

Welcome - 5004

Quick Introduction to 5004



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Welcome

This course is
programming intensive!

- Object Oriented **Design**
 - Object Oriented Programming (java)
 - Process of designing programs
 - Tools to help better design
 - Working with software engineering tools and processes
 - Including a team project
- What it is not:
 - Learn to program java
 - A full software engineering agile/scrum development course
 - I talk about this as part of the starting process – but this is a later graduate course
 - Design patterns
 - Once again, we give samples, but not the full heart of it

Logistics

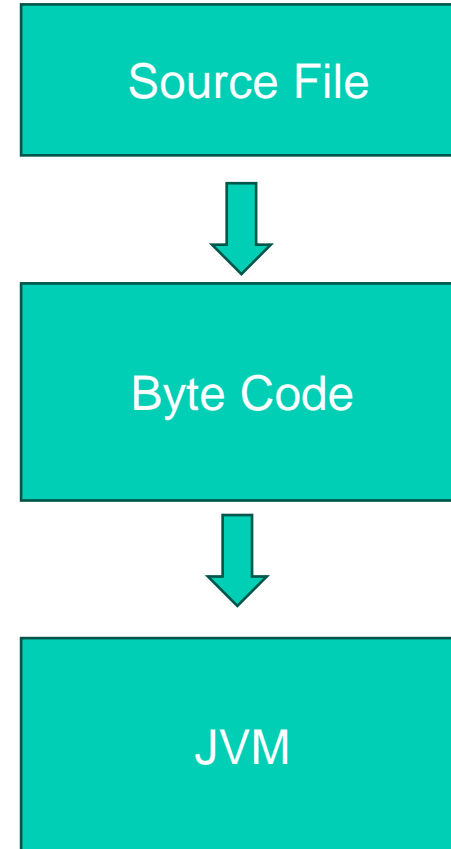
- Assignments
 - Every other week
 - But takes two weeks of programming!!
 - Both a programming and theory section (Report.md)
 - Building up to MSCS course that are more project focused
- Team Activities
 - Assume **two hours** each week!
 - Will assign groups by Monday
- Knowledge Checks
 - Treat them as study guides
 - Randomized questions
 - MUST be done (3/4) to open-up modules.
- Videos and Modules
 - 1 (numbered) a week
 - Notice, not everything has view (module 04... brutal!)
 - I don't like the videos (not bad, just not how I explain things)
 - Live session will be two hours.
 - First hour or so, answering questions based on teams list
 - Second hour – preview of *next* week. Only a preview – will still need other resources

Now let's learn java...

- Wait, but you said
 - Languages are tools – we pick the best for the job
- Java's strengths
 - Built around the idea of objects (sometimes to a fault)
 - Strong SDK with rich classes to use
 - Collections, Streams, Networking
 - Write once, run everywhere
 - Extremely popular in industry
- Java's Faults
 - Built around the idea of objects, almost true
 - Older language than python
 - "Classpath" issues not as bad as python, but still not great
 - Attempted to match other languages – too much
 - Java is NOT C/C++
 - Java is NOT javascript! (actually javascript was named after java...)

Java Environment

- Compiled Language
 - Byte Code
 - Advantage's
 - Type checking at compile time
 - Can optimize code for computers easier
- Java Virtual Machine
 - Runs optimized byte code on your computer



Primitive vs. Objects

- Confusing concept? (ok may be others)
 - Primitives
 - These are “raw” data types (numbers)
 - int, short, long, float, double, boolean, char
 - They don’t have functionality (methods)
 - Integer, Short, Long, Float, Double, Boolean, Character == matching objects with functionality
 - Can be stored in arrays (blocks of allocated memory)
 - Objects
 - Has data (other objects or primitives)
 - Has functionality via methods
 - Can be stored in arrays or any other object (Collections framework)

Another confusing concept

- Static vs. Non-static
- Memory allocation idea (covered more in 5008)
- Static == shared memory
- Member (non-static)

Static – everything here
is shared!

Object 1

Object 2

Object 3

So... objects review

- Everything in java is a “Class”
 - Think of it as a blueprint
 - Contains both static and member/non-static information
- Covered objects at the end of 5001
- Java is structured around this idea
 - No writing functions without a blueprint around them!
 - Can be confusing at times, as sometimes you just need a function
 - If you make a method “static” it turns into a function essentially

Let's work through code to see examples

And then onto homework 01! (we will complete most of it this afternoon)