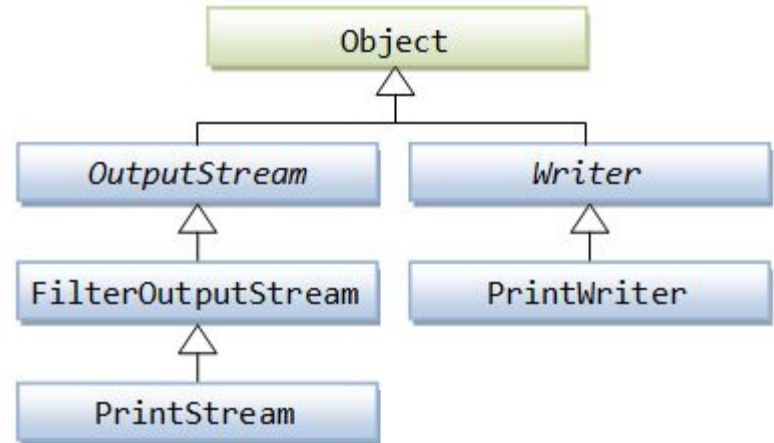
InputStreamReader and OutputStreamWriter

```
public InputStreamReader(InputStream in)    // Use default charset
```

```
public InputStreamReader(InputStream in, String charsetName) throws UnsupportedOperationException
```

```
public InputStreamReader(InputStream in, Charset cs)
```

```
try (BufferedInputStream in = new BufferedInputStream( //  
Buffered for efficiency  
    new FileInputStream(csStrs[i] +  
outFileExt))) {  
  
}
```





Object Serialization and Object Streams

- ❖ Object serialization is the process of representing a "particular state of an object" in a serialized bit-stream, so that the bit stream can be written out to an external device (such as a disk file or network)
- ❖ The bit-stream can later be re-constructed to recover the state of that object
- ❖ Object serialization is necessary to save a state of an object into a disk file for persistence or sent the object across the network for applications such as Web Services, Distributed-object applications, and Remote Method Invocation (RMI)
- ❖ `java.io.Serializable` or `java.io.Externalizable` interface



ObjectInputStream & ObjectOutputStream

```
public final Object readObject() throws IOException, ClassNotFoundException;
```

```
public final void writeObject(Object obj) throws IOException;
```

```
ObjectOutputStream out =  
    new ObjectOutputStream(  
        new BufferedOutputStream(  
            new FileOutputStream("object.ser")));  
out.writeObject("The current Date and Time is ");  
// write a String object  
out.writeObject(new Date());  
// write a Date object  
out.flush();  
out.close();
```

```
ObjectInputStream in =  
    new ObjectInputStream(  
        new BufferedInputStream(  
            new FileInputStream("object.ser")));  
String str = (String)in.readObject();  
Date d = (Date)in.readObject(new Date()); //  
downcast  
in.close();
```



Serialization

`transient` & `static`

- `static` fields are not serialized, as it belongs to the class instead of the particular instance to be serialized.
- To prevent certain fields from being serialized, mark them using the keyword `transient`. This could cut down the amount of data traffic.
- The `writeObject()` method writes out the class of the object, the class signature, and values of non-`static` and non-`transient` fields.

```
class MySerializedObject implements Serializable {  
    private int number;  
  
    public MySerializedObject(int number) {  
        this.number = number;  
    }  
  
    public int getNumber() {  
        return number;  
    }  
}
```