

Lecture 7

- Covers
 - Variables
 - Assignment
 - Expressions
 - Basic input and output
- Reading: Savitch 2.1

► Variables

Variables

- A Java variable stores an item of data
- Examples
 - a number
 - a boolean
 - a character
- The value of the data item may change as the program executes
- The value is stored in a memory location
- The name of the variable is an alias for that memory location within the program

Java program using variables

```
import java.util.*;
public class TemperatureConverter
{
    public static void main(String[ ] args)
    {
        double tempInCelsius;
        double tempInFahrenheit;
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter a temperature in celsius: ");
        tempInCelsius = keyboard.nextDouble( );

        tempInFahrenheit = (tempInCelsius * 9) / 5 + 32;

        System.out.print(tempInCelsius + " Celsius is equivalent to "
                        + tempInFahrenheit);
    }
}
```

Identifiers

- **Identifier** = name of a class, a method, an attribute, or a variable
- **Format**
 - Start with a letter or the underscore symbol
 - Rest consists of letters, digits or underscore symbol
 - Examples
 - sum, RATE, count, data2, Big_bonus, X_1
 - height, Height, HEIGHT, _height, bigBonus
 - The dollar sign is also permitted but it is not a good idea to use it as it is usually reserved for special purposes

Identifiers

- Convention
 - Use only letters, starting with a lower case letter, with words after the first one having an initial capital
shoeSize
 - This convention is sometimes referred to as camelBack notation
- Java is case sensitive, therefore it distinguishes between uppercase and lowercase letters in an identifier

Identifiers

- Which of the following are valid identifiers?

x

x34

x*

34xyz

x_3_5

Keywords

- **Keywords** or reserved words are those that have special pre-defined meaning
- Keywords cannot be used as an identifier (in particular, not as the name of a variable)
 - Examples
 - int
 - if
 - else

Variable declarations

- A variable's type tells the compiler what sort of information the variable can contain
- The type of every variable must be declared before the variable is used
- We declare a variable by declaring its type, followed by the variable name

```
int tempInCelsius;
```

```
double totalWeight;
```

- Variables can also be initialised at declaration (assign a value to it)

```
int tempInCelsius = 0;
```

```
double totalWeight = 0.07;
```

► Primitive data types

Primitive data types

- Java has 8 primitive data types

- | | | | | |
|-----------|---|----------------|---|----------------|
| – byte | } | integers | } | numeric values |
| – short | | | | |
| – int | | | | |
| – long | | | | |
| – float | } | floating-point | | |
| – double | | | | |
| – char | | characters | | |
| – boolean | | truth values | | |

Integer data types

- Integer types store whole numbers (both positive and negative values)
- 4 types of integers in Java that store values in different amounts of memory
- The more memory they use, the larger the range of values they can store
- Use the int type (4 bytes) unless you have a specific reason for using another type

Real number data types

- Floating-point number types store numbers with fractional parts
- 2 types of floating-point numbers in Java that store values in different amounts of memory
- Not all numbers can be stored exactly using floating-point representation
- The more memory used, the larger the range of values that can be stored, and the more precise they are
- Use the double type (8 bytes) unless you have a specific reason for using another type

► Assignment

Assignment

- The **assignment statement** is used to set or change the value of data stored by a variable

- Examples

```
numberOfFriends = 3;
```

```
totalWeight = 34.5;
```

```
totalWeight = singleWeight * numberOfItems;
```

Assignment

- An assignment statement has the form
 <variable> = <expression>;
- where the expression on the right is evaluated and then the resulting value is assigned to (stored in) the variable on the left
- Example
 area = width * height;
 bottles = bottles - 1;

(= is called the assignment operator)

Literals

- Each data type specifies a range of values
- For each data type, we need to know how to write its data values in a program
- The explicit data values in programs are called literals
- For example
 - `singleWeight = 5.0;`
- 5.0 is a literal of the type double

► Operations on primitive data types

Operators and operands

- An operator operates on one or more operands (arguments) and returns a value
 - Most operators are binary operators (i.e. have two operands)
 - Some are unary operators (i.e. have one operand)
 - Some operate on more than two operands

Arithmetic expressions

- Expressions may use arithmetic operators
- The basic arithmetic operators are

+	addition
-	subtraction
*	multiplication
/	division
%	remainder

Assignment

```
int a = 9;
```

```
int b = 6;
```

```
int c = 0, d = 12;
```

```
1. b = a;
```

```
2. c = 19 - b;
```

```
3. a = b - 10;
```

```
4. c = c - 2;
```

```
5. b = d * 2;
```

After	a	b	c	d
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

► Input & output statements

Input/output

- **Input and output** - used by a program for external communication
- **Input**
 - Read into the program
- **Output**
 - Written out from the program

Output

- `System.out` = standard output stream (monitor)
 - Examples

```
System.out.print("I am a fish");
```

```
System.out.print(numberOfFriends);
```

```
System.out.print("I toast therefore I am " +  
                numberOfFriends);
```


Output

- New lines
 - Examples

```
System.out.print("I am a fish\n");
```

```
System.out.println("I am a fish");
```

```
System.out.print("\nam\na\nfish\n");
```

Summary

- To display information on the screen, use the object `System.out` and its methods `print` or `println`
- Methods `print` and `println` can take a variety of things as arguments (numbers, characters, boolean values, strings, expressions, etc.)

Input

- `System.in` = standard input stream (keyboard)
 - The traditional Java mechanism for reading input from the keyboard is complex: it requires you to understand about 8 different concepts to read in a single integer
 - So we initially use the `Scanner` class to simplify the input process
 - Examples

```
numberOfFriends = keyboard.nextInt( );
```

```
singleWeight = keyboard.nextDouble( );
```

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Class exercise

- Problem

- Write a program to read in a number and write out the number, its square, and its cube

- Example

- input: 4

- output: 4 16 64

Solution

► More arithmetic operators and mathematical functions

Increment and decrement unary operators

++X increase x by 1, return the new value of x
(increment x and then use it)

X++ increase x by 1, return the old value of x
(use x and then increment it)

--X decrease x by 1, return the new value of x

X-- decrease x by 1, return the old value of x

e.g. $y = 10 + x++$ *(if x is initially 2, y will be 12)*

$y = 10 + ++x$ *(if x is initially 2, y will be 13)*

Pre and post increment operators

- $y = 10 + x++$ *is equivalent to*

$$\begin{cases} y = 10 + x; \\ x = x + 1; \end{cases}$$

- $y = 10 + ++x$ *is equivalent to*

$$\begin{cases} x = x + 1; \\ y = 10 + x; \end{cases}$$

Increment and decrement unary operators

- For the sake of clarity, we will only use these operators in statements by themselves
- For example

```
int count = 0;
```

```
// other statements
```

```
count++; // equivalent to ++count and
```

```
// count = count + 1 in this case
```

Assignment and arithmetic assignment operators

= assignment (return the value assigned)

+= add and assign

-= subtract and assign

*= multiply and assign

/= divide and assign

%= calculate remainder and assign

e.g. $x += y$

may be used instead of $x = x + y$

Mathematical functions

- Most of the common functions are defined in the Math class
- For example

<code>Math.sqrt(x)</code>	<code>Math.abs(x)</code>
<code>Math.exp(x)</code>	<code>Math.pow(x, y)</code>
<code>Math.log(x)</code>	<code>Math.random()</code>
<code>Math.cos(x)</code>	<code>Math.PI</code>

* See Savitch p.280 for more information

Class exercise

- Convert the following into Java expressions

$$\sqrt{x + y}$$

$$x^{2y}$$

$$\sin^2 x$$

$$\frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Java program using variables

```
public class PowerTable
{
    // Example from last lecture
    public static void main(String[ ] args)
    {
        int n = 0;
        do
        {
            n = n+1;
            System.out.println(n + " " + Math.pow(n,n));
        }
        while (n < 10);
    }
}
```

Next lecture

- Internal representation of primitive data types
- Type compatibilities and type casting
- Integer division and truncation of floating point numbers