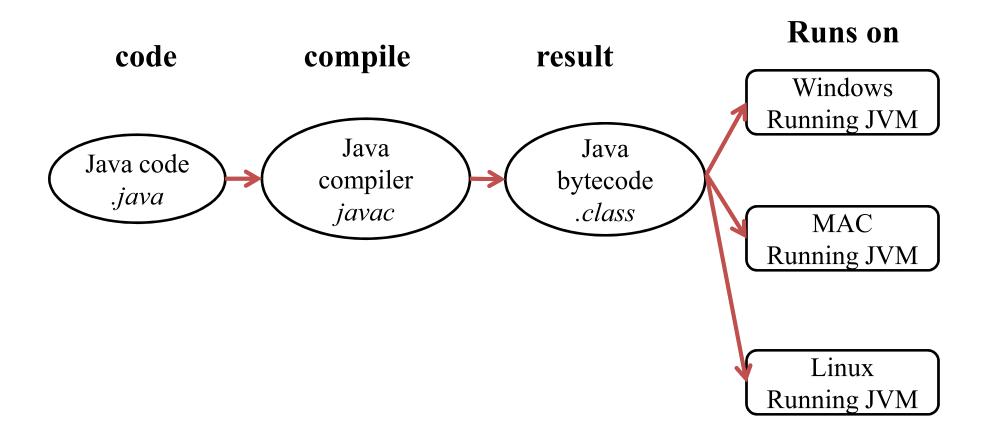
Introduction to JAVA

JAVA Basics

Introduction

- Developed by James Gosling at Sun Microsystems.
- It was introduced in 1995.
- Is one the fastest growing programming technologies of all time.

The java environment



The Java programming environment

- Java programming language specification
 - Syntax of Java programs
 - Defines different constructs and their semantics
- Java byte code: Intermediate representation for Java programs
- Java compiler: Transform Java programs into Java byte code
- Java interpreter: Read programs written in Java byte code and execute them
- Java virtual machine: Runtime system that provides various services to running programs
- Java programming environment: Set of libraries that provide services such as GUI, data structures, etc.
- *Java enabled browsers*: Browsers that include a JVM + ability to load programs from remote hosts

Bytecode

- Java programs are translated into an intermediate language called **bytecode**.
- Bytecode is the same no matter which computer platform it is run on.
- Bytecode is translated into native code that the
- computer can execute on a program called Java Virtual Machine (JVM).
- The Bytecode can be executed on any computer that has the JVM. Hence Java's slogan, "Write once, run anywhere".

Important things to know

- Java is CASE SENSITIVE!!
- Whitespace is ignored by compiler
- File name has to be the same as class name in file
- Need to import necessary class definition

How to install JAVA

• The Java Development Kit (JDK) is a collection of software available at no charge from Sun Microsystems, Inc. The v1.3 download is available at java.sun.com.