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Introduction to Classes and Objects



Last time

- practice with Eclipse IDE (lab)
- program output
- program input
- Java's primitive types (int, double, boolean, etc.)
- control statements (if-else, for loops, etc.)



Objectives

- review: arithmetic and relational operators
- classes and objects in Java
- instance variables
- instance methods
- getters and setters



Review: Arithmetic

- **Arithmetic calculations used in most programs**
 - **Usage**
 - *** for multiplication**
 - **/ for division**
 - **% for remainder**
 - **+, -**
 - **Integer division truncates remainder**
7 / 5 evaluates to 1
 - **Remainder operator % returns the remainder**
7 % 5 evaluates to 2



Arithmetic (Cont.)

- **Operator precedence**

- Some arithmetic operators act before others (i.e., multiplication before addition)
- Use parenthesis when needed
- **Example: Find the average of three variables a, b and c**
 - Do not use: $a + b + c / 3$
 - Use: $(a + b + c) / 3$



Operator(s)	Operation(s)	Order of evaluation (precedence)
* / %	Multiplication Division Remainder	Evaluated first. If there are several operators of this type, they are evaluated from left to right.
+ -	Addition Subtraction	Evaluated next. If there are several operators of this type, they are evaluated from left to right.

Fig. 2.12 | Precedence of arithmetic operators.



Review: Relational Operators

- **if statement**
 - Simple version in this section, more detail later
- **Conditions in if statements can be either true or false**
- **Conditions can be formed using equality or relational operators (next slide)**



Standard algebraic equality or relational operator	Java equality or relational operator	Sample Java condition	Meaning of Java condition
<i>Equality operators</i>			
=	==	x == y	x is equal to y
≠	!=	x != y	x is not equal to y
<i>Relational operators</i>			
>	>	x > y	x is greater than y
<	<	x < y	x is less than y
≥	>=	x >= y	x is greater than or equal to y
≤	<=	x <= y	x is less than or equal to y

Fig. 2.14 | Equality and relational operators.



Operators				Associativity	Type
*	/	%		left to right	multiplicative
+	-			left to right	additive
<	<=	>	>=	left to right	relational
==	!=			left to right	equality
=				right to left	assignment

Fig. 2.16 | Precedence and associativity of operations discussed.



Review: Memory Concepts

- **Variables**

- **Every variable has a name, a type, a size and a value**
- **Name corresponds to location in memory**
- **When new value is placed into a variable, replaces (and destroys) previous value**
- **Reading variables from memory does not change them**



Primitive Types vs. Reference Types

- **Types in Java**

- **Primitive**

- boolean, byte, char, short, int, long, float, double

- **Reference (sometimes called nonprimitive types)**

- **Objects**
 - **Default value of null**



Java primitive data types

Table 2-1. Java primitive data types

Type	Contains	Default	Size	Range
boolean	true or false	false	1 bit	NA
char	Unicode character	\u0000	16 bits	\u0000 to \uFFFF
byte	Signed integer	0	8 bits	−128 to 127
short	Signed integer	0	16 bits	−32768 to 32767
int	Signed integer	0	32 bits	−2147483648 to 2147483647
long	Signed integer	0	64 bits	−9223372036854775808 to 9223372036854775807
float	IEEE 754 floating point	0.0	32 bits	$\pm 1.4\text{E-}45$ to $\pm 3.4028235\text{E+}38$
double	IEEE 754 floating point	0.0	64 bits	$\pm 4.9\text{E-}324$ to $\pm 1.7976931348623157\text{E+}308$



- 3.1 Introduction**
- 3.2 Classes, Objects, Methods and Instance Variables**
- 3.3 Declaring a Class with a Method and Instantiating an Object of a Class**
- 3.4 Declaring a Method with a Parameter**
- 3.5 Instance Variables, *set* Methods and *get* Methods**
- 3.6 Primitive Types vs. Reference Types**
- 3.7 Initializing Objects with Constructors**
- 3.8 Floating-Point Numbers and Type `double`**
- 3.9 (Optional) GUI and Graphics Case Study: Using Dialog Boxes**
- 3.10 (Optional) Software Engineering Case Study: Identifying the Classes in a Requirements Document**
- 3.11 Wrap-Up**

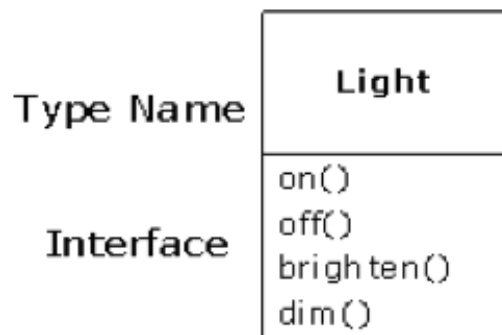
Java and OOP

- **Object-oriented programming (OOP)**
 - Technique to organize and package code
 - So we can reuse it and share it with others
- **Every piece of Java code is part of a class**
- **Every Java class is part of a package**



Data Abstraction and Encapsulation

- **Classes and objects**
- **Data abstraction**
 - Abstract data types (ADTs)
- **Information hiding**
 - Classes normally hide details of their implementation, only expose public interface to their clients



Classes, Objects, Methods and Instance Variables

- **Classes contain one or more attributes**
 - Specified by instance variables
 - Carried with the object as it is used



Classes, Objects, Methods and Instance Variables

- **Class provides one or more methods**
- **Method represents function (task) in a program**
 - Hides from its user the complex tasks that it performs
 - Method call tells method to perform its task



Initializing Objects with Constructors

- **Constructors**

- Initialize an object of a class
- Java requires a constructor for every class
- Java will provide a default no-argument constructor if none is provided
- Called when keyword **new** is followed by the class name and parentheses



Keyword `public`

- keyword `public` is an access modifier
- Class declarations include:
 - Access modifier
 - Keyword `class`
 - Pair of left and right braces



Method Declarations

- **Method declarations**
 - Keyword **public** indicates method is available to public
 - Keyword **void** indicates no return type
 - Access modifier, return type, name of method and parentheses comprise method header



Declaring a Method with a Parameter

- **Method parameters**
 - Additional information passed to a method
 - Supplied in the method call with arguments
 - Uses a comma-separated list



Classes and Objects

- **Java is extensible**
 - Programmers can create new classes
- **Class instance creation expression**
 - Keyword **new**
 - Then name of class to create and parentheses
- **Calling a method**
 - Object name, then dot separator (.)
 - Then method name and parentheses



Example: Cube class



Notes on import declarations

- `java.lang` is implicitly imported into every program
- **Default package**
 - Contains classes compiled in the same directory
 - Implicitly imported into source code of other files in directory
- Imports unnecessary if fully-qualified names are used



Good Programming Practice 8.2

Avoid reinventing the wheel. Study the capabilities of the Java API.

If the API contains a class that meets your program's requirements, use that class rather than create your own.



Packages

- **How to package reusable software in Java**
 - Design and implement **public** classes
 - Organize classes in properly named packages
 - Add a **package** declaration to the source-code file
 - Ship your package(s) to your program clients



Package Declaration

- **package** declaration
 - must be the first executable statement in the file
 - **package** name often consist of your Internet domain name in reverse order followed by names for your code
 - example: `com.deitel.jhttp7.ch08`
 - **package** name is part of the fully qualified class name
 - Distinguishes between multiple classes with the same name belonging to different packages (name conflict)
 - class name without **package** name is the simple name



Import Packages

- Import the reusable class into a program
 - Single-type-import declaration
 - Imports a single class
 - Example: `import java.util.Random;`
 - Type-import-on-demand declaration
 - Imports all classes in a package
 - Example: `import java.util.*;`

