

Java Architecture

Agenda

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Key Founders

- Java was the brainchild of:
 - James Gosling
 - Patrick Naughton
 - Mike Sheridan
- The origin of Java can be traced back to the fall of 1991, and was initially called Greentalk later renamed to Oak.
- Oak was renamed as Java in 1995

Design Goal

Java was originally meant to be a platform-neutral language for embedded software in devices.

- The goal was to move away from platform and OS-specific compilers that would compile source for a particular target platform to a language that would be portable, and platform-independent.
- The language could be used to produce platform-neutral code.

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Java Architecture Compile-time step3 **Environment** step1 Class Java Class Java Loader Libraries Source (.java) **Bytecode** step4 Verifier step2 Java **Bytecodes** step5 Just in move locally Java Compiler Java Time or through Interpreter Java Compiler network Virtual machine **Runtime System** Java **Bytecode Operating System** (.class) Hardware

Sensitivity: Internal & Restricted

Java Architecture (Contd.).

Step1:

Create a java source code with .java extension

Step2:

Compile the source code using java compiler, which will create bytecode file with .class extension

Step3:

Class loader reads both the user defined and library classes into the memory for execution

Java Architecture (Contd.).

Step4:

Bytecode verifier validates all the bytecodes are valid and do not violate Java's security restrictions

Step5:

JVM reads bytecodes and translates into machine code for execution. While execution of the program the code will interact to the operating system and hardware

The 5 phases of Java Programs

Java programs can typically be developed in five stages:

1. Edit

Use an editor to type Java program (Welcome.java)

- 2. Compile
 - Use a compiler to translate Java program into an intermediate language called bytecodes, understood by Java interpreter (javac Welcome.java)

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- Use a compiler to create .class file, containing bytecodes (Welcome.class)
- 3. Loading

Use a class loader to read bytecodes from .class file into memory

The 5 phases of Java Programs (Contd.).

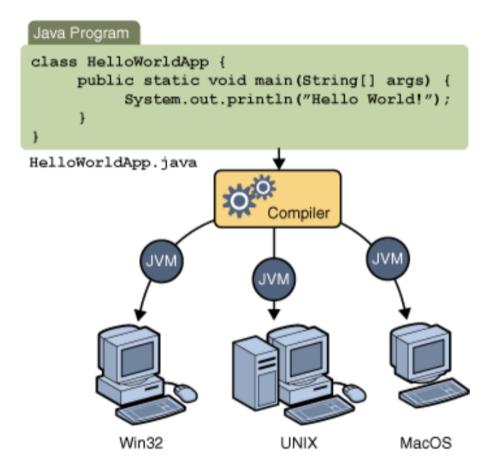
4. Verify

Use a Bytecode verifier to make sure bytecodes are valid and do not violate security restrictions

5. Execute

- Java Virtual Machine (JVM) uses a combination of interpretation and just-in-time compilation to translate bytecodes into machine language
- Applications are run on user's machine, i.e. executed by interpreter with java command (java Welcome)

Java Virtual Machine



- The output of the compiler is bytecode
- The bytecodes are executed by JVM
- It is an interpreter which converts the byte code to machine specific instructions and executes
- JVM is platform specific

The Java Architecture – The JVM (Contd.).

- Most modern languages are designed to be compiled
- Compilation is a one-time exercise and executes faster
- Execution of compiled code over the Internet an impossibility
- Executable code always generated to a CPU-OS combination
- Interpreting a Java program into byte code facilitates its execution in a wide variety of environments

The Java Architecture - The JVM (Contd.).

- Only the Java Virtual Machine (JVM) needs to be implemented for each platform
- Once the Java runtime package exists for a given system, any Java program can run on it
- The JVM will differ from platform to platform, and is, platform-specific
- All versions of JVM interprets the Java byte codes.

The Java Architecture – The JVM (Contd.).

- Interpreted code runs much slower compared to executable code
- The use of bytecode enables the Java runtime system to execute programs much faster
- Java facilitates on-the-fly compilation of bytecode into native code

The Java Architecture - The Adaptive optimizer

- Another type of execution engine is an adaptive optimizer
- The virtual machine starts by interpreting bytecodes
- It also keeps a tab on the code that is running and identifies only the heavily used areas
- The JVM compiles these heavily used areas of code into native code
- The rest of the code, which is not heavily used continues to be interpreted and executed

The Java Architecture - The Class Loader

- The class loader is that part of the VM that is important from:
 - A security standpoint
 - Network mobility

- The class loader loads a compiled Java source file (.class files represented as bytecode) into the Java Virtual Machine (JVM)
- The bootstrap class loader is responsible for loading the classes, programmer defined classes as well as Java's API classes

The Java Architecture - The Java .class file

- The Java class file is designed for
 - platform independence
 - network mobility
- The class file is compiled to a target JVM, but independent of underlying host platforms
- The Java class file is a binary file that has the capability to run on any platform

<u>Quiz</u>

1. Write the correct order of the Java program execution.

- A. Class Loader
- B. Interpretation
- C. Compilation
- D. Byte Code Verification
- E. Java Source Code
- F. Execution

2. Which of the following is used to load a .class file?

- A. Class Loader
- B. Byte Code Verifier
- C. JIT Compiler
- D. Interpreter

Quiz(Contd.).

- 3. When a java program is compiled, it creates a
- A. an obj file
- B. an exe file
- C. a .class file
- D. a .sh file
- 4. The JDK is a superset of the JRE, and contains everything that is in the JRE, plus tools such as the compilers and debuggers necessary for developing applets and applications.
- A. TRUE
- B. FALSE