Introduction to Java

The Java Language

- ❖ Java was published in 1995 by James Gosling of Sun Microsystems
- ❖ Java is strongly typed (data types required) like C and C++ but utilizes a virtual machine (JVM) to run on multiple devices (portability). Also has 'automatic garbage collection'
- C# was later announced by Microsoft in 2000, many say to compete with Java!



A History of Java



The Java programming language was designed and implemented by a small team of people headed by James Gosling at Sun Microsystems in Mountain View, California throughout the early 1990s.



DRACLE Java/Sun was acquired by Oracle Corporation in 2010.

A History of Java

The original team worked on designing software for consumer electronics.

They quickly found that existing programming languages, e.g. C and C++ were not adequate.

James was deterred by the lack of memory deallocation (garbage collection), use of pointers (access to memory addresses) in C++, and lack of portability.

Programs written in C and C++ had to be compiled for a particular computer chip. When a new chip came out the software had to be re-compiled to make full use of new features in the chip.





A History of Java

In 1990 James Gosling started the design of a new programming language that was meant to be more appropriate for consumer electronics, without the problems of traditional languages such as C and C++.

This project, called the Green Project, resulted in the development of a computer language which Gosling called Oak after an oak tree outside his office window at Sun.

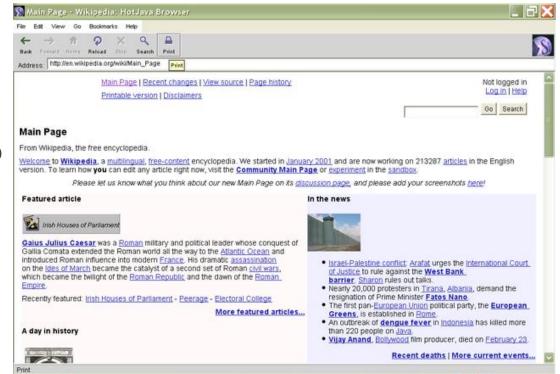
But it was later discovered that there was already a computer language called Oak (Oak Technologies). When a group of Sun people visited a local coffee shop, the name Java was suggested - it stuck and the rest is history.

Java takes off

By sheer good fortune, the World Wide Web www exploded in popularity in 1993 and Sun saw the immediate potential of using Java to create Web pages (later Java Applets).

The team created 'WebRunner', named as homage to the movie Blade Runner. The browser was created using the Oak programming language and ran Oak applications. It later became 'HotJava'.

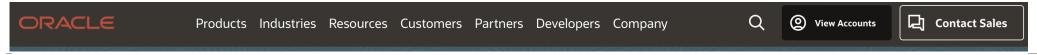
Sun formally announced Java at a conference in May 1993, and Java (JDK) 1.0 was released in 1996.



Why Java?

- Java is one of the most popular programming languages, alongside C++, C#, and Python, and web programming languages (HTML, CSS and JavaScript).
- According to Oracle, Three billion devices run Java.
- Furthermore, Android apps are also developed using Java.

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Why Java?

There are five main design goals that informed the creation of Java (Oracle 1999):

- 1. It must be simple, object-oriented, and familiar
- 2. It must be robust and secure (no pointers)
- 3. It must be architecture-neutral and portable (JVM)
- 4. It must execute with high performance (automatic memory management)
- 5. It must be interpreted, threaded and dynamic

Java Virtual Machine (JVM)

The Java Virtual machine

A Java virtual machine (JVM) is an abstract computing machine.

There are three notions of the JVM:

- specification,
- implementation
- instance

An instance of the JVM can execute any executable computer program compiled into Java bytecode. It is the code execution component of the Java platform.

Java Bytecode

Java bytecode is the instruction set of the Java virtual machine.

Each bytecode is composed by one, or in some cases two, bytes that represent the instruction (opcode), along with zero or more bytes for passing parameters.

 Essentially it is created when the high level language is converted into binary.

The Java Virtual Machine

The process of converting your source code into machine code is a **two stage process** in Java.

First the program is compiled into what is called Java Byte Code (essentially binary)

Providing the machine that you are working on has a Java Virtual Machine (JVM) the program can then be interpreted/linked and run.

This is what makes the Java platform independent. A Java program can be run on any platform, Unix, Windows, Mac etc

Compilers and Interpreters

Compilers

- operate on the entire program;
- provide a permanent binary file which may be executed (or run).

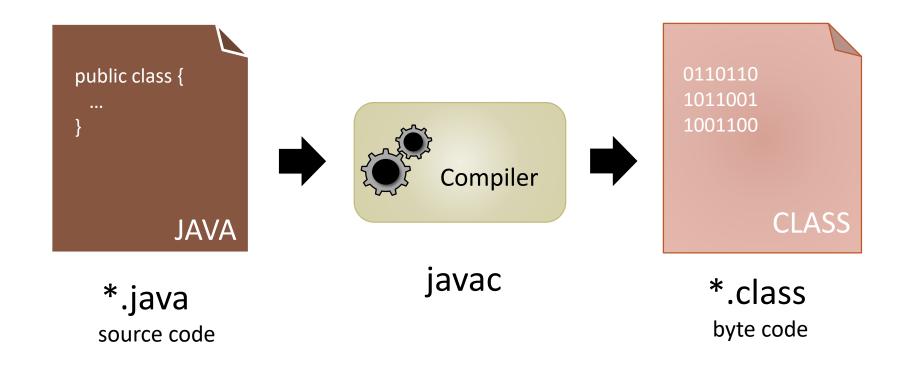
Interpreters:

- translate and execute the program one line at a time.

With Java, the processes of compilation and interpretation are combined.

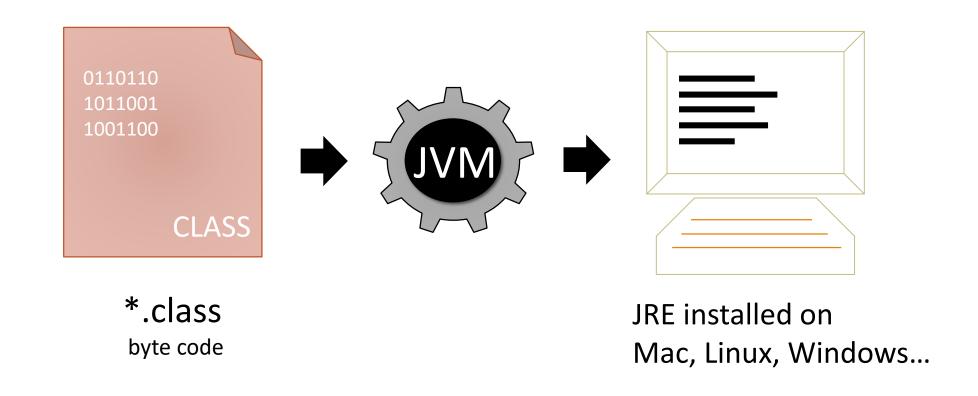
Compilation process (javac)

Compilation

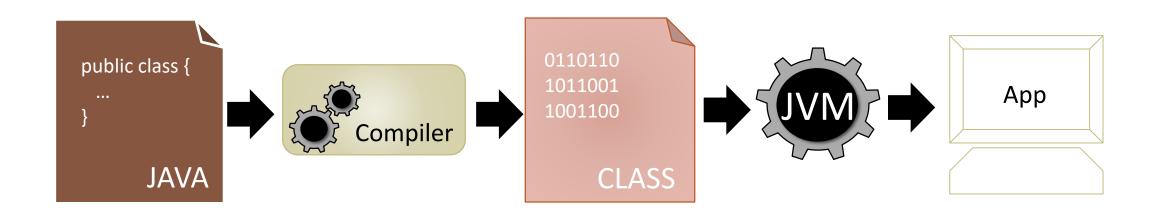


Interpretation process (JVM & JRE)

Interpretation



Compilation and interpretation



Compilation

Interpretation

Java Acronyms

- •JDK: Java Development Toolkit (for compiling applications)
- JRE: Java Runtime Environment (for running applications)
- JVM: Java Virtual Machine (for interpreting java code)
- Java API: Application Programming Interface
- JIT: Just In Time compilation
- •IDE: Integrated Development Environment

The Java Language

Exploration of the differences

In the following section we shall explore some of the differences between the Java and Python language.

It is not intended to be an exhaustive coverage of all Java language features, but highlight some of the key differences in approach.

The intention is to also reinforce the core programming concepts. Same concepts, different syntax/expression across language.

Output



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



```
using System;
namespace Project
  public class Program
     public static void Main(string[] args)
       Console.WriteLine("Hello World!");
```





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

```
def main():
    print("Hello, World!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

Input





```
import java.util.*; //to get access to Scanner
public class Input{
  public static void main(String[] args){
     System.out.println("Enter a string: ");
     Scanner reader = new Scanner(System.in);
     String input = reader.nextLine();
     reader.close(); //release resources
     System.out.println("You entered "+ input);
```

```
public class Program
   public static void Main(string[] args)
       Console.Write("Enter input: ");
       string input = Console.ReadLine();
       Console.WriteLine(input);
```





```
import java.util.*; //to get access to Scanner
public class Input{
  public static void main(String[] args){
     System.out.println("Enter an integer: ");
     Scanner reader = new Scanner(System.in);
     int number = reader.nextInt();
     reader.close(); //release resources
     System.out.println("You entered "+ number);
```

```
public class Program
   public static void Main(string[] args)
       Console.Write("Enter number: ");
       string input = Console.ReadLine();
       int number = Convert.ToInt32(input);
       Console.WriteLine(number);
```



```
import java.util.*; //to get access to Scanner
public class Input{
  public static void main(String[] args){
     System.out.println("Enter a string: ");
     Scanner reader = new Scanner(System.in);
     String input = reader.nextLine();
     reader.close(); //release resources
     System.out.println("You entered "+ input);
```



```
input = input("Enter a string: ")
print("You entered:", input)
```



```
import java.util.*; //to get access to Scanner
public class Input{
  public static void main(String[] args){
     System.out.println("Enter an integer: ");
     Scanner reader = new Scanner(System.in);
     int number = reader.nextInt();
     reader.close(); //release resources
     System.out.println("You entered "+ number);
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```
number = int(input("Enter an integer: "))
print("You entered:", number)
```

Strings

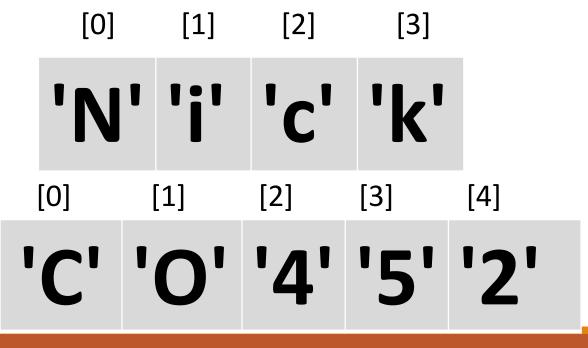
A String object is an array

A String object is an immutable array of characters.

Each character has a numbered position in the array (index):

String name = "Nick";

String code = "CO452";



Referring to characters in a String

You can refer to letters of a String through the index value. In Java you can pass the index value as a parameter to the method charAt()

String name = "Nick";

System.out.println(name.charAt(0)); // displays 'N'

Java's equals() method

Whilst the equality operator (==) can be applied to primitive data (int, char, boolean), Strings are classes, so the equality operator would compare memory addresses of String objects rather than the values stored in each object

Use the method **equals** to compare the values stored at String variables rather than comparing memory addresses

if(name.equals("Nick"))

Comments

JavaDoc comments

```
* This is a Javadoc comment for class Hello
public class Hello
   public static void main(String[] args)
      System.out.println("Hello World");
```

Constructor Summary

Constructors

Constructor and Description

ArrayList()

Constructs an empty list with an initial capacity of ten.

ArrayList(Collection<? extends E> c)

Constructs a list containing the elements of the specified collection, in the order they are returned by the collection's iterator.

ArrayList(int initialCapacity)

Constructs an empty list with the specified initial capacity.

Method Summary

Methods

Modifier and Type	Method and Description	
boolean	add(E e)	
	Appends the specified element to the end of this list.	
void	<pre>add(int index, E element)</pre>	
	Inserts the specified element at the specified position in this list.	
boolean	<pre>addAll(Collection<? extends E> c)</pre>	
	Appends all of the elements in the specified collection to the end of this list, in the order that they are returned by the specified collection's Iterator.	
boolean	<pre>addAll(int index, Collection<? extends E> c)</pre>	
	Inserts all of the elements in the specified collection into this list, starting at the specified position.	
void	clear()	
	Removes all of the elements from this list.	
Object	clone()	
	Returns a shallow copy of this ArrayList instance.	
boolean	contains(Object o)	
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Variables and Types

Data types

Java type	Description	Range of values
byte	Very small integers	-128 to 127
short	Small integers	-32,768 to 32,767
int	Big integers	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
long	Very big integers	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
float	Real numbers	+/- 1.4 * 10 ⁻⁴⁵ to 3.4 * 10 ³⁸
double	Very big real numbers	+/- 4.9 * 10 ⁻³²⁴ to 1.8 * 10 ³⁰⁸
char	Characters	Unicode character set
boolean	Either true or false	true, false

Naming Variables in Java

You can choose any name for variables as long as

- the name is not already a word in the Java language (such as class, void);
- the name has no spaces in it;
- the name does not include operators such as + and -;
- the name starts either with a letter, an underscore (_), or a dollar sign (\$).

The convention in Java programs is to begin the name of a variable with a *lowercase* letter.



```
public class Variables{
  public static void main(String[] args){
     char letter = 'A';
     String name = "Nick";
     int id = 9876;
     double pi = 3.14;
  }
}
```



```
letter = 'A'
name = "Nick"
id = 9876
pi = 3.14
```

Constants





```
public class Constants
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        final int MAX_MARK = 100;
        final double PI = 3.14;
    }
}
```

```
public class Program
   public static void Main(string[] args)
       const int MAX_MARK = 100;
       const double PI = 3.14;
```



```
public class Constants
  public static void main(String[] args)
     final int MAX_MARK = 100;
     final double PI = 3.14;
```



```
MAX_MARK = 100
PI = 3.14
```

Selection





```
int number = 5;
if (number > 0){
  System.out.println("The number is positive.");
else if(number < 0){</pre>
  System.out.println("The number is negative.");
else{
  System.out.println("The number is 0.");
```

```
int number = 5;
if (number > 0)
  Console.WriteLine("The number is positive.");
else if(number < 0)</pre>
  Console.WriteLine("The number is negative.");
else
  Console.WriteLine("The number is 0.");
```





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  System.out.println("The number is 0.");
```

```
int number = 5;
if (number > 0){
   cout << "The number is positive." << endl;</pre>
else if(number < 0){</pre>
   cout << "The number is negative." <<endl;</pre>
else{
   cout << "The number is 0." << endl;
```





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int number = 5;
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  System.out.println("The number is 0.");
```

```
number = 5
if number > 0:
  print("The number is positive.")
elif (number < 0):</pre>
   print("The number is negative.")
else:
   print("The number is 0.")
```

switch statement

The switch statement selects between cases char grade = 'C'; switch(grade) { case 'A': System.out.println("You achieved an A grade"); break; case 'B' : System.out.println("You achieved a B grade"); break; case 'C' : System.out.println("You achieved a C grade"); break; case 'D' : System.out.println("You achieved a D grade"); break; case 'F': System.out.println("You achieved a F grade"); break; default : System.out.println("Invalid grade");

The '?' Operator: an example

If the comparison evaluates to **true**, the **?** operator returns the value (**a**) to the **left of the** : (**colon**)

If the comparison evaluates to **false**, the **?** operator returns the value (**b**) to the **right of the** : (**colon**)

Iteration



```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
      int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
         System.out.println(numbers[i]);
```



```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
         Console.WriteLine(numbers[i]);
```



```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for (Integer i : numbers){
         System.out.println(i);
```



```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     foreach(int i in numbers)
         Console.WriteLine(i);
```



```
. . .
   public static void Main(string[] args)
      for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
         Console.WriteLine(i);
```



```
int main() {
  for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
     cout << i << endl;
  return 0;
```



```
#include <iostream>
int main() {
  int numbers[] = {1,2,3,4,5};
  for (int i : numbers){
     std::cout << i << std::endl;</pre>
  return 0;
```



```
for i in range(1,6):
    print(i)
```

Java do while loop

The do while loop repeats whilst true

```
char response;
do
{
    // program instructions go here
    System.out.print("another go (y/n)?");
    response = reader.nextChar(); // Java input
}
while (response == 'y');
```

Functions





```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
     sayHello();
   public static void sayHello(){
     System.out.println("Hello World");
```

```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     SayHello();
  public static void SayHello()
     Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
```





```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     SayHello();
  public static void SayHello()
     Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
void sayHello(); //declaration
int main() {
  sayHello();
  return 0;
void sayHello(){ //definition
  printf("Hello, World!\n");
```





```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     SayHello();
  public static void SayHello()
     Console.WriteLine("Hello World");
```

```
def say_hello():
   print("Hello, World!")
say_hello()
```

Arrays



```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
      int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
         System.out.println(numbers[i]);
```



```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
         Console.WriteLine(numbers[i]);
```



```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     for (Integer i : numbers){
         System.out.println(i);
```



```
public class Program
  public static void Main(string[] args)
     int[] numbers = \{1,2,3,4,5\};
     foreach(int i in numbers)
         Console.WriteLine(i);
```



```
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```

```
using System;
namespace Project
  public class Program
    public static void Main(string[] args)
        Object[] myObjArray = new Object[5] { ... };
        Array myArray = Array.CreateInstance(typeof(int), 5);
        myArray.SetValue(42, 0); //value, position
        int val1 = (int)myArray.getValue(0);
```

```
myList = [1,2,3,4,5]
print(myList)
```

Java's Collections Framework

Java Collections

Java created classes around key data structures:

- List
- LinkedList
- ArrayList
- Set
- HashSet
- Map

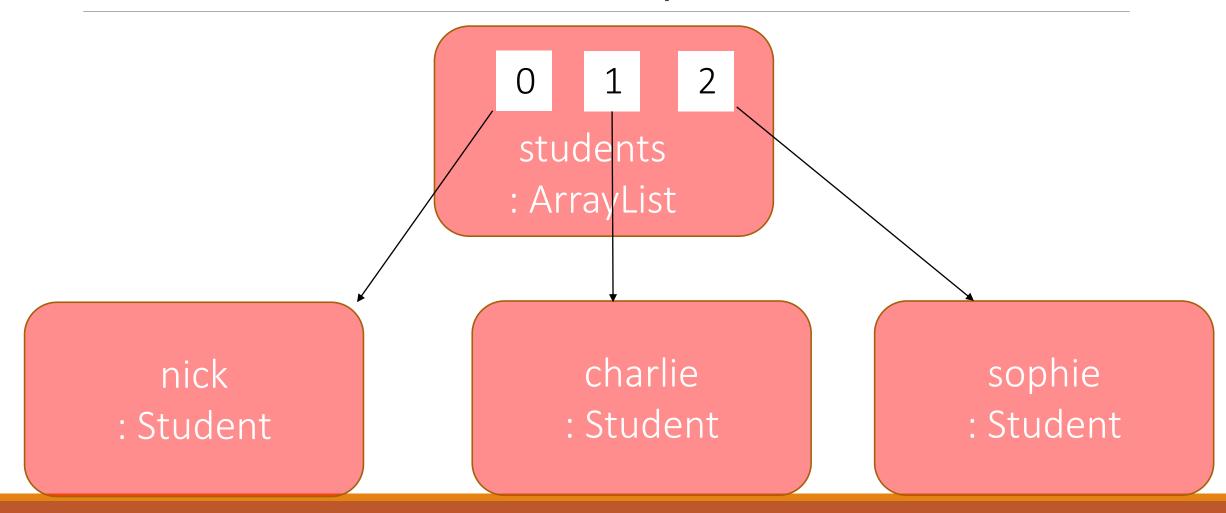
ArrayList

An instantiation of an ArrayList allows objects to be added (appended) to the end of the list. An ArrayList has no fixed-size so more memory can be allocated if more objects are added to the list.

Objects added do have an index position.

Can find objects by iterating through the list, or if the index is known, can be accessed directly through the index position.

Visualisation of an ArrayList



Syntax for instantiating an ArrayList

The syntax for creating objects of Collection classes is similar to creating objects of classes. However, the difference is that Collections are Generic and require the type of objects to be stated in the angle brackets <>

private ArrayList<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();

Scope Collection < type of objects > identifier = new constructor<>();

Reminder of syntax for creating objects

Similar to creating arrays (last week), we have to declare objects (variables) of a class type (data type). Then the **new** keyword instructs the compiler to allocate the appropriate amount of memory for an object (variable) of this type. Then call the constructor (method with the same name as the class).

```
Student nick = new Student();

classname objectname = new classname();

(aka. 'constructor')
```

Syntax for instantiating an ArrayList

Remember to import the ArrayList Class from the java.util package above the class definition.

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
/**

* Class comment...

*/
public class StudentTester
{
    private ArrayList<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();
}
```

Some methods of the ArrayList

```
add()
remove()
clear()
get()
size()
```

Adding objects through the method

Conveniently, we can invoke the 'add' method through an ArrayList object to append the items to the list:

```
students.add(nick);
students.add(charlie);
students.add(sophie);
```

For each loop with collection

The for each loop can be used to iterate through collections of objects.

Requires an object to be declared of the type of item that is in the collection:

```
for(Student student : students)
{
    student.print();
}
```

Finding an item in an ArrayList

... and can check that sought after value matches an item of the ArrayList:

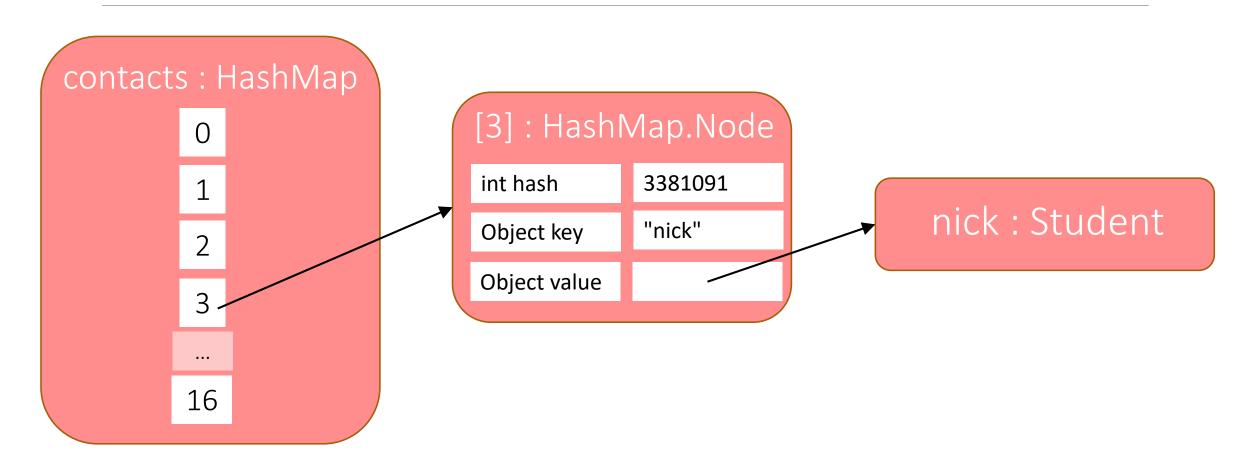
```
public Student findByID(int id)
  for(Student student : students)
    if(student.getID() == id)
      return student;
  return null;
```

Hash Map

Items are added to an ArrayList in the order that the 'add' method is called (added to the end of the list). LinkedLists also append or prepend items.

HashMaps, however, will 'put' items (values) in a position that corresponds with their 'key'. Items (values) can subsequently be retrieved by their key (e.g a String literal). A String can be converted to an integer position by the process of Hashing. Each character has an integer ASCII value.

Visualisation of a HashMap



Classes





```
class Student{
  private int id;
  private String name;
  public Student(int id, String name){
    this.id = id;
    this.name = name;
```

```
class Student:
    def __init__(self, id, name):
        self.id = id
        self.name = name
```





```
class Student
  private int id;
  private string name;
  public Student(int id, string name)
     this.id = id;
     this.name = name;
```

```
class Student{
 private:
    int id;
    string name;
 public:
    Student(int id, string name){
      this.id = id;
      this.name = name;
```

Objects





```
public class Program{
   public static void main(String[] args){
      Student nick = new Student(1234, "Nick");
      nick.print();
   }
}
```

```
public class Program
{
    public static void Main(string[] args)
    {
       Student nick = new Student(1234, "Nick");
       nick.print();
    }
}
```





```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Student.h>
int main() {
  Student nick(1234, "Nick");
  nick.print();
  return 0;
```

from student import Student

```
nick = Student(1234, "Nick")
nick.print()
```





```
using System;
namespace Project
  public class Program
     public static void Main(string[] args)
       Student nick = new Student(1234, "Nick");
       nick.print();
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Student.h>

int main() {
    Student *nick = new Student(1234, "Nick");
    nick->print();
    return 0;
}
```

Inheritance





```
class Child extends Parent {
    private string name;

public Child(int id, String name){
    super(id); //call parent constructor
    this.name = name;
}
```

```
class Child(Parent):
    def __init__(self, id, name):
    super().__init__(id)
    self.name = name
```





```
class Child: Parent
  private string name;
   public Child(int id, string name)
     base(id); //call parent constructor
     this.name = name;
```

```
class Child : public Parent{
 private:
   string name;
 public:
   Child(int id, string name): Parent(id){
      //explicit call Parent constructor
      this.name = name;
```

Summary

Summary

Java went public in 1995 (JDK 1.0 released January 1996)

Java Virtual Machine (JVM) was a transition from the 'compilation' to hardware specs (C/C++) and towards interpretation by VM (Python/Java/C#) now as there is more need for cross platform technology.

Java known for its portability (JVM), automatic 'garbage collection', Collections (generics), and for underpinning apps made in Android Studio.

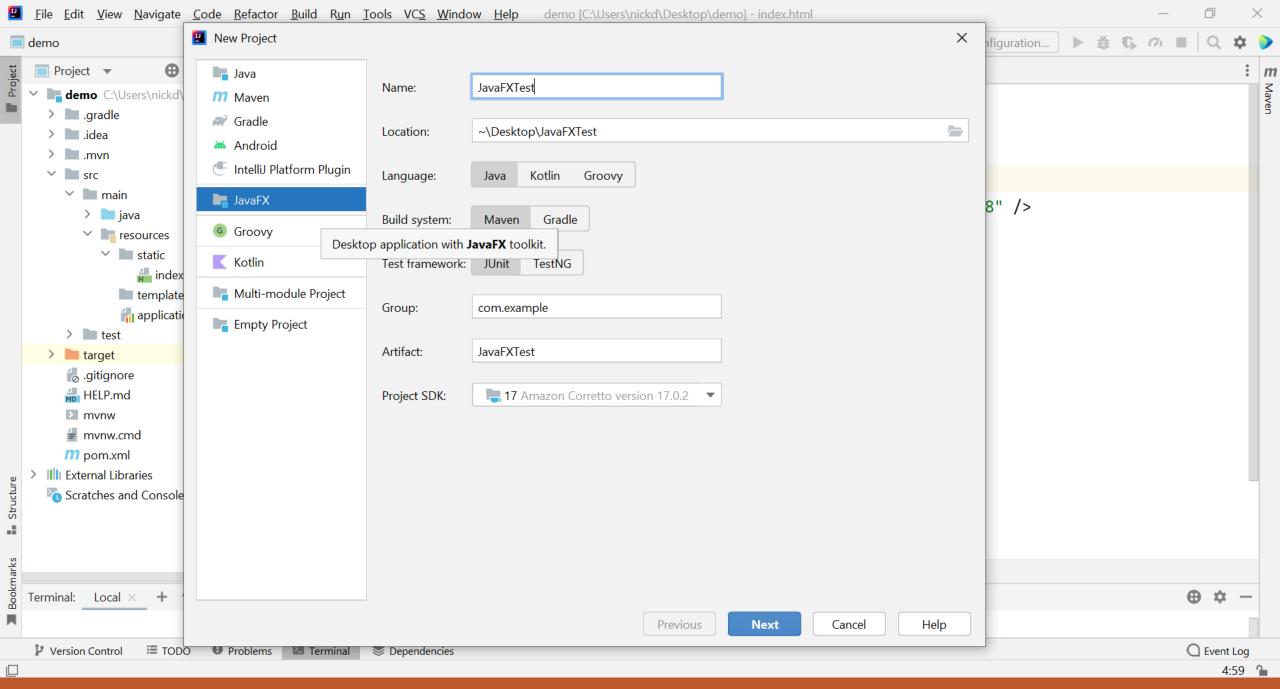
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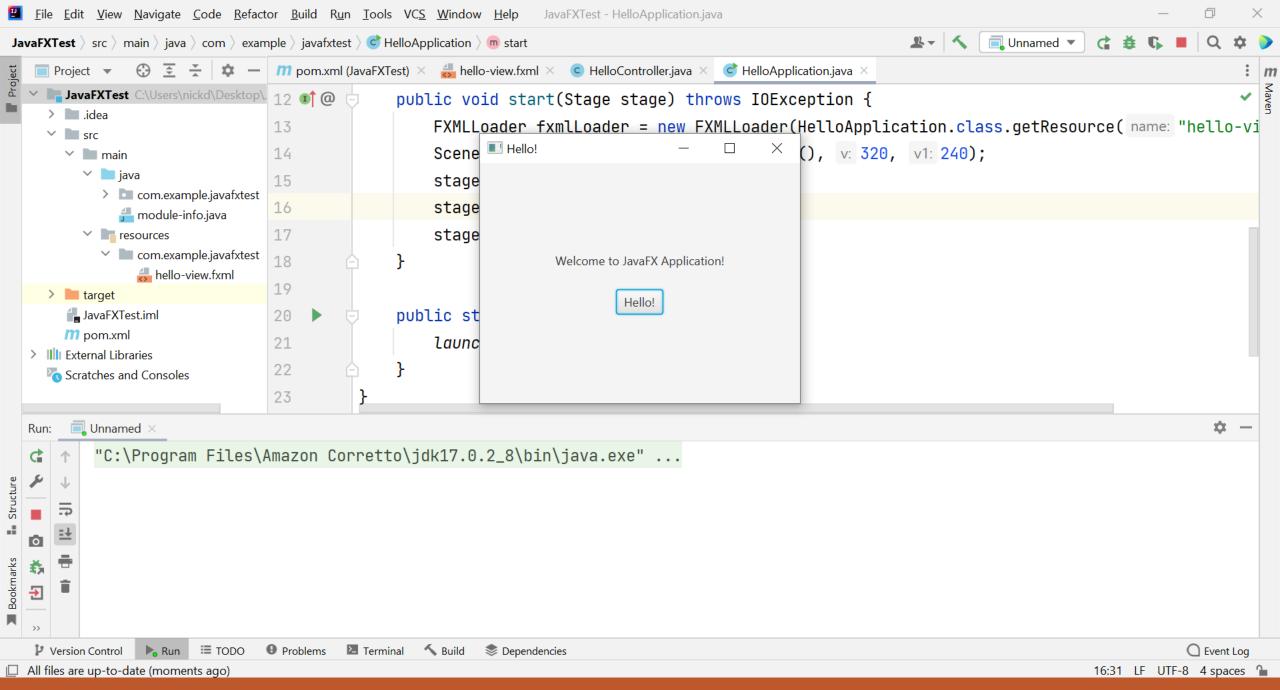
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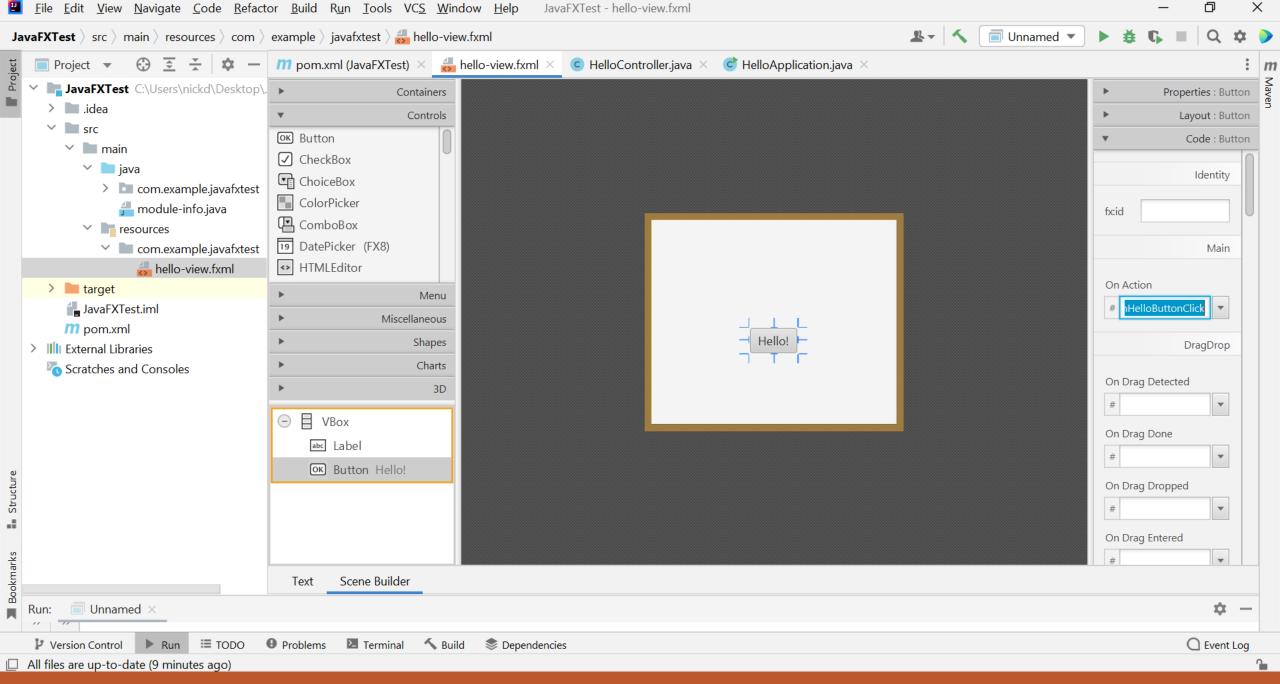
In the earliest versions of Java, graphical programming could only be achieved through use of the Abstract Window Toolkit (AWT) package.

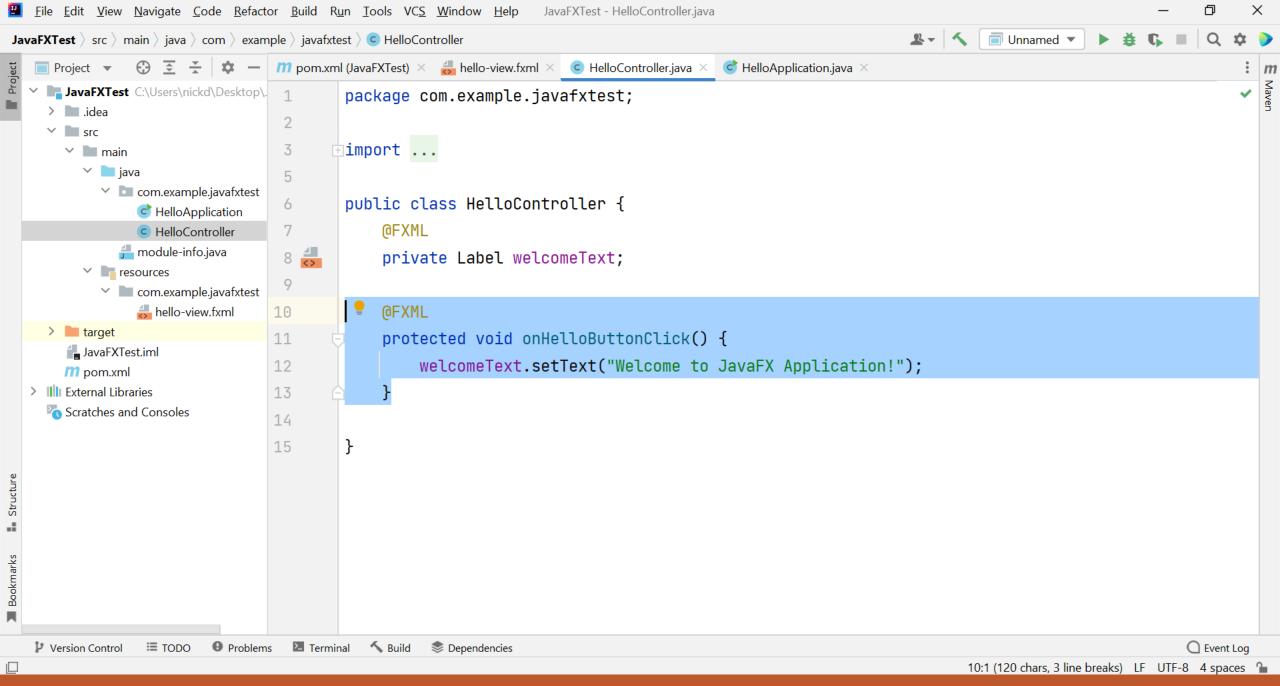
From 2000-2014, Swing was the main platform for producing Java Graphics. But has since become outdated (OS' have moved on and changed their styles).

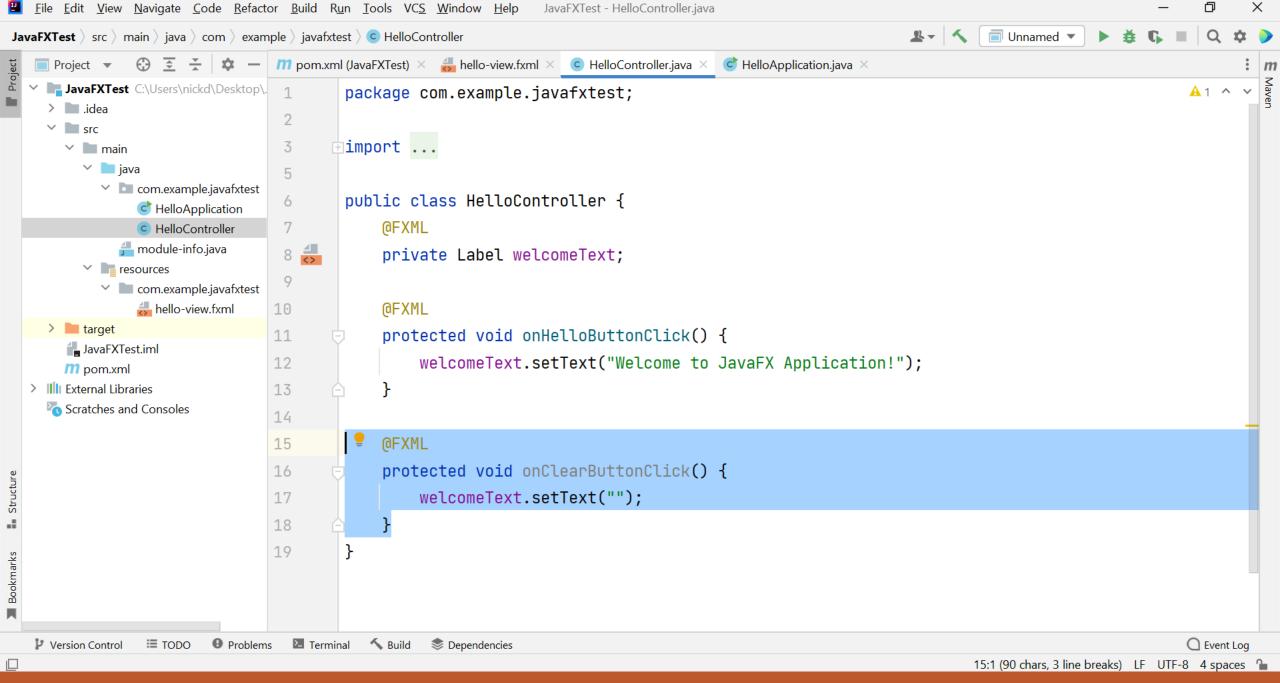
With the release of Java 8 in 2014 came JavaFX.

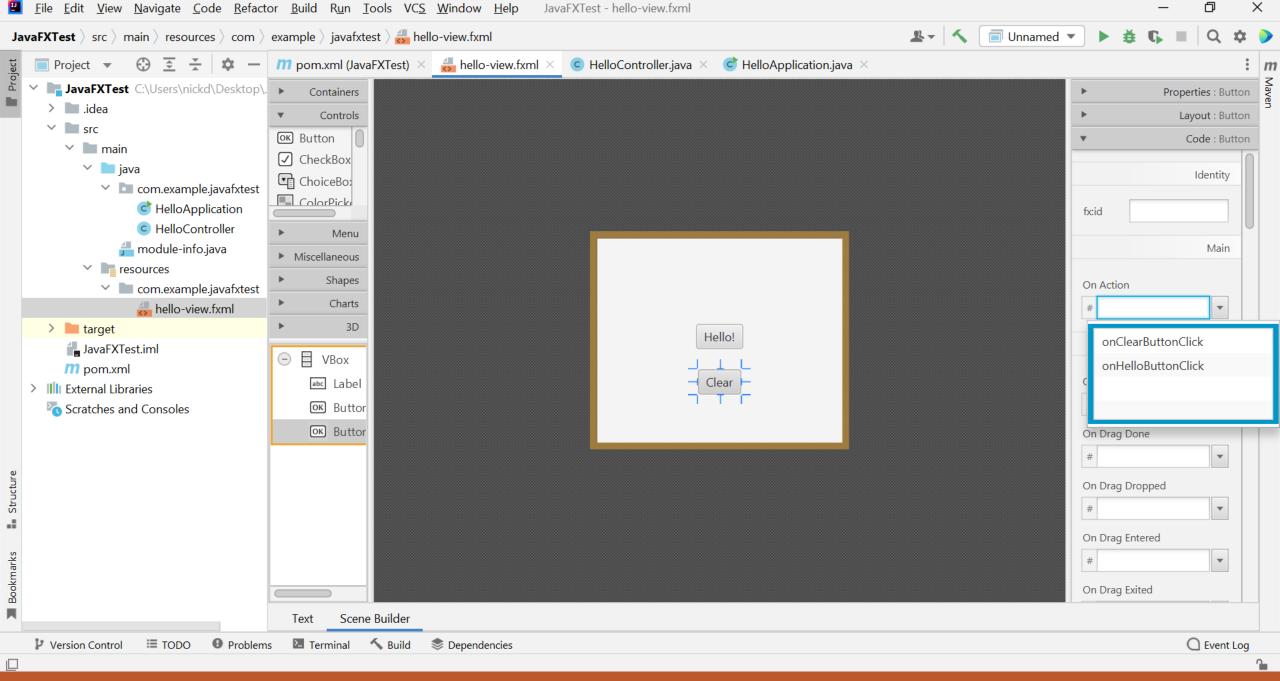


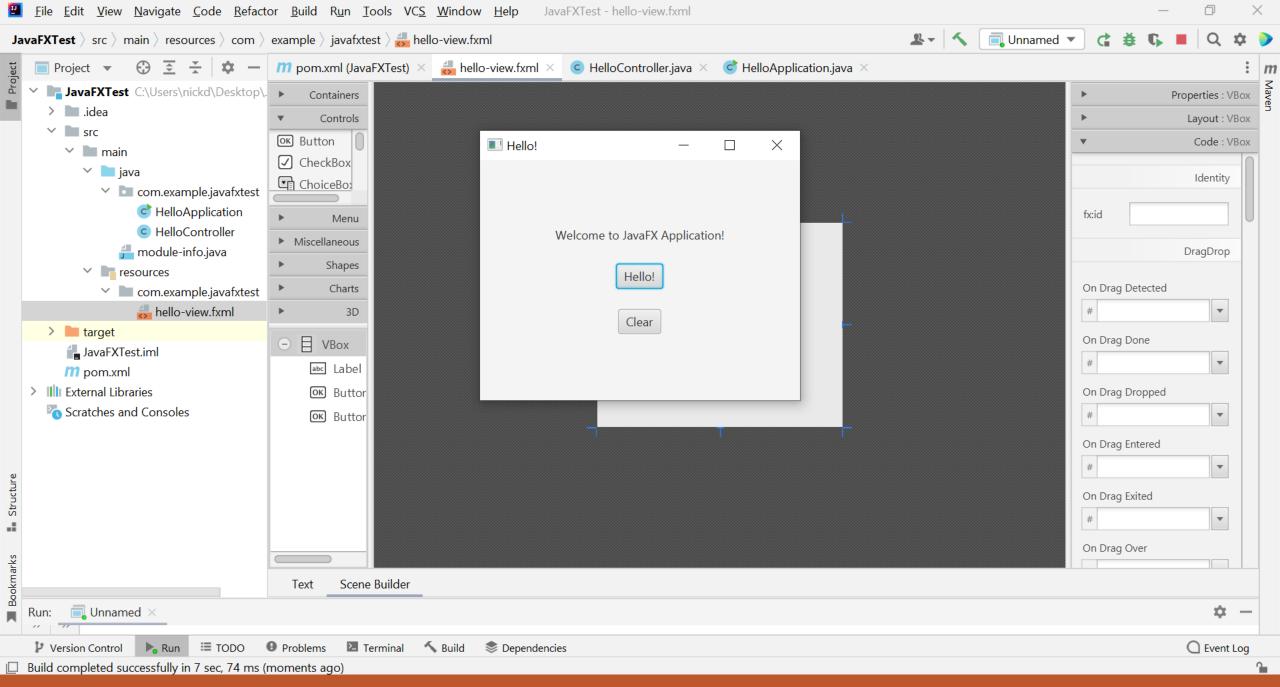


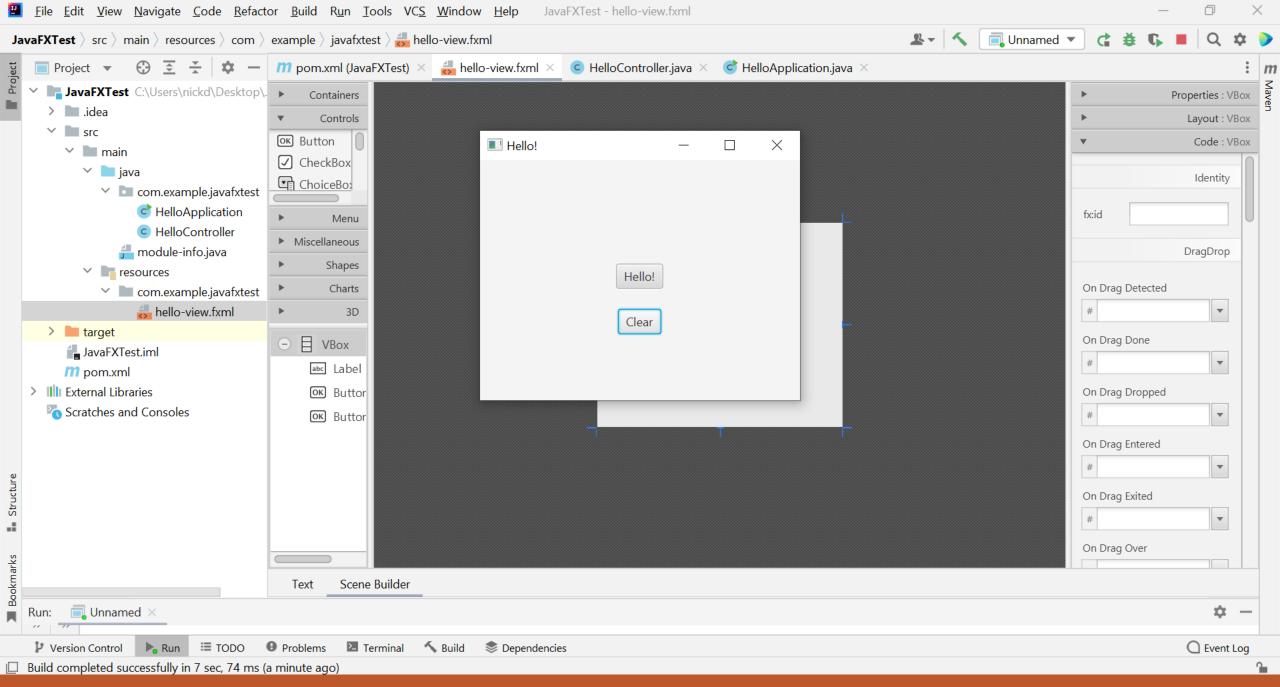




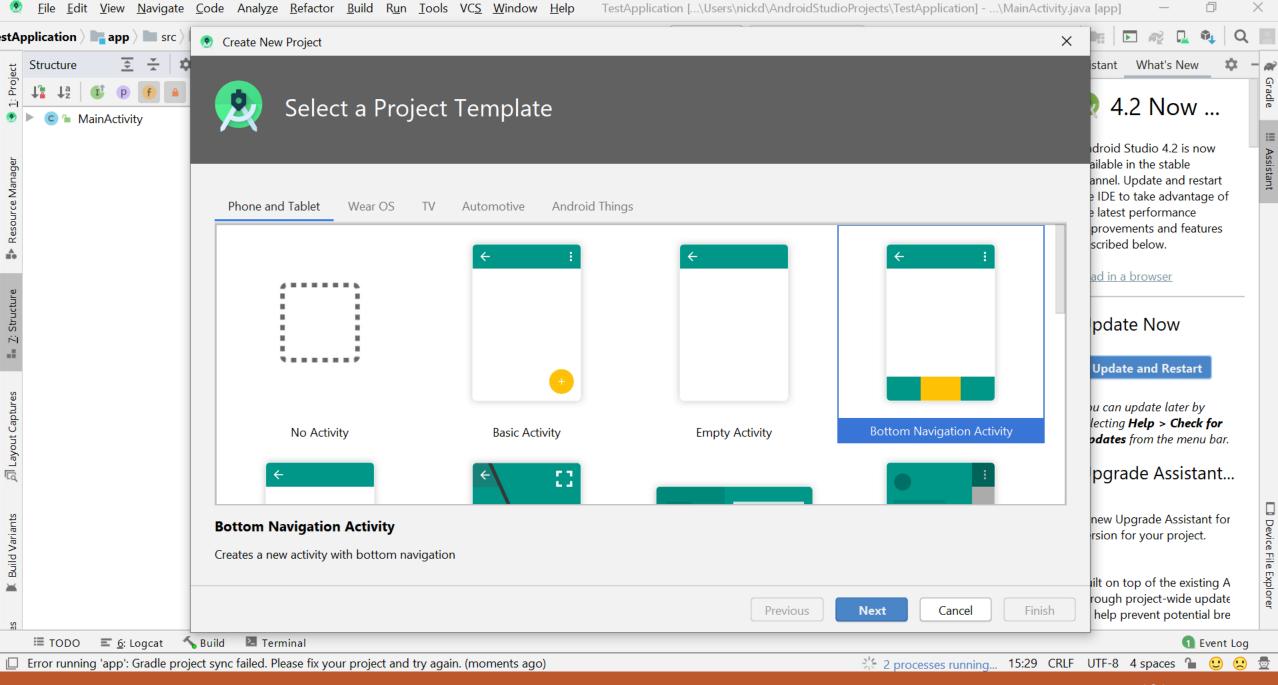


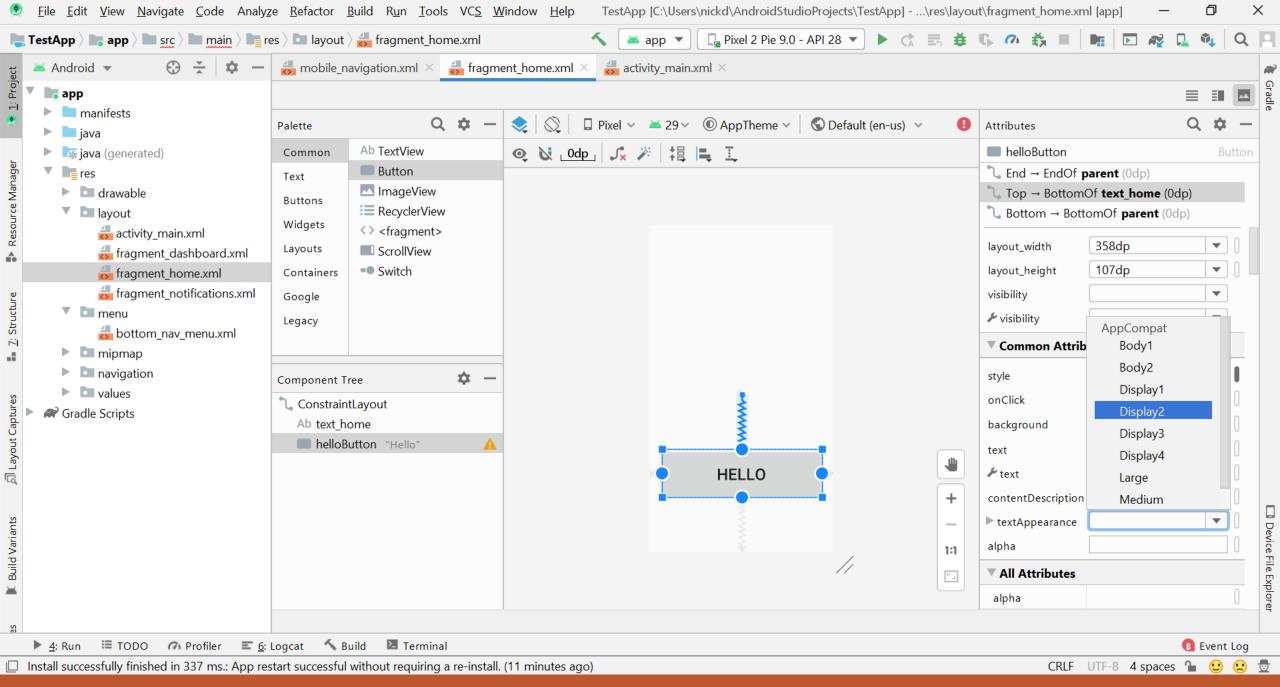


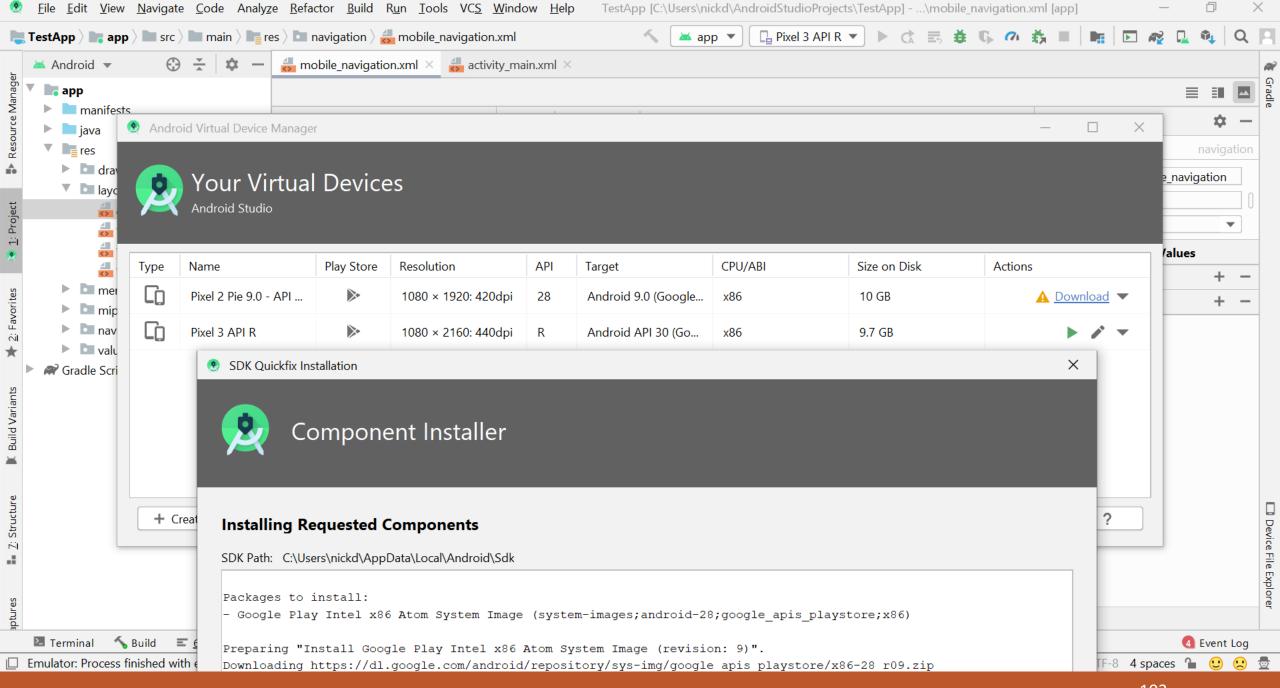


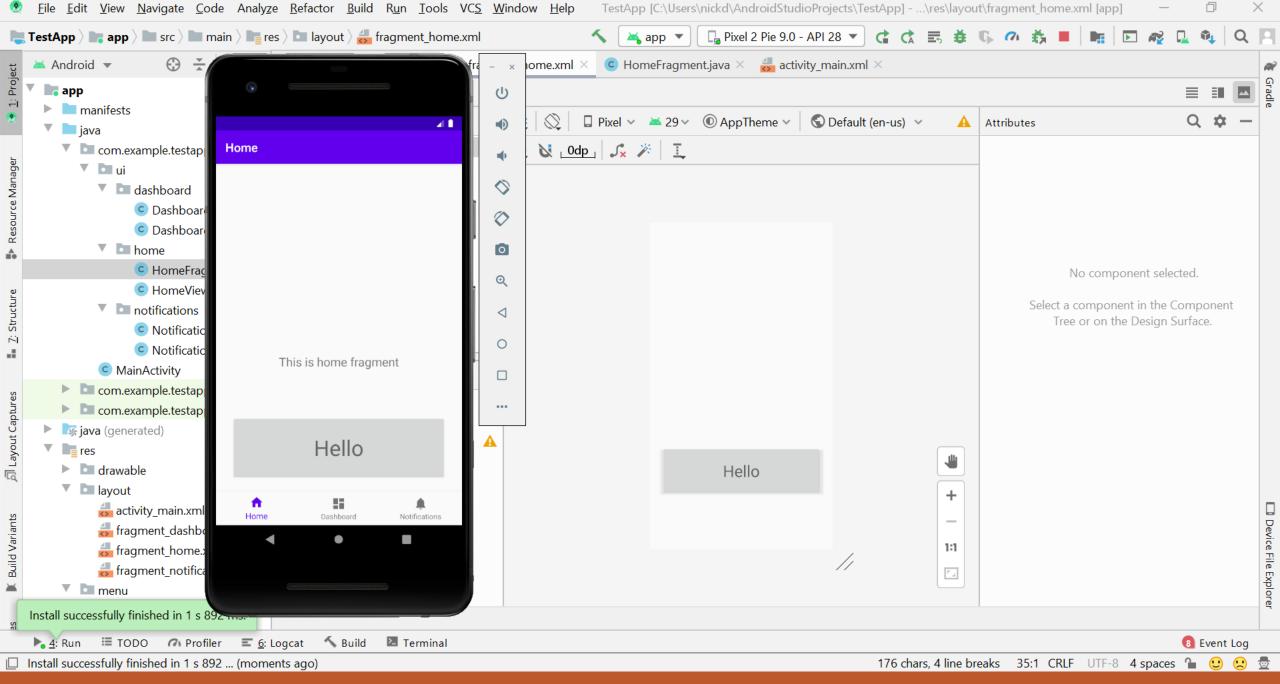


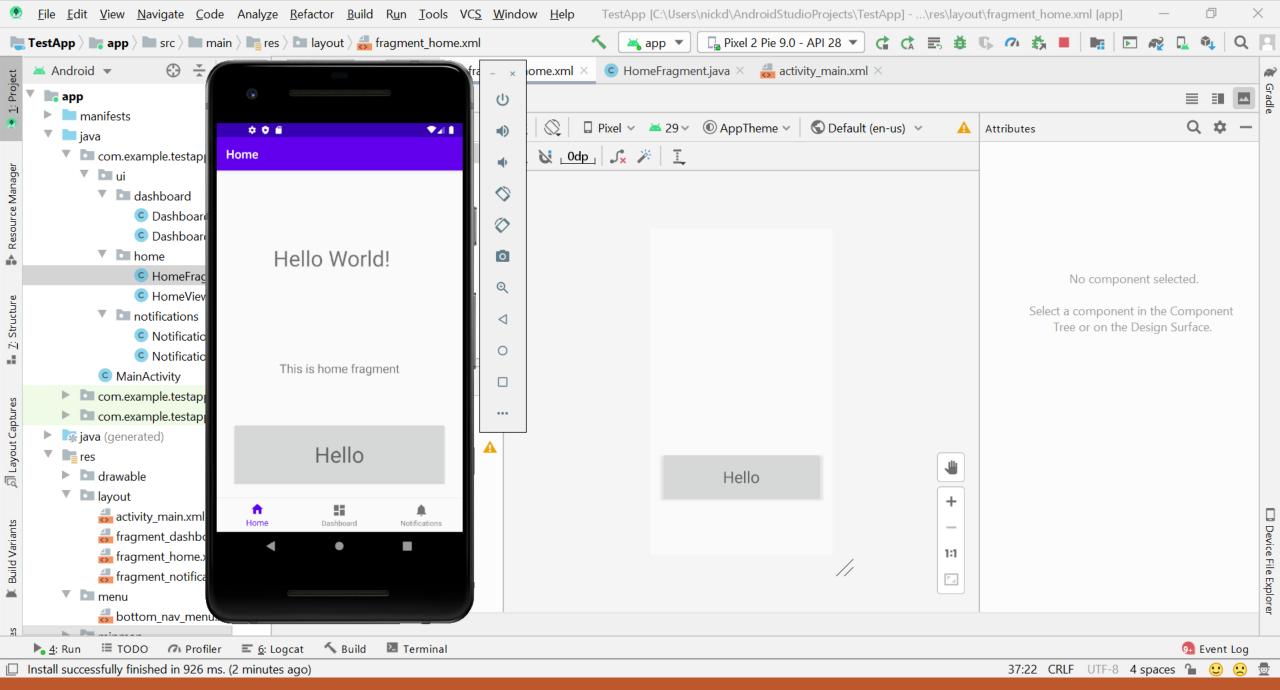
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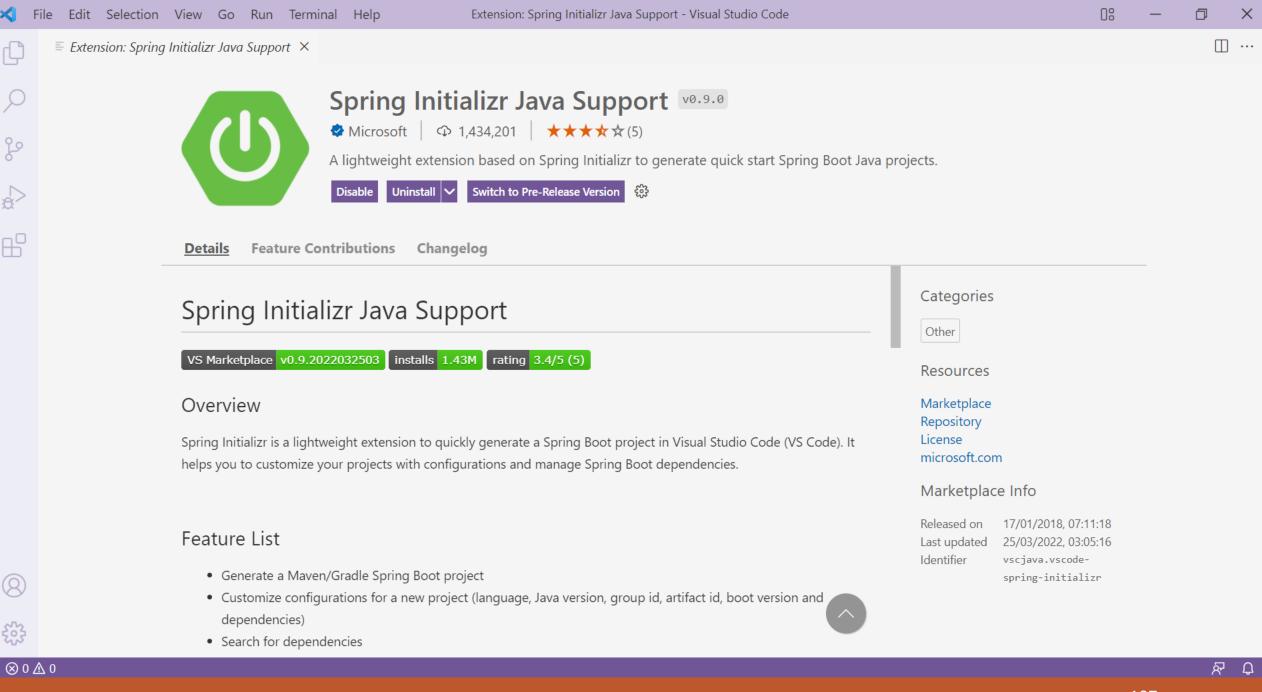


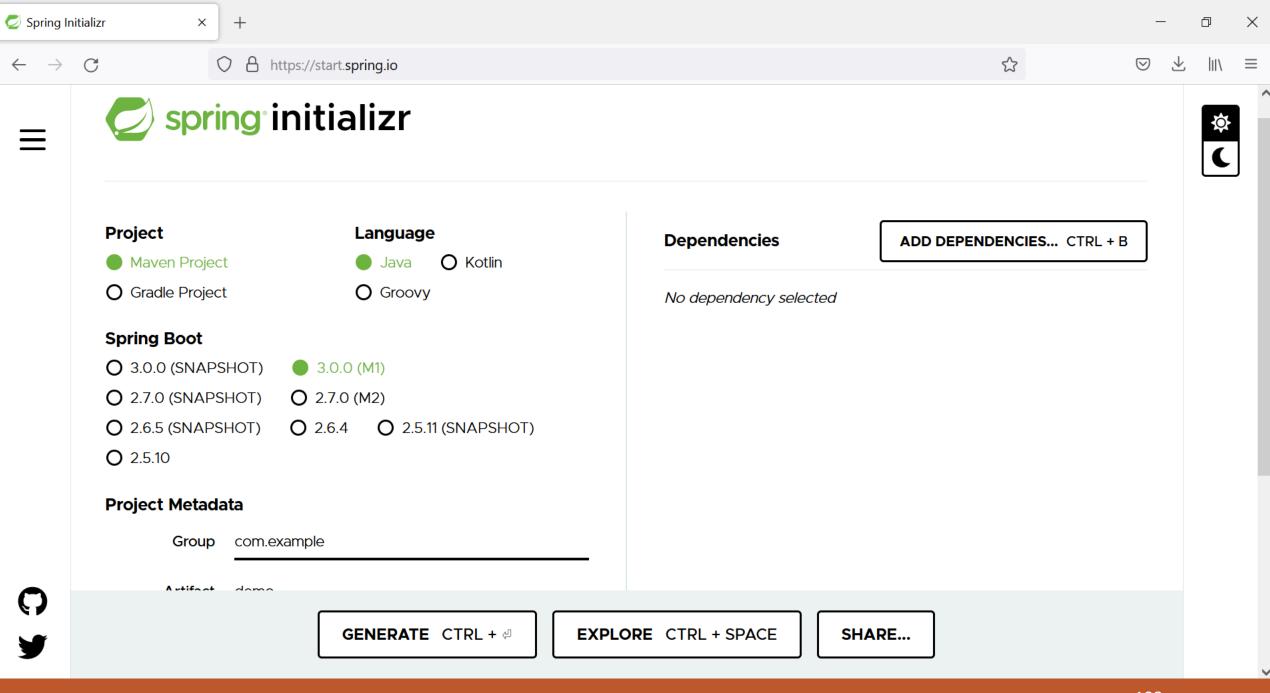


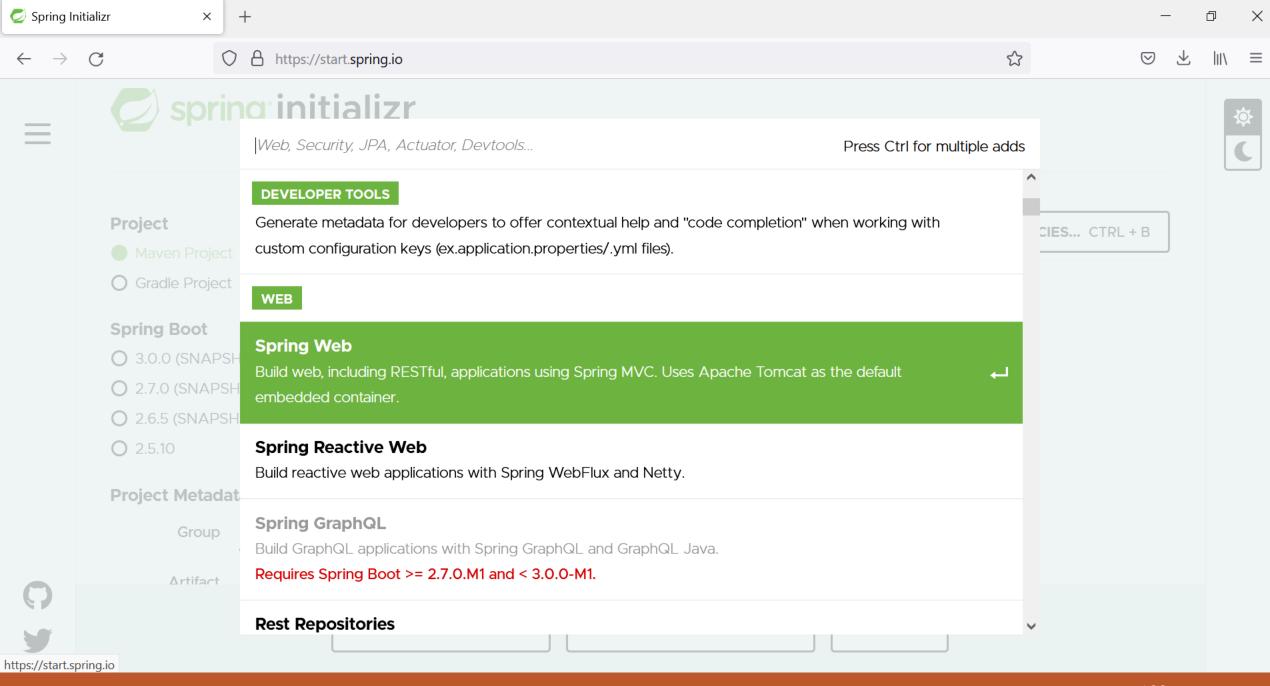


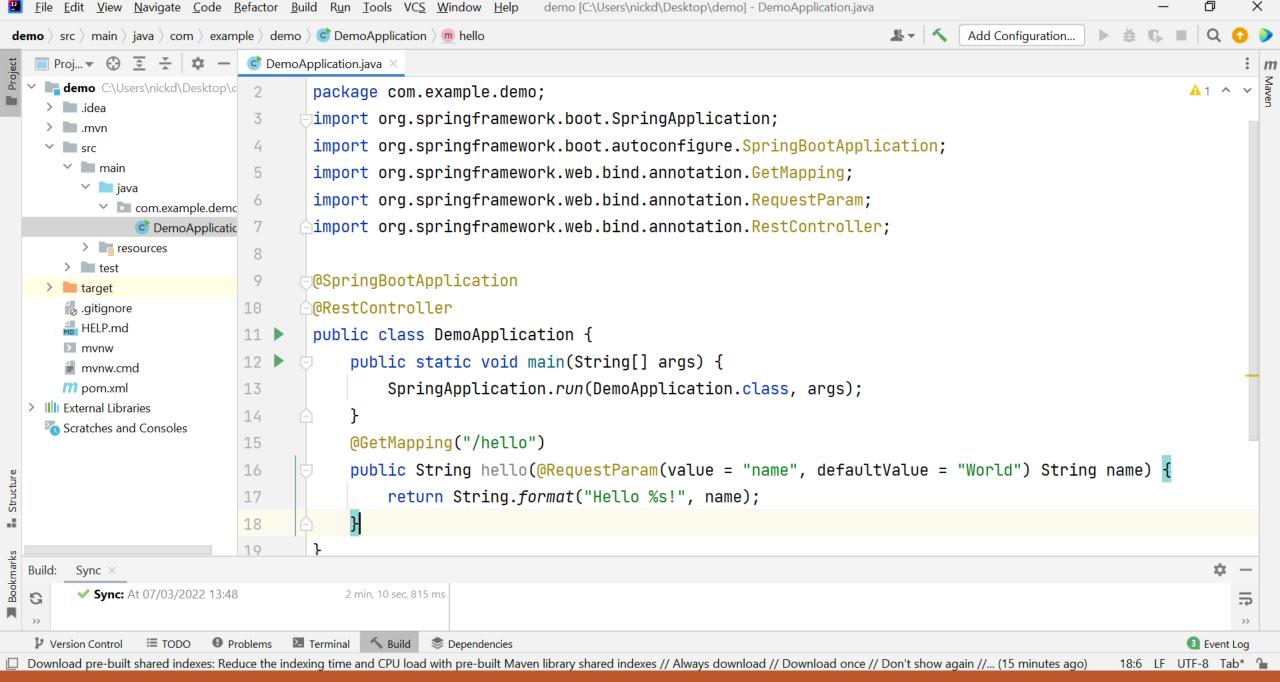


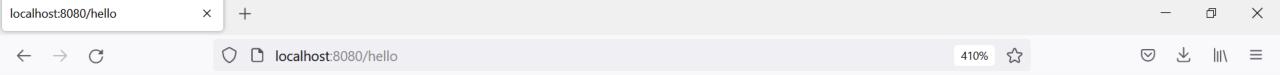
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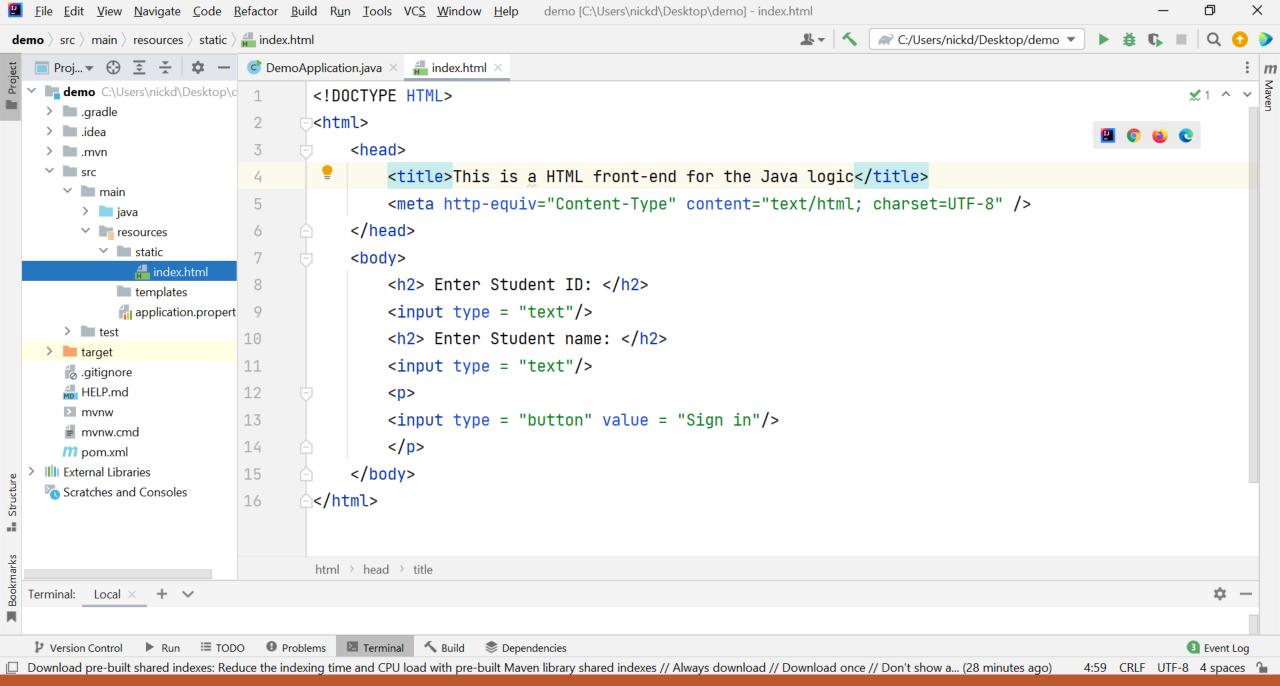








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