# Java Programming Tutorial Introduction to Java Programming (for Novices & First-Time Programmers)

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# 1. Getting Started - Write your First Hello-world Java Program

You should have already installed Java Development Kit (JDK). Otherwise, Read "How to Install JDK and Get Started with Java Programming".

Let us begin by writing our first Java program that prints a message "Hello, world!" to the display console, as follows:

```
Hello, world!
```

Step 1: Write the Source Code: Enter the following source codes using a programming text editor (such as TextPad or NotePad++ for Windows or gedit for UNIX/Lunix/Mac) or an Interactive Development Environment (IDE) (such as Edipse or Netbeans - Read the respective "How-To" article on how to install and get started with these IDEs).

Do not enter the line numbers (on the left panel), which were added to help in the explanation. Save the source file as "Hello.java". A Java source file should be saved with a file extension of ".java". The filename shall be the same as the classname - in this case "Hello".

```
2
    * First Java program, which says "Hello, world!"
  public class Hello { // Save as "Hello.java"
5
     public static void main(String[] args) {
         System.out.println("Hello, world!"); // print message
```

Step 2: Compile the Source Code: Compile the source code "Hello.java" into portable bytecode "Hello.class" using JDK compiler "javac". Start a CMD Shell (Windows) or Terminal (UNIX/Lunix/Mac) and issue this command:

```
prompt> javac Hello.java
```

where <code>javac</code> is the name of JDK compiler.

There is no need to explicitly compile the source code under IDEs (such as Eclipse or NetBeans), as they perform incremental compilation implicitly.

Step 3: Run the Program: Run the program using Java Runtime "java", by issuing this command:

```
prompt> java Hello
Hello, world!
```

On IDEs (such as Eclipse or NetBeans), right-click on the source file and choose "Run As..." ⇒ "Java Application".

## **Brief Explanation of the Program**

```
/* ..... */
// ... until the end of the line
```

These are called *comments*. Comments are NOT executable and are ignored by the compiler. But they provide useful explanation and documentation to your readers (and to yourself three days later). There are two kinds of comments:

- 1. Multi-line Comment: begins with /\* and ends with \*/, and may span more than one lines (as in Lines 1-3).
- 2. End-of-line Comment: begins with // and lasts until the end of the current line (as in Lines 4 and 6).

```
public class Hello { ..... }
```

The basic unit of a Java program is a class. A class called "Hello" is defined via the keyword "class" in Lines 4-8. The {...} is the body of the class. The keyword public will be discussed later.

In Java, the name of the source file must be the same as the name of the public class with a mandatory file extension of ".java". Hence, this file

```
MUST be saved as "Hello.java".
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) { ..... }
```

Lines 5-7 defines the so-called main() *method*, which is the starting point, or *entry point* for program execution. The {...} is the body of the method which contains programming statements.

```
System.out.println("Hello, world!");
```

In Line 6, the statement System.out.println("Hello, world!") is used to print the message string "Hello, world!" to the display console. A string is surrounded by a pair of double quotes and contain texts. The text will be printed as it is, without the double quotes.

# 2. Java Terminology and Syntax

**Statement**: A programming *statement* performs a piece of programming action. It must be terminated by a semi-colon (;) (just like an English sentence is ended with a period) as in Lines 6.

**Block**: A *block* is a group of programming statements enclosed by braces { }. This group of statements is treated as one single unit. There are two blocks in this program. One contains the *body* of the class Hello. The other contains the *body* of the main() method. There is no need to put a semi-colon after the closing brace.

**Comments:** A multi-line comment begins with /\* and ends with \*/. An end-of-line comment begins with // and lasts till the end of the line. Comments are NOT executable statements and are ignored by the compiler. But they provide useful explanation and documentation. *Use comments liberally*.

**Whitespaces**: Blank, tab, and newline are collectively called *whitespace*. Extra whitespaces are ignored, i.e., only one whitespace is needed to separate the tokens. But they could help you and your readers better understand your program. *Use extra whitespaces liberally*.

Case Sensitivity: Java is case sensitive - a ROSE is NOT a Rose, and is NOT a rose. The filename is also case-sensitive.

# 3. Java Program Template

You can use the following *template* to write your Java programs. Choose a meaningful "*Classname*" that reflects the *purpose* of your program, and write your programming statements inside the body of the main() method. Don't worry about the other terms and keywords now. I will explain them in due course.

```
public class Classname {    // Choose a meaningful Classname. Save as "Classname.java"
public static void main(String[] args) {
    // Your programming statements here!
}
```

## 4. Printing via System.out.println() and System.out.print()

You can use System.out.println() or System.out.print() to print message to the display console:

- System.out.println(aString) (Print-Line) prints the given aString, and brings the cursor to the beginning of the next line.
- System.out.print(aString) prints aString but places the cursor after the printed string.

Try the following program and explain the output produced:

```
/* Test System.out.println() and System.out.print() */
    public class PrintTest {      // Save as "PrintTest.java"
2
     public static void main(String[] args) {
3
         System.out.println("Hello, world!"); // Advance the cursor to the beginning of next line after printing
4
5
         System.out.println();
                                              // Print a empty line
          System.out.print("Hello, world!"); // Cursor stayed after the printed string
6
          System.out.println("Hello,");
         System.out.print(" ");
                                              // Print a space
9
         System.out.print("world!");
10
          System.out.println("Hello, world!");
11
       }
12 }
```

```
Hello, world!

Hello, world!Hello,

world!Hello, world!
```

## **Exercises**

1. Print each of the following patterns. Use one System.out.println(...) statement for each line of outputs.

# 5. Let's Write a Program to Add a Few Numbers

Let us write a program to add five integers as follows:

```
* Sum five numbers and print the result
2
3
    4
      public static void main(String[] args) {
6
         int number1 = 11; // Declare 5 int variables to hold 5 integers
         int number2 = 22;
8
         int number3 = 33;
9
         int number 4 = 44;
10
         int number 5 = 55;
        int sum;
                          // Declare an int variable called sum to hold the sum
11
12
        sum = number1 + number2 + number3 + number4 + number5;
         System.out.print("The sum is "); // Print a descriptive string
1.3
14
                                        // Print the value stored in sum
         System.out.println(sum);
15
16
```

The sum is 165

```
int number1 = 11;
int number2 = 22;
int number3 = 33;
int number4 = 44;
int number5 = 55;
```

declare five int (integer) variables called number1, number2, number3, number4, and number5; and assign values of 11, 22, 33, 44 and 55 to the variables, respectively, via the so-called assignment operator '='. You could also declare many variables in one statement, separating with commas, e.g.,

```
int number1 = 11, number2 = 22, number3 = 33, number4 = 44, number5 = 55;
```

int sum;

declares an int (integer) variable called sum, without assigning an initial value.

```
sum = number1 + number2 + number3 + number4 + number5;
```

computes the sum of number1 to number5 and assign the result to the variable sum. The symbol '+' denotes arithmetic addition, just like Mathematics.

```
System.out.print("The sum is ");
System.out.println(sum);
```

Line 13 prints a descriptive string. A String is surrounded by double quotes, and will be printed as it is (but without the double quotes). Line 14 prints the value stored in the variable sum (in this case, the sum of the five numbers). You should not surround a variable to be printed by double quotes; otherwise, the text will get printed instead of the value stored in the variable.

## Exercise

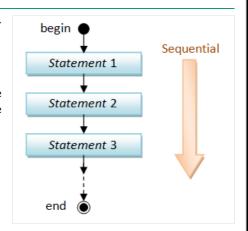
1. Modify the above program to print the product of 5 integers. Use a variable called product to hold the product, and \* for multiplication.

# 6. What is a Program?

A *program* is a *sequence of instructions* (called *programming statements*), executing one after another - usually in a *sequential* manner, as illustrated in the following flow chart.

## **Example**

The following program prints the area and perimeter of a circle, given its radius. Take note that the programming statements are executed sequentially - one after another in the order that they are written.



```
public class CircleComputation {    // Saved as "CircleComputation.java"
 4
       public static void main(String[] args) {
 5
 6
          // Declare variables
          double radius, area, circumference;
 8
          final double PI = 3.14159265;
 9
10
          // Assign a value to radius
          radius = 1.2;
11
12
13
          // Compute area and circumference
14
           area = radius * radius * PI;
          circumference = 2.0 * radius * PI;
15
16
17
          // Print results
          System.out.print("The radius is "); // Print description
18
19
                                                // Print the value stored in the variable
          System.out.println(radius);
20
          System.out.print("The area is ");
21
           System.out.println(area);
22
          System.out.print("The circumference is ");
23
          System.out.println(circumference);
24
25
    }
```

```
The radius is 1.2
The area is 4.523893416
The circumference is 7.539822360000005
```

## double radius, area, circumference;

declare three double variables radius, area and circumference. A double variable can hold real numbers (or floating-point numbers, with an optional fractional part).

```
final double PI = 3.14159265;
```

declare a double variables called PI and assign a value. PI is declared final, i.e., its value cannot be changed.

```
radius = 1.2;
```

assigns a value to the variable radius.

```
area = radius * radius * PI;
circumference = 2.0 * radius * PI;
```

compute the area and circumference, based on the radius.

```
System.out.print("The radius is ");
System.out.println(radius);
System.out.print("The area is ");
System.out.println(area);
System.out.print("The circumference is ");
System.out.println(circumference);
```

print the results with proper descriptions.

Take note that the programming statements inside the main() are executed one after another, in a sequential manner.

## **Exercises**

- 1. Follow the above example, write a program (called RectangleComputation) to print the area and perimeter of a rectangle, given its length and width in doubles.
- 2. Follow the above example, write a program (called CylinderComputation) to print the surface area and volume of a cylinder, given its radius and height in doubles.

## 7. What is a Variable?

Computer programs manipulate (or process) data. A *variable* is used to store a piece of data for processing. It is called *variable* because you can change the value stored.

More precisely, a *variable* is a *named* storage location, that stores a *value* of a particular data *type*. In other words, a *variable* has a *name*, a *type* and stores a *value* of that type.

- A variable has a *name* (or *identifier*), e.g., radius, area, age, height. The name is needed to uniquely identify each variable, so as to assign a value to the variable (e.g., radius=1.2), and retrieve the value stored (e.g., radius\*radius\*3.1416).
- A variable has a *type*. Examples of *type* are:
  - int: for integers (whole numbers) such as 123 and -456;
  - double: for floating-point or real numbers, such as 3.1416, -55.66, 7.8e9, -1.2e3.4 having an optional decimal point and fractional part, in fixed or scientific notations;

- String: for texts such as "Hello", "Good Morning!". Text strings are enclosed within a pair of double quotes.
- A variable can store a value of that particular type. It is important to take note that a variable in most programming languages is associated with a type, and can only store value of the particular type. For example, a int variable can store an integer value such as 123, but NOT real number such as 12.34, nor texts such as "Hello". The concept of type was introduced into the early programming languages to simplify intrepretation of data.

The following diagram illustrates three types of variables: int, double and String. An int variable stores an integer (whole number). A double variable stores a real number. A String variable stores texts.



A variable has a name, stores a value of the declared type.

To use a variable, you need to first *declare* its *name* and *type*, in one of the following syntaxes:

#### Take note that:

- Each declaration statement is terminated with a semi-colon (;).
- In multiple-variable declaration, the names are separated by commas (, ).
- The symbol =, known as the assignment operator, can be used to assign an initial value (of the declared type) to the variable.

## For example,

Once a variable is declared, you can assign and re-assign a value to the variable, via the so-called assignment operator '='. For example,

```
// Declare a variable named "number" of the type "int" (integer).
int number:
                // Assign an integer value of 99 to the variable "number".
number = 99;
number = 88;
                      // Re-assign a value of 88 to "number".
number = number + 1; \hspace{0.2in} // \hspace{0.2in} \texttt{Evaluate "number + 1", and assign the result back to "number"}.
                      // Declare an int variable named "sum" and assign an initial value of 0.
int sum = 0;
sum = sum + number; // Evaluate "sum + number", and assign the result back to "sum", i.e. add number into sum.
int num1 = 5, num2 = 6;
                         // Declare and initialize two int variables in one statement, separated by a comma.
double radius = 1.5; // Declare a variable name "radius", and initialize to 1.5.
                      // ERROR: A variable named "number" has already been declared.
int number;
sum = 55.66;
                      // ERROR: The variable "sum" is an int. It cannot be assigned a floating-point number.
sum = "Hello":
                      // ERROR: The variable "sum" is an int. It cannot be assigned a text string.
```

## Take note that:

- Each variable can only be declared once. (You cannot have two houses with the same address.)
- You can declare a variable anywhere inside the program, as long as it is declared before it is being used.
- Once the *type* of a variable is declared, it can only store a value of this particular *type*. For example, an int variable can hold only integer such as 123, and NOT floating-point number such as -2.17 or text string such as "Hello".
- The type of a variable cannot be changed inside the program, once declared.

I have shown your two data types in the above example: int for integer and double for floating-point number (or real number). Take note that in programming, int and double are two *distinct* types and special caution must be taken when *mixing* them in an operation, which shall be explained later.

## x=x+1?

Assignment (=) in programming is different from equality in Mathematics. e.g., "x=x+1" is invalid in Mathematics. However, in programming, it means

compute the value of x plus 1, and assign the result back to variable x.

"x+y=1" is valid in Mathematics, but is invalid in programming. In programming, the RHS of "=" has to be evaluted to a value; while the LHS shall be a variable. That is, evaluate the RHS first, then assign to LHS.

Some languages uses := as the assignment operator to avoid confusion with equality.

# 8. Basic Arithmetic Operations

The basic arithmetic operations are:

Operator	Meaning	Example
+	Addition	х + у
-	Subtraction	х - у
*	Multiplication	х * у
/	Division	х / у
%	Modulus (Remainder)	х % у
++	Increment by 1 (Unary)	++x or x++
	Decrement by 1 (Unary)	x or x

Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and remainder are *binary operators* that take two operands (e.g.,  $\times$  +  $\times$ ); while negation (e.g.,  $-\times$ ), increment and decrement (e.g.,  $\times$ ++,  $--\times$ ) are *unary operators* that take only one operand.

## **Example**

The following program illustrates these arithmetic operations:

```
* Test Arithmetic Operations
 2
 3
    public class ArithmeticTest {
                                      // Save as "ArithmeticTest.java"
 4
 5
       public static void main(String[] args) {
 6
           int number1 = 98;
                                  // Declare an int variable number1 and initialize it to 98
 8
          int number2 = 5;
                                // Declare an int variable number2 and initialize it to 5
9
          int sum, difference, product, quotient, remainder; // Declare five int variables to hold results
10
          // Perform arithmetic Operations
11
          sum = number1 + number2;
12
13
          difference = number1 - number2;
14
          product = number1 * number2;
          quotient = number1 / number2;
15
16
          remainder = number1 % number2;
17
          // Print results
18
          System.out.print("The sum, difference, product, quotient and remainder of "); // Print description
19
2.0
          System.out.print(number1);
                                         // Print the value of the variable
21
           System.out.print(" and ");
22
          System.out.print(number2);
23
          System.out.print(" are ");
24
           System.out.print(sum);
25
          System.out.print(", ");
26
          System.out.print(difference);
2.7
          System.out.print(", ");
28
           System.out.print(product);
29
          System.out.print(", ");
          System.out.print(quotient);
30
31
           System.out.print(", and ");
32
           System.out.println(remainder);
33
34
           ++number1; // Increment the value stored in the variable "number1" by 1
35
                       // Same as "number1 = number1 + 1"
36
           --number2; // Decrement the value stored in the variable "number2" by 1
37
                       // Same as "number2 = number2 - 1"
            \textit{System.out.println("number1 after increment is " + number1); } \textit{// Print description and variable } \\
38
           System.out.println("number2 after decrement is " + number2);
39
40
           quotient = number1 / number2;
41
           System.out.println("The new quotient of " + number1 + " and " + number2
42
                + " is " + quotient);
43
```

```
The sum, difference, product, quotient and remainder of 98 and 5 are 103, 93, 490, 19, and 3 number1 after increment is 99 number2 after decrement is 4
The new quotient of 99 and 4 is 24
```

## **Disecting the Program**

```
int number1 = 98;
int number2 = 5;
int sum, difference, product, quotient, remainder;
declare all the int (integer) variables number1, number2, sum, difference, product, quotient, and remainder, needed in this program.

sum = number1 + number2;
difference = number1 - number2;
product = number1 * number2;
quotient = number1 / number2;
remainder = number1 / number2;
carry out the arithmetic operations on number1 and number2. Take note that division of two integers produces a truncated integer, e.g., 98/5 → 19,
99/4 → 24, and 1/2 → 0.

System.out.print("The sum, difference, product, quotient and remainder of ");
.....
```

prints the results of the arithmetic operations, with the appropriate string descriptions in between. Take note that text strings are enclosed within double-quotes, and will get printed as they are, including the white spaces (but without the double quotes). To print the *value* stored in a variable, no double quotes should be used. For example,

```
System.out.println("sum");  // Print text string "sum" - as it is
System.out.println(sum);  // Print the value stored in variable sum, e.g., 98
++number1;
--number2;
```

illustrate the increment and decrement operations. Unlike '+', '-', '\*', '/' and '%', which work on two operands (*binary operators*), '++' and '--' operate on only one operand (*unary operators*). ++x is equivalent to x = x + 1, i.e., increment x by 1. You may place the increment operator before or after the operand, i.e., ++x (pre-increment) or x++ (post-increment). In this example, the effects of pre-increment and post-increment are the same. I shall point out the differences in later section.

```
System.out.println("number1 after increment is " + number1);
System.out.println("number2 after decrement is " + number2);
```

print the new values stored after the increment/decrement operations. Take note that instead of using many print() statements as in Lines 17-30, we could simply place all the items (text strings and variables) into one println(), with the items separated by '+'. In this case, '+' does not perform addition. Instead, it concatenates or joins all the items together.

## **Exercises**

- 1. Combining Lines 19-32 into one single println() statement, using '+' to concatenate all the items together.
- 2. Introduce one more int variable called number3, and assign it an integer value of 77. Compute and print the *sum* and *product* of all the three numbers.
- 3. In Mathematics, we could omit the multiplication sign in an arithmetic expression, e.g., x = 5a + 4b. In programming, you need to explicitly provide all the operators, i.e., x = 5\*a + 4\*b. Try printing the sum of 31 times of number1 and 17 times of number2 and 87 time of number3.

# 9. What If Your Need To Add a Thousand Numbers? Use a Loop

Suppose that you want to add all the integers from 1 to 1000. If you follow the previous example, you would require a thousand-line program! Instead, you could use a so-called *loop* in your program to perform a *repetitive* task, that is what the computer is good at.

## **Example**

Try the following program, which sums all the integers from a lowerbound (=1) to an upperbound (=1000) using a so-called while-loop.

```
2
     * Sum from a lowerbound to an upperbound using a while-loop
3
4
    public class RunningNumberSum { // Save as "RunningNumberSum.java"
5
       public static void main(String[] args) {
                                  // Store the lowerbound
          int lowerbound = 1;
7
          int upperbound = 1000; // Store the upperbound
8
                         // Declare an int variable "sum" to accumulate the numbers
                         // Set the initial sum to 0
10
          // Use a while-loop to repeatitively sum from the lowerbound to the upperbound
11
          int number = lowerbound;
12
          while (number <= upperbound) {
13
             sum = sum + number; // Accumulate number into sum
                                  // Next number
14
             ++number:
15
          // Print the result
16
17
          System.out.println("The sum from " + lowerbound + " to " + upperbound + " is " + sum);
```

## **Dissecting the Program**

```
int lowerbound = 1;
int upperbound = 1000;
```

declare two int variables to hold the upperbound and lowerbound, respectively.

```
int sum = 0;
```

declares an int variable to hold the sum. This variable will be used to accumulate numbers over the steps in the repetitive loop, and thus initialized to 0

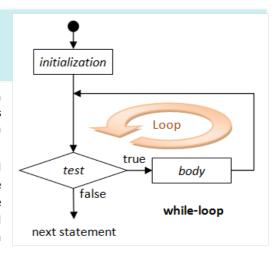
```
int number = lowerbound;
while (number <= upperbound) {
   sum = sum + number;
   ++number;
}</pre>
```

This is the so-called *while-loop*. A *while-loop* takes the following syntax:

```
initialization-statement;
while (test) {
   loop-body;
}
next-statement;
```

As illustrated in the flow chart, the *initialization* statement is first executed. The *test* is then checked. If the *test* is true, the *body* is executed. The *test* is checked again and the process repeats until the *test* is false. When the *test* is false, the loop completes and program execution continues to the *next statement* after the loop.

In our program, the *initialization* statement declares an int variable named number and initializes it to lowerbound. The *test* checks if number is equal to or less than the upperbound. If it is true, the current value of number is added into the sum, and the statement ++number increases the value of number by 1. The *test* is then checked again and the process repeats until the *test* is false (i.e., number increases to upperbound+1), which causes the loop to terminate. Execution then continues to the next statement (in Line 23).



In this example, the loop repeats upperbound-lowerbound+1 times. After the loop is completed, Line 17 prints the result with a proper description.

```
System.out.println("The sum from " + lowerbound + " to " + upperbound + " is " + sum); prints the results.
```

## **Exercises**

- 1. Modify the above program to sum all the numbers from 9 to 888. (*Ans*: 394680.)
- 2. Modify the above program to sum all the *odd* numbers between 1 to 1000. (*Hint*: Change the *post-processing* statement to "number = number + 2". *Ans*: 250000)
- 3. Modify the above program to sum all the numbers between 1 to 1000 that are divisible by 7. (*Hint*: Modify the initialization and post-processing statements. *Ans*: 71071.)
- 4. Modify the above program to find the sum of the square of all the numbers from 1 to 100, i.e. 1\*1 + 2\*2 + 3\*3 +... (Ans. 338350.)
- 5. Modify the above program (called RunningNumberProduct) to compute the *product* of all the numbers from 1 to 10. (*Hint*: Use a variable called product instead of sum and initialize product to 1. *Ans*: 3628800.)

# 10. Conditional (or Decision)

What if you want to sum all the odd numbers and also all the even numbers between 1 and 1000? There are many ways to do this. You could declare two variables: sumOdd and sumEven. You can then use a *conditional statement* to check whether the number is odd or even, and accumulate the number into the respective sums. The program is as follows:

```
11
              if (number % 2 == 0) { // Even
12
                sumEven += number; // Same as sumEven = sumEven + number
13
              } else {
                                     // Odd
14
                sumOdd += number;
                                    // Same as sumOdd = sumOdd + number
1.5
16
              ++number; // Next number
17
18
           // Print the result
           System.out.println("The sum of odd numbers from " + lowerbound + " to " + upperbound + " is " + sumOdd);
19
20
           System.out.println("The sum of even numbers from " + lowerbound + " to " + upperbound + " is " + sumEven);
           System.out.println("The difference between the two sums is " + (sumOdd - sumEven));
21
2.3
24
```

```
The sum of odd numbers from 1 to 1000 is 250000
The sum of even numbers from 1 to 1000 is 250500
The difference between the two sums is -500
```

## **Dissecting the Program**

```
int lowerbound = 1, upperbound = 1000;
```

declares the upperbound and lowerbound for the loop.

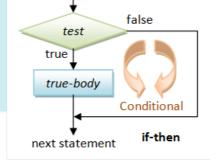
```
int sumOdd = 0;
int sumEven = 0;
```

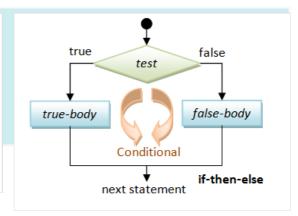
declare two int variables named sumodd and sumEven and initialize them to 0, for accumulating the odd and even numbers, respectively.

```
if (number % 2 == 0) {
    sumEven = sumEven + number;
} else {
    sumOdd = sumOdd + number;
}
```

This is a *conditional statement*. The conditional statement can take one these forms: *if-then* or *if-then-else*.

```
// if-then
if ( test ) {
    true-body;
}
// if-then-else
if ( test ) {
    true-body;
} else {
    false-body;
}
```





For a *if-then* statement, the *true-body* is executed if the *test* is true. Otherwise, nothing is done and the execution continues to the next statement. For a *if-*

*then-else* statement, the *true-body* is executed if the *test* is true; otherwise, the *false-body* is executed. Execution is then continued to the next statement.

In our program, we use the *remainder operator* (%) to compute the remainder of number divides by 2. We then compare the remainder with 0 to test for even number.

## **Comparison Operators**

There are six comparison (or relational) operators:

Operator	Meaning	Example
==	Equal to	х == у
!=	Not equal to	x != y
>	Greater than	х > у
>=	Greater than or equal to	x >= y
<	Less than	х < у
<=	Less than or equal to	х <= у

Take note that the comparison operator for equality is a double-equal sign (==); whereas a single-equal sign (=) is the assignment operator.

## **Combining Simple Conditions**

Suppose that you want to check whether a number x is between 1 and 100 (inclusive), i.e., 1 <= x <= 100. There are two *simple conditions* here, (x >= 1) AND (x <= 100). In programming, you cannot write 1 <= x <= 100, but need to write (x >= 1) && (x <= 100), where "&&" denotes the "AND" operator. Similarly, suppose that you want to check whether a number x is divisible by 2 OR by 3, you have to write (x % 2 == 0) | | (x % 2 == 0) | (x % 2 == 0) | (x % 2 == 0) | | (x %

```
% 3 == 0) where "||" denotes the "OR" operator.
```

There are three so-called *logical operators* that operate on the *boolean* conditions:

Operator	Meaning	Example
& &	Logical AND	(x >= 1) && (x <= 100)
П	Logical OR	$(x < 1) \mid \mid (x > 100)$
!	Logical NOT	! (x == 8)

## For examples:

#### **Exercises**

- 1. Write a program to sum all the integers between 1 and 1000, that are divisible by 13, 15 or 17, but not by 30.
- 2. Write a program to print all the leap years between AD1 and AD2010, and also print the number of leap years. (Hints: use a variable called count, which is initialized to zero. Increment the count whenever a leap year is found.)

# 11. Type double and Floating-Point Numbers

Recall that a *variable* in Java has a *name* and a *type*, and can hold a *value* of only that particular *type*. We have so far used a type called int. A int variable holds an integer, such as 123 and -456; it cannot hold a real number, such as 12.34.

In programming, real numbers such as 3.1416 and -55.66 are called *floating-point numbers*, and belong to a type called double. You can express floating-point numbers in *fixed notation* (e.g., 1.23, -4.5) or *scientific notation* (e.g., 1.2e3, -4E5.6) where e or E denote the exponent of base 10.

## **Example**

```
1 / *
     * Convert temperature between Celsius and Fahrenheit
3
    public class ConvertTemperature {
                                       // Save as "ConvertTemperature.java"
5
      public static void main(String[] args) {
         double celsius, fahrenheit;
8
          celsius = 37.5;
          fahrenheit = celsius * 9.0 / 5.0 + 32.0;
          System.out.println(celsius + " degree C is " + fahrenheit + " degree F.");
10
11
          fahrenheit = 100.0;
12
          celsius = (fahrenheit - 32.0) * 5.0 / 9.0;
13
          System.out.println(fahrenheit + " degree F is " + celsius + " degree C.");
14
15
16
17
    }
```

```
37.5 degree C is 99.5 degree F.
100.0 degree F is 37.77777777778 degree C.
```

# 12. Mixing int and double, and Type Casting

Although you can use a double to keep an integer value (e.g., double count = 5.0), you should use an int for integer, as int is far more efficient than double (e.g., in terms of running times, storage, among others).

At times, you may need both int and double in your program. For example, keeping the *sum* from 1 to 1000 as int, and their *average* as double. You need to be *extremely careful* when different types are mixed.

It is important to note that:

- Arithmetic operations ('+', '-', '\*', '/') of two int's produce an int; while arithmetic operations of two double's produce a double. Hence,  $1/2 \rightarrow 0$  and  $1.0/2.0 \rightarrow 0.5$ .
- Arithmetic operations of an int and a double produce a double. Hence,  $1.0/2 \rightarrow 0.5$  and  $1/2.0 \rightarrow 0.5$ .

You can assign an integer value to a double variable. The integer value will be converted to a double value automatically, e.g., 3 → 3.0. For example,

```
int i = 3; double d; d = i; // 3 \rightarrow 3.0, d = 3.0 d = 88; // 88 \rightarrow 88.0, d = 88.0 double nought = 0; // 0 \rightarrow 0.0; there is a subtle difference between int 0 and double 0.0
```

However, you CANNOT assign a double value directly to an int variable. This is because the *fractional* part could be lost, and the compiler signals an error in case that you were not aware. For example,

```
double d = 5.5;
int i;
i = d;    // error: possible loss of precision
i = 6.6;    // error: possible loss of precision
```

## **Type Casting Operators**

To assign an double value to an int variable, you need to explicitly invoke a type-casting operation to truncate the fractional part, as follows:

```
(new-type) expression;
```

For example,

Take note that type-casting operator, in the form of (int) or (double), applies to one operand immediately after the operator (i.e., unary operator).

Type-casting is an operation, like increment or addition, which operates on a operand and return a value (in the specified type), e.g., (int) 3.1416 takes a double value of 3.1416 and returns 3 (of type int); (double) 5 takes an int value of 5 and returns 5.0 (of type double).

## Example

Try the following program and explain the outputs produced:

```
* Find the sum and average from a lowerbound to an upperbound
3
4
    5
      public static void main(String[] args) {
6
         int lowerbound = 1, upperbound = 1000;
         7
8
9
10
         // Compute the sum (in "int")
11
         int number = lowerbound;
12
         while (number <= upperbound) {
13
           sum = sum + number;
14
            ++number;
1.5
16
         System.out.println("The sum from " + lowerbound + " to " + upperbound + " is " + sum);
17
18
         // Compute the average (in "double")
         average = sum / (upperbound - lowerbound + 1);
19
20
        System.out.println("Average 1 is " + average);
21
         average = (double)sum / (upperbound - lowerbound + 1);
22
         System.out.println("Average 2 is " + average);
23
        average = sum / 1000;
24
        System.out.println("Average 3 is " + average);
25
         average = sum / 1000.0;
        System.out.println("Average 4 is " + average);
26
27
        average = (double)(sum / 1000);
28
         System.out.println("Average 5 is " + average);
29
      }
30
   }
```

```
The sum from 1 to 1000 is 500500

Average 1 is 500.0 <== incorrect

Average 2 is 500.5

Average 3 is 500.0 <== incorrect

Average 4 is 500.5

Average 5 is 500.0 <== incorrect
```

The first average is incorrect, as int/int produces an int (of 500), which is converted to double (of 500.0) to be stored in average (of double).

For the second average, the value of sum (of int) is first converted to double. Subsequently, double/int produces a double.

For the fifth average, int/int produces an int (of 500), which is casted to double (of 500.0) and assigned to average (of double).

## **Exercises**

1. Write a program called HarmonicSeriesSum to compute the sum of a harmonic series 1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + .... + 1/n, where n = 1000. Keep the sum in a double variable, and take note that 1/2 gives 0 but 1.0/2 gives 0.5.

Try computing the sum for n=1000, 5000, 10000, 50000, 100000.

Hints:

2. Modify the above program (called GeometricSeriesSum) to compute the sum of this series: 1 + 1/2 + 1/4 + 1/8 + .... (for 1000 terms). (Hints: Use post-processing statement of denominator = denominator \* 2.)

# 13. Summary

I have presented the basics for you to get start in programming. To learn programming, you need to understand the syntaxes and features involved in the programming language that you chosen, and you have to practice, practice and practice, on as many problems as you could.

## Link TO "Java References & Resources"

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