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    private final Object[] e
                    = new Object[1000000];
    private int pe = -1;
    private int po = 0;
    public void a(Object x) {
        e[po++] = x;
    public Object b() {
        return e[pe++];
```

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Attempt 2: A hint...
public static final class Queue {
    private final Object[] myValues
                     = new Object[BIG VALUE];
    private int myHead = -1;
    private int myTail = 0;
    public void enqueue(Object x) {
        mvValues[mvTail++] = x;
    public Object dequeue() {
        return myValues[myHead++];
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# A bug fixed

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#### Hints

- $\triangleright$  a << s = a \* 2<sup>s</sup> bitwise shift left
- ightharpoonup a >> s = a / 2<sup>s</sup> bitwise shift right
- ▶ 0x<DIGITS> hexadecimal number
- ▶ 0<DIGITS> octal number

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# Coding Conventions for Java

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## Sun's CCJ

# "Code Conventions for Java<sup>TM</sup> Programming Language"

http://java.sun.com/docs/codeconv/

- ▶ A "standard" provided by the Sun Microsystems
- ▶ Reflects the opinion of the creators of the language
- Adopted by many projects

# Naming Conventions: Types and Methods

#### Classes and Interfaces

- Class name is most likely a noun phrase
- Written in CamelCase
  - MyFavouriteClass
- ▶ [Not in CCJ]: Interface names are prefixed with "I": IModel

#### Methods

- Method name is most likely a verb phrase
- ▶ Starts with a lower case letter, then CamelCase
  - doTheJob()
- Common prefixes "get", "is", "set"



# Naming Conventions: Variables and Constants

### Variables: fields, local variables, parameters

- ▶ Starts with a lower case letter, then CamelCase
  - counter, firstOccurrence
- ▶ Names should never start with "\$" or "\_"
- ► [Not in CCJ]: field names are prefixed with "my"

### Constants: **static final**, normally **public**

- ▶ Uppercase letters, words separated by underscores "\_"
  - ▶ THE\_CONSTANT

# Naming Conventions: Packages

### **Packages**

- ▶ Only lowercase ASCII letters
- Starts with a unique domain name (reversed)
  - org.eclipse.emf.ecore

### Declaration Order: Elements of a Class

## Only one top-level class should be declared in a file

#### Order of elements in a class

- 1. Nested classes
- 2. Static fields
- 3. Static methods
- 4. Constructors
- Instance fields
- 6. Instance methods

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```
int b = 5;
while (b > 0) {
   A = new A();
   if (a.getV(b) > 10) { if (a > 10) {
       C++;
```

## Safe

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int b = 5;
while (b > 0) {
    int a = b * b;
        C++;
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# Declaration Order: Declaring Arrays

### Brackets are put after the element type

```
Bad Good int a[] = 1, 2, 3; int[] a = 1, 2, 3;
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  int a = (int) doubleValue;
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    && (b > c)
    && (c > d)) {
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    ...
}
```

### **Conditional Operator**

```
Single if:
if (condition) {
if (condition) {
} else {
```

```
"Cascade" if:
if (condition1) {
} else if (condition2) {
} else {
}
```

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- We cannot use switch:

```
if (a > b) {
...
} else if (a < b) {
...
} else if (a == b) {
...
}</pre>
```

#### Switch

```
switch (condition) {
case ABC:
    statements;
    /* falls through */
case DEF:
    statements;
    break;
case XYZ:
    statements;
    break;
default:
    statements;
    break;
```

#### Loops

```
Precondition:
while (condition) {
    // ...
Postcondition:
do {
  // ...
} while (
                           );
For:
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {</pre>
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### Do NOT Use Expressions with Side-Effects

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Very Bad
if (a = b) {
Bad
int a = b[c++];
```

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#### The STRONGLY Recommended Book

