

Java life cycle

- Java programs normally undergo four phases:
 - Edit (Source code (.java))

Programmer writes program (and stores program on disk)

Compile (Byte codes (.class), as (.exe) in c++

Compiler creates bytecodes from program (.class as .exe in c⁺⁺)

Load

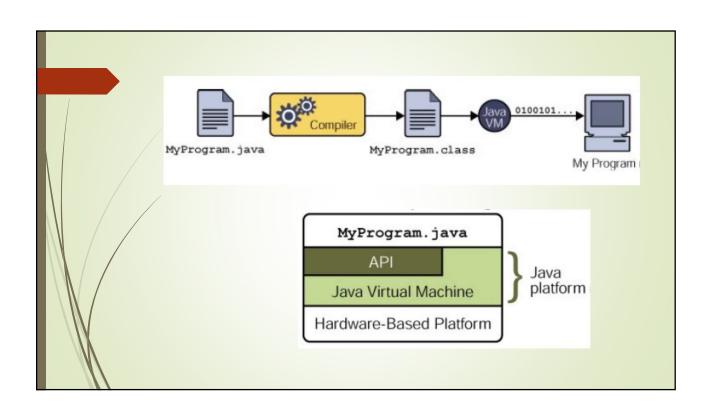
Class loader stores bytecodes in memory

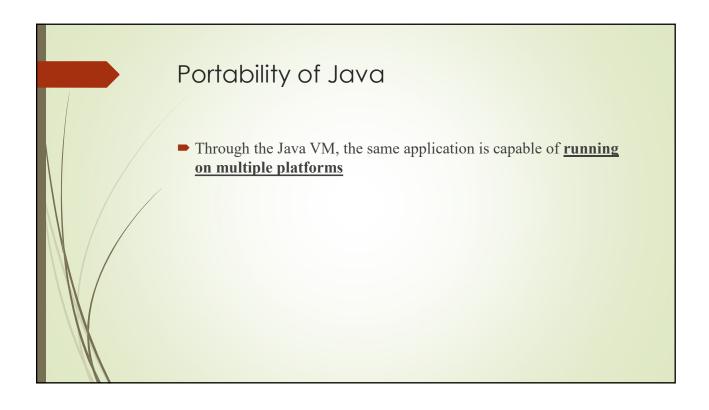
Execute

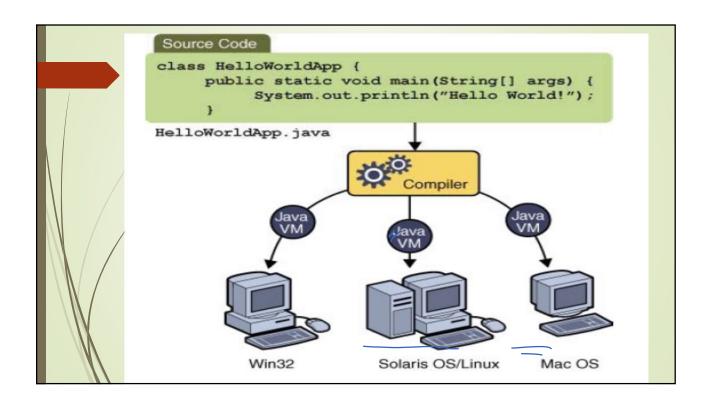
Interpreter: translates bytecodes into machine language

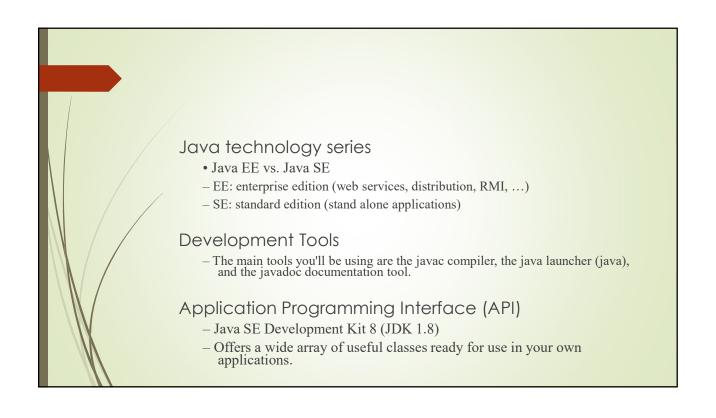
Other Concepts

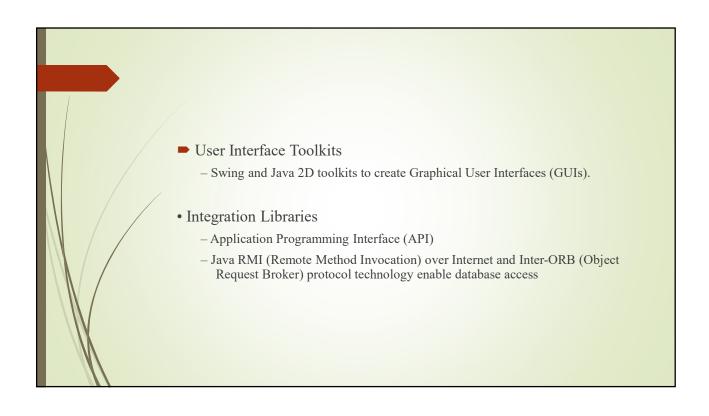
- The Java Application Programming Interface (API)
 - a large collection of <u>ready-made software components</u>. It is grouped into libraries of related classes and interfaces; these libraries are known as packages.
 - ► E.g. System.out.*; java.util.*
- Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
- Machine code (platform dependent)

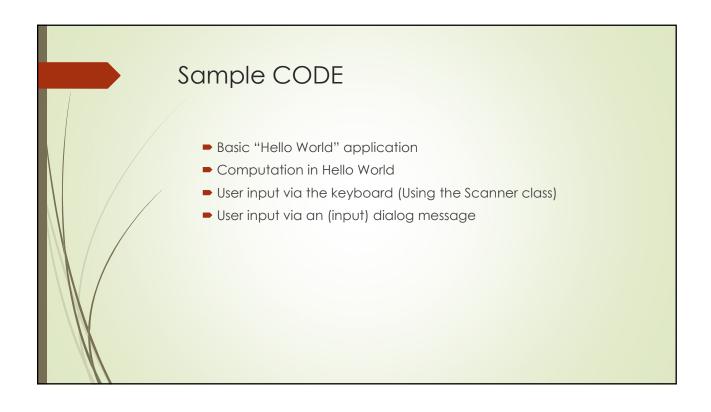


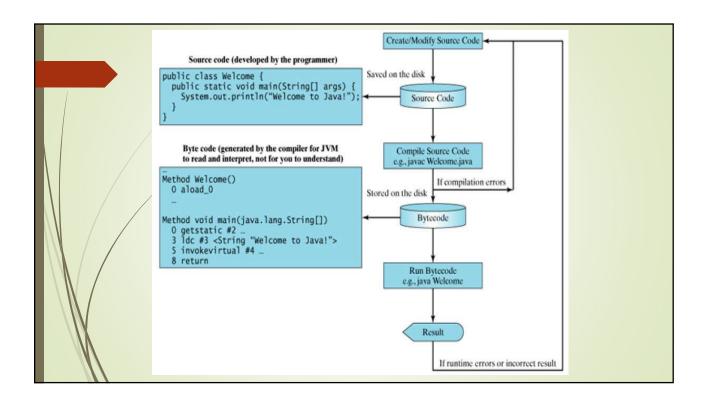




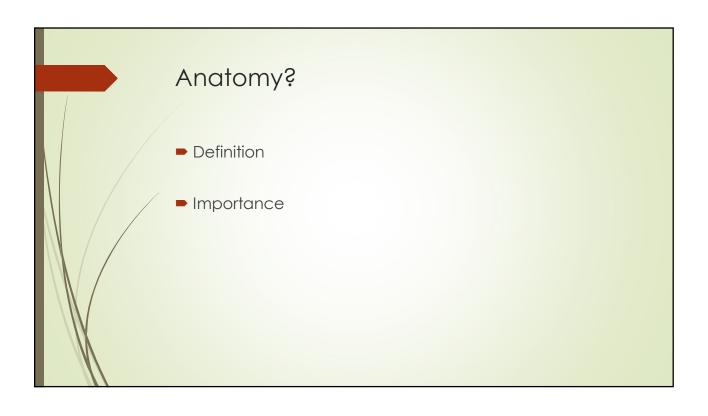












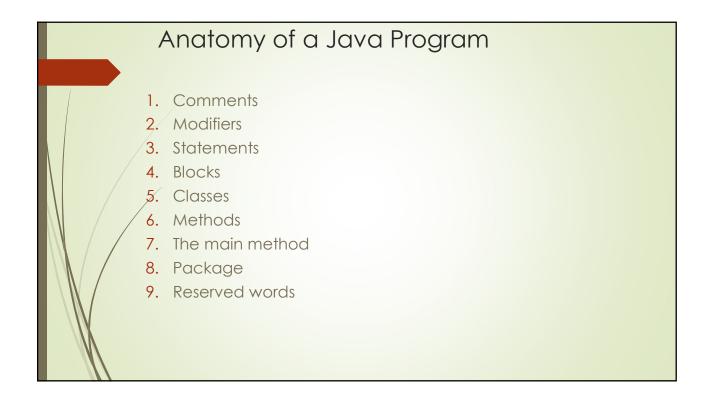
A closer look at the hello World App In the Java programming language, every application must contain a main method whose signature is: public static void main (String[] args) The modifiers public and static can be written in either order (public static or static public). You can name the argument anything you want, but most programmers choose "args" or "argv." This is the string array that will contains the command line arguments.

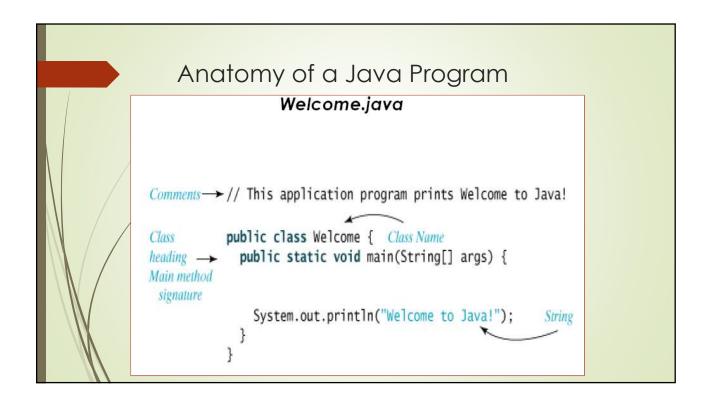
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public class HelloWorld
{
//main method
public static void main (String args [])
{
    System.out.println("Hello World!");
}
}

The main method is the entry point for your application and will subsequently invoke all the other methods required by your program.

System.out.println("Hello World!");

uses the System class from the API to print the "Hello World!" message to standard output.
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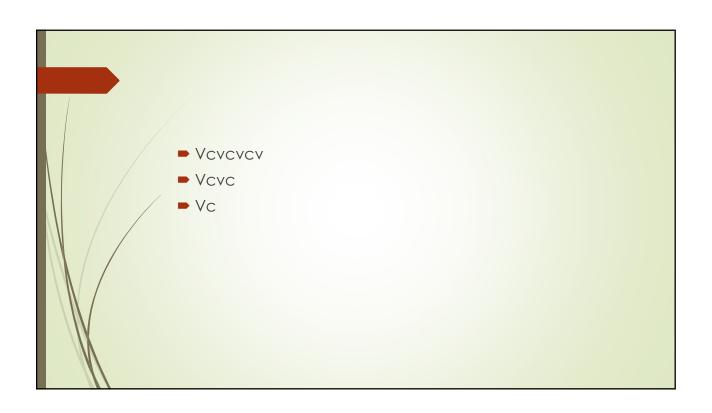




Comments

- ■In Java, comments are preceded by two slashes (//) in a line, or enclosed between /* and */ in one or multiple lines.
- When the compiler sees //, it ignores all text after // in the same line.
- ■When it sees /*, it scans for the next */ and ignores any text between /* and */.

Java uses certain reserved words called modifiers that specify the properties of the data, methods, and classes and how they can be used. Examples of modifiers are public and static. Other modifiers are private, final, abstract, and protected. A public datum, method, or class can be accessed by other programs. A private datum or method cannot be accessed by other programs. Modifiers are discussed later in the course



Statements

A statement represents an action or a sequence of actions.

The statement System.out.println("Welcome to Java!"); in the exercise is a statement to display the greeting "Welcome to Java!"

Every statement in Java ends with a semicolon (;)

Blocks

A pair of braces in a program forms a block that groups components of a program.

```
public class Test {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java!"); Method block
   }
}
```

All statements within a block are executed sequentially

Classes

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- The class is the essential Java construct.
- A class is a template or blueprint for objects.
- To program in Java, you must understand classes and be able to write and use them.
- The mystery of the class will continue to be unveiled throughout this course. For now, though, understand that a program is defined by using one or more classes.

Methods

What is System.out.println?

- It is a method: a collection of statements that performs a sequence of operations to display a message on the console.
- It can be used even without fully understanding the details of how it works.
- It is used by invoking a statement with a string argument. The string argument is enclosed within parentheses. In this case, the argument is "Welcome to Java!" You can call the same println method with a different argument to print a different message.

main Method

- The main method provides the control of program flow. The Java interpreter executes the application by invoking the main method.
- The main method looks like this:

public static void main(String[] args) {
 // Statements;

Packages

- A package is a namespace for organizing classes and interfaces in a logical manner.
- A namespace organizes a set of related classes and interfaces
- Placing your code into packages makes large software projects easier to manage
- Conceptually you can think of packages as being similar to different folders on your computer. For a website project, you might keep HTML pages in one folder, images in another, and scripts or applications in yet another.

Packages (contd...)

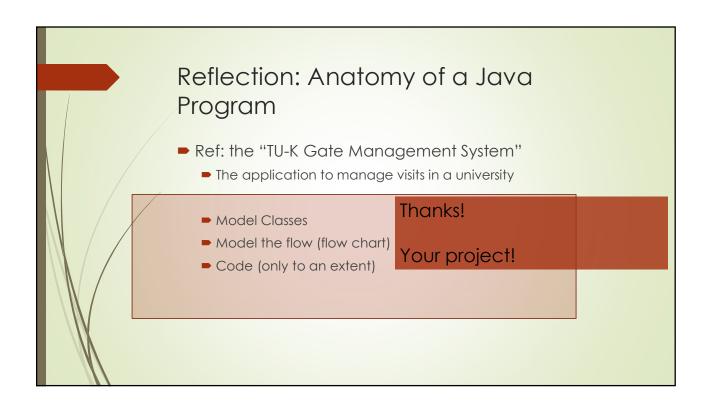
- Because software written in the Java programming language can be composed of hundreds or thousands of individual classes, it makes sense to keep things organized by placing related classes and interfaces into packages.
- The Java platform provides an enormous class library (a set of packages) suitable for use in your own applications. This library is known as the "Application Programming Interface", or "API" for short. Its packages represent the tasks most commonly associated with general-purpose programming. For example:
 - Print to screen, String operations, etc

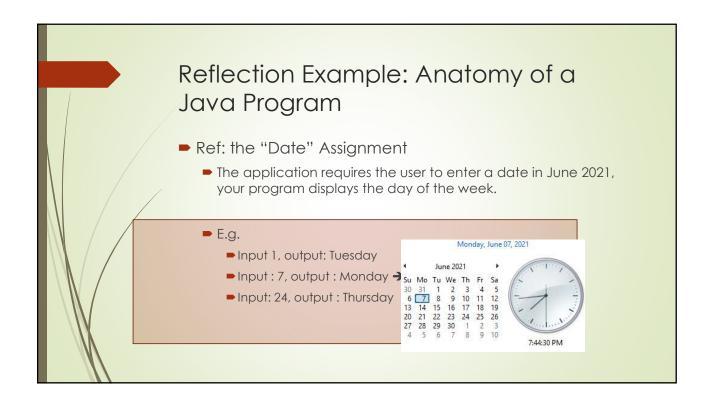
API definition

- An application program interface (API) is a set of routines, protocols, and tools for building software applications
- Basically, an API specifies how software components should interact. Additionally, APIs are used when programming graphical user interface (GUI) components
- A good API makes it easier to develop a program by providing all the building blocks. A programmer then puts the blocks together.









Classes and ADTs, Java Object Class

Intro / Overview

- 'What are abstract data types?"
- The idea of using well-designed abstract data types (ADTs) to simplify the development life cycle and to create reusable code is well established.
- This TOPIC covers the basics of designing and implementing ADTs in an object-oriented programming language.
 - As a foundation to exploring data abstraction, we will take a look inside Java and explore some of the internal workings of the Java runtime system.
 - java reference objects will be explained.
- The passing of reference and value types as arguments and how each type of argument passing is used in the Java programming language will be discussed.
- Exercises are provided to stimulate understanding in the use of reference objects.

Abstract Data type

Ref an int data type

- Available in all languages
- Referred to as "primitive" data type in java
- An initialized Java int variable holds a 32-bit signed integer value between -2³² and 2³² 1
 - we've established that an int holds data
- Operations can be performed on an int
 - assign a value to an int.
 - apply the Java unary prefix and postfix increment and decrement operators to an int
 - use an int in binary operation expressions, such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
 - test the value of an int, and we can use an int in an equality expression

 In performing these operations on an int variable, the user does not need to be concerned with the implementation of the operation

int i = 0; i++; // not concerned how the increment take place / is done

The user also does not need to know how the value is represented and stored internally

- To Summarize the built-in int data type, an int does the following:
 - ► An int **holds** an item of **data**.
 - <u>Predefined operations</u> can be performed on an int.
 - An int has an internal representation that is hidden from the user in performing these operations.
- → leads to definition of an ADT

ADT Definition

- An ADT is an externally defined data type that holds some kind of **data** (in java data refers to a java object).
- An ADT has <u>built-in operations</u> that can be performed on it or by it.
- Users of an ADT <u>do not need</u> to have any detailed information about the <u>internal representation</u> of the data storage or implementation of the operations.

