

# Session 01 Getting Started

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## **Objectives**

- About the Java Technology
- What can Java Technology do?
- How can Java support platformindependence?
- Java Platform
- Set up Environment Variables
- The first Java program in the NetBeans
- Structure of a Java program.
- End users run Java Programs



## About the Java Technology(1)

#### History

- 1990, James Gosling, Bill Joy, Patrick Naughton(Sun Microsystem) developed the Oak language for embedding programs to devices such as VCR, PDA (personal data assistant). The Oak programs require:
  - Platform independent/- Extremely reliable/ Compact
- 1993, interactive TV and PDA failed, Internet and Web were introduced, **Sun** change the Oak to an internetdevelopment environment with a new project, named **Java**.
- 1994, the Sun's HotJava Browser was introduced (written using Java). It showed the strength of Java applets and abilities to develop Java application.



## **About the Java Technology(2)**

#### History...

- **•**Embedded Systems (1991 1994)
- A client side Wonder (1995 1997)
- Moved into the Middle tier (1997 to present)
- Future: may gain more success



## About the Java Technology(3)

The Java Programming Language is a high-level language. It's **characteristics**:

- Simple
- Object oriented
- Distributed
- Multithreaded
- Dynamic linking

- Architecture neutral
- Portable
- High performance
- Robust
- Secure



## What can Java Technology do?

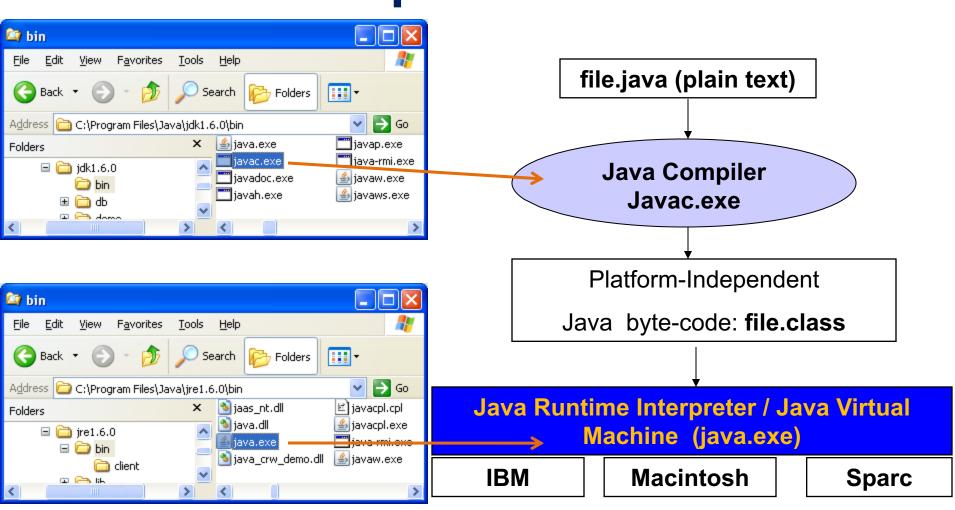
#### Using Java, we can:

- Development Tools.
- Application
   Programming
   Interface (API).
- Deployment Technologies.
- User Interface Toolkits.
- Integration Libraries.

- → Desktop Application ( Console App, GUI Apps)
- → Web-based Applications
- → Network-based
- Applications
- → Game
- → Distributed Applications
- → Embedding Application (Apps on Devices)



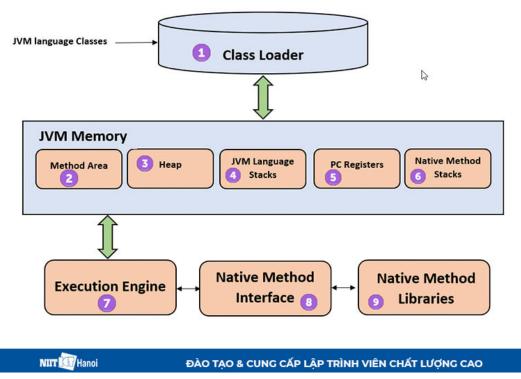
## How can Java support platformindependence?





#### **Java Virtual Machine**

The Java Virtual Machine is abstract computing an machine. Like а real computing machine, it has an instruction set and manipulates various memory areas at run time. It to reasonably common implement a programming language using a virtual machine; the best-known virtual machine may be the P-Code machine of UCSD Pascal.



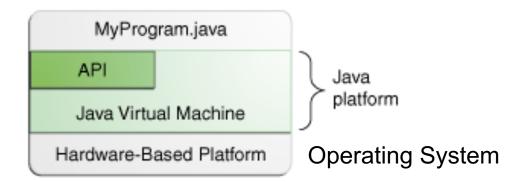
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#### **Java Platform**

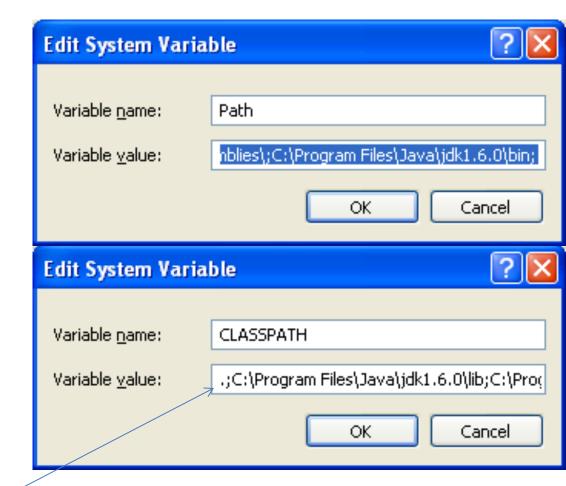
- A platform is the hardware or software environment in which a program runs.
- The Java platform has two components:
  - The Java Virtual Machine
  - The Java Application Programming Interface (API)





## Set up Environment Variables

- After installing JavaSE
   (Java Development Kit Standard
   Edition), environment
   variables should be
   setup to point to the
   folder in which JavaSE
   is installed.
- Steps: My Computer/ Properties/ Advanced/Environment Variables/System Variables/ Path/ Edit



Why?

The point at the beginning of the CLASSPATH means that classes will be searched first in the current working folder.

## The first Java program in the NetBeans

This program will show the string "Hello World" to the screen.

#### **Steps**

- 1- Create a new Java NetBeans project
- 2- Add a Java class
- 3- Write code
- 4- Compile/Run the program



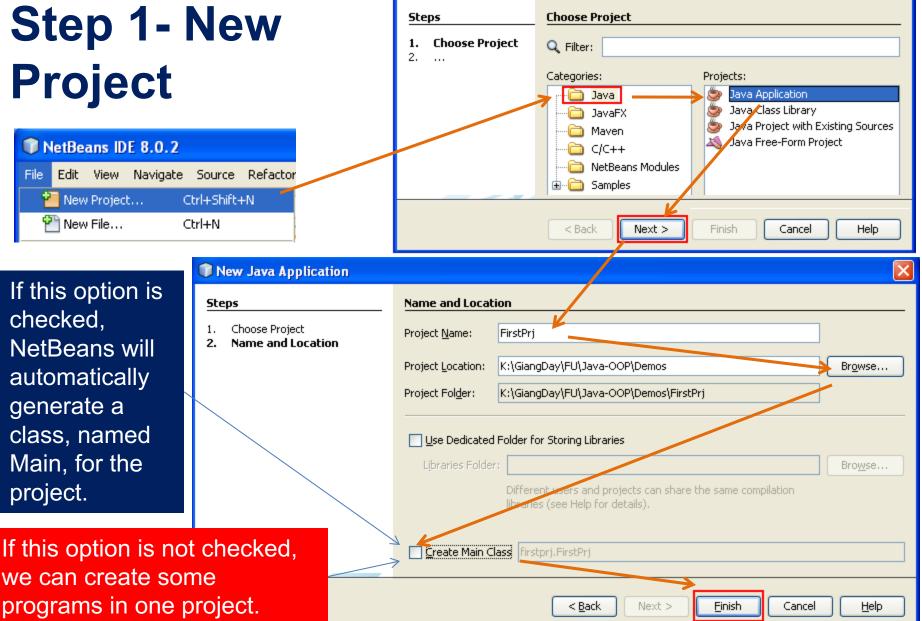
## **Step 1- New Project**



Steps

If this option is checked, NetBeans will automatically generate a class, named Main, for the project.

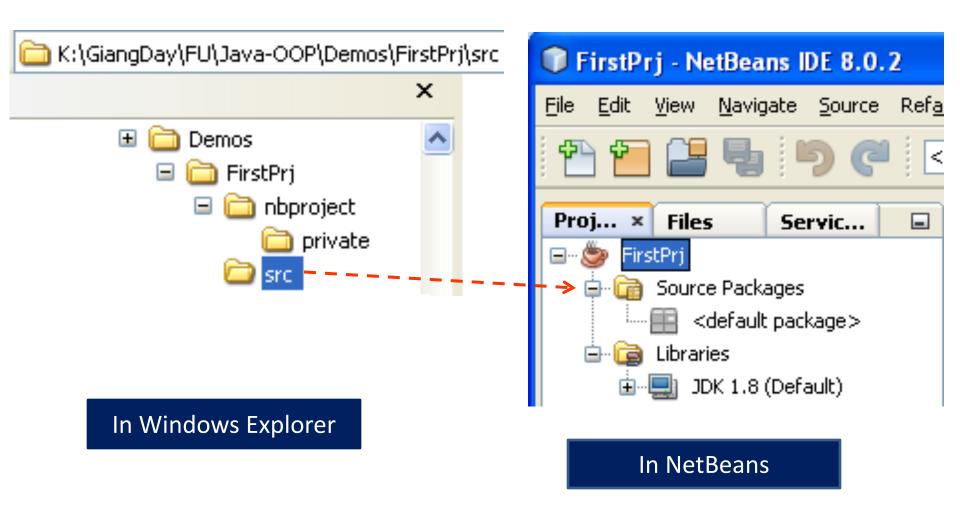
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New Project



#### **New Project...: Initial Project Structure**



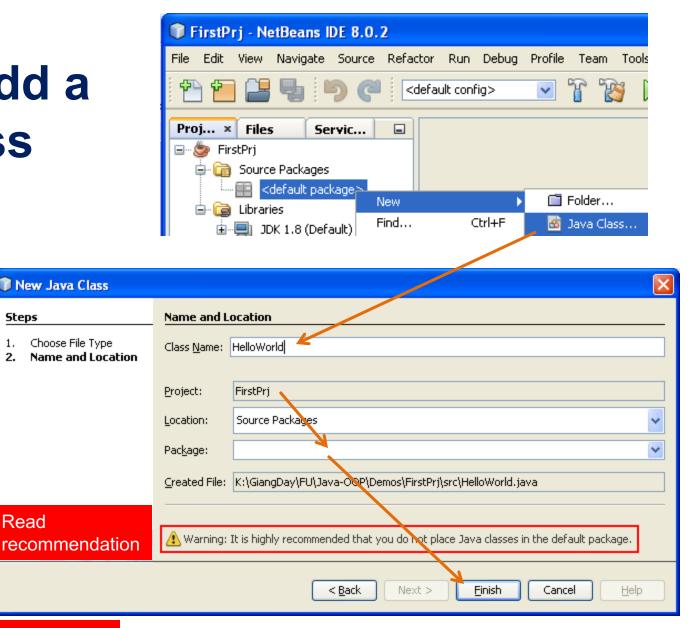


## Step 2: Add a **Java Class**

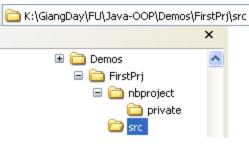
New Java Class

Steps

Read



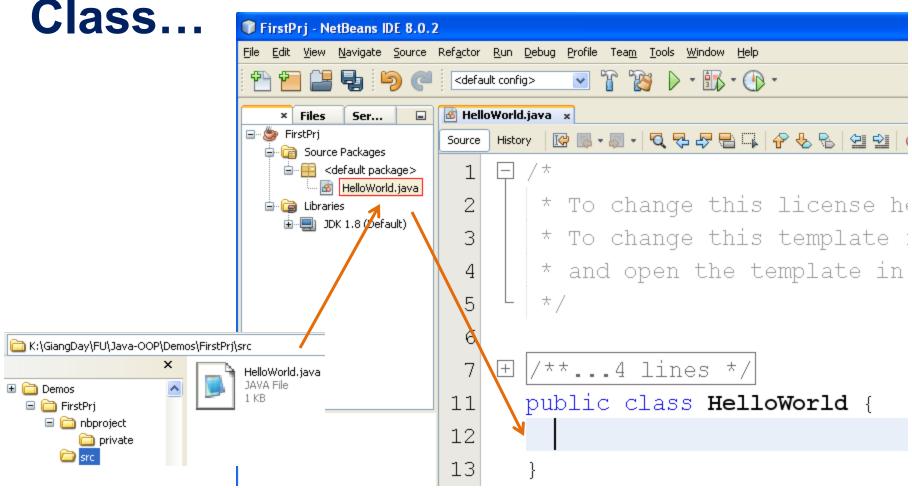
Package: Subdirectory of the folder Project/SRC



In this demo, we do not specify package intentionally



## Add a Java

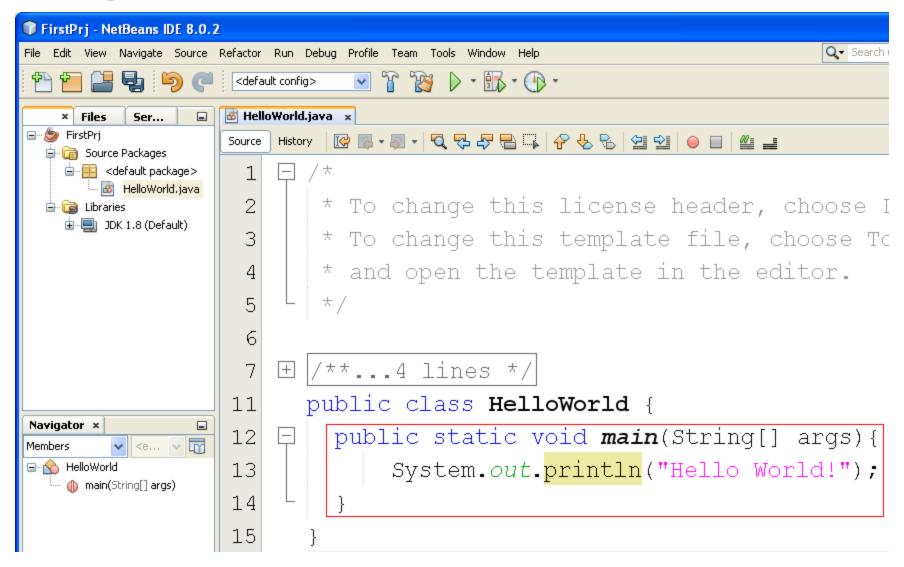


In Windows Explorer

In NetBeans

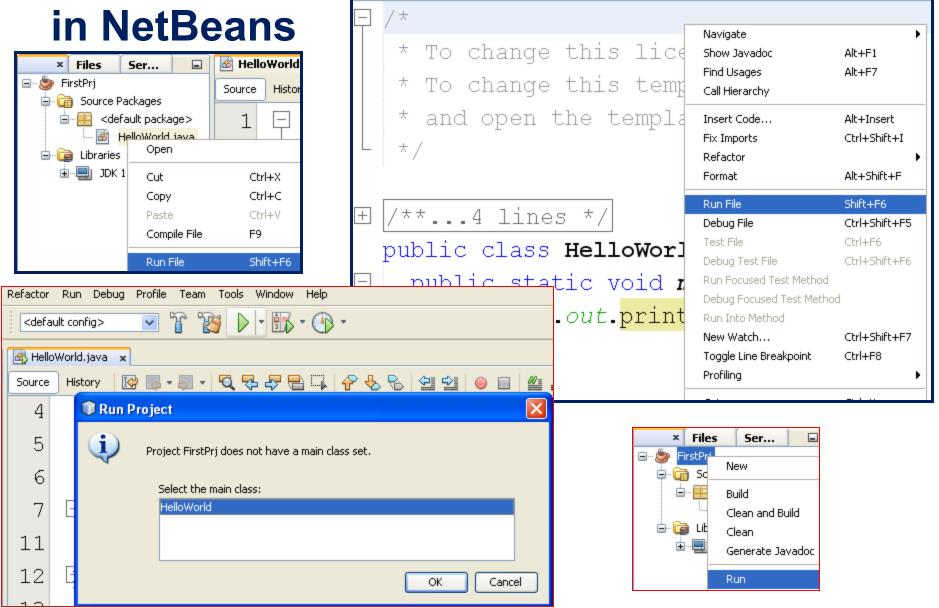


### Step 3: Write code



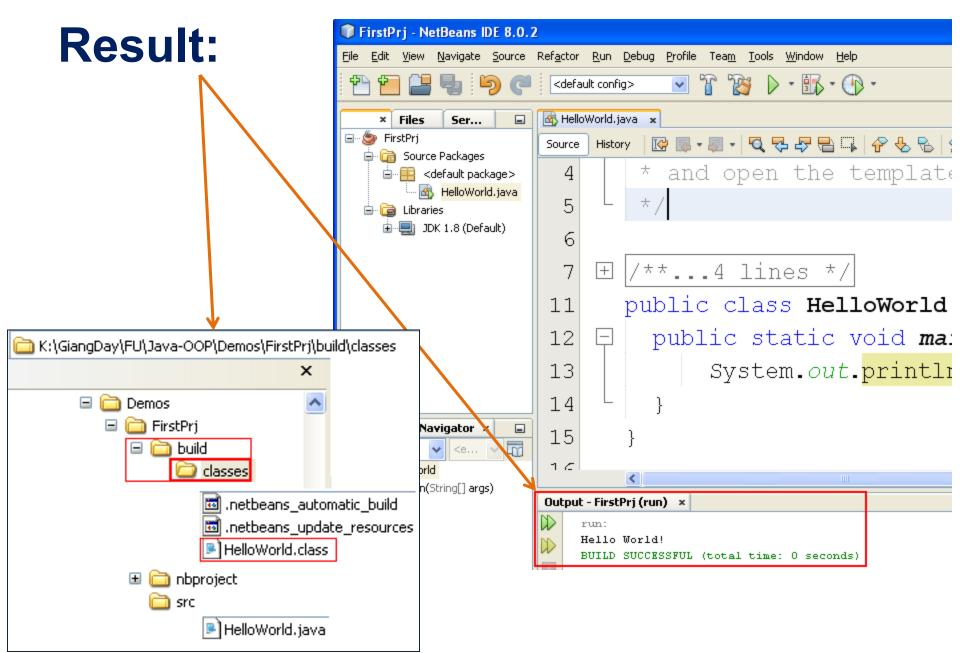


Step 4: 4 ways to Compile/Run program



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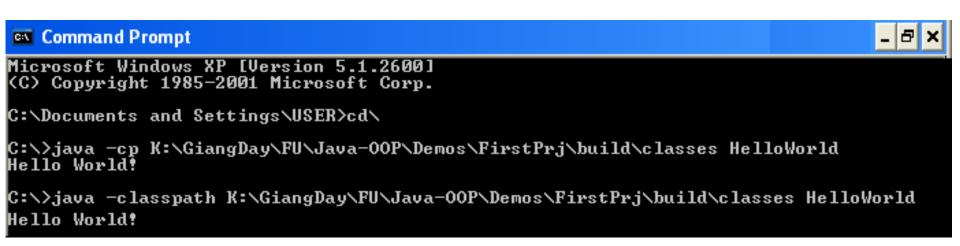


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### **End users run Java Programs**

- Users can not run Java programs in NetBeans but in Java Runtime Environment (jre) installed (Java.exe and related files
- Syntax for running a Java program:

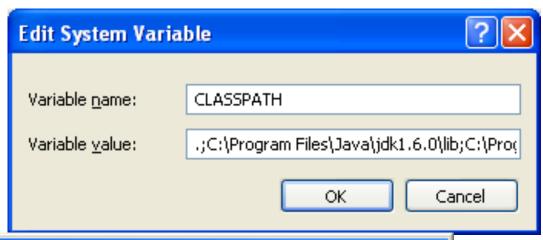


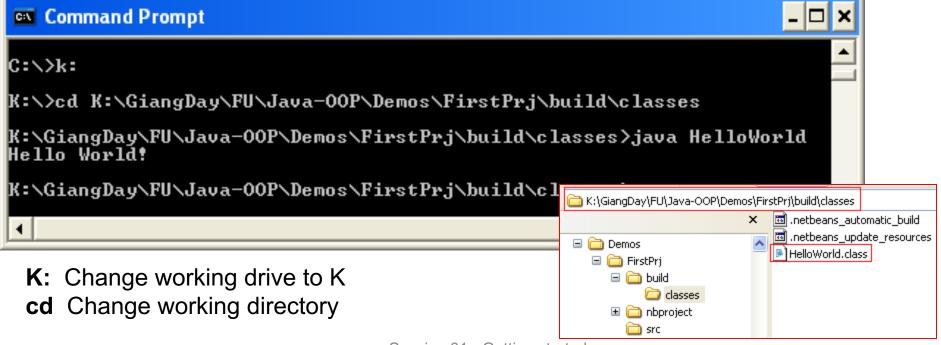
Re-try it using **Helloworld**, **helloworld**  $\rightarrow$  Give comments



## End users run Java Programs...

 If the environment variable was setup with ".;", we can run it at the working folder as:

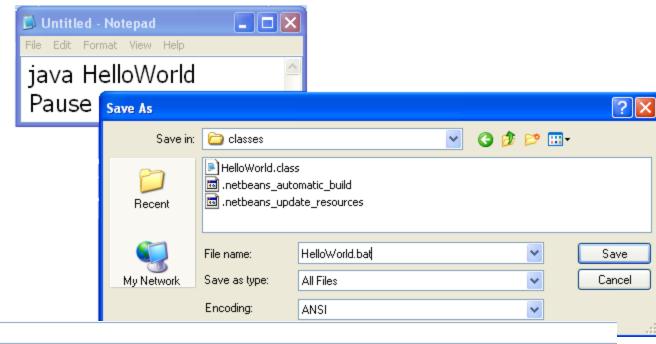


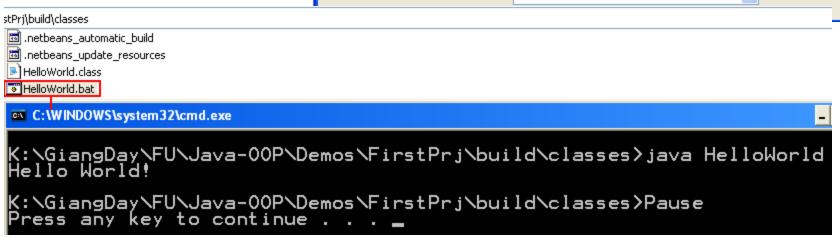




### End users run Java Programs...

 Developer should support end users an easier way to run the program: a
 BAT file







## **Explain JDK and its tools**

javac (Java compiler)

javac [option] source

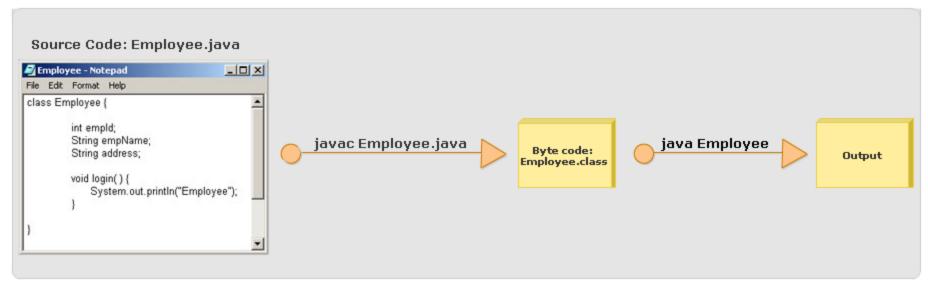
where,

source is one or more file names that end with the extension .java.

java (Java interpreter) where,

java [option] classname [arguments]

classname is the name of the class file.





## A Closer Look at the "Hello World!" Application

- Comments
  - Traditional /\*this is a comment\*/
  - Comment to line end //this is an end of line comment
- Class declaration
  - public class ClassName { ... }
  - For example: public class HelloWord { ... }
- The main Method Entry point of Java program
  - public static void main(String[] args) {..}
  - public and static can be written in either order
  - The main method accepts a single argument: an array of elements of type String. A demonstration for passing strings to the main method will be presented in the next session.



## Common Problems (and Their Solutions)

#### Compiler Problems

'javac' is not recognized as an internal or external command, operable program or batch file

- -> Updating the PATH variable in the JDK
- Syntax Errors (All Platforms)
- Semantic Errors

#### Runtime Problems

- Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NoClassDefFoundError
- Could not find or load main class HelloWorld.class

**Classname** is incorrect



## **Try and Explore**

Change	To – If no error, try run it
public class HelloWorld	public class HelloWorld2
public class HelloWorld	class HelloWorld2
<pre>public static void main(String[] args)</pre>	<pre>public static void main(String args[])</pre>
<pre>public static void main(String[] args)</pre>	<pre>public void main(String[] args)</pre>
<pre>public static void main(String[] args)</pre>	void main(String[] args)



## **Summary**

- An overview of Java technology as a whole.
- What to download, what to install, and what to type, for creating a simple "Hello World!" application.
- Discusses the "Hello World!" application.
- Trouble compiling or running the programs.