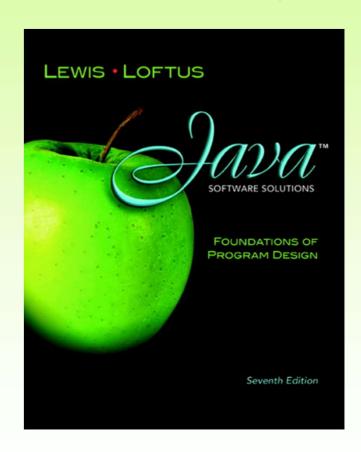
Chapter 3 Using Classes and Objects



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Using Classes and Objects

- We can create more interesting programs using predefined classes and related objects
- Chapter 3 focuses on:
 - object creation and object references
 - the String class and its methods
 - the Java API class library
 - the Random and Math classes
 - formatting output
 - enumerated types
 - wrapper classes
 - graphical components and containers
 - labels and images

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Creating Objects

- A variable holds either a primitive value or a reference to an object
- A class name can be used as a type to declare an object reference variable

```
String title;
```

- No object is created with this declaration
- An object reference variable holds the address of an object
- The object itself must be created separately

Creating Objects

- Generally, we use the new operator to create an object
- Creating an object is called instantiation
- An object is an instance of a particular class

```
title = new String ("Java Software Solutions");
```

This calls the String constructor, which is a special method that sets up the object

Invoking Methods

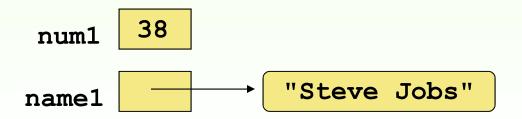
 We've seen that once an object has been instantiated, we can use the dot operator to invoke its methods

```
numChars = title.length()
```

- A method may return a value, which can be used in an assignment or expression
- A method invocation can be thought of as asking an object to perform a service

References

- Note that a primitive variable contains the value itself, but an object variable contains the address of the object
- An object reference can be thought of as a pointer to the location of the object
- Rather than dealing with arbitrary addresses, we often depict a reference graphically

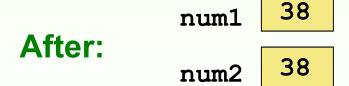


Assignment Revisited

- The act of assignment takes a copy of a value and stores it in a variable
- For primitive types:

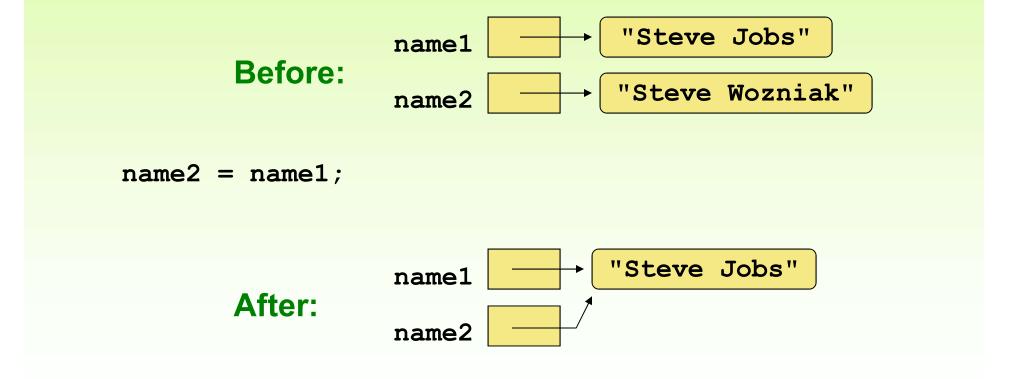
```
Before:
num1 38
num2 96
```

```
num2 = num1;
```



Reference Assignment

For object references, assignment copies the address:



Aliases

- Two or more references that refer to the same object are called *aliases* of each other
- That creates an interesting situation: one object can be accessed using multiple reference variables
- Aliases can be useful, but should be managed carefully
- Changing an object through one reference changes it for all of its aliases, because there is really only one object

Garbage Collection

- When an object no longer has any valid references to it, it can no longer be accessed by the program
- The object is useless, and therefore is called garbage
- Java performs automatic garbage collection periodically, returning an object's memory to the system for future use
- In other languages, the programmer is responsible for performing garbage collection

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The String Class

 Because strings are so common, we don't have to use the new operator to create a String object

```
title = "Java Software Solutions";
```

- This is special syntax that works <u>only</u> for strings
- Each string literal (enclosed in double quotes)
 represents a String object

String Methods

- Once a String object has been created, neither its value nor its length can be changed
- Therefore we say that an object of the String class is immutable
- However, several methods of the String class return new String objects that are modified versions of the original

String Indexes

- It is occasionally helpful to refer to a particular character within a string
- This can be done by specifying the character's numeric index
- The indexes begin at zero in each string
- In the string "Hello", the character 'H' is at index 0 and the 'o' is at index 4
- See StringMutation.java

```
//**********************
  StringMutation.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
   Demonstrates the use of the String class and its methods.
//**********************
public class StringMutation
           _____
  // Prints a string and various mutations of it.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     String phrase = "Change is inevitable";
     String mutation1, mutation2, mutation3, mutation4;
     System.out.println ("Original string: \"" + phrase + "\"");
     System.out.println ("Length of string: " + phrase.length());
     mutation1 = phrase.concat (", except from vending machines.");
    mutation2 = mutation1.toUpperCase();
     mutation3 = mutation2.replace ('E', 'X');
    mutation4 = mutation3.substring (3, 30);
continued
```

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// Print each mutated string
   System.out.println ("Mutation #1: " + mutation1);
   System.out.println ("Mutation #2: " + mutation2);
   System.out.println ("Mutation #3: " + mutation3);
   System.out.println ("Mutation #4: " + mutation4);

   System.out.println ("Mutated length: " + mutation4.length());
}
```

Output

```
Original string: "Change is inevitable"
Length of string: 20
Mutation #1: Change is inevitable, except from vending machines.
Mutation #2: CHANGE IS INEVITABLE, EXCEPT FROM VENDING MACHINES.
Mutation #3: CHANGX IS INXVITABLX, XXCXPT FROM VXNDING MACHINXS.
Mutation #4: NGX IS INXVITABLX, XXCXPT F
Mutated length: 27
```

```
System.out.println ("Mutated length: " + mutation4.length());
}
```

What output is produced by the following?

```
String str = "Space, the final frontier.";
System.out.println (str.length());
System.out.println (str.substring(7));
System.out.println (str.toUpperCase());
System.out.println (str.length());
```

What output is produced by the following?

```
String str = "Space, the final frontier.";
System.out.println (str.length());
System.out.println (str.substring(7));
System.out.println (str.toUpperCase());
System.out.println (str.length());
```

```
the final frontier.

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Class Libraries

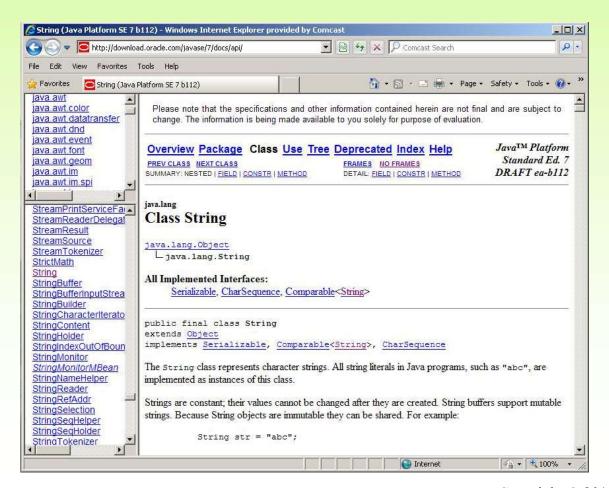
- A class library is a collection of classes that we can use when developing programs
- The Java standard class library is part of any Java development environment
- Its classes are not part of the Java language per se, but we rely on them heavily
- Various classes we've already used (System, Scanner, String) are part of the Java standard class library

The Java API

- The Java class library is sometimes referred to as the Java API
- API stands for Application Programming Interface
- Clusters of related classes are sometimes referred to as specific APIs:
 - The Swing API
 - The Database API

The Java API

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Packages

- For purposes of accessing them, classes in the Java API are organized into packages
- These often overlap with specific APIs
- Examples:

<u>Package</u>	Purpose
java.lang	General support
java.applet	Creating applets for the web
java.awt	Graphics and graphical user interfaces
javax.swing	Additional graphics capabilities
java.net	Network communication
java.util	Utilities
javax.xml.parsers	XML document processing

The import Declaration

When you want to use a class from a package, you could use its fully qualified name

```
java.util.Scanner
```

Or you can import the class, and then use just the class name

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

 To import all classes in a particular package, you can use the * wildcard character

```
import java.util.*;
```

The import Declaration

- All classes of the java.lang package are imported automatically into all programs
- It's as if all programs contain the following line:

```
import java.lang.*;
```

- That's why we didn't have to import the System or String classes explicitly in earlier programs
- The Scanner class, on the other hand, is part of the java.util package, and therefore must be imported

The Random Class

- The Random class is part of the java.util package
- It provides methods that generate pseudorandom numbers
- A Random object performs complicated calculations based on a seed value to produce a stream of seemingly random values
- See RandomNumbers.java

```
//*********************
   RandomNumbers.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
  Demonstrates the creation of pseudo-random numbers using the
   Random class.
//**********************
import java.util.Random;
public class RandomNumbers
                  _____
  // Generates random numbers in various ranges.
  public static void main (String[] args)
    Random generator = new Random();
    int num1;
    float num2;
    num1 = generator.nextInt();
    System.out.println ("A random integer: " + num1);
    num1 = generator.nextInt(10);
    System.out.println ("From 0 to 9: " + num1);
continued
```

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```
num1 = generator.nextInt(10) + 1;
System.out.println ("From 1 to 10: " + num1);

num1 = generator.nextInt(15) + 20;
System.out.println ("From 20 to 34: " + num1);

num1 = generator.nextInt(20) - 10;
System.out.println ("From -10 to 9: " + num1);

num2 = generator.nextFloat();
System.out.println ("A random float (between 0-1): " + num2);

num2 = generator.nextFloat() * 6; // 0.0 to 5.999999

num1 = (int) num2 + 1;
System.out.println ("From 1 to 6: " + num1);
}
```

Sample Run continued A random integer: 672981683 num1 From 0 to 9: 0 Syst From 1 to 10: 3 num1 From 20 to 34: 30 Syst From -10 to 9: -4 A random float (between 0-1): 0.18538326 num1 From 1 to 6: 3 Syst num2 = generator.nextFloat(); System.out.println ("A random float (between 0-1): " + num2); num2 = generator.nextFloat() * 6; // 0.0 to 5.999999num1 = (int) num2 + 1;System.out.println ("From 1 to 6: " + num1);

Given a Random object named gen, what range of values are produced by the following expressions?

```
gen.nextInt(25)
gen.nextInt(6) + 1
gen.nextInt(100) + 10
gen.nextInt(50) + 100
gen.nextInt(50) - 5
gen.nextInt(22) + 12
```

Given a Random object named gen, what range of values are produced by the following expressions?

	Range
gen.nextInt(25)	0 to 24
gen.nextInt(6) + 1	1 to 6
gen.nextInt(100) + 10	10 to 109
gen.nextInt(50) + 100	100 to 149
gen.nextInt(10) - 5	-5 to 4
gen.nextInt(22) + 12	12 to 33

Write an expression that produces a random integer in the following ranges:

Range

0 to 12

1 to 20

15 to 20

-10 to 0

Write an expression that produces a random integer in the following ranges:

The Math Class

- The Math class is part of the java.lang package
- The Math class contains methods that perform various mathematical functions
- These include:
 - absolute value
 - square root
 - exponentiation
 - trigonometric functions

The Math Class

- The methods of the Math class are static methods (also called class methods)
- Static methods are invoked through the class name
 no object of the Math class is needed

```
value = Math.cos(90) + Math.sqrt(delta);
```

- We discuss static methods further in Chapter 7
- See Quadratic.java

```
//*********************
   Quadratic.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
   Demonstrates the use of the Math class to perform a calculation
  based on user input.
//*********************
import java.util.Scanner;
public class Quadratic
  // Determines the roots of a quadratic equation.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     int a, b, c; // ax^2 + bx + c
     double discriminant, root1, root2;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner (System.in);
     System.out.print ("Enter the coefficient of x squared: ");
     a = scan.nextInt();
continued
```

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```
System.out.print ("Enter the coefficient of x: ");
b = scan.nextInt();

System.out.print ("Enter the constant: ");
c = scan.nextInt();

// Use the quadratic formula to compute the roots.
// Assumes a positive discriminant.

discriminant = Math.pow(b, 2) - (4 * a * c);
root1 = ((-1 * b) + Math.sqrt(discriminant)) / (2 * a);
root2 = ((-1 * b) - Math.sqrt(discriminant)) / (2 * a);
System.out.println ("Root #1: " + root1);
System.out.println ("Root #2: " + root2);
}
```

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}

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Formatting Output

- It is often necessary to format output values in certain ways so that they can be presented properly
- The Java standard class library contains classes that provide formatting capabilities
- The NumberFormat class allows you to format values as currency or percentages
- The DecimalFormat class allows you to format values based on a pattern
- Both are part of the java.text package

Formatting Output

 The NumberFormat class has static methods that return a formatter object

```
getCurrencyInstance()
```

```
getPercentInstance()
```

- Each formatter object has a method called format that returns a string with the specified information in the appropriate format
- See Purchase.java

```
//*********************
   Purchase.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
   Demonstrates the use of the NumberFormat class to format output.
//*********************
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.text.NumberFormat;
public class Purchase
  // Calculates the final price of a purchased item using values
  // entered by the user.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     final double TAX RATE = 0.06; // 6% sales tax
     int quantity;
     double subtotal, tax, totalCost, unitPrice;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner (System.in);
continued
```

continued

```
NumberFormat fmt1 = NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance();
     NumberFormat fmt2 = NumberFormat.getPercentInstance();
      System.out.print ("Enter the quantity: ");
     quantity = scan.nextInt();
     System.out.print ("Enter the unit price: ");
     unitPrice = scan.nextDouble();
      subtotal = quantity * unitPrice;
     tax = subtotal * TAX RATE;
     totalCost = subtotal + tax;
     // Print output with appropriate formatting
      System.out.println ("Subtotal: " + fmt1.format(subtotal));
      System.out.println ("Tax: " + fmt1.format(tax) + " at "
                          + fmt2.format(TAX RATE));
     System.out.println ("Total: " + fmt1.format(totalCost));
}
```

```
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                     Enter the quantity: 5
     NumberFormat f
                                                    tance();
                     Enter the unit price: 3.87
     NumberFormat f
                                                    ance();
                     Subtotal: $19.35
     System.out.pri Tax: $1.16 at 6%
     quantity = sca Total: $20.51
     System.out.print ("Enter the unit price: ");
     unitPrice = scan.nextDouble();
      subtotal = quantity * unitPrice;
     tax = subtotal * TAX RATE;
      totalCost = subtotal + tax;
     // Print output with appropriate formatting
      System.out.println ("Subtotal: " + fmt1.format(subtotal));
      System.out.println ("Tax: " + fmt1.format(tax) + " at "
                         + fmt2.format(TAX RATE));
     System.out.println ("Total: " + fmt1.format(totalCost));
}
```

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- The DecimalFormat class can be used to format a floating point value in various ways
- For example, you can specify that the number should be truncated to three decimal places
- The constructor of the DecimalFormat class takes a string that represents a pattern for the formatted number
- See CircleStats.java

```
//***********************
// CircleStats.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
// Demonstrates the formatting of decimal values using the
// DecimalFormat class.
//*********************
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.text.DecimalFormat;
public class CircleStats
  // Calculates the area and circumference of a circle given its
  // radius.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     int radius;
     double area, circumference;
     Scanner scan = new Scanner (System.in);
continued
```


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```
radius =
```

```
Enter the circle's radius: 5
System.ou The circle's area: 78.54
         The circle's circumference: 31.416
```

```
area = Math.PI * Math.pow(radius, 2);
circumference = 2 * Math.PI * radius;
// Round the output to three decimal places
DecimalFormat fmt = new DecimalFormat ("0.###");
System.out.println ("The circle's area: " + fmt.format(area));
System.out.println ("The circle's circumference: "
                    + fmt.format(circumference));
```

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Enumerated Types

- Java allows you to define an enumerated type, which can then be used to declare variables
- An enumerated type declaration lists all possible values for a variable of that type
- The values are identifiers of your own choosing
- The following declaration creates an enumerated type called Season

```
enum Season {winter, spring, summer, fall};
```

Any number of values can be listed

Enumerated Types

 Once a type is defined, a variable of that type can be declared:

```
Season time;
```

And it can be assigned a value:

```
time = Season.fall;
```

- The values are referenced through the name of the type
- Enumerated types are type-safe you cannot assign any value other than those listed

Ordinal Values

- Internally, each value of an enumerated type is stored as an integer, called its ordinal value
- The first value in an enumerated type has an ordinal value of zero, the second one, and so on
- However, you cannot assign a numeric value to an enumerated type, even if it corresponds to a valid ordinal value

Enumerated Types

- The declaration of an enumerated type is a special type of class, and each variable of that type is an object
- The ordinal method returns the ordinal value of the object
- The name method returns the name of the identifier corresponding to the object's value
- See IceCream.java

```
//*********************
   IceCream.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
   Demonstrates the use of enumerated types.
//*********************
public class IceCream
  enum Flavor {vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, fudgeRipple, coffee,
              rockyRoad, mintChocolateChip, cookieDough}
  // Creates and uses variables of the Flavor type.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     Flavor cone1, cone2, cone3;
     cone1 = Flavor.rockyRoad;
     cone2 = Flavor.chocolate;
     System.out.println ("cone1 value: " + cone1);
     System.out.println ("cone1 ordinal: " + cone1.ordinal());
     System.out.println ("cone1 name: " + cone1.name());
continued
```

System.out.println (); System.out.println ("cone2 value: " + cone2); System.out.println ("cone2 ordinal: " + cone2.ordinal()); System.out.println ("cone2 name: " + cone2.name()); cone3 = cone1; System.out.println (); System.out.println ("cone3 value: " + cone3); System.out.println ("cone3 ordinal: " + cone3.ordinal()); System.out.println ("cone3 name: " + cone3.name()); }

Output continued cone1 value: rockyRoad System.out.prin cone1 ordinal: 5 System.out.prin cone1 name: rockyRoad 2.ordinal()); System.out.prin cone2 value: chocolate System.out.prin hame()); cone2 ordinal: 1 cone2 name: chocolate cone3 = cone1;cone3 value: rockyRoad System.out.priz cone3 ordinal: 5 System.out.prim cone3 name: rockyRoad System.out.prin 23.ordinal()); System.out.println ("cone3 name: " + cone3.name());

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Wrapper Classes

• The java.lang package contains wrapper classes that correspond to each primitive type:

Primitive Type	Wrapper Class
byte	Byte
short	Short
int	Integer
long	Long
float	Float
double	Double
char	Character
boolean	Boolean

Wrapper Classes

• The following declaration creates an Integer object which represents the integer 40 as an object

```
Integer age = new Integer (40);
```

- An object of a wrapper class can be used in any situation where a primitive value will not suffice
- For example, some objects serve as containers of other objects
- Primitive values could not be stored in such containers, but wrapper objects could be

Wrapper Classes

- Wrapper classes also contain static methods that help manage the associated type
- For example, the Integer class contains a method to convert an integer stored in a String to an int value:

```
num = Integer.parseInt(str);
```

- They often contain useful constants as well
- For example, the Integer class contains
 MIN_VALUE and MAX_VALUE which hold the
 smallest and largest int values

Autoboxing

 Autoboxing is the automatic conversion of a primitive value to a corresponding wrapper object:

```
Integer obj;
int num = 42;
obj = num;
```

- The assignment creates the appropriate Integer object
- The reverse conversion (called unboxing) also occurs automatically as needed

Quick Check

Are the following assignments valid? Explain.

```
Double value = 15.75;
```

```
Character ch = new Character('T');
char myChar = ch;
```

Quick Check

Are the following assignments valid? Explain.

```
Double value = 15.75;
```

Yes. The double literal is autoboxed into a Double object.

```
Character ch = new Character('T');
char myChar = ch;
```

Yes, the char in the object is unboxed before the assignment.

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Graphical Applications

- Except for the applets seen in Chapter 2, the example programs we've explored thus far have been text-based
- They are called command-line applications, which interact with the user using simple text prompts
- Let's examine some Java applications that have graphical components
- These components will serve as a foundation to programs that have true graphical user interfaces (GUIs)

GUI Components

- A GUI component is an object that represents a screen element such as a button or a text field
- GUI-related classes are defined primarily in the java.awt and the javax.swing packages
- The Abstract Windowing Toolkit (AWT) was the original Java GUI package
- The Swing package provides additional and more versatile components
- Both packages are needed to create a Java GUIbased program

GUI Containers

- A GUI container is a component that is used to hold and organize other components
- A frame is a container displayed as a separate window with a title bar
- It can be repositioned and resized on the screen as needed
- A panel is a container that cannot be displayed on its own but is used to organize other components
- A panel must be added to another container (like a frame or another panel) to be displayed

GUI Containers

- A GUI container can be classified as either heavyweight or lightweight
- A heavyweight container is one that is managed by the underlying operating system
- A lightweight container is managed by the Java program itself
- Occasionally this distinction is important
- A frame is a heavyweight container and a panel is a lightweight container

Labels

- A label is a GUI component that displays a line of text and/or an image
- Labels are usually used to display information or identify other components in the interface
- Let's look at a program that organizes two labels in a panel and displays that panel in a frame
- This program is not interactive, but the frame can be repositioned and resized
- See Authority.java

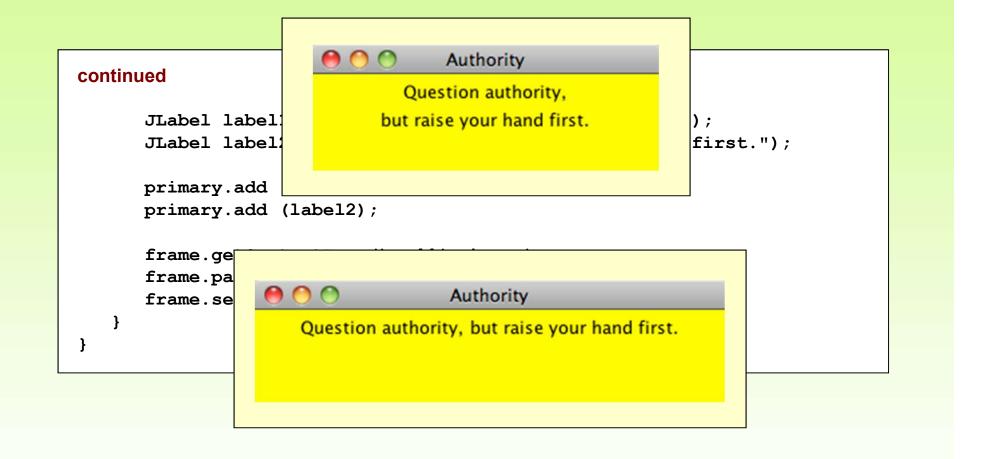
```
//*********************
   Authority.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
   Demonstrates the use of frames, panels, and labels.
//*********************
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;
public class Authority
  // Displays some words of wisdom.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     JFrame frame = new JFrame ("Authority");
     frame.setDefaultCloseOperation (JFrame.EXIT ON CLOSE);
     JPanel primary = new JPanel();
     primary.setBackground (Color.yellow);
     primary.setPreferredSize (new Dimension(250, 75));
continued
```

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JLabel label1 = new JLabel ("Question authority,");
 JLabel label2 = new JLabel ("but raise your hand first.");

primary.add (label1);
 primary.add (label2);

frame.getContentPane().add(primary);
 frame.pack();
 frame.setVisible(true);
}
```

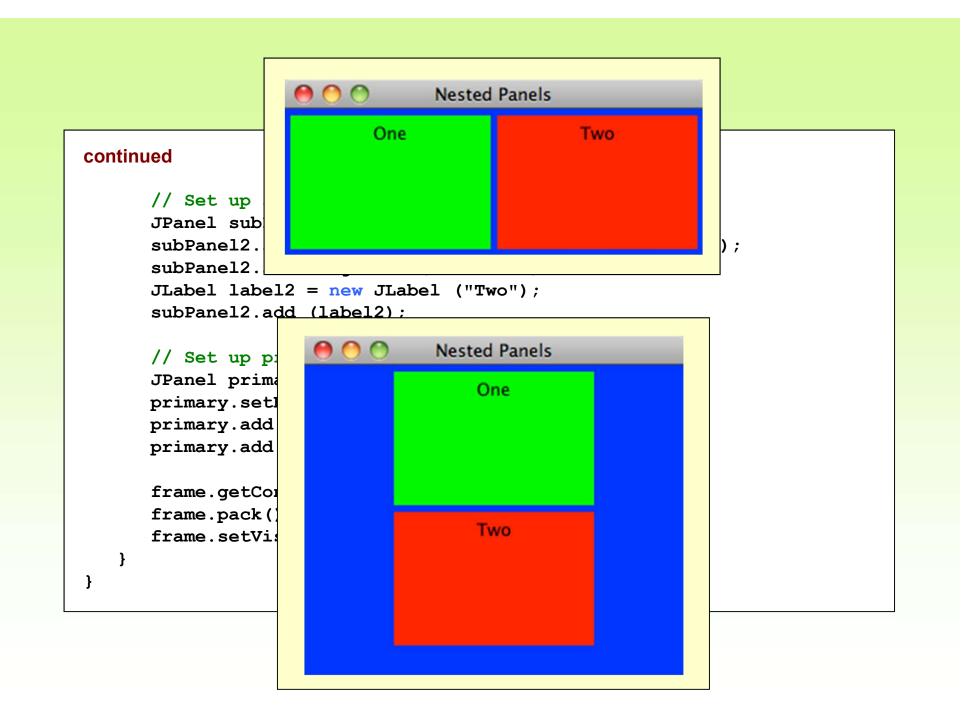


Nested Panels

- Containers that contain other components make up the containment hierarchy of an interface
- This hierarchy can be as intricate as needed to create the visual effect desired
- The following example nests two panels inside a third panel – note the effect this has as the frame is resized
- See NestedPanels.java

```
//***********************
   NestedPanels.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
   Demonstrates a basic component hierarchy.
//**********************
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;
public class NestedPanels
{
  // Presents two colored panels nested within a third.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     JFrame frame = new JFrame ("Nested Panels");
     frame.setDefaultCloseOperation (JFrame.EXIT ON CLOSE);
     // Set up first subpanel
     JPanel subPanel1 = new JPanel();
     subPanel1.setPreferredSize (new Dimension(150, 100));
     subPanel1.setBackground (Color.green);
     JLabel label1 = new JLabel ("One");
     subPanel1.add (label1);
continued
```

continued // Set up second subpanel JPanel subPanel2 = new JPanel(); subPanel2.setPreferredSize (new Dimension(150, 100)); subPanel2.setBackground (Color.red); JLabel label2 = new JLabel ("Two"); subPanel2.add (label2); // Set up primary panel JPanel primary = new JPanel(); primary.setBackground (Color.blue); primary.add (subPanel1); primary.add (subPanel2); frame.getContentPane().add(primary); frame.pack(); frame.setVisible(true);



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- Images can be displayed in a Java program in various ways
- As we've seen, a JLabel object can be used to display a line of text
- It can also be used to display an image
- That is, a label can be composed of text, an image, or both at the same time

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- The ImageIcon class is used to represent the image that is stored in a label
- If text is also included, the position of the text relative to the image can be set explicitly
- The alignment of the text and image within the label can be set as well
- See LabelDemo.java

```
//***********************
   LabelDemo.java Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
   Demonstrates the use of image icons in labels.
//*********************
import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;
public class LabelDemo
  // Creates and displays the primary application frame.
  public static void main (String[] args)
     JFrame frame = new JFrame ("Label Demo");
     frame.setDefaultCloseOperation (JFrame.EXIT ON CLOSE);
     ImageIcon icon = new ImageIcon ("devil.gif");
     JLabel label1, label2, label3;
     label1 = new JLabel ("Devil Left", icon, SwingConstants.CENTER);
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label2 = new JLabel ("Devil Right", icon, SwingConstants.CENTER);
     label2.setHorizontalTextPosition (SwingConstants.LEFT);
     label2.setVerticalTextPosition (SwingConstants.BOTTOM);
     label3 = new JLabel ("Devil Above", icon, SwingConstants.CENTER);
     label3.setHorizontalTextPosition (SwingConstants.CENTER);
     label3.setVerticalTextPosition (SwingConstants.BOTTOM);
     JPanel panel = new JPanel();
     panel.setBackground (Color.cyan);
     panel.setPreferredSize (new Dimension (200, 250));
     panel.add (label1);
     panel.add (label2);
     panel.add (label3);
     frame.getContentPane().add(panel);
     frame.pack();
     frame.setVisible(true);
}
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Summary

- Chapter 3 focused on:
 - object creation and object references
 - the String class and its methods
 - the Java standard class library
 - the Random and Math classes
 - formatting output
 - enumerated types
 - wrapper classes
 - graphical components and containers
 - labels and images