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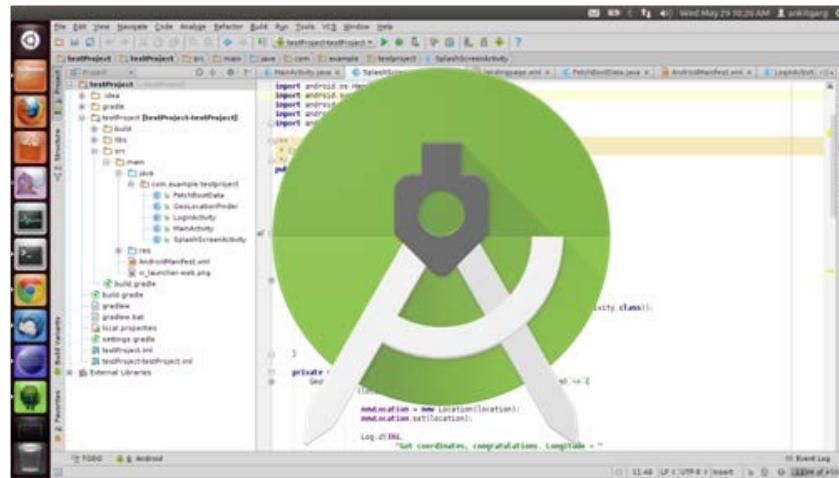
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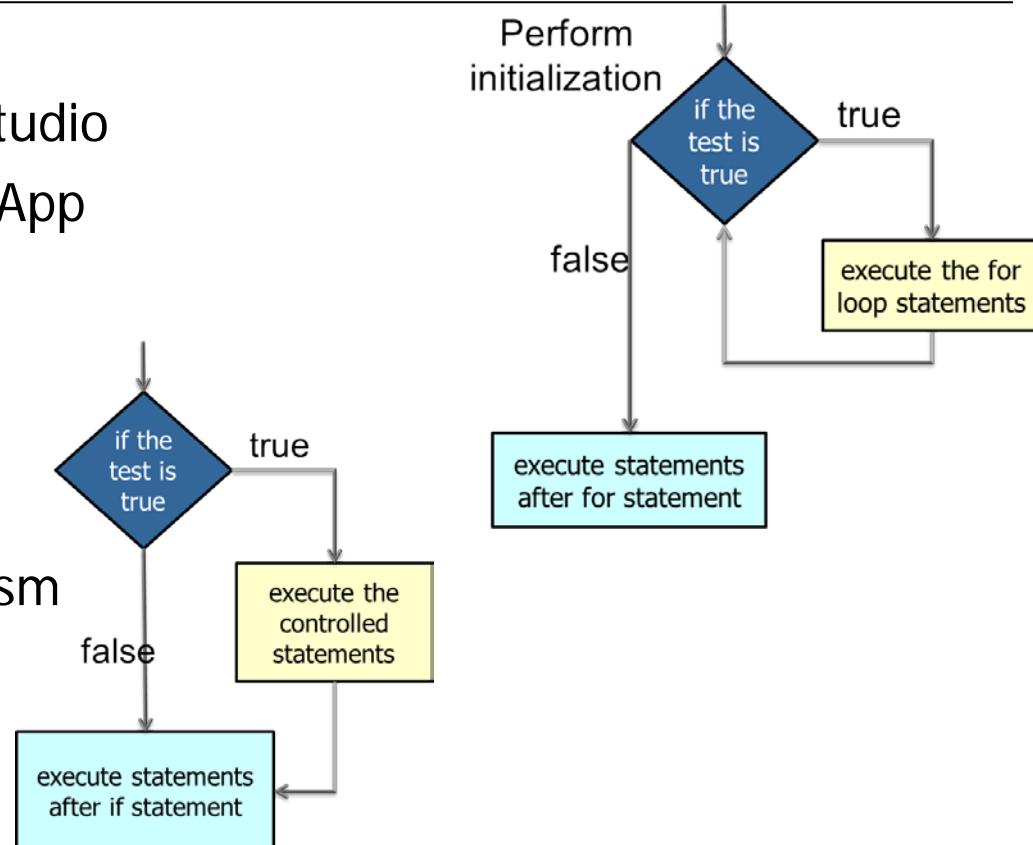
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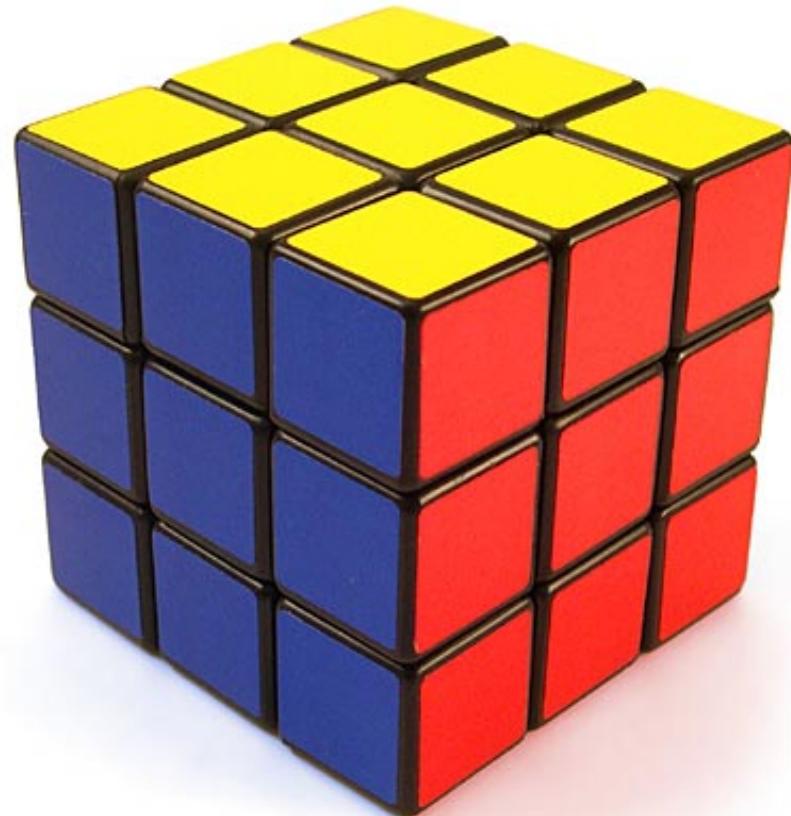
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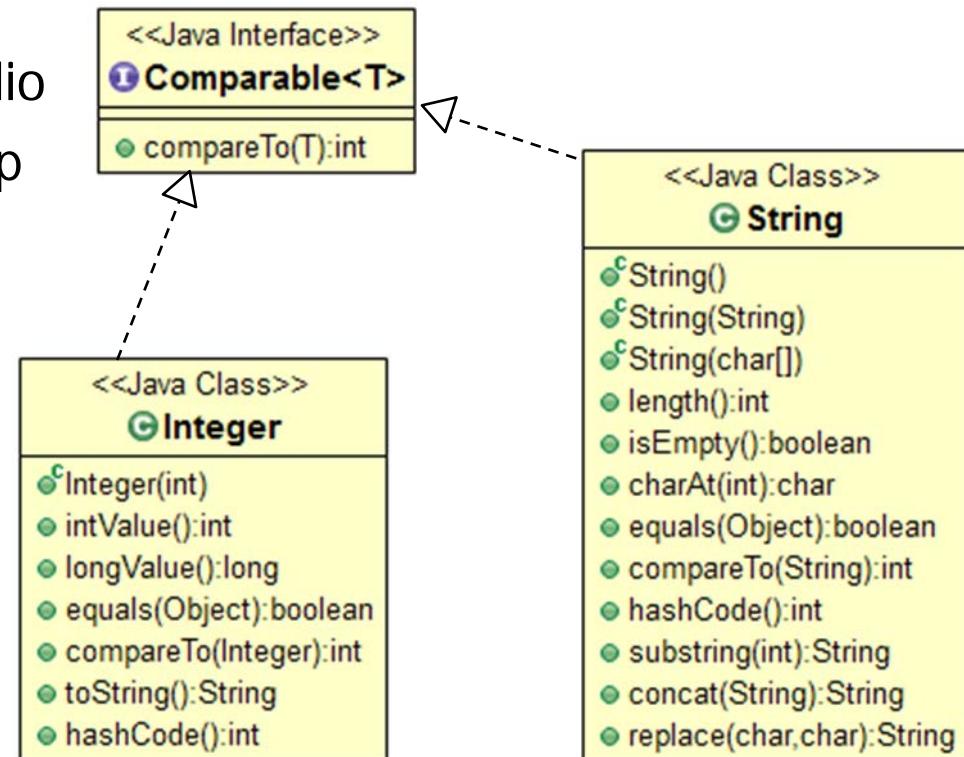
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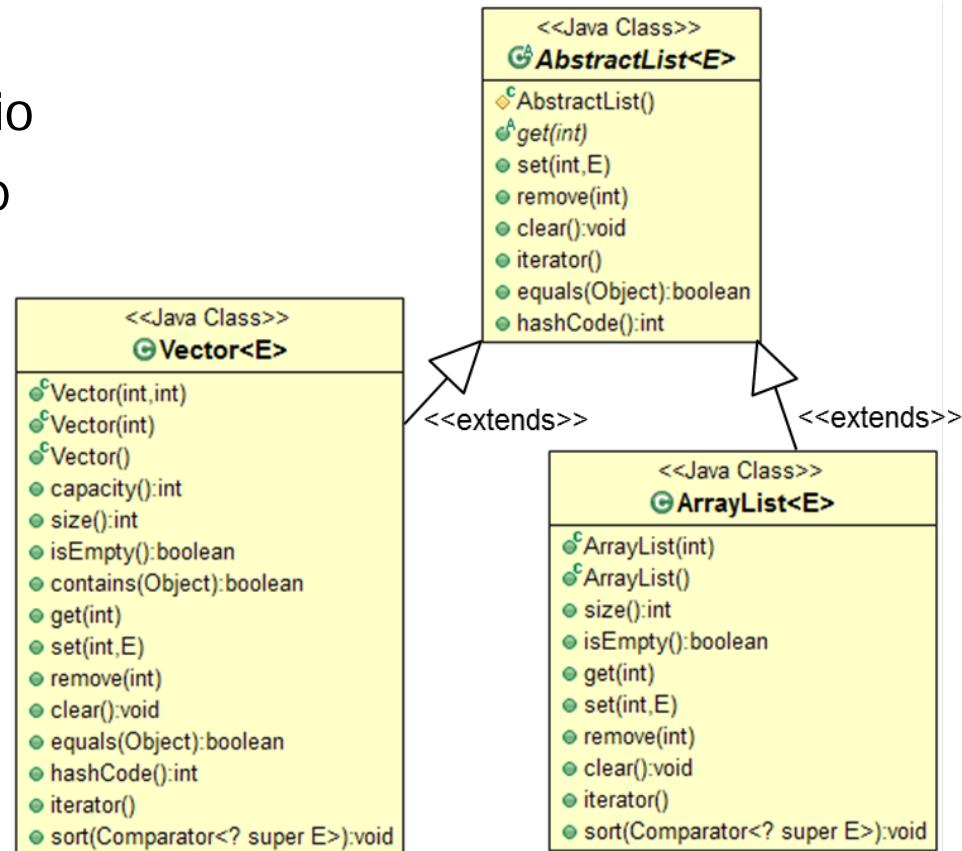
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If you download the lessons & watch them locally the quizzes won't appear!

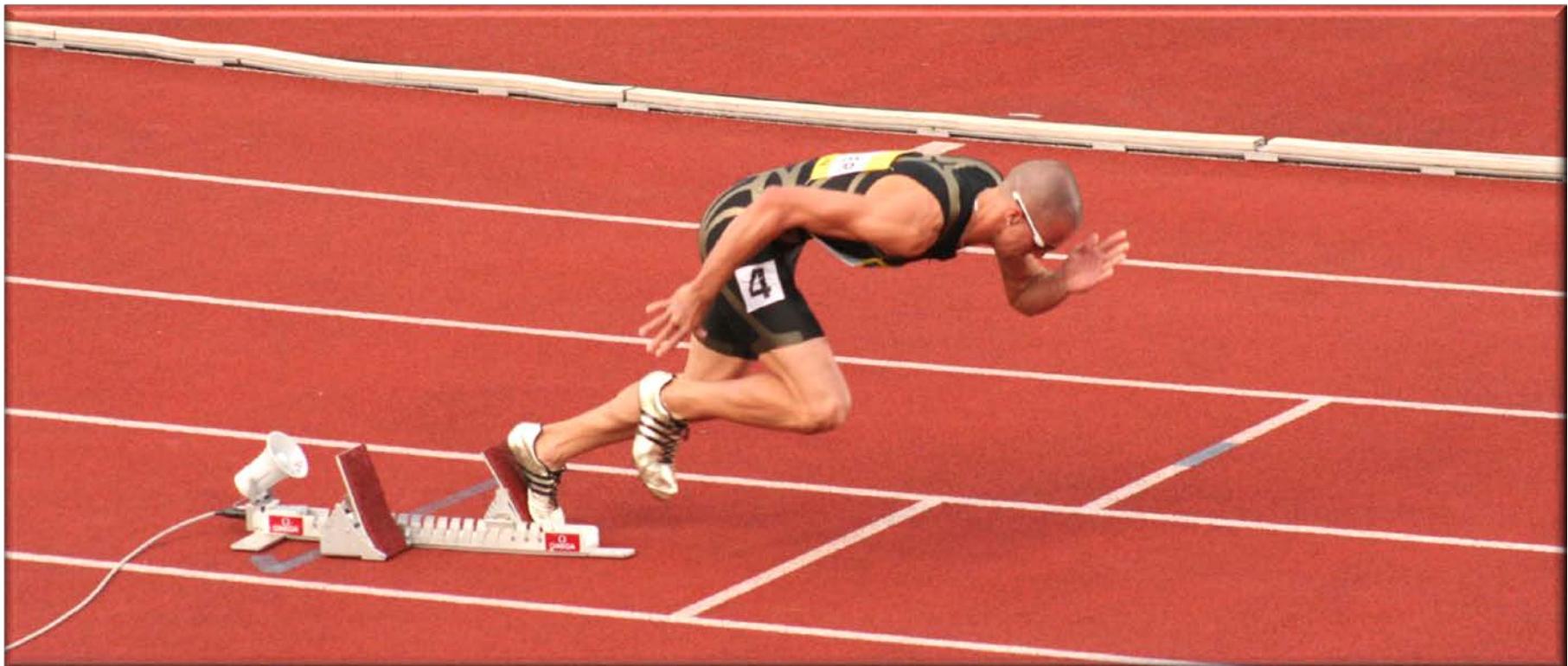
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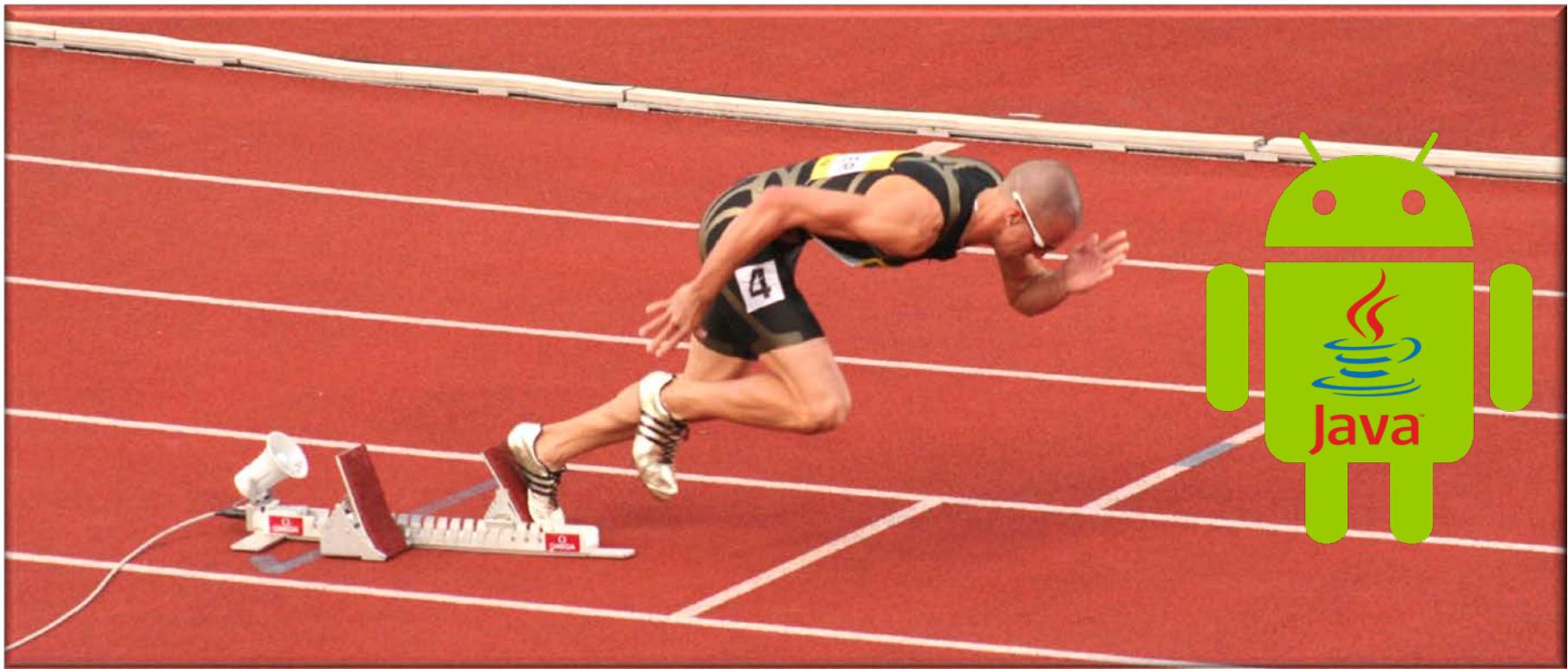
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- ... or those switching to Java & Android for the first time



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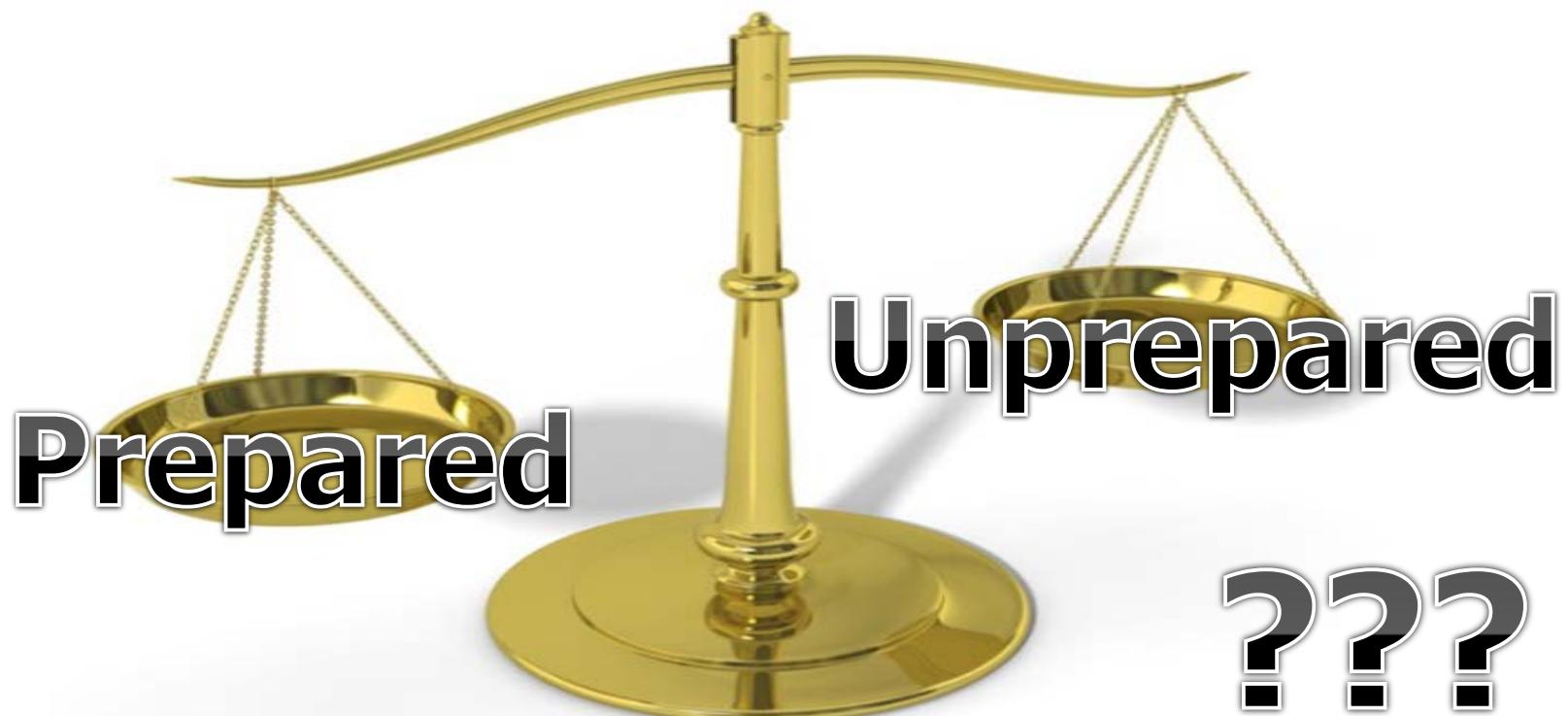
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- We don't know what you know or whether you're prepared or not!



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## FAQ

### 1. What are the course learning objectives?

Upon completing this course, students should be able to:

- Understand the key object oriented features needed to program Java for Android
- Know how to install Android Studio and apply it and other tools to develop & debug Android Apps.
- Know where to find additional sources of information on how to program mobile apps on Android handheld systems.

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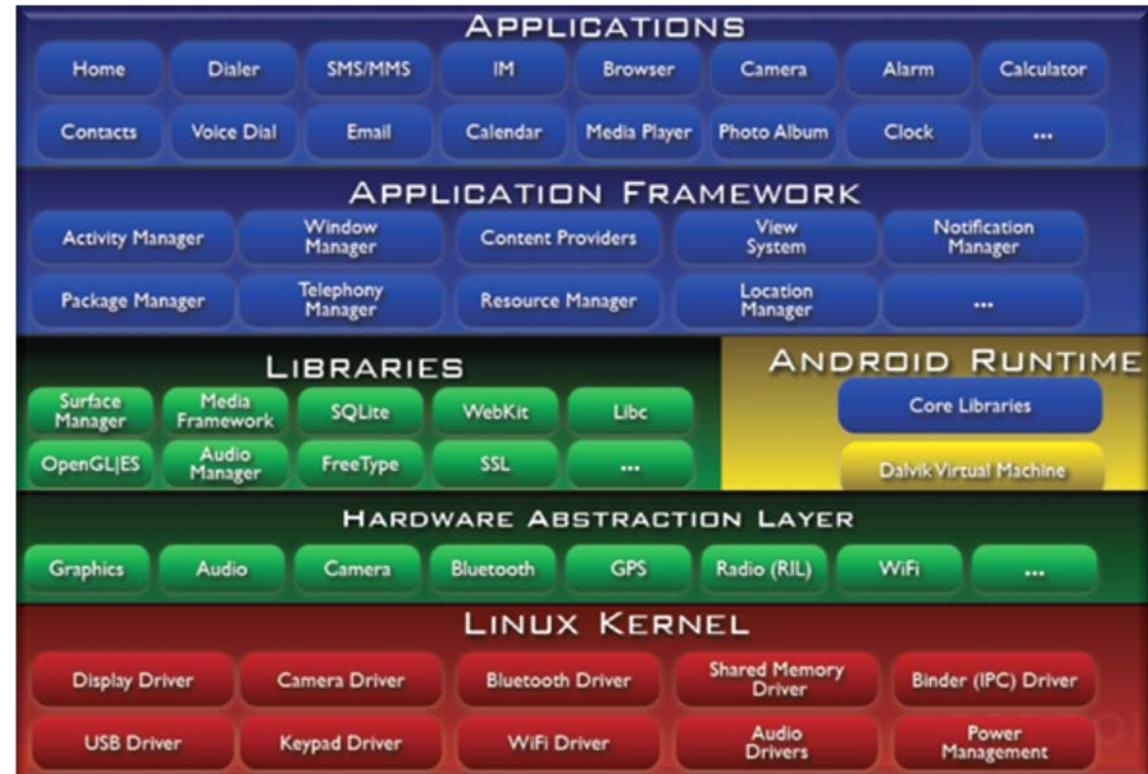
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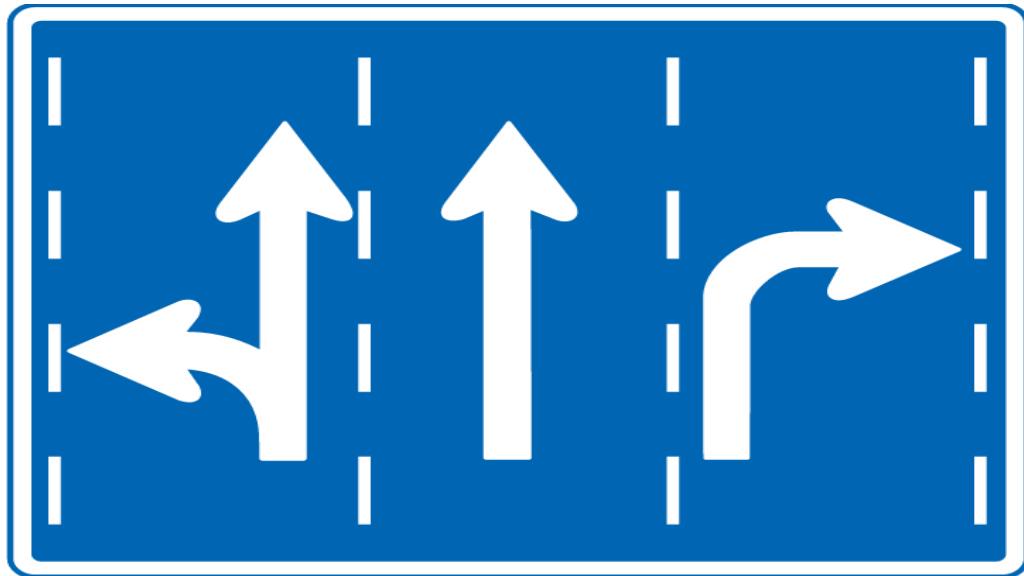
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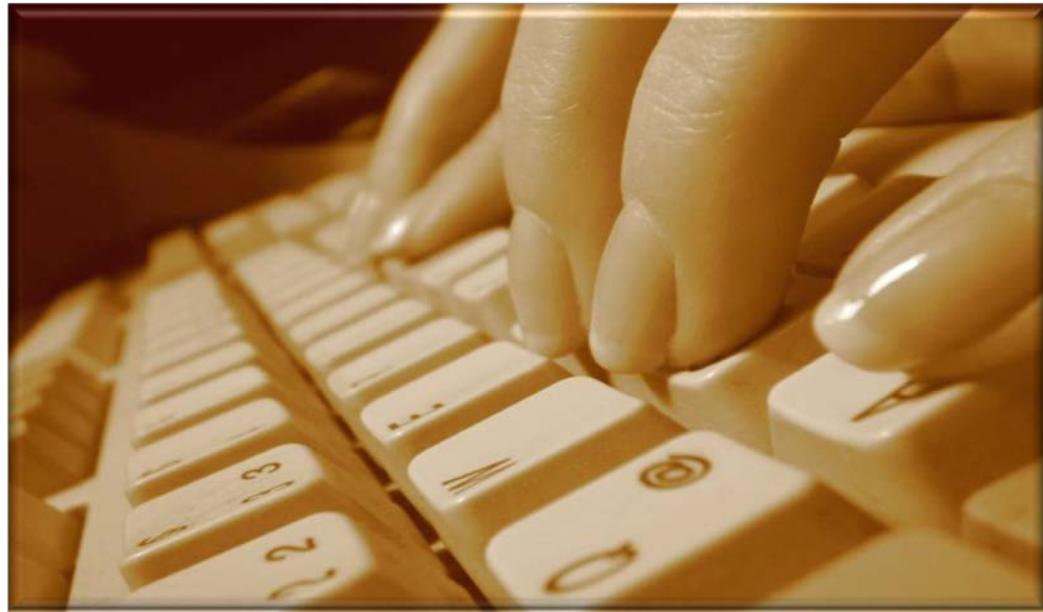
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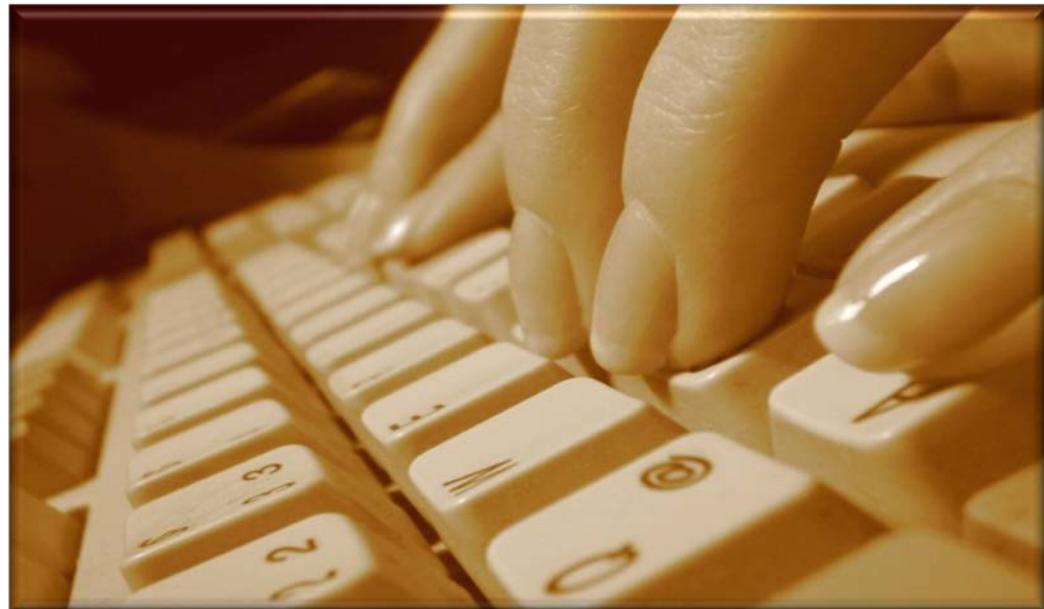
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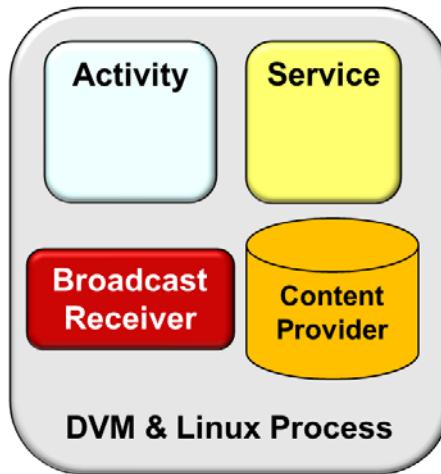
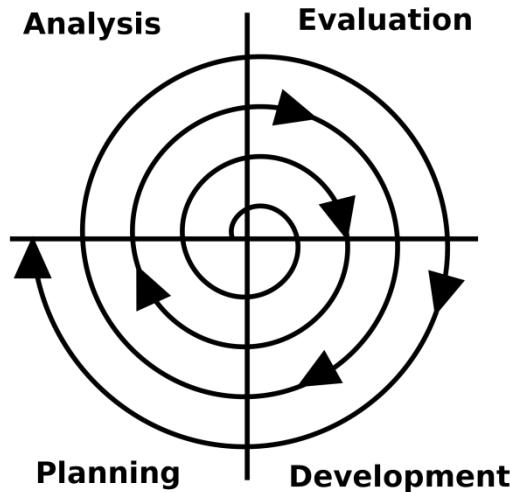
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  - e.g., send/receive emails, browse the web, participate in online discussion forums, & upload/download files from websites



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- After completing this MOOC Specialization we expect you'll know Java for programming core Android components, Android Studio, Git, et al.



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- Programming assignments should be written in Java using Android Studio



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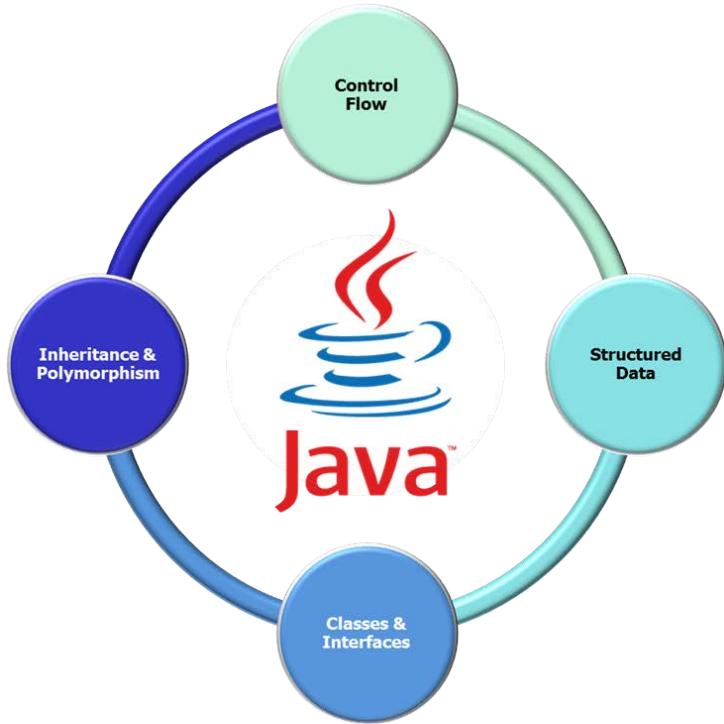
- Source code for assignments, examples, Android, & Java is online

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- The programming assignments provide experience developing apps using a range of Java & Android features



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- Verified Certificates require doing the quizzes & assignments

## Verified Certificate

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Coursera offers the [Signature Track](#), which verifies the identity of students. Students in the Signature Track can receive a Verified Certificate if they meet the criteria described below. It's mandatory for students in the Signature Track to successfully achieve a Verified Certificate in all MOOCs in the Specialization to take the Capstone project at the end of the Specialization.

This MOOC consists of lecture videos with integrated quiz questions designed to ensure students understand the material covered in the videos. The estimated time commitment is roughly 8 -- 12 hours per week, depending on background and interest level. In addition to completing the auto-graded weekly quizzes, students will also complete auto-/peer-graded programming assignments. These programming assignments will involve writing concurrent Android applications using its pattern-oriented frameworks written in Java. The final grade for the course will be calculated as follows:



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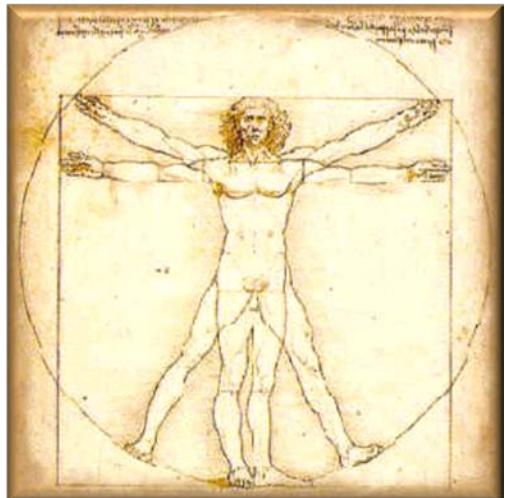


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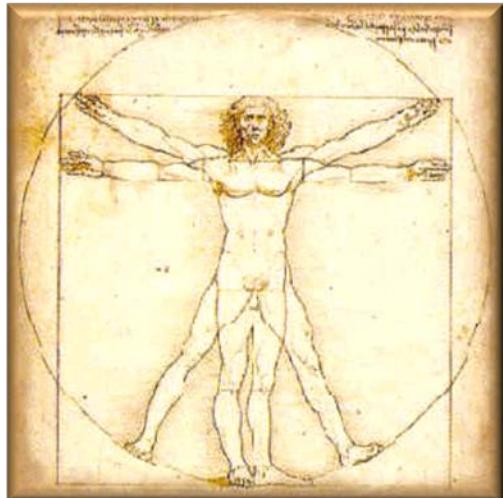
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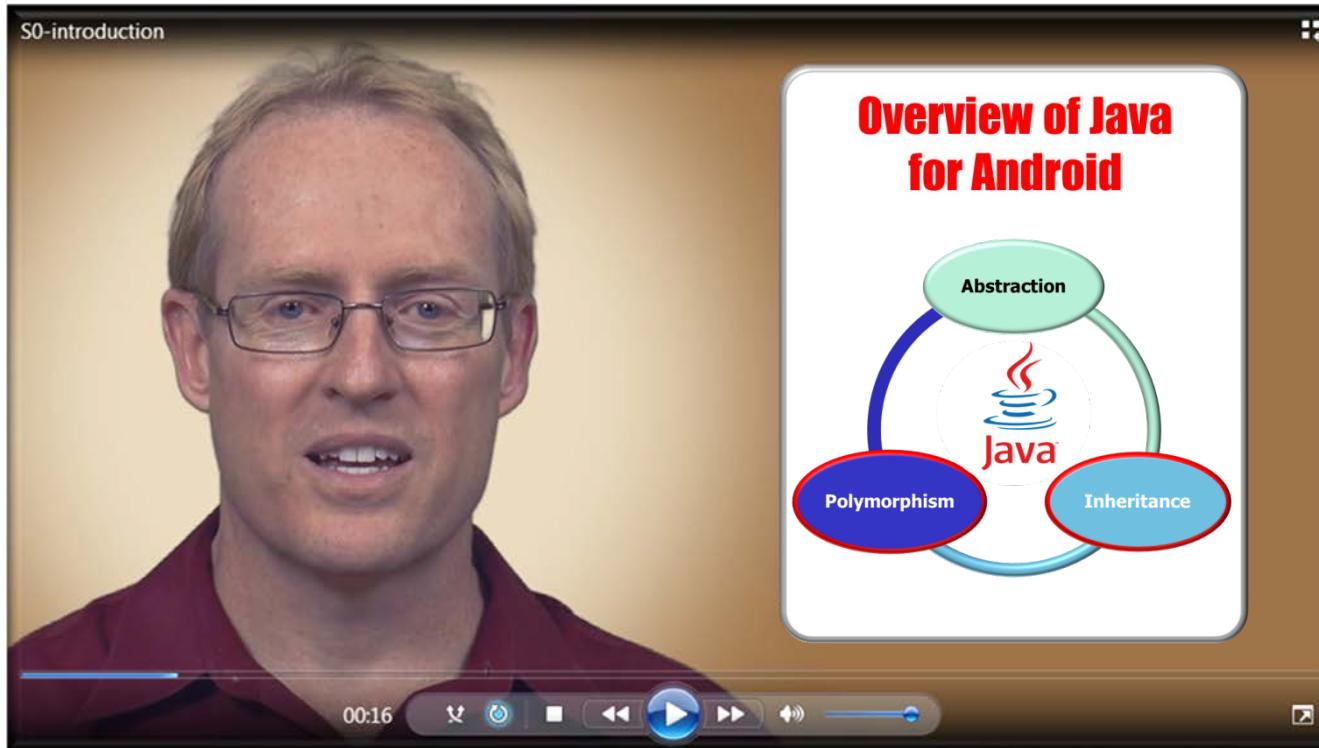
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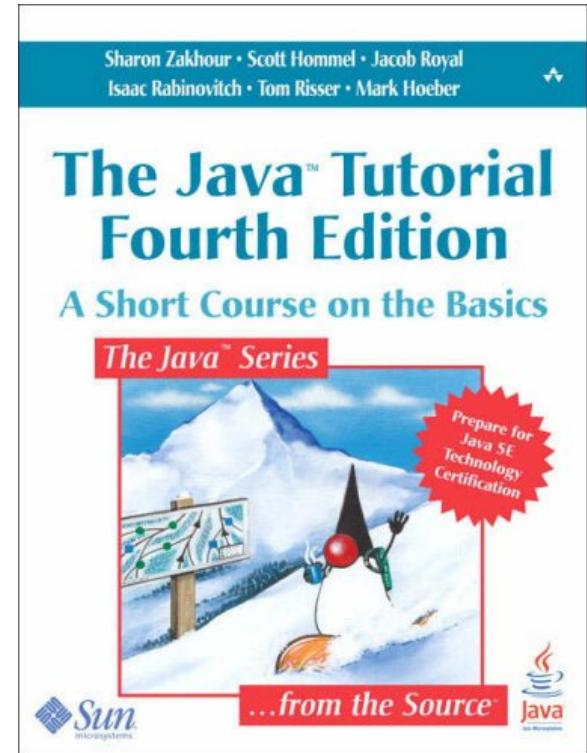


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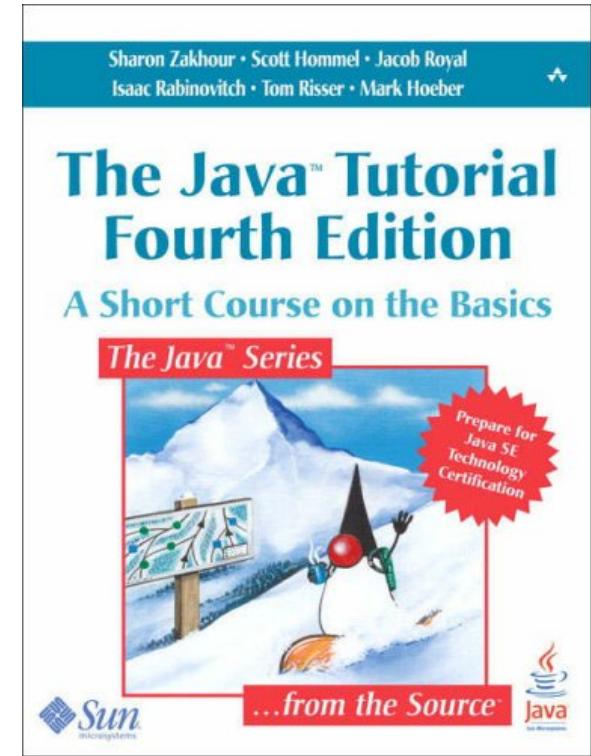
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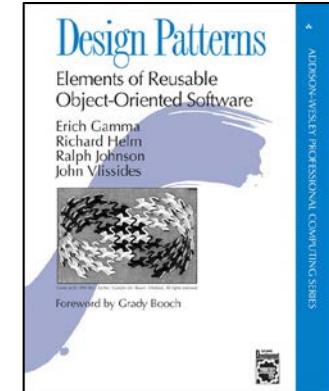
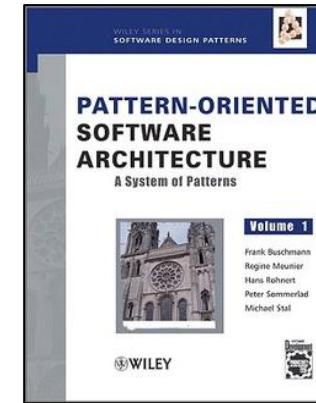
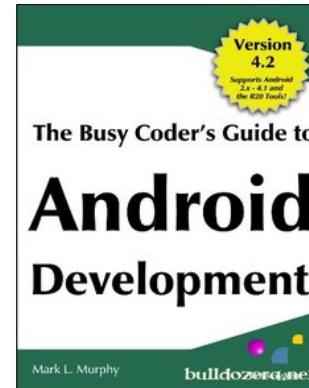
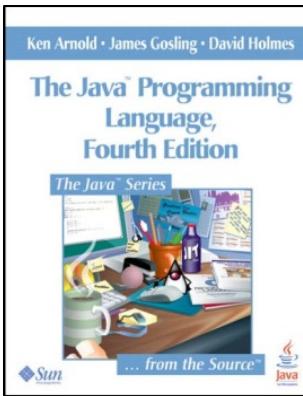
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## Digital Learning Offerings

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### [Pearson LiveLessons Courses](#)

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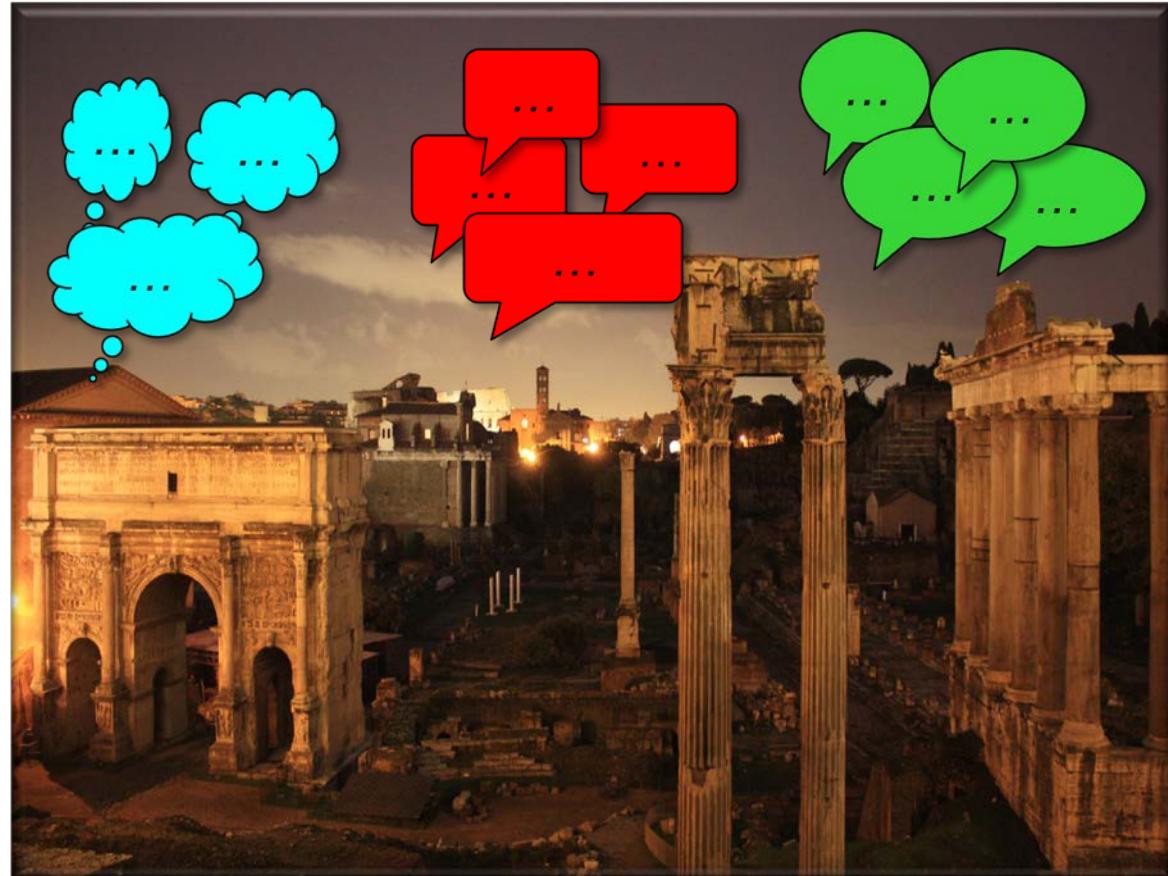


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Android-App-Development/wiki/FAQ](https://github.com/douglasraigschmidt/Android-App-Development/wiki/FAQ)