

Chapter 2

Java Programming Basics

Chapter 2 Objectives

After you have read and studied this chapter, you should be able to

- Identify the basic components of Java programs.
- Distinguish two types of Java programs-applications and applets.
- Write simple Java applications and applets.
- Describe the difference between object declaration and object creation.
- Describe the process of creating and running Java programs.
- Use **MainWindow** and **MessageBox** classes from the **javabook** package to write Java applications.
- Use the **Graphics** class from the standard Java package.



The First Java Application

- A program to display a window on the screen.
- The size of the window is slightly smaller than the screen, and the window is positioned at the center of the screen with a default title **Sample Java Application**.
- The fundamental OOP concept illustrated by the program:

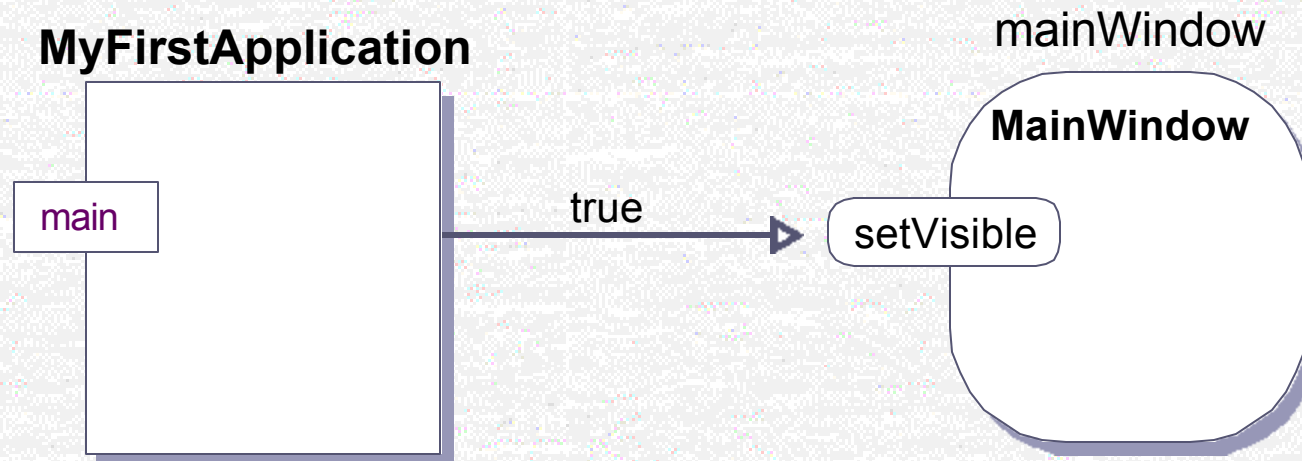
An object-oriented program uses objects.



Program MyFirstApplication

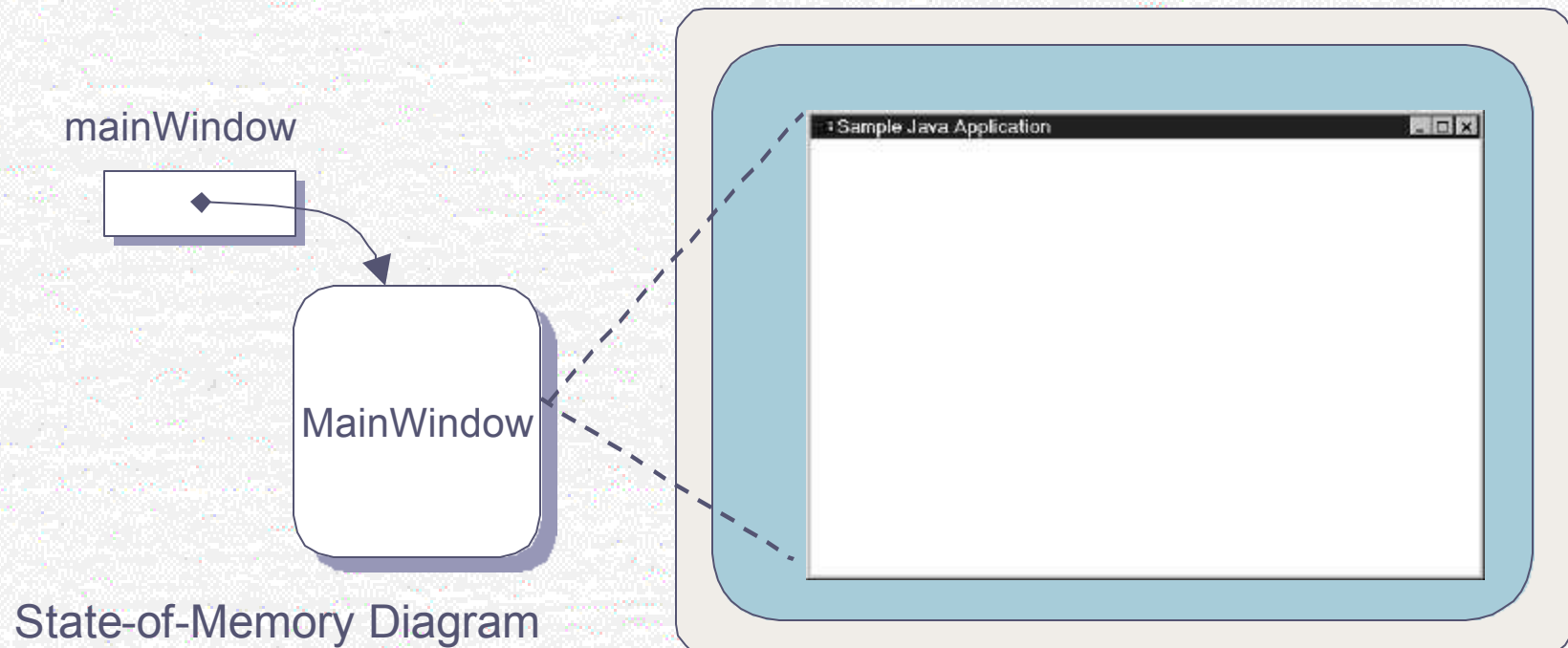
```
/*  
    Program MyFirstApplication  
  
    This program displays a window on the screen. The window is  
    positioned at the center of the screen, and the size of the  
    window is almost as big as the screen.  
  
*/  
  
import javabook.*;  
  
class MyFirstApplication  
{  
    public static void main(String[ ] args)  
    {  
        MainWindow    mainWindow; ← Declare a name  
        mainWindow = new MainWindow(); ← Create an object  
        mainWindow.setVisible( true ); ← Make it visible  
    }  
}
```

Object Diagram for MyFirstApplication



Flow of the MyFirstApplication Program

```
MainWindow mainWindow;  
mainWindow = new MainWindow();  
mainWindow.setVisible( true );
```



Object Declaration

Class Name

This class must be defined before this declaration can be stated.



MainWindow

Object Name

One object is declared here.



mainWindow;

More
Examples

Account
Student
Vehicle

customer;
jan, jim, jon;
car1, car2;



Object Creation

Object Name
Name of the object we
are creating here.

Class Name
An instance of this class is
created.

Argument
No arguments are used
here.

mainWindow = new MainWindow ();

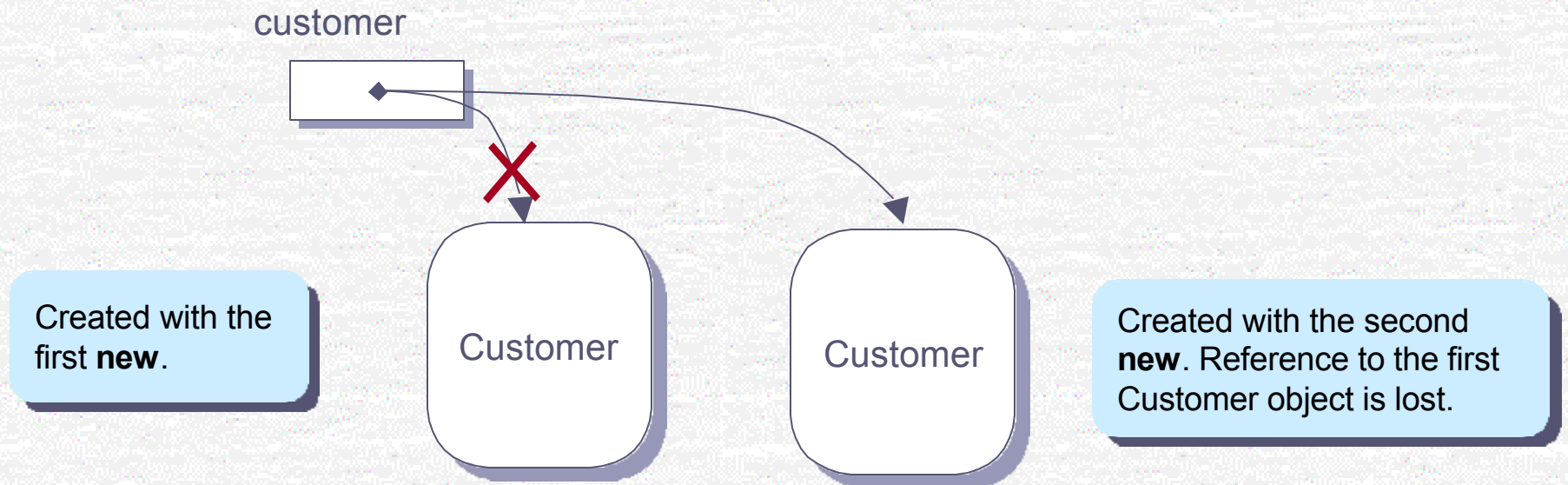
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Examples

```
customer = new Customer( );  
jon       = new Student("John Java" );  
car1      = new Vehicle( );
```



Distinction Between Declaration and Creation

```
Customer    customer;  
customer    = new Customer( );  
customer    = new Customer( );
```



Sending a Message

Object Name

Name of the object to which we are sending a message.

Method Name

The name of the message we are sending.

Argument

The argument we are passing with the message.

mainWindow . setVisible (true) ;

More Examples

```
account.deposit( 200.0 );  
student.setName("john");  
car1.startEngine( );
```



Program Components

☛ A Java program is composed of

- comments,
- **import** statements, and
- class declarations.



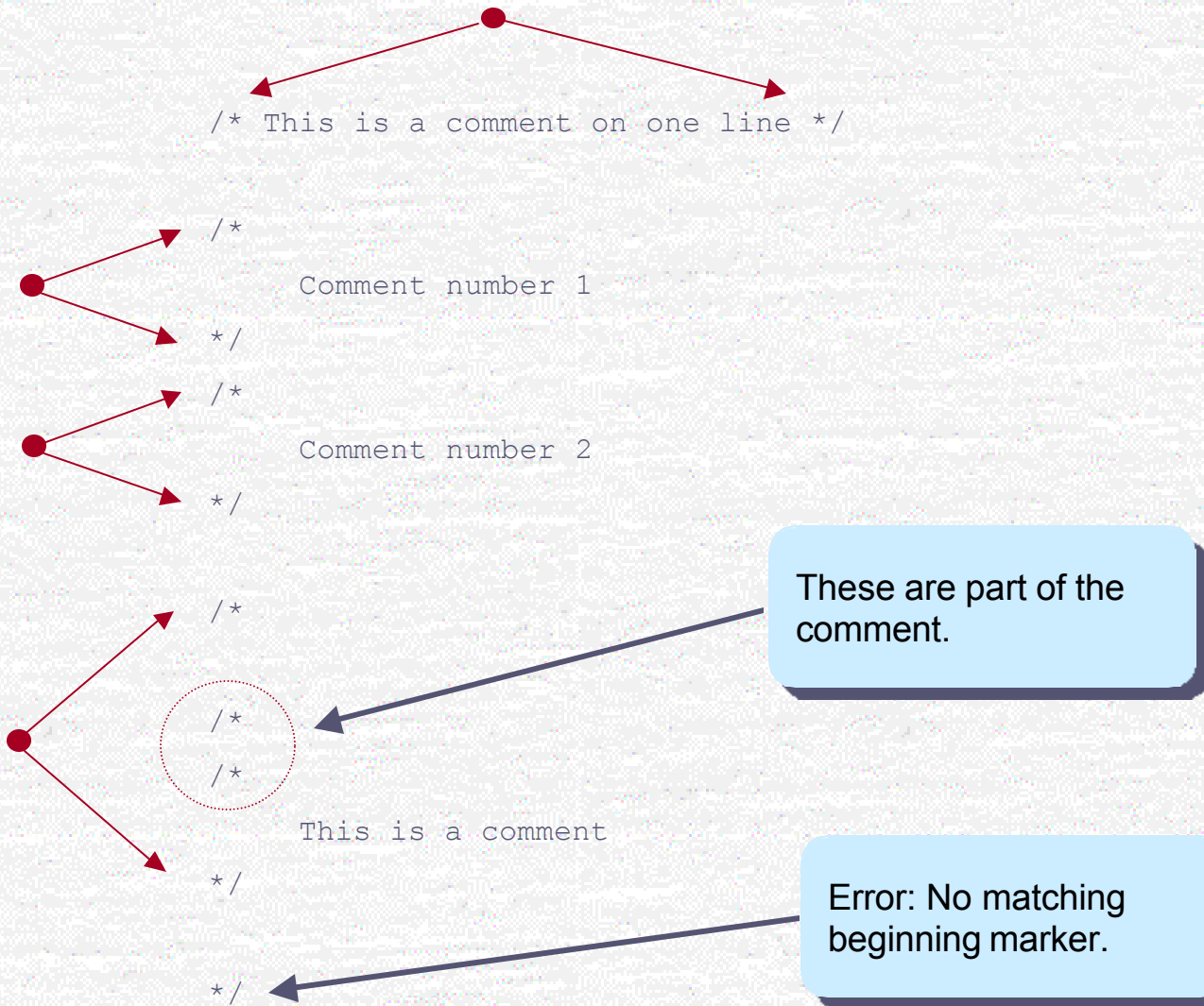
Program Component: Comment

```
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    Program MyFirstApplication  
  
    This program displays a window on the screen. The window is  
    positioned at the center of the screen, and the size of the  
    window is almost as big as the screen.  
*/  
  
import javabook.*;  
  
class MyFirstApplication  
{  
    public static void main(String[ ] args)  
    {  
        MainWindow      mainWindow;  
        mainWindow = new MainWindow();  
        mainWindow.setVisible( true );  
    }  
}
```

Comment



Matching Comment Markers



Three Types of Comments

```
/*  
    This is a comment with  
    three lines of  
    text.  
*/
```

Multiline Comment

```
// This is a comment  
// This is another comment  
// This is a third comment
```

Single line Comments

```
/**  
 * This class provides basic clock functions. In addition  
 * to reading the current time and today's date, you can  
 * use this class for stopwatch functions.  
 */
```

javadoc Comments



Program Component: Import Statement

```
/*
```

```
Program MyFirstApplication
```

```
This program displays a window on the screen. The window is  
positioned at the center of the screen, and the size of the  
window is almost as big as the screen.
```

```
*/
```

```
import javabook.*;
```

```
class MyFirstApplication
```

```
{
```

```
    public static void main(String[ ] args)
```

```
    {
```

```
        MainWindow    mainWindow;
```

```
        mainWindow = new MainWindow();
```

```
        mainWindow.setVisible( true );
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```



Import Statement

Import Statement Syntax and Semantics

Package Name

Name of the package that contains the classes we want to use.



<package name>

e.g. javabook

Class Name

The name of the class we want to import. Use asterisks to import all classes.



■ <class name> ;

■ InputBox;

More Examples

```
import  javabook.*;
import  java.awt.image.ColorModel;
import  com.drcaffeine.galapagos.*;
```



Program Component: Class Declaration

```
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    Program MyFirstApplication  
  
    This program displays a window on the screen. The window is  
    positioned at the center of the screen, and the size of the  
    window is almost as big as the screen.  
  
*/  
  
import javabook.*;  
  
class MyFirstApplication  
{  
    public static void main(String[ ] args)  
    {  
        MainWindow      mainWindow;  
        mainWindow = new MainWindow();  
        mainWindow.setVisible( true );  
    }  
}
```

Class Declaration



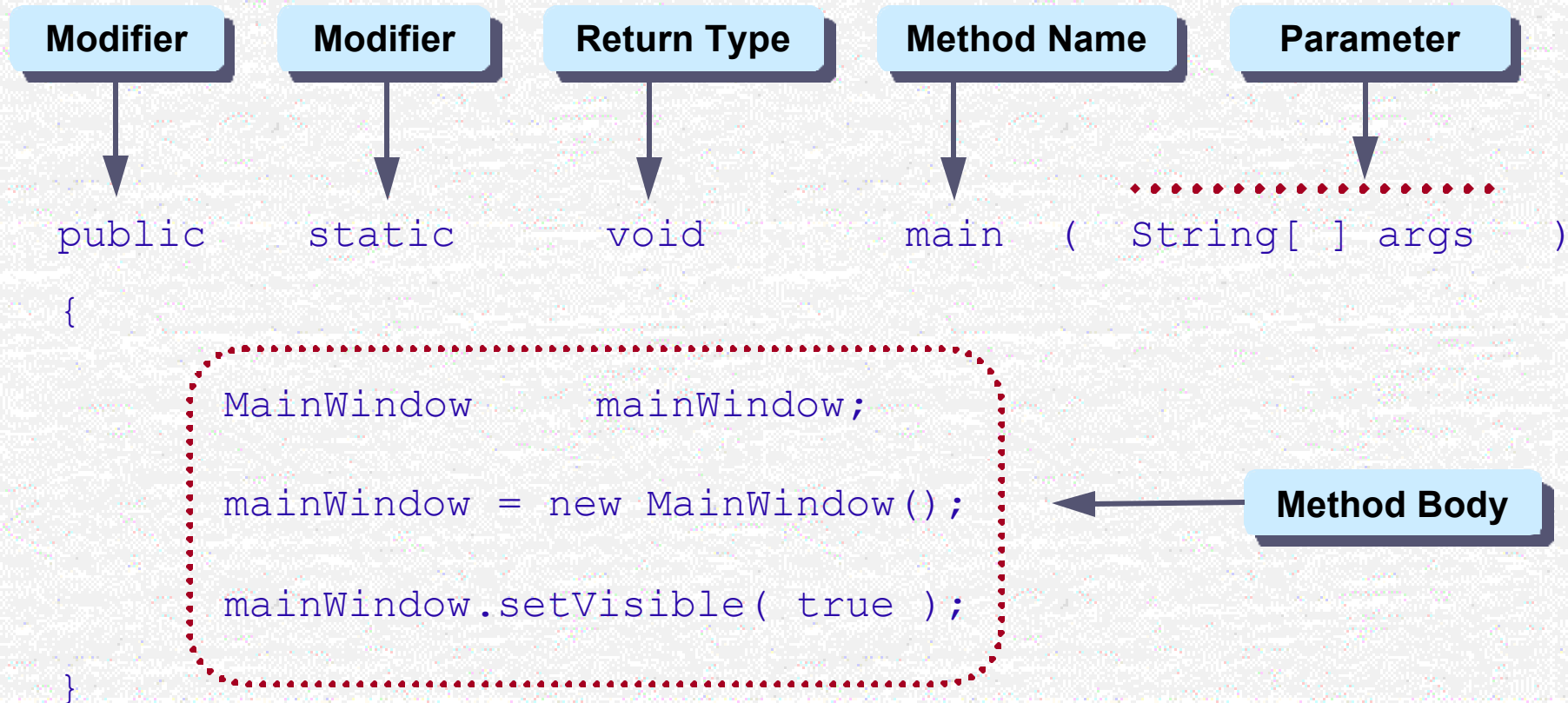
Program Component: Method Declaration

```
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    Program MyFirstApplication  
  
    This program displays a window on the screen. The window is  
    positioned at the center of the screen, and the size of the  
    window is almost as big as the screen.  
  
*/  
  
import javabook.*;  
  
class MyFirstApplication  
{  
    public static void main(String[ ] args)  
    {  
        MainWindow      mainWindow;  
        mainWindow = new MainWindow();  
        mainWindow.setVisible( true );  
    }  
}
```

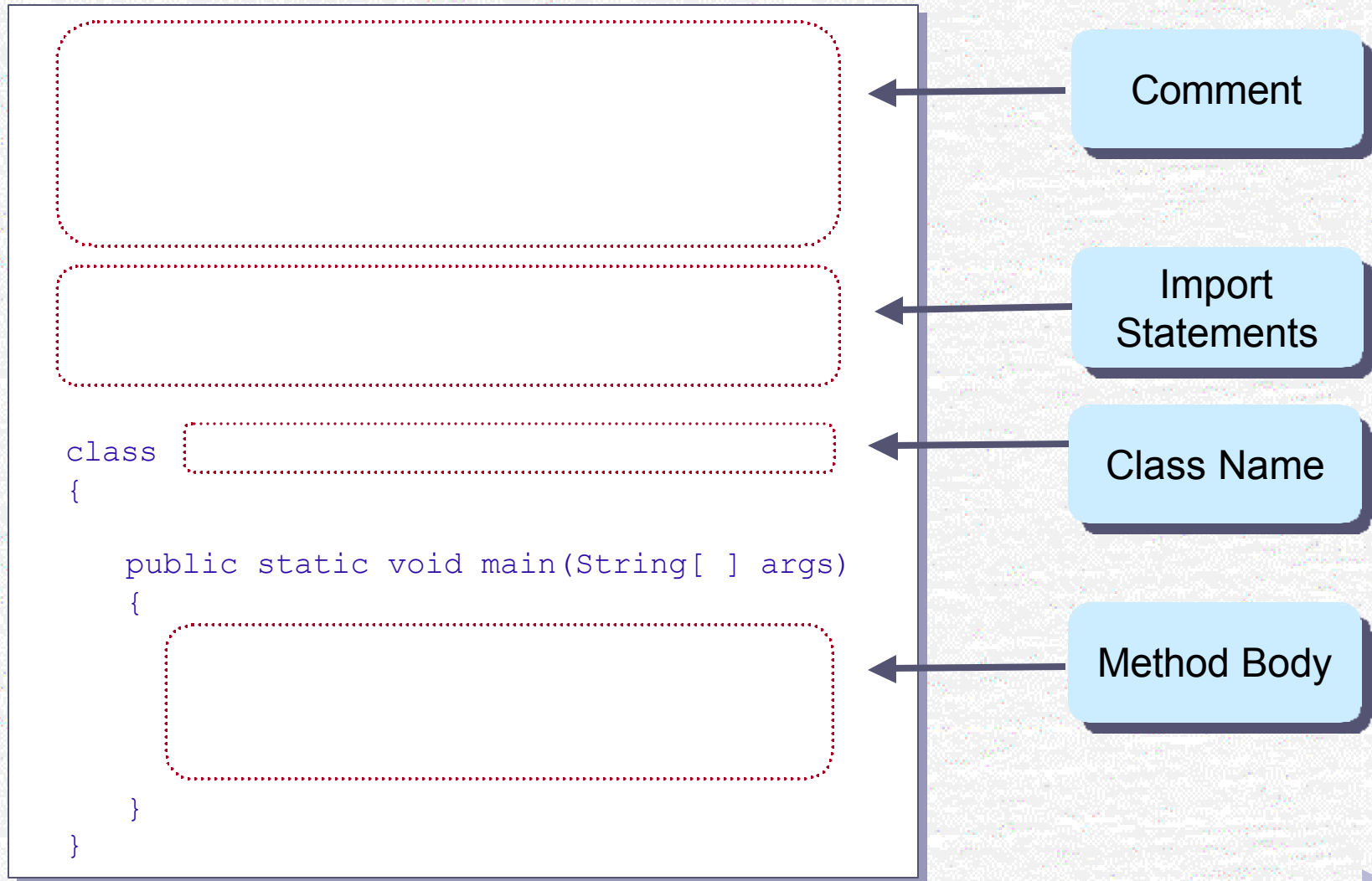
Method Declaration



Method Declaration Elements



Template for Simple Java Applications



Steps in Executing Java Applications

Step 1 Edit

- Type in the program using an editor and save the program to a file.

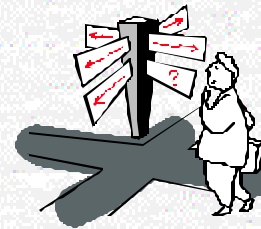
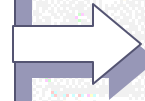
Step 2 Compile

- Compile the source file.

Step 3 Run

- Execute the compiled source file called bytecode file.

Click this image to read step-by-step instructions on how to edit, compile, and run Java programs.



The javabook Package

- ☞ To become a good object-oriented programmer, one must first learn how to use predefined classes.
- ☞ We used predefined classes from the javabook package. To download the package or get its detailed documentation, please visit [Dr. Caffeine's web site](#).
- ☞ Advantages of using javabook:
 - Gives you a taste of how real-world programs are developed.
 - Minimizes the impact of programming language syntax and semantics.
 - Allows you to write practical programs without learning too many details.
 - Serves as good example of how to design classes.



Sample Program: Displaying Messages

Problem Statement

Write an application that displays the message
I Love Java.

Design

- **Alternative 1:** Set the title of the MainWindow to the designated message.
- **Alternative 2:** Use a MessageBox object. This object is intended for displaying a single line of short text to grab the enduser's attention. The MessageBox class is available from the javabook package.

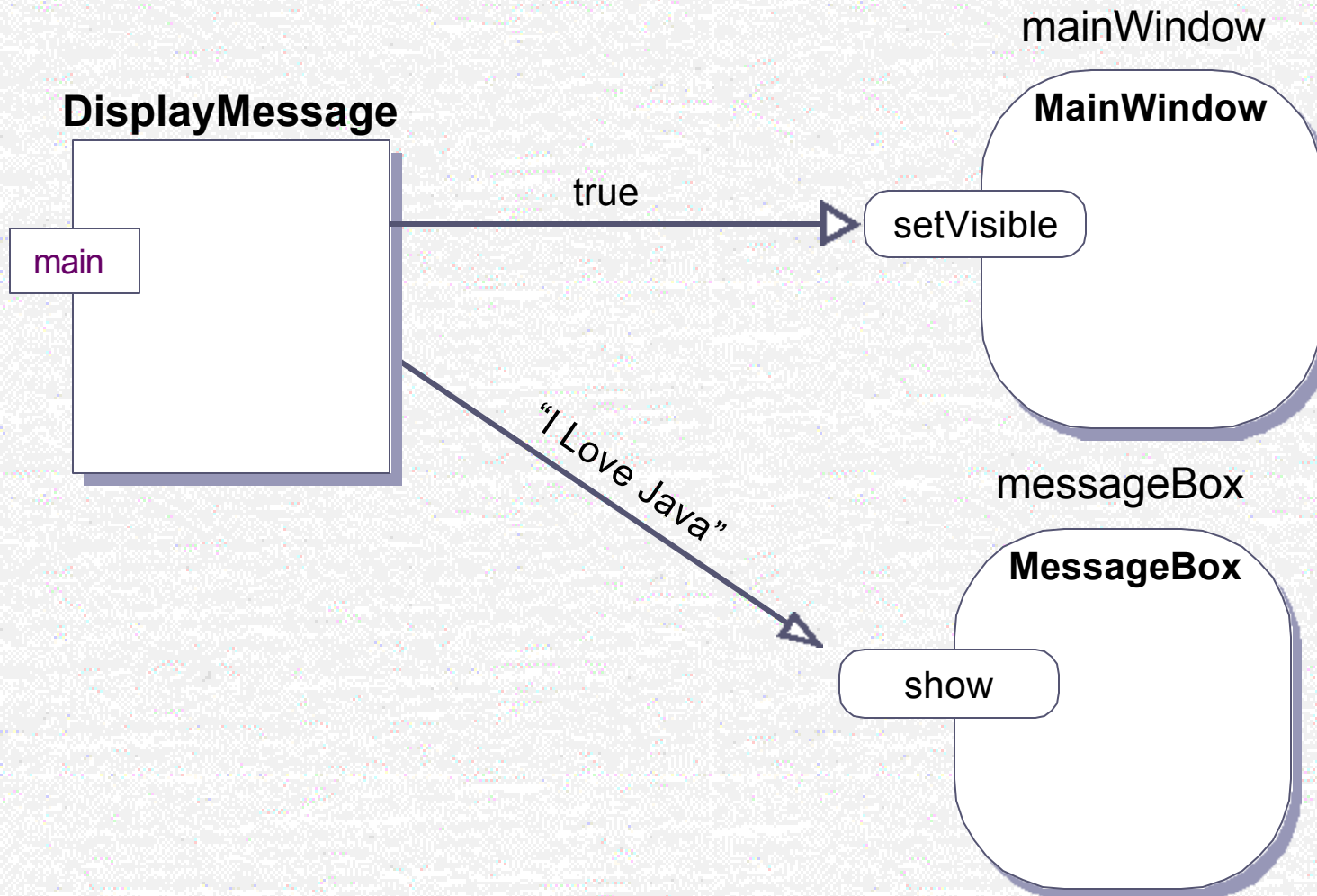


Sample Program: Design Document

Design Document: DisplayMessage	
Class	Purpose
DisplayMessage	The main class of the program.
MainWindow	The main frame window of the program. The title is set to Display Message. This class is from javabook.
MessageBox	The dialog for displaying the required message. This class is from javabook.



Sample Program: Object Diagram



Sample Program: Source Code

```
/*
    Program DisplayMessage

    The program displays the text "I Love Java". The program uses a
    MessageBox object from the javabook package to display the text.
*/

import javabook.*;

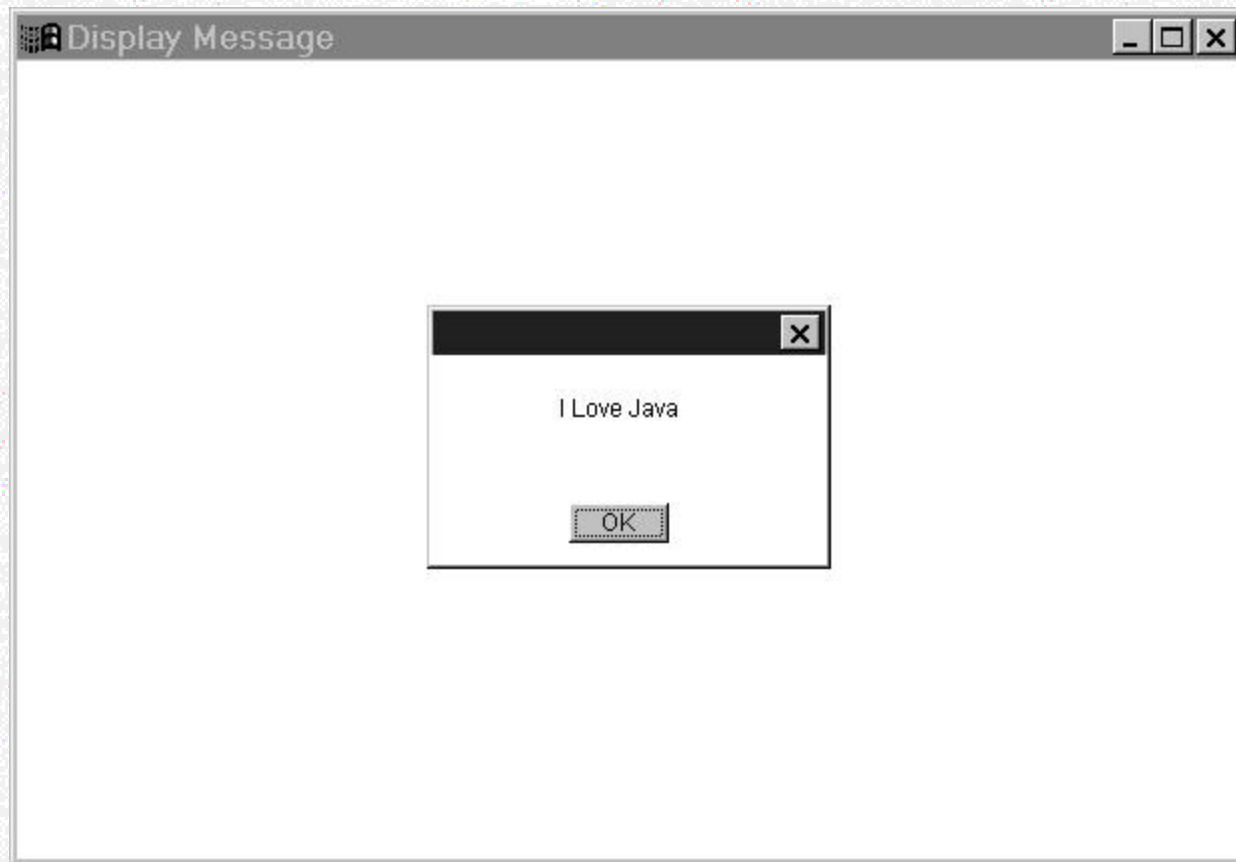
class DisplayMessage
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        MainWindow mainWindow;           //declare two objects
        MessageBox messageBox;

                                   //create two objects
        mainWindow = new MainWindow("Display Message");
        messageBox = new MessageBox(mainWindow);

        mainWindow.setVisible( true );   //display two objects: first the frame
        messageBox.show("I Love Java");   //and then the dialog
    }
}
```

Sample Program: Testing

- Run the program, and you will see...



Program MyFirstApplet

```
/*  
    Program MyFirstApplet  
  
    An applet that displays the text "I Love Java"  
    and a rectangle around the text.  
*/  
  
import java.applet.*;  
import java.awt.*;  
  
public class MyFirstApplet extends Applet  
{  
    public void paint( Graphics graphic)  
    {  
        graphic.drawString("I Love Java",70,70);  
        graphic.drawRect(50,50,100,30);  
    }  
}
```

Three Components of Program MyFirstApplet

Header Comment

```
/*  
    Program MyFirstApplet  
  
    An applet that displays the text "I Love  
    Java"  
    and a rectangle around the text.  
*/
```

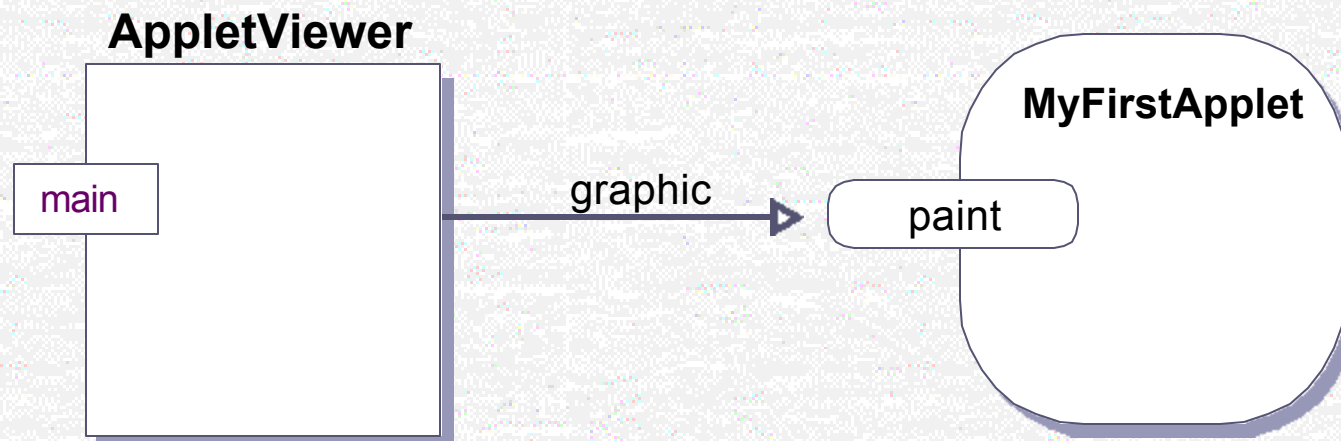
Import Statements

```
import java.applet.*;  
import java.awt.*;
```

Class Declaration

```
public class MyFirstApplet extends Applet  
{  
    public void paint( Graphics graphic)  
    {  
        graphic.drawString("I Love Java",70,70);  
        graphic.drawRect(50,50,100,30);  
    }  
}
```

Object Diagram for MyFirstApplet



Drawing Graphics inside the paint Method

```
public void paint( Graphics graphic)
{
    graphic.drawString("I Love Java",70,70);
    graphic.drawRect(50,50,100,30);
}
```

Drawing

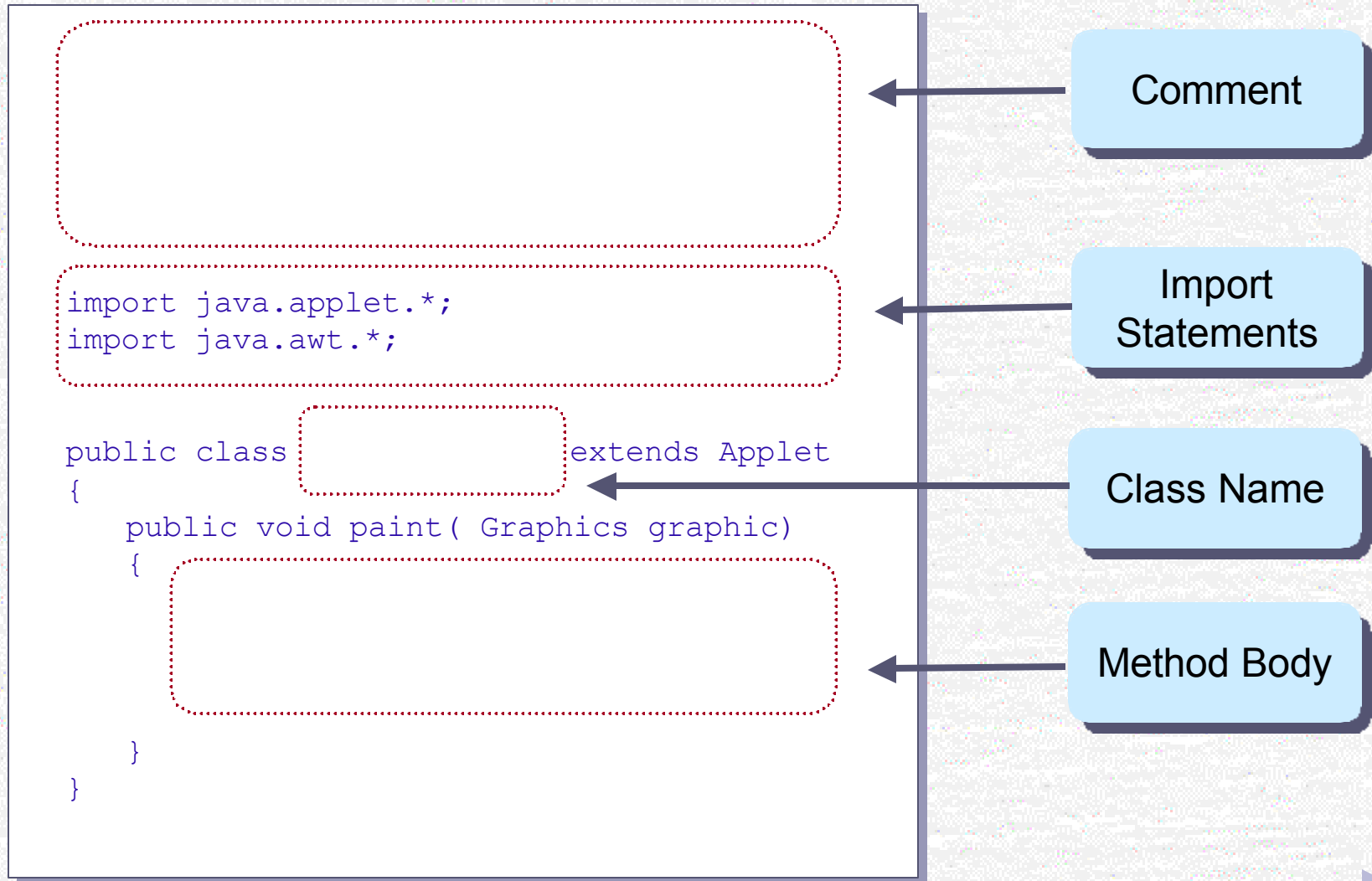
This is where we draw on an applet window by using the Graphics methods.



Drawing Methods

- `drawLine(x1, y1, x2, y2)`
 - draws a line from (x1,y1) to (x2, y2)
- `drawRect(x, y, w, h)`
 - draws a rectangle w pixels wide and h pixels high at (x,y).
- `drawOval(x, y, w, h)`
 - draws an oval w pixels wide and h pixels high at (x, y).
- See [java.awt.Graphics](#) for information on these and other drawing methods.

Template for Simple Java Applets



Executing Java Applets

- Basic steps for Java applications apply for applets as well.
- The main difference is that you need to define an HTML file. A Web browser or the AppletViewer needs this HTML file to execute an applet.
- An HTML file for the sample applet looks like this:

```
<HTML>
<BODY>
<APPLET CODE="MyFirstApplet.class" WIDTH=300 HEIGHT=190>
</APPLET>
</BODY>
</HTML>
```



Edit-Compile-Run Cycle for Applets

