

# Chapter 1 Introduction to Computers, Programs, and Java



# Objectives

- To review computer basics, programs, and operating systems
- To explore the relationship between Java and the World Wide Web
- To distinguish the terms API, IDE, and JDK
- To write a simple Java program
- To display output on the console
- To explain the basic syntax of a Java program
- To create, compile, and run Java programs
- (GUI) To display output using the JOptionPane output dialog boxes



# Popular High-Level Languages

- ☞ COBOL (COmmon Business Oriented Language)
- ☞ FORTRAN (FORmula TRANslation)
- ☞ BASIC (Beginner All-purpose Symbolic Instructional Code)
- ☞ Pascal (named for Blaise Pascal)
- ☞ Ada (named for Ada Lovelace)
- ☞ C (whose developer designed B first)
- ☞ Visual Basic (Basic-like visual language developed by Microsoft)
- ☞ Delphi (Pascal-like visual language developed by Borland)
- ☞ C++ (an object-oriented language, based on C)
- ☞ C# (a Java-like language developed by Microsoft)
- ☞ Java (We use it in the book)



# Why Java?

The answer is that Java enables users to develop and deploy applications on the Internet for servers, desktop computers, and small hand-held devices.

- ☞ The future of computing is being profoundly influenced by the Internet, and Java promises to remain a big part of that future. Java is the Internet programming language.
- ☞ Java is a general purpose programming language.
- ☞ Java is the Internet programming language.



# Java, Web, and Beyond

Java can be used to develop

- ➡ Applications for hand-held devices such as mobile phones (next slide, Android ...)
- ➡ Standalone applications across-platform on desktops and servers.
- ➡ Web applications.
  - Java Applets (next slide, gradually out-of-date)
  - Web Applications on the server side
    - ◆ to generate dynamic Web pages



# Mobile Apps

–Java-programmed calendar, games, ..., on mobile phones and PDAs

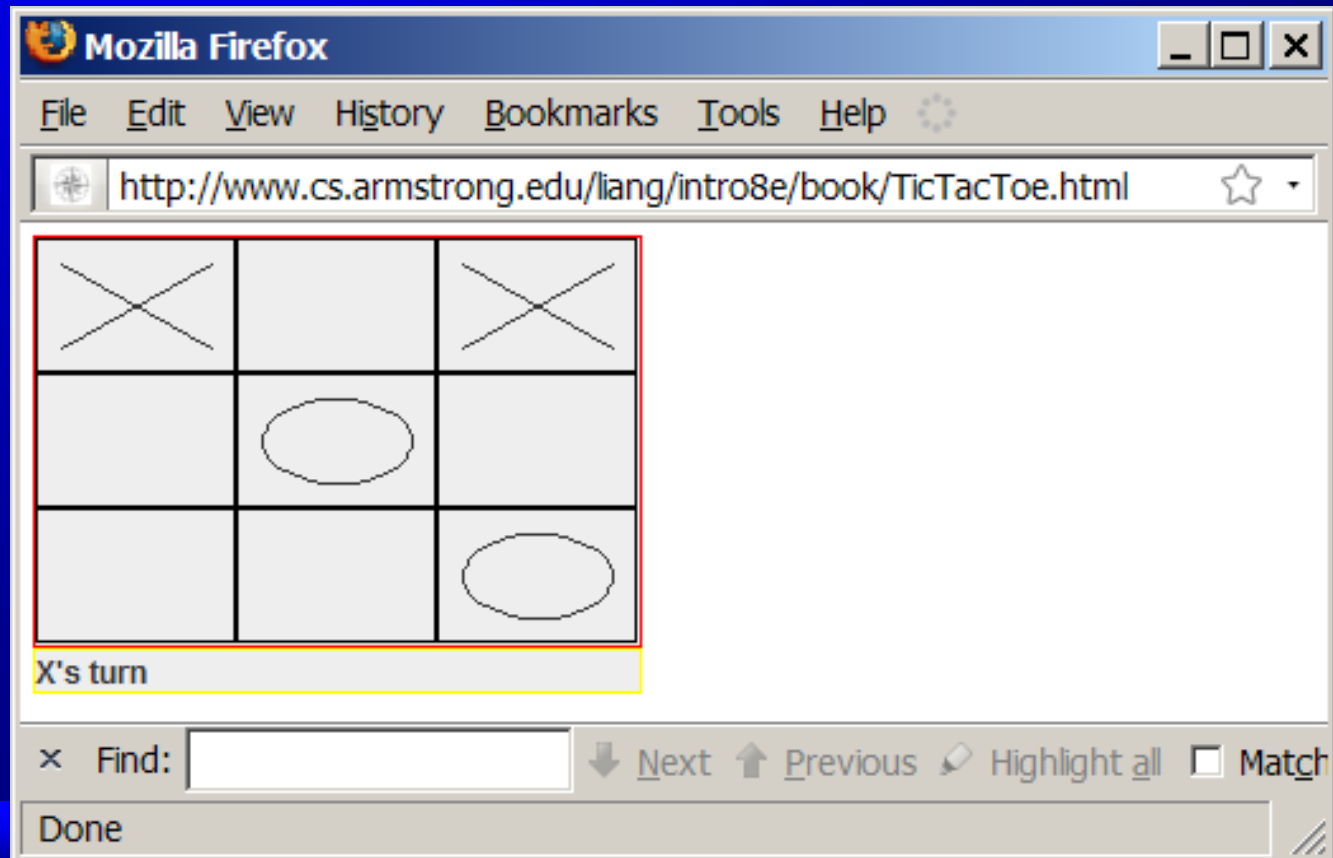


# Examples of Java's Versatility (Applets)

–Java Applets:

–Java programs, run from a Web browser

–use GUI to interact with users and process requests



# Characteristics of Java

- Java Is Simple
- Java Is Object-Oriented
- Java Is Distributed
- Java Is Interpreted
- Java Is Robust
- Java Is Secure
- Java Is Architecture-Neutral
- Java Is Portable
- Java's Performance
- Java Is Multithreaded
- Java Is Dynamic

Java is partially modeled on C++, but greatly simplified and improved. Some people refer to Java as "C++--" because it is like C++ but with more functionality and fewer negative aspects.





# Java's History

☞ Java, 1995, Sun World

– Now, Oracle

☞ Early History Website:

<http://java.sun.com/features/1998/05/birthday.html>



# JDK Versions

JDK (Java Develop Kit ):

JDK 1.02 (1995)



...



JDK 2 (1998) a. k. a. Java 2



...



JDK 6 (2006) or Java 6



...



JDK 8 (2013) or Java 8 (popular, stable)



...



JDK 21 (newest ?)

— <https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html>



# JDK Editions

## ☞ Java **Standard** Edition (JavaSE)

- before 2005, called: J2SE
- to develop **client-side** standalone applications or applets.
- This book uses JavaSE to introduce Java programming.
- Java SE 21, (newest? )

## ☞ Java **Enterprise** Edition (JavaEE)

- J2EE
- to develop **server-side** applications such as Java servlets and Java ServerPages.

## ☞ Java **Micro** Edition (JavaME).

- J2ME
- to develop applications for mobile devices such as cell phones.



# Popular Java IDEs

JDK : a set of separate programs,  
each invoked from a command line, for development and testing

IDE (Integrated Development Environment)

- ☞ NetBeans Open Source by Sun
- ☞ Eclipse Open Source by IBM
- ☞ IntelliJ IDEA Open Source by JetBrains
- ☞ .....



# A Simple Java Program

## Listing

```
//This program prints Welcome to Java!  
public class Welcome {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");  
    }  
}
```

Program file: [Welcome.java](#)



# Trace a Program Execution

Comments

class name: by convention, start with uppercase letter

```
//This program prints Welcome to Java!  
public class Welcome {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
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    }  
}
```

main method

Reserved words:  
keywords

Program file: Welcome.java

# Trace a Program Execution

Enter main method

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```



# Trace a Program Execution

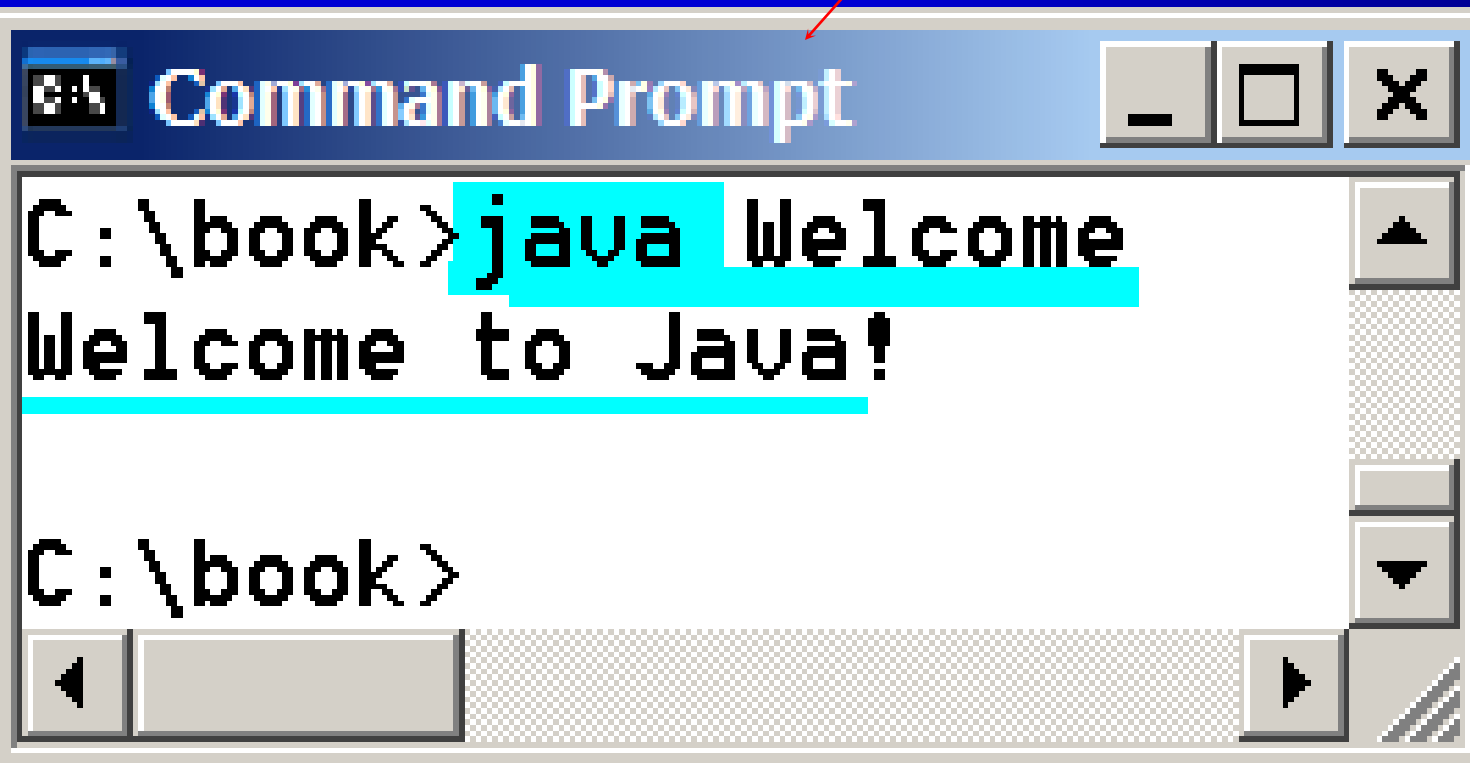
Execute statement

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The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Command Prompt". The command prompt displays the command `C:\book>java Welcome` and the output `Welcome to Java!`. The command and output are highlighted in blue. The prompt is currently at `C:\book>`. The window has standard Windows XP-style window controls (minimize, maximize, close) in the title bar and a scroll bar on the right side.

print a message  
to the console

Welcome - Notepad

```
File Edit Format Help
public class welcome {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("welcome to Java!");
    }
}
```

Source code (developed by the programmer)

```
public class Welcome {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
    }
}
```

Byte code (generated by the compiler for JVM to read and interpret, not for you to understand)

```
...
Method Welcome()
  0 aload_0
  ...

Method void main(java.lang.String[])
  0 getstatic #2 ...
  3 ldc #3 <String "Welcome to Java!">
  5 invokevirtual #4 ...
```

Saved on the disk

Create/Modify Source Code  
**Welcome.java**

Source Code

Compile Source Code  
i.e., **javac Welcome.java**

If compilation errors

stored on the disk

Bytecode

Run Bytecode  
i.e., **java Welcome**

Result

If runtime errors or incorrect result

Create

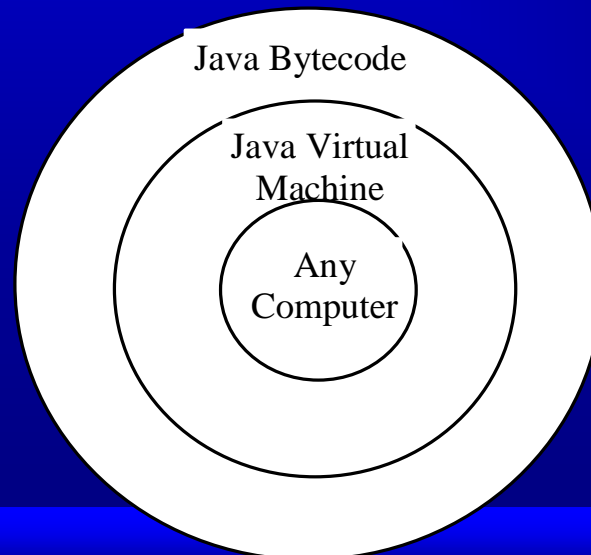
Compile

Run

# Compiling Java Source Code

- ☞ You can port a **C** source program to **any machine** with appropriate compilers. The source program must be **recompiled**, however, because the object program can only run on a specific machine.
- ☞ Nowadays computers are networked to work together. **Java** was designed to run object programs **on any platform**.

With Java, you write the program once, and compile the source program into a special type of object code, known as **bytecode**. The bytecode can then run on any computer with a **Java Virtual Machine**: a software that interprets Java bytecode to object code.



# Anatomy of a Java Program

- ➡ Comments
- ➡ Reserved words
- ➡ Modifiers
- ➡ Statements
- ➡ Blocks
- ➡ Classes
- ➡ Methods
- ➡ The main method



# Comments

Three types of comments in Java.

*Line comment*: A line comment is preceded by two slashes (//) in a line.

*Paragraph comment*: A paragraph comment is enclosed between /\* and \*/ in one or multiple lines.

*javadoc comment*: javadoc comments begin with /\*\* and end with \*/. They are used for documenting classes, data, and methods. They can be extracted into an HTML file using JDK's javadoc command.

**// Comment in one line.**

**/\*  
comments in multiple lines.  
comments in multiple lines.  
\*/**



**// Comment in one line.**

**/\*  
\* comments in multiple lines.  
\* comments in multiple lines.  
\*/**



// Comment in one line.

/\*  
\* comments in multiple lines.  
\* comments in multiple lines.  
\*/

/\*\*  
\* (description)  
\*  
\* (block tags)  
\*/  
(Method code)

```
/**  
 * Returns an Image object that can then be painted on the screen.  
 * The url argument must specify an absolute {@link URL}. The name  
 * argument is a specifier that is relative to the url argument.  
 * <p>  
 * This method always returns immediately, whether or not the  
 * image exists. When this applet attempts to draw the image on  
 * the screen, the data will be loaded. The graphics primitives  
 * that draw the image will incrementally paint on the screen.  
 *  
 * @param url an absolute URL giving the base location of the image  
 * @param name the location of the image, relative to the url argument  
 * @return the image at the specified URL  
 * @see Image  
 */  
public Image getImage(URL url, String name) {  
    try {  
        return getImage(new URL(url, name));  
    } catch (MalformedURLException e) {  
        return null;  
    }  
}
```



# Reserved Words

Reserved words or keywords are words that have a specific meaning to the compiler and cannot be used for other purposes in the program.

For example, when the compiler sees the word “**class**”, it understands that the word after class is the name for the class. Other reserved words in Listing 1.1 are **public**, **static**, and **void**. Their use will be introduced later in the book.



# Modifiers

Java uses certain reserved words called modifiers that specify the properties of the data, methods, and classes and how they can be used.

Examples of modifiers are **public** and **static**. Other modifiers are **private**, **final**, **abstract**, and **protected**. A public datum, method, or class can be accessed by other programs. A private datum or method cannot be accessed by other programs. Modifiers are discussed in Chapter 6, “Objects and Classes.”



# Statements

A statement represents an action or a sequence of actions.

```
System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");
```

a statement to display the greeting "Welcome to Java!"  
Every statement in Java ends with a semicolon (;).



# Blocks

A pair of braces in a program forms a block that groups components of a program.

```
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java!");  
    }  
}
```

Class block

Method block



# Classes

The class is the essential Java construct. A class is a template for objects.

The mystery of the class will continue to be unveiled throughout this book. For now, though, understand that a program is defined by using one or more classes.



# Methods

`System.out.println(...);`

- Defined in Package: Java.lang ( System Class )

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/21/docs/api/java.base/java/lang/System.html>

☞ `println()` method: a collection of statements that performs a sequence of operations to display a message on the console.

☞ It is used by invoking a statement with a string argument.

The string argument is enclosed within parentheses. In this case, the argument is "Welcome to Java!" You can call the same println method with a different argument to print a different message.



# main Method

The main method provides the control of program flow.  
The Java interpreter executes the application by invoking the main method.

The main method looks like this:

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    // Statements;  
}
```



# Displaying Text in a Message Dialog Box

you can use the `showMessageDialog` method in the `JOptionPane` class. `JOptionPane` is one of the many predefined

- <https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/>





**Module** java.desktop

**Package** javax.swing

## Class JOptionPane

java.lang.Object  
  java.awt.Component  
    java.awt.Container  
      javax.swing.JComponent  
        javax.swing.JOptionPane

### All Implemented Interfaces:

ImageObserver, MenuContainer, Serializable, Accessible

```
@JavaBean(defaultProperty="UI",  
           description="A component which implements standard dialog box controls.")  
public class JOptionPane  
    extends JComponent  
    implements Accessible
```

JOptionPane makes it easy to pop up a standard dialog box that prompts users for a value or informs them of something. For information about using JOptionPane, see [How to Make Dialogs](#)<sup>2</sup>, a section in *The Java Tutorial*.

While the JOptionPane class may appear complex because of the large number of methods, almost all uses of this class are one-line calls to one of the static showXxxDialog methods shown below:

Common JOptionPane method names and their descriptions

Method Name	Description
showConfirmDialog	Asks a confirming question, like yes/no/cancel.
showInputDialog	Prompt for some input.
showMessageDialog	Tell the user about something that has happened.
showOptionDialog	The Grand Unification of the above three.

# The showMessageDialog Method

```
JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(  
    null,  
    "Welcome to Java!",  
    "Display Message",  
    JOptionPane.INFORMATION_MESSAGE);
```



# Two Ways to Invoke the Method

One is to use a statement as shown in the example:

```
JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, x,  
    y, JOptionPane.INFORMATION_MESSAGE);
```

## 4 parameters

where x is a string for the text to be displayed, and y is a string for the title of the message dialog box.

The other is to use a statement like this:

```
JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, x);
```

## 2 parameters

where x is a string for the text to be displayed.



# Tutorials

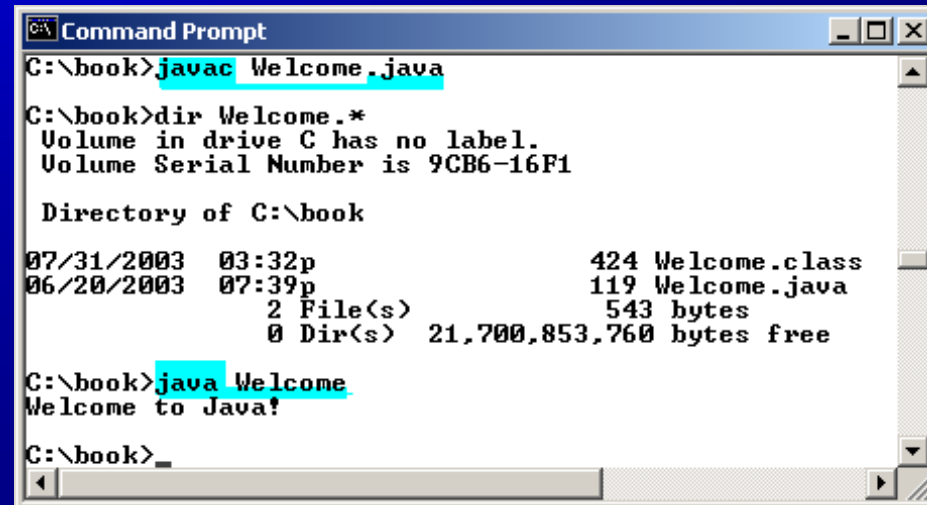
Movies & Readings

Install JDK & Eclipse



# Compiling and Running Java from the Command Window

- ➡ Set path to **JDK bin directory**
  - **set path=** c:\Program Files\java\jdk1.6.0\bin
- ➡ Set classpath to include the **current directory**
  - **set classpath=.**
- ➡ Compile
  - **javac** Welcome.java
- ➡ Run
  - **java** Welcome



```
Command Prompt
C:\book>javac Welcome.java
C:\book>dir Welcome.*
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 9CB6-16F1

Directory of C:\book

07/31/2003  03:32p                424 Welcome.class
06/20/2003  07:39p                119 Welcome.java
               2 File(s)                543 bytes
               0 Dir(s)  21,700,853,760 bytes free

C:\book>java Welcome
Welcome to Java!
C:\book>
```



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# Course Report for “Java programming”

## ☞ Chapter1 Self-Test Questions :

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