What is Java?

Java is a programming language and a platform. Java is a high level, robust, object-oriented and secure programming language.

Java was developed by Sun Microsystems (which is now the subsidiary of Oracle) in the year 1995. James Gosling is known as the father of Java. Before Java, its name was Oak. Since Oak was already a registered company, so James Gosling and his team changed the name from Oak to Java.

Platform: Any hardware or software environment in which a program runs, is known as a platform. Since Java has a runtime environment (JRE) and API, it is called a platform.

Platform Independent

Java code can be executed on multiple platforms, for example, Windows, Linux, Sun Solaris, Mac/OS, etc. Java code is compiled by the compiler and converted into bytecode. This bytecode is a platform-independent code because it can be run on multiple platforms, i.e., Write Once and Run Anywhere (WORA).

## **Homework:**

- 1. Install JDK and run Java program with command prompt.
- 2. Write your first Java program.
  - i. Print "Hello World"
  - ii. Take two integer input perform Arithmetic operations (Sum, Sub, Div, Mul)
  - iii. Perform conditional operations (if-else, for loop etc.)

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Install: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o2ktVETLww8&ab channel=AmitThinks

**Tutorials:** <a href="https://www.javatpoint.com/java-tutorial">https://www.javatpoint.com/java-tutorial</a>

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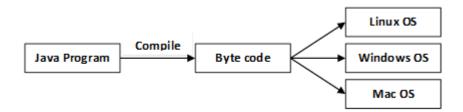
Comparison Index	C++	Java
Platform- independent	C++ is platform-dependent.	Java is platform-independent.
Mainly used for	C++ is mainly used for system programming.	Java is mainly used for application programming. It is widely used in Windows-based, web-based, enterprise, and mobile applications.
Design Goal	C++ was designed for systems and applications programming. It was an extension of the <u>C programming</u> <u>language</u> .	Java was designed and created as an interpreter for printing systems but later extended as a support network computing. It was designed to be easy to use and accessible to a broader audience.
Goto	C++ supports the goto statement.	Java doesn't support the goto statement.
Multiple inheritance	C++ supports multiple inheritance.	Java doesn't support multiple inheritance through class. It can be achieved by using <u>interfaces in java</u> .
Operator Overloading	C++ supports operator overloading.	Java doesn't support operator overloading.
Pointers	C++ supports <u>pointers</u> . You can write a pointer program in C++.	Java supports pointer internally. However, you can't write the pointer program in java. It means java has restricted pointer support in java.
Compiler and Interpreter	C++ uses compiler only. C++ is compiled and run using the compiler which converts source code into machine code so, C++ is platform dependent.	Java uses both compiler and interpreter. Java source code is converted into bytecode at compilation time. The interpreter executes this bytecode at runtime and produces output. Java is interpreted that is why it is platform-independent.
Call by Value and Call by reference	C++ supports both call by value and call by reference.	Java supports call by value only. There is no call by reference in java.
Structure and Union	C++ supports structures and unions.	Java doesn't support structures and unions.

Thread Support	C++ doesn't have built-in support for threads. It relies on third-party libraries for thread support.	Java has built-in thread support.
Documentation comment	C++ doesn't support documentation comments.	Java supports documentation comment (/** */) to create documentation for java source code.
Virtual Keyword	C++ supports virtual keyword so that we can decide whether or not to override a function.	Java has no virtual keyword. We can override all non- static methods by default. In other words, non-static methods are virtual by default.
unsigned right shift >>>	C++ doesn't support >>> operator.	Java supports unsigned right shift >>> operator that fills zero at the top for the negative numbers. For positive numbers, it works same like >> operator.
Inheritance Tree	C++ always creates a new inheritance tree.	Java always uses a single inheritance tree because all classes are the child of the Object class in Java. The Object class is the root of the <a href="inheritance">inheritance</a> tree in java.
Hardware	C++ is nearer to hardware.	Java is not so interactive with hardware.
Object-oriented	C++ is an object-oriented language. However, in the C language, a single root hierarchy is not possible.	Java is also an <u>object-oriented</u> language. However, everything (except fundamental types) is an object in Java. It is a single root hierarchy as everything gets derived from java.lang.Object.

## **Features of Java**

- Simple: Java is a simple language because its syntax is simple, clean, and easy to understand. Complex and ambiguous concepts of C++ are either eliminated or reimplemented in Java. For example, pointer and operator overloading are not used in Java.
- o **Object-Oriented:** In Java, everything is in the form of the object. It means it has some data and behavior. A program must have at least one class and object.
- Robust: Java makes an effort to check error at run time and compile time. It uses a strong memory management system called garbage collector. Exception handling and garbage collection features make it strong.

- Secure: Java is a secure programming language because it has no explicit pointer and programs runs in the virtual machine. Java contains a security manager that defines the access of Java classes.
- o **Platform-Independent:** Java provides a guarantee that code writes once and run anywhere. This byte code is platform-independent and can be run on any machine.



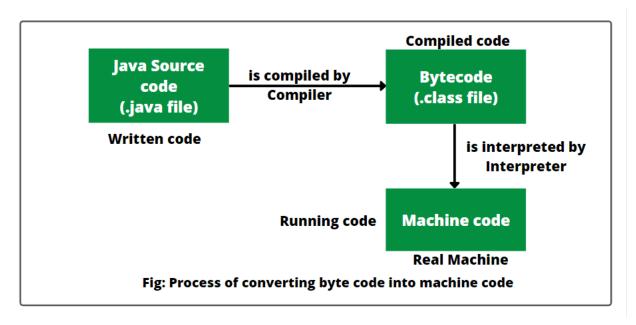
- Portable: Java Byte code can be carried to any platform. No implementation-dependent features. Everything related to storage is predefined, for example, the size of primitive data types.
- High Performance: Java is an interpreted language. Java enables high performance with the use of the Just-In-Time compiler.
- Distributed: Java also has networking facilities. It is designed for the distributed environment of the internet because it supports TCP/IP protocol. It can run over the internet. EJB and RMI are used to create a distributed system.
- Multi-threaded: Java also supports multi-threading. It means to handle more than one job a time.

Java can be considered both a compiled and an interpreted language because its source code is first compiled into a binary byte-code. This byte-code runs on the Java Virtual Machine (JVM), which is usually a software-based interpreter.

Interpreter	Compiler
Translates Program Line by Line	Translates entire program together
Compile-time is Less but Execution is Slower	Compile-time is More but Execution is Faster
Will not generate Intermediate Object Code	Generates Intermediate Object Code
Program is Compiled until an Error is found	Error is displayed at the end of Compilation
Python, PHP, Perl, Ruby use Interpreter	C, C++, Scala, Java use Compilers

It translates (converts) bytecode to machine code (native code) line by line during runtime.

In other words, Java interpreter is a computer program that converts the high-level program into assembly language (machine language).



## **OOPs (Object Oriented Programming System)**

Class, Object, Abstraction, Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism

class Simple{
 public static void main(String args[]){
 System.out.println("Hello Java");
 }

**To compile:** javac Simple.java

**To execute:** java Simple

## Parameters used in First Java Program

Let's see what is the meaning of class, public, static, void, main, String[], System.out.println().

- o **class** keyword is used to declare a class in Java.
- o **public** keyword is an access modifier that represents visibility. It means it is visible to all.
- static is a keyword. If we declare any method as static, it is known as the static method. The core advantage of the static method is that there is no need to create an object to invoke the static method. The main() method is executed by the JVM, so it doesn't require creating an object to invoke the main() method. So, it saves memory.
- o **void** is the return type of the method. It means it doesn't return any value.
- o **main** represents the starting point of the program.
- String[] args or String args[] is used for <u>command line argument</u>. We will discuss it in coming section.
- System.out.println() is used to print statement. Here, System is a class, out is an object
  of the PrintStream class, println() is a method of the PrintStream class. We will discuss the
  internal working of <a href="System.out.println()">System.out.println()</a> statement in the coming section.

Integrated development environment Software / java: Eclipse, NetBeans, JDeveloper, VS