

11/20/22

Core Java - chapter 3 Sections 3.3.1 + 3.3.2

3.3.1 Continued

advice:
use int

Use int in most cases.
Short & byte are for specialized applications or where space is at a premium,
e.g. large arrays
Use long if you need the extended range

integer
literals

Long suffix = L or l
Hex prefix 0x or 0X
Octal prefix 0 → few people use these b/c confusing
Binary 0b or 0B

underscores in
literals

underscores in integer literals are ignored, e.g. 1_000
just for readability

no unsigned
types

Java does ~~not~~ have unsigned versions of integer types.

working with
signed as
unsigned

unsigned: can treat integral types as unsigned

addition
subtraction
multiplication
division } these will work
unless overflow or underflow
occurs

For other operations, call Byte.toUnsignedInt(b), then process it,
then cast it back to byte.

Integer and Long classes have methods for unsigned division + remainder

3.3.2 Floating point types

floats
range/storage

Type	Storage Requirement	Range
float	4 bytes	Approx $\pm 3.40282347 \times 10^{38}$ (6-7 significant decimal digits)
double	8 bytes	Approx $\pm 1.79769313486231570 \times 10^{308}$ (15 significant decimal digits)

Advice:
which should
I use?

Use float only if you are using a library that requires them or you need to
store a lot of them. Otherwise, double.

literals: suffix f or F for floats. Otherwise doubles are assumed, but you
can explicitly use d or D.

carry over exercises: write a program that returns 2
Put multiple classes in the same file. Is it allowed if at least 1 class matches filename? What if the other classes
are private?